

Mathematics 1 AESB1110: Exam 2

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Answers:

1. *Question:* Use the linear approximation to estimate $\sqrt[4]{9999}$ total: 1 p.

Solution:

$$\begin{aligned}f(x) &= \sqrt[4]{x} = x^{1/4} \\f(x) &\approx L(x) = f(a) + f'(a)(x - a)\end{aligned}$$

1/2 p.

$$a = 10000, \quad x = 9999$$

$$\begin{aligned}f(a) &= 10000^{1/4} = 10, \quad f'(x) = \frac{1}{4}x^{-3/4}, \quad f'(a) = \frac{1}{4}(10^4)^{-3/4} = \frac{1}{4000} \\ \sqrt[4]{9999} &\approx L(9999) = 10 + \frac{1}{4000}(9999 - 10000) = 10 - \frac{1}{4000}\end{aligned}$$

1/2 p.

2. *Question:* Write down the first four nonzero terms of the Maclaurin series for the following functions: total: 2 p.

$$\begin{aligned}f(x) &= x^2 e^{-x^2} \\g(x) &= \frac{x}{\sqrt{4+x^2}}\end{aligned}$$

Solution: The Maclaurin series is defined as

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

1 p.

Using the standard formula list we find the first four nonzero terms as

$$\begin{aligned}
 e^x &\approx 1 + x + \frac{x^2}{2!} + \frac{x^3}{3!} \\
 e^{-x^2} &\approx 1 - x^2 + \frac{x^4}{2!} - \frac{x^6}{3!} \\
 f(x) = x^2 e^{-x^2} &\approx x^2 \left(1 - x^2 + \frac{x^4}{2!} - \frac{x^6}{3!} \right) = x^2 - x^4 + \frac{1}{2}x^6 - \frac{1}{6}x^8
 \end{aligned}$$

1/2 p.

$$\begin{aligned}
 (1+x)^{-1/2} &\approx 1 + \binom{-1/2}{1}x + \frac{\binom{-1/2}{2}\binom{-1/2-1}{1}}{2!}x^2 + \frac{\binom{-1/2}{3}\binom{-1/2-1}{2}\binom{-1/2-2}{1}}{3!}x^3 \\
 &= 1 - \frac{1}{2}x + \frac{3}{(4)2!}x^2 - \frac{3(5)}{(8)3!}x^3 = 1 - \frac{1}{2}x + \frac{3}{8}x^2 - \frac{5}{16}x^3 \\
 (4+x^2)^{-1/2} &= 4^{-1/2} \left(1 + \frac{x^2}{4} \right)^{-1/2} \approx \frac{1}{2} \left(1 - \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{x^2}{4} \right) + \frac{3}{8} \left(\frac{x^2}{4} \right)^2 - \frac{5}{16} \left(\frac{x^2}{4} \right)^3 \right) \\
 &= \frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{16}x^2 + \frac{3}{256}x^4 - \frac{5}{2048}x^6 \\
 g(x) &= \frac{x}{\sqrt{4+x^2}} \approx x \left(\frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{16}x^2 + \frac{3}{256}x^4 - \frac{5}{2048}x^6 \right) \\
 &= \frac{1}{2}x - \frac{1}{16}x^3 + \frac{3}{256}x^5 - \frac{5}{2048}x^7
 \end{aligned}$$

1/2 p.

Computing the Maclaurin expansion directly (using the derivatives) and not completely finishing the work is worth 1/4 points each. It is also possible to compute the second series via integration. Leaving products of numbers instead of explicit fractions in the end result, e.g, $\frac{1}{2(2)(4)}$ etc, is OK.

3. *Question:* Compute the derivative $f'(x)$ of the function:

total 1 p.

$$f(x) = \int_2^{2x+x^2} \tan(t) dt$$

Answer: Using the Fundamental Theorem of Calculus and the chain rule we get:

$$f'(x) = \tan(2x+x^2)(2x+x^2)' = (2+2x)\tan(2x+x^2)$$

4. *Question:* Compute the following integrals:

6 p.

$$\int \frac{\sin(\ln x)}{x} dx$$

$$\int x^2 \sqrt{2+x} dx$$

$$\int_0^1 x^3 e^{-x^2} dx \quad (\text{For this one you need both substitution and integration by parts})$$

Answer:

$$\int \frac{\sin(\ln x)}{x} dx = \left[\begin{array}{l} u = \ln x \\ du = \frac{1}{x} dx \end{array} \right] = \int \sin u du = -\cos u + C$$

$$= -\cos(\ln x) + C$$

2 p.

$$\int x^2 \sqrt{2+x} dx = \left[\begin{array}{l} u = 2+x \\ du = dx \\ x^2 = (u-2)^2 \end{array} \right] = \int (u-2)^2 \sqrt{u} du$$

$$= \int (u^2 - 4u + 4)u^{1/2} du = \int (u^{5/2} - 4u^{3/2} + 4u^{1/2}) du$$

$$= \frac{1}{5/2+1} u^{5/2+1} - \frac{4}{3/2+1} u^{3/2+1} + \frac{4}{1/2+1} u^{1/2+1} + C$$

$$= \frac{2}{7} u^{7/2} - \frac{8}{5} u^{5/2} + \frac{8}{3} u^{3/2} + C$$

$$= \frac{2}{7} (2+x)^{7/2} - \frac{8}{5} (2+x)^{5/2} + \frac{8}{3} (2+x)^{3/2} + C$$

2 p.

$$\int_0^1 x^3 e^{-x^2} dx = \left[\begin{array}{l} u = x^2 \\ du = 2x dx \\ x^2 = u \\ u(0) = 0, \quad u(1) = 1 \end{array} \right] = \frac{1}{2} \int_0^1 u e^{-u} du$$

$$= \left[\begin{array}{l} f = u \\ g' = e^{-u} \\ f' = 1 \\ g = -e^{-u} \end{array} \right] = \frac{1}{2} \left([-ue^{-u}]_0^1 - \int_0^1 (-e^{-u}) du \right)$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \left((-1)e^{-1} - (-0)e^{-0} - [e^{-u}]_0^1 \right) = \frac{1}{2} \left(-\frac{1}{e} - \left(\frac{1}{e} - 1 \right) \right)$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \left(1 - \frac{2}{e} \right) = \frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{e}$$

2 p.