

Written HW16 – MATH 2502 Spring 2021

Due by 16 April for timely completion credit

Find the first three nonzero terms of the Taylor series of the given function $f(x)$, centered at the given point c .

1. $f(x) = \frac{1}{x}$, $c = 8$

2. $f(x) = 2^x$, $c = 1$ (*hint: recall that $\frac{d}{dx}2^x = \ln(2)2^x$ and $\ln(2) \approx 0.693$ – no “ $\ln(2)$ ” should remain in any term*)

3. $f(x) = \cos(x) \sin(x)$, $c = \frac{\pi}{4}$ (*note: evaluate the derivatives using elementary trigonometry for perfect answers in terms of square roots/etc for full credit*)