

Lecture LV: §14.3 Differentiation & Integration of power series  
 §14.4 Taylor series & Taylor's Formula

Modelled on polynomial behavior, we ask:

Q: Can we differentiate / integrate power series term-by-term?

A: YES, but the analysis is very delicate (need "uniform convergence" A15)

Theorem: Pick  $f(x) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n x^n$  with radius of convergence  $R > 0$  (so  $f(x)$  is a function on  $(-R, R)$ ). Then:

①  $f(x)$  is continuous on  $(-R, R)$

②  $f(x)$  is differentiable on  $(-R, R)$  & we get  $f'(x)$  by term-by-term differentiation:

$$f'(x) = \left( \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n x^n \right)' = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (a_n x^n)' = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n a_n x^{n-1}$$

$$= a_1 + 2a_2 x + 3a_3 x^2 + \dots$$

③  $f(x)$  can be integrated term-by-term on  $(-R, R)$ :

$$\int_0^x f(t) dt = \int_0^x \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n t^n dt = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{a_n t^{n+1}}{n+1} \Big|_0^x = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{a_n x^{n+1}}{n+1}$$

Note: Can repeat the process in ② and get that  $f(x)$  is infinitely differentiable on  $(-R, R)$  &  $\frac{d^k f}{dx^k} = \sum_{n=k}^{\infty} n(n-1)\dots(n-k+1) a_n x^{n-k}$ .  $\forall k=1, 2, \dots$

Application 1: Use this to get new expressions for series.

Example ①  $f(x) = \frac{1}{1+x} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-x)^n$  for  $x$  in  $(-1, 1)$  (ob conv)

We integrate & get  $\ln(1+x) = \int_0^x \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-t)^n dt = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n t^{n+1}}{n+1} \Big|_0^x$

$$= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n x^{n+1}}{n+1} = x - \frac{x^2}{2} + \frac{x^3}{3} - \frac{x^4}{4} + \dots$$

This equality is valid on  $(-1, 1)$ !

Q: Can we push this to  $x = \pm 1$ ?

A: For  $x=1$ :  $\ln(2) \stackrel{?}{=} 1 - \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{3} - \frac{1}{4} + \dots$  True!

For  $x=-1$ :  $\ln(0) \stackrel{?}{=} -1 - \frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{3} - \frac{1}{4} + \dots = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} -\frac{1}{n}$  diverges in both sides

Example 2:  $f(x) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{x^n}{n!}$  has  $R = +\infty$  (by Ratio Test).

Compute  $f'$  term-by-term:

$$f' = \left( \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{x^n}{n!} \right)' = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{x^{n-1}}{(n-1)!} = 1 + x + \frac{x^2}{2} + \frac{x^3}{3!} + \dots = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{x^n}{n!} = f$$

So  $f(x)$  is a solution to the diff'l equation  $y' = y$  & initial condition  $f(0) = 1 + 0 = 1$

We know another solution  $g(x) = e^x$  with  $g(0) = 1$ .

By uniqueness:  $e^x = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{x^n}{n!}$  & this is valid for all  $x$  in  $\mathbb{R}$ .

Example 3:  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n^2 x^n = x + 4x^2 + 9x^3 + 16x^4 + \dots$

Q: What elementary function does this represent (if any)?

Claim:  $ROC = 1$ .

Why? Use Ratio Test:  $\frac{(n+1)^2 |x|^{n+1}}{n^2 |x|^n} = |x| \left( \frac{n+1}{n} \right)^2 \xrightarrow{n \rightarrow \infty} |x|$

So converges if  $|x| < 1$  & diverges if  $|x| > 1$ , so  $ROC = 1$ .

So  $f(x) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n^2 x^n = x \underbrace{(1 + 2^2 x + 3^2 x^2 + 4^2 x^3 + \dots)}_{=g(x)}$  is defined on  $(-1, 1)$  (divergent for  $x = \pm 1$  since  $|n^2| \not\rightarrow 0$ )

$g(x) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (n+1)^2 x^n$  has also  $ROC = 1$

We integrate  $g(x)$  term-by-term & get a new function  $h(x) = \int_0^x g(t) dt$  with  $ROC = 1$

$$h(x) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \int_0^x (n+1)^2 t^n dt = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(n+1)^2 x^{n+1}}{n+1} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (n+1) x^{n+1} = x + 2x^2 + 3x^3 + \dots = x \underbrace{(1 + 2x + 3x^2 + \dots)}_{=j(x)}$$

We integrate  $j(x)$  term-by-term & get a new function  $P(x)$  with  $ROC = 1$

$$P(x) = \int_0^x j(t) dt = \int_0^x \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (n+1) t^n dt = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \int_0^x (n+1) t^n dt = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} x^{n+1} = x \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} x^n$$

So  $P(x) = \frac{x}{1-x}$  (because  $ROC = 1$ )

Now, we reverse the process by Fundamental Thm of Calculus!

$$j(x) = P(x)' = \left(\frac{x}{1-x}\right)' = \frac{1(1-x) - x(-1)}{(1-x)^2} = \frac{1}{(1-x)^2} \quad (j(0) = 0 = \frac{1}{(1-0)^2})$$

$$h(x) = x j(x) = \frac{x}{(1-x)^2}$$

$$g(x) = h'(x) = \frac{1(1-x)^2 - x \cdot 2(1-x)(-1)}{(1-x)^4} = \frac{1-x+2x}{(1-x)^3} = \frac{1+x}{(1-x)^3}$$

So  $t(x) = x g(x) = \frac{x(1+x)}{(1-x)^3}$  can be expressed as a power series in  $(-1, 1)$ , namely  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n^2 X^n$ .

Application 2: Taylor series of  $f(x) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n x^n$  with ROC =  $R > 0$ .

We know  $f', f'', \dots, f^{(k)}, \dots$  all exist & are power series with ROC =  $R$

$$f'(x) = a_1 + 2a_2 x + 3a_3 x^2 + 4a_4 x^3 + 5a_5 x^4 + \dots$$

$$f''(x) = 2a_2 + 3 \cdot 2 a_3 x + 4 \cdot 3 a_4 x^2 + 5 \cdot 4 a_5 x^3 + \dots$$

$$f'''(x) = 3! a_3 + 4 \cdot 3 \cdot 2 a_4 x + 5 \cdot 4 \cdot 3 a_5 x^2 + \dots$$

In general:  $f^{(n)}(x) = n! a_n + \text{terms containing } x \text{ as a factor (series with ROC } R)$

So  $f^{(n)}(0) = n! a_n + 0 = n! a_n$  gives

$$\text{Taylor coeff: } a_n = \frac{f^{(n)}(0)}{n!} \text{ for all } n=0, 1, \dots$$

( $0! = 1$  convention)

Conclusion: If a function  $f$  can be represented by a power series with ROC =  $R > 0$  then, the series must be the Taylor series (around  $x=0$ ):  $f(x) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{f^{(n)}(0)}{n!} x^n$ , i.e.

$$f(x) = f(0) + f'(0)x + \frac{f''(0)}{2} x^2 + \frac{f^{(3)}(0)}{3!} x^3 + \dots$$

Q: Can we reverse this?

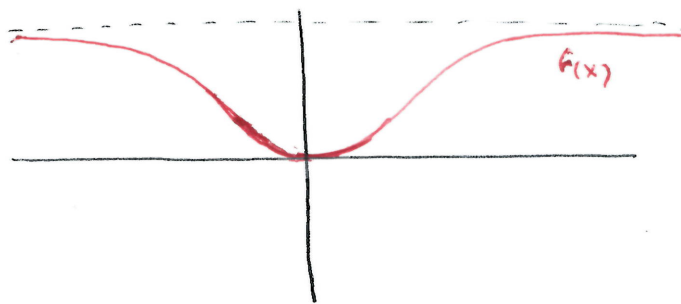
• Given a function  $f$  differentiable up to any order at  $x=0$ , we can write down the Taylor series  $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{f^{(n)}(0)}{n!} x^n$ . Does this series represent  $f(x)$ ?

A: NO!

Ex:  $f(x) = \begin{cases} e^{-1/x^2} & x \neq 0 \\ 0 & x = 0 \end{cases}$

Can compute all  $f^{(n)}(0)$  by definition & set  $f^{(n)}(0) = 0$  for all  $n$ .

So Taylor series =  $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} 0 x^n$ . But  $f$  is NOT  $= 0$ , it's just very flat.



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$$f'(0) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{e^{-1/x^2}}{x} = 0 \quad \text{by L'Hosp.}$$

$$f'(x) = \frac{e^{-1/x^2}}{x^2} \quad \text{for } x \neq 0$$

$$\text{So } f''(x) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{e^{-1/x^2}}{x^4} = 0 \quad \text{by L'Hosp, etc.}$$

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Easy extension: Taylor series <sup>of</sup>  $f$  around a fixed pt  $c$  in the domain of  $f$ .

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{f^{(n)}(c)}{n!} (x-c)^n.$$

Natural question: When can we represent  $f$  by its Taylor series around a point  $c$  in the domain of  $f$ ?

In other words:  $f(x) \stackrel{?}{=} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{f^{(n)}(c)}{n!} (x-c)^n$

Focus on the case  $c=0$ . Assume  $R = \text{ROC of Taylor series}$  is  $> 0$ .

$\Rightarrow$  Lagrange remainder Formula.

IDEA: Work with partial series (also known as Truncations of the Taylor series).

& estimate the error in the approximation.

$$S_N(x) = f(0) + f'(0)x + \frac{f''(0)}{2}x^2 + \frac{f'''(0)}{3!}x^3 + \dots + \frac{f^{(N)}(0)}{N!}x^N$$

polynomial of degree  $\leq N$  in  $x$

call  $R_N(f)(x) := S_N(x) - f(x)$  Remainder.

Prop  $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{f^{(n)}(0)}{n!} x^n$  converges to  $f(x)$  if and only if  $|R_N(f)(x)| \rightarrow 0$

for every  $x$  in  $(-R, R)$ .

⚠ This is only useful if we can give a formula for  $R_N(f)(x)$ .

• Remainder Formula at 0:  $R_N^{(f)}(x) = \frac{f^{(N+1)}(b)}{(N+1)!} x^{N+1}$  for  $b$  between  $0$  &  $x$

• Remainder Formula at  $c$ :  $R_N^{(f)}(x) = \frac{f^{(N+1)}(b)}{(N+1)!} (x-c)^{N+1}$  for  $b$  between  $c$  &  $x$ .