

Episode 42. Applications of Taylor series

① Calculation of sums

Ex. 1 Find the sum

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n \pi^{2n}}{6^{2n} (2n)!} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n \left(\frac{\pi}{6}\right)^{2n}}{(2n)!}$$

\approx

what's that

looks like

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n x^{2n}}{(2n)!} = \cos x$$

$$\Rightarrow \left[\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n x^{2n}}{(2n)!} \right]_{x=\frac{\pi}{6}} = \cos x \Big|_{x=\frac{\pi}{6}} = \cos \frac{\pi}{6} = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}$$

② Limit calculations

Ex. 2

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{(e^x - 1 - x)^2}{x^2 \ln(1+x^2)} = \left[\frac{0}{0} \right] \approx$$

$$e^x = 1 + \frac{x}{1!} + \frac{x^2}{2!} + \frac{x^3}{3!} + \dots$$

$$\ln(1+x) = x - \frac{x^2}{2} + \frac{x^3}{3} - \dots$$

$$\approx \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\left(1 + x + \frac{x^2}{2!} + \frac{x^3}{3!} + \dots - 1 - x\right)^2}{x^2 - \left(x^2 - \frac{x^4}{2} + \frac{x^6}{3} - \dots\right)} =$$

$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\left(\frac{x^2}{2} + \frac{x^3}{6} + \dots\right)^2}{\frac{x^4}{2} - \frac{x^6}{3} + \dots} =$$

$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\frac{x^4}{4} + \frac{x^5}{6} + \dots}{\frac{x^4}{2} - \frac{x^6}{3} + \dots} = \text{div. by } x^4$$

$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\frac{1}{4} + \frac{x}{6} + \dots}{\frac{1}{2} - \frac{x^2}{3} + \dots} = \frac{1/4}{1/2} = \boxed{\frac{1}{2}}$$

(3) Integration

Ex. 3 Evaluate the integral in terms of P.S.

$$\text{Si}(x) = \int_0^x \frac{\sin t}{t} dt$$

the integral sign doesn't have elem. antideriv.

$$\frac{\sin t}{t} = \frac{1}{t} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n t^{2n+1}}{(2n+1)!} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n t^{2n}}{(2n+1)!}$$

$$\text{Si}(x) = \int_0^x \frac{\sin t}{t} dt = \int_0^x \left(\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n t^{2n}}{(2n+1)!} \right) dt = \text{term-by-term integr.}$$

$$= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \int_0^x \frac{(-1)^n t^{2n}}{(2n+1)!} dt =$$

$$= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n}{(2n+1)!} \left(\frac{t^{2n+1}}{2n+1} \Big|_{t=0}^{t=x} \right) =$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= \sum_{h=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^h}{(2h+1)!} x^{2h+1} = \\
 &= x - \frac{x^3}{3 \cdot 3!} + \frac{x^5}{5 \cdot 5!} - \frac{x^7}{7 \cdot 7!} + \dots
 \end{aligned}$$