

Math 143

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goal: get power series expansions for as many functions as possible.

Taylor series:

Q. If $f(x)$ has a power series expansion about $x=a$

$$C_0 + C_1(x-a) + C_2(x-a)^2 + C_3(x-a)^3 + C_4(x-a)^4 + \dots$$

on $|x-a| < R$, what must the coefficients be in terms of $f(x)$ and a ?

A. ① $f(a) = C_0 + \cancel{C_1 \cdot 0} + \cancel{C_2 \cdot 0^2} + \cancel{C_3 \cdot 0^3} + \dots$

$$\boxed{C_0 = f(a)}$$

② $f'(x) = 0 + C_1 + 2C_2(x-a) + 3C_3(x-a)^2 + 4C_4(x-a)^3 + \dots$

$$f'(a) = c_1 + \cancel{2c_2 \cdot 0} + \cancel{3c_3 \cdot 0^2} + \cancel{4c_4 \cdot 0^3} + \dots$$

$$\boxed{c_1 = f'(a)}$$

tangent line approx.

$$f(x) \approx f(a) + f'(a)(x-a)$$

for x near a

$$\textcircled{3} f''(x) = 0 + 2c_2 + 2 \cdot 3 \cdot c_3(x-a) + 3 \cdot 4 \cdot c_4(x-a)^2 + 4 \cdot 5 \cdot c_5(x-a)^3 + \dots$$

$$f''(a) = 2c_2 + \cancel{2 \cdot 3 \cdot c_3 \cdot 0} + \cancel{3 \cdot 4 \cdot c_4 \cdot 0^2} + \dots$$

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

$$\textcircled{4} f'''(x) = 0 + 2 \cdot 3 \cdot c_3 + 2 \cdot 3 \cdot 4 \cdot c_4(x-a) + 3 \cdot 4 \cdot 5 \cdot c_5(x-a)^2 + \dots$$

$$f'''(a) = 3! c_3$$

$$\boxed{c_3 = \frac{f^{(3)}(a)}{3!}}$$

$f^{(n)}(a) = n^{\text{th}}$ deriv. of f at a

⋮

$$\textcircled{5} f^{(n)}(a) = 2 \cdot 3 \cdot 4 \cdot \dots \cdot n \cdot c_n = \boxed{n! c_n = f^{(n)}(a)}$$

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

Thm. If $f(x)$ has a power series expansion about $x=a$,

$$\text{i.e., } f(x) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} C_n (x-a)^n \quad \text{for } |x-a| < R$$

then the coefficients are given by

$$\text{the formula } C_n = \frac{f^{(n)}(a)}{n!} .$$

A. So the answer to our original question is:

If $f(x)$ has a power series expansion at $x=a$ then

it must be of the form

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

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

$$+ \frac{f'''(a)}{3!} (x-a)^3 + \frac{f^{(4)}(a)}{4!} (x-a)^4 + \dots$$

DEF. This power series expansion of $f(x)$ is called
the Taylor series of $f(x)$ at $x=a$.

DEF. The common case of $a=0$ is called the

Maclaurin series of $f(x)$:

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

ex/ Find the Maclaurin series for $f(x) = e^x$ and its radius of convergence: ↖ about $x=0$

$$f(x) = e^x$$

$$f(0) = 1$$

$$c_0 = 1/1 \leftarrow 0!$$

$$f'(x) = e^x$$

$$f'(0) = 1$$

$$c_1 = 1/1 \leftarrow 1!$$

$$f''(x) = e^x$$

$$f''(0) = 1$$

$$c_2 = 1/2 \leftarrow 2!$$

$$f'''(x) = e^x$$

$$f'''(0) = 1$$

$$c_3 = 1/6 \leftarrow 3!$$

$$\downarrow$$
$$c_n = 1/n!$$

So the Taylor series for $f(x) = e^x$ at $x=0$ is

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

Radius of convergence: (this is ex2 from the first day on power series)

ratio test: $L = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{a_{n+1}}{a_n} \right| = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{x^{n+1}}{(n+1)!} \cdot \frac{n!}{x^n} \right| = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{x}{n+1} \right| = 0$

so $L < 1$ for all x -values so $R = \infty$ and $\text{IOC} = (-\infty, \infty)$

Notes: ① Test for Div. $\Rightarrow \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{x^n}{n!} = 0$ for all x

so $n!$ "grows faster" than x^n for any x .

② We also showed that $e^1 = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n!} 1^n$

$$\text{so } e = 2 + \frac{1}{2!} + \frac{1}{3!} + \frac{1}{4!} + \dots$$

③ And, e.g., $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{9^n}{11^n n!} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n!} \left(\frac{9}{11}\right)^n = e^{9/11}$

This series converges, but what is the value of its sum? $e^{9/11}$

Ex 2 / Find the Taylor series expansion for $f(x) = e^{2x}$ about $x = -4$ its radius of convergence:

$$f(x) = e^{2x}$$

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

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

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

$$f(-4) = 1e^{-8}$$

$$f'(-4) = 2e^{-8}$$

$$f''(-4) = 2^2 e^{-8}$$

$$f'''(-4) = 2^3 e^{-8}$$

$$c_0 = 1e^{-8}/1!$$

$$c_1 = 2e^{-8}/1!$$

$$c_2 = 2^2 e^{-8}/2!$$

$$c_3 = 2^3 e^{-8}/3!$$

$$c_n = 2^n e^{-8}/n!$$

So the Taylor is $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{2^n e^{-8}}{n!} (x+4)^n$

$$= e^{-8} + 2e^{-8}(x+4) + 2e^{-8}(x+4)^2 + \frac{4}{3}e^{-8}(x+4)^3 + \dots$$

Radius of convergence:

$$\begin{aligned} \text{ratio test } L &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{a_{n+1}}{a_n} \right| = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{2^{n+1} \cancel{e^{-8}} (x+4)^{n+1}}{(n+1)!} \cdot \frac{n!}{2^n \cancel{e^{-8}} (x+4)^n} \right| \\ &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{2(x+4)}{n+1} \right| = 0 \end{aligned}$$

so $L < 1$ for all x so $R = \infty$

$$\text{IOC} = (-\infty, \infty)$$

ex 3/ e^{2x} about $x=0$.

↳ use known series:

$$e^u = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{u^n}{n!} \quad \text{for all } u$$

$$\text{so } e^{2x} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(2x)^n}{n!} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{2^n}{n!} x^n \quad \text{for all } x$$

ex 4/ $x^2 e^{2x}$ about $x=0$.

$$x^2 e^{2x} = x^2 \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{2^n}{n!} x^n = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{2^n}{n!} x^{n+2} \quad \text{for all } x$$

$$\text{ex 5/ } e^{x^2} \text{ about } x=0: \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n!} (x^2)^n = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n!} x^{2n} \quad \text{for all } x$$

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