

**Taylor Series 6C**

1 Differentiating  $\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} = x + 2y$ , with respect to  $x$ , gives  $\frac{d^3y}{dx^3} = 1 + 2\frac{dy}{dx}$  (1)

Differentiating (1) gives  $\frac{d^4y}{dx^4} = 2\frac{d^2y}{dx^2}$  (2)

Substituting  $x_0 = 0, y_0 = 1$  into  $\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} = x + 2y$ , gives

$$\left(\frac{d^2y}{dx^2}\right)_0 = 0 + 2(1), \text{ so } \left(\frac{d^2y}{dx^2}\right)_0 = 2$$

Substituting  $\left(\frac{dy}{dx}\right)_0 = \frac{1}{2}$  into (1) gives  $\left(\frac{d^3y}{dx^3}\right)_0 = 1 + 2\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) = 2$

Substituting  $\left(\frac{d^2y}{dx^2}\right)_0 = 2$  into (2) gives  $\left(\frac{d^4y}{dx^4}\right)_0 = 2(2) = 4$

So using the Taylor expansion in the form where  $x_0 = 0$ , i.e. **ii**

$$y = 1 + \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)x + \frac{(2)}{2!}x^2 + \frac{(2)}{3!}x^3 + \frac{(4)}{4!}x^4 + \dots = 1 + \frac{x}{2} + x^2 + \frac{x^3}{3} + \frac{x^4}{6} + \dots$$

2 Differentiating  $(1+x^2)\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} + x\frac{dy}{dx} = 0$ , gives

$$(1+x^2)\frac{dy^3}{dx^3} + 2x\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} + x\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} + \frac{dy}{dx} = 0 \quad \text{(1)} \quad \text{i.e. } (1+x^2)\frac{dy^3}{dx^3} + 3x\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} + \frac{dy}{dx} = 0$$

Substituting  $x = 0$  and  $\left(\frac{dy}{dx}\right)_0 = 1$  into  $(1+x^2)\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} + x\frac{dy}{dx} = 0$ , gives  $\left(\frac{d^2y}{dx^2}\right)_0 = 0$

Substituting  $x = 0, \left(\frac{dy}{dx}\right)_0 = 1$  and  $\left(\frac{d^2y}{dx^2}\right)_0 = 0$  into (1) gives  $\left(\frac{d^3y}{dx^3}\right)_0 = -1$

So using the Taylor expansion in the form **ii**,

$$y = 0 + 1x + \frac{(0)}{2!}x^2 + \frac{(-1)}{3!}x^3 + \dots = x - \frac{x^3}{6} + \dots$$

3 Differentiating  $\frac{dy}{dx} + y - e^x = 0$ , gives  $\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} + \frac{dy}{dx} - e^x = 0$  (1)

Differentiating (1) gives  $\frac{d^3y}{dx^3} + \frac{d^2y}{dx^2} - e^x = 0$  (2)

Substituting  $x_0 = 0$  and  $y_0 = 2$  into  $\frac{dy}{dx} + y - e^x = 0$ , gives  $\left(\frac{dy}{dx}\right)_0 + 2 - 1 = 0$ , so  $\left(\frac{dy}{dx}\right)_0 = -1$

Substituting  $x = 0$ ,  $\left(\frac{dy}{dx}\right)_0 = -1$  into (1) gives  $\left(\frac{d^2y}{dx^2}\right)_0 + (-1) - (1) = 0$  so  $\left(\frac{d^2y}{dx^2}\right)_0 = 2$

Substituting  $x = 0$ ,  $\left(\frac{d^2y}{dx^2}\right)_0 = 2$  into (2) gives  $\left(\frac{d^3y}{dx^3}\right)_0 + (2) - (1) = 0$  so  $\left(\frac{d^3y}{dx^3}\right)_0 = -1$

Substituting into the Taylor series with  $x_0 = 0$ , gives

$$\begin{aligned} y &= 2 + (-1)x + \frac{(2)}{2!}x^2 + \frac{(-1)}{3!}x^3 + \dots \\ &= 2 - x + x^2 - \frac{x^3}{6} \dots \end{aligned}$$

4 Differentiating  $\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} + x\frac{dy}{dx} + y = 0$  with respect to  $x$  gives

$$\frac{d^3y}{dx^3} + x\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} + \frac{dy}{dx} + \frac{dy}{dx} = 0 \quad (1), \quad \text{i.e.} \quad \frac{d^3y}{dx^3} + x\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} + 2\frac{dy}{dx} = 0$$

Differentiating (1) gives

$$\frac{d^4y}{dx^4} + x\frac{d^3y}{dx^3} + \frac{d^2y}{dx^2} + 2\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} = 0 \quad (2), \quad \text{i.e.} \quad \frac{d^4y}{dx^4} + x\frac{d^3y}{dx^3} + 3\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} = 0$$

Substituting  $x = 0$ ,  $y = 1$  and  $\frac{dy}{dx} = 2$  into  $\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} + x\frac{dy}{dx} + y = 0$  gives

$$\left(\frac{d^2y}{dx^2}\right)_0 + 0(2) + 1 = 0 \Rightarrow \left(\frac{d^2y}{dx^2}\right)_0 = -1$$

Substituting  $x = 0$ ,  $\left(\frac{dy}{dx}\right)_0 = 2$  and  $\left(\frac{d^2y}{dx^2}\right)_0 = -1$  into (1) gives

$$\left(\frac{d^3y}{dx^3}\right)_0 + 0(-1) + 2(2) = 0, \text{ so } \left(\frac{d^3y}{dx^3}\right)_0 = -4$$

Substituting  $x = 0$ ,  $\left(\frac{dy}{dx}\right)_0 = 2$ ,  $\left(\frac{d^2y}{dx^2}\right)_0 = -1$  and  $\left(\frac{d^3y}{dx^3}\right)_0 = -4$  into (2) gives

$$\left(\frac{d^4y}{dx^4}\right)_0 + 0(-4) + 3(-1) = 0, \text{ so } \left(\frac{d^4y}{dx^4}\right)_0 = 3$$

Substituting into the Taylor series with form **ii**, gives

$$\begin{aligned} y &= 1 + 2x + \frac{(-1)}{2!}x^2 + \frac{(-4)}{3!}x^3 + \frac{(3)}{4!}x^4 + \dots \\ &= 1 + 2x - \frac{1}{2}x^2 - \frac{2}{3}x^3 + \frac{1}{8}x^4 + \dots \end{aligned}$$

5 Differentiating  $\frac{d^2 y}{dx^2} + 2\frac{dy}{dx} = 3xy$  gives  $\frac{d^3 y}{dx^3} + 2\frac{d^2 y}{dx^2} = 3x\frac{dy}{dx} + 3y$  (1)

Substituting  $x_0 = 1, y_0 = 1$  and  $\left(\frac{dy}{dx}\right)_1 = -1$  into  $\frac{d^2 y}{dx^2} + 2\frac{dy}{dx} = 3xy$  gives  $\left(\frac{d^2 y}{dx^2}\right)_1 = 5$

Substituting  $x_0 = 1, y_0 = 1$   $\left(\frac{dy}{dx}\right)_1 = -1$  and  $\left(\frac{d^2 y}{dx^2}\right)_1 = 5$  into (1) gives  $\left(\frac{d^3 y}{dx^3}\right)_1 = -10$

Substituting into the form of the Taylor series form **i**, with  $x_0 = 1$ , gives

$$y = 1 + (-1)(x-1) + \frac{(5)}{2!}(x-1)^2 + \frac{(-10)}{3!}(x-1)^3 + \dots$$

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

6 Differentiating  $\frac{d^2 y}{dx^2} + 2y\frac{dy}{dx} + y^3 = 1 + x$ , twice with respect to  $x$ , gives

$$\frac{d^3 y}{dx^3} + 2y\frac{d^2 y}{dx^2} + 2\left(\frac{dy}{dx}\right)^2 + 3y^2\frac{dy}{dx} = 1 \quad (1)$$

$$\frac{d^4 y}{dx^4} + 2y\frac{d^3 y}{dx^3} + 2\frac{dy}{dx}\left(\frac{d^2 y}{dx^2}\right) + 4\left(\frac{dy}{dx}\right)\left(\frac{d^2 y}{dx^2}\right) + 3y^2\frac{d^2 y}{dx^2} + 6y\left(\frac{dy}{dx}\right)^2 = 0 \quad (2)$$

Substituting  $x = 0, y = 1$  and  $\frac{dy}{dx} = 1$  into  $\frac{d^2 y}{dx^2} + 2\frac{dy}{dx} + y^3 = 1 + x$  gives  $\left(\frac{d^2 y}{dx^2}\right)_0 = -2$

Substituting  $y = 1, \left(\frac{dy}{dx}\right)_0 = 1$  and  $\left(\frac{d^2 y}{dx^2}\right)_0 = -2$  into (1) gives  $\left(\frac{d^3 y}{dx^3}\right)_0 = 0$

Substituting  $y = 1, \left(\frac{dy}{dx}\right)_0 = 1, \left(\frac{d^2 y}{dx^2}\right)_0 = -2, \left(\frac{d^3 y}{dx^3}\right)_0 = 0$  into (2) gives  $\left(\frac{d^4 y}{dx^4}\right)_0 = 12$

So, using the Taylor series form **ii**,  $y = 1 + 1x + \frac{(-2)}{2!}x^2 + \frac{(0)}{3!}x^3 + \frac{(12)}{4!}x^4 + \dots$

so  $y = 1 + x - x^2 + \frac{1}{2}x^4 + \dots$

7 a Differentiating  $(1 + 2x)\frac{dy}{dx} = x + 2y^2$  with respect to  $x$

$$\left\{(1 + 2x)\frac{d^2 y}{dx^2} + 2\frac{dy}{dx}\right\} = 1 + 4y\frac{dy}{dx} \quad (1)$$

Differentiating (1) gives

$$\left\{(1 + 2x)\frac{d^3 y}{dx^3} + 2\frac{d^2 y}{dx^2}\right\} + \left\{2\frac{d^2 y}{dx^2}\right\} = \left\{4y\frac{d^2 y}{dx^2} + 4\left(\frac{dy}{dx}\right)^2\right\}$$

$$\Rightarrow (1 + 2x)\frac{d^3 y}{dx^3} + 4(1 - y)\frac{d^2 y}{dx^2} = 4\left(\frac{dy}{dx}\right)^2 \quad (2)$$

7 b Substituting  $x_0 = 0$  and  $y_0 = 1$  into  $(1+2x)\frac{dy}{dx} = x + 2y^2$  gives  $\left(\frac{dy}{dx}\right)_0 = 2(1) = 2$

Substituting known values into (1) gives

$$\left(\frac{d^2y}{dx^2}\right)_0 + 2(2) = 1 + 4(1)(2) \Rightarrow \left(\frac{d^2y}{dx^2}\right)_0 = 5$$

Substituting known values into (2) gives  $\left(\frac{d^3y}{dx^3}\right)_0 = 4(2)^2 = 16$

So using  $y = y_0 + x\left(\frac{dy}{dx}\right)_0 + \frac{x^2}{2!}\left(\frac{d^2y}{dx^2}\right)_0 + \frac{x^3}{3!}\left(\frac{d^3y}{dx^3}\right)_0 + \dots$

$$y = 1 + 2x + \frac{5}{2!}x^2 + \frac{16}{3!}x^3 + \dots = 1 + 2x + \frac{5}{2}x^2 + \frac{8}{3}x^3 + \dots$$

8 Differentiating  $\sin x \frac{dy}{dx} + y \cos x = y^2$  with respect to  $x$ , gives

$$\left(\sin x \frac{d^2y}{dx^2} + \cos x \frac{dy}{dx}\right) + \left(-y \sin x + \cos x \frac{dy}{dx}\right) = 2y \frac{dy}{dx} \quad (1)$$

$$\text{or } \sin x \frac{d^2y}{dx^2} + 2 \cos x \frac{dy}{dx} - y \sin x = 2y \frac{dy}{dx}$$

Substituting  $x_0 = \frac{\pi}{4}$ ,  $y = \sqrt{2}$  into  $\sin x \frac{dy}{dx} + y \cos x = y^2$  gives  $\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}\left(\frac{dy}{dx}\right)_{\frac{\pi}{4}} + \sqrt{2} \times \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} = 2$

$$\text{so } \left(\frac{dy}{dx}\right)_{\frac{\pi}{4}} = \sqrt{2}$$

Substituting  $x_0 = \frac{\pi}{4}$ ,  $y_0 = \sqrt{2}$ ,  $\left(\frac{dy}{dx}\right)_{\frac{\pi}{4}} = \sqrt{2}$  into (1) gives

$$\left\{ \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}\left(\frac{d^2y}{dx^2}\right)_{\frac{\pi}{4}} + 2\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}\right)(\sqrt{2}) - (\sqrt{2})\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}\right) = 2(\sqrt{2})(\sqrt{2}) \right\}$$

$$\text{So } \left\{ \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}\left(\frac{d^2y}{dx^2}\right)_{\frac{\pi}{4}} + 2 - 1 = 4 \right\} \Rightarrow \left(\frac{d^2y}{dx^2}\right)_{\frac{\pi}{4}} = 3\sqrt{2}$$

Substituting all values into  $y = y_0 + (x - x_0)\left(\frac{dy}{dx}\right)_{x_0} + \frac{(x - x_0)^2}{2!}\left(\frac{d^2y}{dx^2}\right)_{x_0} + \dots$

gives the series solution  $y = \sqrt{2} + \sqrt{2}\left(x - \frac{\pi}{4}\right) + \frac{3\sqrt{2}}{2}\left(x - \frac{\pi}{4}\right)^2 + \dots$

9 a i Differentiating  $\frac{dy}{dx} - x^2 - y^2 = 0$  with respect to  $x$ , gives  $\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} - 2y \frac{dy}{dx} - 2x = 0$  (1)

ii Differentiating (1) gives  $\frac{d^3y}{dx^3} - 2y \frac{d^2y}{dx^2} - 2\left(\frac{dy}{dx}\right)^2 - 2 = 0$

So  $\frac{d^3y}{dx^3} - 2y \frac{d^2y}{dx^2} - 2\left(\frac{dy}{dx}\right)^2 = 2$  (2)

b Differentiating (2) gives  $\frac{d^4y}{dx^4} - 2y \frac{d^3y}{dx^3} - 2\left(\frac{dy}{dx}\right)\left(\frac{d^2y}{dx^2}\right) - 4\left(\frac{dy}{dx}\right)\left(\frac{d^2y}{dx^2}\right) = 0$

so  $\frac{d^4y}{dx^4} - 2y \frac{d^3y}{dx^3} - 6\frac{dy}{dx} \times \frac{d^2y}{dx^2} = 0$  (3)

c Substituting  $x_0 = 0$ ,  $y_0 = 1$ , into  $\frac{dy}{dx} - x^2 - y^2 = 0$  gives

$$\left(\frac{dy}{dx}\right)_0 - 0 - 1 = 1, \text{ so } \left(\frac{dy}{dx}\right)_0 = 1$$

Substituting  $x_0 = 0$ ,  $y_0 = 1$ ,  $\left(\frac{dy}{dx}\right)_0 = 1$  into (1) gives

$$\left(\frac{d^2y}{dx^2}\right)_0 - 2(1)(1) - 2(0) = 0, \text{ so } \left(\frac{d^2y}{dx^2}\right)_0 = 2$$

Substituting  $y_0 = 1$ ,  $\left(\frac{dy}{dx}\right)_0 = 1$ ,  $\left(\frac{d^2y}{dx^2}\right)_0 = 2$  into (2) gives

$$\left(\frac{d^3y}{dx^3}\right)_0 - 2(1)(2) - 2(1)^2 = 2, \text{ so } \left(\frac{d^3y}{dx^3}\right)_0 = 8$$

Substituting  $y_0 = 1$ ,  $\left(\frac{dy}{dx}\right)_0 = 1$ ,  $\left(\frac{d^2y}{dx^2}\right)_0 = 2$  and  $\left(\frac{d^3y}{dx^3}\right)_0 = 8$  into (3) gives

$$\left(\frac{d^4y}{dx^4}\right)_0 - 2(1)(8) - 6(1)(2) = 0, \text{ so } \left(\frac{d^4y}{dx^4}\right)_0 = 28$$

Substituting these values into the form of Taylor's series form ii, gives

$$y = 1 + (1)x + \frac{(2)}{2!}x^2 + \frac{(8)}{3!}x^3 + \frac{(28)}{4!}x^4 + \dots = 1 + x + x^2 + \frac{4}{3}x^3 + \frac{7}{6}x^4 + \dots$$

10 Differentiating  $\cos x \frac{dy}{dx} + y \sin x + 2y^3 = 0$ , (1) with respect to  $x$ , gives

$$\cos x \frac{d^2 y}{dx^2} - \cancel{\sin x \frac{dy}{dx}} + y \cos x + \cancel{\sin x \frac{dy}{dx}} + 6y^2 \frac{dy}{dx} = 0, \quad (2)$$

Differentiating again

$$\cos x \frac{d^3 y}{dx^3} - \sin x \frac{d^2 y}{dx^2} - y \sin x + \cos x \frac{dy}{dx} + 6y^2 \frac{d^2 y}{dx^2} + 12y \left( \frac{dy}{dx} \right)^2 = 0, \quad (3)$$

Substituting  $x_0 = 0, y_0 = 1$  into (1) gives  $\left( \frac{dy}{dx} \right)_0 + 2(1) = 0$ , so  $\left( \frac{dy}{dx} \right)_0 = -2$

Substituting  $x_0 = 0, y_0 = 1, \left( \frac{dy}{dx} \right)_0 = -2$  into (2) gives

$$\left( \frac{d^2 y}{dx^2} \right)_0 + 1 + 6(1)(-2) = 0, \text{ so } \left( \frac{d^2 y}{dx^2} \right)_0 = 11$$

Substituting  $x = 0, y = 1, \left( \frac{dy}{dx} \right)_0 = -2, \left( \frac{d^2 y}{dx^2} \right)_0 = 11$  into (3) gives

$$\left( \frac{d^3 y}{dx^3} \right)_0 + (1)(-2) + 6(1)(11) + 12(1)(-2)^2, \text{ so } \left( \frac{d^3 y}{dx^3} \right)_0 = -112$$

Substituting these values into the form of Taylor's series form ii,

$$\text{gives } y = 1 + (-2)x + \frac{11}{2!}x^2 + \frac{(-112)}{3!}x^3 + \dots$$

$$y = 1 - 2x + \frac{11}{2}x^2 - \frac{56}{3}x^3 + \dots$$

Ignoring terms in  $x^4$  and higher powers,  $y \approx 1 - 2x + \frac{11}{2}x^2 - \frac{56}{3}x^3$

11 a We consider the differential equation:

$$\frac{d^2 y}{dx^2} = 4x \frac{dy}{dx} - 2y$$

Differentiating both sides:

$$\Rightarrow \frac{d^3 y}{dx^3} = 4 \frac{dy}{dx} + 4x \frac{d^2 y}{dx^2} - 2 \frac{dy}{dx} = 2 \frac{dy}{dx} + 4x \frac{d^2 y}{dx^2}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{d^4 y}{dx^4} = 2 \frac{d^2 y}{dx^2} + 4 \frac{d^2 y}{dx^2} + 4x \frac{d^3 y}{dx^3} = 6 \frac{d^2 y}{dx^2} + 4x \frac{d^3 y}{dx^3}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{d^5 y}{dx^5} = 6 \frac{d^3 y}{dx^3} + 4 \frac{d^3 y}{dx^3} + 4x \frac{d^4 y}{dx^4} = 4x \frac{d^4 y}{dx^4} + 10 \frac{d^3 y}{dx^3}$$

i.e.  $p = 4, q = 10$

**11 b** Now use the initial conditions given to find:

$$\frac{d^2y}{dx^2}(x=1) = 4 \cdot 1 \cdot 2 - 2 \cdot 2 = 4$$

$$\frac{d^3y}{dx^3}(x=1) = 2 \cdot 2 + 4 \cdot 1 \cdot 4 = 20$$

$$\frac{d^4y}{dx^4}(x=1) = 6 \cdot 4 + 4 \cdot 1 \cdot 20 = 104$$

$$\frac{d^5y}{dx^5}(x=1) = 10 \cdot 20 + 4 \cdot 1 \cdot 104 = 616$$

Plugging this into the Taylor expansion for  $y(x)$ , we see:

$$y(x) = 2 + 2(x-1) + \frac{1}{2!} \cdot 4(x-1)^2 + \frac{1}{3!} \cdot 20(x-1)^3$$

$$+ \frac{1}{4!} \cdot 104(x-1)^4 + \frac{1}{5!} \cdot 616(x-1)^5 + \dots$$

$$\Rightarrow y(x) = 2 + 2(x-1) + 2(x-1)^2 + \frac{10}{3}(x-1)^3$$

$$+ \frac{13}{3}(x-1)^4 + \frac{77}{15}(x-1)^5 + \dots$$