

Taylor's expansion of  $f(x) = \sin x$  at  $x = 0$ .

Solution

$$f(x) = \sin x \Rightarrow f(x) = f(0) + \frac{f'(0)}{1!}x + \frac{f''(0)}{2!}x^2 + \dots + \frac{f^{(n)}(x)}{n!}x^n + \frac{f^{(n+1)}(\theta x)}{(n+1)!}x^{n+1},$$

where  $\theta \in (0,1)$ ;

Calculate

$$f(0) = \sin 0 = 0;$$

$$f'(0) = \cos 0 = 1;$$

$$f''(0) = -\sin 0 = 0;$$

$$f'''(0) = -\cos 0 = -1;$$

$$f^{(4)}(0) = \sin 0 = 0;$$

$$f^{(5)}(0) = \cos 0 = 1;$$

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

Hence:

$$\sin x = \frac{1}{1!}x + \frac{-1}{3!}x^3 + \frac{1}{5!}x^5 + \frac{-\sin(\theta x)}{6!}x^6 = x - \frac{x^3}{6} + \frac{x^5}{120} - \frac{\sin \theta x}{720}x^6.$$