

## 11.6) The Ratio and Root Test

**Exercise:** Test the following series for absolute convergence, conditional convergence, or divergence:

$$\text{a) } \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{5^n}{(n+1)2^{2n+1}}$$

$$\text{b) } \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(n)10^n}{(n-1)!}$$

$$\text{c) } \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{\cos(\pi n)}{\sqrt{n}}$$

$$\text{a) } \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{a_{n+1}}{a_n} \right| = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{\frac{5^{n+1}}{(n+2)2^{2n+3}}}{\frac{5^n}{(n+1)2^{2n+1}}} \right| = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{5^{n+1}}{(n+2)2^{2n+3}} * \frac{(n+1)2^{2n+1}}{5^n} \right| = \frac{5}{4} \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{n+1}{(n+2)} \right| = \frac{5}{4}$$

Divergent

$$\text{b) } \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{\frac{(n+1)10^{n+1}}{(n)!}}{\frac{(n)10^n}{(n-1)!}} \right| = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{(n+1)10^{n+1}}{(n)!} * \frac{(n-1)!}{n*10^n} \right| = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{(n+1)*10}{n^2} \right| = 0 \quad \text{Absolutely Convergent}$$

$$\text{c) } \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{\frac{\cos(\pi(n+1))}{\sqrt{n+1}}}{\frac{\cos(\pi n)}{\sqrt{n}}} \right| = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{\sqrt{n+1}}{\sqrt{n}} \right| = 1 \quad \text{Inconclusive}$$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{\sqrt{n}} = 0, \text{ conditionally convergent only.}$$

**Exercise:** Test the following series for absolute convergence, conditional convergence, or divergence:

$$\text{a) } \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n}{(\ln n)^n}$$

$$\text{b) } \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (\tan^{-1}(n))^n$$

$$\text{c) } \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{n3^{2n}}{6^{n+1}}$$

$$\text{a) } \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sqrt[n]{\left| \frac{1}{(\ln n)^n} \right|} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{\ln n} = 0 \quad \text{Absolutely Convergent}$$

$$\text{b) } \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sqrt[n]{(\tan^{-1}(x))^n} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \tan^{-1}(x) = \frac{\pi}{2} \quad \text{Divergent}$$

$$\text{c) } \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sqrt[n]{\frac{n3^{2n}}{6^{n+1}}} = \frac{9}{6} * \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sqrt[n]{\frac{n}{6}} = \frac{3}{2} \quad \text{Divergent}$$

# 11.8) Power Series:

**Exercise:** For what values of x do the following series converge?

$$a) \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \frac{(5-2x)^n}{\ln(n)}$$

$$b) \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (x-1)^n \sqrt{n^2+1}$$

$$c) \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{n-1}}{n5^n} x^n$$

$$a) \quad \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{a_{n+1}}{a_n} \right| = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{\frac{(5-2x)^{n+1}}{\ln(n+1)}}{\frac{(5-2x)^n}{\ln(n)}} \right| = |5-2x| \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{\ln(n+1)}{\ln(n)} \right| = |5-2x| \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{n}{n+1} \right| = |5-2x|$$

$$|5-2x| < 1$$

$$2 < x < 3$$

$$\text{When } x = 2, \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \frac{(5-2x)^n}{\ln(n)} = \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \frac{1}{\ln(n)} > \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n} \text{ divergent.}$$

$$\text{When } x = 3, \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \frac{(5-2x)^n}{\ln(n)} = \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n}{\ln(n)}, \frac{1}{\ln(n)} \text{ decreasing and approaches 0 as } x \text{ goes to infinity, so convergent.}$$

Interval of convergence = (2, 3].

$$b) \quad \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{a_{n+1}}{a_n} \right| = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{(x-1)^{n+1} \sqrt{n^2+2n+2}}{(x-1)^n \sqrt{n^2+1}} \right| = |x-1| \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{\sqrt{n^2+2n+2}}{\sqrt{n^2+1}} \right| = |x-1|$$

$$|x-1| < 1$$

$$0 < x < 2$$

$$\text{When } x = 0, \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (-1)^n \sqrt{n^2+1}, \text{ divergent.}$$

$$\text{When } x = 2, \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (1)^n \sqrt{n^2+1}, \text{ divergent.}$$

Interval of convergence = (0, 2).

$$c) \quad \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{a_{n+1}}{a_n} \right| = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{\frac{1}{(n+1)5^{n+1}} x^{n+1}}{\frac{1}{n5^n} x^n} \right| = \left| \frac{x}{5} \right| \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{n}{n+1} \right| = \left| \frac{x}{5} \right|$$

$$\left| \frac{x}{5} \right| < 1$$

$$-5 < x < 5$$

$$\text{When } x = -5, \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{n-1}}{n5^n} (-5)^n = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{-1}{n} \text{ divergent.}$$

$$\text{When } x = 5, \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{n-1}}{n5^n} (5)^n = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{n-1}}{n} \text{ decreasing and approaches 0 as } x \text{ goes to infinity, so convergent.}$$

Interval of convergence = (-5, 5].

**Exercise:** Find the radius of convergence and interval of convergence for the following series:

$$\text{a) } \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(7-3x)^n}{n^2}$$

$$\text{b) } \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(x-3)^{2n}}{\sqrt{2n-1}}$$

$$\text{c) } \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \frac{(x+2)^n}{2^n \ln(n)}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{a) } \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{a_{n+1}}{a_n} \right| &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{\frac{(7-3x)^{n+1}}{(n+1)^2}}{\frac{(7-3x)^n}{n^2}} \right| = |7-3x| \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{n^2}{(n+1)^2} \right| = |7-3x| \\ &|7-3x| < 1 \\ &2 < x < \frac{8}{3} \end{aligned}$$

When  $x = 2$ ,  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(7-3x)^n}{n^2} = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n^2}$  divergent.

When  $x = 8/3$ ,  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n}{n^2}$  decreasing and approaches 0 as  $x$  goes to infinity, so convergent.

Interval of convergence =  $[2, \frac{8}{3}]$ , Radius of Convergence =  $\frac{1}{3}$ .

$$\begin{aligned} \text{b) } \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{\frac{(x-3)^{2n+2}}{\sqrt{2n+1}}}{\frac{(x-3)^{2n}}{\sqrt{2n-1}}} \right| &= (x-3)^2 \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| \sqrt{\frac{2n-1}{2n+1}} \right| = (x-3)^2 \\ &|x-3| < 1 \\ &2 < x < 4 \end{aligned}$$

When  $x = 2$ ,  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{2n}}{\sqrt{2n-1}} = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2n-1}}$  divergent.

When  $x = 4$ ,  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2n-1}}$  divergent.

Interval of convergence =  $(2, 4)$ , Radius of Convergence = 1.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{c) } \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{a_{n+1}}{a_n} \right| &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{\frac{(x+2)^{n+1}}{2^{n+1} \ln(n+1)}}{\frac{(x+2)^n}{2^n \ln(n)}} \right| = \left| \frac{x+2}{2} \right| \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{\ln(n)}{\ln(n+1)} \right| = \left| \frac{x+2}{2} \right| \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{n+1}{n} \right| = \left| \frac{x+2}{2} \right| \\ &\left| \frac{x+2}{2} \right| < 1 \\ &-4 < x < 0 \end{aligned}$$

When  $x = -4$ ,  $\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \frac{(x+2)^n}{2^n \ln(n)} = \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n}{\ln(n)}$  convergent. When  $x = 0$ ,  $\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \frac{(2)^n}{2^n \ln(n)} = \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \frac{1}{\ln(n)}$  divergent.

Interval of convergence =  $[-4, 0)$ , Radius of Convergence = 2.

# 11.9) Representations of Functions as Power Series:

**Exercise:** Express the following as the sum of a power series and find the interval of convergence.

a)  $\frac{1}{1+5x}$

b)  $\frac{1}{3+2x}$

c)  $\frac{1}{1-\sqrt{x}}$

a)  $\frac{1}{1+5x} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-1)^n (5x)^n$

Interval of Convergence =  $\left(-\frac{1}{5}, \frac{1}{5}\right)$

b)  $\frac{1}{3+2x} = \frac{1/3}{1+\frac{2}{3}x} = \frac{1}{3} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-1)^n \left(\frac{2}{3}x\right)^n$

Interval of Convergence =  $\left(-\frac{3}{2}, \frac{3}{2}\right)$

c)  $\frac{1}{1-\sqrt{x}} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (x)^{n/2}$

Interval of Convergence =  $(0, 1)$

**Exercise:** Express the following as the sum of a power series and find the interval of convergence.

a)  $\ln(1 - 4x)$

b)  $\tan^{-1}(3x)$

a)

$$\ln(1 - 4x) = \int \frac{-4dx}{1-4x} = \int \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-4)^n * (4x)^n dx = - \int \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (4)^{n+1} x^n dx = C - \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (4)^{n+1} \frac{x^{n+1}}{n+1} = - \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(4x)^{n+1}}{n+1}$$

Interval of convergence:  $\left[-\frac{1}{4}, \frac{1}{4}\right)$

b)  $\tan^{-1}(3x) = \int \frac{3dx}{1+9x^2} = \int \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (3)^{2n+1} * (-1)^n * (x)^{2n} dx = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (3)^{2n+1} * (-1)^n * \int (x)^{2n} dx =$

$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (3)^{2n+1} * (-1)^n \frac{x^{2n+1}}{2n+1}$

Interval of convergence:  $\left[-\frac{1}{3}, \frac{1}{3}\right]$

**Exercise:** a) Evaluate  $\int \frac{1}{1+x^3} dx$  as a power series.

b) Approximate  $\int_0^{0.5} \frac{1}{1+x^3} dx$  correct to within  $10^{-9}$ .

a)

$$\frac{1}{1-(-x^3)} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-x^3)^n dx = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-1)^n (x^3)^n dx = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-1)^n (x)^{3n} dx = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \int (-1)^n (x)^{3n} dx = \left( \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-1)^n \frac{x^{3n+1}}{3n+1} \right) + C$$

b)  $\int_0^{0.5} \frac{1}{1+x^3} dx = \left( \sum_{n=0}^8 (-1)^n \frac{1}{3n+1} * \frac{1}{2^{3n+1}} \right) =$

$\frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{64} + \frac{1}{896} - \frac{1}{10240} + \frac{1}{106496} - \frac{1}{1048576} + \frac{1}{9961472} - \frac{1}{92274688} + \frac{1}{838860800} = 0.4854018521$