

# 9-8 Taylor and Maclaurin Series

---

師大工教一

## Series Representations

$$\text{Let } f(x) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n (x-a)^n = a_0 + a_1(x-a) + a_2(x-a)^2 + \cdots + a_n(x-a)^n + \cdots$$

$$\Rightarrow f'(x) = 1 \cdot a_1 + 2 \cdot a_2(x-a) + 3a_3(x-a)^2 + \cdots + na_n(x-a)^{n-1} + \cdots$$

$$\Rightarrow f''(x) = 1 \cdot 2 \cdot a_2 + 2 \cdot 3 \cdot a_3(x-a) + 3 \cdot 4 \cdot a_4(x-a)^2 + \cdots$$

$$\Rightarrow f'''(x) = 1 \cdot 2 \cdot 3 \cdot a_3 + 2 \cdot 3 \cdot 4 \cdot a_4(x-a) + 3 \cdot 4 \cdot 5 \cdot a_5(x-a)^2 + \cdots$$

$$\Rightarrow f'(a) = a_1, f''(a) = 1 \cdot 2 \cdot a_2, f'''(a) = 1 \cdot 2 \cdot 3 \cdot a_3, \cdots, f^{(n)}(a) = n! a_n, \cdots$$



$$\Rightarrow a_2 = \frac{f''(a)}{2!}, a_3 = \frac{f'''(a)}{3!}, \dots, a_n = \frac{f^{(n)}(a)}{n!}, \dots$$

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

$$\downarrow = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{f^{(n)}(a)}{n!} (x-a)^n \longrightarrow \text{Taylor series}$$

## Taylor and Maclaurin Series

Definition Let  $f$  be a function with derivatives of all orders throughout some interval containing  $a$  as an interior point. Then the **Taylor series generated by  $f$  at  $x = a$**  is

$$\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{f^{(k)}(a)}{k!} (x-a)^k = f(a) + f'(a)(x-a) + \frac{f''(a)}{2!} (x-a)^2 + \cdots + \frac{f^{(n)}(a)}{n!} (x-a)^n + \cdots$$

The **Maclaurin series of  $f$**  is the Taylor series generated by  $f$  at  $x = 0$ , or

↳ Taylor series - 一種特例

$$\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{f^{(k)}(0)}{k!} x^k = f(0) + f'(0)x + \frac{f''(0)}{2!} x^2 + \cdots + \frac{f^{(n)}(0)}{n!} x^n + \cdots$$



Ex1(p573) Find the Taylor series generated by  $f(x) = \frac{1}{x}$  at  $x=2$ . Where, if

anywhere, does the series converge to  $\frac{1}{x}$ ?

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

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

$$f''(x) = 2x^{-3} \Rightarrow f''(2) = (-1)(-2)\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^3$$

$\vdots$

$$f^{(n)}(x) = (-1)(-2)\dots(-n)x^{-n-1} \Rightarrow f^{(n)}(2) = (-1)\dots(-n)\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^{n+1} \\ = (-1)^n n! \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^{n+1}$$

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

Taylor series formula

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

$\rightarrow n! \cancel{n!} f^{(n)}(2)$

$$= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-1)^n \cdot \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^{n+1} (x-2)^n \\ = \frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{4}(x-2) + \frac{1}{8}(x-2)^2 - \dots$$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{(-1)^{n+1} \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^{n+2} (x-2)^{n+1}}{(-1)^n \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^{n+1} (x-2)^n} \right| = \left| \frac{x-2}{2} \right| < 1$$

$\Rightarrow |x-2| < 2$  converges absolutely  $\rightarrow \frac{1}{x}$



## Taylor Polynomials

泰勒多項式

Definition Let  $f$  be a function with derivatives of orders  $k$  for  $k=1,2,\dots,N$  in some interval containing  $a$  as an interior point. Then, for any integer  $n$  from 0 through  $N$ , the **Taylor polynomial of order  $n$**  generated by  $f$  at  $x=a$  is the polynomial

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

出現在  $|x|$ 、有極值或尖點 function

Ex2(p574) Find the Taylor series and Taylor polynomials generated by

$f(x) = e^x$  at  $x = 0$ .

$$f(x) = e^x$$

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

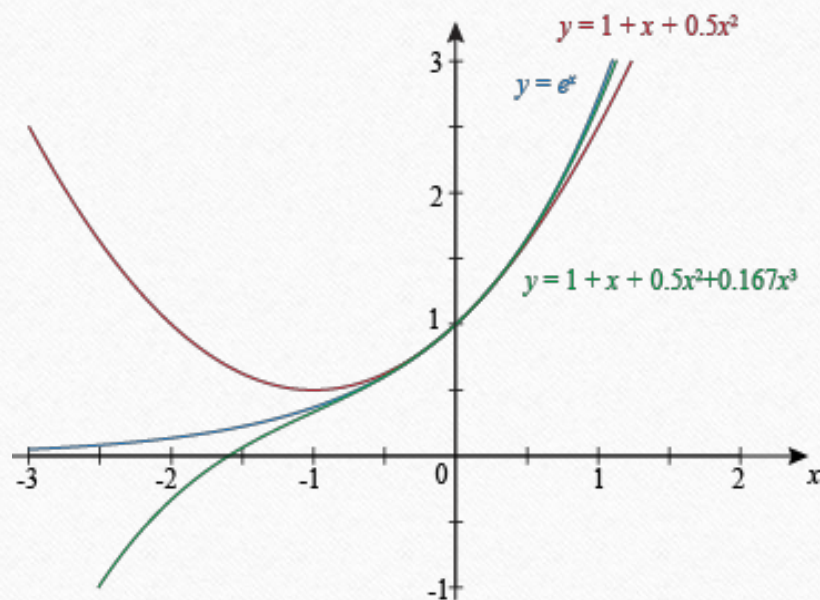
$$f''(x) = e^x$$

⋮

$$f^{(n)}(x) = e^x \rightarrow f^{(n)}(0) = 1$$

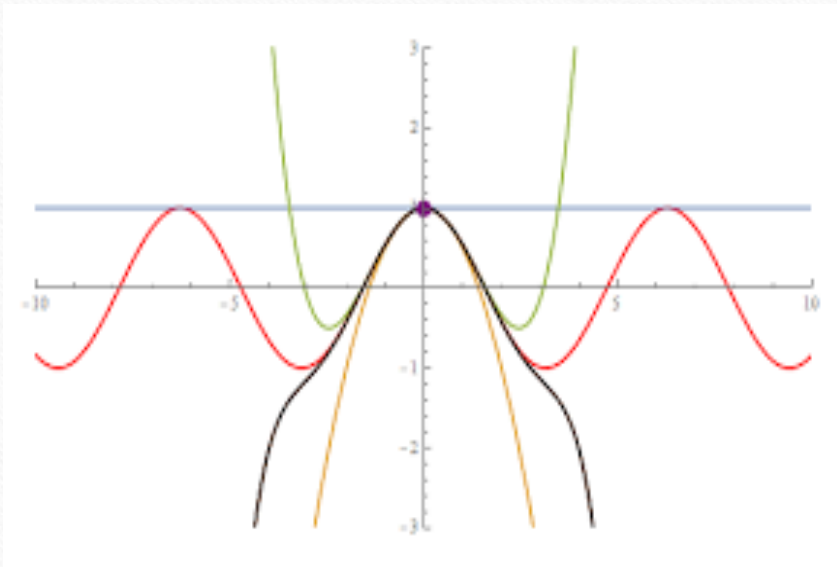
$$f(x) = e^x = 1 + x + \frac{x^2}{2!} + \dots + \frac{x^n}{n!}$$
$$= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{x^n}{n!}$$

$$P_n(x) = \sum_{k=0}^n \frac{x^k}{k!}$$



Ex3(p575) Find the Taylor series and Taylor polynomials generated by

$$f(x) = \cos x \quad \text{at } x = 0.$$



$$f(x) = \cos x \quad \Rightarrow f(0) = 1$$

$$f'(x) = -\sin x \quad \Rightarrow f'(0) = 0$$

$$f''(x) = -\cos x \quad \Rightarrow f''(0) = -1$$

$$f'''(x) = \sin x \quad \Rightarrow f'''(0) = 0$$

$$f^{(4)}(x) = \cos x \quad \Rightarrow f^{(4)}(0) = 1$$

$\vdots$

$$f^{(n)}(x) = \cos x = 1 - \frac{1}{2!} x^2 + \frac{1}{4!} x^4 - \dots$$

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

$$P_{2n}(x) = P_{2n+1}(x) = \sum_{k=0}^n \frac{(-1)^k}{(2k)!} x^{2k}$$



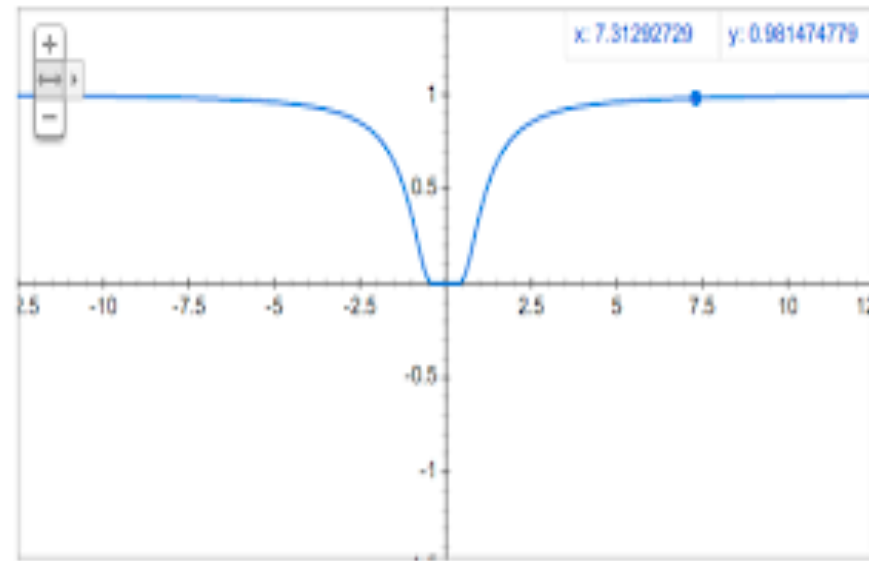
Note: By Ex4(p575). Consider  $f(x) = \begin{cases} 0, & x = 0 \\ e^{-\frac{1}{x^2}}, & x \neq 0 \end{cases}$ . It can be shown that

$f^{(n)}(0) = 0$  for all  $n$ . Thus, its Taylor series generated by  $f$  at  $x = 0$  is

$$\begin{aligned} & f(0) + f'(0)x + \frac{f''(0)}{2!}x^2 + \cdots + \frac{f^{(n)}(0)}{n!}x^n + \cdots \\ &= 0 + 0 \cdot x + 0 \cdot x^2 + \cdots + 0 \cdot x^n + \cdots = 0 + 0 + 0 + \cdots + 0 + \cdots \end{aligned}$$

The series converges for every  $x$  but converges to  $f(x)$  only at  $x = 0$ .

Graph for  $e^{(-1)/x^2}$



Thus, the Taylor series generated by  $f(x)$  is not equal to the function  $f(x)$  over the entire interval of convergence.

Two questions still remain.

1. For what values of  $x$  can we expect a Taylor series to converge to its generating function?
2. How accurately do a function's Taylor polynomials approximate the function on a given interval?



# HW9-8

---

- HW:2,3,13,29,32