

Name:**Tutorial time:**

1. Determine the Maclaurin polynomial p_5 (degree 5 Taylor polynomial, about $x = 0$) for the following functions:

(a) $f(x) = \tan(x)$

We compute the derivatives of f at zero, as follows:

$$\begin{array}{ll}
 f(x) = \tan(x) & f(0) = 0 \\
 f'(x) = \sec^2(x) & f'(0) = 1 \\
 f''(x) = 2 \sec^2(x) \tan(x) & f''(0) = 0 \\
 f^{(3)}(x) = 4 \sec^2(x) \tan^2(x) + 2 \sec^4(x) & f^{(3)}(0) = 2 \\
 f^{(4)}(x) = 8 \sec^2(x) \tan^3(x) + 16 \sec^4(x) \tan(x) & f^{(4)}(0) = 0 \\
 f^{(5)}(x) = 16 \sec^2(x) \tan^4(x) + 88 \sec^4(x) \tan^2(x) + 16 \sec^6(x) & f^{(5)}(0) = 16
 \end{array}$$

Therefore,

$$\begin{aligned}
 p_5(x) &= 0 + 1(x) + \frac{0}{2!}x^2 + \frac{2}{3!}x^3 + \frac{0}{4!}x^4 + \frac{16}{5!}x^5 \\
 &= x + \frac{1}{3}x^3 + \frac{2}{15}x^5.
 \end{aligned}$$

(b) $g(x) = e^x \sin(x)$

Our derivatives are given as follows:

$$\begin{array}{ll}
 g(x) = e^x \sin(x) & g(0) = 0 \\
 g'(x) = e^x \sin(x) + e^x \cos(x) & g'(0) = 1 \\
 g''(x) = 2e^x \cos(x) & g''(0) = 2 \\
 g^{(3)}(x) = 2e^x \cos(x) - 2e^x \sin(x) & g^{(3)}(0) = 2 \\
 g^{(4)}(x) = -4e^x \sin(x) & g^{(4)}(0) = 0 \\
 g^{(5)}(x) = -4e^x \sin(x) - 4e^x \cos(x) & g^{(5)}(0) = -4
 \end{array}$$

Our polynomial is therefore given by

$$\begin{aligned}
 p_5(x) &= 0 + 1(x) + \frac{2}{2!}x^2 + \frac{2}{3!}x^3 + \frac{0}{4!}x^4 - \frac{4}{5!}x^5 \\
 &= x + x^2 + \frac{1}{3}x^3 - \frac{1}{30}x^5.
 \end{aligned}$$

2. Determine the degree 4 Taylor polynomial for $f(x) = \cos(x)$ about $a = \pi/3$.

We have

$$\begin{aligned}f(\pi/3) &= \cos(\pi/3) = \frac{1}{2} \\f'(\pi/3) &= -\sin(\pi/3) = -\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \\f''(\pi/3) &= -\cos(\pi/3) = -\frac{1}{2} \\f'''(\pi/3) &= \sin(\pi/3) = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \\f''''(\pi/3) &= \cos(\pi/3) = \frac{1}{2}.\end{aligned}$$

Our Taylor polynomial is therefore

$$p_4(x) = \frac{1}{2} - \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \left(x - \frac{\pi}{3}\right) - \frac{1}{4} \left(x - \frac{\pi}{3}\right)^2 + \frac{\sqrt{3}}{12} \left(x - \frac{\pi}{3}\right)^3 + \frac{1}{48} \left(x - \frac{\pi}{3}\right)^4.$$

3. Find a function $f(x)$ satisfying the given conditions:

(a) $f'(x) = \frac{1}{1+x^2}$, and $f(0) = \frac{\pi}{4}$.

We know that $\frac{d}{dx}(\arctan(x)) = \frac{1}{1+x^2}$, so we have $f(x) = \arctan(x) + C$ for some constant C . Since we must have $f(0) = 0 + C = \frac{\pi}{4}$, we have $C = \frac{\pi}{4}$, and thus

$$f(x) = \arctan(x) + \frac{\pi}{4}.$$

(b) $f''(x) = 6x + 4$, $f(0) = 3$, and $f'(0) = -2$.

Since $f''(x)$ is the derivative of $f'(x)$, we find that $f'(x)$ is given by the antiderivative

$$f'(x) = 3x^2 + 4x + C,$$

for some constant C . The requirement that $f'(0) = -2$ gives us $C = -2$, so $f'(x) = 3x^2 + 4x - 2$. Taking the antiderivative again, we find

$$f(x) = x^3 + 2x^2 - 2x + D,$$

for some constant D . Since we have to have $f(0) = 3$, it follows that $D = 3$, and thus $f(x) = x^3 + 2x^2 - 2x + 3$.