

Homework 12: Taylor and Maclaurin Series.

Solutions

1. $f(x) = \cos x$ centered at $x = \pi/2$.

~~$$\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{f^{(k)}(\pi/2)}{k!} (x - \pi/2)^k$$~~

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

For even k ,
 $f^{(k)}(\pi/2) = 0$.

For odd k ,
 $f^{(k)}(\pi/2) = \pm 1$.

This cycle repeats.

The Taylor series is:

$$-1(x - \pi/2) + \frac{1}{3!}(x - \pi/2)^3 - \frac{1}{5!}(x - \pi/2)^5 + \dots = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} (-1)^{2k+1} \frac{(x - \pi/2)^{2k+1}}{(2k+1)!}$$

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

$$\sin(x^4) = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} (-1)^k \frac{(x^4)^{2k+1}}{(2k+1)!} = \boxed{\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} (-1)^k \frac{x^{8k+4}}{(2k+1)!}}$$

$$3. e^x = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{x^k}{k!}$$

$$e^{-3x} = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-3x)^k}{k!} = \boxed{\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^k 3^k x^k}{k!}}$$

$$4. e^{2x} = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{(2x)^k}{k!} = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{2^k x^k}{k!}$$

$$x e^{2x} = x \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{2^k x^k}{k!} = \boxed{\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{2^k x^{k+1}}{k!}}$$

$$5. \cos(x^2) = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} (-1)^k \frac{(x^2)^{2k}}{(2k)!} = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} (-1)^k \frac{x^{4k}}{(2k)!}$$

$$x^3 \cos(x^2) = x^3 \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} (-1)^k \frac{x^{4k}}{(2k)!} = \boxed{\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} (-1)^k \frac{x^{4k+3}}{(2k)!}}$$

$$6. e^x = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{x^k}{k!} = 1 + x + \frac{x^2}{2!} + \frac{x^3}{3!} + \dots$$

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

$$\frac{e^x - 1}{x} = \left[1 + \frac{x}{2!} + \frac{x^2}{3!} + \dots \right]$$

$$= \left[\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{x^k}{(k+1)!} \right]$$

$$7. \int \frac{e^x - 1}{x} dx = \int \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{x^k}{(k+1)!} dx = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \int \frac{x^k}{(k+1)!} dx$$

$$= \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{(k+1)!} \int x^k dx = \left[\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{(k+1)!} \frac{x^{k+1}}{k+1} + C \right]$$

$$= \left[x + \frac{x^2}{2! \cdot 2} + \frac{x^3}{3! \cdot 3} + \dots + C \right]$$

$$8. \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n \frac{\pi^n}{(2n)!}}{1} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n \pi^n}{(2n)!}$$

$$8. \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n \left(\frac{\pi}{3}\right)^{2n}}{(2n)!} = \cos\left(\frac{\pi}{3}\right) = \boxed{\frac{1}{2}}$$

$$9. \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-e)^n}{n!} = \boxed{e^{-e}}$$

$$10. \text{ If } 2.8 + 0.5(x-2) + 1.5(x-2)^2 - 0.1(x-2)^3 + \dots$$

is the Taylor series of f centered at $x=2$,

then $\frac{f'''(2)}{3!} = 1.5$, so $f'''(2) = 3$. But f is

concave down at $x=2$, so $f'''(2)$ must be

negative, so $f'''(2) \neq 3$.