

Hence

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 \text{(i)} \quad T_1(x) &= f(a) + \frac{f'(a)}{1!}(x-a) \\
 &= f(0) + \frac{f'(0)}{1!}(x-0) \\
 &= 0 + \frac{1}{1!}(x-0) = x
 \end{aligned}$$

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 T_2(x) &= f(a) + \frac{f'(a)}{1!}(x-a) + \frac{f''(a)}{2!}(x-a)^2 \\
 &= f(0) + \frac{f'(0)}{1!}(x-0) + \frac{f''(0)}{2!}(x-0)^2 \\
 &= 0 + \frac{1}{1!}(x-0) + \frac{0}{2!}(x-0)^2 = x
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 T_3(x) &= f(a) + \frac{f'(a)}{1!}(x-a) + \frac{f''(a)}{2!}(x-a)^2 + \frac{f'''(a)}{3!}(x-a)^3 \\
 &= f(0) + \frac{f'(0)}{1!}(x-0) + \frac{f''(0)}{2!}(x-0)^2 + \frac{f'''(0)}{3!}(x-0)^3 \\
 &= 0 + \frac{1}{1!}(x-0) + \frac{0}{2!}(x-0)^2 + \frac{-1}{3!}(x-0)^3 = x - \frac{x^3}{6}
 \end{aligned}$$

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 \text{(ii)} \quad T_1(x) &= f(a) + \frac{f'(a)}{1!}(x-a) \\
 &= f\left(\frac{\pi}{2}\right) + \frac{f'\left(\frac{\pi}{2}\right)}{1!}\left(x - \frac{\pi}{2}\right) \\
 &= 1 + \frac{0}{1!}\left(x - \frac{\pi}{2}\right) = 1
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 &= f\left(\frac{\pi}{2}\right) + \frac{f'\left(\frac{\pi}{2}\right)}{1!}\left(x - \frac{\pi}{2}\right) + \frac{f''\left(\frac{\pi}{2}\right)}{2!}\left(x - \frac{\pi}{2}\right)^2 \\
 &= 1 + \frac{0}{1!}\left(x - \frac{\pi}{2}\right) + \frac{-1}{2!}\left(x - \frac{\pi}{2}\right)^2 = 1 - \frac{1}{2}\left(x - \frac{\pi}{2}\right)^2
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 &= f\left(\frac{\pi}{2}\right) + \frac{f'\left(\frac{\pi}{2}\right)}{1!}\left(x - \frac{\pi}{2}\right) + \frac{f''\left(\frac{\pi}{2}\right)}{2!}\left(x - \frac{\pi}{2}\right)^2 + \frac{f'''\left(\frac{\pi}{2}\right)}{3!}\left(x - \frac{\pi}{2}\right)^3
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$$= 1 + \frac{0}{1!}\left(x - \frac{\pi}{2}\right) + \frac{-1}{2!}\left(x - \frac{\pi}{2}\right)^2 + \frac{0}{3!}\left(x - \frac{\pi}{2}\right)^3 = 1 - \frac{1}{2}\left(x - \frac{\pi}{2}\right)^2$$

Theorem (1.9): (Taylor's Theorem)

Let f be $(n + 1)$ -times differentiable on an open interval containing the points a and x . Then

$$f(x) = f(a) + f'(a)(x - a) + \frac{f''(a)}{2!}(x - a)^2 + \cdots + \frac{f^{(n)}(a)}{n!}(x - a)^n + R_n(x)$$

Where $R_n(x) = \frac{f^{(n+1)}(c)}{(n+1)!}(x - a)^{n+1}$, and c is some point between a and x .

Corollary (1.6): (Remainder Estimate)

Let f be $(n + 1)$ -times differentiable on an open interval containing the points a and x . If $|f^{(n+1)}(c)| \leq M$, for all c between a and x , then

$$f(x) = T_n(x) + R_n(x)$$

Where

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

Example (1.13): By applying the Remainder Estimate to the function $f(x) = \sin x$, with $a = 0$ and $n = 3$, calculate $\sin(0.1)$ to four decimal places.

Solution:

$$\begin{array}{ll} f(x) = \sin x, & f(0) = 0, \\ f'(x) = \cos x, & f'(0) = 1, \\ f''(x) = -\sin x, & f''(0) = 0, \\ f'''(x) = -\cos x, & f'''(0) = -1, \end{array}$$

Hence the Taylor polynomial of degree 3 for f at 0 is

$$T_3(x) = x - \frac{x^3}{6}$$

Now,

$$\begin{aligned} |R_3(0.1)| &= \frac{|f^{(4)}(c)|}{(3+1)!} |0.1 - 0|^{3+1} \\ &= \frac{|\sin c|}{4!} \times (0.1)^4 \\ &\leq \frac{1}{24} \times (0.0001) = 0.041\bar{6} \times 10^{-4} < 0.5 \times 10^{-5} \end{aligned}$$

Now,

$$\begin{aligned} \sin(0.1) &\simeq T_3(0.1) + R_3(0.1) \\ &= \left(0.1 - \frac{0.001}{6}\right) + (0.5 \times 10^{-5}) \\ &= 0.0998333 \dots + (0.5 \times 10^{-5}) = 0.0998 \end{aligned}$$

Hence

$$\sin(0.1) = 0.0998 \quad (\text{to } \underline{\text{four}} \text{ decimal places}).$$

Example (1.14): By applying the Remainder Estimate to the function $f(x) = e^x$, with $a = 0$, calculate e to three decimal places.

Solution:

The Taylor polynomial of degree n for f at 0 is

$$\begin{aligned} T_n(x) &= f(a) + \frac{f'(a)}{1!}(x-a) + \frac{f''(a)}{2!}(x-a)^2 + \dots + \frac{f^{(n)}(a)}{n!}(x-a)^n \\ &= f(0) + \frac{f'(0)}{1!}(x-0) + \frac{f''(0)}{2!}(x-0)^2 + \dots + \frac{f^{(n)}(0)}{n!}(x-0)^n \\ &= 1 + \frac{1}{1!}x + \frac{1}{2!}x^2 + \dots + \frac{1}{n!}x^n \end{aligned}$$

Now,

$$|R_n(1)| = \frac{|f^{(n+1)}(c)|}{(n+1)!} |1 - 0|^{n+1}$$

$$= \frac{|e^c|}{(n+1)!} \times (1)^{n+1}$$

$$< \frac{3}{(n+1)!}, \quad \text{for all } c \in (0,1)$$

To calculate e to three decimal places, we must choose n so that

$$\frac{3}{(n+1)!} < 2 \times 10^{-4} \Rightarrow (n+1)! > 15,000$$

Since $7! = 5,040$ and $8! = 40,320$, we may safely choose $n = 7$

It follows that

$$e \simeq T_7(1) + R_7(1)$$

$$\simeq 1 + \frac{1}{1!} + \frac{1}{2!} + \frac{1}{3!} + \frac{1}{4!} + \frac{1}{5!} + \frac{1}{6!} + \frac{1}{7!} + \frac{3}{8!}$$

$$= 1 + 1 + 0.5 + 0.1\bar{6} + 0.041\bar{6} + 0.008\bar{3} + 0.0013\bar{8} + 0.000198412 \dots$$

$$+ 0.000074404 \dots$$

$$= 2.7182818 \dots$$

Hence, $e = 2.718$ (to three decimal places).

Example (1.15): Calculate the Taylor polynomial $T_3(x)$ for $f(x) = \frac{1}{x+2}$ at 1.

Show that $T_3(x)$ approximates $f(x)$ with an error less than 5×10^{-3} on the interval $[1,2]$.

Solution: Here

$$f(x) = \frac{1}{x+2}, \quad f(1) = \frac{1}{3};$$

$$f'(x) = -\frac{1}{(x+2)^2}, \quad f'(1) = -\frac{1}{9};$$

$$f''(x) = \frac{2}{(x+2)^3}, \quad f''(1) = \frac{2}{27};$$

$$f'''(x) = -\frac{6}{(x+2)^4}, \quad f'''(1) = -\frac{2}{27}.$$