- 1. Refer to the respective pairs of functions and numbers below (separated by the semi-colon). Denote the function concerned by f, and the number by c. Find the degree-6 Taylor polynomial $T_{c,f,6}(x)$ of the function f about the point c.
 - (a) $x^4 + x^2 + 1; -2.$ (e) $\sqrt{2 + x}; 1.$ (i) $\ln(e + t); 0.$ (b) $\sin(3x); 0.$ (f) $\sqrt[3]{1 + 2x}; 2.$ (j) $\ln(1 e^2t^2); 0.$ (c) $\cos(x); \frac{\pi}{4}.$ (g) $\frac{2}{4 + 9x^2}; 0.$ (k) $\cos(3x)\cos(2x); 0.$ (d) $e^{4x} + 2e^{-2x} + 3e^x; 0.$ (h) $\frac{2 x}{3 + x}; 1.$ (l) $\sin^2(4x) \sin^2(3x); 0.$

Remark. In some of the above questions, it helps to simplify the expression of the function before calculating its Taylor polynomial.

2. Compute the degree 6 Taylor polynomials of

- (a) sec *x*;
- (b) $\tan x$

centered at 0.

Hint. To compute the degree 6 Taylor polynomial of sec *x* centered at 0, we need to compute the derivatives of sec *x* at x = 0 up to order 6. The following tricks will help achieve this in a simpler manner.

First, sec x is an even function, so if we differentiate sec x an odd order of times and evaluate at 0, we must get zero.

Next, take the identity

$$\sec x \cos x = 1, \tag{1}$$

and differentiate it twice. Using Leibniz's rule (which we state towards the end of this question), one obtains the second derivative of sec x at x = 0.

Now take again the identity (1), and differentiate it 4 times and 6 times respectively. Then using Leibniz's rule again, one obtains the 4th order and 6th order derivatives of sec x at x = 0.

A similar trick works for tangent, since

$$\tan x \cos x = \sin x.$$

The Leibniz's Rule states:

• Let $c \in \mathbb{R}$, and f, g be functions defined at and near the point c. Suppose each of f, g is *n*-times differentiable at c. Then the function $f \cdot g$ is *n*-times differentiable at c, and

$$(f \cdot g)^{(n)}(c) = \sum_{j=0}^{n} \frac{n!}{(j!)[(n-j)!]} f^{(j)}(c) g^{(n-j)}(c).$$

You may use this rule without proof.

(It is a test of character if you apply brute force to directly differentiate the tangent function repeatedly.)

3. (a) Let $\alpha \in (0, 1)$, and $x \in (0, 1)$. Apply Taylor's Theorem with remainder of Lagrange form to show that

$$\left| (1+x)^{\alpha} - 1 - \sum_{n=1}^{N} \frac{\alpha(\alpha-1) \cdot \dots \cdot (\alpha-n+1)}{n!} x^{n} \right| \le \frac{2\alpha x^{N+1}}{N+1}$$

(b) Hence find an approximation of $(1.2)^{0.2}$ within an error of 10^{-4} .

(Hint: First look for a (sufficiently large) positive integer N which satisfies $\frac{2 \cdot 0.2 \cdot 0.2^{N+1}}{N+1} \le \frac{1}{10^4}$.)

4. Evaluate the limits below. Where appropriate and convenient, you may apply L'Hopital's Rule.

(a)
$$\lim_{x \to 0} \frac{\sin 3x}{\sin 5x}$$
(b)
$$\lim_{x \to 0} \frac{\sin^2 x}{1 - \cos x}$$
(c)
$$\lim_{x \to 0} \frac{2\sin x - \sin 2x}{x - \sin x}$$
(d)
$$\lim_{x \to 0} \frac{1 - x \cot x}{x - \sin x}$$
(e)
$$\lim_{x \to 0} \frac{1 - x \cot x}{x (\cosh x - \cos x)}$$
(f)
$$\lim_{x \to 0} \frac{\ln \cos 2x}{\ln \cos x}$$
(g)
$$\lim_{x \to 0} \frac{1}{x} - \frac{1}{x - 1}$$
(h)
$$\lim_{x \to 1} \left(\frac{1}{\ln x} - \frac{1}{x - 1}\right)$$
(j)
$$\lim_{x \to 0} \frac{e^x - x - 1}{x}$$
(k)
$$\lim_{x \to 0} \frac{2^x - 1}{x}$$
(l)
$$\lim_{x \to 0} \frac{x + \sin x}{x^{1 - x}}$$
(l)
$$\lim_{x \to +\infty} x \frac{1}{x}$$
(l)
$$\lim_{x \to +\infty} x \frac{1}$$

5. Find the degree-20 Taylor polynomials of the following functions below about the point 0:

(a)
$$\sin(x^2)$$

(b) $\sin(x^4)$
(c) $\sin(x^8)$
(d) $\cos(x^2) - \cos(x^4)$
(e) $\ln\left(\frac{1+x^4}{1+x^2}\right)$

You may use freely the following result:

• If f is infinitely differentiable at 0, and $g(x) = f(x^2)$, then g is infinitely differentiable at 0, with

$$g^{(m)}(0) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } m \text{ is odd} \\ \\ \frac{(2k)!}{k!} f^{(k)}(0) & \text{if } m \text{ is even and } m = 2k \text{ for some non-negative integer } k \end{cases}$$

(The potential math majors should find a proof of the above result!)