

■ **Taylor Series:** provides us with a way to write a function as a power series.

power series: $f(x) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} C_n (x-a)^n = C_0 + C_1(x-a) + C_2(x-a)^2 + C_3(x-a)^3 + C_4(x-a)^4 + \dots$

notice: $f(a) = C_0$, what if I want C_1 ?

$$f'(x) = C_1 + 2C_2(x-a) + 3C_3(x-a)^2 + 4C_4(x-a)^3 + \dots$$

then $f'(a) = C_1$

$$f''(x) = 2C_2 + 3 \cdot 2C_3(x-a) + 4 \cdot 3C_4(x-a)^2 + 5 \cdot 4C_5(x-a)^3 + \dots$$

then $f''(a) = 2C_2$

$$f'''(x) = 3 \cdot 2 \cdot C_3 + 4 \cdot 3 \cdot 2C_4(x-a) + 5 \cdot 4 \cdot 3C_5(x-a)^2 + \dots$$

then $f'''(a) = 3 \cdot 2 \cdot C_3$

$$f^{(4)}(x) = 4 \cdot 3 \cdot 2C_4 + 5 \cdot 4 \cdot 3 \cdot 2C_5(x-a) + 6 \cdot 5 \cdot 4 \cdot 3C_6(x-a)^2 + \dots$$

$f^{(4)}(a) = 4 \cdot 3 \cdot 2 \cdot C_4$

Then, how are C_i 's being obtained?

$$C_0 = f(a), \quad C_1 = f'(a), \quad C_2 = \frac{f''(a)}{2}, \quad C_3 = \frac{f'''(a)}{3 \cdot 2}, \quad C_4 = \frac{f^{(4)}(a)}{4 \cdot 3 \cdot 2}, \dots$$

Looks like the pattern is:

$$C_n = \frac{f^{(n)}(a)}{n!}$$

► The Taylor Series for $f(x)$ about $x=a$ is: Thus,

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

► The Maclaurin series for $f(x)$ is: centered at zero ($a=0$).

$$f(x) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{f^{(n)}(0)}{n!} x^n$$

Ex: Find Taylor Series for $e^x = f(x)$.

→ Notice $f^{(n)}(x) = e^x$ for $n=0,1,2,\dots$ and $a=b=0$.

$$f^{(n)}(0) = e^0 = 1$$

Then: $e^x = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n!} x^n$

Remember: about $x=0$.

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

Ex: Taylor Series for $f(x) = e^{-x}$ about $x=0$.

$n=0$ $f(x) = e^x$

pattern:

for $x=0$

$n=1$ $f'(x) = -e^x$

$$f^{(n)}(x) = (-1)^n e^{-x} \rightarrow f^{(n)}(0) = (-1)^n$$

$n=2$ $f''(x) = e^x$

for $n=0,1,2,3,\dots$

$n=3$ $f'''(x) = -e^x$

Thus the series is given by:

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

A way to quickly solve this type of problem would be:

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

Thus, for $f(x) = e^{-x}$

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

Ex: $f(x) = 3x^2 e^{-4x^{10}}$. Using our trick:

$$\begin{aligned} 3x^2 e^{-4x^{10}} &= 3x^2 \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-4x^{10})^n}{n!} \\ &= 3x^2 \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n}{n!} (4)^n x^{10n} \\ &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} 3 \frac{(-1)^n}{n!} (4)^n x^{10n+2} \end{aligned}$$

Remember:

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

Ex: Write the Taylor Series for $f(x) = e^{2x}$ about -1 .

$n=0$	$f(x) = e^{2x}$	e^{-2}	Then:	$f(x) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{2^n e^{-2}}{n!} (x+1)^n$
$n=1$	$f'(x) = 2e^{2x}$	$2e^{-2}$		
$n=2$	$f''(x) = 4e^{2x}$	$4e^{-2}$		
\vdots	\vdots	\vdots		
n	$f^{(n)}(x) = 2^n e^{2x}$	$2^n e^{-2}$		

$f^{(n)}(-1) \uparrow$

Ex: Taylor Series for $f(x) = \cos(x)$ about $x=0$.

$n=0$	$f(x) = \cos x$	1	Thus:	$\cos(x) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{f^{(n)}(0)}{n!} x^n$					
$n=1$	$f'(x) = -\sin x$	0			$= f(0) + \frac{f'(0)}{1!} x + \frac{f''(0)}{2!} x^2 + \frac{f'''(0)}{3!} x^3 + \frac{f^{(4)}(0)}{4!} x^4$				
$n=2$	$f''(x) = -\cos x$	-1				$= 1 + 0 - \frac{x^2}{2!} + 0 + \frac{x^4}{4!} + 0 - \frac{x^6}{6!} + \dots$			
$n=3$	$f^{(3)}(x) = \sin x$	0					$= 1 - \frac{x^2}{2!} + \frac{x^4}{4!} - \frac{x^6}{6!} + \frac{x^8}{8!} - \frac{x^{10}}{10!} + \frac{x^{12}}{12!} - \frac{x^{14}}{14!}$		
$n=4$	$f^{(4)}(x) = \cos x$	1						$k=0 \quad k=1 \quad k=2 \quad k=3 \quad \dots \quad k=k?$	
$n=5$	$f^{(5)}(x) = -\sin x$	0							$(-1)^k \frac{x^{2k}}{(2k)!}$
$n=6$	$f^{(6)}(x) = -\cos x$	-1							
$n=7$	$f^{(7)}(x) = \sin x$	0							

Ex: What about $f(x) = \sin(x)$?

$n=0$	$\sin x$	0	Thus,	$\sin(x) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{f^{(n)}(0)}{n!} x^n$					
$n=1$	$\cos x$	1			$= f(0) + \frac{f'(0)}{1!} x + \frac{f''(0)}{2!} x^2 + \frac{f'''(0)}{3!} x^3 + \frac{f^{(4)}(0)}{4!} x^4$				
$n=2$	$-\sin x$	0				$= 0 + \frac{x}{1!} + 0 - \frac{x^3}{3!} + 0 + \frac{x^5}{5!} + 0 - \frac{x^7}{7!} + \dots$			
$n=3$	$-\cos x$	-1					$= \frac{x}{1!} - \frac{x^3}{3!} + \frac{x^5}{5!} - \frac{x^7}{7!} + \frac{x^9}{9!} - \frac{x^{11}}{11!} + \dots$		
$n=4$	$\sin x$	0						$k=0 \quad k=1 \quad k=2 \quad k=3 \quad k=4 \quad k=5 \quad \dots$	
									$(-1)^k \frac{x^{2k+1}}{(2k+1)!}$

Ex. Taylor series for $f(x) = \ln(3+9x)$ about $x=2$.

$$\begin{array}{l} n=0 \quad \ln(3+9x) \\ n=1 \quad \frac{1}{3+9x}(9) = 9(3+9x)^{-1} \\ n=2 \quad -9^2(3+9x)^{-2} \\ n=3 \quad 9^3(2)(3+9x)^{-3} \\ n=4 \quad -9^4(2)(3)(3+9x)^{-4} \\ n=5 \quad 9^5(4)(3)(2)(3+9x)^{-5} \end{array}$$

$$f^{(n)}(x) = (-1)^{n+1} 9^n (n-1)! (3+9x)^{-n} \quad \begin{array}{l} \text{not at } n=0 \\ n=1, 2, 3, \dots \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{l} \text{for } n=1, 2, 3, \dots \quad f^{(n)}(2) = (-1)^{n+1} 9^n (n-1)! (21)^{-n} \\ = (-1)^{n+1} \frac{9^n (n-1)!}{21^n} \end{array}$$

$$n=0 \rightarrow f^{(0)}(2) = \ln(3+9(2)) = \ln 21$$