



## Taylor series of arcus sine

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We give an example of obtaining the Taylor series of an elementary function by integrating the Taylor series of its derivative.

For  $-1 < x < 1$  we have the derivative of the principal of the <http://planetmath.org/Cyclom> sine function:

$$\frac{d \arcsin x}{dx} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1-x^2}} = (1-x^2)^{-\frac{1}{2}}.$$

Using the generalized binomial coefficients  $\binom{-\frac{1}{2}}{r}$  we thus can form the Taylor series for it as <http://planetmath.org/BinomialFormula> Newton's binomial series:

$$\begin{aligned} (1-x^2)^{-\frac{1}{2}} &= \sum_{r=0}^{\infty} \binom{-\frac{1}{2}}{r} (-x^2)^r = 1 + \binom{-\frac{1}{2}}{1} (-x^2) + \binom{-\frac{1}{2}}{2} (-x^2)^2 + \binom{-\frac{1}{2}}{3} (-x^2)^3 + \dots = \\ &= 1 - \frac{\frac{1}{2}}{1!} x^2 + \frac{-\frac{1}{2}(-\frac{1}{2}-1)}{2!} x^4 - \frac{-\frac{1}{2}(-\frac{1}{2}-1)(-\frac{1}{2}-2)}{3!} x^6 + \dots = \\ &= 1 + \frac{1}{2} x^2 + \frac{1 \cdot 3}{2 \cdot 4} x^4 + \frac{1 \cdot 3 \cdot 5}{2 \cdot 4 \cdot 6} x^6 + \dots \quad \text{for } -1 < x < 1 \end{aligned}$$

Because  $\arcsin 0 = 0$  for the principal <http://planetmath.org/GeneralPowerbranch> of the function, we get, by <http://planetmath.org/SumFunctionOfSeries> integrating the series termwise, the

$$\arcsin x = \int_0^x \frac{dx}{\sqrt{1-x^2}} = x + \frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{x^3}{3} + \frac{1 \cdot 3}{2 \cdot 4} \cdot \frac{x^5}{5} + \frac{1 \cdot 3 \cdot 5}{2 \cdot 4 \cdot 6} \cdot \frac{x^7}{7} + \dots,$$

the validity of which is true for  $|x| < 1$ . It can be proved, in addition, that it is true also when  $x = \pm 1$ .