

Theoretical Computer Science Cheat Sheet

Series

Taylor's series:

$$f(x) = f(a) + (x-a)f'(a) + \frac{(x-a)^2}{2}f''(a) + \dots = \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} \frac{(x-a)^i}{i!} f^{(i)}(a).$$

Expansions:

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{1-x} &= 1 + x + x^2 + x^3 + x^4 + \dots = \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} x^i, \\ \frac{1}{1-cx} &= 1 + cx + c^2x^2 + c^3x^3 + \dots = \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} c^i x^i, \\ \frac{1}{1-x^n} &= 1 + x^n + x^{2n} + x^{3n} + \dots = \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} x^{ni}, \\ \frac{x}{(1-x)^2} &= x + 2x^2 + 3x^3 + 4x^4 + \dots = \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} ix^i, \\ x^k \frac{d^n}{dx^n} \left(\frac{1}{1-x} \right) &= x + 2^n x^2 + 3^n x^3 + 4^n x^4 + \dots = \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} i^n x^i, \\ e^x &= 1 + x + \frac{1}{2}x^2 + \frac{1}{6}x^3 + \dots = \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} \frac{x^i}{i!}, \\ \ln(1+x) &= x - \frac{1}{2}x^2 + \frac{1}{3}x^3 - \frac{1}{4}x^4 + \dots = \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} (-1)^{i+1} \frac{x^i}{i}, \\ \ln \frac{1}{1-x} &= x + \frac{1}{2}x^2 + \frac{1}{3}x^3 + \frac{1}{4}x^4 + \dots = \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \frac{x^i}{i}, \\ \sin x &= x - \frac{1}{3!}x^3 + \frac{1}{5!}x^5 - \frac{1}{7!}x^7 + \dots = \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} (-1)^i \frac{x^{2i+1}}{(2i+1)!}, \\ \cos x &= 1 - \frac{1}{2!}x^2 + \frac{1}{4!}x^4 - \frac{1}{6!}x^6 + \dots = \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} (-1)^i \frac{x^{2i}}{(2i)!}, \\ \tan^{-1} x &= x - \frac{1}{3}x^3 + \frac{1}{5}x^5 - \frac{1}{7}x^7 + \dots = \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} (-1)^i \frac{x^{2i+1}}{(2i+1)}, \\ (1+x)^n &= 1 + nx + \frac{n(n-1)}{2}x^2 + \dots = \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} \binom{n}{i} x^i, \\ \frac{1}{(1-x)^{n+1}} &= 1 + (n+1)x + \binom{n+2}{2}x^2 + \dots = \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} \binom{i+n}{i} x^i, \\ \frac{x}{e^x - 1} &= 1 - \frac{1}{2}x + \frac{1}{12}x^2 - \frac{1}{720}x^4 + \dots = \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} \frac{B_i x^i}{i!}, \\ \frac{1}{2x}(1 - \sqrt{1-4x}) &= 1 + x + 2x^2 + 5x^3 + \dots = \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{i+1} \binom{2i}{i} x^i, \\ \frac{1}{\sqrt{1-4x}} &= 1 + x + 2x^2 + 6x^3 + \dots = \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} \binom{2i}{i} x^i, \\ \frac{1}{\sqrt{1-4x}} \left(\frac{1 - \sqrt{1-4x}}{2x} \right)^n &= 1 + (2+n)x + \binom{4+n}{2}x^2 + \dots = \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} \binom{2i+n}{i} x^i, \\ \frac{1}{1-x} \ln \frac{1}{1-x} &= x + \frac{3}{2}x^2 + \frac{11}{6}x^3 + \frac{25}{12}x^4 + \dots = \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} H_i x^i, \\ \frac{1}{2} \left(\ln \frac{1}{1-x} \right)^2 &= \frac{1}{2}x^2 + \frac{3}{4}x^3 + \frac{11}{24}x^4 + \dots = \sum_{i=2}^{\infty} \frac{H_{i-1} x^i}{i}, \\ \frac{x}{1-x-x^2} &= x + x^2 + 2x^3 + 3x^4 + \dots = \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} F_i x^i, \\ \frac{F_n x}{1 - (F_{n-1} + F_{n+1})x - (-1)^n x^2} &= F_n x + F_{2n} x^2 + F_{3n} x^3 + \dots = \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} F_{ni} x^i. \end{aligned}$$

Ordinary power series:

$$A(x) = \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} a_i x^i.$$

Exponential power series:

$$A(x) = \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} a_i \frac{x^i}{i!}.$$

Dirichlet power series:

$$A(x) = \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \frac{a_i}{i^x}.$$

Binomial theorem:

$$(x+y)^n = \sum_{k=0}^n \binom{n}{k} x^{n-k} y^k.$$

Difference of like powers:

$$x^n - y^n = (x-y) \sum_{k=0}^{n-1} x^{n-1-k} y^k.$$

For ordinary power series:

$$\alpha A(x) + \beta B(x) = \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} (\alpha a_i + \beta b_i) x^i,$$

$$x^k A(x) = \sum_{i=k}^{\infty} a_{i-k} x^i,$$

$$\frac{A(x) - \sum_{i=0}^{k-1} a_i x^i}{x^k} = \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} a_{i+k} x^i,$$

$$A(cx) = \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} c^i a_i x^i,$$

$$A'(x) = \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} (i+1) a_{i+1} x^i,$$

$$x A'(x) = \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} i a_i x^i,$$

$$\int A(x) dx = \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \frac{a_{i-1}}{i} x^i,$$

$$\frac{A(x) + A(-x)}{2} = \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} a_{2i} x^{2i},$$

$$\frac{A(x) - A(-x)}{2} = \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} a_{2i+1} x^{2i+1}.$$

Summation: If $b_i = \sum_{j=0}^i a_j$ then

$$B(x) = \frac{1}{1-x} A(x).$$

Convolution:

$$A(x)B(x) = \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} \left(\sum_{j=0}^i a_j b_{i-j} \right) x^i.$$

God made the natural numbers;
all the rest is the work of man.
– Leopold Kronecker