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Taylor series errors

Doing division with Taylor series

Using Taylor series for limits

Review for Exam #2 (Tuesday)

$$\text{Taylor series errors: } R_n \leq \frac{\left| \max_{x \in I} f^{(n+1)}(z) \right|}{(n+1)!} (x-a)^{(n+1)}$$

$x$  is the point at which we are doing our approximation, and  $I$  is an interval that contains both  $a$  and  $x$ . It may be a global maximum, or it may be a maximum on a finite interval.

Find the Taylor series (Maclaurin series) for  $f(x) = \sin(x)$ , centered at  $a=0$  for  $n=4$

$n$	$n!$	$f^{(n)}(x)$	$f^{(n)}(a)$	$(x-a)^n$	$\frac{f^{(n)}(a)(x-a)^n}{n!}$
0	1	$\sin(x)$	0	1	0
1	1	$\cos(x)$	1	$x$	$x$
2	2	$-\sin(x)$	0	$x^2$	0
3	6	$-\cos(x)$	-1	$x^3$	$-\frac{x^3}{6}$
4	24	$\sin(x)$	0	$x^4$	0
5	120	$\cos(x)$	1	$x^5$	
6	720				

$$P_4 = x - \frac{x^3}{6} + R_4$$

$$R_4 \leq \frac{\left| \max_{x \in I} f^{(5)}(z) \right|}{(5)!} (x)^{(5)}$$

Suppose I want to approximate the value of  $\sin\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)$  (in radians). What is the approximation and the estimated error?

$$P_4\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) = \left(\frac{1}{2}\right) - \frac{\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^3}{6} = \frac{23}{48} \approx 0.4791 \dots$$

$$\text{Error} \leq \frac{1}{5!} \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^5 = 2.60416 \dots \times 10^{-4} = 0.0002604 \dots$$

Estimate the value of  $f(x) = e^x$  evaluated at  $x=1/2$ , for the Maclaurin polynomial of  $n=5$ . Estimate the error.

$n$	$n!$	$f^{(n)}(x)$	$f^{(n)}(a)$	$(x-a)^n$	$\frac{f^{(n)}(a)(x-a)^n}{n!}$
0	1	$e^x$	1	1	1
1	1	$e^x$	1	$x$	$x$
2	2	$e^x$	1	$x^2$	$\frac{x^2}{2}$
3	6	$e^x$	1	$x^3$	$\frac{x^3}{6}$
4	24	$e^x$	1	$x^4$	$\frac{x^4}{24}$
5	120	$e^x$	1	$x^5$	$\frac{x^5}{120}$
6	720	$e^x$	1		

$$P_5 = 1 + x + \frac{x^2}{2} + \frac{x^3}{6} + \frac{x^4}{24} + \frac{x^5}{120} + R_5$$

$$R_5 \leq \frac{|\max_{x \in I} e^x|}{(6)!} (x)^{(6)} = \frac{\left(e^{\frac{1}{2}}\right) \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^6}{6!} = 5.899 \dots \times 10^{-5}$$

If the center is 0, and we are approximating at either  $-1/2$  or  $1/2$ , use the interval  $\left(-\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}\right)$

Division with Taylor series

Traditionally for finite polynomials we start with the highest degree terms and work down to end with a proper fraction, all terms in descending order. But here, we start with the lowest degree terms and the higher terms trail off into infinity (in ascending order).

Find a power series for  $f(x) = \frac{\sin x}{x+1}$

$$\sin(x) = x - \frac{x^3}{6} + \frac{x^5}{120} - \frac{x^7}{5040} + \dots$$

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$$\begin{array}{r}
 x - x^2 + \frac{5}{6}x^3 - \frac{5}{24}x^4 + \dots \\
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 1 + x \left( \begin{array}{r} 0 + x + 0x^2 - \frac{1}{6}x^3 + 0x^4 + \frac{1}{120}x^5 + \dots \\ -x - x^2 \\ \hline -x^2 - \frac{1}{6}x^3 \\ + x^2 + x^3 \\ \hline \frac{5}{6}x^3 + 0x^4 \\ -\frac{5}{6}x^3 - \frac{5}{6}x^4 \\ \hline -\frac{5}{6}x^4 + \frac{1}{120}x^5 \end{array} \right)
 \end{array}$$

$$f(x) = \frac{\sin(x)}{x+1} \approx x - x^2 + \frac{5}{6}x^3 - \frac{5}{6}x^4 + \dots$$

Example of using Taylor series for limits:

$$\begin{aligned}
 \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\cos x - 1}{x^2} &= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n x^{2n}}{(2n)!} - 1}{x^2} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{1 - \frac{x^2}{2} + \frac{x^4}{24} - \frac{x^6}{720} + \dots - 1}{x^2} = \\
 \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{-\frac{x^2}{2} + \frac{x^4}{24} - \frac{x^6}{720} + \dots}{x^2} &= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} -\frac{1}{2} + \frac{x^2}{24} - \frac{x^4}{720} + \dots = -\frac{1}{2}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\sinh(x) = \frac{e^x - e^{-x}}{2} = \frac{1}{2} \left( \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{x^n}{n!} - \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n x^n}{n!} \right)$$

End material for Exam #2

Sequences!!!!

Series Tests

Power Series

Taylor Series/Maclaurin

Applications with Power series: adding, multiplying, dividing, finding limits, integrating/differentiating, etc.

Be prepared to calculate an error formula for either/both series tests and Taylor series

Quiz #10 is due tonight on Tuesday's material (finding a Taylor series)

Quiz #11 is on the material from tonight. It's not due until after the exam, but if you want feedback before taking the test, try to get submitted by Monday noon.