

Taylor's Inequality: choose $K \geq |f^{(n+1)}(x)|$ for $x \in [a-d, a+d]$ ($d > 0$) to bound the remainder:

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

$f(x) = T_n(x) + R_n(x)$ MATH 242 - WS11
 $\hookrightarrow n^{th}$ order Taylor polynomial

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use a calculator
 $e^{\hat{\pi}} = 23.14069263277...$

1. Approximate the numerical value of e^{π} using the 2nd order Taylor polynomial $T_2(x)$ for the function $f(x) = e^x$ centered at $a = 0$. What order n has a Taylor polynomial $T_n(x)$ that would provide accuracy better than 10%?

~~What order n has a Taylor polynomial $T_n(x)$ that would provide accuracy better than 10%?~~ changed the question

$$e^x = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{x^k}{k!} = 1 + x + \frac{x^2}{2} + \frac{x^3}{6} + \frac{x^4}{24} + \dots$$

$e^x \approx 1 + x + \frac{x^2}{2}$ hence

(use a calculator)

$$e^{\hat{\pi}} \approx 1 + \hat{\pi} + \frac{\hat{\pi}^2}{2} = 9.07639485...$$

differs about 14.06929779

For $x \in [-\hat{\pi}, \hat{\pi}]$, $|f^{(n+1)}(x)| = |e^x| \leq e^{\hat{\pi}} = K$

$|R_2(\hat{\pi})| \leq \frac{e^{\hat{\pi}}}{(2+1)!} \hat{\pi}^3 = 119.58445305$

yes did much better!

$$\tan^{-1}(1.5) = 0.982794 \dots$$

↑ exact value

2. Approximate the numerical value of $\arctan(1.5)$ using the 2nd order Taylor polynomial $T_2(x)$ for the function $f(x) = \arctan(x)$ centered at $a = 1$. ~~That order has a Taylor polynomial $T_2(x)$ that would be used to approximate the value of $f(1.5)$.~~

$$f(x) = \tan^{-1}(x) \Rightarrow f(a) = f(1) = \tan^{-1}(1) = \frac{\pi}{4}$$

$$f'(x) = \frac{1}{1+x^2} \Rightarrow f'(a) = f'(1) = \frac{1}{1+1^2} = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$f''(x) = \frac{-2x}{(1+x^2)^2} \Rightarrow f''(a) = f''(1) = \frac{-2(1)}{(1+1^2)^2} = \frac{-2}{4} = -\frac{1}{2}$$

$$f'''(x) = \frac{-2(1+x^2)^2 + 2x \cdot 2(1+x^2) \cdot 2x}{(1+x^2)^4} = \frac{(6x^2-2)(x^2+1)}{(1+x^2)^4}$$

$$= \frac{-2-4x^2-2x^4+8x^2(1+x^2)}{(1+x^2)^4} = \frac{6x^4+4x^2-2}{(1+x^2)^4} = \frac{6x^2-2}{(1+x^2)^3}$$

$$f(x) \approx f(a) + f'(a)(x-a) + \frac{f''(a)}{2}(x-a)^2$$

$$\tan^{-1}(x) \approx \frac{\pi}{4} + \frac{1}{2}(x-1) - \frac{1}{4}(x-1)^2 \quad \text{hence}$$

$$\boxed{\tan^{-1}(1.5) \approx \frac{\pi}{4} + \frac{1}{4} - \frac{1}{16}} = \frac{4\pi+4-1}{16} = \frac{4\pi+3}{16}$$

for $x \in [0.5, 1.5]$

$$|f'''(x)| \leq \left| \frac{6x^2-2}{(1+x^2)^3} \right| \stackrel{\text{at } x=1}{\leq} \frac{4}{8} = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$|R_2(1.5)| \leq \frac{\frac{1}{2}}{(2+1)!} \cdot \frac{1}{2}^3 = \frac{1}{16} \cdot \frac{1}{8} = \frac{1}{128} = \boxed{0.0078125}$$

differs about $= 0.9728981632 \dots$

$0.00989556 \dots$

↑ yes did better!

$$\star \text{Proof } \max_{x \in [0.5, 1.5]} \left| \frac{6x^2 - 2}{(1+x^2)^3} \right| = \frac{1}{2} \text{ @ } x = 1$$

$$\frac{d}{dx} \left(\frac{6x^2 - 2}{(1+x^2)^3} \right) = \frac{12x(1+x^2)^3 - (6x^2 - 2) \cdot 3(1+x^2)^2 \cdot 2x}{(1+x^2)^6} = 0$$

$$12x(1+x^2)^3 - 6x(6x^2 - 2)(1+x^2)^2 = 0$$

$$12x(1+x^2) - 6x(6x^2 - 2) = 0$$

$$12x + 12x^3 - 36x^3 + 12x = 0$$

$$-24x^3 + 24x = 0$$

$$-24x(x^2 - 1) = 0$$

$$-24x(x-1)(x+1) = 0$$

$$x = -1, 0, (1) \blacksquare$$