

Taylor Notes In Class Example

Let $f(x) = -\ln(1 - \frac{1}{4}x)$

- A** Find the Taylor series for $f(x)$ based at $b=0$.
Use sigma notation, write out first 3 nonzero terms, & give the interval of convergence.
- B** What is $T_1(x)$ and $T_2(x)$?
(Try to get these from the series and from using derivatives)
- C** Use Taylor's Inequality to find a bound on the error for $T_1(x)$ on the interval $I = [-1, 1]$.
What's the error for $T_2(x)$ on I ?
- D** Find an interval where the error for $T_1(x)$ is less than 0.01.
- E** Find n so that the error for $T_n(x)$ is less than 0.0001.
(Find the smallest such n)
- F** Find a Taylor series for $\int_0^x -\ln(1 - \frac{1}{4}t) dt$

A Recall: $-\ln(1-u) = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{k} u^k, \quad -1 < u < 1$

So $-\ln(1-\frac{1}{4}x) = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{k} (\frac{1}{4}x)^k \quad -1 < \frac{1}{4}x < 1$

$= \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{k} \frac{1}{4^k} x^k \quad -4 < x < 4$

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

$= \frac{1}{4}x + \frac{1}{32}x^2 + \frac{1}{192}x^3 + \dots$

B From series:
$$\begin{cases} T_1(x) = \frac{1}{4}x \\ T_2(x) = \frac{1}{4}x + \frac{1}{32}x^2 \end{cases}$$

From derivatives:

$$\left. \begin{aligned} f(x) &= -\ln(1-\frac{1}{4}x) \\ f'(x) &= \frac{1}{4} \frac{1}{1-\frac{1}{4}x} \\ f''(x) &= \frac{1}{16} \frac{1}{(1-\frac{1}{4}x)^2} \end{aligned} \right\} \begin{aligned} T_1(x) &= f(0) + f'(0)x \\ &= -\ln(1) + \frac{1}{4} \frac{1}{1-\frac{1}{4}(0)} x \\ &= 0 + \frac{1}{4}x \\ &= \frac{1}{4}x \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} T_2(x) &= f(0) + f'(0)x + \frac{1}{2!} f''(0)x^2 \\ &= 0 + \frac{1}{4}x + \frac{1}{2} \frac{1}{16} \frac{1}{(1-\frac{1}{4}(0))^2} x^2 \\ &= \frac{1}{4}x + \frac{1}{32}x^2 \end{aligned}$$

C $T_1(x) = \frac{1}{4}x$ error on $I = [-1, 1]$

(i) $|f''(x)| = \left| \frac{1}{16} \frac{1}{(1-\frac{1}{4}x)^2} \right|$

Also could say ^{also} that function is increasing so max is at $x=1$

only critical value at $x=4$
 \Rightarrow max is at one of the endpoints
 $f''(-1) = 0.04$
 $f''(1) = 0.1 \leftarrow$ max

$\Rightarrow |f''(x)| \leq 0.1 = M$

(ii) So

$$|f(x) - T_1(x)| \leq \frac{M}{2!} |x-0|^2 = \frac{0.1}{2} |x|^2$$

$$\leq \frac{0.1}{2} |1|^2 = \boxed{0.05}$$

$T_2(x) = \frac{1}{4}x + \frac{1}{32}x^2$ error on $I = [-1, 1]$

(i) $|f'''(x)| = \left| \frac{1}{64} \frac{1}{(1-\frac{1}{4}x)^3} \right|$

similar analysis as above

\Rightarrow max is at $x=1$

$\Rightarrow |f'''(x)| \leq \left| \frac{1}{64} \frac{1}{(1-\frac{1}{4}(1))^3} \right| = \frac{0.037}{M}$

(ii)

$$|f(x) - T_2(x)| \leq \frac{M}{3!} |x-0|^3 = \frac{0.037}{3!} |x|^3$$

$$\leq \frac{0.037}{6} |1|^3 = \boxed{0.00617}$$

[D] From part [C], we know the error for $T_1(x)$ on $I = [-1, 1]$ is 0.05 which is too big.
 (if we hadn't done part [C], then you would have needed to guess an interval first and then do part [C].)

So the interval must be smaller than $I = [-1, 1]$.
 The good news is that our bound $|f''(x)| \leq 0.1 = M$ works on $I = [-1, 1]$ so it is valid for any smaller interval.
 So we can use this M and solve

$$|f(x) - T_1(x)| \leq \frac{M}{2!} |x|^2 \leq 0.01$$

$$\frac{0.1}{2} |x|^2 \leq 0.01$$

$$\Rightarrow |x|^2 \leq \frac{0.01}{(0.1/2)}$$

$$\Rightarrow |x|^2 \leq 0.18$$

$$\Rightarrow |x| \leq \sqrt{0.18} = 0.424264$$

$$\Rightarrow -0.424264 < x < 0.424264$$

$$\underline{I = [-0.424264, 0.424264]}$$

works

we don't know x because we don't know what the endpoints of the new interval will be

This is what we want

E From **C**,

$$\left. \begin{aligned} n=1 &\Rightarrow T_1(x) \text{ error} \leq 0.05 \\ n=2 &\Rightarrow T_2(x) \text{ error} \leq 0.00617 \end{aligned} \right\} \begin{array}{l} \text{Too} \\ \text{Big} \end{array}$$

So we continue:

$$n=3 \Rightarrow |f^{(4)}(x)| = \left| \frac{1}{256} \cdot \frac{1}{(1-\frac{1}{4}x)^4} \right| \leq 0.012345679 = M$$

$$\begin{aligned} |f(x) - T_3(x)| &\leq \frac{0.012345679}{4!} |x-0|^4 \\ &\leq \frac{0.012345679}{24} |1|^4 = 0.000514 \end{aligned}$$

still too big

$$n=4 \Rightarrow |f^{(5)}(x)| = \left| \frac{1}{1024} \frac{1}{(1-\frac{1}{4}x)^5} \right| \leq 0.004115226 = M$$

$$\begin{aligned} |f(x) - T_4(x)| &\leq \frac{0.004115226}{5!} |x-0|^5 \\ &\leq \frac{0.004115226}{120} |1|^5 = \boxed{0.00003429} \end{aligned}$$

n=4

F $\int_0^x -\ln(1-\frac{1}{4}t) dt$ not necessary but useful

$$= \int_0^x \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{k} \frac{1}{4^k} t^k dt = \int_0^x \frac{1}{4}t + \frac{1}{32}t^2 + \frac{1}{192}t^3 + \dots dt$$

$$= \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{k} \frac{1}{4^k} \int_0^x t^k dt = \frac{1}{4} \frac{1}{2} t^2 + \frac{1}{32} \frac{1}{3} t^3 + \frac{1}{192} \frac{1}{4} t^4 + \dots \Big|_0^x$$

$$= \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{k} \frac{1}{4^k} \frac{1}{k+1} t^{k+1} \Big|_0^x = \frac{1}{8} x^2 + \frac{1}{96} x^3 + \frac{1}{768} x^4 + \dots$$

$$= \boxed{\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{k(k+1)4^k} x^{k+1}} = \frac{1}{8} x^2 + \frac{1}{96} x^3 + \frac{1}{768} x^4 + \dots$$

Open Interval of convergence unchanged -4 < x < 4