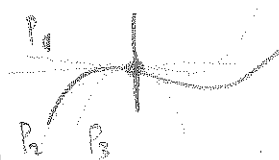
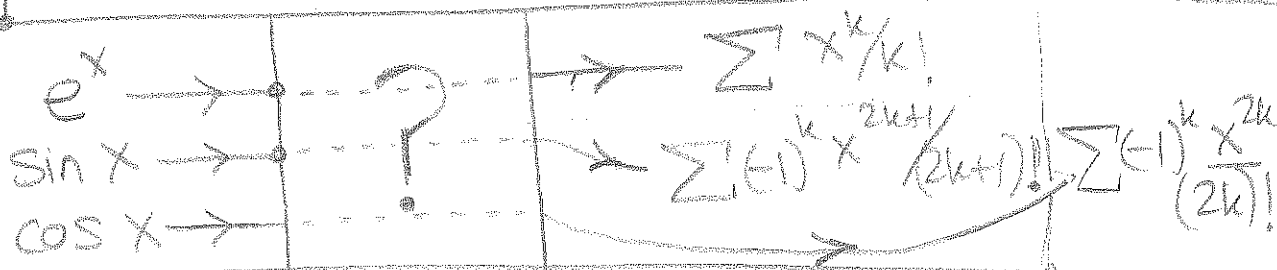


DAY 2
Fri Aug 28

TAYLOR SERIES



SO FAR ...



What "process" takes in functions and gives out "series", i.e., infinite polynomials, which equal those functions?

TODAY

Taylor series of $f(x)$ at $x=0$:

$$f(x) = f(0) + \frac{f'(0)x}{1!} + \frac{f''(0)x^2}{2!} + \dots$$

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

Here, $f^{(k)}(0)$ is the k -th derivative of x evaluated at $x=0$ (this is just a number)

Q1

$$f(x) = \frac{1}{1-x} = (1-x)^{-1}$$

What's the Taylor Series at $x=0$?

- A:
- $f(0) = 1$
 - $f'(x) = + (1-x)^{-2}$, so $f'(0) = 1$
 - $f''(x) = 2(1-x)^{-3}$, so $f''(0) = 2$
 - $f^{(3)}(x) = 3 \cdot 2 (1-x)^{-4}$, so $f^{(3)}(0) = 6$

Okay, so

$$f^{(k)}(0) = \underline{k!}$$

(factorial, not surprise)

Now, (at $x=0$),

$$\frac{1}{1-x} = \boxed{0!} + \boxed{1!} \frac{x}{1!} + \boxed{2!} \frac{x^2}{2!} + \boxed{3!} \frac{x^3}{3!} + \dots$$

(That's just 1...)

$$= 1 + x + x^2 + x^3 + \dots$$

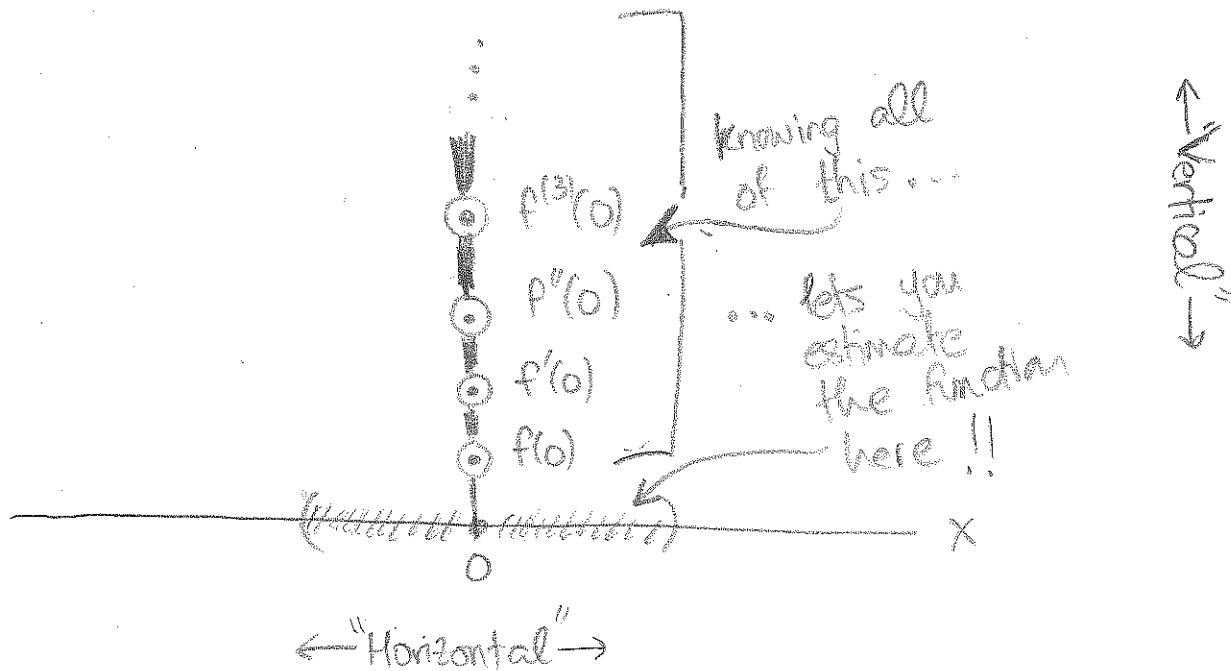
("geometric series")

$$= \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} x^k$$

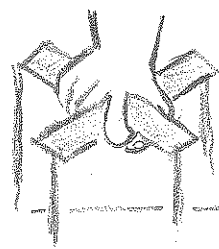
That's EASY to remember!

WHAT'S GOING ON HERE ??

Taylor Series are about APPROXIMATING weird, complicated functions by easier-looking (in fact, Polynomial!) functions.



MANIPULATING TAYLOR SERIES



Q2

What's the Taylor series of $f(x) = e^x \sin x$ at $x=0$?

Ans

Near $x=0$, we have

$$e^x \sin x = \left(1 + x + \frac{x^2}{2!} + \dots\right) \left(x - \frac{x^3}{3!} + \frac{x^5}{5!} - \dots\right)$$

$$= x + x^2 + \left(\frac{1}{2!} - \frac{1}{3!}\right)x^3 - \frac{x^4}{3!} + \dots$$

Q3

Taylor series for $\frac{e^{2x}}{1-4x}$ up to degree 4?

Ans

$$e^{2x} = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{(2x)^k}{k!} = 1 + 2x + \frac{(2x)^2}{2!} + \text{H.O.T.}$$

$$\frac{1}{1-4x} = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} (4x)^k = 1 - 4x + (4x)^2 + \text{H.O.T.}$$

So, the product series is:

$$\left(1 + 2x + \frac{4x^2}{2} + \frac{8x^3}{6} + \frac{16x^4}{24} + \text{HOT}\right) \left(1 - 4x + 16x^2 + 64x^3 + 256x^4 + \text{HOT}\right)$$

$$= 1 + (2-4)x + (16+8+2)x^2 + (64+32+8+\frac{4}{3})x^3$$

$$+ (256+128+32+\frac{16}{3}+\frac{2}{3})x^4 + \text{HOT}$$

$$= 1 - 2x + 26x^2 + \frac{316}{3}x^3 + 422x^4 + \text{HOT}$$

ouch!

Q4

What is the Taylor series for $e^{\sin x}$ at $x=0$ up to degree 3?

Ans

$$\begin{aligned}
e^{\sin x} &= 1 + \sin x + \frac{\sin^2 x}{2!} + \frac{\sin^3 x}{3!} + \text{HOT} \\
&= 1 + (x + \dots) + \frac{(x + \dots)^2}{2!} + \frac{(x + \dots)^3}{3!} + \text{HOT} \\
&= \boxed{1 + x + \frac{x^2}{2!} + \frac{x^3}{3!} + \text{HOT}}
\end{aligned}$$

Taylor Series can also help us compute VERY NASTY derivatives ...

Q5

What's $f^{(8)}(0)$ where $f(x) = \cos(\sin^2 x)$?

Try THAT using the chain rule!! (Please don't)

Ans

$$\cos(\sin^2 x) = 1 - \frac{\sin^4 x}{2!} + \frac{\sin^8 x}{4!} + \text{HOT}$$

$$= 1 - \frac{1}{2!} (x - \frac{x^3}{3!} + \text{HOT})^4 + \frac{1}{4!} (x + \text{HOT})^8 + \text{HOT}$$

This "looks" bad, but what are the 8th order terms? Only $[4/(3!)^2 + 1/4!] x^8$

$$\text{So, } f^{(8)}(0) = 8! [4/(3!)^2 + 1/4!]$$

$(x - \frac{x^3}{3!} + \text{HOT})^4$ generates Four order-8 terms, each of the form $(\frac{x^3}{3!})^2 \cdot (x)^2 = x^8 / (3!)^2$

MUST KNOW • T.S. for $e^x, \sin x, \cos x, 1/(1-x)$ • How to use manipulations to get others $e^{\cosh x} = \frac{e^x + e^{-x}}{2}$