

Taylor Series (Part 2)

In last lecture we discovered that if a function $f(x)$ is represented by a power series, then the series must be a Maclaurin or Taylor series.

What conditions on a function guarantee that a power representation exists?

Taylor's Theorem:

If $f(x)$ has derivatives of all orders in an open interval I containing a then for each positive integer n and for each x in I ,

$$f(x) = P_n(x) + R_n(x, a)$$

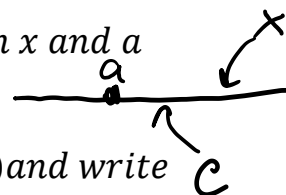
where $P_n(x) = \sum_{k=0}^n \frac{f^{(k)}(a)}{k!} (x - a)^k$ is the n -th order Taylor polynomial of $f(x)$

and $R_n(x, a) = \frac{f^{(n+1)}(c)}{(n+1)!} (x - a)^{n+1}$, for some c between x and a

If $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} R_n(x) = 0$ for all x in I we say

that the **Taylor series** for $f(x)$ at a **converges to $f(x)$** and write

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



Then, the magnitude of the error

$$|E_n| = |f(x) - P_n(x)| = |R_n(x, a)| \leq \frac{M}{(n+1)!} |x - a|^{n+1}$$

where $|f^{(n+1)}(t)| \leq M$ for all t between x and a

Example#1

Show that the Taylor series of $f(x) = e^x$ about $a = 0$ converges to $f(x)$

for every real value of x

$$e^x = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{x^n}{n!}$$

$$R_n(x, a) = \frac{f^{(n+1)}(c)}{(n+1)!} (x - a)^{n+1} = \frac{e^c}{(n+1)!} (x - a)^{n+1}$$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} R_n(x) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{e^c}{(n+1)!} (x - a)^{n+1} = 0$$

Example#2

a. Find the approximation to the function $f(x) = e^x$ by the fourth Maclaurin polynomial $\rightarrow a=0$

$$e^t = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{t^n}{n!} = 1 + t + \frac{t^2}{2!} + \frac{t^3}{3!} + \frac{t^4}{4!} + \dots + \frac{t^n}{n!} + \dots$$

q)
$$f(x) \sim P_4(x) = f(0) + f'(0) \cdot x + \frac{f''(0)}{2!} x^2 + \frac{f'''(0)}{3!} x^3 + \frac{f^{(4)}(0)}{4!} x^4$$

$$f(x) = e^x \Big|_{x=0} = 1$$

$$\vdots$$

$$f^{(4)} = e^x \Big|_{x=0} = 1$$

$$f(x) \sim P_4(x) = 1 + x + \frac{1}{2} x^2 + \frac{1}{6} x^3 + \frac{1}{24} x^4$$

$$f^{(4+1)} = f^{(5)}(x) = e^x \Big|_{x=c} = (e^c)$$

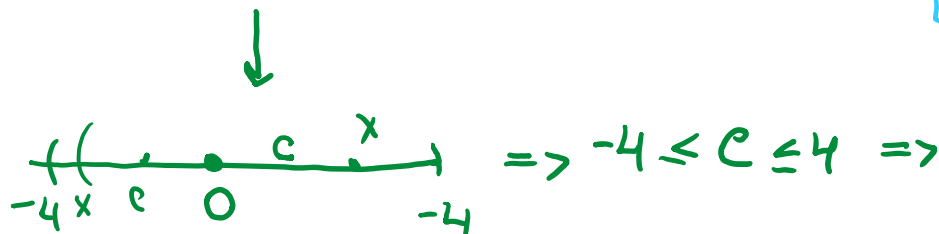
b. Determine the maximum error in using this approximation for $-4 \leq x \leq 4$

$$|E_n| = |f(x) - P_n(x)| \leq \frac{f^{(n+1)}(c)}{(n+1)!} |x-a|^{n+1}$$

$n=4$

$$|E_5| \leq \frac{f^{(5)}(c)}{5!} |x|^5 \leq \frac{e^4 \cdot 4^5}{5!}$$

$$-4 \leq x \leq 4 \Rightarrow |x| \leq 4 \Rightarrow |x|^5 \leq 4^5$$



$$e^c \leq e^4$$

Example#3

a. Find the Taylor Polynomial $P_3(x)$ for the function $f(x) = e^{x^2}$ about $a = 0$

$$\begin{aligned}
 f(x) &= e^{x^2} \Big|_{x=0} = 1 & f(x) \sim P_3(x) &= f(0) + f'(0)x + \frac{f''(0)}{2!}x^2 + \frac{f'''(0)}{3!}x^3 \\
 f'(x) &= e^{x^2} \cdot 2x = 0 \\
 f''(x) &= e^{x^2} \cdot 2x \cdot 2x + e^{x^2} \cdot 2 = e^{x^2} \cdot (4x^2 + 2) = 2 \\
 f'''(x) &= e^{x^2} \cdot 2x(4x^2 + 2) + e^{x^2} \cdot (8x) = e^{x^2} \cdot (8x^3 + 12x) = 0 \\
 f^{(4)}(x) &= e^{x^2} \cdot 2x(8x^3 + 12x) + e^{x^2} \cdot (24x^2 + 12) = e^{x^2} (16x^4 + 48x^2 + 12) \\
 f(x) &\approx \underline{P_3(x)} = 1 + \frac{2x^2}{2!} = \underline{1 + x^2}
 \end{aligned}$$

b. Find the maximum error of replacing $f(x)$ by $P_3(x)$ on $\left[0, \frac{1}{10}\right]$

$$\begin{aligned}
 |E_3| &\leq \frac{f^{(4)}(c)}{4!} |x|^4 \leq \frac{14}{4!} \cdot \frac{1}{10^4} = \boxed{\frac{14}{4! \cdot 10^4}} \\
 0 \leq x \leq \frac{1}{10} &\Rightarrow |x| \leq \frac{1}{10} \Rightarrow |x|^4 \leq \boxed{\frac{1}{10^4}} \\
 \text{Diagram: } \begin{array}{c} \text{0} \\ \bullet \\ \hline \text{a} \quad \quad \quad x \quad \quad \quad \frac{1}{10} \end{array} \quad \Rightarrow \quad 0 \leq c \leq \frac{1}{10} \Rightarrow \\
 f^{(4)}(c) &= e^{c^2} (16c^4 + 48c^2 + 12), \quad c \leq \frac{1}{10} \\
 &\quad \quad \quad \underbrace{e^{\frac{1}{100}}}_{\substack{\uparrow \\ 1}} \underbrace{\left(\frac{16}{10^4} + \frac{48}{10^2} + 12 \right)}_{\substack{\uparrow \quad \uparrow \quad \uparrow \\ 1 \quad 1 \quad 12 \\ \hline 14}} \leq \boxed{14}
 \end{aligned}$$

Example#4

a. Find the Taylor Polynomial $P_3(x)$ centered at $x = \frac{\pi}{4}$ to approximate $f(x) = \sin x$

$$f(x) \sim P_3(x) = f\left(\frac{\pi}{4}\right) + f'\left(\frac{\pi}{4}\right)\left(x - \frac{\pi}{4}\right) + \frac{f''\left(\frac{\pi}{4}\right)}{2!}\left(x - \frac{\pi}{4}\right)^2 + \frac{f'''\left(\frac{\pi}{4}\right)}{3!}\left(x - \frac{\pi}{4}\right)^3$$

$$\begin{cases} f(x) = \sin x \big|_{\pi/4} = \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} \\ f'(x) = \cos x \big|_{\pi/4} = \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} \\ f''(x) = -\sin x \big|_{\pi/4} = -\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} \\ f'''(x) = -\cos x \big|_{\pi/4} = -\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} \end{cases}$$

$$P_3(x) = \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} \left(1 + \left(x - \frac{\pi}{4}\right) - \frac{1}{2}\left(x - \frac{\pi}{4}\right)^2 - \frac{1}{6}\left(x - \frac{\pi}{4}\right)^3 \right)$$

$$f^{(4)}(x) = \sin x \big|_c$$

b. Suppose we used $P_3(x)$ to estimate $f\left(\frac{\pi}{12}\right)$. Then, by Taylor's formula, the best error bound for using this approximation is (circle one). Show your work justifying your answer.

$$1. |E_3| \leq \frac{\sin\left(\frac{\pi}{12}\right)(\pi)^4}{24 \cdot 6^4}$$

$$2. |E_3| \leq \frac{\sqrt{2}(\pi)^4}{48 \cdot 6^4}$$

$$3. |E_3| \leq \frac{\sin\left(\frac{\pi}{12}\right)(\pi)^3}{6^4}$$

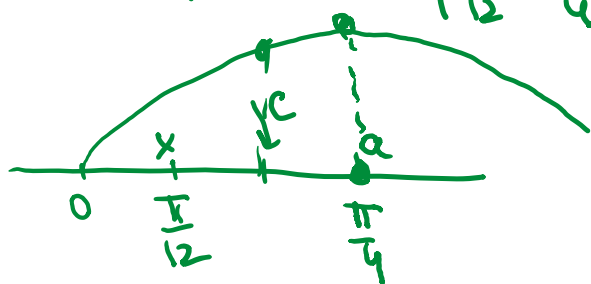
$$4. |E_3| \leq \frac{\sqrt{2}(\pi)^3}{2 \cdot 6^4}$$

$$5. |E_3| \leq \frac{(\pi)^4}{4! \cdot (12)^4}$$

$$|E_3| \leq \frac{|f^{(4)}(c)|}{4!} \left| x - \frac{\pi}{4} \right|^4$$

$$\begin{aligned} f(x) &\sim P_3(x) \\ f\left(\frac{\pi}{12}\right) &\sim P_3\left(\frac{\pi}{12}\right) \end{aligned}$$

$$x = \frac{\pi}{12} \Rightarrow \left| \frac{\pi}{12} - \frac{\pi}{4} \right|^4 = \left| \frac{\pi - 3\pi}{12} \right|^4 = \left| -\frac{\pi}{6} \right|^4 = \frac{\pi^4}{6^4}$$



$$\frac{\pi}{12} < c < \frac{\pi}{4}$$

$$\sin c < \sin \frac{\pi}{4} = \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}$$

$$|E_3| \leq \frac{\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} \cdot \frac{\pi^4}{64}}{4!} = \frac{\sqrt{2} \cdot \pi^4}{48 \cdot 64}$$

Example#5

Find N such that Maclaurin polynomial for $f(x) = e^x$ has $f(1)$ approximated with an error $|E_N| \leq 0.000005$

$$f(x) \sim P_N(x) : |E_N| \leq \frac{5}{10^6} \Rightarrow N = ?$$

$$|E_N| \leq \frac{f^{(N+1)}(c)}{(N+1)!} \cdot \underbrace{x^{N+1}}_1 = \frac{f^{(N+1)}(c)}{(N+1)!} < \frac{5}{10^6}$$

$$f^{(N+1)}(x) = e^x \Big|_{x=c} = e^c < e$$

$$a=0, x=1$$

$$\Rightarrow 0 < c < 1$$

$$\begin{array}{c} \text{---} c \text{---} \\ | \quad | \\ 0 \quad 1 \end{array}$$

$$\frac{e}{(N+1)!} < \frac{5}{10^6}$$

$$(\underline{N+1})! > 10^6$$

$$9! = 362880$$

$$10! = 3628800$$

$$f(1) \sim P_9(1)$$

$$E_9 < \frac{5}{10^6}$$

Example#6

a. Find the Taylor Polynomial $P_2(x)$ centered at $x=1$ to approximate $f(x) = xe^x$

$$P_2(x) = f(1) + f'(1)(x-1) + \frac{f''(1)}{2!}(x-1)^2$$

$$f(x) = x \cdot e^x \big|_{x=1} = e$$

$$f'(x) = 1 \cdot e^x + x \cdot e^x = (1+x) \cdot e^x \big|_{x=1} = 2e$$

$$f''(x) = (1)e^x + (1+x)e^x = (2+x)e^x \big|_{x=1} = 3e$$

$$f'''(x) = (3+x)e^x$$

$$P_2(x) = e \left(1 + 2(x-1) + \frac{3}{2}(x-1)^2 \right)$$

$$x=1 \quad f(1) = 1 \cdot e \\ e \sim e(1)$$

b. Supposed $f(x)$ is replaced by the Taylor polynomial from part a. Estimate the error when $0 \leq x \leq 2$

$$|E_2| \leq \frac{|f^{(3)}(c)|}{3!} |x-1|^3$$

$$0 \leq x \leq 2 \Rightarrow |x| \leq 2$$

$$\begin{matrix} 0-1 \leq x-1 \leq 2-1 \\ -1 \leq x-1 \leq 1 \end{matrix} \Rightarrow |x-1| \leq 1 \Rightarrow |x-1|^3 \leq 1$$

$$\begin{matrix} x & c & x \\ \swarrow & \downarrow & \swarrow \\ \text{---} & \bullet & \text{---} \\ & 2 & \end{matrix} \Rightarrow 0 \leq c \leq 2$$

$$|f'''(c)| = |(3+c)e^c| \\ \underbrace{3}_{\leq 5} \underbrace{e^c}_{\leq e^2}$$

$$|E_2| \leq \frac{5e^2}{3!} \cdot 1 = \boxed{\frac{5e^2}{6}}$$

Extra

Example: The function f has derivatives of all orders for all real numbers x .

Assume $f(2) = -3$, $f'(2) = 5$, $f''(2) = 3$ and $f'''(2) = -8$

(a) Write the third degree Taylor polynomial for f about $x = 2$ and use it to approximate $f(1.5)$.

$$P_3(x) = f(2) + f'(2)(x-2) + \frac{f''(2)}{2}(x-2)^2 + \frac{f'''(2)}{6}(x-2)^3$$

$$f(x) \approx P_3(x) = -3 + 5(x-2) + \frac{3}{2}(x-2)^2 - \frac{8}{6}(x-2)^3$$

$$x = 1.5 = \frac{3}{2}$$

$$f\left(\frac{3}{2}\right) \approx \underbrace{-3 + 5\left(-\frac{1}{2}\right) + \frac{3}{2}\left(-\frac{1}{2}\right)^2 - \frac{4}{3}\left(-\frac{1}{2}\right)^3}_{\text{?}} = -\frac{119}{24}$$

(b) Assume that the fourth derivative of f satisfies $|f^{(4)}(x)| \leq 3$ for all x in the interval $[1.5, 2]$. Use the Taylor error bound on the approximation to $f(1.5)$ to explain why $f(1.5) \neq -5$