

PROBLEM SET 10

PART 1 - TAYLOR SERIES

Q.1. For the polynomial $p(x) = x^3$ compute the Taylor polynomial at $x = 1$ of degree 3. Simplify the Taylor polynomial and verify that it equals the original polynomial.

Q.2. Compute the Taylor polynomial of the following functions:

$$(1) e^{\sin x} \text{ at } x = 0, \text{ degree } 3 \qquad (2) \frac{1}{x+1} \text{ at } x = 0, \text{ degree } n$$

Q.3. In this exercise we'll compute the **remainder term** of the Taylor polynomial. Assume that the function f is differentiable enough number of times. Consider the Taylor polynomial of the $f(x)$ at $x = 0$ of degree n .

$$P_n(x) = a_0 + a_1x + a_2x^2 + \cdots + a_nx^n \qquad a_i = \frac{f^{(i)}(0)}{i!}$$

Theorem. The remainder term $R_n(x) = f(x) - P_n(x)$ equals

$$R_n(x) = \int_0^x \frac{f^{(n+1)}(t)}{n!} \cdot (x-t)^n dt$$

- (1) Prove the theorem directly for $n = 0$. (Note: $0! = 1$.)
- (2) Find the Taylor polynomial of $f'(x)$ at $x = a$ of degree $n - 1$.
- (3) Assume the following Leibniz's identity:

$$\text{If } g(x) = \int_0^x f(x, t) dt \text{ then } g'(x) = f(x, x) + \int_0^x \frac{\partial f(x, t)}{\partial x} dt$$

(This very useful trick is called *differentiating under the integral sign*, unfortunately we do not have enough language to prove this.)

Use part (2) and induction on the degree n to prove the Theorem.

Q.4. This is a very difficult problem to write down rigorously, for this one it's ok to be vague in your arguments. In this problem n, k are positive integers and all the Taylor series are at $x = 0$. *

- (1) If $f(x) = x^n g(x)$. Find the Taylor series of $f(x)$ in terms of Taylor series of $g(x)$ (Don't think too hard). Hence find $f^{(k)}(0)$ in terms of the derivatives of g .
- (2) If $f(x) = g(x^2)$ find $f^{(k)}(0)$ in terms of the derivatives of g . Hence find the Taylor series for f in terms of g .
- (3) Find the Taylor series for $e^{(x^2)}$.
- (4) If $f(x) = g(x^n)$, find $f^{(k)}(0)$ in terms of the derivatives of g . Hence find the Taylor series of f in terms of g .
- (5) Find the Taylor series for $\sin(x^4)$.

*₀ = $x = 0$. Hint: It is very crucial here that you're only asked to find the derivatives at $x = 0$.

PART 2 - NUMERICAL COMPUTATIONS

For this week's HW you're allowed (and required) to use wolframalpha (or calculator) to do the computations/simplify large fractions.

A table of Taylor series can be found on Pg. 426 in the book.

- Q.5.** (1) Suppose the coefficients of Taylor series of f are c_i and of g are d_i at $x = a$. Find the Taylor series of fg at $x = a$ in terms of c_i, d_i .
- (2) Find the general formula for the n^{th} derivative of the product $(fg)^{(n)}(a)$ in terms of the derivatives of f, g at a .

- Q.6.** Use estimates on the remainder term of the appropriate Taylor series to compute the following quantities within the prescribed error.

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| (1) $\cos 1$, error $< 10^{-2}$ | (3) e , error $< 10^{-2}$ |
| (2) $\sin 0.01$, error $< 10^{-10}$ | (4) $\log 1.1$, error $< 10^{-4}$ |

- Q.7.** Show that the remainder terms for the Taylor series of $\log(1+x)$ and $\arctan(x)$ at $x=0$ grows with n when $x>1$. (Hence the standard Taylor series cannot be used to approximate these numbers.)

- Q.8.** Taylor series are useful in theory but not so great for numerical approximations in practice.

- (1) Find the value of $\pi/4$ correct up to 1 decimal place using Taylor series of $\arctan(x)$. How many terms of the Taylor series will you need, to determine the value of $\pi/4$ correct up to 2 decimal places?
- (2) Prove the following identities:

$$\begin{aligned}\tan(x+y) &= \frac{\tan x + \tan y}{1 - \tan x \tan y} \\ \arctan(u) + \arctan(v) &= \arctan\left(\frac{u+v}{1-uv}\right)\end{aligned}$$

- (3) Show that

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{\pi}{4} &= \arctan \frac{1}{2} + \arctan \frac{1}{3} \\ \frac{\pi}{4} &= 4 \arctan \frac{1}{5} - \arctan \frac{1}{239}\end{aligned}$$

- (4) Use the second formula in part (3) to compute π correct up to 4 decimal places.

PART 3 - INTEGRAL COMPUTATIONS

Q.9. For this week do Q.3, and Q.4 problems - i) to v) on Pg. 378-379 from Ch.19.