

Taylor's and McLaurin's Series

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→ infinite series about a point a , that progresses in powers of $(x-a)$

special case of Taylor's infinite series that progresses in powers of x

Taylor's series for $y = f(x)$ about $x = a$

$$f(x) = f(a) + \frac{(x-a)}{1!} f'(a) + \frac{(x-a)^2}{2!} f''(a) + \dots$$

McLaurin's series

Put $x = a = 0$.

$$f(x) = f(0) + \frac{x}{1!} f'(0) + \frac{x^2}{2!} f''(0) + \frac{x^3}{3!} f'''(0) + \dots$$

EXAMPLE:

Find McLaurin's series expansion for $f(x) = e^x$

Soln:

$f(x) = e^x$	$f(0) = 1$
$f'(x) = e^x$	$f'(0) = 1$
$f''(x) = e^x$	$f''(0) = 1$

Thus we have

$$e^x = 1 + \frac{x}{1!} (1) + \frac{x^2}{2!} (1) + \dots$$

Find McLaurin's series expansion for $f(x) = \tan^{-1}(x)$

Soln:

$f(x) = \tan^{-1}(x)$	$f(0) = 0$
$f'(x) = \frac{1}{1+x^2}$	$f'(0) = 1$
$f''(x) = \frac{-2x}{(1+x^2)^2}$	$f''(0) = 0$

Taylor Series Expansion of $f(x,y)$ about the point (a,b)

- Expansion in terms of $(x-a)$, $(y-b)$

$$\begin{aligned}
 F(x,y) = & F(a,b) + \frac{1}{1!} \left[(x-a) [F_x(a,b)] + (y-b) [F_y(a,b)] \right] \\
 & + \frac{1}{2!} \left[(x-a)^2 [F_{xx}(a,b)] + 2(x-a)(y-b) [F_{xy}(a,b)] + (y-b)^2 [F_{yy}(a,b)] \right] \\
 & + \frac{1}{3!} \left[(x-a)^3 [F_{xxx}(a,b)] + 3(x-a)^2(y-b) [F_{xxy}(a,b)] + 3(x-a)(y-b)^2 [F_{xyy}(a,b)] + \right. \\
 & \left. (y-b)^3 [F_{yyy}(a,b)] \right] \\
 & + \dots
 \end{aligned}$$

Maclaurin's series of $F(x,y)$

Put $(a,b) = 0$

$$\begin{aligned}
 F(0,0) = & F(0,0) + \frac{1}{1!} \left[x [F_x(0,0)] + y [F_y(0,0)] \right] \\
 & + \frac{1}{2!} \left[x^2 [F_{xx}(0,0)] + 2xy [F_{xy}(0,0)] + y^2 [F_{yy}(0,0)] \right] \\
 & + \frac{1}{3!} \left[x^3 [F_{xxx}(0,0)] + 3x^2y [F_{xxy}(0,0)] + 3xy^2 [F_{xyy}(0,0)] + y^3 [F_{yyy}(0,0)] \right] \\
 & + \dots
 \end{aligned}$$

PROBLEMS

① Expand:

$F(x,y) = \sin x \sin y$ in Taylor's series about $(\frac{\pi}{4}, \frac{\pi}{4})$ upto second term

Soln: $F_x = \sin y \cos x$

$F_y = \sin x \cos y$

$F_{xx} = -\sin y \sin x$

$F_{yy} = -\sin x \sin y$

$F_{xy} = \cos y \cos x$

$F(x,y) = \sin x \sin y$

$$\begin{array}{c}
 \frac{1}{2} \\
 \frac{1}{2} \\
 -\frac{1}{2} \\
 -\frac{1}{2} \\
 \frac{1}{2} \\
 \frac{1}{2}
 \end{array}$$

$$\sin x \sin y = \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{1!} \left[\left(x - \frac{\pi}{4} \right) \left(\frac{1}{2} \right) + \left(y - \frac{\pi}{4} \right) \left(\frac{1}{2} \right) \right] + \frac{1}{2} \left[\left(x - \frac{\pi}{4} \right)^2 \left(\frac{-1}{2} \right) + \left(y - \frac{\pi}{4} \right)^2 \left(\frac{-1}{2} \right) + 2 \left(x - \frac{\pi}{4} \right) \left(y - \frac{\pi}{4} \right) \left(\frac{1}{2} \right) \right]$$

② Expand $F(x, y) = \sin(x+2y)$ in Taylor's series upto 3rd degree term, about the point $(0, 0)$

Soln:

Function

At the point

$$F(x, y) = \sin(x+2y)$$

$$0$$

$$F_x = \cos(x+2y)(1)$$

$$1$$

$$F_y = \cos(x+2y)(2)$$

$$2$$

$$F_{xx} = -\sin(x+2y)(1)$$

$$0$$

$$F_{xy} = -\sin(x+2y)(2)$$

$$0$$

$$F_{yy} = -2(\sin(x+2y))(2)$$

$$0$$

$$F_{xxx} = -(\cos(x+2y))$$

$$-1$$

$$F_{xxy} = -[\cos(x+2y)(2)]$$

$$-2$$

$$F_{xyy} = -4[\cos(x+2y)]$$

$$-4$$

$$F_{yyy} = -4(\cos(x+2y))(2)$$

$$-8$$

$$\sin(x+2y) = 0 + \frac{1}{1!} [x+2y] + \frac{1}{3!} [-x^3 - 2x^2y - 4xy^2 - 8y^3]$$

③ Expand y^x about point $(1, 1)$, hence find value of $(1.1)^{1.1}$

④ Expand $e^x \cdot \log(1+y)$ about $(0, 0)$