

Week 8
Taylor Series
Indefinite Integrals

$f(x)$	a	Series
$\sin(5x)$	0	$\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^k 5^{2k+1}}{(2k+1)!} x^{2k+1}$
$x^3 \cos x$	0	$\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^k}{(2k)!} x^{2k+3}$
$\sin(x - \pi)$	π	$\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^k}{(2k+1)!} (x - \pi)^{2k+1}$
$\ln x$	1	$\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{k+1}}{k} (x - 1)^k$
$\frac{1}{2-x}$	0	$\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{2^{k+1}} x^k$
$\frac{1}{1+x}$	0	$\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} (-1)^k x^k$
$\frac{1}{1+x^2}$	0	$\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} (-1)^k x^{2k}$
$\arctan x$	0	$\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^k}{2k+1} x^{2k+1}$
$\frac{x+1}{x^2+x+1}$	0	$\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} (x^{3k} - x^{3k+2})$
$\frac{1}{(1+x)^2}$	0	$\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} (-1)^{k+1} k x^{k-1}$
$\frac{1}{(1+x)(2-x)} = \frac{1}{3} \left(\frac{1}{1+x} + \frac{1}{2-x} \right)$	0	$\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{3} \left((-1)^k + \frac{1}{2^{k+1}} \right) x^{2k}$

Theorem.

Generalized Binomial Theorem For $t, r \in \mathbb{R}$ such that $|t| < 1$, we have:

$$\begin{aligned}(1+t)^r &= \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \binom{r}{k} t^k \\ &= 1 + rt + \frac{r(r-1)}{2!} t^2 + \frac{r(r-1)(r-2)}{3!} t^3 + \dots,\end{aligned}$$

$$\text{where } \binom{r}{k} = \frac{r(r-1)(r-2)\cdots(r-k+1)}{k!}.$$

Example.

Find the Taylor series of $f(x) = \sqrt[3]{x-1}$ at 0.

Applying the Generalized Binomial Theorem to $(1+t)^r$, where $t = -x$ and $r = 1/3$, we have:

$$\begin{aligned}f(x) &= \sqrt[3]{x-1} = -(1-x)^{1/3} \\ &= -\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \binom{r}{k} (-x)^k = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \binom{1/3}{k} (-1)^{k+1} x^k \\ &= -1 + \frac{1}{3}x - \frac{\left(\frac{1}{3}\right)\left(\frac{1}{3}-1\right)}{2} x^2 + \frac{\left(\frac{1}{3}\right)\left(\frac{1}{3}-1\right)\left(\frac{1}{3}-2\right)}{3!} x^3 - \dots \\ &= -1 + \frac{1}{3}x + \frac{1}{2!} \cdot \frac{2}{3^2} x^2 + \frac{1}{3!} \cdot \frac{2 \cdot 5}{3^3} x^3 + \frac{1}{4!} \cdot \frac{2 \cdot 5 \cdot 8}{3^4} x^4 - \dots\end{aligned}$$

for $|x| < 1$. This is a power series centered at 0, hence it is the Taylor series of f at 0.

It is sometimes useful to use Taylor series to find limits which involve indeterminate forms.

Example.

- $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin x - x - x^3}{x^3}$
- $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \left(\frac{1}{x} - \frac{1}{\arctan x} \right)$

Indefinite Integrals

Definition.

If $F' = f$, we say that F is an **antiderivative** of f .

If two functions F and G are both antiderivatives of f over (a, b) , then $F' = G' = f$, hence:

$$(F - G)' = F' - G' = 0.$$

By a corollary of the mean value theorem, this implies that $F - G$ is a constant function on (a, b) . That is, there exists $C \in \mathbb{R}$, such that $(F - G)(x) = C$ for all $x \in (a, b)$.

Put differently, if F is an antiderivative of f over (a, b) , then any antiderivative of f over (a, b) has the form $F + C$ for some constant function C .

Definition.

The collection of all antiderivatives of a function f is called the **indefinite integral** of f , denoted by:

$$\int f(x) dx.$$

We call $f(x)$ the **integrand** of $\int f(x) dx$.

If $F' = f$, we write:

$$\int f(x) dx = F + C,$$

where C denotes some arbitrary constant.

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Example.

Since $\frac{d}{dx} x^2 = 2x$, we write:

$$\int 2x dx = x^2 + C.$$

Note that $x^2 + 17$ is also an antiderivative of $2x$, hence it is equally valid to write:

$$\int 2x dx = x^2 + 17 + C.$$

Some Properties of Indefinite Integrals

- $\int 0 \, dx = C$, where C is some constant.
- For $k \in \mathbb{R}$, we have $\int k \, dx = kx + C$. In particular,

$$\int dx = \int 1 \, dx = x + C.$$

- For $k \in \mathbb{R} \setminus \{-1\}$, we have:

$$\int x^k \, dx = \frac{x^{k+1}}{k+1} + C.$$

- $\int \frac{1}{x} \, dx = \ln|x| + C$.
(This identity is not quite true. Will explain later.)
- $\int e^x \, dx = e^x + C$.
- $\int \cos x \, dx = \sin x + C$.
- $\int \sin x \, dx = -\cos x + C$.
- $\int \sec^2 x \, dx = \tan x + C$.
- $\int \sec x \tan x \, dx = \sec x + C$.
- $\int \frac{1}{1+x^2} \, dx = \arctan x + C$.
- For any functions f, g with antiderivatives F, G , respectively, we have:

$$\int (f(x) + g(x)) \, dx = F(x) + G(x) + C.$$

- For $k \in \mathbb{R}$, and any function f with antiderivative F , we have:
$$\int kf(x) \, dx = kF(x) + C.$$

Observe that for any $a, b \in \mathbb{R}$, and differentiable function F , by the chain rule we have:

$$\frac{d}{dx} F(ax + b) = aF'(ax + b)$$

Hence, in general we have:

$$\int f(ax + b) \, dx = \frac{1}{a}F(ax + b) + C,$$

where F is an antiderivative of f , and C is some constant.

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Example.

$$\int \sin(5x + \pi/4) dx = \frac{1}{5} \cos(5x + \pi/4) + C.$$

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Example.

$$\begin{aligned} \int \left(x^3 + \frac{4}{x^{1/3}} + (x+7)^9 + e^{2x+1} \right) dx \\ = \frac{1}{4} x^4 + 4 \left(\frac{3}{2} \right) x^{2/3} + \frac{1}{10} (x+7)^{10} + \frac{1}{2} e^{2x+1} + C. \end{aligned}$$

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Example.

$$\begin{aligned} \int \sin^2(x) dx &= \int \left(\frac{1 - \cos(2x)}{2} \right) dx = \int \left(\frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{2} \cos(2x) \right) dx \\ &= \int \frac{1}{2} dx - \frac{1}{2} \int \cos(2x) dx \\ &= \frac{x}{2} - \frac{1}{4} \sin(2x) + C \end{aligned}$$

Similarly, it may be shown that:

$$\int \cos^2(x) dx = \frac{x}{2} + \frac{1}{4} \sin(2x) + C$$

Integration by Substitution

Theorem.

If $F' = f$, and g is a differentiable function, then:

$$\int f(g(x))g'(x) dx = F(g(x)) + C.$$

Proof.

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This is just the Chain Rule in reverse, since:

$$\frac{d}{dx}F(g(x)) = F'(g(x))g'(x) = f(g(x))g'(x).$$

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In Leibniz Notation, the theorem may be formulaed as follows:

Let $u = g(x)$, then $\frac{du}{dx} = g'(x)$, and:

$$\begin{aligned}\int f(g(x))g'(x) dx &= \int f(u)\frac{du}{dx} dx \\ &= \int f(u) du = F(u) + C = F(g(x)) + C.\end{aligned}$$

Example.

Evaluate:

- $\int x^2 e^{x^3+4} dx$
- $\int \frac{t}{\sqrt{t+2}} dt$
- $\int \tan x dx$
- $\int \frac{x^5 + x^3 + x}{x^2 + 1} dx$

Integration by Parts

Let u, v be differentiable functions. Recall the Product Rule:

$$\frac{d}{dx}(uv) = v\frac{du}{dx} + u\frac{dv}{dx}$$

Take the indefinite integral (with respect to x) of both sides of the above equation, we have:

$$\int \frac{d}{dx}(uv)dx = \int v\frac{du}{dx} dx + \int u\frac{dv}{dx} dx,$$

which implies that:

$$\int d(uv) = \int v du + \int u dv.$$

Hence,

$$\int u dv = (uv) - \int v du$$

Example.

Evaluate:

- $\int x e^{3x} dx$

- $\int x^2 e^x dx$

- $\int x^5 e^x dx$

- $\int x^5 \sin x dx$

- $\int \ln x dx$

- $\int e^x \sin x dx$