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# Calc II - Tutorial PYQ

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## 1 2015/16

1. Given the power series expansion of the function  $\frac{1}{1-x} = 1 + x + x^2 + \dots, |x| < 1$ . Show that the first three non-zero coefficients in the power series expansion about  $x = 0$  of  $\frac{1}{\cos x}$  is given by  $1 + \frac{x^2}{2} + \frac{5x^4}{24} + \dots$

(a) **Way 1: Traditional listing out and writing it down.**

- i. List down the terms

$$f = \frac{1}{\cos x} = \sec x$$

$$f' = \tan x \sec x$$

$$f'' = \tan^2 x \sec x + \sec^3 x$$

$$= (\sec^2 - 1) \sec x + \sec^3 x$$

$$= \sec^3 - \sec x + \sec^3 x$$

$$= 2 \sec^3 x - \sec x$$

$$= 2f^3 - f$$

$$f''' = 6f^2 f' - f'$$

$$f'''' = (12f f' (f') - 6f^2 f'') - f'' \text{Product rule here}$$

- ii. Write down the values

$$f(0) = 1$$

$$f'(0) = 0$$

$$f''(0) = 2(1)^3 - 1$$

$$= 1$$

$$f'''(0) = 6f^2 f' - f'$$

$$= 0$$

$$f''''(0) = 0 + 6(1)(1) - 1$$

$$= 5$$

iii. Write down the final series (using MacLaurin Polynomial)

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{1}{\cos x} &= f(0) + \frac{f'(0)}{1!}x + \frac{f''(0)}{2!}x^2 + \dots + \frac{f^n(0)}{n!}x^n \\ &= 1 + \frac{x^2}{2} + \frac{5x^4}{24} + \dots\end{aligned}$$

(b) **Way 2: Utilizing MacLaurin Series**

2. Determine the Maclaurin series for  $f(x) = e^{-4x}$  in ascending powers of  $x$  up to and including the term in  $x^2$ . Then use the series to estimate the value of  $f(x)$  when  $x = 0.1$ . Give your answer correct to 2 decimal places.

(a) Find the sequence

$$\begin{aligned}\text{i. } e^x &= 1 + \frac{x}{1!} + \frac{x^2}{2!} + \dots \\ \text{ii. } e^{-4x} &= 1 + \frac{(-4x)}{1!} + \frac{(-4x)^2}{2!} + \dots = 1 - 4x + 8x^2 + \dots\end{aligned}$$

(b) When  $x = 0.1$

$$\begin{aligned}e^{-4(0.1)} &= e^{-0.4} \\ &= 1 + \frac{(-4(0.1))}{1!} + \frac{(-4(0.1))^2}{2!} + \dots \\ &\approx 0.6008 \\ &= 0.60(2\text{ d.p.})\end{aligned}$$

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1. Determine the Maclaurin series for  $f(x) = xe^{3x}$  in ascending powers of  $x$  up to and including the term  $x^4$ . Then use the series to estimate the value of  $f(x)$  when  $x = 0.05$ . Give your answer correct to 4 decimal places.

$$\begin{aligned}\text{(a) } e^x &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{x^n}{n!} = 1 + \frac{x}{1!} + \frac{x^2}{2!} + \frac{x^3}{3!} + \frac{x^4}{4!} \dots \\ \text{(b) } e^{3x} &= 1 + \frac{3x}{1!} + \frac{(3x)^2}{2!} + \frac{(3x)^3}{3!} + \frac{(3x)^4}{4!} \dots \\ \text{(c) } xe^{3x} &= x + \frac{3x^2}{1!} + \frac{(3x)^2}{2!} + \frac{(3x)^3}{3!} + \frac{(3x)^4}{4!} \dots \text{ (Note: } x \text{ doesn't change as } n \text{ increases, therefore, easiest way is just to multiple in)} \\ \text{(d) Estimate } x &= 0.05\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}f(0.05) &= 0.05 + 3(0.05)^2 + \frac{9}{2}(0.05)^3 + \frac{9}{2}(0.05)^4 + \dots \\ &= 0.0581\end{aligned}$$

2. Use series to approximate the definite integral of  $\int_0^{0.05} xe^{3x} dx$  correct to 4 decimal places.

$$\text{(a) } e^{3x} = 1 + \frac{3x}{1!} + \frac{(3x)^2}{2!} + \frac{(3x)^3}{3!} + \frac{(3x)^4}{4!} \dots$$

$$(b) \quad xe^{3x} = x + \frac{3x^2}{1!} + \frac{(3x)^2}{2!} + \frac{(3x)^3}{3!} + \frac{(3x)^4}{4!} \dots$$

$$\begin{aligned} \int_0^{0.05} xe^{3x} &= \int_0^{0.05} x + \frac{3x^2}{1!} + \frac{(3x)^2}{2!} + \frac{(3x)^3}{3!} + \frac{(3x)^4}{4!} dx \\ &= 0.0014 \end{aligned}$$