

**CALCULUS: Graphical, Numerical, Algebraic by Finney, Demana, Watts and Kennedy**  
**Chapter 9: Error and Series**

What you'll Learn About  
 How to find the error for a series that alternates

$P(s) = 5$   
 $\arctan(s) = 1.37$

1. Give the first term of the series for  $f(x) = \arctan(x)$  centered at  $x = 0$   
 $P(x) = x$
  2. Find the approximation for  $P(.1) = .1$
  3. Find the  $f(.1) = \arctan(.1) = .0996$  *Actual*
  4. How accurate is the approximation.  $|.0996 - .1| = .0003313475$  *Approximation*
  5. What is the value of the next term of the polynomial at  $x = .1$   
 Next term  $\frac{-x^3}{3}$   $|\frac{-.1^3}{3}| = .000333\bar{3}$
1. Give the first 2 terms of the series for  $f(x) = \arctan(x)$  centered at  $x = 0$   
 $P(x) = x - \frac{x^3}{3}$
  2. Find the approximation for  $P(.1) = .09966\bar{6}$
  3. Find the  $f(.1) = \arctan(.1) = .0996686525$
  4. How accurate is the approximation.  $|\arctan(.1) - P_2(.1)| = .000001985824$
  5. What is the value of the next term of the polynomial at  $x = .1$   
 Next Term  $\frac{x^5}{5}$   $|\frac{.1^5}{5}| = .000002$
1. Give the first 3 terms of the series for  $f(x) = \arctan(x)$  centered at  $x = 0$   
 $P(x) = x - \frac{x^3}{3} + \frac{x^5}{5}$
  2. Find the approximation for  $P(.1)$   
 $P(.1) = .099668667$
  3. Find the  $f(.1) = .0996686525$
  4. How accurate is the approximation.  $|\arctan(.1) - P_3(.1)| = .00000014175501$
  5. What is the value of the next term of the polynomial at  $x = .1$   
 $-\frac{x^7}{7}$   $|\frac{.1^7}{7}| = .0000001428571429$

1. Give the first 4 terms of the series for  $f(x) = \arctan(x)$  centered at  $x = 0$

$$P_4(x) = x - \frac{x^3}{3} + \frac{x^5}{5} - \frac{x^7}{7}$$

2. Use the alternate estimation theorem to determine the error bound

$$|f(x) - P(x)| \leq R$$

Actual  $\nearrow$  Approximation  $\nwarrow$  Error Bound

$$\text{Next Term} = \frac{x^9}{9}$$

$$\left| \frac{1^9}{9} \right| = R$$

1. Give the first 4 terms of the series for  $f(x) = \sin(x)$  centered at  $x = \frac{\pi}{2}$

$$f(x) = \sin x \xrightarrow{x = \pi/2} 1$$

$$f'(x) = \cos x \rightarrow 0$$

$$f''(x) = -\sin x \rightarrow -1$$

$$f'''(x) = -\cos x \rightarrow 0$$

$$f^{(4)}(x) = \sin x \rightarrow 1$$

$$f^{(5)}(x) = \cos x \rightarrow 0$$

$$f^{(6)}(x) = -\sin x \rightarrow -1$$

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

2. Use the alternate estimation theorem to determine the error bound at  $x = 1.6$

$$|f(x) - P(x)| \leq R$$

$$\text{Next Term} = \frac{(x - \frac{\pi}{2})^8}{8!}$$

$$R = \left| \frac{(1.6 - \pi/2)^8}{8!} \right|$$

Order = # of derivative = highest power

$$\begin{aligned}
 & x=2 \\
 f(x) &= x^{-1} \rightarrow 1/2 \\
 f'(x) &= -x^{-2} \rightarrow -1/4 \\
 f''(x) &= 2x^{-3} \rightarrow 1/4 \\
 f'''(x) &= -6x^{-4} \rightarrow -3/8 \\
 f^{(4)}(x) &= 24x^{-5} \rightarrow 3/4
 \end{aligned}$$

$$f^{(5)}(x) = -120x^{-6} = -\frac{120}{x^6}$$

1.  $f(x) = \frac{1}{x}$  centered at  $x = 2$

a. Given the function, find the fourth order polynomial

$$P_4(x-2) = \frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{4}(x-2) + \frac{1}{4}(x-2)^2 - \frac{3}{8}(x-2)^3 + \frac{3}{4}(x-2)^4$$

b. Use the alternate estimation theorem to find a formula for the error bound  
 $|f(x) - P(x)| \leq R$

$$R = \left| \frac{-120(x-2)^5}{5!} \right| = \left| \overset{\text{Next Term}}{\frac{f^{(5)}(2)(x-2)^5}{5!}} \right|$$