

## Quiz–Taylor Series

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Compute the Maclaurin series and Taylor series about  $x_0 = 1$  and  $x_0 = -1$  of the function  $f(x) = 1 + 2x + x^2$ . Give your answers as expansions in powers of  $x$ ,  $(x - 1)$  and  $(x + 1)$ , respectively; that is, do *not* multiply out the expressions.

Show all work and clearly mark your final answer. No calculators/notes allowed. Partial credit will be given for correctly explaining any steps you're unable to carry out, as well as demonstrating correct methods with computational errors.

The Maclaurin series of  $f(x)$  is  $1 + 2x + x^2$ : as a polynomial, it is already given as an expansion in terms of powers of  $x$ . The Taylor series about 1 is  $4 + 4(x - 1) + (x - 1)^2$ , and about  $-1$  is  $(x + 1)^2$ .