

Above, in blue is the original function, $\frac{1}{(1-x)^2}$. In orange is the linear approximation. In green is the quadratic approximation.

Using the same color scheme below, but with the original function being $\cos \pi x$, are the original function, the linear approximation, and the quadratic approximation.

Taylor Series Expansion of $\cos \pi x$ Near x = 1

