

# LECTURE 3

## RECAP

- Dimensional analysis ✓
- Function approximation.
  - Useful in analysis of dynamical systems described by ODEs.

$$\boxed{\frac{dy}{dx} = f(x)} \Rightarrow y(x) = \int f(x) dx.$$

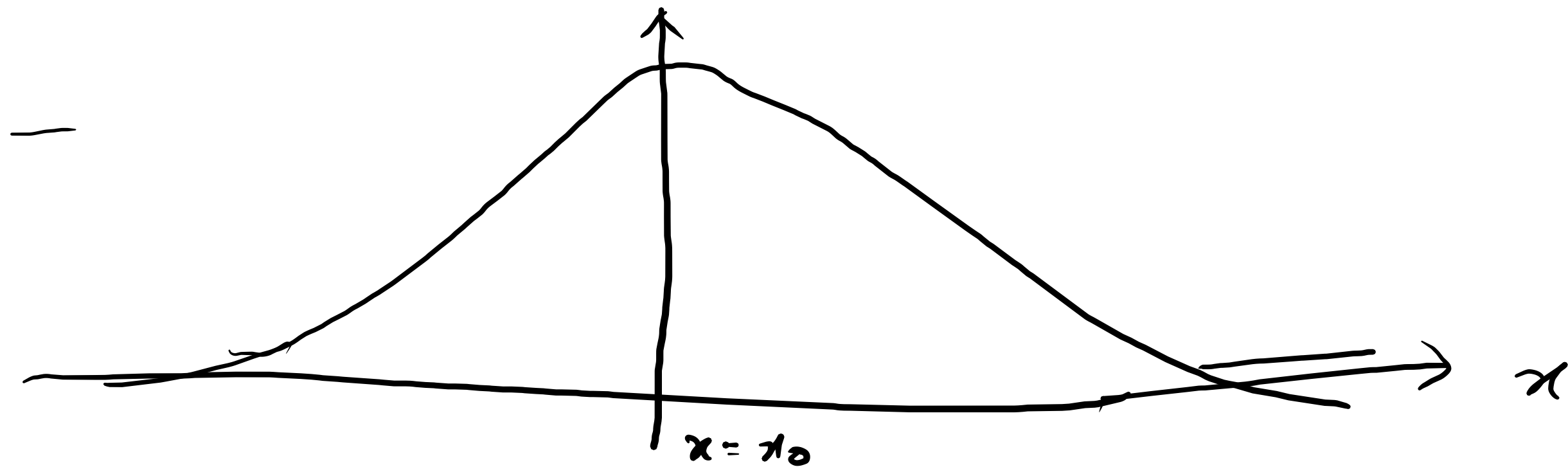
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DYNAMICAL SYSTEM.

— Not all dynamical systems are first order, but can often be reduced to a system/collection of first order ODEs.

—  $\frac{d^2 y}{dx^2} = f(x)$   $\rightarrow$  2nd order ODE.

$$\begin{aligned} y_1 &= \frac{dy}{dx} \\ f(x) &= \frac{dy_1}{dx} \end{aligned}$$

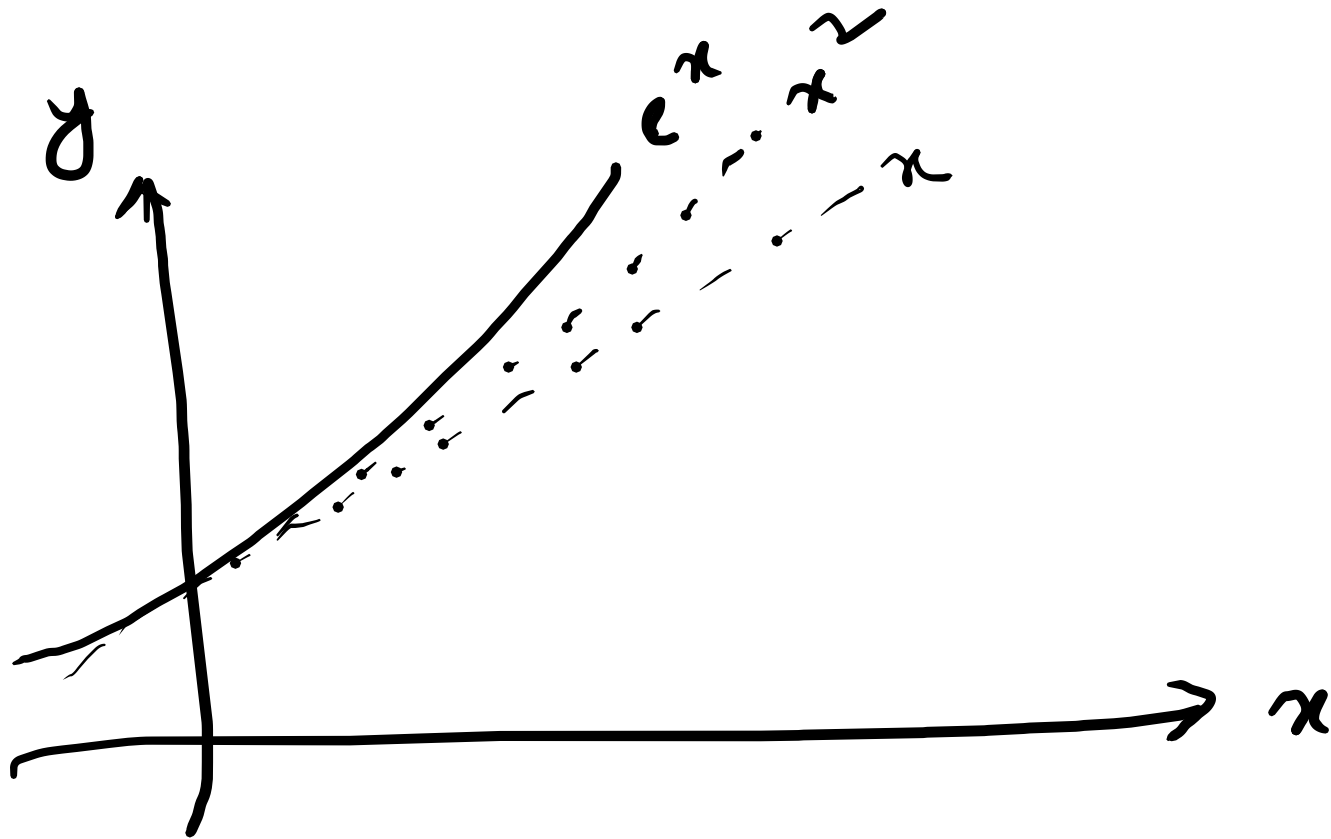
—  $f(x) = e^{-\alpha(x-x_0)^2}$  , —  $-\infty < x < \infty$  .



$$\int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} dx e^{-\alpha(x-x_0)^2}$$

— Taylor polynomial.

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



$$e^x = 1 + x + \dots$$

## REMAINDER THEOREM

If  $f(x)$  has  $(n+1)$  continuous derivatives in  $\alpha \leq x \leq \beta$   
and  $x=a$  belongs to this interval, then  $R_n(x) \equiv f(x) - p_n(x)$   
is given by,

$$R_n(x) = \frac{(x-a)^{n+1}}{(n+1)!} f^{(n+1)}(\xi), \quad a < \xi < x.$$

$$f(x) = f(a) + f'(a)(x-a) + \dots + \frac{f^{(n)}(a)}{n!} (x-a)^n + \frac{f^{(n+1)}(a)}{(n+1)!} (x-a)^{n+1} + \dots$$

$$= p_n(x) + \frac{f^{(n+1)}(a)(x-a)^{n+1}}{(n+1)!} + \dots$$

$$\underbrace{\hspace{15em}}_{R_n(x) = \frac{f^{(n+1)}(\xi)(x-a)^{n+1}}{(n+1)!}}$$

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Example :-  $f(x) = \cos x$ . Approximate  $f(x)$  in  $-\pi/4 \leq x \leq \pi/4$  with an error  $\leq 10^{-5}$ .

Soln :-  $R_n(x) = \frac{(x-a)^{n+1}}{(n+1)!} f^{(n+1)}(\xi)$

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

$$= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-1)^n \frac{x^{2n}}{(2n)!} \quad (\text{even terms survive})$$

$$|R_{2n+1}(x)| = \left| \frac{x^{2n+2}}{(2n+2)!} \underbrace{f^{(2n+2)}(\xi)} \right| \leq \left| \frac{x^{2n+2}}{(2n+2)!} \right|$$



Example:-  $f(x) = \cos x$ . Evaluated at  $x = 0.6$ , for  $n = 2$ , estimate the error. Assume  $a = 0$

Soln:-  $n = 2$  is given.

$$R_n(x) = \frac{(x-a)^{n+1}}{(n+1)!} f^{(n+1)}(\xi).$$

$$|R_2(x)| \Big|_{x=0.6} = \left| \frac{f^{(3)}(\xi)}{3!} x^3 \right| \Big|_{x=0.6} \leq \frac{(0.6)^3}{3!}$$

- Example:- Consider,  $\sin x = \frac{1}{x} \int_0^x dt \frac{\sin t}{t}$ .

Between  $-1 < x < 1$ , derive a Taylor polynomial approximation  
s.t. error  $\leq 10^{-9}$ .

Soln:-  $\sin x = \frac{1}{x} \int_0^x dt \frac{1}{t} \left[ t - \frac{t^3}{3!} + \dots + (-1)^{n-1} \frac{t^{2n-1}}{(2n-1)!} + \right.$   
 $\left. (-1)^n \frac{t^{2n+1}}{(2n+1)!} \cos \xi \right]$   
 $= \frac{1}{x} \int_0^x dt \left[ 1 - \frac{t^2}{3!} + \dots + (-1)^{n-1} \frac{t^{2n-2}}{(2n-1)!} \right] dt + R_{2n-2}(x)$

Example: Consider,  $I = \int_0^{1/3} dx e^{-x^2}$ . Approximate. s.t.  
error  $\leq 10^{-6}$

Integrating term by term,

$$\sin x = \frac{1}{x} \left[ x - \frac{x^3}{3! \cdot 3} + \dots (-1)^{n-1} \frac{x^{2n-1}}{(2n-1)! (2n-1)} \right] + R_{2n-2}(x)$$

Explicitly,

$$R_{2n-2}(x) = \frac{1}{x} \int_0^x dt (-1)^n \frac{t^{2n}}{(2n+1)!} \cos\left(\frac{t}{x}\right).$$

$$|R_{2n-2}(x)| \leq \left| \frac{1}{x} \int_0^x dt \frac{t^{2n}}{(2n+1)!} \right|$$

$$= \left| \frac{x^{2n}}{(2n+1)! (2n+1)} \right|$$



Worst case scenario is  $x = \pm 1$

$$\frac{1}{(2n+1)!(2n+1)} \leq 10^{-9}.$$

Solve for  $n$ .

Worst case scenario (max. possible error) is given by

$$\left| \frac{(\pi/4)^{2(n+1)}}{(2n+2)!} \right| \leq 10^{-5}$$

$\Rightarrow$

$$\boxed{n \geq 3}$$

Example: Consider,  $I = \int_0^{1/3} dx e^{-x^2}$ . Approximate. s.t.  
error  $\leq 10^{-6}$

Soln:  $e^x = 1 + x + \dots + \frac{x^n}{n!} + \frac{x^{n+1}}{(n+1)!} e^{\xi}$   
 $e^{-x^2} = 1 - x^2 + \dots + (-1)^n \frac{x^{2n}}{n!} + (-1)^{n+1} \frac{x^{2(n+1)}}{(n+1)!} e^{\xi}.$

As in the previous problem,

$I = \int_0^{1/3} dx e^{-x^2} \longrightarrow$  integrate term by term.



$$\int_0^{1/3} dx e^{-x^2} = \int_0^{1/3} dx \left[ \left( 1 - x^2 + \frac{x^4}{2!} + \dots + (-1)^n \frac{x^{2n}}{n!} \right) + \right. \\ \left. (-1)^{n+1} \frac{x^{2n+2}}{(n+1)!} e^{\xi} \right]$$

$$\int_0^{1/3} dx \frac{e^{\xi} x^{2(n+1)}}{(n+1)!}$$

where  $\xi < 1/3$   
 $e^{1/3} < 1$

$$< \frac{1}{(n+1)! (2n+3)} < 10^{-6} \rightarrow \text{solve for } n.$$

Ref: Atkinson. Numerical analysis.