

8.4 Taylor Polynomials

Omit the Error Bound from the bottom of p. 492 to the top of p. 495. Do error estimates with the GC.

Linear approximation: $T_1(x) = f(a) + f'(a)(x-a) \Rightarrow \begin{matrix} T_1(a) = f(a) \\ T_1'(x) = f'(a), T_1'(a) = f'(a) \end{matrix}$

Quadratic approximation: $T_2(x) = f(a) + f'(a)(x-a) + \frac{f''(a)}{2}(x-a)^2$
 $T_2(a) = f(a), T_2'(x) = f'(a) + f''(a)(x-a), T_2''(x) = f''(a)$
 $T_2'(a) = f'(a), T_2''(a) = f''(a)$

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$T_3(x) = T_2(x) + \frac{f^{(3)}(a)}{3!}(x-a)^3$ satisfies $T_3^{(k)}(a) = f^{(k)}(a)$ for $k = 0, 1, 2, 3$.

The n^{th} order Taylor polynomial centered at $x = a$ is

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

1. Find the 5th-order Taylor polynomial for $f(x) = \cos(x)$ centered at $x = \frac{\pi}{2}$.

k	$f^{(k)}(x)$	$f^{(k)}(\pi/2)$	$f^{(k)}(\pi/2)/k!$
0	$\cos(x)$	0	0
1	$-\sin(x)$	-1	-1
2	$-\cos(x)$	0	0
3	$\sin(x)$	1	1/6
4	$\cos(x)$	0	0
5	$-\sin(x)$	-1	-1/120

$$T_5(x) = -1(x - \frac{\pi}{2}) + \frac{1}{6}(x - \frac{\pi}{2})^3 - \frac{1}{120}(x - \frac{\pi}{2})^5$$

Use the above Taylor polynomial to estimate $\cos(1.5)$. Compare with the calculator value. The absolute value of the difference is approximately the remainder.

$$\cos(1.5) \approx T_5(1.5) = -\left(1.5 - \frac{\pi}{2}\right) + \frac{1}{6}\left(1.5 - \frac{\pi}{2}\right)^3 - \frac{1}{120}\left(1.5 - \frac{\pi}{2}\right)^5$$

$$\approx 0.0707372017$$

2. Approximate $\frac{1}{2.1^3}$ with the 4th-order Taylor polynomial for $f(x) = \frac{1}{(x+2)^3}$ centered at $a = 0$.

k	$f^{(k)}(x)$	$f^{(k)}(0)$	$T_4(x) = \frac{1}{8} - \frac{3}{16}(x) + \frac{12}{32}\frac{x^2}{2}$ $- \frac{60}{64}\frac{x^3}{6} + \frac{360}{128}\frac{x^4}{24}$ <hr/> $\frac{1}{2.1^3} = f(0.1) \approx T(0.1)$ ≈ 0.10798
0	$(x+2)^{-3}$	$1/8$	
1	$-3(x+2)^{-4}$	$-3/16$	
2	$12(x+2)^{-5}$	$12/32$	
3	$-60(x+2)^{-6}$	$-60/64$	
4	$360(x+2)^{-7}$	$360/128$	

3. Find the n^{th} -order Taylor polynomial $T_n(x)$ for $f(x) = e^{5x}$ centered at $x = 1$.

k	$f^{(k)}(x)$	$f^{(k)}(1)$	$f^{(k)}(1)/k!$
0	e^{5x}		
1	$e^{5x} 5$		
2	$e^{5x} 5^2$		
3	$e^{5x} 5^3$		
\vdots	\vdots		
k	$e^{5x} 5^k$	$e^5 5^k$	$e^5 5^k / k!$

$$T_n(x) = \sum_{k=0}^n \frac{e^5 5^k}{k!} (x-1)^k$$

5. Approximate $\sqrt[5]{33}$ using an appropriate 3rd-order Taylor polynomial $T_3(x)$.

$$f(x) = \sqrt[5]{x} = x^{1/5}$$

$$a = 32 = 2^5$$

$$T_3(x) = 2 + \frac{1}{80}(x-32)$$

k	$f^{(k)}(x)$	$f^{(k)}(2^5)$
0	$x^{1/5}$	2
1	$\frac{1}{5}x^{-4/5}$	$\frac{1}{5 \cdot 2^4} = 1/80$
2	$-\frac{4}{25}x^{-9/5}$	$\frac{-4}{25 \cdot 2^9} = \frac{-1}{25 \cdot 2^7} \approx -1/3200$
3	$\frac{36}{125}x^{-14/5}$	$\frac{36}{125 \cdot 2^{14}} = \frac{9}{512000}$

$$- \frac{1}{3200} \cdot \frac{1}{2} (x-32)^2$$

$$+ \frac{9}{512000} \cdot \frac{1}{6} (x-32)^3$$

$$\sqrt[5]{33} \approx T_3(33)$$

$$= 2 + \frac{1}{80} - \frac{1}{6400} + \frac{9}{512000} \cdot \frac{1}{6}$$

$$\approx 2.01235$$

6. Find the 3rd Taylor polynomial $T_3(x)$ for $f(x) = \ln(2x-1)$ at $a=1$. Find the largest interval containing $a=1$ on which $T_3(x)$ approximates $f(x)$ within 0.01.

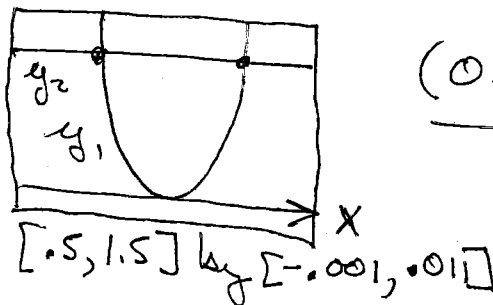
k	$f^{(k)}(x)$	$f^{(k)}(1)$	$f^{(k)}(1)/k!$
0	$\ln(2x-1)$	0	0
1	$\frac{2}{2x-1}$	2	2
2	$\frac{-4}{(2x-1)^2}$	-4	-2
3	$\frac{16}{(2x-1)^3}$	16	$\frac{16}{6} = 8/3$

with an error less than

$$T_3(x) = 2(x-1) - 2(x-1)^2 + \frac{8}{3}(x-1)^3$$

$$y_1 = \text{abs}(2(x-1) - 2(x-1)^2 + 8(x-1)^3/3 - \ln(2x-1))$$

$$y_2 = 0.01$$



$$(0.798, 1.242)$$

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Understand the concepts so you can solve unfamiliar problems.

Study the (a) class notes, (b) do the 4th hour problems, (c) study the text examples, (d) do the text exercises and (e) read the next text section.

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$$f^{(2)}(x) = -4(2x-1)^{-2}$$

$$f^{(3)}(x) = -4(2)(2x-1)^{-3} \cdot 2 = \frac{16}{(2x-1)^3}$$

Find the 5th Taylor Polynomial $T_5(x)$ for $f(x) = -7x^3 + 3x^2 - 2x + 1$ centered at $x=1$.

<u>k</u>	<u>$f^{(k)}(x)$</u>	<u>$f^{(k)}(1)$</u>
0	$-7x^3 + 3x^2 - 2x + 1$	-5
1	$-21x^2 + 6x - 2$	-17
2	$-42x + 6$	-36
3	-42	-42
4	0	0
5	0	0

$$\begin{aligned} T_5(x) &= -5 - 17(x-1) - \frac{36}{2}(x-1)^2 - \frac{42}{6}(x-1)^3 \\ &= -5 - 17(x-1) - 18(x-1)^2 - 7(x-1)^3 \end{aligned}$$