

TAYLOR SERIES

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Taylor polynomial of a polynomial

Let $f(x) = x^3$

- 1 Write the 2nd Taylor polynomial P_2 for f at 0
- 2 Write the 3rd Taylor polynomial P_3 for f at 0
- 3 Write the 2nd Taylor polynomial for f at 1.
- 4 Write the 3rd Taylor polynomial for f at 1

For next lecture

For Wednesday (Mar 27), watch the videos:

- Analytic functions: 14.7, 14.8
- New power series: 14.9, 14.10

Interval of convergence

You have learned the Maclaurin series for the following functions

$$f(x) = e^x, \quad g(x) = \sin x, \quad h(x) = \cos x$$

Compute the interval of convergence of each of these three series.

Taylor series not at 0

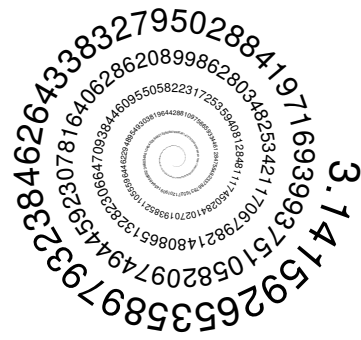
Write the Taylor series...

- 1 for $f(x) = e^x$ at $a = 2$
- 2 for $g(x) = \sin x$ at $a = \frac{\pi}{4}$
- 3 for $H(x) = \frac{1}{x}$ at $a = 3$

You can do these problems in two ways:

- Method 1: Compute the first few derivatives, guess the pattern (and prove it by induction).
- Method 2: Use the substitution $u = x - a$ and reduce it to an old problem (without computing any derivative).

Hint (to be continued)



An interesting power series - Homework

Denote by a_n the n -th decimal digit of π .

Define the power series $S(x) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n x^n$.

Find the radius of convergence and the interval of convergence of S .

Hint?

$\pi = 3.14159265358979323846264338327950288419716939937510582097494459230781640628620899862803425342117067982148$

So $a_1 = 1, a_2 = 4, a_3 = 1, a_4 = 5 \dots$

Hint (to be continued)

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