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Theorem 33.1

Let $f : I \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$, I open interval, with x_0 in I . Assume $f^{(n)}(x_0)$ exists, for all $n \geq 0$.

If there are $r > 0$, $M > 0$ with $|f^{(n)}(x)| \leq M^n$ for all x in I , with $|x - x_0| < r$, and $n \geq 0$, then

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} R_n(x) = 0$$

for all x in I , so

$$f(x) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} p_n(x) = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{f^{(k)}(x_0)}{k!} (x - x_0)^k$$

Example 33.2

$f(x) = e^x$, $x_0 = 0$ implies

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} R_n(x) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{f^{(n+1)}(c_x)}{(n+1)!} (x - 0)^{n+1} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{e^{c_x}}{(n+1)!} x^{n+1} = 0 \quad \text{for all } x$$

Suppose $|g^{(n)}(x)| \leq M^n L$ for $n \geq 0$ if $|x - x_0| < r$. Then

$$|R_n(x)| = \left| \frac{g^{(n+1)}(c_x)}{(n+1)!} |x - x_0|^{n+1} \right| \leq \left| \frac{M^{n+1} L}{(n+1)!} \right| |x - x_0|^{n+1}$$

Example 33.3

Let $g(x) = e^{2x}$. Show $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} R_n(x) = 0$ for all x .

Solution: $g'(x) = 2e^{2x}, \dots$, and $|g^{(n+1)}(x)| = 2^{n+1} e^{2x}$, so $|R_n(x)| \leq \left| \frac{2^{n+1} e^{2x}}{(n+1)!} \right| |x|^{n+1} \rightarrow 0$

Let $f(x) = \ln(1 + x)$. To find the power series for $\ln(1 + x)$ for $-1 < x < 1$.

Let $0 < r < 1$. Then $\frac{1}{1-r} = 1 + r + \dots + r^n + \frac{r^{n+1}}{1-r} = \sum_{k=0}^n r^k + \frac{r^{n+1}}{1-r}$.

If $x = -r$, then

$$\frac{1}{1+x} = \sum_{k=0}^n (-1)^k x^k + \frac{(-1)^{n+1} x^{n+1}}{1+x} = p_n(x) + R_n(x)$$

Show $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} R_n(x) = 0$. Then

$$\begin{aligned} \ln(1+x) &= \int_0^x \frac{1}{1+t} dt = \int_0^x \left(\sum_{k=0}^n (-1)^k t^k \right) + \frac{(-1)^{n+1} t^{n+1}}{1+t} dt \\ &= \sum_{k=0}^n \int_0^x (-1)^k t^k dt + \int_0^x \frac{(-1)^{n+1} t^{n+1}}{1+t} dt = \sum_{k=0}^n (-1)^k \frac{x^{k+1}}{k+1} + (-1)^{n+1} \int_0^x \frac{t^{n+1}}{1+t} dt \end{aligned}$$

Does the right term go to 0?

Case 1: $0 \leq x < 1$ ($0 \leq t \leq x < 1$). Then

$$\int_0^x \frac{t^{n+1}}{1+t} dt \leq \int_0^x t^{n+1} dt = \frac{x^{n+2}}{n+2} \rightarrow 0$$

Case 2: $-1 < x < 0$. Then,

$$x \leq t \leq 0 \implies \frac{1}{1+t} \leq \frac{1}{1+x} \implies \int_0^x \frac{t^{n+1}}{1+t} dt \leq \int_0^x \frac{t^{n+1}}{1+x} dt = \frac{1}{1+x} \frac{x^{n+2}}{n+2} \rightarrow 0$$

Thus,

$$\ln(1+x) = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} (-1)^k \frac{x^{k+1}}{k+1}$$

33.1 Section 8.6

Let

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

Show $f^{(n)}(0) = 0$ for $n = 0, 1, 2$.

As $|x| \rightarrow \infty$, then $e^{-1/x^2} \rightarrow e^0 = 1$, and the graph of f is symmetric with respect to the y axis.

Steps, 1. For constant $c > 0$, $e^c = 1 + c + \frac{c^2}{2!} + \cdots + \frac{c^n}{n!} + \cdots > \frac{c^n}{n!}$.

2. Let $x \neq 0, n > 0$. Then $e^{1/x^2} > \frac{(1/x^2)^n}{n!} = \frac{1}{n!x^{2n}}$, so $e^{-1/x^2} < n!x^{2n}$.

3. If $k < 2n$, then $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{e^{-1/x^2}}{|x|^k} < \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{n!x^{2n}}{|x|^k} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} n!x^{2n-k} = 0$.

4. Let $k = 1, n = 1$, so $k < 2n$. Then $|f'(0)| = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \left| \frac{f(x) - f(0)}{x - 0} \right| = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{e^{-1/x^2}}{|x|} = 0$ by 3.

5. Use chain rule to find $f'(x)$, $x \neq 0$. $f'(x) = \frac{2}{x^3}e^{-1/x^2}$.

6. Let $k = 4, n = 3$ in 3: Then $f''(0) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{f'(x) - f'(0)}{x - 0} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{f'(x)}{x} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{2}{x^4}e^{-1/x^2} = 2 \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{e^{-1/x^2}}{x^4} \leq 2 \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} 3!|x|^{6-4} = 0$

7. One can similarly show that $f^{(k)}(0) = 0$ for $k \geq 0$. Then for every taylor polynomial p_n of f about 0 is just $p_n(x) = 0$ for all x .