

11.1: Approximating Functions with Polynomials

Learning Objectives. Upon successful completion of Section 11.1, you will be able to...

- Answer conceptual questions about Taylor polynomials.
- Use linear and quadratic polynomials to approximate functions.
- Find the Taylor polynomial for a function centered at a specified number.
- Use Taylor polynomials to approximate functions.
- Compare the graph of a function and its Taylor polynomials.
- Find the remainder of an n^{th} order Taylor polynomial for a given function.
- Find the remainder term of a Taylor approximation and use it to estimate error.

Part 1: The Divergence Test and P-Series Test

Part 2: The Integral Test and Estimation Theorem