

Estimation of f(a) using Series.  
First Example)

1) Integrate the geometric series  $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} x^n = 1 + x + x^2 + x^3 + \dots$

$r = |x| < 1$

$S_{\infty} = \int \frac{1}{1-x} dx = \frac{x}{1} + \frac{x^2}{2} + \frac{x^3}{3} + \frac{x^4}{4} + \dots \quad -1 < x < 1$

2) Hence, show  $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{x^{n+1}}{n+1} = -\ln(1-x)$

$\Rightarrow -\ln(1-x) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{x^{n+1}}{n+1} = \ln(1-x)^{-1} = \ln\left[\frac{1}{1-x}\right]$

3) Estimate  $\ln(1.5)$  using first 4 non zero terms of series.

$\frac{1}{1-x} = 1.5 = \frac{3}{2} \Rightarrow \ln\left[\frac{1}{1-\frac{1}{3}}\right] = \ln(1.5)$   
 $= \frac{1}{3} + \frac{(\frac{1}{3})^2}{2} + \frac{(\frac{1}{3})^3}{3} + \frac{(\frac{1}{3})^4}{4}$   
 $2 = 3 - 3x \Rightarrow 3x = 1 \Rightarrow x = \frac{1}{3} \leftarrow -1 < x < 1$   
 $= \frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{18} + \frac{1}{81} + \frac{1}{81 \cdot 4}$

Second Example)

1) Express  $f(x) = \frac{1}{1+x^2}$  as alternating geometric series.

$S_{\infty} = \frac{1}{1+x^2} = \frac{1}{1-(-x^2)} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-1)^n (x^2)^n \hat{=} 0.404321$   
 $| -x^2 | < 1 \Rightarrow -1 < x < 1$

2) Find the series for  $\int \frac{1}{1+x^2} dx$

$\int \frac{1}{1+x^2} dx = \int \left( \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-1)^n (x^2)^n \right) dx \Rightarrow \arctan x = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n (x^{2n+1})}{2n+1}$   
 $= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-1)^n (x^{2n})$

3) Hence, show  $\arctan x = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^k x^{2k+1}}{2k+1}$

$x + \frac{(-1)^1 x^3}{3} + \frac{(-1)^2 (x)^5}{5} + \frac{(-1)^3 (x)^7}{7} + \frac{(-1)^4 (x)^9}{9}$

4) Estimate  $\pi$  using the first 5 non zero terms of the series above.

$x=1 \Rightarrow \arctan(1) = \frac{\pi}{4} \Rightarrow \pi = 4 \arctan(1)$

$$\pi \approx 4 \left[ 1 - \frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{5} - \frac{1}{7} + \frac{1}{9} \right] \approx 3.33968$$

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Third Example)

Use a power series to approximate  $\int_0^1 e^{-x^2} dx$  with an error of less than 0.01.

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$$\int_0^1 e^{-x^2} dx \approx 0.746824.$$

$$e^u = 1 + u + \frac{u^2}{2!} + \frac{u^3}{3!} + \frac{u^4}{4!} + \frac{u^5}{5!} \dots$$

$$\approx 0.75$$

$$u = -x^2 \\ = 1 - x^2 + \frac{x^4}{2!} - \frac{x^6}{3!} + \frac{x^8}{4!} - \frac{x^{10}}{5!} \dots$$

$$\int e^{-x^2} dx = \left[ x - \frac{x^3}{3} + \frac{x^5}{5 \cdot 2!} - \frac{x^7}{7 \cdot 3!} + \frac{x^9}{9 \cdot 4!} - \frac{x^{11}}{11 \cdot 5!} \right]_{x=0}^{x=1}$$

Fourth Example)

Find the power series for  $f(x) = \sin^2 x$ .

$$= \left[ 1 - \frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{5 \cdot 2!} - \frac{1}{7 \cdot 3!} + \frac{1}{9 \cdot 4!} - \frac{1}{11 \cdot 5!} \right]$$

$$\approx 0.747486$$

$$\approx 0.75$$

$$\frac{1}{9 \cdot 4!} \approx \frac{0.00463}{\approx 0.005}$$

$$f(x) = \sin x \cdot \sin x$$

$$= \frac{1 - \cos 2x}{2} = \frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{2} \cos 2x$$

$$\cos u = 1 - \frac{u^2}{2!} + \frac{u^4}{4!} - \frac{u^6}{6!} \dots$$

$$u = 2x = 1 - \frac{(2x)^2}{2!} + \frac{(2x)^4}{4!} - \frac{(2x)^6}{6!} \dots$$

$$f(x) = \sin^2 x = \left[ \frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{2} \left[ 1 - \frac{2^2 \cdot x^2}{2!} + \frac{2^4 \cdot x^4}{4!} - \frac{2^6 \cdot x^6}{6!} \dots \right] \right]$$

$$= \left[ \frac{2 \cdot x^2}{2!} - \frac{2^3 \cdot x^4}{4!} + \frac{2^5 \cdot x^6}{6!} \dots \right]$$

$$= \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{n+1} (2)^{2n-1} x^{2n}}{(2n)!}$$