

11.3 Taylor Series

$$\text{Taylor series: } f(x) = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{f^{(k)}(a)}{k!} (x-a)^k$$

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

a : center (where the Taylor series is built)

when $a=0$ we call the resulting Taylor series the Maclaurin Series

$$\text{Maclaurin series of } f(x): f(x) = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{f^{(k)}(0)}{k!} x^k$$

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

Example Maclaurin series of $f(x) = \sin x$

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

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

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

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

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

pattern repeats

after 4 derivatives

all even derivs are 0

all odd derivs are ± 1

Maclaurin series of $\sin x$

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

$$= x - \frac{1}{3!}x^3 + \frac{1}{5!}x^5 - \frac{1}{7!}x^7 + \dots \quad \text{pack into summation}$$

$k=0$ $k=1$ $k=2$ $k=3$

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

near $x=0$, $\sin x \approx x - \frac{x^3}{3!} + \frac{x^5}{5!} - \frac{x^7}{7!} + \dots$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin x}{x} = 1$$

interval of convergence of $\sin x = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} (-1)^k \frac{x^{2k+1}}{(2k+1)!}$

$$\text{Ratio Test: } \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{(-1)^{k+1} \frac{x^{2(k+1)+1}}{(2(k+1)+1)!}}{(-1)^k \frac{x^{2k+1}}{(2k+1)!}} \right|$$

$$= \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{x^{2k+3}}{(2k+3)!} \cdot \frac{(2k+1)!}{x^{2k+1}} \right|$$

$$= \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \left| x^2 \cdot \frac{\cancel{(2k+1)} \cancel{(2k)} \cancel{(2k-1)} \cancel{(2k-2)} \dots (1)}{(2k+3)(2k+2)\cancel{(2k+1)}\cancel{(2k)}\cancel{(2k-1)}\cancel{(2k-2)} \dots (1)} \right| = 0$$

so converge on $-\infty < x < \infty$ or $(-\infty, \infty)$

radius of convergence ∞

we can re-use $\sin(x) = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} (-1)^k \frac{x^{2k+1}}{(2k+1)!}$ for anything that resembles $\sin(x)$

for example, $\sin(2x) = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} (-1)^k \frac{(2x)^{2k+1}}{(2k+1)!}$

$f(x) = x^3 \sin\left(\frac{x^2}{3}\right)$ converges on $(-\infty, \infty)$

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

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

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

converges on $(-\infty, \infty)$
bump up by 3

$$x^3 \sin\left(\frac{x^2}{3}\right) = \underbrace{(x^3)}_{\text{bump up by 3}} \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} (-1)^k \frac{1}{(2k+1)!} \frac{x^{4k+2}}{3^{2k+1}} = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} (-1)^k \frac{1}{(2k+1)!} \frac{x^{4k+5}}{3^{2k+1}}$$

$$= \frac{x^5}{3} - \frac{x^9}{3! 3^2} + \frac{x^{13}}{5! 3^3} - \dots$$

Common Maclaurin Series $a=0$ only

$$\frac{1}{1-x} = 1 + x + x^2 + \dots + x^k + \dots = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} x^k, \quad \text{for } |x| < 1$$

$$\frac{1}{1+x} = 1 - x + x^2 - \dots + (-1)^k x^k + \dots = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} (-1)^k x^k, \quad \text{for } |x| < 1$$

$$e^x = 1 + x + \frac{x^2}{2!} + \dots + \frac{x^k}{k!} + \dots = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{x^k}{k!}, \quad \text{for } |x| < \infty$$

$$\sin x = x - \frac{x^3}{3!} + \frac{x^5}{5!} - \dots + \frac{(-1)^k x^{2k+1}}{(2k+1)!} + \dots = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^k x^{2k+1}}{(2k+1)!}, \quad \text{for } |x| < \infty$$

$$\cos x = 1 - \frac{x^2}{2!} + \frac{x^4}{4!} - \dots + \frac{(-1)^k x^{2k}}{(2k)!} + \dots = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^k x^{2k}}{(2k)!}, \quad \text{for } |x| < \infty$$

$$\ln(1+x) = x - \frac{x^2}{2} + \frac{x^3}{3} - \dots + \frac{(-1)^{k+1} x^k}{k} + \dots = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{k+1} x^k}{k}, \quad \text{for } -1 < x \leq 1$$

$$-\ln(1-x) = x + \frac{x^2}{2} + \frac{x^3}{3} + \dots + \frac{x^k}{k} + \dots = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{x^k}{k}, \quad \text{for } -1 \leq x < 1$$

$$\tan^{-1} x = x - \frac{x^3}{3} + \frac{x^5}{5} - \dots + \frac{(-1)^k x^{2k+1}}{2k+1} + \dots = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^k x^{2k+1}}{2k+1}, \quad \text{for } |x| \leq 1$$

$$\sinh x = x + \frac{x^3}{3!} + \frac{x^5}{5!} + \dots + \frac{x^{2k+1}}{(2k+1)!} + \dots = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{x^{2k+1}}{(2k+1)!}, \quad \text{for } |x| < \infty$$

$$\cosh x = 1 + \frac{x^2}{2!} + \frac{x^4}{4!} + \dots + \frac{x^{2k}}{(2k)!} + \dots = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{x^{2k}}{(2k)!}, \quad \text{for } |x| < \infty$$

example

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

Maclaurin series?

$$\text{from Table: } e^x = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{x^k}{k!} \quad (-\infty, \infty)$$

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

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

$$= x + \frac{x^2}{2!} + \frac{x^3}{3!} + \frac{x^4}{4!} + \dots = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{x^k}{k!}$$

$$\frac{e^x - 1}{5x} = \frac{1}{5x} \left(x + \frac{x^2}{2!} + \frac{x^3}{3!} + \frac{x^4}{4!} + \dots \right) = \frac{1}{5x} \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{x^k}{k!}$$

$$= \frac{1}{5} + \frac{x}{5 \cdot 2!} + \frac{x^2}{5 \cdot 3!} + \frac{x^3}{5 \cdot 4!} + \dots = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{x^{k-1}}{5 \cdot k!}$$

The Table we saw ~~are~~ is a list of Maclaurin series $\rightarrow a=0$ only

ANY other a , find Taylor series by differentiating

example

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

$$a = \frac{\pi}{6}$$

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

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

$$f\left(\frac{\pi}{6}\right) = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$f'(x) = \cos x$$

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

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

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

$$f'''(x) = -\cos x$$

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

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

$$f^{(4)}\left(\frac{\pi}{6}\right) = \frac{1}{2}$$

cycle repeats

near $x = \frac{\pi}{6}$, $\sin x$ can be approximated as

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

in practice, we chop it off after some k , then look at the error

Remainder of k^{th} -order Taylor polynomial is

$$R_k = \frac{f^{(k+1)}(c)}{(k+1)!} (x-a)^{k+1}$$

for $\sin x$ with $a = \frac{\pi}{6}$

$$R_k = \frac{\pm \cos(c)}{(k+1)!} \left(x - \frac{\pi}{6}\right)^{k+1} \quad \text{or} \quad \frac{\pm \sin(c)}{(k+1)!} \left(x - \frac{\pi}{6}\right)^{k+1}$$

how do we know as $k \rightarrow \infty$, the Taylor series = true function?

→ if $\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} R_k = 0$

↙ between -1 and 1

$$R_k = \frac{\pm \cos(c)}{(k+1)!} \left(x - \frac{\pi}{6}\right)^{k+1}$$

↙ to ∞ really quickly

it's clear that $R_k \rightarrow 0$ as $k \rightarrow \infty$
(same for $\pm \sin(c)$ on top)