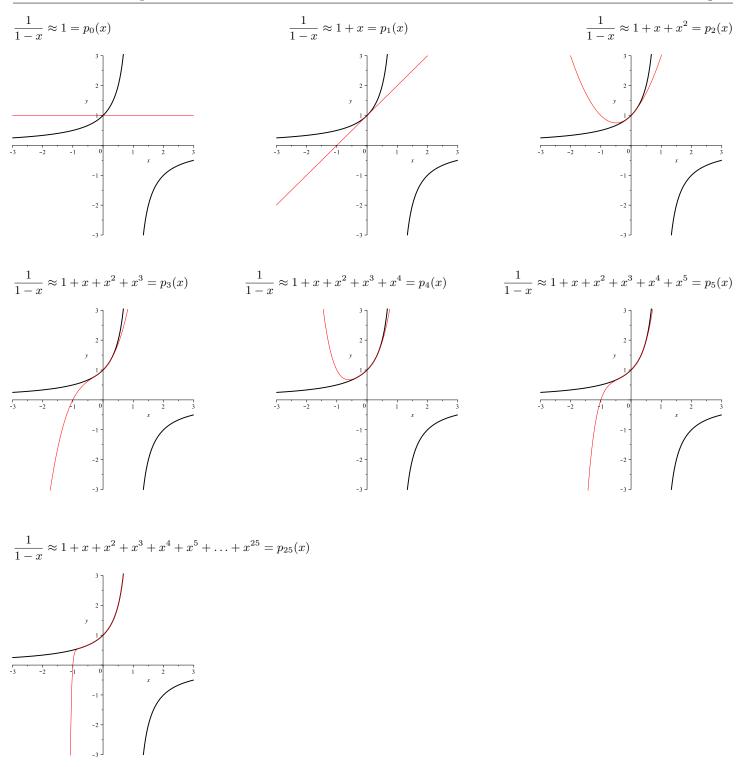
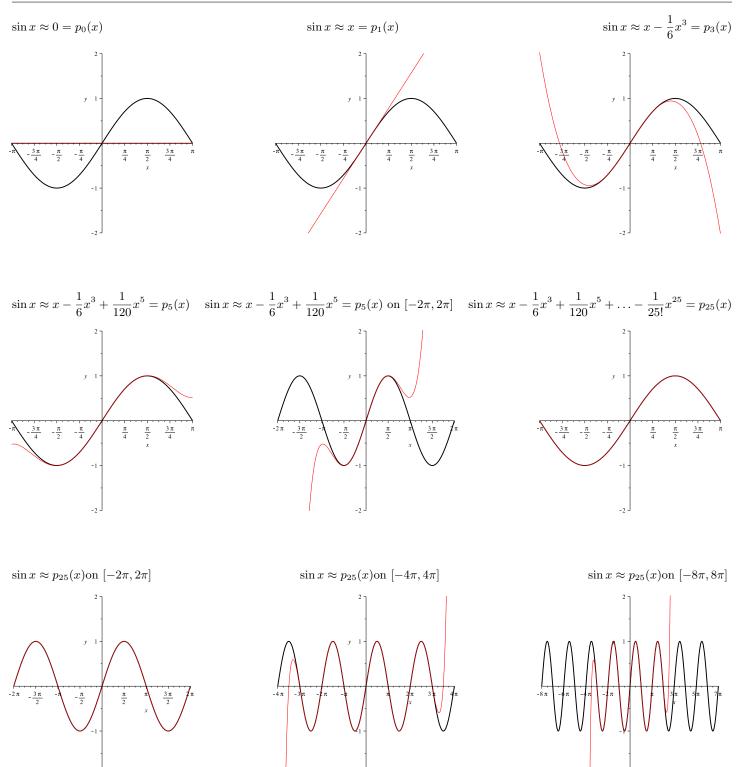
Power Series Graphs



Since the geometric series $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} x^n = 1 + x + x^2 + x^3 + \dots$ converges to $\frac{1}{1-x}$ for |x| < 1, we expect the graphs of $f(x) = \frac{1}{1-x}$ and the n^{th} order approximating polynomial $p_n = 1 + 1 + x + x^2 + x^3 + \dots x^n$

to match well on the same interval |x| < 1.



The Ratio test will show that the infinite series $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} = \frac{(-1)^n x^{2n+1}}{(2n+1)!} = x - \frac{1}{3!}x^3 + \frac{1}{5!}x^5 - \frac{1}{7!}x^7 + \dots$ converges for all x. Thus, we expect the graphs of $f(x) = \sin x$ and the n^{th} order approximating polynomial p_n to match well for all x... but we will need more and more terms for it to converge further away from x = 0.