

## Taylor Polynomials And Series

- Be able to find Taylor series directly by computing derivatives:

$$f(x) = f(b) + f'(b)(x-b) + \frac{1}{2!} f''(b)(x-b)^2 + \frac{1}{3!} f'''(b)(x-b)^3 + \frac{1}{4!} f^{(4)}(b)(x-b)^4 + \dots$$

- Taylor Series

You may use the following

$$\frac{1}{1-x} = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} x^k \quad -1 < x < 1$$

$$-\ln(1-x) = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{k} x^k \quad -1 < x < 1$$

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

$$\cos(x) = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^k}{(2k)!} x^{2k} \quad \text{for all } x$$

$$e^x = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{k!} x^k \quad \text{for all } x$$

Be able to expand

- ① Write any of these in expanded form
- ② Find new series by appropriately replacing  $x$
- ③ Combine these series by adding and subtracting
- ④ Integrate any of these series term by term.

In general, be able to work with sigma notation.

For example,

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{1-3x} - e^x &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} 3^n x^n - \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n!} x^n \\ &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (3^n - \frac{1}{n!}) x^n \end{aligned}$$

- ⑤ And be able to expand with these  
What is the interval of convergence?

# Taylor Bounds

FOR ANY PROBLEM INVOLVING BOUNDS, ① BOUND THE "NEXT" DERIVATIVE. ② USE TAYLOR'S INEQUALITY.

**Type 1: Question** Given  $f(x)$ ,  $b$ =base,  $I=[c, d]$ ,  $n$   
Find error.

(a) Compute  $f^{(n+1)}(x)$

(b) Find  $M = \text{maximum of } f^{(n+1)}(x) \text{ on } I=[c, d]$

$$|f^{(n+1)}(x)| \leq M$$

often this can be done by simply inspecting  $y = f^{(n+1)}(x)$

(c)

$$\text{error} = |f(x) - T_n(x)|$$

$$\leq \frac{M}{(n+1)!} |x - b|^{n+1}$$

$$\leq \frac{M}{(n+1)!} |d - b|^{n+1}$$

this is a number

However, to maximize in general

(i) compute  $y'$  and find critical points

(ii)  $M$  occurs at a critical point or endpoint

**Type 2 Question** Given  $f(x)$ ,  $b$ =base,  $I=[c, d]$ , error  
Find  $n$

(a)  $n=1$ : Find  $M_1$ ,  $|f''(x)| \leq M_1$

$$\text{compute } |f(x) - T_1(x)| \leq \frac{M_1}{2!} |x - b|^2 \leq \frac{M_1}{2} |d - b|^2$$

is this small enough?

if yes, STOP

if no, try  $n=2$

(b)  $n=2$ : Find  $M_2$ ,  $|f^{(3)}(x)| \leq M_2$

$$\text{compute } |f(x) - T_2(x)| \leq \frac{M_2}{3!} |x - b|^3 \leq \frac{M_2}{3!} |d - b|^3$$

is this small enough?

if yes, STOP

if no, try  $n=3$

AND SO FORTH

Type 3 Question Given  $f(x)$ ,  $b = \text{base}$ ,  $n$ , error  
Find  $I = [c, d]$

a) "Guess"  $I = [c_0, d_0]$

compute  $|f^{(n+1)}(x)| \leq M_n$  on this interval  
 $|f(x) - T_n(x)| \leq \frac{M_n}{(n+1)!} |x-b|^{n+1} \leq \frac{M_n}{(n+1)!} |d_0-b|^{n+1}$

is this small enough?  
if yes, take  $c=c_0, d=d_0$   
if no, move on

b) If your error is too big, then the interval is too big.

Since  $|f^{(n+1)}(x)| \leq M_n$  on  $I = [c_0, d_0]$   
then  $|f^{(n+1)}(x)| \leq M_n$  on any smaller interval. (THIS IS ONLY VALID BECAUSE  $n$  HAS NOT CHANGE!)

Since  $M_n, n \neq b$  are all known we can solve

$$\frac{M_n}{(n+1)!} |x-b|^{n+1} \leq \text{ERROR}$$
$$|x-b|^{n+1} \leq \text{ERROR} \frac{(n+1)!}{M_n}$$
$$|x-b| \leq \underbrace{\left( \text{ERROR} \frac{(n+1)!}{M_n} \right)^{1/n}}_C$$

$$-C \leq x-b \leq C$$
$$\boxed{b-C \leq x \leq b+C}$$