

## Taylor's Theorem, Version 1

If all the derivatives of the function  $f$  up through  $f^{(N+1)}$  exist in an interval  $I$  containing the number  $a$ , then for all  $x$  in  $I$ ,  $f(x)$  is well approximated by its  $N$ th-degree Taylor polynomial,

$$T_N(x) = \sum_{j=0}^N \frac{f^{(j)}(a)}{j!} (x - a)^j,$$

in the following sense:

$$f(x) = T_N(x) + R_N(x),$$

where

$$|R_N(x)| \leq \frac{M|x - a|^{N+1}}{(N + 1)!}$$

with

$$M = \max_{z \in I} |f^{(N+1)}(z)|.$$