

# Binomial Series

$$f(x) = (1+x)^m, m \in \mathbb{R}$$

$$T_{f,0}(x) = ?, \neq f(x)$$

(1) If  $m \in \mathbb{N}$ ,  $f(x) = \text{polynomial}$

$$\Rightarrow T_{f,0}(x) = f(x)$$

(2) If  $m \notin \mathbb{N}$

$$f^{(k)}(x) = m(m-1)\cdots(m-k+1)(1+x)^{m-k}$$

$$f^{(k)}(0) = m(m-1)\cdots(m-k+1)$$

$$\Rightarrow f(x) = P_n(x) + R_n(x)$$

where

$$P_n(x) = \sum_{k=0}^n \binom{m}{k} x^k$$

$$R_n(x) = \binom{m}{n+1} (1+x)^{m-n-1} x^{n+1}$$



$$\therefore T_{f,0}(x) = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \binom{m}{k} x^k$$

$$\text{where } \binom{m}{k} = \frac{m(m-1)\dots(m-k+1)}{k!}$$

(i) Does  $T_{f,0}(x)$  converge?

$$\text{Ratio Test } \Rightarrow \rho = |x|$$

( $m$  fixed,  $k \rightarrow \infty$ )

$\therefore T_{f,0}(x)$  converges on  $|x| < 1$   
diverges on  $|x| > 1$

(ii)  $T_{f,0}(x) \stackrel{?}{=} f(x)$  on  $|x| < 1$ ?

$$\lim R_n(x) = 0?$$

Ans: Not clear if  $-1 < x < 1$



It can be shown indirectly  
(and not easily) that

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} R_n(x) = 0 \quad \text{on } |x| < 1$$

(Section 10.10, problem 58)

$$\therefore \underbrace{(1+x)^m = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \binom{m}{k} x^k}$$

for all  $m \in \mathbb{R}$ ,  $|x| < 1$

Important!  $\left( \frac{d}{dx} \right)$

# Known Taylor Series ( $\frac{x^k}{k!}$ )

$$* \frac{1}{1 \pm x} = 1 \mp x + x^2 \mp x^3 + \dots, \quad |x| < 1$$

$$* e^{\pm x} = 1 \pm x + \frac{x^2}{2!} \pm \frac{x^3}{3!} + \dots, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}$$

$$* \cos x = 1 - \frac{x^2}{2!} + \frac{x^4}{4!} - \dots, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}$$

$$* \sin x = x - \frac{x^3}{3!} + \frac{x^5}{5!} - \dots, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}$$

$$* \ln(1 \pm x) = \pm x - \frac{x^2}{2} \pm \dots, \quad -1 < x \leq 1$$

$$* \tan^{-1} x = x - \frac{x^3}{3} + \frac{x^5}{5} - \dots, \quad |x| \leq 1$$

$$* (1 \pm x)^m = 1 \pm mx + \frac{m(m-1)}{2!} x^2 \pm \dots, \quad |x| < 1$$

$$* f(x) = \begin{cases} e^{\frac{1}{x^2}} & x \neq 0 \\ 0 & x = 0 \end{cases}, \quad \begin{cases} f_0(x) = 0 \neq f(x) \\ x \neq 0 \end{cases}$$



$$\text{Eg 1 } T_{\sin^{-1}, 0}(x) = ?$$

$$\text{Sol } (\sin^{-1} x)' = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1-x^2}}, \quad |x| < 1$$

$$\sin^{-1} x - \sin^{-1} 0 = \int_0^x (\sin^{-1} t)' dt$$

(Fundamental Thm of Calc.)

$$= \int_0^x (1-t^2)^{-\frac{1}{2}} dt \quad (\text{Binomial, } m = -\frac{1}{2})$$

$$= \int_0^x \left( 1 - \frac{1}{2}(-t^2) + \frac{(\frac{-1}{2})(\frac{-3}{2})}{2!}(-t^2)^2 + \dots \right) dt$$

$$= x + \frac{x^3}{6} + \frac{x^5}{40} + \dots, \quad |x| < 1$$

$$(ThmA) = T_{\sin^{-1}, 0}(x)$$

$$\text{Ex 2 } \tan^{-1} x = x - \frac{x^3}{3} + \frac{x^5}{5} - \dots, |x| < 1$$

$$\frac{\pi}{4} = \tan^{-1} 1 = 1 - \frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{5} - \dots ?$$

$$\text{Sol } \frac{1}{1+t^2} = 1 - t^2 + \dots + (-1)^n t^{2n}$$

$$(\text{not Taylor's Thm}) + \frac{(-1)^{n+1} t^{2n+2}}{1+t^2}, \quad \forall t \in \mathbb{R}$$

$$(\because 1+x+\dots+x^n = \frac{1-x^{n+1}}{1-x}, \quad x = -t^2)$$

$$\Rightarrow \tan^{-1} x - \tan^{-1} 0 = \int_0^x \frac{1}{1+t^2} dt$$

$$= \int_0^x \left( 1 - t^2 + t^4 - \dots + (-1)^n t^{2n} + \frac{(-1)^{n+1} t^{2n+2}}{1+t^2} \right) dt$$

$$= x - \frac{x^3}{3} + \frac{x^5}{5} - \dots + \frac{(-1)^n x^{2n+1}}{2n+1} + \tilde{R}_n(x)$$



$$\text{Here } \tilde{R}_n(x) = \int_0^x \frac{(-1)^{n+1} t^{2n+2}}{1+t^2} dt$$

$$\text{If } x=1, \\ |\tilde{R}_n(1)| = \int_0^1 \frac{t^{2n+2}}{1+t^2} dt$$

$$\leq \int_0^1 \frac{t^{2n+2}}{1+t^0} dt = \frac{1}{2n+3}$$

(Similarly for  $x=-1$ )

$$\Rightarrow \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \tilde{R}_n(\pm 1) = 0$$

$$\therefore \frac{\pi}{4} = 1 - \frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{5} - \dots$$

Leibnitz formula for  $\pi$

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

Remark: If  $|t| < 1$

$$\frac{1}{1+t^2} = 1 - t^2 + t^4 - \dots$$

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If  $|t| > 1$

$$\frac{1}{1+t^2} = \frac{1}{t^2} \left( \frac{1}{1+\frac{1}{t^2}} \right)$$

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$$= \frac{1}{t^2} \left( 1 - \frac{1}{t^2} + \frac{1}{t^4} - \dots \right), |t| > 1$$

Applications:

- (I) Approximation and error estimate
- (II) Alternative method for " $\lim \frac{0}{0}$ "
- (\*) (III) Find  $f(x)$  from  $T_{f,a}(x)$



### Eg 3 (Application I)

Find app. value of  $\int_0^{\frac{1}{2}} \sin t^2 dt$   
and estimate the error.

Ans:  $\int_0^{\frac{1}{2}} \sin t^2 dt$

$$= \int_0^{\frac{1}{2}} \left( t^2 - \frac{t^6}{3!} + \frac{t^{10}}{5!} - \dots \right) dt$$

$$= \left. \frac{t^3}{3} - \frac{t^7}{7 \cdot 3!} + \frac{t^{11}}{11 \cdot 5!} - \dots \right|_0^{\frac{1}{2}}$$

(Alternating Series)

$$= \frac{1}{3 \cdot 2^3} - \frac{1}{7 \cdot 3! \cdot 2^7} + \frac{1}{11 \cdot 5! \cdot 2^{11}} - \dots$$

$$|E| \leq \frac{\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^{14}}{15 \cdot 7!}$$

Approximation  
(error estimate of Alternating Series)

Eg4 (App II)

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin x - \tan x}{x^3} = ?$$

Sol. Method 1: l'Hôpital.

Method 2.

$$f(x) = \frac{\sin x - \frac{\sin x}{\cos x}}{x^3}$$

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

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

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

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0}$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{Ans} = \frac{-1}{2}$$