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# Power Series

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A power series is a series of the form

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} c_n x^n = c_0 + c_1 x + c_2 x^2 + c_3 x^3 + \dots \quad (1)$$

where:

- $x$  is a variable.
- $c_n$  are constants called the coefficients of the series.

More generally, a series of the form

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} c_n (x - a)^n = c_0 + c_1 (x - a) + c_2 (x - a)^2 + \dots \quad (2)$$

is called a power series centered at  $a$ .

# Theorem

For a given power series

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} c_n (x - a)^n,$$

exactly one of the following three possibilities is true:

- I. The series converges only when  $x = a$ .
- II. The series converges for all  $x$ .
- III. There is a positive number  $R$  such that the series converges if  $|x - a| < R$  and diverges if  $|x - a| > R$ .

# Radius Of Convergence & Interval Of Convergence

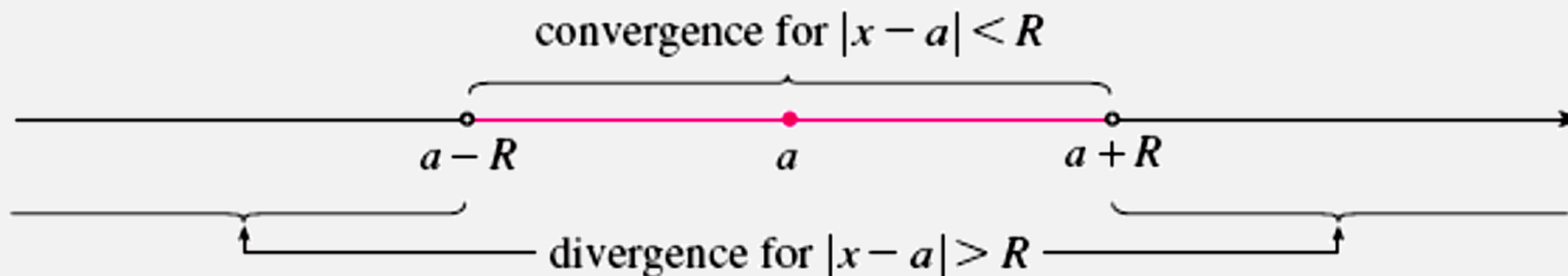
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- The number  $R$  in (III) is called the **radius of convergence** of the power series. By convention, the radius of convergence is  $R = 0$  in case I and  $R = \infty$  in case II.
  - The **interval of convergence** of a power series is the interval that consists of all values of  $x$  for which the series converges. In case I, the interval consists of just a single point  $a$ . In case II, the interval is  $(-\infty, \infty)$ . In case III, the interval of convergence is given by the inequality  $|x - a| < R$  that can be rewritten as  $a - R < x < a + R$ .
  - When  $x$  is an endpoint of the interval, that is,  $x = a \pm R$ , anything can happen: The series might converge at one or both endpoints. It might diverge at both endpoints.

# Radius Of Convergence & Interval Of Convergence

Thus, in case III, there are four possibilities for the interval of convergence:

1.  $(a - R, a + R)$
2.  $(a - R, a + R]$
3.  $[a - R, a + R)$
4.  $[a - R, a + R]$

$$\underline{|x - a| < R}$$



# Example

Find the radius of convergence and interval of convergence of the series

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n n (x+3)^n}{4^n}.$$

**Solution:**

For the present case we have:

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{a_{n+1}}{a_n} \right| &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{(-1)^n (-1) (n+1) (x+3)^n (x+3)}{4^n (4)} \cdot \frac{4^n}{(-1)^n n (x+3)^n} \right| \\ &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{(-1)(n+1)(x+3)}{4n} \right| = \frac{|x+3|}{4}. \end{aligned}$$

# Example

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{a_{n+1}}{a_n} \right| = \frac{|x+3|}{4} = L$$

By the Ratio Test, the given series is:

$$\Rightarrow |x-a| < \underline{R}$$

■ **Convergent**, when  $\frac{|x+3|}{\textcircled{4}} < 1$  or  $|x+3| < \boxed{4}$ .

■ **Divergent**, when  $\frac{|x+3|}{4} > 1$  or  $|x+3| > 4$ ,

■ Thus, the **radius of convergence** is  $R = 4$ .

Note that:  $|x+3| < 4 \Leftrightarrow -4 < x+3 < 4 \Leftrightarrow -7 < x < 1$ . So, we test the series at the endpoints  $-7$  and  $1$ .

# Example

- When  $x = -7$ , the series becomes:

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n n (x+3)^n}{4^n} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n n (-4)^n}{4^n} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-1)^{2n} n = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} n,$$

*Handwritten notes:*  $a_n = n \rightarrow \infty$  and  $n \rightarrow \infty$  with a wavy line under the final sum.

which is a divergent series by  $n$ th term test for divergence.

- If we put  $x = 1$ , the series is given as:

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n n (x+3)^n}{4^n} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n n (4)^n}{4^n} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-1)^n n.$$

This is a divergent alternating series since  $n$ th term does not approach 0 as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ .

Thus, the given power series converges only when  $-7 < x < 1$ . Thus, the **interval of convergence** is:  $(-7, 1)$ .



# Example

Find the radius of convergence and interval of convergence of the series

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} n! (2x + 1)^n. \quad \sum c_n (x - a)^n$$

$a = -\frac{1}{2}$

**Solution:**

For the present case we have:

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{a_{n+1}}{a_n} \right| &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{(n+1)! (2x+1)^{n+1}}{n! (2x+1)^n} \right| \\ &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} |(n+1)(2x+1)| = \begin{cases} 0; & x = -1/2 \\ \infty; & x \neq -1/2 \end{cases} \end{aligned}$$

# Example

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{a_{n+1}}{a_n} \right| = \begin{cases} 0; & x = -1/2 \\ \infty; & x \neq -1/2 \end{cases}$$

By the Ratio Test, the given series is:

- **Convergent**, only when  $x = -1/2$ .
- **Divergent**, when  $x \neq -1/2$ .
- Thus, the **radius of convergence** is:  $R = 0$ , because  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{a_{n+1}}{a_n} \right| = 0$  when  $x = -1/2$  and **interval of convergence** is:  $\left\{ -\frac{1}{2} \right\}$ .

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# Taylor and Maclaurin Series

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Suppose that  $f(x)$  is any function that can be represented by a power series:

$$f(x) = c_0 + c_1(x - a) + c_2(x - a)^2 + c_3(x - a)^3 + \dots \quad (\text{I})$$

with  $|x - a| < \mathbf{R}$ . Let's try to determine the coefficients  $c_n$  in terms of  $f(x)$ . To begin, notice that if we put  $x = a$  in equation (I), then all terms after the first one are, 0 and we get:

$$f(a) = c_0.$$

We can differentiate the series in equation (I) term by term:

$$f'(x) = c_1 + 2c_2(x - a) + 3c_3(x - a)^2 + \dots \quad (\text{II})$$

with  $|x - a| < \mathbf{R}$ , and substitution of  $x = a$  in Equation 2 gives:

$$f'(a) = c_1.$$

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Now we differentiate the series in equation (II) term by term and obtain:

$$f''(x) = 2c_2 + 2.3c_3(x - a) + 3.4c_4(x - a)^2 + \dots \quad (\text{III})$$

with  $|x - a| < R$ . Again, put  $x = a$  in equation (III) gives:

$$f''(a) = 2c_2 = 2! c_2.$$

Let's apply the procedure one more time. Differentiation of the series in equation (III) gives:

$$f'''(x) = 2.3c_3 + 2.3.4c_4(x - a) + 3.4.5c_5(x - a)^2 + \dots \quad (\text{IV})$$

with  $|x - a| < R$ , and substitution of  $x = a$  in equation (IV) gives:

$$f'''(a) = 2.3c_3 = 3! c_3.$$

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By now we can see a pattern. If we continue to differentiate and substitute  $x = a$ , we obtain:

$$f^{(n)}(a) = 2 \cdot 3 \cdot 4 \cdot \cdots \cdot n c_n = n! c_n.$$

Solving this equation for the  $n$ th coefficient  $c_n$ , we get:

$$c_n = \frac{f^{(n)}(a)}{n!}.$$

This formula remains valid even for  $n = 0$  if we adopt the conventions that  $0! = 1$  and  $f^{(0)} = f$ . Thus, we have proved the following theorem:

# Theorem

— If  $f(x)$  has a power series representation at  $a$ , i.e., if

$$f(x) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} c_n (x - a)^n; \quad |x - a| < R,$$

then its coefficients are given by the formula:

$$c_n = \frac{f^{(n)}(a)}{n!}.$$

Substituting this formula for  $c_n$  back into the series, we see that if  $f(x)$  has a power series expansion at  $a$ , then it must be of the following form:

$$\begin{aligned} f(x) &= \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{f^{(k)}(a)}{k!} (x - a)^k \\ &= f(a) + f'(a)(x - a) + \frac{f''(a)}{2!} (x - a)^2 + \cdots + \frac{f^{(n)}(a)}{n!} (x - a)^n + \cdots. \quad (*) \end{aligned}$$

# Taylor Series

The series in equation (\*) is called the **Taylor series of the function  $f(x)$  at  $a$**  (or **about  $a$**  or **centered at  $a$** ). Thus, we say that:

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

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



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For the special case:  $a = 0$ , the Taylor series becomes:

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

This case arises frequently enough that it is given the special name **Maclaurin series**.

# Example:

Determine the Maclaurin series of the function  $f(x) = e^x$  and its radius of convergence.

**Solution:**

If  $f(x) = e^x$ , then  $f^{(n)}(x) = e^x$ , so  $f^{(n)}(0) = e^0 = 1$  for all  $n$ . Therefore, the Taylor series for  $f(x)$  at 0 (that is, the Maclaurin series) is given as:

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

To find the radius of convergence we let  $a_n = x^n/n!$ . Then

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{a_{n+1}}{a_n} \right| = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{x^{n+1}}{(n+1)!} \cdot \frac{n!}{x^n} \right| = |x| \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{n!}{(n+1) \cdot n!} \right| = |x| \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{1}{n+1} \right| = 0 < 1.$$

so, by the Ratio Test, the series converges for all  $x$  and the radius of convergence is

$$R = \infty.$$

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The conclusion we can draw from the theorem and the previous example is that if  $e^x$  has a power series expansion at 0, then

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

So, a natural question that arises at this point is that how can we determine whether  $e^x$  does have a power series representation or in other words: under what circumstances is  $e^x$  equal to the sum of its power series representation?

# Taylor & Maclaurin Series

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- Let's investigate the more general question: Under what circumstances is a function equal to the sum of its Taylor series?
  - In other words, if  $f(x)$  has derivatives of all orders, when is it true that

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

- As with any convergent series, this means that  $f(x)$  is the limit of the sequence of partial sums.

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In the case of the Taylor series, the partial sums are:

$$\begin{aligned} T_n(x) &= \sum_{k=0}^n \frac{f^{(k)}(a)}{k!} (x - a)^k \\ &= f(a) + f'(a)(x - a) + \frac{f''(a)}{2!} (x - a)^2 + \cdots + \frac{f^{(n)}(a)}{n!} (x - a)^n \end{aligned}$$

Notice that  $T_n(x)$  is a polynomial of degree  $n$  called the  **$n$ th-degree Taylor polynomial** of  $f(x)$  at  $a$ .

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For instance, for the exponential function  $f(x) = e^x$ , the Taylor polynomials at 0 (or Maclaurin polynomials) with  $n = 1, 2$ , and 3 are:

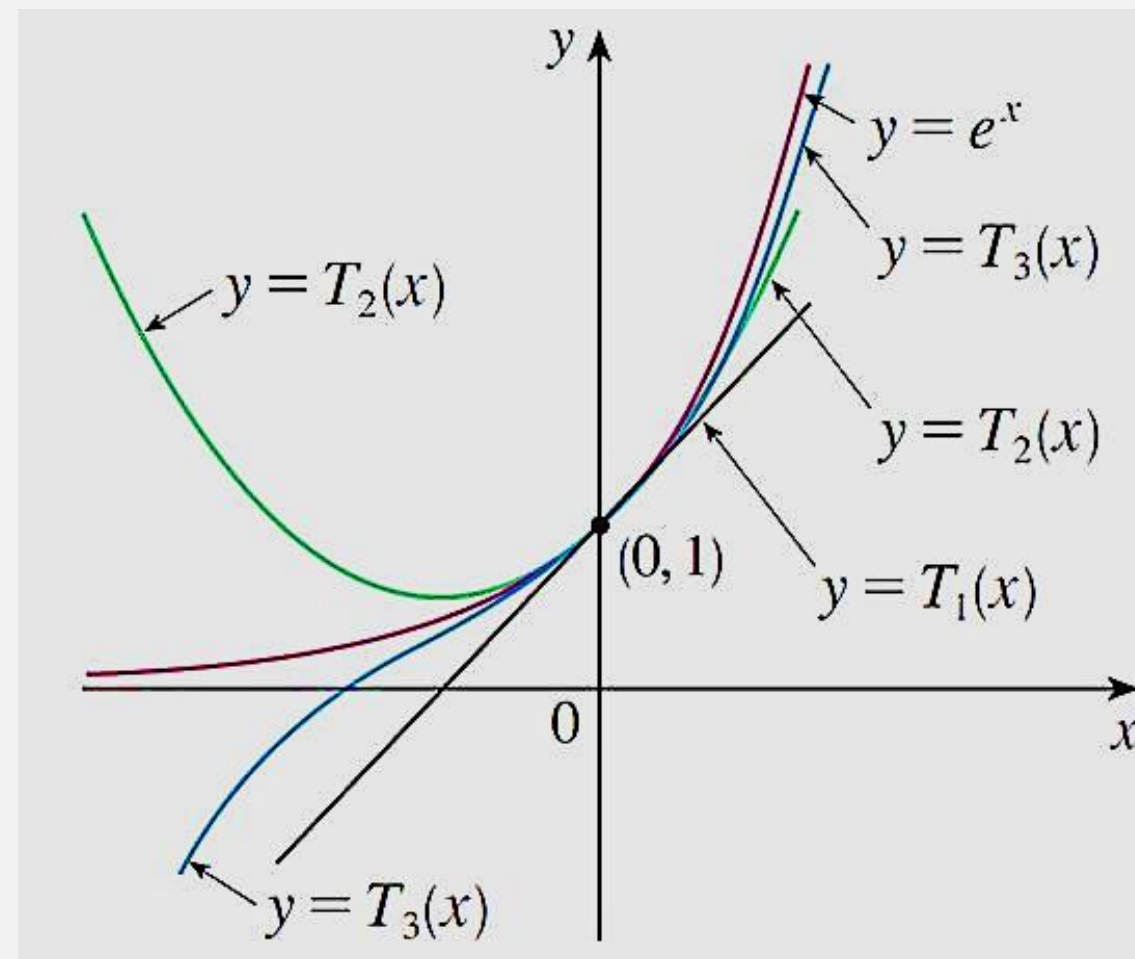
$$T_1(x) = 1 + x$$

$$T_2(x) = 1 + x + \frac{x^2}{2!}$$

$$T_3(x) = 1 + x + \frac{x^2}{2!} + \frac{x^3}{3!}$$

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The graphs of the exponential function and the three Taylor polynomials with  $n = 1, 2$ , and  $3$  are shown in the following figure:



$$T_1(x) = 1 + x$$

$$T_2(x) = 1 + x + \frac{x^2}{2!}$$

$$T_3(x) = 1 + x + \frac{x^2}{2!} + \frac{x^3}{3!}$$

# Taylor & Maclaurin Series

In general,  $f(x)$  is the sum of its Taylor series if

$$f(x) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} T_n(x)$$

If we let

$$R_n(x) = f(x) - T_n(x)$$

so that

$$f(x) = T_n(x) + R_n(x)$$

then  $R_n(x) = \frac{f^{(n+1)}(c)}{(n+1)!} (x-a)^{n+1}$ , for some  $c$  between  $x$  and  $a$  is called the **remainder** of the Taylor series. If we can show that  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} R_n(x) = 0$ , then it follows that:

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} T_n(x) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} [f(x) - R_n(x)] = f(x) - \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} R_n(x) = f(x).$$

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



# Taylor & Maclaurin Series

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- We have therefore proved the following:

If  $f(x) = T_n(x) + R_n(x)$ , where  $T_n(x)$  is the  $n$ th-degree Taylor polynomial of  $f(x)$  at  $a$  and

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} R_n(x) = 0,$$

for  $|x - a| < R$ , then  $f(x)$  is equal to the sum of its Taylor series on the interval  $|x - a| < R$ .

- In trying to show that  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} R_n(x) = 0$  for a specific function  $f(x)$ , we usually use the following theorems:

# Theorems

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## Taylor's Inequality/The Remainder Estimation Theorem:

If  $|f^{(n+1)}(c)| \leq M$  for all  $c$  between  $x$  and  $a$ , then the remainder  $R_n(x)$  of the Taylor series satisfies the inequality:

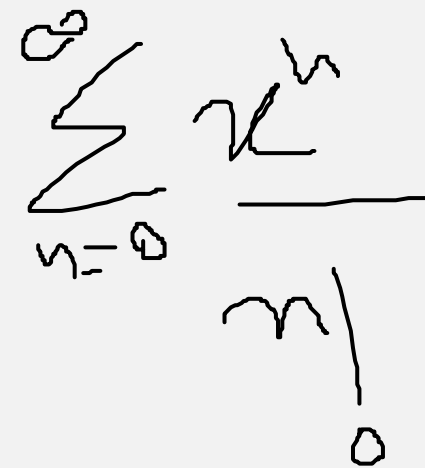
$$|R_n(x)| \leq \frac{M}{(n+1)!} |x - a|^{n+1}.$$

If this condition holds for every  $n$  then, the series converges to  $f(x)$ .

## Theorem:

If  $x$  is any real number, then

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{|x|^n}{n!} = 0.$$



A handwritten mathematical expression representing the limit of the ratio of |x|^n to n! as n approaches infinity. The expression is written as  $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{|x|^n}{n!}$ , with the summation symbol and the fraction written in a cursive, handwritten style.

# Example

Prove that  $\overline{f(x)} = e^x$  is equal to the sum of its Maclaurin series.

**Solution:**

If  $f(x) = e^x$ , then  $f^{(n+1)}(x) = e^x$  for all  $n$ . Note that

$$e^x = 1 + x + \frac{x^2}{2!} + \cdots + \frac{x^n}{n!} + R_n(x); \quad R_n(x) = \frac{e^c}{(n+1)!} x^{n+1} \text{ for some } c \text{ between } 0 \text{ and } x.$$

Since  $e^x$  is an increasing function of  $x$ ,  $e^c$  lies between  $e^0 = 1$  and  $e^x$ . When  $x$  is negative, so is  $c$ , and  $e^c < 1$ . When  $x = 0$ ,  $e^x = 1$  and  $R_n(x) = 0$ . When  $x$  is positive, so is  $c$  and  $e^c < e^x$ . Thus,

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} |R_n(x)| \leq \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{|x|^{n+1}}{(n+1)!}; \quad \text{for } x \leq 0 \quad \text{and} \quad \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} |R_n(x)| < \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{e^x |x|^{n+1}}{(n+1)!}; \quad \text{for } x > 0$$

In both cases,  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} |R_n(x)| = 0 \implies \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} R_n(x) = 0$ . Hence,  $e^x$  is equal to the sum of its Maclaurin series.

# Example:

Find the Taylor series generated by  $f(x) = 1/x$  at  $a = 2$ . Where, if anywhere, does the series converge to  $1/x$ ?

**Solution:**

We need to determine  $f(2), f'(2), f''(2), \dots$ . Differentiating the given function  $n$  times and finding values at  $x = 2$ , we get:

$$f(x) = x^{-1};$$

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

$$f'(x) = -x^{-2} = (-1)1!x^{-2};$$

$$f'(2) = -(2)^{-2} = -\frac{1}{2^2},$$

$$f''(x) = (-1)(-2)x^{-3} = (-1)^2 2!x^{-3};$$

$$\frac{f''(2)}{2!} = (-1)^2 \frac{1}{2^3},$$

# Solution:

$$\begin{array}{ll} \text{---} & f'''(x) = (-1)(-2)(-3)x^{-4} = (-1)^3 3! x^{-4}; & \frac{f'''(2)}{3!} = (-1)^3 \frac{1}{2^4}, \\ & \vdots & \vdots \\ & f^{(n)}(x) = (-1)^n n! x^{-(n+1)}; & \frac{f^{(n)}(2)}{n!} = (-1)^n \frac{1}{2^{n+1}}. \end{array}$$

Thus, the Taylor series generated by  $f(x) = 1/x$  at  $a = 2$  is:

$$\begin{aligned} & f(2) + f'(2)(x-2) + \frac{f''(2)}{2!}(x-2)^2 + \cdots + \frac{f^{(n)}(2)}{n!}(x-2)^n + \cdots \\ &= \frac{1}{2} - \frac{(x-2)}{2^2} + \frac{(x-2)^2}{2^3} - \frac{(x-2)^3}{2^4} + \cdots + (-1)^n \frac{(x-2)^n}{2^{n+1}} + \cdots. \end{aligned}$$

This is a geometric power series with  $a = 1/2$  and ratio  $r = -(x-2)/2$ . This series **converges absolutely** for  $|x-2| < 2$  and its sum is given as:

$$\frac{1/2}{1 + (x-2)/2} = \frac{1}{x}.$$

# Example:

Find the Maclaurin series generated by  $f(x) = (1 + x)^k$ , where  $k$  is any real number.

**Solution:**

For the present case:

$$f(x) = (1 + x)^k;$$

$$f(0) = 1,$$

$$f'(x) = k(1 + x)^{k-1};$$

$$f'(0) = k,$$

$$f''(x) = k(k - 1)(1 + x)^{k-2};$$

$$f''(0) = k(k - 1),$$

$$f'''(x) = k(k - 1)(k - 2)(1 + x)^{k-3};$$

$$f'''(0) = k(k - 1)(k - 2),$$

$$\vdots$$
$$\vdots$$

$$f^{(n)}(x) = k(k - 1)(k - 2) \cdots (k - n + 1)(1 + x)^{k-n};$$

and 
$$f^{(n)}(0) = k(k - 1)(k - 2) \cdots (k - n + 1).$$

# Example:

Thus, the Maclaurin series generated by  $f(x) = (1+x)^k$  is:

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{f^{(n)}(0)}{n!} x^n = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{k(k-1)(k-2)\cdots(k-n+1)}{n!} x^n = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \binom{k}{n} x^n.$$

This series is called the **binomial series**. Notice that if  $k$  is a nonnegative integer, then the terms are eventually 0 and so the series is finite. For other values of  $k$  none of the terms is 0 and so we can try the Ratio Test. For the present case:

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{a_{n+1}}{a_n} \right| &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{k(k-1)\cdots(k-n+1)(k-n)x^{n+1}}{(n+1)!} \cdot \frac{n!}{k(k-1)\cdots(k-n+1)x^n} \right| \\ &= |x| \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{k-n}{n+1} \right| = |x|, \end{aligned}$$

so, by the Ratio Test, the series converges when  $|x| < 1$ , and the radius of convergence is  $R = 1$ .

# Some Important Maclaurin Series

$$\text{---} \quad \frac{1}{1-x} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} x^n = 1 + x + x^2 + x^3 + \dots \quad R = 1$$

$$e^x = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{x^n}{n!} = 1 + \frac{x}{1!} + \frac{x^2}{2!} + \frac{x^3}{3!} + \dots \quad R = \infty$$

$$\sin x = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-1)^n \frac{x^{2n+1}}{(2n+1)!} = x - \frac{x^3}{3!} + \frac{x^5}{5!} - \frac{x^7}{7!} + \dots \quad R = \infty$$

$$\cos x = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-1)^n \frac{x^{2n}}{(2n)!} = 1 - \frac{x^2}{2!} + \frac{x^4}{4!} - \frac{x^6}{6!} + \dots \quad R = \infty$$

$$\tan^{-1}x = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-1)^n \frac{x^{2n+1}}{2n+1} = x - \frac{x^3}{3} + \frac{x^5}{5} - \frac{x^7}{7} + \dots \quad R = 1$$

$$\ln(1+x) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (-1)^{n-1} \frac{x^n}{n} = x - \frac{x^2}{2} + \frac{x^3}{3} - \frac{x^4}{4} + \dots \quad R = 1$$

$$(1+x)^k = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \binom{k}{n} x^n = 1 + kx + \frac{k(k-1)}{2!} x^2 + \frac{k(k-1)(k-2)}{3!} x^3 + \dots \quad R = 1$$



# Multiplication & Division of Power Series

Find the first three nonzero terms in the Maclaurin series for (a)  $e^x \sin x$  and (b)  $\tan x$ .

**Solution:**

Using the Maclaurin series for  $e^x$  and  $\sin x$ , we have:

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

We multiply these expressions, collecting like terms just as for polynomials:

$$\begin{array}{r} 1 + x + \frac{1}{2}x^2 + \frac{1}{6}x^3 + \cdots \\ \times \quad x \qquad - \frac{1}{6}x^3 + \cdots \\ \hline x + x^2 + \frac{1}{2}x^3 + \frac{1}{6}x^4 + \cdots \\ + \qquad \qquad - \frac{1}{6}x^3 - \frac{1}{6}x^4 - \cdots \\ \hline x + x^2 + \frac{1}{3}x^3 + \cdots \end{array}$$

# Multiplication & Division of Power Series

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Thus, we have:

$$e^x \sin x = x + x^2 + \frac{1}{3}x^3 + \dots$$

**Solution:** (b)  $\tan x$ .

Note that

$$\tan x = \frac{\sin x}{\cos x} = \frac{x - \frac{x^3}{3!} + \frac{x^5}{5!} - \dots}{1 - \frac{x^2}{2!} + \frac{x^4}{4!} - \dots}$$

# Multiplication & Division of Power Series

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We use a procedure like long division:

$$\begin{array}{r} x + \frac{1}{3}x^3 + \frac{2}{15}x^5 + \dots \\ 1 - \frac{1}{2}x^2 + \frac{1}{24}x^4 - \dots \overline{) x - \frac{1}{6}x^3 + \frac{1}{120}x^5 - \dots} \\ x - \frac{1}{2}x^3 + \frac{1}{24}x^5 - \dots \\ \hline \frac{1}{3}x^3 - \frac{1}{30}x^5 + \dots \\ \frac{1}{3}x^3 - \frac{1}{6}x^5 + \dots \\ \hline \frac{2}{15}x^5 + \dots \end{array}$$

Thus, we get:

$$\tan x = x + \frac{1}{3}x^3 + \frac{2}{15}x^5 + \dots$$

# Practice Questions

**Book:** Thomas Calculus (11th Edition) by George B. Thomas, Maurice D. Weir, Joel R. Hass, Frank R. Giordano

- Exercise: 11.8  
Q # 1 to Q # 28

**Book:** Calculus (5th Edition) by Swokowski, Olinick and Pence

- Exercise: 11.8  
Q # 1 to Q # 6, Q # 9 to Q # 28