# **SOLUTION**

# Section 3.8 – Taylor and Maclaurin Series

# Exercise

Find the Taylor polynomials of orders 0, 1, 2, and 3 generated by f at a:  $f(x) = e^{2x}$ , a = 0

# Solution

$$f(x) = e^{2x} \rightarrow f(0) = e^{2(0)} = 1$$

$$f'(x) = 2e^{2x} \rightarrow f'(0) = 2$$

$$f''(x) = 4e^{2x} \rightarrow f''(0) = 4$$

$$f'''(x) = 8e^{2x} \rightarrow f'''(0) = 8$$

$$P_0(x) = f(0) = 1$$

$$P_1(x) = f(0) + f'(0)(x - 0)$$

$$= 1 + 2x$$

$$P_2(x) = f(0) + f'(0)(x - 0) + \frac{f''(0)}{2!}(x - 0)^2$$

$$= 1 + 2x + 2x^2$$

$$P_3(x) = f(0) + f'(0)(x - 0) + \frac{f''(0)}{2!}(x - 0)^2 + \frac{f'''(0)}{3!}(x - 0)^3$$

$$= 1 + 2x + 2x^2 + \frac{4}{3}x^3$$

# Exercise

Find the Taylor polynomials of orders 0, 1, 2, and 3 generated by f at a:  $f(x) = \sin x$ , a = 0

$$f(x) = \sin x \to f(0) = 0$$

$$f'(x) = \cos x \to f'(0) = 1$$

$$f''(x) = -\sin x \to f''(0) = 0$$

$$f'''(x) = -\cos x \to f'''(0) = -1$$

$$P_0(x) = f(0) = 0$$

$$P_1(x) = f(0) + f'(0)(x - 0)$$

$$= x$$

$$P_{2}(x) = f(0) + f'(0)(x-0) + \frac{f''(0)}{2!}(x-0)^{2}$$

$$= x$$

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

$$= x - \frac{1}{6}x^{3}$$

Find the Taylor polynomials of orders 0, 1, 2, and 3 generated by f at a:  $f(x) = \ln(1+x)$ , a = 0

# Solution

#### Exercise

Find the Taylor polynomials of orders 0, 1, 2, and 3 generated by f at a:  $f(x) = \frac{1}{x+2}$ , a = 0

$$f(x) = (x+2)^{-1} \rightarrow f(0) = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$f'(x) = -(x+2)^{-2} \rightarrow f'(0) = -\frac{1}{4}$$

$$f''(x) = 2(x+2)^{-3} \rightarrow f''(0) = \frac{1}{4}$$

$$f'''(x) = -6(x+2)^{-4} \rightarrow f'''(0) = -\frac{3}{8}$$

$$P_0(x) = f(0)$$

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

$$P_1(x) = f(0) + f'(0)(x-0)$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{4}x$$

$$P_2(x) = f(0) + f'(0)(x-0) + \frac{f''(0)}{2!}(x-0)^2$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{4}x + \frac{1}{8}x^2$$

$$P_3(x) = f(0) + f'(0)(x-0) + \frac{f''(0)}{2!}(x-0)^2 + \frac{f'''(0)}{3!}(x-0)^3$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{4}x + \frac{1}{8}x^2 - \frac{1}{16}x^3$$

Find the Taylor polynomials of orders 0, 1, 2, and 3 generated by f at a:  $f(x) = \sqrt{1-x}$ , a = 0

# **Solution**

$$f'(x) = -\frac{1}{2}(1-x)^{-1/2} \rightarrow f(0) = -\frac{1}{2}$$

$$f''(x) = -\frac{1}{4}(1-x)^{-3/2} \rightarrow f(0) = -\frac{1}{4}$$

$$f'''(x) = -\frac{3}{8}(1-x)^{-5/2} \rightarrow f(0) = -\frac{3}{8}$$

$$P_0(x) = f(0)$$

$$= 1 \rfloor$$

$$P_1(x) = f(0) + f'(0)(x-0)$$

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

$$P_2(x) = f(0) + f'(0)(x-0) + \frac{f''(0)}{2!}(x-0)^2$$

 $f(x) = (1-x)^{1/2} \rightarrow f(0) = 1$ 

$$\frac{=1-\frac{1}{2}x-\frac{1}{8}x^{2}}{P_{3}(x) = f(0) + f'(0)(x-0) + \frac{f''(0)}{2!}(x-0)^{2} + \frac{f'''(0)}{3!}(x-0)^{3}}$$

$$\frac{=1-\frac{1}{2}x-\frac{1}{8}x^{2} - \frac{1}{16}x^{3}}{=1-\frac{1}{2}x-\frac{1}{8}x^{2} - \frac{1}{16}x^{3}}$$

Find the Taylor polynomials of orders 0, 1, 2, and 3 generated by f at a:  $f(x) = x^3$ , a = 1

### **Solution**

$$f(x) = x^{3} \rightarrow f(1) = 1$$

$$f'(x) = 3x^{2} \rightarrow f'(1) = 3$$

$$f''(x) = 6x \rightarrow f''(1) = 6$$

$$f'''(x) = 6 \rightarrow f'''(1) = 6$$

$$P_{0}(x) = f(a)$$

$$= 1 \mid \exists$$

$$P_{1}(x) = f(a) + f'(a)(x - a)$$

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

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

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

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

$$= 1 + 3(x - 1) + 3(x - 1)^{2} + (x - 1)^{3}$$

# Exercise

Find the Taylor polynomials of orders 0, 1, 2, and 3 generated by f at a:  $f(x) = 8\sqrt{x}$ , a = 1

$$f(x) = 8x^{1/2} \rightarrow f(1) = 8$$

$$f'(x) = 4x^{-1/2} \rightarrow f'(1) = 4$$

$$f''(x) = -2x^{-3/2} \rightarrow f''(1) = -2$$

$$f'''(x) = 3x^{-5/2} \rightarrow f'''(1) = 3$$

$$P_{0}(x) = f(a)$$

$$= 8$$

$$P_{1}(x) = f(a) + f'(a)(x-a)$$

$$= 8 + 4(x-1)$$

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

$$= 8 + 4(x-1) - (x-1)^{2}$$

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

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

Find the Taylor polynomials of orders 0, 1, 2, and 3 generated by f at a:  $f(x) = \sin x$ ,  $a = \frac{\pi}{4}$ 

$$f(x) = \sin x \rightarrow f\left(\frac{\pi}{4}\right) = \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}$$

$$f'(x) = \cos x \rightarrow f'\left(\frac{\pi}{4}\right) = \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}$$

$$f'''(x) = -\sin x \rightarrow f''\left(\frac{\pi}{4}\right) = -\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}$$

$$f''''(x) = -\cos x \rightarrow f'''\left(\frac{\pi}{4}\right) = -\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}$$

$$P_0(x) = f(a)$$

$$= \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}$$

$$P_1(x) = f(a) + f'(a)(x - a)$$

$$= \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} + \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}(x - \frac{\pi}{4})$$

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

$$= \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} + \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}(x - \frac{\pi}{4}) - \frac{\sqrt{2}}{4}(x - \frac{\pi}{4})^2$$

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

$$= \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} + \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}(x - \frac{\pi}{4}) - \frac{\sqrt{2}}{4}(x - \frac{\pi}{4})^2 - \frac{\sqrt{2}}{12}(x - \frac{\pi}{4})^3$$

Find the Taylor polynomials of orders 0, 1, 2, and 3 generated by f at a:  $f(x) = \cos x$ ,  $a = \frac{\pi}{6}$ 

# **Solution**

$$f(x) = \cos x \rightarrow f\left(\frac{\pi}{6}\right) = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}$$

$$f'(x) = -\sin x \rightarrow f'\left(\frac{\pi}{6}\right) = -\frac{1}{2}$$

$$f'''(x) = -\cos x \rightarrow f''\left(\frac{\pi}{6}\right) = -\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}$$

$$f''''(x) = \sin x \rightarrow f'''\left(\frac{\pi}{6}\right) = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$P_0(x) = f(a)$$

$$= \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}$$

$$P_1(x) = f(a) + f'(a)(x-a)$$

$$= \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} - \frac{1}{2}\left(x - \frac{\pi}{6}\right)$$

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

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

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

$$= \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} - \frac{1}{2}\left(x - \frac{\pi}{6}\right) - \frac{\sqrt{3}}{4}\left(x - \frac{\pi}{6}\right)^2 + \frac{1}{12}\left(x - \frac{\pi}{6}\right)^3$$

# Exercise

Find the Taylor polynomials of orders 0, 1, 2, and 3 generated by f at a:  $f(x) = \sqrt{x}$ , a = 9

$$f(x) = x^{1/2} \to f(9) = 3$$

$$f'(x) = \frac{1}{2}x^{-1/2} = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{x}} \to f'(9) = \frac{1}{6}$$

$$f''(x) = -\frac{1}{4}x^{-3/2} = -\frac{1}{4x\sqrt{x}} \to f''(9) = -\frac{1}{4 \times 3^3}$$

$$f'''(x) = \frac{3}{8}x^{-5/2} = \frac{3}{8x^2\sqrt{x}} \to f'''(9) = \frac{1}{2^3 \times 3^4}$$

$$P_{0}(x) = f(a)$$

$$= 3$$

$$P_{1}(x) = f(a) + f'(a)(x-a)$$

$$= 3 + \frac{1}{6}(x-9)$$

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

$$= 3 + \frac{1}{2 \cdot 3}(x-9) - \frac{1}{2^{3} \cdot 3^{3}}(x-9)^{2}$$

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

$$= 3 + \frac{1}{2 \cdot 3}(x-9) - \frac{1}{2^{2} \cdot 3^{3}}(x-9)^{2} + \frac{1}{2^{4} \cdot 3^{5}}(x-9)^{3}$$

Find the Taylor polynomials of orders 0, 1, 2, and 3 generated by f at a:  $f(x) = \sqrt[3]{x}$ , a = 8

# **Solution**

 $f(x) = x^{1/3} \rightarrow f(8) = 2$ 

$$f'(x) = \frac{1}{3}x^{-2/3} = \frac{1}{3x^{2/3}} \rightarrow f'(8) = \frac{1}{2^2 \times 3}$$

$$f''(x) = -\frac{2}{9}x^{-5/3} = -\frac{2}{3^2x^{5/3}} \rightarrow f''(8) = -\frac{1}{3^2 \times 2^4}$$

$$f'''(x) = \frac{10}{3^3}x^{-8/3} = \frac{2 \cdot 5}{3^3x^{8/3}} \rightarrow f'''(8) = \frac{5}{2^7 \times 3^3}$$

$$P_0(x) = f(a)$$

$$= 2 \downarrow$$

$$P_1(x) = f(a) + f'(a)(x - a)$$

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

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

$$= 2 + \frac{1}{2^2 \cdot 3}(x - 8) - \frac{1}{2^5 \cdot 3^2}(x - 8)^2 \downarrow$$

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

$$= 2 + \frac{1}{2^2 \cdot 3}(x - 8) - \frac{1}{2^5 \cdot 3^2}(x - 8)^2 + \frac{1}{2^8 \cdot 3^4}(x - 8)^3 \downarrow$$

$$= 2 + \frac{1}{2^2 \cdot 3}(x - 8) - \frac{1}{2^5 \cdot 3^2}(x - 8)^2 + \frac{1}{2^8 \cdot 3^4}(x - 8)^3 \downarrow$$

$$= 2 + \frac{1}{2^2 \cdot 3}(x - 8) - \frac{1}{2^5 \cdot 3^2}(x - 8)^2 + \frac{1}{2^8 \cdot 3^4}(x - 8)^3 \downarrow$$

Find the Taylor polynomials of orders 0, 1, 2, and 3 generated by f at a:  $f(x) = \ln x$ , a = e

# Solution

$$f(x) = \ln x \rightarrow f(e) = 1$$

$$f'(x) = \frac{1}{x} \rightarrow f'(e) = \frac{1}{e}$$

$$f''(x) = -\frac{1}{x^2} \rightarrow f''(e) = -\frac{1}{e^2}$$

$$f'''(x) = \frac{2}{x^3} \rightarrow f'''(e) = \frac{2}{e^3}$$

$$P_0(x) = f(a)$$

$$= 1 \rfloor$$

$$P_1(x) = f(a) + f'(a)(x - a)$$

$$= \frac{1 + \frac{1}{e}(x - e)}{2!}$$

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

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

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

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

# Exercise

Find the Taylor polynomials of orders 0, 1, 2, and 3 generated by f at a:  $f(x) = \sqrt[4]{x}$ , a = 8

$$f(x) = x^{1/4} \rightarrow f(8) = \sqrt[4]{8}$$

$$f'(x) = \frac{1}{4}x^{-3/4} = \frac{1}{4x^{3/4}} \rightarrow f'(8 = 2^3) = \frac{1}{2^2 \times 2^{9/4}} = \frac{1}{2^4 \sqrt[4]{2}}$$

$$f''(x) = -\frac{3}{16}x^{-7/4} = -\frac{3}{2^4 x^{7/4}} \rightarrow f''(8) = -\frac{3}{2^4 2^{21/4}} = -\frac{3}{2^9 \sqrt[4]{2}}$$

$$f'''(x) = \frac{21}{2^6}x^{-11/4} = \frac{21}{2^6 x^{11/4}} \rightarrow f'''(8) = \frac{21}{2^6 \times 2^{33/4}} = \frac{21}{2^{14} \sqrt[4]{2}}$$

$$P_0(x) = f(a)$$

$$= \frac{4\sqrt{8}}{2^9 \sqrt{8}}$$

$$P_{1}(x) = f(a) + f'(a)(x-a)$$

$$= \sqrt[4]{8} + \frac{1}{2^{4} \cdot \sqrt[4]{2}}(x-8)$$

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

$$= \sqrt[4]{8} + \frac{1}{2^{4} \cdot \sqrt[4]{2}}(x-8) - \frac{3}{2^{10} \cdot \sqrt[4]{2}}(x-8)^{2}$$

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

$$= \sqrt[4]{8} + \frac{1}{2^{4} \cdot \sqrt[4]{2}}(x-8) - \frac{3}{2^{10} \cdot \sqrt[4]{2}}(x-8)^{2} + \frac{7}{2^{15} \cdot \sqrt[4]{2}}(x-8)^{3}$$

Find the Taylor polynomials of orders 0, 1, 2, and 3 generated by f at a:  $f(x) = \tan^{-1} x + x^2 + 1$ , a = 1

$$f(x) = \tan^{-1} x + x^{2} + 1 \rightarrow f(1) = \frac{\pi}{4} + 2$$

$$f'(x) = \frac{1}{x^{2} + 1} + 2x \rightarrow f'(1) = \frac{5}{2}$$

$$f'''(x) = -\frac{2x}{(x^{2} + 1)^{2}} + 2 \rightarrow f''(1) = -\frac{1}{2} + 2 = \frac{3}{2}$$

$$f''''(x) = -\frac{2x^{2} + 2 - 8x^{2}}{(x^{2} + 1)^{3}} = -\frac{2 - 2x^{2}}{(x^{2} + 1)^{3}} \rightarrow f'''(1) = 0$$

$$\left(u^{n}v^{m}\right)' = u^{n-1}v^{m-1}(nu'v + muv')$$

$$P_{0}(x) = f(a)$$

$$= \frac{\pi}{4} + 2$$

$$P_{1}(x) = f(a) + f'(a)(x - a)$$

$$= \frac{\pi}{4} + 2 + \frac{5}{2}(x - 1)$$

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

$$= \frac{\pi}{4} + 2 + \frac{5}{2}(x - 1) - \frac{3}{4}(x - 1)^{2}$$

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

$$= \frac{\pi}{4} + 2 + \frac{5}{2}(x - 1) - \frac{3}{4}(x - 1)^{2}$$

Find the Taylor polynomials of orders 0, 1, 2, and 3 generated by f at a:  $f(x) = e^x$ ,  $a = \ln 2$ 

### Solution

$$f(x) = e^{x} \rightarrow f(\ln 2) = 2$$

$$f'(x) = e^{x} \rightarrow f'(\ln 2) = 2$$

$$f''(x) = e^{x} \rightarrow f''(\ln 2) = 2$$

$$f'''(x) = e^{x} \rightarrow f'''(\ln 2) = 2$$

$$P_{0}(x) = f(a)$$

$$= 2 \rfloor$$

$$P_{1}(x) = f(a) + f'(a)(x - a)$$

$$= 2 + 2(x - \ln 2) \rfloor$$

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

$$= 2 + 2(x - \ln 2) + (x - \ln 2)^{2} \rfloor$$

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

$$= 2 + 2(x - \ln 2) + (x - \ln 2)^{2} + \frac{1}{3}(x - \ln 2)^{3} \rfloor$$

# **Exercise**

Find the Taylor polynomials of orders 0, 1, 2, and 3 generated by f at a:  $f(x) = e^{3x}$ ; a = 0

$$f(x) = e^{3x} \qquad \to f(0) = 1$$

$$f'(x) = 3e^{3x} \qquad \to f'(0) = 3$$

$$f''(x) = 9e^{3x} \qquad \to f''(0) = 9$$

$$f'''(x) = 27e^{3x} \qquad \to f'''(0) = 27$$

$$P_0(x) = f(a)$$

$$= 1$$

$$P_1(x) = f(a) + f'(a)(x-a)$$

$$= \frac{1+3x}{P_2(x)}$$

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

$$= \frac{1+3x+\frac{9}{2}x^2}{2!}$$

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

$$= 1+3x+\frac{9}{2}x^2+\frac{9}{2}x^3$$

Find the Taylor polynomials of orders 0, 1, 2, and 3 generated by f at a:  $f(x) = \frac{1}{x}$ ; a = 1

$$f(x) = \frac{1}{x} \longrightarrow f(1) = 1$$

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

$$f''(x) = \frac{2}{x^3} \longrightarrow f''(1) = 2$$

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

$$P_0(x) = f(a)$$

$$= 1 - (x - 1)$$

$$= 1$$

$$P_1(x) = f(a) + f'(a)(x-a)$$
$$= 2 - x \mid$$

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

$$P_{2}(x) = 1 - (x-1) + (x-1)^{2}$$

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

$$= 1 - (x-1) + (x-1)^{2} - (x-1)^{3}$$

$$f(x) = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} (-1)^k (x-1)^k$$

Find the Taylor polynomials of orders 0, 1, 2, and 3 generated by f at a:  $f(x) = \cos x$ ;  $a = \frac{\pi}{2}$ 

# **Solution**

$$f(x) = \cos x \qquad \to f\left(\frac{\pi}{2}\right) = 0$$

$$f'(x) = -\sin x \qquad \to f'\left(\frac{\pi}{2}\right) = -1$$

$$f''(x) = -\cos x \qquad \to f''\left(\frac{\pi}{2}\right) = 0$$

$$f'''(x) = \sin x \qquad \to f'''\left(\frac{\pi}{2}\right) = 1$$

$$P_{0}(x) = f(a)$$

$$= 0$$

$$P_{1}(x) = f(a) + f'(a)(x-a)$$

$$= -\left(x - \frac{\pi}{2}\right)$$

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

$$= -\left(x - \frac{\pi}{2}\right)$$

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

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

# Exercise

Find the Taylor polynomials of orders 0, 1, 2, and 3 generated by f at a:  $f(x) = \frac{1}{x+1}$ ; a = 0

$$f(x) = \frac{1}{x+1} \to f(0) = 1$$

$$f'(x) = -\frac{1}{(x+1)^2} \to f'(0) = -1$$

$$f''(x) = \frac{2}{(x+1)^3} \to f''(0) = 2$$

$$f'''(x) = -\frac{6}{(x+1)^4} \longrightarrow f'''(0) = -6$$

$$P_{0}(x) = f(a)$$

$$= 1$$

$$P_{1}(x) = f(a) + f'(a)(x-a)$$

$$= 1-x$$

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

$$= 1-x+x^{2}$$

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

$$= 1-x+x^{2}-x^{3}$$

Find the Taylor polynomials of orders 0, 1, 2, and 3 generated by f at a:  $f(x) = \tan^{-1} 4x$ ; a = 0

$$f(x) = \tan^{-1} 4x \qquad \to f(0) = 0$$

$$f'(x) = \frac{4}{1+16x^2} \qquad \to f'(0) = 4$$

$$f''(x) = -\frac{128x}{\left(1+16x^2\right)^2} \qquad \to f''(0) = 0$$

$$f'''(x) = -\frac{128\left(1+16x^2\right) - 2(32x)(128x)}{\left(1+16x^2\right)^3} \qquad \to f'''(0) = -128$$

$$= \frac{6144x^2 - 128}{\left(1+16x^2\right)^3}$$

$$P_0(x) = f(a)$$

$$P_{0}(x) = f(a)$$

$$= 0$$

$$P_{1}(x) = f(a) + f'(a)(x-a)$$

$$= 4x$$

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

$$= \frac{4x}{3}$$

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

$$= x - \frac{64}{3}x^{3}$$

Find the Taylor polynomials of orders 0, 1, 2, and 3 generated by f at a:  $f(x) = \sin 2x$ ;  $a = -\frac{\pi}{2}$ 

# **Solution**

$$f(x) = \sin 2x \qquad \to f\left(-\frac{\pi}{2}\right) = 0$$

$$f'(x) = 2\cos 2x \qquad \to f'\left(-\frac{\pi}{2}\right) = -2$$

$$f''(x) = -4\sin 2x \qquad \to f''\left(-\frac{\pi}{2}\right) = 0$$

$$f'''(x) = -8\cos 2x \qquad \to f'''\left(-\frac{\pi}{2}\right) = 8$$

$$P_{0}(x) = f(a)$$

$$= 0$$

$$P_{1}(x) = f(a) + f'(a)(x-a)$$

$$= -2\left(x + \frac{\pi}{2}\right)$$

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

$$= -2\left(x + \frac{\pi}{2}\right)$$

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

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

#### Exercise

Find the Taylor polynomials of orders 0, 1, 2, and 3 generated by f at a:  $f(x) = \cosh 3x$ ; a = 0

$$f(x) = \cosh 3x \qquad \to f(0) = 1$$

$$f'(x) = 3\sinh 3x \qquad \to f'(0) = 0$$

$$f''(x) = 9\cosh 3x \qquad \to f''(0) = 9$$

$$f'''(x) = 27\cosh 3x \qquad \to f'''(0) = 0$$

$$P_{0}(x) = f(a)$$

$$= 1$$

$$P_{1}(x) = f(a) + f'(a)(x-a)$$

$$= 1$$

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

$$= 1 + \frac{9}{2}x^{2}$$

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

$$= 1 + \frac{9}{2}x^{2}$$

Find the Taylor polynomials of orders 0, 1, 2, and 3 generated by f at a:

$$f(x) = \frac{1}{4+x^2}; \quad a = 0$$

$$f(x) = \frac{1}{4 + x^2} \qquad \to f(0) = \frac{1}{4}$$

$$f'(x) = -\frac{2x}{\left(4 + x^2\right)^2} \qquad \to f'(0) = 0$$

$$f''(x) = -\frac{8 + 2x^2 - 2(2x)^2}{\left(4 + x^2\right)^3} \qquad \to f''(0) = -\frac{1}{8}$$

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

$$f'''(x) = -\frac{-12x(4+x^2) - 6x(8-6x^2)}{(4+x^2)^4}$$

$$= \frac{96x - 24x^2}{(4+x^2)^4}$$

$$= \frac{96x - 24x^2}{(4+x^2)^4}$$

$$P_{0}(x) = f(a)$$

$$= \frac{1}{4}$$

$$P_{1}(x) = f(a) + f'(a)(x-a)$$

$$= \frac{1}{4}$$

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

$$= \frac{1}{4} - \frac{1}{16}x^{2}$$

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

$$= \frac{1}{4} - \frac{1}{16}x^{2}$$

Find out the third term of the Maclaurin series for the following function.  $f(x) = (1+x)^{1/3}$ 

$$f(x) = (1+x)^{1/3} \rightarrow f(0) = 1$$

$$f'(x) = \frac{1}{3}(1+x)^{-2/3} \rightarrow f'(0) = \frac{1}{3}$$

$$f''(x) = -\frac{2}{9}(1+x)^{-5/3} \rightarrow f''(0) = -\frac{2}{9}$$

$$f'''(x) = \frac{10}{27}(1+x)^{-8/3} \rightarrow f'''(0) = \frac{10}{27}$$

$$P_3(x) = f(a) + f'(a)(x-a) + \frac{1}{2!}f''(a)(x-a)^2 + \frac{1}{3!}f'''(a)(x-a)^3$$

$$= 1 + \frac{1}{3}x - \frac{1}{9}x^2 + \frac{5}{81}x^3$$

Find out the third term of the Maclaurin series for the following function.  $f(x) = (1+x)^{-1/2}$  **Solution** 

$$f(x) = (1+x)^{-1/2} \rightarrow f(0) = 1$$

$$f'(x) = -\frac{1}{2}(1+x)^{-3/2} \rightarrow f'(0) = -\frac{1}{2}$$

$$f''(x) = \frac{3}{4}(1+x)^{-5/2} \rightarrow f''(0) = \frac{3}{4}$$

$$f'''(x) = -\frac{15}{8}(1+x)^{-7/2} \rightarrow f'''(0) = -\frac{15}{8}$$

$$P_3(x) = f(a) + f'(a)(x-a) + \frac{1}{2!}f''(a)(x-a)^2 + \frac{1}{3!}f'''(a)(x-a)^3$$
$$= 1 - \frac{1}{2}x + \frac{3}{8}x^2 - \frac{5}{16}x^3$$

# Exercise

Find out the third term of the Maclaurin series for the following function.  $f(x) = \left(1 + \frac{x}{2}\right)^{-3}$ 

# Solution

$$f(x) = \left(1 + \frac{x}{2}\right)^{-3} \rightarrow f(0) = 1$$

$$f'(x) = -\frac{3}{2}\left(1 + \frac{x}{2}\right)^{-4} \rightarrow f'(0) = -\frac{3}{2}$$

$$f''(x) = 3\left(1 + \frac{x}{2}\right)^{-5} \rightarrow f''(0) = 3$$

$$f'''(x) = -\frac{15}{2}\left(1 + \frac{x}{2}\right)^{-6} \rightarrow f'''(0) = -\frac{15}{2}$$

$$P_3(x) = f(a) + f'(a)(x - a) + \frac{1}{2!}f''(a)(x - a)^2 + \frac{1}{3!}f'''(a)(x - a)^3$$

$$= 1 - \frac{3}{2}x + \frac{3}{2}x^2 - \frac{5}{4}x^3$$

# Exercise

Find out the third term of the Maclaurin series for the following function.  $f(x) = (1+2x)^{-5}$  **Solution** 

$$f(x) = (1+2x)^{-5} \rightarrow f(0) = 1$$

$$f'(x) = -10(1+2x)^{-6} \rightarrow f'(0) = -10$$

$$f''(x) = 120(1+2x)^{-7} \rightarrow f''(0) = 120$$

$$f'''(x) = -1680(1+2x)^{-8} \rightarrow f'''(0) = -1680$$

$$P_3(x) = f(a) + f'(a)(x-a) + \frac{1}{2!}f''(a)(x-a)^2 + \frac{1}{3!}f'''(a)(x-a)^3$$

$$= 1 - 10x + 60x^2 - 280x^3$$

Find the *n*th Maclaurin polynomial for the function  $f(x) = e^{4x}$ , n = 4

#### Solution

$$f(x) = e^{4x} \rightarrow f(0) = 1$$

$$f'(x) = 4e^{4x} \rightarrow f'(0) = 4$$

$$f''(x) = 16e^{4x} \rightarrow f''(0) = 16$$

$$f'''(x) = 64e^{4x} \rightarrow f'''(0) = 64$$

$$f^{(4)}(x) = 256e^{4x} \rightarrow f^{(4)}(0) = 256$$

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

$$P_4(x) = 1 + 4x + 8x^2 + \frac{32}{3}x^3 + \frac{32}{3}x^4$$

# Exercise

Find the *n*th Maclaurin polynomial for the function  $f(x) = e^{-x}$ , n = 5

$$f(x) = e^{-x} \rightarrow f(0) = 1$$

$$f'(x) = -e^{-x} \rightarrow f'(0) = -1$$

$$f''(x) = e^{-x} \rightarrow f''(0) = 1$$

$$f'''(x) = -e^{-x} \rightarrow f'''(0) = -1$$

$$f^{(4)}(x) = e^{-x} \rightarrow f^{(4)}(0) = 1$$

$$f^{(5)}(x) = -e^{-x} \rightarrow f^{(5)}(0) = -1$$

$$P_{5}(x) = f(0) + f'(0)x + \frac{f''(0)}{2!}x^{2} + \frac{f^{(3)}(0)}{3!}x^{3} + \frac{f^{(4)}(0)}{4!}x^{4} + \frac{f^{(5)}(0)}{5!}x^{5}$$

$$P_{5}(x) = 1 - x + \frac{1}{2}x^{2} - \frac{1}{6}x^{3} + \frac{1}{24}x^{4} - \frac{1}{120}x^{5}$$

Find the *n*th Maclaurin polynomial for the function  $f(x) = e^{-x/2}$ , n = 4

### **Solution**

$$f(x) = e^{-x/2} \rightarrow f(0) = 1$$

$$f'(x) = -\frac{1}{2}e^{-x/2} \rightarrow f'(0) = -\frac{1}{2}$$

$$f''(x) = \frac{1}{4}e^{-x/2} \rightarrow f''(0) = \frac{1}{4}$$

$$f'''(x) = -\frac{1}{8}e^{-x/2} \rightarrow f'''(0) = -\frac{1}{8}$$

$$f^{(4)}(x) = \frac{1}{16}e^{-x/2} \rightarrow f^{(4)}(0) = \frac{1}{16}$$

$$P_{4}(x) = f(0) + f'(0)x + \frac{f''(0)}{2!}x^{2} + \frac{f^{(3)}(0)}{3!}x^{3} + \frac{f^{(4)}(0)}{4!}x^{4}$$

$$P_{4}(x) = 1 - \frac{1}{2}x + \frac{1}{8}x^{2} - \frac{1}{48}x^{3} + \frac{1}{384}x^{4}$$

#### Exercise

Find the *n*th Maclaurin polynomial for the function  $f(x) = e^{x/3}$ , n = 4

$$f(x) = e^{x/3} \to f(0) = 1$$

$$f'(x) = \frac{1}{3}e^{x/3} \to f'(0) = \frac{1}{3}$$

$$f''(x) = \frac{1}{9}e^{x/3} \to f''(0) = \frac{1}{9}$$

$$f'''(x) = \frac{1}{27}e^{x/3} \rightarrow f'''(0) = \frac{1}{27}$$

$$f^{(4)}(x) = \frac{1}{81}e^{x/3} \rightarrow f^{(4)}(0) = \frac{1}{81}$$

$$P_{4}(x) = f(0) + f'(0)x + \frac{f''(0)}{2!}x^{2} + \frac{f^{(3)}(0)}{3!}x^{3} + \frac{f^{(4)}(0)}{4!}x^{4}$$

$$P_{4}(x) = 1 + \frac{1}{3}x + \frac{1}{18}x^{2} + \frac{1}{162}x^{3} + \frac{1}{1944}x^{4}$$

Find the *n*th Maclaurin polynomial for the function  $f(x) = \sin x$ , n = 5

#### **Solution**

$$f(x) = \sin x \rightarrow f(0) = 0$$

$$f'(x) = \cos x \rightarrow f'(0) = 1$$

$$f''(x) = -\sin x \rightarrow f''(0) = 0$$

$$f'''(x) = -\cos x \rightarrow f'''(0) = -1$$

$$f^{(4)}(x) = \sin x \rightarrow f^{(4)}(0) = 0$$

$$f^{(5)}(x) = \cos x \rightarrow f^{(5)}(0) = 1$$

$$P_{5}(x) = f(0) + f'(0)x + \frac{f''(0)}{2!}x^{2} + \frac{f^{(3)}(0)}{3!}x^{3} + \frac{f^{(4)}(0)}{4!}x^{4} + \frac{f^{(5)}(0)}{5!}x^{5}$$

$$P_{5}(x) = x - \frac{1}{6}x^{3} + \frac{1}{120}x^{5}$$

# Exercise

Find the *n*th Maclaurin polynomial for the function  $f(x) = \cos \pi x$ , n = 4

$$f(x) = \cos \pi x \rightarrow f(0) = 1$$

$$f'(x) = -\pi \sin \pi x \rightarrow f'(0) = 0$$

$$f''(x) = -\pi^2 \cos \pi x \rightarrow f''(0) = -\pi^2$$

$$f'''(x) = \pi^3 \sin \pi x \rightarrow f'''(0) = 0$$

$$f^{(4)}(x) = \pi^4 \cos \pi x \quad \to \quad f^{(4)}(0) = \pi^4$$

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

$$P_4(x) = 1 - \frac{\pi^2}{2}x^2 + \frac{\pi^4}{24}x^4$$

Find the *n*th Maclaurin polynomial for the function  $f(x) = xe^x$ , n = 4

# Solution

$$f(x) = xe^{x} \rightarrow f(0) = 0$$

$$f'(x) = e^{x} + xe^{x} \rightarrow f'(0) = 1$$

$$f''(x) = 2e^{x} + xe^{x} \rightarrow f''(0) = 2$$

$$f'''(x) = 3e^{x} + xe^{x} \rightarrow f'''(0) = 3$$

$$f^{(4)}(x) = 4e^{x} + xe^{x} \rightarrow f^{(4)}(0) = 4$$

$$P_{4}(x) = f(0) + f'(0)x + \frac{f''(0)}{2!}x^{2} + \frac{f^{(3)}(0)}{3!}x^{3} + \frac{f^{(4)}(0)}{4!}x^{4}$$

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

# Exercise

Find the *n*th Maclaurin polynomial for the function  $f(x) = x^2 e^{-x}$ , n = 4

$$f(x) = x^{2}e^{-x} \rightarrow f(0) = 0$$

$$f'(x) = 2xe^{-x} - x^{2}e^{-x} \rightarrow f'(0) = 0$$

$$f''(x) = 2e^{-x} - 4xe^{x} + x^{2}e^{-x} \rightarrow f''(0) = 2$$

$$f'''(x) = -6e^{-x} + 6xe^{-x} - x^{2}e^{-x} \rightarrow f'''(0) = -6$$

$$f^{(4)}(x) = 12e^{-x} - 8xe^{-x} + x^{2}e^{-x} \rightarrow f^{(4)}(0) = 12$$

$$P_{4}(x) = f(0) + f'(0)x + \frac{f''(0)}{2!}x^{2} + \frac{f^{(3)}(0)}{3!}x^{3} + \frac{f^{(4)}(0)}{4!}x^{4}$$

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

Find the *n*th Maclaurin polynomial for the function  $f(x) = \frac{1}{x+1}$ , n = 5

# **Solution**

$$f(x) = \frac{1}{x+1} \to f(0) = 1$$

$$f'(x) = -(x+1)^{-2} \to f'(0) = -1$$

$$f''(x) = 2(x+1)^{-3} \to f''(0) = 2$$

$$f'''(x) = -6(x+1)^{-4} \to f'''(0) = -6$$

$$f^{(4)}(x) = 24(x+1)^{-5} \to f^{(4)}(0) = 24$$

$$f^{(5)}(x) = -120(x+1)^{-6} \to f^{(5)}(0) = -120$$

$$P_{5}(x) = f(0) + f'(0)x + \frac{f''(0)}{2!}x^{2} + \frac{f^{(3)}(0)}{3!}x^{3} + \frac{f^{(4)}(0)}{4!}x^{4} + \frac{f^{(5)}(0)}{5!}x^{5}$$

$$P_{5}(x) = 1 - x + x^{2} - x^{3} + x^{4} - x^{5}$$

#### Exercise

Find the *n*th Maclaurin polynomial for the function  $f(x) = \frac{x}{x+1}$ , n = 4

$$f(x) = \frac{x}{x+1} = 1 - \frac{1}{x+1} \to f(0) = 0$$

$$f'(x) = (x+1)^{-2} \to f'(0) = 1$$

$$f''(x) = -2(x+1)^{-3} \to f''(0) = -2$$

$$f'''(x) = 6(x+1)^{-4} \to f'''(0) = 6$$

$$f^{(4)}(x) = -24(x+1)^{-5} \to f^{(4)}(0) = -24$$

$$P_{4}(x) = f(0) + f'(0)x + \frac{f''(0)}{2!}x^{2} + \frac{f^{(3)}(0)}{3!}x^{3} + \frac{f^{(4)}(0)}{4!}x^{4}$$

$$P_{4}(x) = x - x^{2} + x^{3} - x^{4}$$

Find the *n*th Maclaurin polynomial for the function  $f(x) = \sec x$ , n = 2

### **Solution**

$$f(x) = \sec x \to f(0) = 1$$

$$f'(x) = \sec x \tan x \to f'(0) = 0$$

$$f''(x) = \sec x \tan^2 x + \sec^3 x \to f''(0) = 1$$

$$P_2(x) = f(0) + f'(0)x + \frac{f''(0)}{2!}x^2$$

$$P_2(x) = 1 + \frac{1}{2}x^2$$

#### Exercise

Find the *n*th Maclaurin polynomial for the function  $f(x) = \tan x$ , n = 3

#### **Solution**

$$f(x) = \tan x \rightarrow f(0) = 0$$

$$f'(x) = \sec^{2} x \rightarrow f'(0) = 1$$

$$f''(x) = 2\sec^{2} x \tan x \rightarrow f''(0) = 0$$

$$f'''(x) = 4\sec^{2} x \tan^{2} x + 2\sec^{4} x \rightarrow f'''(0) = 2$$

$$P_{4}(x) = f(0) + f'(0)x + \frac{f''(0)}{2!}x^{2} + \frac{f^{(3)}(0)}{3!}x^{3}$$

$$P_{4}(x) = x + \frac{1}{3}x^{3}$$

# Exercise

Find the Maclaurin series for:  $xe^x$ 

$$f(x) = xe^{x} \rightarrow f(0) = 0$$

$$f'(x) = e^{x} + xe^{x} \rightarrow f'(0) = 1$$

$$f''(x) = 2e^{x} + xe^{x} \rightarrow f''(0) = 2$$

$$f'''(x) = 3e^{x} + xe^{x} \rightarrow f'''(0) = 3$$

$$\vdots \qquad \vdots \qquad \vdots$$

$$f^{(n)}(x) = ne^{x} + xe^{x} \rightarrow f^{(n)}(0) = n$$

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

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

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

Find the Maclaurin series for:  $5\cos \pi x$ 

#### **Solution**

$$f(x) = 5\cos \pi x \rightarrow f(0) = 5$$

$$f'(x) = -5\pi \sin \pi x \rightarrow f'(0) = 0$$

$$f''(x) = -5\pi^2 \cos \pi x \rightarrow f''(0) = -5\pi^2$$

$$f'''(x) = 5\pi^3 \sin \pi x \rightarrow f'''(0) = 0$$

$$5\cos \pi x = 5 - \frac{5\pi^2 x^2}{2!} + \frac{5\pi^4 x^4}{4!} - \frac{5\pi^6 x^6}{6!} + \cdots$$

$$= 5\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n (\pi x)^{2n}}{(2n)!}$$

## Exercise

Find the Maclaurin series for:  $\frac{x^2}{x+1}$ 

$$f(x) = \frac{x^2}{x+1} \rightarrow f(0) = 0$$

$$f'(x) = \frac{2x(x+1) - x^2}{(x+1)^2} = \frac{x^2 + 2x}{(x+1)^2} \to f'(0) = 0$$

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

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

$$= \frac{2}{(x+1)^3} \to f''(0) = 2$$

$$f'''(x) = \frac{-6}{(x+1)^4} \to f'''(0) = -6$$

$$\frac{x^2}{x+1} = \frac{2}{2!}x^2 - \frac{6x^3}{3!} + \frac{24x^4}{4!} - \dots$$

$$= x^2 - x^3 + x^4 - \dots$$

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

Find the Maclaurin series for:  $e^{3x+1}$ 

### **Solution**

$$e^{3x+1} = e \cdot e^{3x}$$

$$= e \left( \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(3x)^n}{n!} \right)$$

$$= e \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{3^n x^n}{n!} \quad (for all x)$$

# Exercise

Find the Maclaurin series for:  $\cos(2x^3)$ 

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

$$=1 - \frac{2^{2}x^{3}}{2!} + \frac{2^{4}x^{12}}{4!} - \frac{2^{6}x^{18}}{6!} + \cdots$$

$$= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{n} 4^{n}}{(2n)!} x^{6n} \qquad (for all x)$$

Find the Maclaurin series for:  $cos(2x - \pi)$ 

# **Solution**

$$\cos(2x - \pi) = \cos(2x)\cos\pi + \sin(2x)\sin\pi$$

$$= -\cos(2x)$$

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

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

# Exercise

Find the Maclaurin series for:  $x^2 \sin\left(\frac{x}{3}\right)$ 

#### **Solution**

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

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

$$= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-1)^{n} \frac{x^{2n+3}}{3^{2n+1}(2n+1)!} \qquad (for all x)$$

#### Exercise

Find the Maclaurin series for:  $\cos^2(\frac{x}{2})$ 

$$\cos^{2}\left(\frac{x}{2}\right) = \frac{1}{2}\left(1 + \cos x\right)$$

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

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

$$= 1 + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{n}}{(2n)!} x^{2n} \qquad (for all x)$$

Find the Maclaurin series for:  $\sin x \cos x$ 

#### **Solution**

$$\sin x \cos x = \frac{1}{2} \sin(2x)$$

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

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

$$= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-1)^n \frac{2^{2n}}{(2n+1)!} x^{2n+1} \qquad (\text{for all } x)$$

#### Exercise

Find the Maclaurin series for:  $\tan^{-1}(5x^2)$ 

$$\tan^{-1}\left(5x^{2}\right) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{\left(-1\right)^{n}}{2n+1} \left(5x^{2}\right)^{2n+1}$$

$$= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{\left(-1\right)^{n} 5^{2n+1}}{2n+1} x^{4n+2} \left[ for -\frac{1}{\sqrt{5}} \le x \le \frac{1}{\sqrt{5}} \right]$$

Find the Maclaurin series for:  $ln(2+x^2)$ 

### **Solution**

$$\ln\left(2+x^{2}\right) = \ln 2\left(1+\frac{x^{2}}{2}\right)$$

$$= \ln 2 + \ln\left(1+\frac{x^{2}}{2}\right)$$

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

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

#### Exercise

Find the Maclaurin series for:  $\frac{1+x^3}{1+x^2}$ 

#### **Solution**

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

$$\frac{1}{1+x^2} = 1 - x^2 + x^4 - x^6 + \cdots$$

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

$$= 1 - x^2 + x^4 - x^6 + \cdots + x^3 - x^5 + x^7 - x^9 + \cdots$$

$$= 1 - x^2 + x^3 + x^4 - x^5 - x^6 + x^7 + x^8 - x^9 - \cdots$$

$$= 1 - x^2 + \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} (-1)^n (x^{2n-1} + x^{2n}) \qquad (for |x| < 1)$$

# Exercise

Find the Maclaurin series for:  $\ln \frac{1+x}{1-x}$ 

$$\ln \frac{1+x}{1-x} = \ln(1+x) - \ln(1-x) \qquad = x - \frac{x^2}{2} + \frac{x^3}{3} - \dots - \left(-x - \frac{x^2}{2} - \frac{x^3}{3} - \dots\right) = 2x + 2\frac{x^3}{3} + \dots$$

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

$$= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left((-1)^n + 1\right) \frac{x^{n+1}}{n+1}$$

$$= 2\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{x^{2n-1}}{2n-1} \qquad (-1 < x < 1)$$

Find the Maclaurin series for:  $\frac{e^{2x^2}-1}{x^2}$ 

#### **Solution**

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

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

$$= \frac{1}{x^2} \left( 2x^2 + \frac{2^2x^4}{2!} + \frac{2^3x^6}{3!} + \dots \right)$$

$$= 2 + \frac{2^2x^2}{2!} + \frac{2^3x^4}{3!} + \frac{2^4x^6}{4!} + \dots$$

$$= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{2^{n+1}}{(n+1)!} x^{2n} \left| \text{ (for all } x \neq 0) \right|$$

# Exercise

Find the Maclaurin series for:  $\cosh x - \cos x$ 

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

$$1 + \frac{x^2}{2!} + \frac{x^4}{4!} + \dots - \left(1 - \frac{x^2}{2!} + \frac{x^4}{4!} - \dots\right) = 2\frac{x^2}{2!} + 2\frac{x^6}{6!} + \dots$$

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

$$= 2\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{x^{4n+2}}{(4n+2)!} \qquad (for all x)$$

Find the Maclaurin series for:  $\sinh x - \sin x$ 

#### **Solution**

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

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

$$= 2\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{x^{4n+3}}{(4n+3)!} \left| (\text{for all } x) \right|$$

#### Exercise

Finding Taylor and Maclaurin Series generated by fat x = a:  $f(x) = x^3 - 2x + 4$ , a = 2

$$f(x) = x^{3} - 2x + 4 \rightarrow f(2) = 8$$

$$f'(x) = 3x^{2} - 2 \rightarrow f'(2) = 10$$

$$f''(x) = 6x \rightarrow f''(2) = 12$$

$$f'''(x) = 6 \rightarrow f'''(2) = 6$$

$$f^{(n)}(x) = 0 \rightarrow f^{(n)}(2) = 0 \quad (n > 3)$$

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

$$x^{3} - 2x + 4 = 8 + 10(x - 2) + 6(x - 2)^{2} + (x - 2)^{3}$$

Finding Taylor and Maclaurin Series generated by fat x = a:  $f(x) = 2x^3 + x^2 + 3x - 8$ , a = 1

## Solution

$$f(x) = 2x^{3} + x^{2} + 3x - 8 \rightarrow f(1) = -2$$

$$f'(x) = 6x^{2} + 2x + 3 \rightarrow f'(1) = 11$$

$$f''(x) = 12x + 2 \rightarrow f''(1) = 14$$

$$f'''(x) = 12 \rightarrow f'''(1) = 12$$

$$f^{(n)}(x) = 0 \rightarrow f^{(n)}(1) = 0 \quad (n \ge 4)$$

$$P_{n}(x) = f(1) + f'(1)(x - 1) + \frac{f''(1)}{2!}(x - 1)^{2} + \frac{f'''(1)}{3!}(x - 1)^{3} + \cdots$$

$$2x^{3} + x^{2} + 3x - 8 = -2 + 11(x - 1) + 7(x - 1)^{2} + 2(x - 1)^{3}$$

#### **Exercise**

Finding Taylor and Maclaurin Series generated by fat x = a:

$$f(x) = 3x^5 - x^4 + 2x^3 + x^2 - 2, \quad a = -1$$

$$f(x) = 3x^{5} - x^{4} + 2x^{3} + x^{2} - 2 \rightarrow f(-1) = -7$$

$$f'(x) = 15x^{4} - 4x^{3} + 6x^{2} + 2x \rightarrow f'(-1) = 23$$

$$f''(x) = 60x^{3} - 12x^{2} + 12x + 2 \rightarrow f''(-1) = -82$$

$$f'''(x) = 180x^{2} - 24x + 12 \rightarrow f'''(-1) = 216$$

$$f^{(4)}(x) = 360x - 24 \rightarrow f^{(4)}(-1) = -384$$

$$f^{(5)}(x) = 360 \rightarrow f^{(5)}(-1) = 360$$

$$f^{(n)}(x) = 0 \rightarrow f^{(n)}(-1) = 0 \quad (n \ge 6)$$

$$P_{n}(x) = f(-1) + f'(-1)(x+1) + \frac{f''(-1)}{2!}(x+1)^{2} + \frac{f'''(-1)}{3!}(x+1)^{3} + \frac{f^{(4)}(-1)}{4!}(x+1)^{2} + \frac{f^{(4)}(-1)}{5!}(x+1)^{3}$$

$$3x^{5} - x^{4} + 2x^{3} + x^{2} - 2 = -7 + 23(x+1) - \frac{82}{2!}(x+1)^{2} + \frac{216}{3!}(x+1)^{3} - \frac{384}{4!}(x+1)^{4} + \frac{360}{5!}(x+1)^{3}$$

$$= -7 + 23(x+1) - 41(x+1)^{2} + 36(x+1)^{3} - 16(x+1)^{4} + 3(x+1)^{3}$$

Finding Taylor and Maclaurin Series generated by f at x = a:  $f(x) = \cos(2x + \frac{\pi}{2})$ ,  $a = \frac{\pi}{4}$ 

# **Solution**

$$f(x) = \cos\left(2x + \frac{\pi}{2}\right) \to f\left(\frac{\pi}{4}\right) = -1$$

$$f'(x) = -2\sin\left(2x + \frac{\pi}{2}\right) \to f'\left(\frac{\pi}{4}\right) = 0$$

$$f''(x) = -4\cos\left(2x + \frac{\pi}{2}\right) \to f''\left(\frac{\pi}{4}\right) = 4$$

$$f'''(x) = 8\sin\left(2x + \frac{\pi}{2}\right) \to f'''\left(\frac{\pi}{4}\right) = 0$$

$$f^{(4)}(x) = 16\cos\left(2x + \frac{\pi}{2}\right) \to f^{(4)}\left(\frac{\pi}{4}\right) = -16$$

$$f^{(5)}(x) = -32\sin\left(2x + \frac{\pi}{2}\right) \to f^{(5)}\left(\frac{\pi}{4}\right) = 0$$

$$\to f^{(2n)}\left(\frac{\pi}{4}\right) = (-1)^n 2^{2n}$$

$$\cos\left(2x + \frac{\pi}{2}\right) = -1 + \frac{4}{2!}\left(x - \frac{\pi}{4}\right)^2 - \frac{16}{4!}\left(x - \frac{\pi}{4}\right)^4 + \cdots$$

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

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

# Exercise

Find the Taylor series of the functions, where is the series representation valid?  $f(x) = e^{-2x}$  about -1

Let 
$$t = x+1 \implies x = t-1$$
  

$$f(x) = e^{-2x} = e^{-2x-2+2} = e^{-2(x+1)+2}$$

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

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

Find the Taylor series of the functions, where is the series representation valid?  $f(x) = \sin x$  about  $\frac{\pi}{2}$ 

### **Solution**

Let 
$$y = x - \frac{\pi}{2} \implies x = y + \frac{\pi}{2}$$
  
 $\sin x = \sin\left(y + \frac{\pi}{2}\right) = \cos y$   

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

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

$$= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n}{(2n)!} \left(x - \frac{\pi}{2}\right)^{2n}$$
(for all x)

# Exercise

Find the Taylor series of the functions, where is the series representation valid?

$$f(x) = \ln x$$
 in powers of  $x - 3$ 

Let 
$$y = x - 3 \implies x = y + 3$$
  

$$\ln x = \ln(y + 3) = \ln 3 \left( 1 + \frac{y}{3} \right)$$

$$= \ln 3 + \ln \left( 1 + \frac{y}{3} \right)$$

$$= \ln 3 + \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n}{n+1} \left( \frac{y}{3} \right)^{n+1}$$

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

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

$$(0 < x \le 6)$$

Find the Taylor series of the functions, where is the series representation valid?

$$f(x) = \ln(2+x)$$
 in powers of  $x-2$ 

#### Solution

$$\ln(2+x) = \ln(2+x-2+2) = \ln(4+x-2)$$

$$= \ln 4 \left(1 + \frac{x-2}{4}\right)$$

$$= \ln 4 + \ln\left(1 + \frac{x-2}{4}\right)$$

$$= \ln 4 + \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n}{n+1} \left(\frac{x-2}{4}\right)^{n+1} \qquad \frac{|x-2|}{4} < 1 \Rightarrow |x-2| < 4 \qquad -4 < x-2 < 4 \qquad -2 < x < 6$$

$$= \ln 4 + \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n}{(n+1)4^{n+1}} (x-2)^{n+1} \qquad (-2 < x \le 6)$$

#### **Exercise**

Find the Taylor series of the functions, where is the series representation valid?

$$f(x) = e^{2x+3}$$
 in powers of  $x+1$ 

#### Solution

$$e^{2x+3} = e^{2x+2-2+3} = e^{2(x+1)+1}$$

$$= e \cdot e^{2(x+1)}$$

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

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

#### Exercise

Find the Taylor series of the functions, where is the series representation valid?

$$f(x) = \sin x - \cos x \quad about \quad \frac{\pi}{4}$$

$$sinx - cos x = sin\left(x - \frac{\pi}{4} + \frac{\pi}{4}\right) - cos\left(x - \frac{\pi}{4} + \frac{\pi}{4}\right)$$

$$= cos\left(x - \frac{\pi}{4}\right)sin\left(\frac{\pi}{4}\right) + sin\left(x - \frac{\pi}{4}\right)cos\left(\frac{\pi}{4}\right) - cos\left(x - \frac{\pi}{4}\right)cos\left(\frac{\pi}{4}\right) + sin\left(x - \frac{\pi}{4}\right)sin\left(\frac{\pi}{4}\right)$$

$$= cos\left(x - \frac{\pi}{4}\right)\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} + sin\left(x - \frac{\pi}{4}\right)\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} - cos\left(x - \frac{\pi}{4}\right)\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} + sin\left(x - \frac{\pi}{4}\right)\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}$$

$$= \sqrt{2}sin\left(x - \frac{\pi}{4}\right)$$

$$= \sqrt{2}\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n}{(2n+1)!} \left(x - \frac{\pi}{4}\right)^{2n+1} \qquad (for all x)$$

Find the Taylor series of the functions, where is the series representation valid?

$$f(x) = \cos^2 x$$
 about  $\frac{\pi}{8}$ 

#### **Solution**

$$\cos^{2}(x) = \frac{1}{2}(1 + \cos 2x) = \frac{1}{2}\left(1 + \cos\left(2x - \frac{\pi}{4} + \frac{\pi}{4}\right)\right)$$

$$= \frac{1}{2}\left(1 + \cos\left(2x - \frac{\pi}{4}\right)\cos\left(\frac{\pi}{4}\right) - \sin\left(2x - \frac{\pi}{4}\right)\sin\left(\frac{\pi}{4}\right)\right)$$

$$= \frac{1}{2}\left(1 + \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}\cos\left(2\left(x - \frac{\pi}{8}\right)\right) - \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}\sin\left(2\left(x - \frac{\pi}{8}\right)\right)\right)$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} + \frac{\sqrt{2}}{4}\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{n}}{(2n)!}\left(2\left(x - \frac{\pi}{8}\right)\right)^{2n} - \frac{\sqrt{2}}{4}\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{n}}{(2n+1)!}\left(2\left(x - \frac{\pi}{8}\right)\right)^{2n+1}$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2\sqrt{2}}\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-1)^{n}\left[\frac{2^{2n}}{(2n)!}\left(x - \frac{\pi}{8}\right)^{2n} - \frac{2^{2n+1}}{(2n+1)!}\left(x - \frac{\pi}{8}\right)^{2n+1}\right] \quad (for all x)$$

# Exercise

Find the Taylor series of the functions, where is the series representation valid?

$$f(x) = \frac{x}{1+x}$$
 in powers of  $x-1$ 

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

$$=1 - \frac{1}{2\left(1 + \frac{x-1}{2}\right)}$$

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

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

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

Find the Taylor series of the functions, where is the series representation valid?

$$f(x) = xe^x$$
 in powers of  $x + 2$ 

$$xe^{x} = (x+2-2)e^{x+2-2}$$

$$= (x+2-2)e^{-2}e^{x+2}$$

$$= (x+2)e^{-2}e^{x+2} - 2e^{-2}e^{x+2}$$

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

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

$$= \frac{1}{e^{2}}\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(x+2)^{n}}{(n-1)!} - \frac{2}{e^{2}}\left[1 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(x+2)^{n}}{n!}\right]$$

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

$$= -\frac{2}{e^{2}} + \frac{1}{e^{2}}\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left(\frac{1}{(n-1)!} - \frac{2}{n!}\right)(x+2)^{n}$$
(for all x)

Find the *n*th Taylor polynomial centered at *c* for the function  $f(x) = \frac{2}{x}$ , n = 3, c = 1

## Solution

$$f(x) = \frac{2}{x} \to f(1) = 2$$

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

$$f''(x) = \frac{4}{x^3} \to f''(1) = 4$$

$$f'''(x) = -\frac{12}{x^4} \to f'''(0) = -12$$

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

$$P_3(x) = 2 - 2(x - 1) + 2(x - 1)^2 - 2(x - 1)^3$$

## Exercise

Find the *n*th Taylor polynomial centered at *c* for the function  $f(x) = \frac{1}{x^2}$ , n = 4, c = 2

## Solution

$$f(x) = \frac{1}{x^2} \to f(2) = \frac{1}{4}$$

$$f'(x) = -\frac{2}{x^3} \to f'(2) = -\frac{1}{4}$$

$$f''(x) = \frac{6}{x^4} \to f''(2) = \frac{3}{8}$$

$$f'''(x) = -\frac{24}{x^5} \to f'''(2) = -\frac{3}{4}$$

$$f^{(4)}(x) = \frac{120}{x^4} \to f^{(4)}(2) = \frac{15}{8}$$

$$P_4(x) = f(c) + f'(c)(x - c) + \frac{f''(c)}{2!}(x - c)^2 + \frac{f^{(3)}(c)}{3!}(x - c)^3 + \frac{f^{(4)}(c)}{4!}(x - c)^4$$

$$P_4(x) = \frac{1}{4} - \frac{1}{4}(x - 2) + \frac{3}{16}(x - 2)^2 - \frac{1}{8}(x - 2)^3 + \frac{5}{64}(x - 2)^4$$

#### Exercise

Find the *n*th Taylor polynomial centered at *c* for the function  $f(x) = \sqrt{x}$ , n = 3, c = 4Solution

$$f(x) = x^{1/2} \rightarrow f(4) = 2$$

$$f'(x) = \frac{1}{2}x^{-1/2} \rightarrow f'(4) = \frac{1}{4}$$

$$f''(x) = -\frac{1}{4}x^{-3/2} \rightarrow f''(4) = -\frac{1}{4}\frac{1}{(2^2)^{3/2}} = -\frac{1}{32}$$

$$f'''(x) = \frac{3}{8}x^{-5/2} \rightarrow f'''(4) = \frac{3}{256}$$

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

$$P_3(x) = 2 + \frac{1}{4}(x - 4) - \frac{1}{64}(x - 4)^2 + \frac{1}{512}(x - 4)^3$$

Find the *n*th Taylor polynomial centered at *c* for the function  $f(x) = \sqrt[3]{x}$ , n = 3, c = 8Solution

$$f(x) = x^{1/3} \rightarrow f(8) = 2$$

$$f'(x) = \frac{1}{3}x^{-2/3} \rightarrow f'(8) = \frac{1}{12}$$

$$f''(x) = -\frac{2}{9}x^{-5/3} \rightarrow f''(8) = -\frac{1}{144}$$

$$f'''(x) = \frac{10}{27}x^{-8/3} \rightarrow f'''(8) = \frac{5}{3456}$$

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

$$P_3(x) = 2 + \frac{1}{12}(x - 8) - \frac{1}{288}(x - 8)^2 + \frac{5}{20.736}(x - 8)^3$$

#### Exercise

Find the *n*th Taylor polynomial centered at *c* for the function  $f(x) = \ln x$ , n = 4, c = 2

$$f(x) = \ln x \to f(2) = \ln 2$$

$$f'(x) = \frac{1}{x} \to f'(2) = \frac{1}{2}$$

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

$$f'''(x) = \frac{2}{x^3} \to f'''(2) = \frac{1}{4}$$

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

$$P_4(x) = f(c) + f'(c)(x-c) + \frac{f''(c)}{2!}(x-c)^2 + \frac{f^{(3)}(c)}{3!}(x-c)^3 + \frac{f^{(4)}(c)}{4!}(x-c)^4$$

$$P_4(x) = \ln 2 + \frac{1}{2} \frac{1}{4}(x-2) - \frac{1}{8}(x-2)^2 + \frac{1}{24}(x-2)^3 - \frac{1}{64}(x-2)^4$$

Find the *n*th Taylor polynomial centered at *c* for the function  $f(x) = x^2 \cos x$ , n = 2,  $c = \pi$ Solution

$$f(x) = x^{2} \cos x \rightarrow f(\pi) = -\pi^{2}$$

$$f'(x) = 2x \cos x - x^{2} \sin x \rightarrow f'(\pi) = -2\pi$$

$$f''(x) = 2 \cos x - 4x \sin x - x^{2} \cos x \rightarrow f''(\pi) = -2 + \pi^{2}$$

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

$$= -\pi^{2} - 2\pi(x - \pi) + \frac{\pi^{2} - 2}{2}(x - \pi)^{2}$$

### Exercise

Find the *n*th-order Taylor polynomial centered at c for the function  $f(x) = \sin 2x$ ; n = 3, c = 0

$$f(x) = \sin 2x \qquad \rightarrow f(0) = 0$$

$$f'(x) = 2\cos 2x \qquad \rightarrow f'(0) = 2$$

$$f''(x) = -4\sin 2x \qquad \rightarrow f''(0) = 0$$

$$f'''(x) = -8\cos 2x \qquad \rightarrow f'''(0) = -8$$

$$P(x) = 2x - \frac{8}{3!}x^3$$

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

Find the *n*th-order Taylor polynomial centered at c for the function  $f(x) = \cos x^2$ ; n = 2, c = 0

### **Solution**

$$f(x) = \cos x^{2} \qquad \rightarrow f(0) = 1$$

$$f'(x) = -2x \sin x^{2} \qquad \rightarrow f'(0) = 0$$

$$f''(x) = -2\sin x^{2} - 4x^{2}\cos x^{2} \qquad \rightarrow f''(0) = 0$$

$$P(x) = 1$$

## Exercise

Find the *n*th-order Taylor polynomial centered at c for the function  $f(x) = e^{-x}$ ; n = 2, c = 0

## **Solution**

$$f(x) = e^{-x} \rightarrow f(0) = 1$$

$$f'(x) = -e^{-x} \rightarrow f'(0) = -1$$

$$f''(x) = e^{-x} \rightarrow f''(0) = 1$$

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

## **Exercise**

Find the *n*th-order Taylor polynomial centered at c for the function  $f(x) = \cos x$ ; n = 2,  $c = \frac{\pi}{4}$ 

$$f(x) = \cos x \qquad \to f\left(\frac{\pi}{4}\right) = \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}$$

$$f'(x) = -\sin x \qquad \to f'\left(\frac{\pi}{4}\right) = -\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}$$

$$f''(x) = -\cos x \qquad \to f''\left(\frac{\pi}{4}\right) = -\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}$$

$$P(x) = \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} - \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}\left(x - \frac{\pi}{4}\right) - \frac{\sqrt{2}}{4}\left(x - \frac{\pi}{4}\right)^2$$

Find the *n*th-order Taylor polynomial centered at c for the function  $f(x) = \ln x$ ; n = 2, c = 1

### **Solution**

$$f(x) = \ln x \qquad \to f(1) = 0$$

$$f'(x) = \frac{1}{x} \qquad \to f'(1) = 1$$

$$f''(x) = -\frac{1}{x^2} \qquad \to f''(1) = -1$$

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

## Exercise

Find the *n*th-order Taylor polynomial centered at c for the function  $f(x) = \sinh 2x$ ; n = 4, c = 0

# **Solution**

$$f(x) = \sinh 2x \qquad \to f(0) = 0$$

$$f'(x) = 2\cosh 2x \qquad \to f'(0) = 2$$

$$f''(x) = 4\sinh 2x \qquad \to f''(0) = 0$$

$$f'''(x) = 8\cosh 2x \qquad \to f'''(0) = 8$$

$$f^{(iv)}(x) = 16\sinh 2x \qquad \to f^{(iv)}(0) = 0$$

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

#### Exercise

Find the *n*th-order Taylor polynomial centered at c for the function  $f(x) = \cosh x$ ; n = 3,  $c = \ln 2$ 

$$f(x) = \cosh x \qquad \to f(\ln 2) = \frac{e^{\ln 2} + e^{-\ln 2}}{2}$$
$$= \frac{1}{2} \left(2 + \frac{1}{2}\right)$$

$$=\frac{5}{4}$$

$$f'(x) = \sinh x \qquad \rightarrow f'(\ln 2) = \frac{e^{\ln 2} - e^{-\ln 2}}{2}$$
$$= \frac{1}{2} \left( 2 - \frac{1}{2} \right)$$
$$= \frac{3}{4}$$

$$f''(x) = \cosh x \qquad \to f''(\ln 2) = \frac{e^{\ln 2} + e^{-\ln 2}}{2}$$
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$$= \frac{5}{4}$$

$$f'''(x) = \sinh x \qquad \rightarrow f'''(\ln 2) = \frac{e^{\ln 2} - e^{-\ln 2}}{2}$$
$$= \frac{1}{2} \left( 2 - \frac{1}{2} \right)$$
$$= \frac{3}{4}$$

$$P(x) = \frac{5}{4} + \frac{3}{4}(x - \ln 2) + \frac{5}{4}\frac{1}{2!}(x - \ln 2)^2 + \frac{3}{4}\frac{1}{3!}(x - \ln 2)^3$$
$$= \frac{5}{4} + \frac{3}{4}(x - \ln 2) + \frac{5}{8}(x - \ln 2)^2 + \frac{1}{8}(x - \ln 2)^3$$

Find the sums of the series  $1+x^2+\frac{x^4}{2!}+\frac{x^6}{3!}+\frac{x^8}{4!}+\cdots$ 

# Solution

$$1 + x^{2} + \frac{x^{4}}{2!} + \frac{x^{6}}{3!} + \frac{x^{8}}{4!} + \dots = 1 + \left(x^{2}\right)^{1} + \frac{\left(x^{2}\right)^{2}}{2!} + \frac{\left(x^{2}\right)^{3}}{3!} + \frac{\left(x^{2}\right)^{4}}{4!} + \dots$$

$$= e^{x^{2}}$$

## Exercise

Find the sums of the series  $1 + \frac{x^2}{3!} + \frac{x^4}{5!} + \frac{x^6}{7!} + \frac{x^8}{9!} + \cdots$ 

$$1 + \frac{x^2}{3!} + \frac{x^4}{5!} + \frac{x^6}{7!} + \frac{x^8}{9!} + \dots = \frac{1}{x} \left( x + \frac{x^3}{3!} + \frac{x^5}{5!} + \frac{x^7}{7!} + \frac{x^9}{9!} + \dots \right)$$

$$= \frac{1}{x} \sinh x$$

$$= \begin{cases} \frac{e^x - e^{-x}}{2x} & \text{if } x \neq 0 \\ 1 & \text{if } x = 0 \end{cases}$$

Find the sums of the series  $x^3 - \frac{x^9}{3 \times 4} + \frac{x^{15}}{5 \times 16} - \frac{x^{21}}{7 \times 64} + \frac{x^{27}}{9 \times 256} - \cdots$ 

#### Solution

$$x^{3} - \frac{x^{9}}{3! \times 4} + \frac{x^{15}}{5! \times 16} - \frac{x^{21}}{7! \times 64} + \frac{x^{27}}{9! \times 256} - \dots = 2 \left( \frac{x^{3}}{2} - \frac{1}{3!} \left( \frac{x^{3}}{2} \right)^{3} + \frac{1}{5!} \left( \frac{x^{3}}{2} \right)^{5} - \frac{1}{7!} \left( \frac{x^{3}}{2} \right)^{7} + \dots \right)$$

$$= 2 \sin \left( \frac{x^{3}}{2} \right) \qquad \text{for all } x$$

# Exercise

Use the geometric series  $\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} x^k = \frac{1}{1-x}$ , for |x| < 1, to determine the Maclaurin series and the interval of

convergence for the following function

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

#### Solution

The Maclaurin series for  $f(x) = \frac{1}{1-x^2}$  is  $\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} x^{2k}$ 

By the Root test:

$$\sqrt[k]{x^{2k}} = x^2 < 1$$
$$-1 < x < 1$$

At 
$$x = -1$$
,

the series is  $\sum (-1)^{2k} = \sum 1$  which diverges

At 
$$x=1$$
,

the series is  $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} (1)^{2k} = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} 1$  which diverges

The *interval* of convergence is the real line (-1, 1)

Use the geometric series  $\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} x^k = \frac{1}{1-x}$ , for |x| < 1, to determine the Maclaurin series and the interval of

convergence for the following function

$$f(x) = \frac{1}{1+x^3}$$

#### **Solution**

The Maclaurin series for  $f(x) = \frac{1}{1+x^3}$  is

$$\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} (-x)^{3k} = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} (-1)^k x^{3k}$$

By the *Root test*:

$$\sqrt[k]{\left(-x\right)^{3k}} = x^3 < 1$$

$$-1 < x < 1$$

At 
$$x = -1$$
,

the series is  $\sum (1)^{3k} = \sum 1$  which diverges

At 
$$x = 1$$
,

the series is  $\sum (-1)^{3k} = \sum (-1)^k$  which diverges absolutely (harmonic)

The *interval* of convergence is the real line (-1, 1)

## Exercise

Use the geometric series  $\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} x^k = \frac{1}{1-x}$ , for |x| < 1, to determine the Maclaurin series and the interval of

convergence for the following function

$$f(x) = \frac{1}{1+5x}$$

#### **Solution**

The Maclaurin series for  $f(x) = \frac{1}{1+5x}$  is

$$\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} (-5x)^k = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} (-5)^k x^k$$

By the Root test:

$$\left| \sqrt[k]{\left( -5x \right)^k} \right| = \left| 5x \right| < 1$$
$$-\frac{1}{5} < x < \frac{1}{5}$$

At 
$$x = -\frac{1}{5}$$
,

the series is  $\sum (1)^k = \sum 1$  which diverges

At 
$$x = \frac{1}{5}$$
,

the series is  $\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} (-1)^k$  which diverges absolutely (harmonic)

The *interval* of convergence is the real line  $\left(-\frac{1}{5}, \frac{1}{5}\right)$ 

## Exercise

Use the geometric series  $\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} x^k = \frac{1}{1-x}$ , for |x| < 1, to determine the Maclaurin series and the interval of

convergence for the following function

$$f(x) = \frac{10}{1+x}$$

#### **Solution**

The Maclaurin series for  $f(x) = \frac{10}{1+x}$  is

$$\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} 10(-x)^k$$

By the *Root test*:

$$\sqrt[k]{(-x)^k} = |x| < 1$$

$$-1 < x < 1$$

$$-1 < x < 1$$

At 
$$x = -1$$
,

the series is  $\sum 10(1)^k = \sum 10$  which diverges

At 
$$x=1$$
,

the series is  $\sum 10(-1)^k$  which diverges absolutely (harmonic)

The interval of convergence is the real line (-1, 1)

Use the geometric series  $\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} x^k = \frac{1}{1-x}$ , for |x| < 1, to determine the Maclaurin series and the interval of

convergence for the following function

$$f(x) = \frac{1}{\left(1 - 10x\right)^2}$$

## **Solution**

$$\frac{1}{1-10x} = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} (10x)^k$$

$$\frac{1}{10} \cdot \frac{1}{1-10x} = \frac{1}{10} \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} (10x)^k$$

$$\left(\frac{1}{10} \cdot \frac{1}{1-10x}\right)' = \frac{1}{(1-10x)^2}$$

Thus, the Maclaurin series for f(x)

$$\left(\frac{1}{10}\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} (10x)^k\right)' = \frac{1}{10}\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} 10k(10x)^{k-1}$$

$$= \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} k(10x)^{k-1}$$

$$L = \lim_{k \to \infty} \left| \frac{k(10x)^{k-1}}{(k+1)(10x)^k} \right| \qquad L = \lim_{k \to \infty} \left| \frac{a_{k+1}}{a_k} \right|$$

$$= \left| (10x)^{-1} \right| < 1$$

$$|x| < \frac{1}{10} \to -\frac{1}{10} < x < \frac{1}{10}$$
At  $x = -\frac{1}{10}$ ,

the series is  $\sum_{k} k(-1)^k$  which diverges absolutely

At 
$$x = \frac{1}{10}$$
,

the series is  $\sum k$  which diverges

The *interval* of convergence is the real line  $\left(-\frac{1}{10}, \frac{1}{10}\right)$ 

Use the geometric series  $\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} x^k = \frac{1}{1-x}$ , for |x| < 1, to determine the Maclaurin series and the interval of

convergence for the following function

$$f(x) = \ln(1 - 4x)$$

## **Solution**

$$-4\int \frac{dx}{1-4x} = \int \frac{d(1-4x)}{1-4x}$$
$$= \ln(1-4x)$$

$$\int \frac{dx}{1-4x} = -\frac{1}{4}\ln(1-4x)$$
$$= -\frac{1}{4}f(x)$$

$$\int \left( -\frac{1}{4} \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} (4x)^k \right) = -\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{k+1} (4x)^{k+1}$$

$$f(x) = -\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{k+1} (4x)^{k+1}$$

$$L = \lim_{k \to \infty} \left| \frac{(4x)^{k+2}}{k+2} \cdot \frac{k+1}{(4x)^{k+1}} \right| \qquad L = \lim_{k \to \infty} \left| \frac{a_{k+1}}{a_k} \right|$$

$$= \lim_{k \to \infty} \frac{k+1}{k+2} |4x|$$

$$= |4x| < 1$$

$$|x| < \frac{1}{4} \to -\frac{1}{4} < x < \frac{1}{4}$$

At 
$$x = -\frac{1}{4}$$
,

the series is  $f(x) = \ln 2$  which converges

At 
$$x = \frac{1}{4}$$
,

the series is  $f(x) = \ln(0) = -\infty$  which diverges

The *interval* of convergence is the real line  $\left[-\frac{1}{4}, \frac{1}{4}\right]$ 

The limit  $\lim_{n\to\infty} \frac{n!}{\sqrt{2\pi} n^{n+1/2} e^{-n}} = 1$  that is the relative error in the approximation  $n! \approx \sqrt{2\pi} n^{n+1/2} e^{-n}$ 

Approaches zero as n increases. That is n! grows at a rate comparable to  $\sqrt{2\pi} n^{n+1/2}e^{-n}$ . This result, known as Stirling's Formula, is often very useful in applied mathemmatics and statistics. Prove it by carrying out the following steps.

a) Use the identity  $\ln(n!) = \sum_{j=1}^{n} \ln j$  and the increasing nature of  $\ln to$  show that if  $n \ge 1$ ,

$$\int_0^n \ln x \, dx < \ln \left( n! \right) < \int_1^{n+1} \ln x \, dx$$

And hence that  $n \ln n - n < \ln(n!) < (n+1) \ln(n+1) - n$ 

b) If 
$$c_n = \ln(n!) - \left(n + \frac{1}{2}\right) \ln n + n$$
, show that 
$$c_n - c_{n+1} = \left(n + \frac{1}{2}\right) \ln\left(\frac{n+1}{n}\right) - 1$$
$$= \left(n + \frac{1}{2}\right) \ln\left(\frac{1 + \frac{1}{2n+1}}{1 - \frac{1}{2n+1}}\right) - 1$$

c) Use the Maclaurin series for  $\ln \frac{1+t}{1-t}$  to show that

$$0 < c_n - c_{n+1} < \frac{1}{3} \left( \frac{1}{(2n+1)^2} + \frac{1}{(2n+1)^4} + \frac{1}{(2n+1)^6} + \cdots \right)$$
$$= \frac{1}{12} \left( \frac{1}{n} - \frac{1}{n+1} \right)$$

and therefore that  $\{c_n\}$  is decreasing and  $\{c_n - \frac{1}{12n}\}$  is increasing. Hence conclude that  $\lim_{n \to \infty} c_n = c$  exists, and that

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} \frac{n!}{n^{n+1/2}e^{-n}} = \lim_{n \to \infty} e^{c}_{n} = e^{c}$$

a) 
$$\ln(k-1) < \int_{k-1}^{k} \ln x \, dx < \ln k, \quad k = 1, 2, 3, \dots$$
  

$$n \ln n - n = \int_{0}^{n} \ln x \, dx < \ln(n!) < \int_{1}^{n+1} \ln x \, dx$$

$$= (n+1) \ln(n+1) - n - 1$$

$$<(n+1)\ln(n+1)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \textbf{b)} \quad &\text{If } c_n = \ln(n!) - \left(n + \frac{1}{2}\right) \ln n + n \text{, then} \\ &c_n - c_{n+1} = \ln(n!) - \left(n + \frac{1}{2}\right) \ln n + n - \left[\ln\left((n+1)!\right) - \left(n+1 + \frac{1}{2}\right) \ln\left(n+1\right) + n + 1\right] \\ &= \ln(n!) - \left(n + \frac{1}{2}\right) \ln n - \ln\left((n+1)!\right) + \left(n + \frac{1}{2} + 1\right) \ln(n+1) - 1 \\ &= \ln(n!) - \ln\left((n+1)!\right) - \left(n + \frac{1}{2}\right) \ln n^{n+1/2} + \left(n + \frac{1}{2}\right) \ln(n+1) + \ln(n+1) - 1 \\ &= \ln\left(\frac{n!}{(n+1)!}\right) - \left(n + \frac{1}{2}\right) \ln\frac{n}{n+1} + \ln(n+1) - 1 \\ &= \ln\left(\frac{1}{n+1}\right) - \left(n + \frac{1}{2}\right) \ln\left(\frac{n}{n+1}\right)^{-1} + \ln(n+1) - 1 \\ &= -\ln(n+1) + \left(n + \frac{1}{2}\right) \ln\left(\frac{n}{n+1}\right)^{-1} + \ln(n+1) - 1 \\ &= \left(n + \frac{1}{2}\right) \ln\left(\frac{2n+2}{2n}\right) - 1 \\ &= \left(n + \frac{1}{2}\right) \ln\left(\frac{2n+2}{2n+1}\right) - 1 \\ &= \left(n + \frac{1}{2}\right) \ln\left(\frac{2n+2}{2n+1}\right) - 1 \\ &= \left(n + \frac{1}{2}\right) \ln\left(\frac{1 + \frac{1}{2n+1}}{2n+1}\right) - 1 \end{aligned}$$

c) 
$$\ln \frac{1+t}{1-t} = \ln(1+t) - \ln(1-t)$$
  
 $= t - \frac{t^2}{2} + \frac{t^3}{3} - \dots + t + \frac{t^2}{2} + \frac{t^3}{3} - \dots$   
 $= 2\left(t + \frac{t^3}{3} + \frac{t^5}{5} + \dots\right) \quad \text{for} \quad -1 < t < 1$   
 $0 < c_n - c_{n+1} = \left(\frac{2n+1}{2}\right) \ln\left(\frac{1 + \frac{1}{2n+1}}{1 - \frac{1}{2n+1}}\right) - 1 \qquad \qquad \ln \frac{1+t}{1-t} = 2\left(t + \frac{t^3}{3} + \frac{t^5}{5} + \dots\right)$ 

$$= \frac{1}{2}(2n+1)(2)\left(\frac{1}{2n+1} + \frac{1}{3}\left(\frac{1}{2n+1}\right)^3 + \frac{1}{5}\left(\frac{1}{2n+1}\right)^5 + \cdots\right) - 1$$

$$= 1 + \frac{1}{3(2n+1)^2} + \frac{1}{5(2n+1)^4} + \cdots - 1$$

$$= \frac{1}{3(2n+1)^2} + \frac{1}{5(2n+1)^4} + \frac{1}{7(2n+1)^6} + \cdots$$

$$< \frac{1}{3}\left(\frac{1}{(2n+1)^2} + \frac{1}{(2n+1)^4} + \cdots\right) \qquad \text{Geometric series } S_n = a_1 \frac{1}{1-r}$$

$$= \frac{1}{3} \cdot \frac{1}{(2n+1)^2} \cdot \frac{1}{1 - \frac{1}{(2n+1)^2}}$$

$$= \frac{1}{3} \cdot \frac{1}{(2n+1)^2} \cdot \frac{1}{1 - \frac{1}{(2n+1)^2}}$$

$$= \frac{1}{3} \cdot \frac{1}{(2n+1)^2 - 1}$$

$$= \frac{1}{3} \cdot \frac{1}{4n^2 + 4n}$$

$$= \frac{1}{12} \cdot \frac{1}{n(n+1)}$$

$$= \frac{1}{12} \left(\frac{1}{n} - \frac{1}{n+1}\right)$$

These inequalities imply that  $\{c_n\}$  is decreasing and  $\{c_n - \frac{1}{12n}\}$  is increasing.

Thus 
$$\{c_n\}$$
 is bounded below by  $c_1 - \frac{1}{12} = 1 - \frac{1}{12} = \frac{11}{12}$   $\left(c_1 = \ln(1!) - \left(1 + \frac{1}{2}\right)\ln 1 + 1\right)$ 

So  $\lim_{n\to\infty} c_n = c$  exists.

Since 
$$e^{C_n} = \frac{n!}{n(n+1/2)e^{-n}}$$
, we have

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} \frac{n!}{n^{(n+1/2)}e^{-n}} = \lim_{n \to \infty} e^{C_n}$$

$$= e^{C} \qquad \text{exists.}$$

Suppose you want to approximate  $\sqrt[3]{128}$  to within  $10^{-4}$  of the exact value.

- a) Use a Taylor polynomial for  $f(x) = (125 + x)^{1/3}$  centered at 0.
- b) Use a Taylor polynomial for  $f(x) = x^{1/3}$  centered at 125.
- c) Compare the two approaches. Are they equivalent?

$$\sqrt[3]{128} \approx 5.03968419958$$

*a*) 
$$a = 0$$

$$f(x) = (125 + x)^{1/3} \rightarrow f(0) = (125)^{1/3} = 5$$

$$\rightarrow f'(0) = \frac{1}{3}(125)^{-2/3}$$

$$= \frac{1}{3}(5^3)^{-2/3} = \frac{1}{3}(5)^{-2}$$

$$= \frac{1}{75}$$

$$f''(x) = -\frac{2}{9}(125 + x)^{-5/3} \rightarrow f''(1) = -\frac{2}{9}(5^3)^{-5/3} = -\frac{2}{9}\frac{1}{5^5}$$
$$= -\frac{2}{28,125}$$

$$f(x) = 5 + \frac{1}{75}x - \frac{1}{28,125}x^2$$

$$125 + x = 128 \implies \underline{x = 3}$$

$$f(3) = 5 + \frac{1}{75}(3) - \frac{1}{28,125}(9)$$
$$= 5 + \frac{1}{25} - \frac{1}{3,125}$$
$$= 5 + .04 - .00032$$
$$\approx 5.03968$$

**b)** 
$$a = 125 = 5^3$$

$$f(x) = x^{1/3} \qquad \rightarrow f(125) = 5$$

$$f'(x) = \frac{1}{3}x^{-2/3}$$
  $\rightarrow f'(0) = \frac{1}{3}(5^3)^{-2/3}$  
$$= \frac{1}{75}$$

$$f''(x) = -\frac{2}{9}x^{-5/3}$$

$$\Rightarrow f''(1) = -\frac{2}{9}(5^3)^{-5/3}$$

$$= -\frac{2}{28,125}$$

$$f(x) = 5 + \frac{1}{75}(x - 125) - \frac{1}{28,125}(x - 125)^{2}$$

$$f(128) = 5 + \frac{1}{75}(3) - \frac{1}{28,125}(3)^{2}$$

$$= 5 + \frac{1}{25} - \frac{1}{3,125}$$

$$= 5 + .04 - .00032$$

$$\approx 5.03968$$

c) Both the results from part (a) and (b) are the same since they are just shifting.

## Exercise

Consider the function

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} e^{-1/x^2} & \text{if } x \neq 0 \\ 0 & \text{if } x = 0 \end{cases}$$

- a) Use the definition of the derivative to show that f'(0) = 0
- b) Assume the fact that  $f^{k}(0) = 0$  for k = 1, 2, 3, ... Write the Taylor series for f centered at 0.
- c) Explain why the Taylor series for f does not converge to f for  $x \neq 0$

a) 
$$f'(0) = \lim_{x \to 0} \frac{f(x) - f(0)}{x - 0}$$
  

$$= \lim_{x \to 0} \frac{e^{-1/x^2} - 0}{x}$$

$$= \lim_{x \to 0} \frac{e^{-1/x^2}}{x} = \frac{0}{0}$$

$$= \lim_{x \to 0} \frac{\frac{2}{x^3} e^{-1/x^2}}{1}$$

$$= \lim_{x \to 0} \frac{2e^{-1/x^2}}{x^3} = \frac{0}{0}$$
Let  $y = \frac{1}{x^2} \implies x = \frac{1}{\sqrt{y}}$ 

$$x \to 0 \implies y \to \infty$$

$$f'(0) = \lim_{y \to \infty} \frac{e^{-y}}{\frac{1}{\sqrt{y}}}$$
$$= \lim_{y \to \infty} \frac{\sqrt{y}}{e^{y}}$$
$$= 0 \quad \checkmark$$

**b) Given**: 
$$f^{k}(0) = 0$$

Since the Taylor series centered at 0 has only one term f(x) = f(0) = 0 and  $f^k(0) = 0$  (derivaties are equal to 0).

Therefore; the Taylor series is zero.

c) It does not converge to f(x) because when  $x \neq 0$ ,  $f(x) \neq 0$ 

## Exercise

Teams A and B go into sudden death overtime after playing to a tie. The teams alternate possession of the ball and the first team to score wins. Each team has a  $\frac{1}{6}$  chance of scoring when it has the ball, with Team A having the ball first.

- a) The probability that Team A ultimately wins is  $\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{6} \left(\frac{5}{6}\right)^{2k}$ . Evaluate this series.
- b) The expected number of rounds (possessions by either team) required for the overtime to end is  $\frac{1}{6} \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} k \left(\frac{5}{6}\right)^{k-1}$ . Evaluate this series.

## Solution

a) 
$$\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{6} \left(\frac{5}{6}\right)^{2k} = \frac{1}{6} \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \left(\frac{25}{36}\right)^k$$

It is a *Geometric* series with  $r = \frac{25}{36} < 1$ , then

$$\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{6} \left(\frac{5}{6}\right)^{2k} = \frac{1}{6} \cdot \frac{1}{1 - \frac{25}{36}}$$
$$= \frac{1}{6} \cdot \frac{36}{11}$$

$$=\frac{6}{11}$$

**b)** Using the series  $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} x^k = \frac{x}{1-x}$ 

$$\left(\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} x^k\right)' = \left(\frac{x}{1-x}\right)'$$

$$\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} kx^{k-1} = \frac{1}{(1-x)^2}$$

Let 
$$x = \frac{5}{6}$$

$$\frac{1}{6} \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} k \left(\frac{5}{6}\right)^{k-1} = \frac{1}{6} \frac{1}{\left(1 - \frac{5}{6}\right)^2}$$
$$= \frac{1}{6} \frac{1}{\left(\frac{1}{6}\right)^2}$$
$$= \frac{6}{6}$$