

Ex. Find the Maclaurin series

of $\frac{\sin x}{x}$, and

find $\int_0^{1/2} \frac{\sin t}{t} dt$

$$\frac{\sin t}{t} = \frac{t - \frac{t^3}{3!} + \frac{t^5}{5!} - \frac{t^7}{7!} + \dots}{t}$$

$$= 1 - \frac{t^2}{3!} + \frac{t^4}{5!} - \frac{t^6}{7!} + \dots$$

$$\int_0^{\frac{1}{2}} \frac{\sin t}{t} dt = \int_0^{\frac{1}{2}} \left(1 - \frac{t^2}{3!} + \frac{t^4}{5!} - \dots \right) dt$$

$$= \left. t - \frac{t^3}{3 \cdot 3!} + \frac{t^5}{5 \cdot 5!} - \dots \right|_0^{\frac{1}{2}}$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{8 \cdot 3 \cdot 6} + \frac{1}{32 \cdot 5 \cdot 120}$$

$$- \frac{1}{128 \cdot 7 \cdot 7!}$$

$$\leq \frac{1}{128} \cdot \frac{1}{7} \cdot \frac{1}{5040} < 10^{-6}$$

$$\therefore |5 - \left(\frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{144} + \frac{1}{19200}\right)| < 10^{-8}$$

Ex. Find the Maclaurin Series

of $\frac{e^x - 1 - x}{x^2}$.

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

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

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

Using the Binomial Series with

$k = -\frac{1}{2}$, we get

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

$$+ \frac{\left(-\frac{1}{2}\right)\left(-\frac{3}{2}\right)\left(-\frac{5}{2}\right)}{3!} u^3 + \dots$$

Setting $u = -x^2$, we get

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

$$+ \frac{1 \cdot 3 \cdot 5}{2 \cdot 4 \cdot 6} x^6 + \frac{1 \cdot 3 \cdot 5 \cdot 7}{2 \cdot 4 \cdot 6 \cdot 8} x^8 + \dots$$

$$\sin^{-1} x = \int \frac{dx}{\sqrt{1-x^2}}$$

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

$$+ \frac{1 \cdot 3 \cdot 5}{2 \cdot 4 \cdot 6} \frac{x^7}{7} + \frac{1 \cdot 3 \cdot 5 \cdot 7}{2 \cdot 4 \cdot 6 \cdot 8} \frac{x^9}{9} + \dots + C$$

Ex. Find an approximation

$$\text{of } \sqrt[3]{8+x} = \left(8 \left(1 + \frac{x}{8} \right) \right)^{\frac{1}{3}}$$

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

First, find $(1+u)^{\frac{1}{3}}$

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

$$+ \frac{\left(\frac{1}{3}\right)\left(-\frac{2}{3}\right)\left(-\frac{5}{3}\right)}{1 \cdot 2 \cdot 3} u^3$$

$$= 1 - \frac{(-1) \cdot u}{3} + \frac{(-1) \cdot 2}{3 \cdot 6} u^2$$

$$- \frac{(-1) \cdot 2 \cdot 5}{3 \cdot 6 \cdot 9} u^3 + \frac{(-1) \cdot 2 \cdot 5 \cdot 8}{3 \cdot 6 \cdot 9 \cdot 12} u^4$$

Now set $v = \frac{x}{8}$ and multiply

by 2:

$$2 \left(1 + \frac{x}{8} \right)^{\frac{1}{3}} = 2 \left(1 - \frac{(-1)}{3} \cdot \frac{x}{8} + \frac{(-1) \cdot 2}{3 \cdot 6} \left(\frac{x}{8} \right)^2 \right.$$

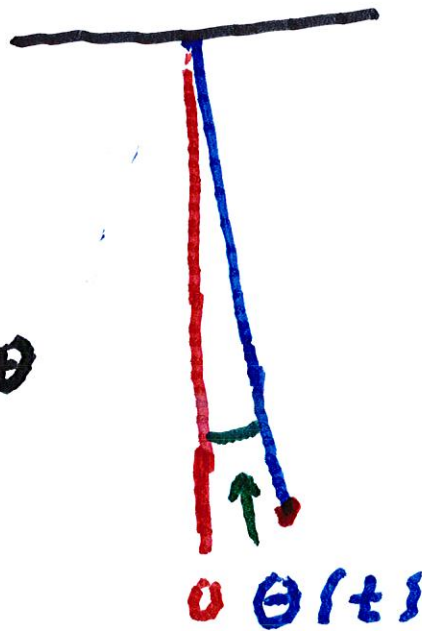
$$- \frac{(-1) \cdot 2 \cdot 5}{3 \cdot 6 \cdot 9} \left(\frac{x}{8} \right)^3 + \frac{(-1) \cdot 2 \cdot 5 \cdot 8}{3 \cdot 6 \cdot 9 \cdot 12} \left(\frac{x}{8} \right)^4$$

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In physics and mechanics,
it's often necessary to
solve differential equations,
such as

$$\frac{d^2 \theta}{dt^2} = -k^2 \sin \theta$$


where $k^2 = \frac{g}{l}$



If the angle θ is small,

we can approximate $\sin \theta$

$$\sin \theta = \theta - \frac{\theta^3}{6} + \frac{\theta^5}{120}$$



$$\therefore \frac{d^2 \theta}{dt^2} = -k^2 \theta.$$

This is much easier to solve.

Ex. Find the Maclaurin series of $\cosh x$.

$$\cosh x = \frac{e^x + e^{-x}}{2}$$

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

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

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

$$\frac{\frac{1}{4!} + \frac{1}{4!}}{2} = \frac{1}{4!}$$

Similarly, to find the
Maclaurin series of $\sinh x$,

$$\sinh x = \frac{e^x - e^{-x}}{2}$$

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

$$= \frac{0 + 2x + 0 + \frac{2x^3}{3!} + 0}{2}$$

$$= x + \frac{x^3}{3!} + \frac{x^5}{5!} + \dots$$

Find the sum of the series:

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

$$e^{-u} = 1 - \frac{u}{1!} + \frac{u^2}{2!} - \frac{u^3}{3!} + \dots$$

Now set $u = x^4$

$$\rightarrow e^{-x^4} = 1 - \frac{x^4}{1!} + \frac{x^{4 \cdot 2}}{2!} - \frac{x^{12}}{3!} - \dots$$

$$\therefore \text{Series} = e^{-x^4}$$

Evaluate $\int_0^1 e^{-x^4} dx$ to

within .001.

$$e^u = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{u^n}{n!}$$

Set $v = -x^4$

$$e^{-x^4} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-x^4)^n}{n!}$$

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

$$\therefore \int_0^1 e^{-x^4} dx = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \int_0^1 \frac{(-1)^n x^{4n}}{n!}$$

$$= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-1)^n \frac{1}{4n+1} \cdot \frac{1}{n!}$$

$$1 - \frac{1}{5} + \frac{1}{9} \cdot \frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{13} \cdot \frac{1}{6} + \frac{1}{17} \cdot \frac{1}{24} - \frac{1}{21} \cdot \frac{1}{120} + \dots$$

Series is alternating, terms are

decreasing. $\frac{1}{21} \cdot \frac{1}{120} < .001$

\therefore Use first 5 terms.

Why not use Taylor series to compute the approximate value for e^{10} .

1. Not all functions have a power series.
2. It might be many terms are needed to get a close approximate function.

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

To compute e^{10} , how big must

n be?

$$e^{10} = 1 + 10 + \frac{10^2}{2!} + \frac{10^3}{3!} +$$

$$\dots + \frac{10^n}{n!} + \dots$$

Let $n = 20$

$$\frac{10}{1} \cdot \frac{10}{2} \cdot \frac{10}{3} \dots \frac{10}{n} \dots \frac{10}{20}$$

Still > 1 .