

Math 265B: Series Expansions for Select Functions

Function	Series Form	Interval of Convergence
$f(x) = e^x$	$= 1 + x + \frac{x^2}{2!} + \frac{x^3}{3!} + \dots = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{x^n}{n!}$	$-\infty < x < \infty$
$f(x) = \sin(x)$	$= x - \frac{x^3}{3!} + \frac{x^5}{5!} - \frac{x^7}{7!} + \dots = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n}{(2n+1)!} x^{2n+1}$	$-\infty < x < \infty$
$f(x) = \cos(x)$	$= 1 - \frac{x^2}{2!} + \frac{x^4}{4!} - \frac{x^6}{6!} + \dots = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n}{(2n)!} x^{2n}$	$-\infty < x < \infty$
$f(x) = \ln(x)$	$= (x-1) - \frac{1}{2}(x-1)^2 + \frac{1}{3}(x-1)^3 - \frac{1}{4}(x-1)^4 + \dots = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{n+1}}{n} (x-1)^n$	$0 < x \leq 2$
$f(x) = \ln(x+1)$	$= x - \frac{x^2}{2} + \frac{x^3}{3} - \frac{x^4}{4} + \dots = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{n+1}}{n} x^n$	$-1 < x \leq 1$
$f(x) = \frac{1}{1+x}$	$= 1 - x + x^2 - x^3 + \dots = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-1)^n x^n$	$-1 < x < 1$
$f(x) = \frac{1}{1-x}$	$= 1 + x + x^2 + x^3 + \dots = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} x^n$	$-1 < x < 1$
$f(x) = \sqrt{1+x}$	$= 1 + \frac{1}{2}x - \frac{1}{8}x^2 + \frac{1}{16}x^3 - \frac{5}{128}x^4 + \dots = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n (2n)!}{(1-2n)(n!)^2 (4^n)} x^n$	$-1 \leq x \leq 1$
$f(x) = \tan^{-1}(x)$	$= x - \frac{x^3}{3} + \frac{x^5}{5} - \frac{x^7}{7} + \dots = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n}{2n+1} x^{2n+1}$	$-1 < x \leq 1$