

#5 Taylor's Series for $\cos x$ @ $a = \frac{\pi}{2}$

$f(x) = \cos x$ $f(\frac{\pi}{2}) = 0$
 $f^{(1)}(x) = -\sin x$ $f^{(1)}(\frac{\pi}{2}) = -1$
 $f^{(2)}(x) = -\cos x$ $f^{(2)}(\frac{\pi}{2}) = 0$
 $f^{(3)}(x) = \sin x$ $f^{(3)}(\frac{\pi}{2}) = 1$
 ∴ Repeat

$$f(x) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{f^{(n)}(a) (x-a)^n}{n!}$$

$$= 0 + (-1)(x-\frac{\pi}{2})^1 + 0 + \frac{(1)(x-\frac{\pi}{2})^3}{3!} + 0 + \frac{(-1)(x-\frac{\pi}{2})^5}{5!} + \dots$$

$n=0$ $n=1$ $n=2$ $n=3$ $n=4$ $n=5$
 $k=0$ $k=1$ $k=2$

$$= \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{k+1} (x-\frac{\pi}{2})^{2k+1}}{(2k+1)!} = -(x-\frac{\pi}{2}) + \frac{(x-\frac{\pi}{2})^3}{3!} - \frac{(x-\frac{\pi}{2})^5}{5!} + \dots$$

#23 Use #5 to estimate $\cos 80^\circ$ to 5 decimal places.

$80^\circ = (80^\circ) \left(\frac{\pi \text{ radians}}{180^\circ} \right) = \frac{4\pi}{9}$

Scratch: $\frac{4\pi}{9} - \frac{\pi}{2} = \frac{8\pi - 9\pi}{18} = -\frac{\pi}{18}$

$\cos 80^\circ \approx -(-\frac{\pi}{18}) + \frac{(-\frac{\pi}{18})^3}{3!} - \frac{(-\frac{\pi}{18})^5}{5!} + \frac{(-\frac{\pi}{18})^7}{7!}$

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f := n -> (-1)^(n+1) * (-Pi/18)^(2*n+1) / (2*n+1)!
evalf(f(0))
evalf(f(1))
evalf(f(2))
sum(f(k), k=0..2)
evalf(%)
cos(4*Pi/9)
evalf(%)
    
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Maple says
 The 1st 2 terms ought to be plenty since the 3rd term $(x-\frac{\pi}{2})^5$ is smaller than the allowable error.
 Too far.
~~n=1~~ n=1 gives $k=0, k=1$, i.e. 2 terms.
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$$\sum_{k=0}^1 f(k)$$

$$\frac{1}{18} \pi - \frac{1}{34992} \pi^3$$

evalf(%)

0.1736468290

$$\cos\left(\frac{4 \cdot \text{Pi}}{9}\right)$$

$$\cos\left(\frac{4}{9} \pi\right)$$

evalf(%)

0.1736481773

We used Alternating Series Test for this.
What about Taylor's Inequality?

$|R_n(x)| \leq \frac{M |x-a|^{n+1}}{(n+1)!}$, where M is
a bound on $|f^{(n+1)}(x)|$ on the interval
in question, in this case

$$|R_1(x)| \leq \frac{M |x-a|^2}{2!} \quad a = \frac{\pi}{2}, \quad x \text{ in question is } \frac{4\pi}{9}$$

$$d = |x-a| = \left| \frac{4\pi}{9} - \frac{\pi}{2} \right| = \frac{\pi}{18}$$

The interval in question for testing
 $\left| \frac{d^n}{dx^n} [\cos x] \right|$ would be $\left[-\frac{\pi}{18}, \frac{\pi}{18} \right]$



f

max @ $x=0$

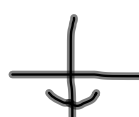
$$\cos(0) = 1$$



f'

max @
endpts

$$\sin\left(\frac{\pi}{18}\right)$$



f''

max @
 $x=0$

$$-\cos(0)$$



f'''

max @
endpts.

$$\sin\left(\frac{\pi}{18}\right)$$

$n=1$ is fine. You always overthink,
Steve.

$$|R_1(x)| \leq \frac{|x-2|^2}{2!} = \frac{\left(\frac{\pi}{10}\right)^2}{2!}$$

$$|R_2(x)| \leq \frac{\left(\frac{\pi}{10}\right)^3}{3!}$$

This is
harder than
Alternating
Series Test.

