

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

$$f(x) = c_0 + c_1(x-a) + c_2(x-a)^2 + c_3(x-a)^3 + c_4(x-a)^4 + \dots$$

$$f(a) = c_0 = \frac{f^{(0)}(a)}{0!}$$

$$f'(x) = c_1 + 2c_2(x-a) + 3c_3(x-a)^2 + 4c_4(x-a)^3 + \dots$$

$$f'(a) = c_1 = \frac{f^{(1)}(a)}{1!}$$

$$f''(x) = 2c_2 + 2 \cdot 3 c_3(x-a) + 3 \cdot 4 c_4(x-a)^2 + \dots$$

$$f''(a) = 2c_2 \Rightarrow c_2 = \frac{f''(a)}{2}$$

$$f^{(3)}(x) = 2 \cdot 3 c_3 + 2 \cdot 3 \cdot 4 c_4(x-a) + \dots$$

$$f^{(3)}(a) = 2 \cdot 3 c_3 \Rightarrow c_3 = \frac{f^{(3)}(a)}{1 \cdot 2 \cdot 3} = \frac{f^{(3)}(a)}{3!}$$

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

## CHAPTER 8. SEQUENCES AND SERIES.

### Section 8.7. Taylor and Maclaurin Series.

Suppose that  $f(x) = c_0 + c_1(x - a) + c_2(x - a)^2 + \dots$  for  $|x - a| < R$ . We would like to find an expression for the coefficients  $c_n$ 's. If we let  $x = a$ , then

$$c_0 = f(a)$$

Recall that we can differentiate  $f$ , and  $f'(x) = c_1 + 2c_2(x - a) + 3c_3(x - a)^2 + \dots$ . If we substitute  $x = a$ , we get

$$c_1 = f'(a)$$

Now, if we differentiate  $f'$ , we obtain  $f''(x) = 2c_2 + 3 \cdot 2c_3(x - a) + \dots$ . Letting  $x = a$  yields

$$c_2 = \frac{f''(a)}{2}$$

If we take the  $n$ -th derivative of  $f$  and substitute  $x = a$ , then

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

- **Taylor Series.**

If  $f$  has a power series expansion 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

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

- $f$  is called the *Taylor series* of the function  $f$  at  $a$ .
- If  $a = 0$ , then the power series expansion of  $f$  is called a *Maclaurin series*.

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

$$\cos x = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-1)^n \frac{x^{2n}}{(2n)!}$$

$$e^x = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{x^n}{n!} \quad \sin x = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-1)^n \frac{x^{2n+1}}{(2n+1)!} \quad \frac{1}{1-x} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} x^n \quad |x| < 1$$

**Example:** Find the Maclaurin series of the function and its radius of convergence.

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

$$f^{(n)}(x) = e^x \Rightarrow f^{(n)}(0) = e^0 = 1, \quad e^x = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{x^n}{n!}, \quad I = (-\infty, \infty), \quad R = \infty$$

Ratio test

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{x^{n+1}}{(n+1)!} \cdot \frac{n!}{x^n} \right| = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{|x|}{n+1} = 0 \text{ for all } x$$

$$e \approx 1 + 1 + \frac{1}{2!} + \frac{1}{3!} + \dots$$

$$2. f(x) = \sin x = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{f^{(n)}(0)}{n!} x^n = f(0) + \frac{f'(0)}{1!} x + \frac{f''(0)}{2!} x^2 + \frac{f^{(3)}(0)}{3!} x^3 + \dots$$

n	$f^{(n)}(x)$	$f^{(n)}(0)$
0	$\sin x$	0
1	$\cos x$	1
2	$-\sin x$	0
3	$-\cos x$	-1
4	$\sin x$	0

$$\sin x = x - \frac{x^3}{3!} + \frac{x^5}{5!} - \frac{x^7}{7!} + \dots$$

$$\sin x = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-1)^n \frac{x^{2n+1}}{(2n+1)!} \quad \leftarrow \text{odd exponents}$$

odd function

$$I = (-\infty, \infty) \quad R = \infty$$

3. Maclaurin series for  $f(x) = \cos x$

$$\frac{d}{dx} \sin x = \cos x \Rightarrow \frac{d}{dx} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-1)^n \frac{x^{2n+1}}{(2n+1)!} = \cos x$$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d}{dx} \left( x - \frac{x^3}{3!} + \frac{x^5}{5!} - \frac{x^7}{7!} + \dots \right) &= 1 - \frac{3x^2}{3!} + \frac{5x^4}{5!} - \frac{7x^6}{7!} + \dots \\ &= 1 - \frac{x^2}{2!} + \frac{x^4}{4!} - \frac{x^6}{6!} + \frac{x^8}{8!} + \dots \end{aligned}$$

$$\cos x = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-1)^n \frac{x^{2n}}{(2n)!} \quad I = (-\infty, \infty) \quad R = \infty$$

$$\cos \frac{\pi}{4} = \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n}{(2n)!} \left( \frac{\pi}{4} \right)^{2n}$$

$$\cos 0 =$$

**Example** Find the Taylor series of the function centered at the given value.

$f(x) = \ln x$  at  $a = 2$ .

$$\ln x = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{f^{(n)}(2)}{n!} (x-2)^n$$

$n$	$f^{(n)}(x)$	$f^{(n)}(2)$
0	$\ln x$	$\ln 2$
1	$\frac{1}{x}$	$\frac{1}{2}$
2	$-\frac{1}{x^2}$	$-\frac{1}{2^2}$
3	$\frac{2}{x^3}$	$\frac{2}{2^3}$
4	$-\frac{2 \cdot 3}{x^4}$	$-\frac{2 \cdot 3}{2^4}$
5	$\frac{2 \cdot 3 \cdot 4}{x^5}$	$\frac{2 \cdot 3 \cdot 4}{2^5}$

$$n \geq 1 \quad f^{(n)}(2) = \frac{(-1)^n (n-1)!}{2^n}$$

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

$(n+1)! \cdot n$

$$f(x) = \ln 2 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{n-1}}{n 2^n} (x-2)^n$$

$$f(x) = \ln 2 + \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n}{(n+1) 2^{n+1}} (x-2)^{n+1}$$

Radius of convergence: **Ratio test**

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{(-1)^n (x-2)^{n+1}}{(n+1) 2^{n+1}} \cdot \frac{n 2^n}{(-1)^{n-1} (x-2)^n} \right| = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{n}{2(n+1)} |x-2|$$

$$= \frac{|x-2|}{2} < 1$$

$$|x-2| < 2$$

$$R=2$$

### Important Mclaurin series

$$e^x = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{x^n}{n!}, R = \infty, I = (-\infty, \infty) \quad \text{↪}$$

$$\sin x = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n x^{2n+1}}{(2n+1)!}, R = \infty, I = (-\infty, \infty)$$

$$\cos x = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n x^{2n}}{(2n)!}, R = \infty, I = (-\infty, \infty)$$

$$\frac{1}{1-x} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} x^n, R = 1, I = (-1, 1)$$

$$\frac{1}{1-u} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} u^n$$

### Additional Problems

1.  $f(x) = e^{x^2}$  at  $a = 0$  (a McLaurin Series)  $f(x) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{f^{(n)}(0)}{n!} x^n$

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

$$, e^{x^2} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(x^2)^n}{n!} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{x^{2n}}{n!}$$

$$e^x = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{x^n}{n!}, \quad e^{-x} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-x)^n}{n!} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n x^n}{n!}$$

2.  $f(x) = \sinh x = \frac{e^x - e^{-x}}{2}$  at  $a = 0$

$$\frac{e^x - e^{-x}}{2} = \frac{1}{2} \left[ \left( 1 + \frac{x}{1!} + \frac{x^2}{2!} + \frac{x^3}{3!} + \frac{x^4}{4!} + \dots \right) - \left( 1 - \frac{x}{1!} + \frac{x^2}{2!} - \frac{x^3}{3!} + \frac{x^4}{4!} - \dots \right) \right]$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \left( 2x + 2 \frac{x^3}{3!} + 2 \frac{x^5}{5!} + \dots \right) = x + \frac{x^3}{3!} + \frac{x^5}{5!} + \dots$$

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

- Evaluate the indefinite integral as an infinite series.

$\int \frac{e^x - 1}{x} dx$  Find the McLaurin series of  $f(x) = \frac{e^x - 1}{x}$

$$e^x = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{x^n}{n!}, \quad \frac{e^x - 1}{x} = \frac{\left( 1 + x + \frac{x^2}{2!} + \frac{x^3}{3!} + \dots \right) - 1}{x}$$

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

$$\int \frac{e^x - 1}{x} dx = C + \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{(n+1)!} \frac{x^{n+1}}{n+1}$$

$$\sin x = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-1)^n \frac{x^{2n+1}}{(2n+1)!}$$

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

$$\cos x = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-1)^n \frac{x^{2n}}{(2n)!}$$

$$\frac{1}{1-x} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} x^n$$

- Use series to evaluate the limit.

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin x - x + \frac{1}{6}x^3}{x^5} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\left( x - \frac{x^3}{3!} + \frac{x^5}{5!} - \frac{x^7}{7!} + \frac{x^9}{9!} - \dots \right) - x + \frac{x^3}{6}}{x^5}$$

$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \left( \frac{1}{5!} - \frac{x^2}{7!} + \frac{x^4}{9!} + \dots \right) = \frac{1}{5!} = \frac{1}{120}$$

or L'Hospital's Rule

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin x - x + \frac{1}{6}x^3}{x^5} &= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\cos x - 1 + \frac{1}{2}x^2}{5x^4} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{-\sin x + x}{20x^3} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{-\cos x + 1}{60x^2} \\ &= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin x}{120x} = \frac{1}{120} \end{aligned}$$

- Find the sum of the series.

$$1. \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{x^{4n}}{n!} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(x^4)^n}{n!} = e^{x^4}$$

$$2. \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n \pi^{2n}}{4^{2n} (2n)!} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-1)^n \frac{\left(\frac{\pi}{4}\right)^{2n}}{(2n)!} = \cos \frac{\pi}{4} = \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}$$

$$3. \sum_{n=3}^{\infty} \frac{(3x)^n}{n!}$$

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(3x)^n}{n!} = e^{3x} = 1 + 3x + \frac{9x^2}{2} + \sum_{n=3}^{\infty} \frac{(3x)^n}{n!}$$

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$$\sum_{n=3}^{\infty} \frac{(3x)^n}{n!} = e^{3x} - 1 - 3x - \frac{9x^2}{2}$$

Taylor Polynomial: The  $n$ th degree Taylor Polynomial of  $f(x)$ ,  $T_n(x)$  is the partial sum of  $f$  as in

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

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

Examples ①  $f(x) = \ln(3-x)$ . Find the 3rd degree Taylor polynomial of  $f$  at  $a=2$

$$T_3(x) = f(2) + f'(2)(x-2) + \frac{f''(2)}{2!} (x-2)^2 + \frac{f^{(3)}(2)}{3!} (x-2)^3$$

$n$	$f^{(n)}(x)$	$f^{(n)}(2)$
0	$\ln(3-x)$	0
1	$-\frac{1}{3-x}$	-1
2	$-\frac{1}{(3-x)^2}$	-1
3	$-\frac{2}{(3-x)^3}$	-2

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

②  $P(x) = 3x^2 - 5x^3 + 7x^4 + 3x^5$  is the 5th degree Taylor Polynomial for a function  $f$  about  $a=0$ . What is the value of  $f'''(0)$ ?

$$T_n(x) = f(0) + f'(0)x + \frac{f''(0)}{2!} x^2 + \frac{f^{(3)}(0)}{3!} x^3 + \dots$$

$$\frac{f^{(3)}(0)}{3!} = -5$$

$$f^{(3)}(0) = -5 \cdot 3!$$

$$f^{(3)}(0) = -30$$