

## Taylor's theorem for Single variable

Let  $f(x)$  be a function of  $x$ . If the function  $f(x+h)$  can be expanded in Convergent Series of positive integral powers of  $h$ , then the expansion is given by

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

Proof :- Let  $f(x+h) = A_0 + A_1 h + A_2 h^2 + A_3 h^3 + \dots + A_n h^n + \dots$  — (1)

where  $A_0, A_1, A_2, \dots$  are Constants to be determined.

Differentiating eqn. (1) Successively w.r.t.  $h$ , we get

$$f'(x+h) = A_1 + 2A_2 h + 3A_3 h^2 + \dots + nA_n h^{n-1} + \dots$$

$$f''(x+h) = 2A_2 + 3 \times 2 A_3 h + \dots + n(n-1) A_n h^{n-2} + \dots$$

$$f'''(x+h) = 3 \times 2 A_3 + \dots + n(n-1)(n-2) A_n h^{n-3} + \dots$$

Putting  $h=0$  in each of the above eqns, we get

$$A_0 = f(x), A_1 = f'(x), A_2 = \frac{f''(x)}{2!}, \dots, A_n = \frac{f^n(x)}{n!}$$

Substituting these values in eqn (1), we have

$$f(x+h) = f(x) + hf'(x) + \frac{h^2}{2!} f''(x) + \frac{h^3}{3!} f'''(x) + \dots + \frac{h^n}{n!} f^n(x) + \dots$$

which proves the theorem. — (2)

Deductions :- (1) Interchanging  $h$  and  $x$  in equation (2) we get expansion in powers of  $x$  as

$$f(x+h) = f(h) + xf'(h) + \frac{x^2}{2!} f''(h) + \frac{x^3}{3!} f'''(h) + \dots + \frac{x^n}{n!} f^n(h) + \dots$$

(2) If we replace  $x$  by  $a$  in eqn. (2), we get

$$f(a+h) = f(a) + hf'(a) + \frac{h^2}{2!} f''(a) + \frac{h^3}{3!} f'''(a) + \dots + \frac{h^n}{n!} f^n(a) + \dots$$

Called Taylor's Series, Converges to  $f(a+h)$  — (3)

(3) If we put  $a+h = x$  in above eqn. we have

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

which is expansion of  $f(x)$  in powers of  $(x-a)$ .



(4) If we put  $a=0$ ,  $h=x$  in eqn (3), we get Maclaurin's Series. Hence

$$f(x) = f(0) + x f'(0) + \frac{x^2}{2} f''(0) + \frac{x^3}{6} f'''(0) + \dots + \frac{x^n}{n!} f^{(n)}(0) + \dots$$

Examples:- Q. (1). If  $f(x) = x^3 + 8x^2 + 15x - 24$ . Calculate the value of  $f(\frac{11}{10})$  by using Taylor's Series.

Soln :- we have  $f(x) = x^3 + 8x^2 + 15x - 24$

By Taylor's Series, we have

$$f(x+h) = f(x) + h f'(x) + \frac{h^2}{2} f''(x) + \frac{h^3}{6} f'''(x) + \dots$$

We take  $x=1$  and  $h = \frac{1}{10} = 0.1$ . Also

$$f'(x) = 3x^2 + 16x + 15 \Rightarrow f'(1) = 3 + 16 + 15 = 34$$

$$f''(x) = 6x + 16 \Rightarrow f''(1) = 6 + 16 = 22$$

$$f'''(x) = 6 \text{ and } f^{(4)}(x) = 0$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Therefore, } f\left(\frac{11}{10}\right) &= f\left(1 + \frac{1}{10}\right) = f(1) + 0.1 f'(1) + \frac{0.01}{2} f''(1) + \frac{0.001}{6} f'''(1) \\ &= 0 + 3.4 + 0.11 + 0.001 = 3.511 \quad \text{Ans} \end{aligned}$$

Q. (2). Expand  $\log \sin x$  in powers of  $(x-3)$ .

Soln :- Let  $f(x) = \log \sin x$

then  $f(x) = f(3 + (x-3)) = f(3+h)$ , where  $h = x-3$

By Taylor's series expansion, we have

$$f(3+h) = f(3) + h f'(3) + \frac{h^2}{2} f''(3) + \frac{h^3}{6} f'''(3) + \dots$$

Since  $f(x) = \log \sin x$ , we have

$$f'(x) = \frac{\cos x}{\sin x} = \cot x; \quad f''(x) = -\operatorname{cosec}^2 x$$

$$f'''(x) = -2 \operatorname{cosec} x (-\operatorname{cosec} x \cot x) = 2 \operatorname{cosec}^2 x \cot x$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Hence } \log \sin x = f(3+h) &= \log \sin 3 + (x-3) \cot 3 - \frac{(x-3)^2}{2} \operatorname{cosec}^2 3 \\ &\quad + \frac{(x-3)^3}{6} \operatorname{cosec}^2 3 \cot 3 + \dots \end{aligned}$$



Q. (3). Prove that  $\log(x+h) = \log h + \frac{x}{h} - \frac{x^2}{2h^2} + \frac{x^3}{3h^3} - \dots$

Soln :- Here we have to expand  $\log(x+h)$  in powers of  $x$ . using Taylor's theorem:

$$f(x+h) = f(h) + x f'(h) + \frac{x^2}{2} f''(h) + \frac{x^3}{6} f'''(h) + \dots \quad \text{--- (1)}$$

Let  $f(x+h) = \log(x+h)$

we have  $f(x) = \log x \Rightarrow f(h) = \log h$

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

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

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

Putting these values of  $f(h), f'(h), f''(h)$  etc in eqn. (1)

we get  $\log(x+h) = \log h + x\left(\frac{1}{h}\right) + \frac{x^2}{2}\left(-\frac{1}{h^2}\right) + \frac{x^3}{6}\left(\frac{2}{h^3}\right) + \dots$   
 $= \log h + \frac{x}{h} - \frac{x^2}{2h^2} + \frac{x^3}{3h^3} - \dots$  Proved

Q. (4) Expand : (i)  $e^x$  in power of  $(x-1)$  upto four terms  
 (ii)  $\tan^{-1} x$  in power of  $(x - \frac{\pi}{4})$

Soln : (i) Let  $f(x) = e^x$ . Expanding it in Taylor's series

we have  $e^x = f(x) = f[1+(x-1)] = f(1) + (x-1)f'(1)$

$$+ \frac{(x-1)^2}{2} f''(1) + \frac{(x-1)^3}{6} f'''(1) + \dots \quad \text{--- (1)}$$

Here  $f(x) = e^x \Rightarrow f(1) = e$

$$f'(x) = e^x \Rightarrow f'(1) = e$$

$$f''(x) = e^x \Rightarrow f''(1) = e \text{ and } f'''(x) = e^x \Rightarrow f'''(1) = e \text{ soon.}$$

Putting these values in eqn (1).

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

$$= e \left[ 1 + (x-1) + \frac{(x-1)^2}{2} + \frac{(x-1)^3}{6} + \dots \right]$$

(ii) Let  $f(x) = \tan^{-1} x$ . Expanding by Taylor's series,

we have  $\tan^{-1} x = f(x) = f\left[\frac{\pi}{4} + (x - \frac{\pi}{4})\right]$

$$= f\left(\frac{\pi}{4}\right) + (x - \frac{\pi}{4})f'\left(\frac{\pi}{4}\right) + \frac{(x - \frac{\pi}{4})^2}{2} f''\left(\frac{\pi}{4}\right) + \dots \quad \text{--- (1)}$$

Now  $f(x) = \tan^{-1} x \Rightarrow f\left(\frac{\pi}{4}\right) = \tan^{-1} \frac{\pi}{4}$

$$f'(x) = \frac{1}{1+x^2} \Rightarrow f'\left(\frac{\pi}{4}\right) = \frac{1}{1+\frac{\pi^2}{16}}$$



$$f''(x) = \frac{-2x}{(1+x^2)^2} \Rightarrow f''\left(\frac{\pi}{4}\right) = \frac{-\pi}{2\left(1+\frac{\pi^2}{16}\right)^2} \text{ and so on.}$$

Substituting these values in eqn (1), we get

$$\tan^{-1} x = \tan^{-1} \frac{\pi}{4} + (x - \frac{\pi}{4}) \cdot \frac{1}{1+\frac{\pi^2}{16}} - \frac{\pi(x - \frac{\pi}{4})^2}{4\left(1+\frac{\pi^2}{16}\right)^2} + \dots$$

Maclaurin's Series in Single variable:-

If the function  $f(x)$  can be expanded in a Convergent Series of positive integral power of  $x$ , then

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

is called Maclaurin's infinite series.

Proof :- Let  $f(x) = A_0 + A_1 x + A_2 x^2 + A_3 x^3 + \dots + A_n x^n + \dots$  (1)

where  $A_0, A_1, A_2, \dots$  are constants (independent of  $x$ ) to be determined. Differentiating eqn (1) w.r.t  $x$  successively

we get  $f'(x) = A_1 + 2A_2 x + 3A_3 x^2 + \dots + n A_n x^{n-1} + \dots$

$$f''(x) = 2 \times 1 A_2 + 3 \times 2 A_3 x + \dots + n(n-1) A_n x^{n-2} + \dots$$

$$f'''(x) = 3 \times 2 A_3 + 4 \times 3 \times 2 A_4 x + \dots + n(n-1)(n-2) A_n x^{n-3} + \dots$$

Putting  $x=0$  in each of these equations,

we get  $A_0 = f(0), A_1 = f'(0), A_2 = \frac{f''(0)}{2!}, A_3 = \frac{f'''(0)}{3!} \dots$

Substituting these values in eqn (1)

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

Example :- Q. (1) Expand  $\log(1+e^x)$  by Maclaurin's theorem up to term of  $x^4$ .

Soln :- Let  $f(x) = \log(1+e^x)$ . Then  $f(0) = \log 2$ .

Differentiating w.r.t.  $x$ , we get

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

$$f''(x) = \frac{(1+e^x)e^x - e^x(e^x)}{(1+e^x)^2} = \frac{e^x}{(1+e^x)^2} \Rightarrow f''(0) = \frac{1}{4}$$

$$f'''(x) = \frac{(1+e^x)^2 e^x - 2(1+e^x)e^x e^x}{(1+e^x)^4} = \frac{e^x - e^{2x}}{(1+e^x)^3} \Rightarrow f'''(0) = 0$$

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



$$\text{or, } f^{IV}(x) = \frac{(1+e^x)(e^x-2e^{2x})-3e^x(e^x-e^{2x})}{(1+e^x)^4} \Rightarrow f^{IV}(0) = -\frac{1}{8}$$

Putting the values of  $f(0)$ ,  $f'(0)$ ,  $f''(0)$ ,  $f'''(0)$  in the Maclaurin's Series:

$$f(x) = f(0) + x f'(0) + \frac{x^2}{2} f''(0) + \frac{x^3}{6} f'''(0) + \frac{x^4}{24} f^{IV}(0) + \dots$$

$$\text{we get } f(x) = \log 2 + \frac{x}{2} + \frac{x^2}{2} \left(-\frac{1}{4}\right) + \frac{x^3}{6} (0) + \frac{x^4}{24} \left(-\frac{1}{8}\right) + \dots$$

$$\log(1+e^x) = \log 2 + \frac{x}{2} + \frac{x^2}{8} - \frac{x^4}{192} + \dots$$

Q. (2) Expand the following function in power series

(i)  $\tan x$  (ii)  $\log(1+x)$

$$\text{Soln :- let } f(x) = \tan x \Rightarrow f(0) = 0$$

$$f'(x) = \sec^2 x = 1 + \tan^2 x \Rightarrow f'(0) = 1 + 0 = 1$$

$$f''(x) = 2 \tan x \cdot \sec^2 x = 2 \tan x (1 + \tan^2 x) \Rightarrow f''(0) = 0$$

$$f'''(x) = 2 \sec^2 x + 6 \tan^2 x \sec^2 x$$

$$= 2(1 + \tan^2 x) + 6 \tan^2 x (1 + \tan^2 x) = 2 + 8 \tan^2 x + 6 \tan^4 x$$

$$\Rightarrow f'''(0) = 2 + 0 + 0 = 2$$

$$f^{IV}(x) = 16 \tan x \sec^2 x + 24 \tan^3 x \sec^2 x$$

$$= 16 \tan x + 40 \tan^3 x + 24 \tan^5 x$$

$$\Rightarrow f^{IV}(0) = 0 + 0 + 0 = 0$$

$$f^V(x) = 16 \sec^2 x + 120 \tan^2 x \cdot \sec^2 x + 120 \tan^4 x \cdot \sec^2 x$$

$$\Rightarrow f^V(0) = 16(1) + 0 + 0 = 16$$

Putting values of  $f(0)$ ,  $f'(0)$ ,  $f''(0)$  etc in Maclaurin's Series:

$$f(x) = f(0) + x f'(0) + \frac{x^2}{2} f''(0) + \frac{x^3}{6} f'''(0) + \frac{x^4}{24} f^{IV}(0) + \frac{x^5}{120} f^V(0) + \dots$$

$$\text{we have } \tan x = 0 + x + 0 + \frac{x^3}{6} (2) + 0 + \frac{x^5}{120} (16) + \dots$$

$$\text{or } \tan x = x + \frac{x^3}{3} + \frac{2}{15} x^5 + \dots \quad \text{Ans.}$$

$$(ii) \text{ Let } f(x) = \log(1+x) \Rightarrow f(0) = \log 1 = 0$$

$$f'(x) = \frac{1}{1+x} \Rightarrow f'(0) = 1$$

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

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

$$f^{IV}(x) = \frac{-6}{(1+x)^4} \Rightarrow f^{IV}(0) = -6 \text{ and so on.}$$



By Maclaurin's theorem, we have

$$f(x) = f(0) + x f'(0) + \frac{x^2}{2!} f''(0) + \frac{x^3}{3!} f'''(0) + \frac{x^4}{4!} f^{(4)}(0) + \dots$$

$$\therefore \log(1+x) = 0 + x(1) + \frac{x^2}{2!}(-1) + \frac{x^3}{3!}(2) + \frac{x^4}{4!}(-6) + \dots$$

$$= x - \frac{x^2}{2} + \frac{x^3}{3} - \frac{x^4}{4} + \dots \quad \text{Ans}$$

Taylor's Series for a function of two variables :-

If  $f(x, y)$  and its partial derivatives are finite and continuous for all points  $(x, y)$  and  $h$  and  $k$  are small increments in  $x$  and  $y$ , then

$$f(x+h, y+k) = f(x, y) + \left(h \frac{\partial}{\partial x} + k \frac{\partial}{\partial y}\right) f(x, y) + \frac{1}{2!} \left(h \frac{\partial}{\partial x} + k \frac{\partial}{\partial y}\right)^2 f(x, y) + \dots$$

Deductions :- (1) put  $x=a, y=b$  in above eqn. we get

$$f(a+h, b+k) = f(a, b) + [h f_x(a, b) + k f_y(a, b)] + \frac{1}{2!} [h^2 f_{xx}(a, b) + 2hk f_{xy}(a, b) + k^2 f_{yy}(a, b)] + \dots \quad (1)$$

(2) If we put  $a+h=x, b+k=y$  in eqn (1) we get

$$f(x, y) = f(a, b) + [(x-a) f_x(a, b) + (y-b) f_y(a, b)] + \frac{1}{2!} [(x-a)^2 f_{xx}(a, b) + 2(x-a)(y-b) f_{xy}(a, b) + (y-b)^2 f_{yy}(a, b)] + \dots \quad (2)$$

Maclaurin's Series for a function of two variables :-

This is special case of Taylor's Series. Put  $a=0, b=0$  in eqn (2) above, we get

$$f(x, y) = f(0, 0) + [x f_x(0, 0) + y f_y(0, 0)] + \frac{1}{2!} [x^2 f_{xx}(0, 0) + 2xy f_{xy}(0, 0) + y^2 f_{yy}(0, 0)] + \dots$$

where  $f_x = \frac{\partial f}{\partial x}, f_y = \frac{\partial f}{\partial y}, f_{xx} = \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x^2}, f_{yy} = \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial y^2}$   
and  $f_{xy} = \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x \partial y}$ .



Q. (1) Expand  $f(x, y) = e^{xy}$  in Taylor Series at  $(1, 1)$  up to Second degree terms.

Soln :- Let  $f(x, y) = e^{xy}$ . By Taylor Series expansion

$$f(x, y) = f(a, b) + [(x-a)f_x(a, b) + (y-b)f_y(a, b)] + \frac{1}{2} [(x-a)^2 f_{xx}(a, b) + 2(x-a)(y-b)f_{xy}(a, b) + (y-b)^2 f_{yy}(a, b)] + \dots \quad (1)$$

Here  $a = 1, b = 1$ , therefore

$$f(x, y) = e^{xy} \Rightarrow f(1, 1) = e$$

$$f_x(x, y) = y e^{xy} \Rightarrow f_x(1, 1) = e$$

$$f_y(x, y) = x e^{xy} \Rightarrow f_y(1, 1) = e$$

$$f_{xx}(x, y) = y^2 e^{xy} \Rightarrow f_{xx}(1, 1) = e$$

$$f_{xy}(x, y) = xy e^{xy} \Rightarrow f_{xy}(1, 1) = e$$

$$f_{yy}(x, y) = x^2 e^{xy} \Rightarrow f_{yy}(1, 1) = e$$

Putting these values in eqn (1) gives

$$f(x, y) = e + [(x-1)e + (y-1)e] + \frac{1}{2} [(x-1)^2 e + 2(x-1)(y-1)e + (y-1)^2 e] + \dots$$

$$\therefore e^{xy} = e[1 + (x-1) + (y-1) + (x-1)^2 + 2(x-1)(y-1) + (y-1)^2 + \dots]$$

Q. (2). Expand  $x^2 y + \sin y + e^x$  in Taylor Series about  $(1, \pi)$  upto Second degree.

Soln :- Let  $f(x, y) = x^2 y + \sin y + e^x$ . By Taylor's expansion

$$f(x, y) = f(a, b) + [(x-a)f_x(a, b) + (y-b)f_y(a, b)] + \frac{1}{2} [(x-a)^2 f_{xx}(a, b) + 2(x-a)(y-b)f_{xy}(a, b) + (y-b)^2 f_{yy}(a, b)] + \dots \quad (1)$$

Here  $a = 1, b = \pi$ . So

$$f(x, y) = x^2 y + \sin y + e^x \Rightarrow f(1, \pi) = \pi + \sin \pi + e = \pi + e$$

$$f_x(x, y) = 2xy + e^x \Rightarrow f_x(1, \pi) = 2\pi + e$$

$$f_y(x, y) = x^2 + \cos y \Rightarrow f_y(1, \pi) = 0$$

$$f_{xx}(x, y) = 2y + e^x \Rightarrow f_{xx}(1, \pi) = 2\pi + e$$

$$f_{xy}(x, y) = 2x \Rightarrow f_{xy}(1, \pi) = 2$$

$$f_{yy}(x, y) = -\sin y \Rightarrow f_{yy}(1, \pi) = 0$$

Substituting these values in eqn. (1) we get

$$f(x, y) = (\pi + e) + [(x-1)(2\pi + e) + (y-\pi)(0)] + \frac{1}{2} [(x-1)^2 (2\pi + e) + 2(x-1)(y-\pi)(2) + (y-\pi)^2 (0)] + \dots$$



$$\therefore x^2 y + \sin y + e^x = (\pi + e) + (2\pi + e)(x-1) + \frac{1}{2}(x-1)^2(2\pi + e) + 2(x-1)(y-\pi) + \dots$$

Q. (3) Expand  $e^{ax} \sin by$  in powers of  $x$  and  $y$  upto third degree terms.

Soln:- Here the points are not given, so we expand  $e^{ax} \sin by$  as Maclaurin's series about the point  $(0,0)$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Let } f(x,y) &= e^{ax} \sin by \Rightarrow f(0,0) = 0 \\ f_x(x,y) &= a e^{ax} \sin by \Rightarrow f_x(0,0) = 0 \\ f_{xx}(x,y) &= a^2 e^{ax} \sin by \Rightarrow f_{xx}(0,0) = 0 \\ f_{xxx}(x,y) &= a^3 e^{ax} \sin by \Rightarrow f_{xxx}(0,0) = 0 \\ f_y(x,y) &= b e^{ax} \cos by \Rightarrow f_y(0,0) = b \\ f_{yy}(x,y) &= -b^2 e^{ax} \sin by \Rightarrow f_{yy}(0,0) = 0 \\ f_{yyy}(x,y) &= -b^3 e^{ax} \cos by \Rightarrow f_{yyy}(0,0) = -b^3 \\ f_{xy}(x,y) &= ab e^{ax} \cos by \Rightarrow f_{xy}(0,0) = ab \\ f_{xxy}(x,y) &= a^2 b e^{ax} \cos by \Rightarrow f_{xxy}(0,0) = a^2 b \\ f_{xyy}(x,y) &= -ab^2 e^{ax} \sin by \Rightarrow f_{xyy}(0,0) = 0 \end{aligned}$$

By Maclaurin's Series, we have

$$f(x,y) = f(0,0) + [x f_x(0,0) + y f_y(0,0)] + \frac{1}{2} [x^2 f_{xx}(0,0) + 2xy f_{xy}(0,0) + y^2 f_{yy}(0,0)] + \frac{1}{6} [x^3 f_{xxx}(0,0) + 3x^2 y f_{xxy}(0,0) + 3xy^2 f_{xyy}(0,0) + y^3 f_{yyy}(0,0)] + \dots$$

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore e^{ax} \sin by &= 0 + [x(0) + y(b)] + \frac{1}{2} [x^2(0) + 2xy(ab) + y^2(0)] \\ &\quad + \frac{1}{6} [x^3(0) + 3x^2 y(a^2 b) + 3xy^2(0) + y^3(-b^3)] + \dots \\ &= by + \frac{1}{2} ab(2xy) + \frac{1}{6} [3x^2 y(a^2 b) - b^3 y^3] + \dots \\ &= by + abxy + \frac{1}{2} a^2 b x^2 y - \frac{b^3}{6} y^3 + \dots \end{aligned}$$

Q. 4. Expand  $e^x \log(1+y)$  in powers of  $x$  and  $y$  upto third degree terms.

Soln:- Here points is not given, so we expand  $e^x \log(1+y)$  by Maclaurin's Series about  $(0,0)$ .