

# Some expansions

<http://mathworld.wolfram.com/SeriesExpansion.html>

$$\frac{1}{1-x} = 1 + x + x^2 + x^3 + x^4 + x^5 + \dots \text{ for } -1 < x < 1$$

$$\cos x = 1 - \frac{1}{2} x^2 + \frac{1}{24} x^4 - \frac{1}{720} x^6 - \dots \text{ for } -\infty < x < \infty$$

$$\cos^{-1} x = \frac{1}{2} \pi - x - \frac{1}{6} x^3 - \frac{3}{40} x^5 - \frac{5}{112} x^7 - \dots \text{ for } -1 < x < 1$$

$$e^x = 1 + x + \frac{1}{2} x^2 + \frac{1}{6} x^3 + \frac{1}{24} x^4 + \dots \text{ for } -\infty < x < \infty$$

$$\sin x = x - \frac{1}{6} x^3 + \frac{1}{120} x^5 - \frac{1}{5040} x^7 + \dots \text{ for } -\infty < x < \infty$$

$$\sin^{-1} x = x + \frac{1}{6} x^3 + \frac{3}{40} x^5 + \frac{5}{112} x^7 + \frac{35}{1152} x^9 + \dots$$

$$\ln(1+x) = x - \frac{1}{2} x^2 + \frac{1}{3} x^3 - \frac{1}{4} x^4 + \dots \text{ for } -1 < x < 1$$

... and many, many more.

**A very useful approximation:**  $(1 \pm x)^m = 1 \pm mx$