

## Math 215 Homework 5

### Problem 2 a

Explain why the series

$1.6 - 0.8(x-1) + 0.4(x-1)^2 - 0.1(x-1)^3 + \dots$   
is *not* the Taylor series of  $f$  centered at 1

When  $x = 0$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} &1.6 - 0.8(0-1) + 0.4(0-1)^2 - 0.1(0-1)^3 + \dots \\ &1.6 + 0.8 + 0.4 + 0.1^3 + \dots \\ &\approx 2.9 \end{aligned}$$

However, according to the graph,  $f(0) \approx 0.5$

### Problem 2 b

Explain why the series

$2.8 + 0.5(x-2) + 1.5(x-2)^2 - 0.1(x-2)^3 + \dots$   
is *not* the Taylor series of  $f$  centered at 2

When  $x = 0$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} &2.8 + 0.5(0-2) + 1.5(0-2)^2 - 0.1(0-2)^3 + \dots \\ &2.8 - 1 + 6 + 0.8 + \dots \\ &\approx 8.6 \end{aligned}$$

However, according to the graph,  $f(0) \approx 0.5$

## Problem 11

Find the Taylor series for  $f(x)$  centered at the given value of  $a$ .

$$f(x) = x^4 - 3x^2 + 1, a = 1$$

$$\begin{aligned}f(x) &= x^4 - 3x^2 + 1 \\f(a) &= (1)^4 - 3(1)^2 + 1 = -1 \\f'(x) &= 4x^3 - 6x \\f'(a) &= 4(1)^3 - 6(1) = -2 \\f''(x) &= 12x^2 - 6 \\f''(a) &= 12(1)^2 - 6 = 6 \\f'''(x) &= 24x \\f'''(a) &= 24(1) = 24\end{aligned}$$

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

$$f(x) = -1 + -2(x-1) + \frac{6(x-1)^2}{2} + \frac{24(x-1)^3}{6} + \dots$$

$$f(x) = -1 - 2(x-1) + 3(x-1)^2 + 4(x-1)^3 + \dots$$

## Problem 12

Find the Taylor series for  $f(x)$  centered at the given value of  $a$ .

$$f(x) = x - x^3, a = -2$$

$$\begin{aligned}f(x) &= x - x^3 \\f(a) &= (-2) - (-2)^3 = 6 \\f'(x) &= 1 - 3x^2 \\f'(a) &= 1 - 3(-2)^2 = -11 \\f''(x) &= -6x \\f''(a) &= -6(-2) = 12 \\f'''(x) &= -6 \\f'''(a) &= -6\end{aligned}$$

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

$$f(x) = 6 + -11(x+2) + \frac{12(x+2)^2}{2} + \frac{-6(x+2)^3}{6} + \dots$$

$$f(x) = 6 - 11(x+2) + 6(x+2)^2 - (x+2)^3 + \dots$$

### Problem 13

Find the Taylor series for  $f(x)$  centered at the given value of  $a$ .

$$f(x) = \ln(x), a = 2$$

$$f(x) = \ln(x)$$

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$$f'(x) = \frac{1}{x}$$

$$f'(a) = \frac{1}{2}$$

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

$$f''(a) = -\frac{1}{2^2} = -\frac{1}{4}$$

$$f'''(x) = \frac{2}{x^3}$$

$$f'''(a) = \frac{2}{2^3} = \frac{1}{4}$$

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

$$f(x) = \ln(2) + \frac{1}{2}(x-2) + \frac{-\frac{1}{4}(x-2)^2}{2} + \frac{\frac{1}{4}(x-2)^3}{6} + \dots$$

$$f(x) = \ln(2) + \frac{(x-2)}{2} - \frac{(x-2)^2}{8} + \frac{(x-2)^3}{24} + \dots$$

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Taylor series centered at a:

$$f(x) \approx \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{f^{(n)}(a)}{n!} (x-a)^n$$

### 8.7 Problem 14

$f(x) = \frac{1}{x}$	$f'(x) = \frac{-1}{x^2}$	$f''(x) = \frac{2}{x^3}$	$f'''(x) = \frac{-6}{x^4}$	$\dots$
$f(-3) = \frac{-1}{3}$	$f'(-3) = \frac{-1}{9}$	$f''(-3) = \frac{-2}{27}$	$f'''(-3) = \frac{-2}{27}$	$\dots$

$$f(-3) = \frac{-1}{3} + \frac{-1}{9} \frac{1}{1!} (x+3) + \frac{-2}{27} \frac{1}{2!} (x+3)^2 + \frac{-2}{27} \frac{1}{3!} (x+3)^3 + \dots$$

$$= \frac{-1}{3} \left( 1 + \frac{1}{3} (x+3) + \frac{1}{9} (x+3)^2 + \frac{1}{27} (x+3)^3 + \dots \right)$$

$$= \frac{-1}{3} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(x+3)^n}{3^n}$$

## 8.7 Problem 15

$f(x) = e^{2x}$	$f'(x) = 2e^{2x}$	$f''(x) = 4e^{2x}$	$f'''(x) = 8e^{2x}$	$\dots$
$f(3) = e^6$	$f'(3) = 2e^6$	$f''(3) = 4e^6$	$f'''(3) = 8e^6$	$\dots$

$$f(3) = e^6 + 2e^6(x-a) + \frac{4e^6}{2!}(x-a)^2 + \frac{8e^6}{3!}(x-a)^3 + \dots$$

$$= e^6 \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{2^n}{n!} (x-3)^n$$

## 8.7 Problem 16

$f(x) = \sin(x)$	$f'(x) = \cos(x)$	$f''(x) = -\sin(x)$	$f'''(x) = -\cos(x)$	$f^{(4)}(x) = \sin(x)$	$\dots$
$f(\frac{\pi}{2}) = \sin(\frac{\pi}{2}) = 1$	$f'(\frac{\pi}{2}) = \cos(\frac{\pi}{2}) = 0$	$f''(\frac{\pi}{2}) = -\sin(\frac{\pi}{2}) = -1$	$f'''(\frac{\pi}{2}) = -\cos(\frac{\pi}{2}) = 0$	$f^{(4)}(\frac{\pi}{2}) = \sin(\frac{\pi}{2}) = 1$	$\dots$

$$f(\frac{\pi}{2}) = \sin(\frac{\pi}{2}) + \cos(\frac{\pi}{2})(x-a) + \frac{-\sin(\frac{\pi}{2})}{2!}(x-a)^2 + \frac{-\cos(\frac{\pi}{2})}{3!}(x-a)^3 + \frac{\sin(\frac{\pi}{2})}{4!}(x-\frac{\pi}{2})^4 + \dots$$

$$= 1 + 0 - \frac{(x-\frac{\pi}{2})^2}{2!} + 0 + \frac{(x-\frac{\pi}{2})^4}{4!} + \dots$$

$$= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n}{(2n)!} \left(x - \frac{\pi}{2}\right)^{2n}$$

## 1 Math 215 Homework 5 Question 3

Evaluate as an infinite series

$$\int \frac{e^x}{x} dx \quad (1)$$

using a Taylor Expansion on  $e^x$ :

$$\int \frac{1}{x} \left( 1 + \frac{x}{1!} + \frac{x^2}{2!} + \frac{x^3}{3!} + \frac{x^4}{4!} \dots \right) dx \quad (2)$$

$$= \int \left( \frac{1}{x} + 1 + \frac{x}{2!} + \frac{x^2}{3!} + \frac{x^3}{4!} \dots \right) dx \quad (3)$$

$$= \int \frac{1}{x} dx + \int dx + \int \frac{x}{2!} dx + \int \frac{x^2}{3!} dx + \int \frac{x^3}{4!} dx \dots \quad (4)$$

$$= C + \ln|x| + \frac{x^2}{2 \cdot 2!} + \frac{x^3}{3 \cdot 3!} + \frac{x^4}{4 \cdot 4!} \dots \quad (5)$$

$$= C + \ln|x| + \sum \frac{x^n}{n!} \quad (6)$$

Q.E.D