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1. **Example 3.3.16** With  $f(x) = e^x (\sin x + \cos x)$  calculate  $T_{8,0}f(x)$ .

**Solution**

$$\begin{aligned} f^{(1)}(x) &= e^x (\sin x + \cos x) + e^x (\cos x - \sin x) \\ &= 2e^x \cos x, \\ f^{(2)}(x) &= 2e^x \cos x - 2e^x \sin x \\ &= 2e^x (\cos x - \sin x), \\ f^{(3)}(x) &= 2e^x (\cos x - \sin x) + 2e^x (-\sin x - \cos x) \\ &= -4e^x \sin x. \\ f^{(4)}(x) &= -4e^x \sin x - 4e^x \cos x = -4f(x). \end{aligned}$$

The fact that a derivative is connected to the function simplifies matters greatly. For now

$$\begin{aligned} f^{(5)}(x) &= -4f^{(1)}(x), \quad f^{(6)}(x) = -4f^{(2)}(x), \quad f^{(7)}(x) = -4f^{(3)}(x) \\ \text{and } f^{(8)}(x) &= -4f^{(4)}(x) = 16f(x). \end{aligned}$$

Thus  $f(0) = 1$ ,  $f^{(1)}(0) = 2$ ,  $f^{(2)}(0) = 2$ ,  $f^{(3)}(0) = 0$ ,  $f^{(4)}(0) = -4$ ,  $f^{(5)}(0) = -8$ ,  $f^{(6)}(0) = -8$ ,  $f^{(7)}(0) = 0$  and  $f^{(8)}(0) = 16$ .

Hence

$$\begin{aligned} T_{8,0}f(x) &= 1 + 2x + 2\frac{x^2}{2!} + 0\frac{x^3}{3!} - 4\frac{x^4}{4!} - 8\frac{x^5}{5!} - 8\frac{x^6}{6!} + 0\frac{x^7}{7!} + 16\frac{x^8}{8!} \\ &= 1 + 2x + x^2 - \frac{x^4}{6} - \frac{x^5}{15} - \frac{x^6}{90} + \frac{x^8}{2520}. \end{aligned}$$

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2. **Example 3.3.17** Calculate

$$T_{8,0}(\cos^2 x)$$

**Solution** If  $f(x) = \cos^2 x$  then  $f'(x) = -2 \cos x \sin x = -\sin 2x$ . This last equality will save a lot of effort when differentiating. Leave it to the student to check that

$$T_{8,0}(\cos^2 x) = 1 - x^2 + \frac{1}{3}x^4 - \frac{2}{45}x^6 + \frac{1}{315}x^8.$$

3. **Example 3.3.18** Let  $f(x) = \sin x$ . Calculate  $T_{5,0}f(x)$  and use Lagrange's form of the error to prove that

$$|\sin(0.1) - T_{5,0}(\sin(0.1))| \leq 1.38888 \times 10^{-9}.$$

Hence give  $\sin 0.1$  to 8 decimal places.

**Solution** From  $f^{(2)}(x) = -f(x)$  we get  $f^{(n)}(x) = (-1)^{n/2} \sin x$  if  $n$  is even and  $f^{(n)}(x) = (-1)^{(n-1)/2} \cos x$  if  $n$  is odd. Thus

$$T_{5,0}f(x) = x - \frac{x^3}{3!} + \frac{x^5}{5!}.$$

Lagrange's form of the error states that

$$R_{n,0}f(x) = \frac{f^{(n+1)}(c)}{(n+1)!} x^{n+1}.$$

In this example  $|f^{(n+1)}(c)| \leq 1$  for all  $n$  and  $c$ , thus

$$|R_{n,0}f(x)| \leq \frac{|x|^{n+1}}{(n+1)!}.$$

Hence

$$|\sin(0.1) - T_{5,0}(\sin(0.1))| \leq \frac{0.1^6}{6!} = 1.38888 \times 10^{-9},$$

as claimed.

We can open this out as

$$T_{5,0}(\sin(0.1)) - 1.38888 \times 10^{-9} \leq \sin(0.1) \leq T_{5,0}(\sin(0.1)) + 1.38888 \times 10^{-9}.$$

Yet

$$\begin{aligned} T_{5,0}(\sin 0.1) &= 0.1 - \frac{1}{6}(0.1)^3 + \frac{1}{120}(0.1)^5 \\ &= 9.98334166666666667 \times 10^{-2} \end{aligned}$$

So

$$9.98334166 \times 10^{-2} - 1.38888 \times 10^{-9} \leq \sin(0.1) \leq 9.98334166 \times 10^{-2} + 1.38888 \times 10^{-9}.$$

that is,

$$0.0998334152 \leq \sin(0.1) \leq 0.098334180.$$

Looking for digits in common between the upper and lower bounds we see that to 8 decimal places  $\sin 0.1$  is 0.09983341.

(In fact  $\sin 0.1 = 0.0998334166468281523\dots$ ) ■

4. **Example 3.3.19** Let  $f(x) = \sin^2 x$ . Calculate  $T_{5,0}f(x)$  and use Lagrange's form of the error to bound  $|\sin^2(0.1) - T_{5,0}f(0.1)|$ .

**Solution** Repeated differentiation gives

$$\begin{aligned} f'(x) &= 2 \sin x \cos x = \sin 2x & f'(0) &= 0, \\ f''(x) &= 2 \cos 2x, & f''(0) &= 2. \end{aligned}$$

The next derivative gives the important relationship between derivatives,  $f^{(3)}(x) = -4 \sin 2x = -4f^{(1)}(x)$ . Then  $f^{(3)}(0) = 0$  along with

$$\begin{aligned} f^{(4)}(x) &= -4f''(x), & f^{(4)}(0) &= -8, \\ f^{(5)}(x) &= -4f'''(x) = 16f'(x) & f^{(5)}(0) &= 0. \\ f^{(6)}(x) &= 16f''(x). \end{aligned}$$

Thus

$$\begin{aligned} T_{5,0}f(x) &= 0 + 0x + 2\frac{x^2}{2} + 0\frac{x^3}{3!} - 8\frac{x^4}{4!} + 0\frac{x^5}{5!} \\ &= x^2 - \frac{1}{3}x^4. \end{aligned}$$

And Lagrange's form of the error states that, for some  $c$  between  $x$  and 0,

$$R_{5,0}f(x) = \frac{x^6}{6!} \frac{d^6}{dx^6} \sin^2 x \Big|_{x=c} = \frac{x^6}{6!} (32 \cos 2c).$$

First note that with  $x = 0.1 > 0$  we have  $R_{5,0}f(x) > 0$ , in which case

$$\sin^2(0.1) = T_{5,0}f(0.1) + R_{5,0}f(0.1) > T_{5,0}f(0.1).$$

Yet

$$T_{5,0}f(0.1) = (0.1)^2 - \frac{1}{3}(0.1)^4 = 0.009966666666\dots,$$

so

$$\sin^2(0.1) > 0.0099666\dots$$

For any upper bound we have

$$R_{5,0}f(0.1) \leq \frac{32}{6!} (0.1)^6 \leq 4.444... \times 10^{-8}.$$

Thus

$$\begin{aligned} \sin^2(0.1) &= T_{5,0}f(0.1) + R_{5,0}f(0.1) \\ &\leq (0.1)^2 - \frac{1}{3}(0.1)^4 + \frac{32}{6!}(0.1)^6 \\ &= 0.009966711111... \end{aligned}$$

Hence

$$0.0099666... < \sin^2(0.1) < 0.009966711111... .$$

In fact

$$\sin^2(0.1) = 0.00996671107937918444... .$$

5. An example in the notes is not as strong as it could be.

**Example 3.3.20** Use Lagrange's form for the error to show that

$$\left| \cos^2 x - \left( 1 - x^2 + \frac{1}{3}x^4 \right) \right| \leq \frac{2}{45} |x|^6 .$$

Hence show that

$$0.9900332\bar{8} \leq \cos^2 0.1 \leq 0.9900333\bar{7}.$$

Thus

$$\cos^2 0.1 = 0.990033$$

to 6 decimal places.

In fact  $\cos^2 0.1 = 0.990033288920620816...$

**Solution** The observation to make is that the polynomial of degree 4 is, in fact, the Taylor polynomial of degree 5. This is because

$$1 - x^2 + \frac{1}{3}x^4 = 1 + 0x - x^2 + 0x^3 + \frac{1}{3}x^4 + 0x^5 = T_{5,0}(\cos^2 x) .$$

Thus

$$\begin{aligned}\left| \cos^2 x - \left( 1 - x^2 + \frac{1}{3}x^4 \right) \right| &= |R_{5,0}(\cos^2 x)| = \left| \frac{f^{(6)}(c)}{6!} x^6 \right| \\ &= \frac{2^5}{6!} |\sin 2c| |x|^6 \leq \frac{2}{45} |x|^6.\end{aligned}$$

The Taylor polynomial approximation to  $\cos^2 x$  at  $x = 0.1$  is

$$T_{5,0}(\cos^2 x)|_{x=0.1} = 1 - (0.1)^2 + \frac{1}{3}(0.1)^4 = 0.9900\bar{3}.$$

The error in this approximation is

$$\frac{2}{45} |x|^6 = \frac{4}{90} (0.1)^6 = 0.0000000\bar{4}.$$

Hence

$$\cos^2 0.1 \leq 0.9900\bar{3} + 0.0000000\bar{4} = 0.9900333\bar{7}$$

while

$$\cos^2 0.1 \geq 0.9900\bar{3} - 0.0000000\bar{4} = 0.9900332\bar{8}.$$

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6. **Taylor's Theorem without an error term** would have stated that "if the first  $n$  derivatives of  $f$  exist and are continuous at  $a$  then

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow a} \frac{R_{n,a}f(x)}{(x-a)^n} = 0."$$
 (9)

In assuming a little more, namely that the first  $\mathbf{n} + 1$  derivatives of  $f$  exist (which implies continuity of  $f^{(i)}$ ,  $1 \leq i \leq n$ ) we can deduce a little more, namely how quickly  $R_{n,a}f(x)/(x-a)^n$  approaches 0. See (3) or (4).

7. **Taylor's Theorem with an error implies M. V. Theorem** Putting  $n = 0$  in (1), the definition of the remainder gives

$$f(x) = T_{0,a}f(x) + R_{0,a}f(x) = f(a) + R_{0,a}f(x).$$

Using Lagrange's Theorem gives

$$f(x) = f(a) + f'(c)(x - a)$$

for some  $c$  between  $a$  and  $x$ , by (4). Rearranging,

$$\frac{f(x) - f(a)}{x - a} = f'(c),$$

which is the Mean Value Theorem seen earlier. But this is **not** a proof of the Mean Value Theorem since we used the ideas of the Mean Value Theorem to prove Lagrange's form of the error, (4).

8. **Integral form of the error** An alternative form of the remainder which is sometimes useful is:

*Integral Form: (Cauchy 1821) If the first  $n + 1$  derivatives of  $f$  exist and are continuous on an open interval containing  $a$  and  $x$  then*

$$R_{n,a}f(x) = \int_a^x \frac{f^{(n+1)}(t)}{n!} (x - t)^n dt.$$

(We are jumping the gun here since we have to wait until the next chapter before we define integration!) Note that we have to assume that  $f^{(n+1)}(t)$  not only exists but is continuous on  $(a, x)$ . This is more than is required for either Lagrange's or Cauchy's forms of the error.

9. **A limit for  $\cos x$ .** Taylor's Theorem in the form

$$\cos x = 1 - \frac{x^2}{2!} + \frac{x^3}{3!} \sin c$$

for some  $c$  between 0 and  $x$  leads to

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\cos x - 1}{x^2} = -\frac{1}{2},$$

which we have seen in Part 1 of this course. But now we see that  $-1/2$  arises as a coefficient in the Taylor series.

10. **Inequalities for  $\ln(1+x)$ .** If  $f(x) = \ln(1+x)$  then

$$T_{n,0}f(x) = \sum_{r=1}^n \frac{(-1)^{r-1} x^r}{r}.$$

Lagrange's form for the Remainder term around  $x = 0$  becomes

$$R_{n,0}f(x) = \frac{f^{(n+1)}(c)}{(n+1)} x^{n+1} = \frac{(-1)^n x^{n+1}}{(1+c)^n (n+1)},$$

for some  $c$  between  $x$  and 0. Since  $x > -1$  for  $\ln(1+x)$  to be defined we have  $c > -1$  too in which case  $1+c > 0$ .

**Assume  $x > 0$ .**

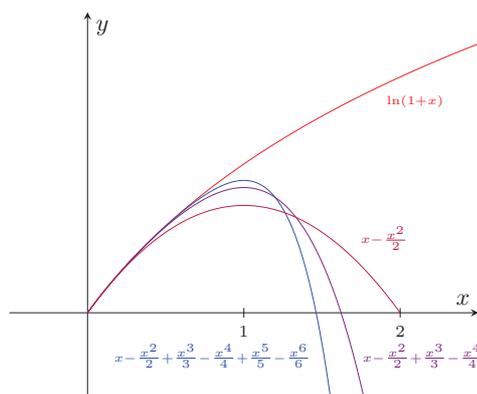
If  $n$  is even then  $R_{n,0}f(x) > 0$ , i.e.  $\ln(1+x) > T_{n,0}f(x)$ . For  $n = 2, 4$  and 6 this gives

$$\ln(1+x) > x - \frac{x^2}{2}, \quad \ln(1+x) > x - \frac{x^2}{2} + \frac{x^3}{3} - \frac{x^4}{4}.$$

and

$$\ln(1+x) > x - \frac{x^2}{2} + \frac{x^3}{3} - \frac{x^4}{4} + \frac{x^5}{5} - \frac{x^6}{6}.$$

The first of these inequalities was a problem in an earlier section deduced from the Mean Value Theorem.



If  $n$  is odd then  $R_{n,0}f(x) < 0$ , i.e.  $\ln(1+x) < T_{n,0}f(x)$ . The  $n = 3$  case:

$$\ln(1+x) < x - \frac{x^2}{2} + \frac{x^3}{3}$$

was mentioned earlier in the course.

To sum up, if  $x > 0$  then

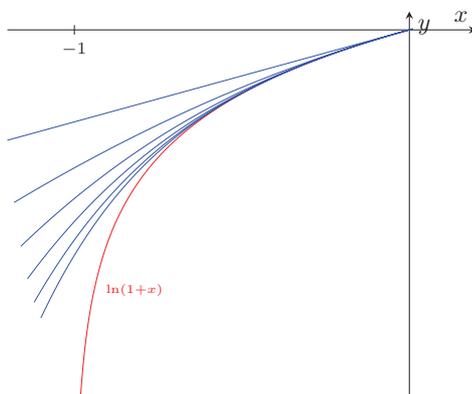
$$\ln(1+x) \begin{cases} > T_{n,0}f(x) & \text{if } n \text{ is even} \\ < T_{n,0}f(x) & \text{if } n \text{ is odd.} \end{cases}$$

**Assume**  $-1 < x < 0$  then  $(-1)^n x^{n+1} = (-x)^n x < 0$  for all  $n$  so

$$\ln(1+x) < T_{n,0}f(x)$$

for all  $n$ .

In the following diagram the  $T_{n,0}f(x)$ ,  $n = 1, \dots, 6$  are plotted, increasingly better approximations to  $\ln(1+x)$ .



**Note** that for  $n$  odd we have  $\ln(1+x) < T_{n,0}f(x)$  for all  $x > -1$ .

11. **Inequalities for  $e^x$ .** If  $f(x) = e^x$  then for  $x \in \mathbb{R}$  Lagrange's form of the error states that

$$R_{n,0}f(x) = \frac{e^c x^{n+1}}{(n+1)!}$$

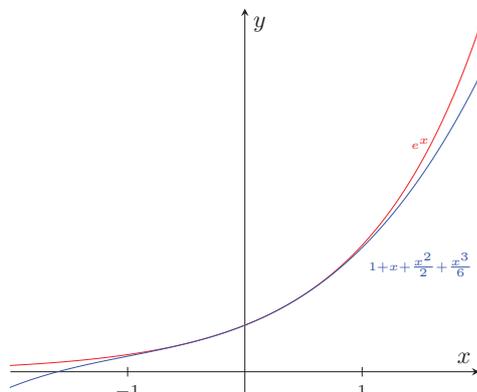
for some  $c$  between 0 and  $x$ . Whatever  $c$ ,  $e^c \geq 0$ . Thus, when  $n$  is odd we have  $x^{n+1} \geq 0$  for all  $x$ , i.e.  $e^x \geq T_{n,0}f(x)$ . The example when  $n = 3$ :

$$e^x > 1 + x + \frac{x^2}{2} + \frac{x^3}{6} \tag{10}$$

for all  $x \in \mathbb{R}$  was an example left to the Student earlier in the course.

For even  $n$  we have

$$e^x \begin{cases} > T_{n,0}f(x) & \text{if } x > 0 \\ < T_{n,0}f(x) & \text{if } x < 0. \end{cases}$$



12. **Example 3.3.21** *The Taylor Series for  $\sin x$  around 0 is*

$$\sum_{r=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^r x^{2r+1}}{(2r+1)!}.$$

*The ratio test would show that this converges for all  $x \in \mathbb{R}$ , but we have to go further and show that, for each  $x$ , **it converges to**  $\sin x$ .*

**Solution** If  $f(x) = \sin x$  then  $f^{(1)}(x) = \cos x$  and  $f^{(2)}(x) = -\sin x = -f(x)$ . Thus, if  $n$  is even then  $f^{(n)}(0)$  is a multiple of  $f(0) = 0$ . So the only non-zero terms have  $n$  odd, i.e.  $n = 2r + 1$  for  $r \geq 0$ . Further,

$$f^{(2r+1)}(0) = (-1)^r f^{(1)}(0) = (-1)^r.$$

The Taylor Series for  $\sin x$  is

$$\sum_{r=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^r x^{2r+1}}{(2r+1)!}.$$

For convergence we examine Lagrange's form of the error term,

$$R_{n,0}(\sin x) = \frac{f^{(n+1)}(c)}{(n+1)!} x^{n+1}$$

for some  $c$  between 0 and  $x$ . Yet  $|f^{(n+1)}(c)|$  is either  $|\sin c|$  or  $|\cos c|$  and both are  $\leq 1$ , so

$$|R_{n,0}(\sin x)| \leq \frac{|x|^{n+1}}{(n+1)!} \rightarrow 0$$

as  $n \rightarrow \infty$  for any  $x \in \mathbb{R}$ . Hence, for each fixed  $x \in \mathbb{R}$ , we have  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} R_{n,0}f(x) = 0$  and so the Taylor series converges to  $\sin x$ , i.e.

$$\sin x = x - \frac{x^3}{3!} + \frac{x^5}{5!} - \dots = \sum_{r=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^r x^{2r+1}}{(2r+1)!}.$$

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**Note** This series can be taken as the definition of sine but this would have made some of the proofs of this course more difficult. For example, to prove  $d \sin x / dx = \cos x$ , we would need to be able to differentiate an infinite series term by term. And since differentiation is defined by limits this is equivalent to interchanging a limit with an infinite series, a problem mentioned earlier in the notes.

13. **Example 3.3.22** Calculate the Taylor Series for  $\sin x$  around  $\pi/2$ .

**Solution** Consider

$$\begin{aligned} \left. \frac{d^n}{dx^n} \sin x \right|_{x=\frac{\pi}{2}} &= \sin \left( \frac{\pi}{2} + n \frac{\pi}{2} \right) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } n \text{ odd} \\ 1 & \text{if } n = 0, 4, 8, \dots \\ -1 & \text{if } n = 2, 6, 10, \dots \end{cases} \\ &= \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } n = 2r + 1 \\ (-1)^r & \text{if } n = 2r. \end{cases} \end{aligned}$$

Hence the Taylor Series around  $\pi/2$  is

$$\sum_{r=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^r}{(2r)!} \left( x - \frac{\pi}{2} \right)^{2r}.$$

The same proof as for  $\sin x$  around 0 will show that this converges to  $\sin x$  for all real  $x$ .

14. **Example 3.3.23** Calculate the Taylor series for  $f(x) = e^x \cos x$  around 0.

**Solution** With  $f(x) = e^x \cos x$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} f^{(1)}(x) &= e^x \cos x - e^x \sin x, & \text{so } f^{(1)}(0) &= 1, \\ f^{(2)}(x) &= e^x \cos x - e^x \sin x - e^x \sin x - e^x \cos x \\ &= -2e^x \sin x, & \text{so } f^{(2)}(0) &= 0, \\ f^{(3)}(x) &= -2e^x \sin x - 2e^x \cos x, & \text{so } f^{(3)}(0) &= -2, \\ f^{(4)}(x) &= -2e^x \sin x - 2e^x \cos x - 2e^x \cos x + 2e^x \sin x \\ &= -4e^x \cos x = -4f(x) & \text{so } f^{(4)}(0) &= -4, \end{aligned}$$

The fact that  $f^{(4)}(x) = -4f(x)$  makes life easy, we start repeating ourselves.

$$\begin{aligned} f^{(5)}(x) &= -4f^{(1)}(x) & \text{so } f^{(5)}(0) &= -4, \\ f^{(6)}(x) &= -4f^{(2)}(x) & \text{so } f^{(6)}(0) &= 0, \\ f^{(7)}(x) &= -4f^{(3)}(x) & \text{so } f^{(7)}(0) &= 8, \\ f^{(8)}(x) &= -4f^{(4)}(x) = 16f(x) & \text{so } f^{(8)}(0) &= 16. \end{aligned}$$

So the Taylor series starts as

$$\begin{aligned} 1 + x + \frac{0}{2!}x^2 - \frac{2}{3!}x^3 - \frac{4}{4!}x^4 - \frac{4}{5!}x^5 + \frac{8}{7!}x^7 - \dots & \quad (11) \\ = 1 + x - \frac{1}{3}x^3 - \frac{1}{6}x^4 - \frac{1}{30}x^5 + \frac{8}{630}x^7 - \dots \end{aligned}$$

The question must then be whether this is the same as we would obtain from multiplying together the series for  $e^x$  and  $\cos x$ ? Try it and see...

**Question** Does the series (11) converge to  $e^x \cos x$ ?

**Solution** We first need a bound on the size of  $f^{(n)}(x)$ . Note that it doesn't have to be a good bound, anything of the form  $|f^{(n)}(x)| \leq \kappa^n e^{|x|}$  for some constant  $\kappa$  will suffice.

From the first list above we see that  $|f^{(n)}(x)| \leq 4e^{|x|}$  for all  $x$  and  $0 \leq n \leq 4$ . But then  $f^{(4)}(x) = -4f(x)$  which means that

$$f^{(n)}(x) = (-4)^k f^{(n-4k)}(x)$$

as long as  $n - 4k \geq 0$ . We can choose  $k_1$  such that  $0 \leq n - 4k_1 < 4$  which means that

$$|f^{(n)}(x)| = 4^{k_1} |f^{(n-4k_1)}(x)| \leq 4^{k_1+1} e^{|x|}.$$

Finally  $0 \leq n - 4k_1$  implies  $k_1 + 1 < n$  when  $n \geq 2$ . Thus, for such  $n$  we have the bound

$$|f^{(n)}(x)| \leq 4^n e^{|x|}$$

for all  $x$ . Hence, for each fixed  $x \in \mathbb{R}$ , there exists  $c$  between 0 and  $x$  for which

$$\begin{aligned} |R_{n,0}f(x)| &= \frac{|f^{(n+1)}(c)|}{(n+1)!} |x|^{n+1} \leq \frac{4^{n+1} e^{|c|}}{(n+1)!} |x|^{n+1} \\ &\leq e^{|c|} \frac{(4|x|)^{n+1}}{(n+1)!} \rightarrow 0 \end{aligned}$$

as  $n \rightarrow \infty$  by Lemma above. Hence, for each fixed  $x \in \mathbb{R}$ , we have  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} R_{n,0}f(x) = 0$  and so the series (11) converges to  $e^x \cos x$  for all  $x \in \mathbb{R}$ .

15. (1861) **The Binomial Expansion for**  $(1+x)^t = e^{t \ln(1+x)}$ , for **any** exponent  $t \in \mathbb{R}$ , **not** just  $t \in \mathbb{N}$ .

Note though, that for general  $t$ , the function  $(1+x)^t$  is only defined for  $x > -1$  (for only then is  $\ln(1+x)$  well-defined). Since

$$\frac{d^n (1+x)^t}{dx^n} = t(t-1) \dots (t-n+1) (1+x)^{t-n},$$

the Taylor Series for  $(1+x)^t$  is

$$1+tx + \frac{t(t-1)}{2!}x^2 + \frac{t(t-1)(t-2)}{3!}x^3 + \dots = \sum_{r=0}^{\infty} \frac{t(t-1) \dots (t-r+1)}{r!} x^r.$$

To prove that  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} R_{n,0}((1+x)^t) = 0$  it transpires that it is easier to use Cauchy's form of the error. I leave it to the interested student to check this, and thus find that the Taylor Series converges to  $(1+x)^t$  for  $-1 < x < 1$ . ■

16. **Cauchy's example of 1823**

**Example 3.3.24** *The Taylor series for*

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} e^{-1/x^2} & \text{if } x \neq 0, \\ 0 & \text{if } x = 0. \end{cases}$$

is

$$0 + 0x + 0\frac{x^2}{2} + 0\frac{x^3}{3!} + \dots$$

which converges for all  $x \in \mathbb{R}$ . But its sum is  $f(x)$  only when  $x = 0$ .

Do this by a series of Lemmas.

**Lemma A**

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{e^{-1/x^2}}{x^n} = 0$$

for all  $n \geq 1$ .

**Proof** Recall that for  $y > 0$ , we have from the series defining  $e^y$  that

$$e^y = 1 + y + \frac{y^2}{2} + \frac{y^3}{3!} + \dots + \frac{y^n}{n!} + \dots \geq \frac{y^n}{n!},$$

throwing away all other terms, allowable since they are positive. Apply this inequality with  $y = 1/x^2$  to get

$$e^{1/x^2} \geq \frac{1}{n!x^{2n}},$$

in which case

$$\left| \frac{e^{-1/x^2}}{x^n} \right| \leq \frac{n!x^{2n}}{|x|^n} = n!|x|^n \rightarrow 0$$

as  $x \rightarrow 0$ . ■

**Lemma B** For  $n \geq 1$ , there exist polynomials  $P_n(x)$  with  $\deg P_n = 2(n-1)$ , such that

$$f^{(n)}(x) = \frac{P_n(x)}{x^{3n}} e^{-1/x^2},$$

for  $x \neq 0$ .

**Proof** by induction. Left to students. ■

**Lemma C** For  $n \geq 1$ ,  $f^{(n)}(0) = 0$ .

**Proof** by induction. Starting with  $n = 1$  we find that

$$f^{(1)}(0) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(x) - f(0)}{x - 0} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{e^{-1/x^2}}{x} = 0,$$

by Lemma A.

For the inductive step assume the result is true for  $n = k$ , so  $f^{(k)}(0) = 0$ . Consider

$$f^{(k+1)}(0) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{f^{(k)}(x) - f^{(k)}(0)}{x - 0} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{f^{(k)}(x)}{x}$$

by the inductive hypothesis. Next, by Lemma B,

$$f^{(k+1)}(0) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{P_k(x)}{x^{3k+1}} e^{-1/x^2}.$$

If

$$P_k(x) = \sum_{r=0}^{2(k-1)} a_r x^r$$

then

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{P_k(x)}{x^{3k+1}} e^{-1/x^2} = \sum_{r=0}^{2(k-1)} a_r \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{e^{-1/x^2}}{x^{3k+1-r}} = 0$$

by Lemma A. Hence  $f^{(k+1)}(0) = 0$ .

Therefore, by induction,  $f^{(n)}(0) = 0$  for all  $n \geq 1$ . ■

Thus the Taylor Series for  $f(x)$  is

$$0 + 0x + 0\frac{x^2}{2} + 0\frac{x^3}{3!} + \dots$$

which converges for all  $x \in \mathbb{R}$ . But its sum is  $f(x)$  only when  $x = 0$ . ■

17. **Example 3.3.25** Show that the Taylor Series for  $f(x) = e^x (\cos x + \sin x)$  converges to  $f(x)$  for all  $x \in \mathbb{R}$ .

**Solution** We have already calculated that the Taylor series of  $f(x)$  starts as

$$1 + 2x + x^2 - \frac{1}{6}x^4 - \frac{1}{15}x^5 - \frac{1}{90}x^6 + \frac{1}{2520}x^8 + \dots, \quad (12)$$

and  $f^{(4)}(x) = -4f(x)$ . From Taylor's Theorem with *Lagrange's* form of the error we have

$$R_{n,0}f(x) = \frac{f^{(n+1)}(c)}{(n+1)!}x^{n+1}$$

for some  $c$  between 0 and  $x$ . As for the  $e^x \sin x$  example above we can show that

$$|f^{(n)}(c)| \leq 4^n e^{|c|} \leq 4^n e^{|x|},$$

since we need a bound not containing the unknown  $c$ . Thus

$$|R_{n,0}f(x)| \leq e^{|x|} \frac{(4x)^{n+1}}{(n+1)!} \rightarrow 0$$

as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ , by the Lemma above. Hence (12) converges to  $e^x (\cos x + \sin x)$  for all  $x \in \mathbb{R}$ .

18. **Taylor series of  $\ln(1+x)$ .** In this course we have defined the natural logarithm as the inverse of  $e^x$ . Thus we can calculate the Taylor series of  $\ln(1+x)$ . First published by Mercator in 1668, the series is

$$x - \frac{x^2}{2} + \frac{x^3}{3} - \frac{x^4}{4} + \frac{x^5}{5} - \dots$$

The ratio test shows the series converges for  $|x| < 1$ , while the Alternating Series Test shows that it converges when  $x = 1$ . But again we have to show that it converges to  $\ln(1+x)$ .

Writing  $f(x) = \ln(1+x)$  then

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

for all  $j \geq 1$ . The *integral form* of the error states

$$R_{n,0}f(x) = \int_0^x \frac{f^{(n+1)}(t)}{n!} (x-t)^n dt = (-1)^{n+2} \int_0^x \frac{(x-t)^n}{(1+t)^{n+1}} dt.$$

The most interesting case (because it is the most difficult) is  $x = 1$  when we get the integral

$$I_n = \int_0^1 \left( \frac{1-t}{1+t} \right)^n \frac{dt}{(1+t)}.$$

Substitute  $w = (1 - t) / (1 + t)$  to transform into

$$I_n = \int_0^1 \frac{w^n}{1+w} dw \leq \int_0^1 w^n dw = \frac{1}{n+1} \rightarrow 0.$$

as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ . Thus  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} R_{n,0}(\ln(1+x))|_{x=1} = 0$ . This justifies

$$\ln 2 = 1 - \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{3} - \frac{1}{4} + \dots$$

19. **Example 3.3.26** Find the Taylor Series for  $\sin^2 x$  around  $a = 0$  and show that the series converges to  $\sin^2 x$  for all  $x \in \mathbb{R}$ .

**Solution** When looking at the Taylor polynomial for  $f(x) = \sin^2 x$  we already saw

$$\begin{aligned} f^{(1)}(x) &= 2 \sin x \cos x = \sin 2x, \\ f^{(2)}(x) &= 2 \cos 2x, \\ f^{(3)}(x) &= -4 \sin 2x = -4f^{(1)}(x). \end{aligned}$$

From this it is easy to deduce

$$f^{(r)}(x) = \begin{cases} (-1)^{t-1} 2^{2t-2} \sin 2x & \text{if } r = 2t - 1 \text{ is odd} \\ (-1)^{t-1} 2^{2t-1} \cos 2x & \text{if } r = 2t \text{ is even.} \end{cases}$$

Thus

$$f^{(r)}(0) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } r \text{ is odd} \\ (-1)^{t-1} 2^{r-1} & \text{if } r = 2t \geq 2. \end{cases}$$

Therefore the Taylor series is

$$0 + 0x + \sum_{\substack{r=2 \\ r \text{ even} \\ r=2t}}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{t-1} 2^{r-1}}{r!} x^r = \sum_{t=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{t-1} 2^{2t-1}}{(2t)!} x^{2t}.$$

The first few terms are

$$x^2 - \frac{1}{3}x^4 + \frac{2}{45}x^6 - \frac{1}{315}x^8 + \dots$$

To show that the series converges to  $\sin^2 x$  for all  $x \in \mathbb{R}$  we need show that

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} R_{n,0}(\sin^2 x) = 0$$

for all  $x \in \mathbb{R}$ . To do this we use Lagrange's form of the error so, for any  $x \in \mathbb{R}$  we have

$$R_{n,0}(\sin^2 x) = \frac{f^{(n+1)}(c)}{(n+1)!} x^n \quad (13)$$

for some  $c$  between 0 and  $x$ . From above

$$|f^{(r)}(x)| \leq \begin{cases} |2^{2t-2}| = 2^{r-1} & \text{if } r = 2t - 1 \text{ is odd} \\ |2^{2t-1}| = 2^{r-1} & \text{if } r = 2t \text{ is even.} \end{cases}$$

Thus

$$|f^{(r)}(x)| \leq 2^{r-1}$$

for  $r \geq 1$ . Hence (13) becomes

$$|R_{n,0}(\sin^2 x)| = \frac{|f^{(n+1)}(c)|}{(n+1)!} |x|^n \leq \frac{2^n}{(n+1)!} |x|^n = \frac{(2|x|)^n}{(n+1)!} \rightarrow 0$$

as  $n \rightarrow \infty$  by Lemma above. Thus  $R_{n,0}(\sin^2 x) \rightarrow 0$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$  and the series converges to  $\sin^2 x$  for all  $x \in \mathbb{R}$ . ■