

Taylor's Theorem (Section 10.3)

* In a polynomial approximation, the error is the actual minus the approx.

$$\text{Error} = \text{actual} - \text{approximation}$$

* In the series exploration: error = $y_1 - y_2$

* A "truncation error" results from cutting the series down to a specified polynomial. ← these are all the terms left over (this is a WHOLE OTHER series!)

ex: $f(x) = \frac{1}{1-x^2} \approx 1 + x^2 + x^4 + x^6$ Find the truncation error.

What are the next terms? $x^8 + x^{10} + x^{12} + \dots$

$$a_1 = x^8 \\ r = x^2$$

$$\therefore S = \frac{x^8}{1-x^2}$$

* Taylor's Theorem w/ Remainder:

$$f(x) = f(a) + f'(a)(x-a) + \frac{f''(a)(x-a)^2}{2!} + \frac{f'''(a)(x-a)^3}{3!} + \dots + \frac{f^{(n)}(a)(x-a)^n}{n!} + \underbrace{R_n(x)}_{\text{Remainder}}$$

$$R_n(x) = \frac{f^{(n+1)}(c)(x-a)^{n+1}}{(n+1)!}; \text{ where "c" is between } x \text{ \& } a.$$

All this means is THE NEXT TERM → when you hear "error" think, NEXT TERM!

* This can also be called the Lagrange Error Bounds.

* If $R_n(x)$, the remainder, approaches zero as $n \rightarrow \infty$, then the series ^{Taylor} converges to $f(x)$.

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} R_n(x) = 0, \text{ then } T(x) = f(x)$$

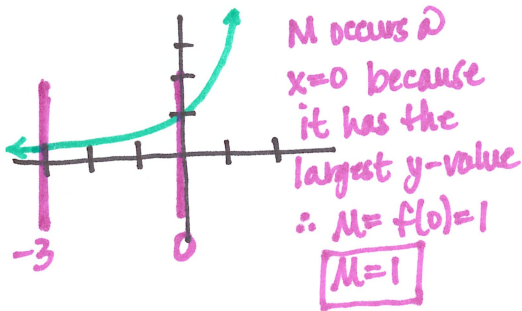
* Remainder Estimation Theorem:

$$|R_n(x)| = \frac{M |x-a|^{n+1}}{(n+1)!}; \quad M = f^{(n+1)}(c) \text{ where "c" is a value between } x \text{ \& } a.$$

Maximum Error (NEXT TERM!)

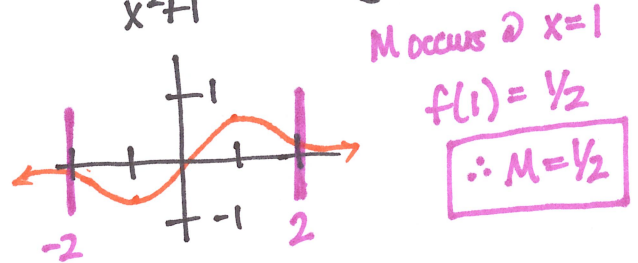
ex: #3 QR

$f(x) = 2^x$ $[-3, 0]$ Find M .



ex: #4 QR

$f(x) = \frac{x}{x^2+1}$ $[-2, 2]$ Find M .



ex: $\ln(1+x) \approx x - \frac{x^2}{2}$ Find the Lagrange Error when $|x| \leq 0.1$

2nd order poly \therefore error \rightarrow 3rd term

$-0.1 \leq x \leq 0.1$ use one of these end-pt's!

* Method #1: $M \rightarrow$ 3rd term

$f(x) = \ln(1+x)$

$f'(x) = \frac{1}{1+x} = (1+x)^{-1}$

$f''(x) = -(1+x)^{-2}$

$f'''(x) = 2(1+x)^{-3} \rightarrow 2(1+0.1)^3 = 1.5026...$
 $2(1-0.1)^3 = 2.743... = M$
 Larger!

$\frac{f'''(c) |x-a|^3}{3!} = \text{error}$ $a=0$

$\frac{(2.743...) | -0.1 - 0 |^3}{3!} = \text{error}$

$4.572 \times 10^{-4} = \text{error}$

* Method #2:

error = |actual - est| @ $x = 0.1$ or -0.1

$= \left| \ln(1+x) - \left(x - \frac{x^2}{2}\right) \right|$ @ $x = 0.1$ or -0.1

$= \left| \ln(1-0.1) - \left(-0.1 - \frac{(-0.1)^2}{2}\right) \right|$

error = 3.605×10^{-4}

Are these equal? No!

But... 0.0004572 vs. 0.0003605 are VERY close!

* Do #8, 10, 20