

Mistake at end of last note:

Ex. should have been $P_{3,0}(x)$ for

$$f(x) = e^x + \sin x.$$

$$\begin{aligned} e^x + \sin x &= \left(1 + x + \frac{x^2}{2} + \frac{x^3}{6} + O(x^4)\right) + \left(x - \frac{x^3}{6} + O(x^5)\right) \\ &= 1 + 2x + \frac{x^2}{2} + O(x^4) + \cancel{O(x^5)} \text{ redundant as } x \rightarrow 0 \end{aligned}$$

why is $O(x^5)$ redundant?

The $O(x^4)$ contains all powers of x from 4 and up.

Products: Find $P_{3,0}(x)$ for $f(x) = e^x \sqrt{1+x}$

Use binomial series on $\sqrt{1+x} = (1+x)^{1/2}$

$$\text{Recall: } (1+x)^k = 1 + kx + \frac{k(k-1)}{2}x^2 + \frac{k(k-1)(k-2)}{6}x^3 + O(x^4) \text{ as } x \rightarrow 0$$

Then:

$$\begin{aligned} e^x \sqrt{1+x} &= \left(1 + x + \frac{x^2}{2} + \frac{x^3}{6} + O(x^4)\right) \cdot \left(1 + \frac{1}{2}x - \frac{1}{8}x^2 + \frac{1}{16}x^3 + O(x^4)\right) \\ &= 1 \left(1 + \frac{1}{2}x - \frac{1}{8}x^2 + \frac{1}{16}x^3 + O(x^4)\right) + \\ &\quad x \left(1 + \frac{1}{2}x - \frac{1}{8}x^2 + \frac{1}{16}x^3 + O(x^4)\right) + \\ &\quad \frac{x^2}{2} \left(1 + \frac{1}{2}x - \frac{1}{8}x^2 + \frac{1}{16}x^3 + O(x^4)\right) + \\ &\quad \frac{x^3}{6} \left(1 + \frac{1}{2}x - \frac{1}{8}x^2 + \frac{1}{16}x^3 + O(x^4)\right) + \\ &\quad O(x^4) \left(1 + \frac{1}{2}x - \frac{1}{8}x^2 + \frac{1}{16}x^3 + O(x^4)\right) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= 1 + x\left(1 + \frac{1}{2}\right) + x^2\left(-\frac{1}{8} + \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2}\right) + x^3\left(\frac{1}{16} - \frac{1}{8} + \frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{6}\right) + O(x^4) \\
 &= 1 + \frac{3}{2}x + \frac{7}{8}x^2 + \left(\frac{3-6+12+8}{48}\right)x^3 + O(x^4) \\
 \Rightarrow P_{3,0}(x) &= 1 + \frac{3}{2}x + \frac{7}{8}x^2 + \frac{17}{48}x^3
 \end{aligned}$$

as $x \rightarrow 0$
 note $O(x^5)$
 up to $O(x^8)$
 are contained
 here.

Exercise: Show up to order 5 that
 $2 \sin x \cos x = \sin 2x$ (include x^5 term)

Compositions

Find $P_{3,0}(x)$ for $f(x) = \ln(1 + \sin x)$

Recall: $\ln(1+x) = x - \frac{x^2}{2} + \frac{x^3}{3} - \frac{x^4}{4} + \dots$ $|x| < 1$

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

Recall $\sin x = O(x)$

$$\Rightarrow (\sin x)^4 = O(x^4)$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \ln(1 + \sin x) &= \left(x - \frac{x^3}{6} + O(x^5)\right) - \frac{1}{2}\left(x - \frac{x^3}{6} + O(x^5)\right)^2 + \frac{1}{3}\left(x - \frac{x^3}{6} + O(x^5)\right)^3 \\
 &\quad + O(x^4) \\
 &= x - \frac{x^3}{6} - \frac{1}{2}(x^2 + O(x^4)) + \frac{1}{3}(x^3 + O(x^5)) + O(x^4)
 \end{aligned}$$

$$= x - \frac{1}{2}x^2 + \left(\frac{1}{3} - \frac{1}{6}\right)x^3 + O(x^4) \text{ as } x \rightarrow 0.$$

$$\underline{P_{3,0}(x) = x - \frac{1}{2}x^2 + \frac{1}{6}x^3}$$

Limits

Big-O notation is useful in computing limits of indeterminate forms.

L'Hôpital's rule if $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x) = 0 = \lim_{x \rightarrow a} g(x)$ or
 $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x) = \pm \infty = \lim_{x \rightarrow a} g(x)$, then

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow a} \frac{f(x)}{g(x)} = \lim_{x \rightarrow a} \frac{f'(x)}{g'(x)}$$

e.g. $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin x}{x}$ (0/0 form)

use L'Hôpital = $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\cos x}{1} = 1$

Using series & Big-O:

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin x}{x} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{x - x^3/3! + x^5/5! + O(x^7)}{x}$$

$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} (1 - x^2/3! + x^4/5! + O(x^6)) = 1$$

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Sometimes, L'Hôpital's rule { can get very complicated.

Ex. $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{x^2 \cos(x^2) - \sin^2 x}{x^4}$

$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{x^2 (1 - x^4/2 + O(x^8)) - (x - x^3/3! + O(x^5))^2}{x^4}$$

$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{x^2 - x^6/2 + O(x^{10}) - (x^2 - 2x^4/3! + O(x^6))}{x^4}$$

$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{x^4/3 + O(x^6)}{x^4}$$

$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{3} + O(x^2) = \frac{1}{3}$$

$$\cos u = 1 - \frac{u^2}{2} + \frac{u^4}{4!} - O(u^6)$$

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

$$\sin u = u - \frac{u^3}{3!} + O(u^5)$$