

DEFINITIONS Let f be a function with derivatives of all orders throughout some interval containing a as an interior point. Then the **Taylor series generated by f at $x = a$** is

$$\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{f^{(k)}(a)}{k!} (x - a)^k = f(a) + f'(a)(x - a) + \frac{f''(a)}{2!} (x - a)^2 + \cdots + \frac{f^{(n)}(a)}{n!} (x - a)^n + \cdots$$

We assume that the 4'th derivative of a function is a constant this allows us to write for any x:

$$\frac{d^4 y}{dx^4}(x) = \frac{d^4 y}{dx^4}(a)$$

Lets find the third derivative

$$\frac{d^3 y}{dx^3}(x) = \frac{d^4 y}{dx^4}(a)x + C$$

In order to find C we set $x=a$

$$C = \frac{d^3 y}{dx^3}(a) - \frac{d^4 y}{dx^4}(a)a$$

So that

$$\frac{d^3 y}{dx^3}(x) = \frac{d^4 y}{dx^4}(a)x + \frac{d^3 y}{dx^3}(a) - \frac{d^4 y}{dx^4}(a)a = \frac{d^4 y}{dx^4}(a)(x - a) + \frac{d^3 y}{dx^3}(a)$$

Then we find the second derivative

$$\frac{d^2 y}{dx^2}(x) = \frac{d^4 y}{dx^4}(a) \frac{1}{2} (x - a)^2 + \frac{d^3 y}{dx^3}(a)x + C$$

Solve for C:

$$\frac{d^2 y}{dx^2}(a) = \frac{d^4 y}{dx^4}(a) \frac{1}{2} (a - a)^2 + \frac{d^3 y}{dx^3}(a)a + C$$

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$$\frac{d^2y}{dx^2}(a) - \frac{d^3y}{dx^3}(a)a = C$$

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{d^2y}{dx^2}(x) &= \frac{d^4y}{dx^4}(a) \frac{1}{2}(x-a)^2 + \frac{d^3y}{dx^3}(a)x + \frac{d^2y}{dx^2}(a) - \frac{d^3y}{dx^3}(a)a \\ &= \frac{d^4y}{dx^4}(a) \frac{1}{2}(x-a)^2 + \frac{d^3y}{dx^3}(a)(x-a) + \frac{d^2y}{dx^2}(a)\end{aligned}$$

Integrating to look for the first derivative

$$\frac{dy}{dx}(x) = \frac{d^4y}{dx^4}(a) \frac{1}{2 \times 3}(x-a)^3 + \frac{d^3y}{dx^3}(a) \frac{1}{2}(x-a)^2 + \frac{d^2y}{dx^2}(a)x + C$$

Again solve for C:

$$\frac{dy}{dx}(a) = \frac{d^4y}{dx^4}(a) \frac{1}{2 \times 3}(a-a)^3 + \frac{d^3y}{dx^3}(a) \frac{1}{2}(a-a)^2 + \frac{d^2y}{dx^2}(a)a + C$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx}(a) = \frac{d^2y}{dx^2}(a)a + C$$

$$C = \frac{dy}{dx}(a) - \frac{d^2y}{dx^2}(a)a$$

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$$\frac{dy}{dx}(x) = \frac{d^4y}{dx^4}(a) \frac{1}{2 \times 3}(x-a)^3 + \frac{d^3y}{dx^3}(a) \frac{1}{2}(x-a)^2 + \frac{d^2y}{dx^2}(a)(x-a) + \frac{dy}{dx}(a)$$

Then we try to obtain $y(x)$:

$$y(x) = \frac{d^4y}{dx^4}(a) \frac{1}{2 \times 3 \times 4}(x-a)^4 + \frac{d^3y}{dx^3}(a) \frac{1}{2 \times 3}(x-a)^3 + \frac{d^2y}{dx^2}(a) \frac{1}{2}(x-a)^2 + \frac{dy}{dx}(a)x + C$$

Solve for C:

$$y(a) = \frac{d^4y}{dx^4}(a) \frac{1}{2 \times 3 \times 4}(a-a)^4 + \frac{d^3y}{dx^3}(a) \frac{1}{2 \times 3}(a-a)^3 + \frac{d^2y}{dx^2}(a) \frac{1}{2}(a-a)^2 + \frac{dy}{dx}(a)a + C$$

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$$y(a) = \frac{dy}{dx}(a)a + C$$

$$C = y(a) - \frac{dy}{dx}(a)a$$

So that

$$y(x) = \frac{d^4y}{dx^4}(a) \frac{1}{2 \times 3 \times 4} (x-a)^4 + \frac{d^3y}{dx^3}(a) \frac{1}{2 \times 3} (x-a)^3 + \frac{d^2y}{dx^2}(a) \frac{1}{2} (x-a)^2 + \frac{dy}{dx}(a)x + y(a) - \frac{dy}{dx}(a)a$$

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For a general derivation we start with the assumption that the n'th derivative is a constant so that

$$\frac{d^ny}{dx^n}(x) = \frac{d^ny}{dx^n}(a)$$

We can obtain

$$\frac{d^{n-1}y}{dx^{n-1}}(x) = \frac{d^ny}{dx^n}(a)x + C$$

Solve for C by letting x=a

$$\frac{d^{n-1}y}{dx^{n-1}}(a) = \frac{d^ny}{dx^n}(a)a + C$$

$$C = \frac{d^{n-1}y}{dx^{n-1}}(a) - \frac{d^ny}{dx^n}(a)a$$

$$\frac{d^{n-1}y}{dx^{n-1}}(x) = \frac{d^ny}{dx^n}(a)(x-a) + \frac{d^{n-1}y}{dx^{n-1}}(a)$$

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$$\frac{d^{n-2}y}{dx^{n-2}}(x) = \frac{d^ny}{dx^n}(a) \frac{1}{2}(x-a)^2 + \frac{d^{n-1}y}{dx^{n-1}}(a)x + C$$

Obtaining C:

$$\frac{d^{n-2}y}{dx^{n-2}}(a) = \frac{d^ny}{dx^n}(a) \frac{1}{2}(a-a)^2 + \frac{d^{n-1}y}{dx^{n-1}}(a)a + C$$

$$C = \frac{d^{n-2}y}{dx^{n-2}}(a) - \frac{d^{n-1}y}{dx^{n-1}}(a)a$$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d^{n-2}y}{dx^{n-2}}(x) &= \frac{d^ny}{dx^n}(a) \frac{1}{2}(x-a)^2 + \frac{d^{n-1}y}{dx^{n-1}}(a)x + \frac{d^{n-2}y}{dx^{n-2}}(a) - \frac{d^{n-1}y}{dx^{n-1}}(a)a \\ &= \frac{d^ny}{dx^n}(a) \frac{1}{2}(x-a)^2 + \frac{d^{n-1}y}{dx^{n-1}}(a)(x-a) + \frac{d^{n-2}y}{dx^{n-2}}(a) \end{aligned}$$

From the derivation above we see that

$$C_{\frac{d^ky}{dx^k}(x)} = \frac{d^ky}{dx^k}(a) - \frac{d^{k+1}y}{dx^{k+1}}(a)a$$

We also see a general pattern that for every time we go up to a k'th derivative we always add

$$\frac{d^{k+1}y}{dx^{k+1}}(a)x$$

And that we from the k+1 derivative always have from C

$$\frac{d^{k+1}y}{dx^{k+1}}(a)a$$

So that we always can add

$$\frac{d^{k+1}y}{dx^{k+1}}(a)(x-a)$$

This will for the k-1 derivative become

$$\frac{d^{k+1}y}{dx^{k+1}}(a) \frac{1}{2}(x-a)^2$$

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And for the k-2 derivative this will become

$$\frac{d^{k+1}y}{dx^{k+1}}(a) \frac{1}{2 \times 3} (x - a)^3$$

Since this pattern is accumulating and we get a new $\frac{d^k y}{dx^k}(a)(x - a)$ for every integration and keep them by integrating them once each time we go from k to $k - 1$ derivative we can if the n'th derivative is constant start with

$$\frac{d^n y}{dx^n}(x) = \frac{d^n y}{dx^n}(a)$$

And end up with

$$P_n(x) = y(x) = \frac{d^n y}{dx^n}(a) \frac{1}{2 \times 3 \times \dots \times n} (x - a)^n + \dots + \frac{d^3 y}{dx^3}(a) \frac{1}{2 \times 3} (x - a)^3 + \frac{d^2 y}{dx^2}(a) \frac{1}{2} (x - a)^2 + \frac{dy}{dx}(a)(x - a) + y(a)$$

Error Taylor polynomial

A general Taylor polynomial where $\frac{d^n y}{dx^n}(x) \neq \text{constant}$ and we can't derive it the way we did above has the same formula as above

$$P(x) = \frac{d^n y}{dx^n}(a) \frac{1}{2 \times 3 \times \dots \times n} (x - a)^n + \dots + \frac{d^3 y}{dx^3}(a) \frac{1}{2 \times 3} (x - a)^3 + \frac{d^2 y}{dx^2}(a) \frac{1}{2} (x - a)^2 + \frac{dy}{dx}(a)(x - a) + y(a)$$

So for $x=a$ the Taylor polynomial becomes

$$P(a) = y(a)$$

So in a the difference between the Taylor polynomial and the function the Taylor polynomial is approximating becomes

$$y(a) - P(a) = y(a) - y(a) = 0$$

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The first derivative of the taylor polynomial

$$P'(x) = \frac{d^n y}{dx^n}(a) \frac{1}{2 \times 3 \times \dots \times n} n(x-a)^{n-1} + \dots + \frac{d^3 y}{dx^3}(a) \frac{1}{2 \times 3} 3(x-a)^{3-1} \\ + \frac{d^2 y}{dx^2}(a) \frac{1}{2} 2(x-a) + \frac{dy}{dx}(a)$$

So we see that

$$y'(a) - P'(a) = \frac{dy}{dx}(a) - \frac{dy}{dx}(a) = 0$$

We also observe that there is a general pattern that gives

$$\frac{d^k y}{dx^k}(a) = \frac{d^k P(a)}{dx^k}$$

So that

$$\frac{d^k y}{dx^k}(a) - \frac{d^k P(a)}{dx^k} = 0$$

All the way up until

$$\frac{d^n y}{dx^n}(a) - \frac{d^n P(a)}{dx^n} = 0$$

The error of the taylor polynomial is

$$E(x) = y(x) - P(x)$$

If we take the n+1 derivative of an n'th degree taylor polynomial it is 0 so that

$$\frac{d^{n+1} E(x)}{dx^{n+1}} = \frac{d^{n+1} y(x)}{dx^{n+1}} - \frac{d^{n+1} P(x)}{dx^{n+1}} = \frac{d^{n+1} y(x)}{dx^{n+1}} - 0 = \frac{d^{n+1} y(x)}{dx^{n+1}} \leq M$$

We choose M as the max value of $\frac{d^{n+1} E(x)}{dx^{n+1}}$ on the interval $[a, b]$

$$\frac{d^{n+1} E(c)}{dx^{n+1}} = M$$

Where M is a constant. If we try to integrate this once we would obtain

$$\int \left| \frac{d^{n+1} E(x)}{dx^{n+1}} \right| dx \leq \int M dx$$

Since $\left| \frac{d^{n+1} E(x)}{dx^{n+1}} \right| > 0$ for all x and $\frac{d^{n+1} E(x)}{dx^{n+1}}$ can be below or above 0 for different x

$$\left| \int \frac{d^{n+1} E(x)}{dx^{n+1}} dx \right| \leq \int \left| \frac{d^{n+1} E(x)}{dx^{n+1}} \right| dx$$

With $\left| \int \frac{d^{n+1}E(x)}{dx^{n+1}} dx \right|$ we can obtain $\left| \frac{d^n E(x)}{dx^n} \right|$.

$$\left| \int \frac{d^{n+1}E(x)}{dx^{n+1}} dx \right| \leq \int M dx$$

$$\left| \frac{d^n E(x)}{dx^n} \right| \leq Mx + C$$

In order to find the constant C we know that $\frac{d^n E(a)}{dx^n} = 0$

$$\left| \frac{d^n E(a)}{dx^n} \right| = 0 \leq Ma + C$$

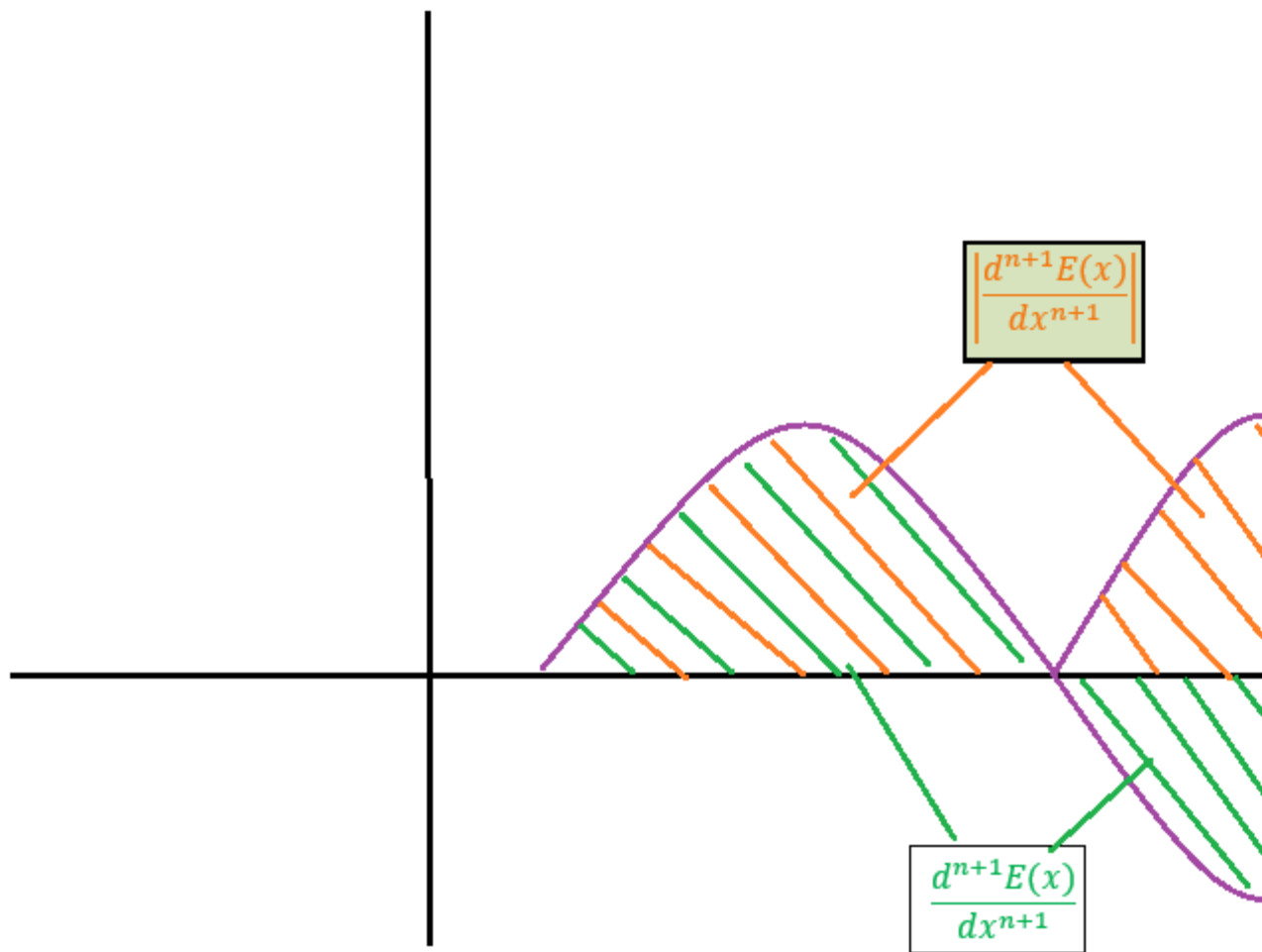
$$-Ma \leq C$$

We could have integrated

$$\int \left| \frac{d^{n+1}E(x)}{dx^{n+1}} \right| dx = \int M dx$$

Then we would have obtained that when $x=a$ that this is 0

Since we always have that $\left| \int \frac{d^{n+1}E(x)}{dx^{n+1}} dx \right| \leq \int \left| \frac{d^{n+1}E(x)}{dx^{n+1}} \right| dx$ we also have that $\left| \int \frac{d^{n+1}E(x)}{dx^{n+1}} dx \right|$ is 0 when $x=a$. This is illustrated by this graph



You could say that $\left| \frac{d^{n+1}E(x)}{dx^{n+1}} \right| \times 1 = M$ is always larger than $\frac{d^{n+1}E(x)}{dx^{n+1}} \times 1$. We are interested in $\frac{d^nE(x)}{dx^n}$ which is the integral. We know that $\frac{d^nE(x)}{dx^n}$ is 0 in $x=a$. We can use this and by using $M = \frac{d^{n+1}E(c)}{dx^{n+1}}$ we reassure that we get a larger value for the integral $\left| \int \frac{d^{n+1}E(x)}{dx^{n+1}} dx \right| \leq \int M dx$ since M is based on a function $\left| \frac{d^{n+1}E(x)}{dx^{n+1}} \right| \geq \frac{d^{n+1}E(x)}{dx^{n+1}}$.

$$-Ma = C$$

$$\left| \frac{d^nE(x)}{dx^n} \right| \leq Mx - Ma = M(x - a)$$

By doing the same steps as above we obtain

$$\left| \frac{d^{n-1}E(x)}{dx^{n-1}} \right| \leq M \frac{1}{2} (x - a)^2 + C$$

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$$0 \leq M \frac{1}{2} (a - a)^2 + C \quad 0 \leq C$$

Again we solve for C by using the info at $x=a$ which we can use since the same quantification of M as above

$$C = 0$$

$$\left| \frac{d^{n-1}E(x)}{dx^n} \right| \leq M \frac{1}{2} (x - a)^2$$

We repeat the same process until we obtain

$$|E(x)| \leq M \frac{1}{(n+1)!} (x - a)^{2+n-1} = M \frac{1}{(n+1)!} (x - a)^{1+n} = \frac{d^{n+1}E(c)}{dx^{n+1}} \frac{1}{(n+1)!} (x - a)^{1+n}$$