

Practice Questions

- B 1. What are all values of x for which the series $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{n+1} x^n}{n^3}$ converges?

(A) $-1 < x < 1$ (B) $-1 \leq x \leq 1$ (C) $-1 < x \leq 1$ (D) $-1 \leq x < 1$

$$\left| \frac{(-1)^{n+2} x^{n+1}}{(n+1)^3} \cdot \frac{(-1)^n x^n}{n^3} \right| \rightarrow |x| < 1 \text{ as } n \rightarrow \infty$$

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

$$x=-1: \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{-1}{n^3} \quad p=3$$

- A 2. What are all values of x for which the series $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{n(x-2)^n}{3^n}$ converges?

(A) $-1 < x < 5$ (B) $-1 < x \leq 5$ (C) $-2 \leq x < 4$ (D) $-2 < x \leq 4$

$$\left| \frac{(n+1)(x-2)^{n+1}}{3^{n+1}} \cdot \frac{n(x-2)^n}{3^n} \right| \rightarrow \left| \frac{x-2}{3} \right| < 1 \quad \therefore |x-2| < 3$$

$\begin{array}{c} \text{---} \text{---} \text{---} \\ -1 \quad 2 \quad 5 \end{array}$

$$x=1: \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} n \cdot (-1)^n \text{ div}$$

$$x=5: \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} n \cdot \text{div}$$

- D 3. What are all values of x for which the series $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{x^{n+1}}{(n+1)!}$ converges?

(A) $0 < x < 2$ (B) $0 \leq x < 2$ (C) $-1 < x \leq 2$ (D) All real x

$$\left| \frac{x^{n+2}}{(n+2)!} \cdot \frac{(n+1)!}{x^{n+1}} \right| = \left| \frac{x}{n+2} \right| \rightarrow 0 \text{ as } n \rightarrow \infty$$

- C 4. What are all values of x for which the series $\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n x^n}{2^n \sqrt{n}}$ converges?

(A) $-2 < x < 2$ (B) $-2 \leq x < 2$ (C) $-2 < x \leq 2$ (D) All real x

$$\left| \frac{(-1)^{n+1} x^{n+1}}{2^{n+1} \sqrt{n+1}} \cdot \frac{(-1)^n x^n}{2^n \sqrt{n}} \right| \rightarrow \left| \frac{x}{2} \right| < 1 \quad \therefore |x| < 2$$

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

$$x=-2: \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \frac{1}{\sqrt{n}} \text{ div}$$

- C 5. What are all values of x for which the series $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n!(3x-2)^n$ converges?

(A) No values of x (B) $(-\infty, \frac{2}{3}]$ (C) $x = \frac{2}{3}$ (D) $(\frac{2}{3}, \infty)$

$$\left| \frac{(n+1)!(3x-2)^{n+1}}{n!(3x-2)^n} \right| = |(n+1) \cdot (3x-2)| < 1$$

when $3x-2=0$
 $x = \frac{2}{3}$

Practice Questions

1. The power series expansion for $\frac{1}{1-x}$ is $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} x^n$. Which of the following is a power series

expansion for $\frac{1}{1+x^3}$?

$$r = -x^3 \quad \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-x^3)^n = 1 - x^3 + x^6 - x^9 + \dots$$

- (A) $1 + x^2 + x^4 + x^6 + \dots$
 (B) $1 - x^3 + x^6 - x^9 + \dots$
 (C) $1 + \frac{x^3}{3} + \frac{x^6}{6} + \frac{x^9}{9} + \dots$
 (D) $1 - \frac{x^3}{3} + \frac{x^6}{6} - \frac{x^9}{9} + \dots$

2. The power series expansion for $\frac{1}{2-x}$ is $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} x^n$. Which of the following is a power series

expansion for $\frac{1}{2-x}$?

$$\frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{1}{1-\frac{x}{2}} = \frac{1}{2} \cdot \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left(\frac{x}{2}\right)^n$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \cdot \left(1 + \frac{x}{2} + \frac{x^2}{4} + \dots\right)$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} + \frac{x}{4} + \frac{x^2}{8} + \dots$$

- (A) $1 + \frac{x}{2} + \frac{x^2}{4} + \frac{x^3}{8} + \dots$
 (B) $1 - \frac{x}{2} + \frac{x^2}{4} - \frac{x^3}{8} + \dots$
 (C) $\frac{1}{2} + \frac{x}{4} + \frac{x^2}{8} + \frac{x^3}{16} + \dots$
 (D) $\frac{1}{2} - \frac{x}{4} + \frac{x^2}{8} - \frac{x^3}{16} + \dots$

4. A power series expansion for $f(x) = \frac{1}{1-x}$ can be obtained from the sum of the geometric series

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} ar^n = \frac{a}{1-r}, \text{ if you let } a=1 \text{ and } r=x. \text{ Let } g(x) \text{ be defined as } g(x) = \frac{1}{1+x}.$$

- (a) Write the first four terms and the general term of the power series expansion of $g(x)$.
 $(a) \quad g(x) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-x)^n = 1 - x + x^2 - x^3 + \dots + (-x)^n + \dots$
 $|x| < 1$

- (b) Write the first four terms and the general term of the power series expansion of $g(x^2)$.

- (c) Write the first four terms and the general term of the power series expansion of $h(x)$.
 $(b) \quad g(x^2) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-1)^n x^{2n} = 1 - x^2 + x^4 - x^6 + \dots + (-1)^n x^{2n} + \dots$
 where $h(x) = \int g(x^2) dx$ and $h(0) = 0$.

- (d) Find the value of $h(1)$.

$$(c) \quad h(x) = \int \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-1)^n x^{2n} dx = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-1)^n \int x^{2n} dx = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-1)^n \frac{1}{2n+1} x^{2n+1} + C$$

$$h(0) = C = 0$$

$$\therefore h(x) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-1)^n \frac{1}{2n+1} x^{2n+1} = x - \frac{1}{3} x^3 + \frac{1}{5} x^5 - \frac{1}{7} x^7 + \dots + (-1)^n \frac{1}{2n+1} x^{2n+1} + \dots$$

(d) $h(x) = \int \frac{1}{1+x} dx = \tan^{-1} x + C$
 $h(0) = 0 \Rightarrow C = 0$
 $\therefore h(x) = \tan^{-1} x$
 $h(1) = \frac{\pi}{4}$

$$|x| < 1$$

(13) Handout

Practice Questions

7. Let $P(x) = 3 - 2(x-2) + 5(x-2)^2 - 12(x-2)^3 + 3(x-2)^4$ be the fourth-degree Taylor polynomial for the function f about $x=2$. Assume f has derivatives of all orders for all real numbers.

(a) Find $f(2)$ and $f''(2)$.

$$f(2) = 3 \quad f''(2) = -12 \times 3! = -72$$

(b) Write the third-degree Taylor polynomial for f' about 2 and use it to approximate $f'(2.1)$.

(c) Write the fourth-degree Taylor polynomial for $g(x) = \int_2^x f(t) dt$ about 2.

(d) Can $f(1)$ be determined from the information given? Justify your answer.

8. Let f be the function given by $f(x) = \sin(2x) + \cos(2x)$, and let $P(x)$ be the third-degree Taylor polynomial for f about $x=0$.

(a) Find $P(x)$.

(b) Find the coefficient of x^{19} in the Taylor series for f about $x=0$.

(c) Use the Lagrange error bound to show that $\left|f\left(\frac{1}{5}\right) - P\left(\frac{1}{5}\right)\right| < \frac{1}{100}$

(d) Let h be the function given by $h(x) = \int_0^x f(t) dt$. Write the third-degree Taylor polynomial for h about $x=0$.

$$\begin{aligned} \sin(2x) &= (2x) - \frac{(2x)^3}{3!} + \frac{(2x)^5}{5!} - \dots = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(2x)^{2n+1}}{(2n+1)!} (-1)^n = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{2^{2n+1}}{(2n+1)!} x^{2n+1} (-1)^n \\ \cos(2x) &= 1 - \frac{(2x)^2}{2!} + \frac{(2x)^4}{4!} - \dots = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(2x)^{2n}}{(2n)!} (-1)^n = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n 2^{2n}}{(2n)!} x^{2n} \\ P(x) &= 1 + 2x - 2x^2 - \frac{4}{3}x^3 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(b) power} &= 19 = 2n+1 \Rightarrow 2n=18 \Rightarrow n=9 \\ \therefore \text{coefficient} &= \frac{2^{19}}{19!} (-1)^9 = -\frac{2^{19}}{19!} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(c) } \left|f\left(\frac{1}{5}\right) - P\left(\frac{1}{5}\right)\right| &= \left|f^{(4)}\left(\frac{1}{5}\right) \cdot \frac{\left(\frac{1}{5}\right)^4}{4!}\right| \quad f^{(4)}(x) \leq 16\sqrt{2} \\ &\leq 16\sqrt{2} \cdot \frac{1}{4! 5^4} < \frac{1}{100} \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{(d) } P_3(x) = x + x^2 - \frac{2}{3}x^3$$

$$\begin{aligned} f'(x) &= 2\cos 2x - 2\sin 2x \\ f''(x) &= -4\sin 2x - 4\cos 2x \\ f'''(x) &= -8\cos 2x + 8\sin 2x \\ f^{(4)}(x) &= 16\sin 2x + 16\cos 2x \\ &= 16\sqrt{2} \cdot \left(\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}\sin 2x + \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}\cos 2x\right) \\ &= 16\sqrt{2} \cdot \sin\left(2x + \frac{\pi}{4}\right) \end{aligned}$$

Practice Questions

- B 1. A series expansion of $\frac{\arctan x}{x}$ is

- (A) $1 - \frac{x}{3} + \frac{x^3}{5} - \frac{x^5}{7} + \dots$
 (B) $1 - \frac{x^2}{3} + \frac{x^4}{5} - \frac{x^6}{7} + \dots$
 (C) $1 - \frac{x^2}{2!} + \frac{x^4}{4!} - \frac{x^6}{6!} + \dots$
 (D) $x - \frac{x^3}{3} + \frac{x^5}{5} - \frac{x^7}{7} + \dots$

$$\frac{\tan^{-1}x}{x} = \frac{x}{x} - \frac{x^3}{3x} + \frac{x^5}{5x} - \frac{x^7}{7x} + \dots$$

- A 2. The coefficient of x^3 in the Taylor series for e^{-2x} about $x=0$ is

- (A) $-\frac{4}{3}$ (B) $-\frac{2}{3}$ (C) $-\frac{1}{3}$ (D) $\frac{4}{3}$

$$e^{-2x} = 1 + (-2x) + \frac{(-2x)^2}{2!} + \frac{(-2x)^3}{3!} + \dots$$

$$\frac{-8}{3!} = -\frac{4}{3}$$

- D 3. A function f has a Maclaurin series given by $-\frac{x^4}{3!} + \frac{x^6}{5!} - \frac{x^8}{7!} + \dots + \frac{(-1)^n x^{2n+2}}{(2n+1)!} + \dots$
 Which of the following is an expression for $f(x)$?

- (A) $x^3 e^x - x^2$
 (B) $x \ln x - x^2$
 (C) $\tan^{-1} x - x$
 (D) $x \sin x - x^2$

$$\sin x = x - \frac{x^3}{3!} + \frac{x^5}{5!} - \frac{x^7}{7!} + \dots$$

$$\sin x - x = -\frac{x^3}{3!} + \frac{x^5}{5!} - \dots$$

- C 4. A series expansion of $\frac{x - \sin x}{x^2}$ is

- (A) $\frac{1}{2!} - \frac{x^2}{4!} + \frac{x^4}{6!} + \dots + \frac{(-1)^{n+1} x^{2n-2}}{(2n)!} + \dots$
 (B) $\frac{x}{2!} - \frac{x^3}{4!} + \frac{x^5}{6!} + \dots + \frac{(-1)^{n+1} x^{2n+1}}{(2n)!} + \dots$
 (C) $\frac{x}{3!} - \frac{x^3}{5!} + \frac{x^5}{7!} + \dots + \frac{(-1)^{n+1} x^{2n-1}}{(2n+1)!} + \dots$
 (D) $\frac{x^2}{3!} - \frac{x^4}{5!} + \frac{x^6}{7!} + \dots + \frac{(-1)^{n+1} x^{2n}}{(2n+1)!} + \dots$

$$-\sin x = -x + \frac{x^3}{3!} - \dots$$

$$\frac{x - \sin x}{x^2} = \frac{x}{x^2} - \frac{x^3}{x^2 \cdot 3!} + \frac{x^5}{x^2 \cdot 5!} - \dots$$

- C 5. $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n x^{n+2}}{n!}$ is the Taylor series about zero for which of the following functions?

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

(A) $x \sin x$

(B) $x \cos x$

(C) $x^2 e^{-x}$

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

(D) $x \ln(x+1)$

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

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6. The graph of the function represented by the Maclaurin series $x - \frac{x^3}{3} + \frac{x^5}{5} - \frac{x^7}{7} + \dots + \frac{(-1)^n x^{2n+1}}{2n+1} + \dots$ intersects the graph of $y = e^{-x}$ at $x =$
- (A) 0.495 (B) 0.607 (C) 1.372 (D) 2.166

$e^{-x} = \tan^{-1} x$
 \downarrow
 $x \approx 0.607$

7. What is the coefficient of x^4 in the Taylor series for $\cos^2 x$ about $x=0$?
- (A) $\frac{1}{12}$ (B) $\frac{1}{8}$ (C) $\frac{1}{6}$ (D) $\frac{1}{3}$

$\cos x = 1 - \frac{x^2}{2!} + \frac{x^4}{4!} - \dots$

$(1 - \frac{x^2}{2} + \frac{1}{24}x^4 - \dots)^2$

$(-\frac{1}{2}) \times (-\frac{1}{2}) x^4 + \frac{1}{24} x^4 \times 2$
 $= \frac{8}{24} x^4 = \frac{1}{3} x^4$

8. The fifth-degree Taylor polynomial for $\tan x$ about $x=0$ is $x + \frac{1}{3}x^3 + \frac{2}{15}x^5$. If f is a function such that $f'(x) = \tan(x^2)$, then the coefficient of x^7 for $f(x)$ about $x=0$ is
- (A) $\frac{1}{21}$ (B) $\frac{3}{42}$ (C) 0 (D) $\frac{1}{7}$

$\tan(x^2) = x^2 + \frac{1}{3}x^6 + \frac{2}{15}x^{10} + \dots$

$f(x) = \frac{1}{3}x^3 + \frac{1}{21}x^7 + \frac{2}{11 \times 15}x^{11} + \dots$

9. The Maclaurin series for a function f is given by $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-2)^{n-1}}{n+1} x^n = \frac{1}{2}x - \frac{2}{3}x^2 + x^3 - \dots + \frac{(-2)^{n-1}}{n+1} x^n + \dots$. Which of the following is the third-degree Taylor polynomial for $g(x) = \cos x \cdot f(x)$ about $x=0$?

(A) $x - \frac{1}{2}x^2 - \frac{2}{3}x^3$

(B) $1 - \frac{1}{2}x^2 + \frac{2}{3}x^3$

(C) $\frac{1}{2}x - \frac{2}{3}x^2 + \frac{3}{4}x^3$

(D) $\frac{1}{2}x - \frac{11}{12}x^2 + x^3$

$(1 - \frac{x^2}{2} + \frac{x^4}{4!} - \dots) \cdot (\frac{1}{2}x - \frac{2}{3}x^2 + x^3 - \dots)$

$x: \frac{1}{2}$

$x^2: -\frac{2}{3}$

$x^3: 1 - \frac{1}{4} = \frac{3}{4}$

10. The Maclaurin series for the function f is given by $f(x) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n x^{2n}}{(2n+1)!} = 1 - \frac{x^2}{3!} + \frac{x^4}{5!} - \dots + \frac{(-1)^n x^{2n}}{(2n+1)!} + \dots$ on its interval of convergence.

Which of the following statements about f must be true?

$f'(x) = -\frac{2}{3!}x + \dots$ $f'(0) = 0$

$f''(x) = -\frac{1}{3}$ $f''(0) < 0$

$\therefore \max$

- (A) f has a relative minimum at $x=0$.
 (B) f has a relative maximum at $x=0$.
 (C) f does not have a relative maximum or a relative minimum at $x=0$.
 (D) f has a point of inflection at $x=0$.

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11. Let f be the function given by $f(x) = e^{-x}$.

(a) Write the first four terms and the general term of the Taylor series for f about $x=0$.

(b) Use the result from part (a) to write the first four nonzero terms and the general term of the series expansion about $x=0$ for $g(x) = \frac{1-x-f(x)}{x}$.

(c) For the function g in part (b), find $g'(-1)$ and use it to show that $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{n}{(n+1)!} = 1$.

$$(a) f(x) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-x)^n}{n!} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-1)^n \frac{x^n}{n!} = 1 - x + \frac{x^2}{2!} - \frac{x^3}{3!} + \dots$$

$$(b) -f(x) = -1 + x - \frac{x^2}{2!} + \frac{x^3}{3!} - \frac{x^4}{4!} + \dots$$

$$1-x-f(x) = -\frac{x^2}{2!} + \frac{x^3}{3!} - \frac{x^4}{4!} + \dots$$

$$\frac{1-x-f(x)}{x} = -\frac{x}{2!} + \frac{x^2}{3!} - \frac{x^3}{4!} + \dots = \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{n+1} x^{n-1}}{n!}$$

$$(c) g'(x) = \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{n+1}}{n!} (n-1) x^{n-2}$$

$$g'(-1) = \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} (-1)^{n+1} \frac{n-1}{n!} (-1)^{n-2}$$

$$g'(x) = \frac{(-1+e^x) \cdot x - (1-x-e^x)}{x^2} = \frac{e^x \cdot (x+1) - 1}{x^2}$$

$$= \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} (-1)^{n+1} \frac{n-1}{n!}$$

$$g'(-1) = e \cdot 0 - 1 = -1$$

$$= \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (-1)^n \frac{n}{(n+1)!}$$

$$\therefore \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{n}{(n+1)!} = 1$$

12. The Maclaurin series for $f(x)$ is given by $f(x) = \frac{x}{2!} - \frac{x^2}{4!} + \frac{x^3}{6!} + \dots + \frac{(-1)^{n+1} x^{2n-1}}{(2n)!} + \dots$

The Maclaurin series for $g(x)$ is given by $g(x) = 1 - \frac{x}{2} + \frac{x^2}{3} - \frac{x^3}{4} + \dots + \frac{(-1)^n x^n}{n+1} + \dots$

(a) Find $f''(0)$ and $f^{(15)}(0)$.

$$(a) f'''(0) = -\frac{1}{4!} \cdot 3! = -\frac{1}{4}$$

$$f^{(15)}(0) = \frac{(-1)^7}{16!} \cdot 15! = -\frac{1}{16}$$

(b) Find the interval of convergence of the Maclaurin series for $g(x)$.

(c) The graph of $y = f(x) + g(x)$ passes through the point $(0,1)$. Find $y'(0)$ and $y''(0)$ and determine whether y has a relative minimum, a relative maximum, or neither at $x=0$. Give a reason for your answer.

$$(b) \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{(-1)^{n+1} x^{2n+1}}{n+2} \cdot \frac{n+1}{(-1)^n x^n} \right| = |x| < 1$$

$$x=1: \sum \frac{(-1)^n}{n+1} \text{ convergent (AST)}$$

$$x=-1: \sum \frac{1}{n+1} \text{ divergent (p-series, } p=1)$$

$$\therefore (-1, 1]$$

$$(c) y(0) = f(0) + g(0) = 1$$

$$y'(x) = \frac{1}{2} - \frac{3}{4!} x^2 + \dots + (-\frac{1}{2}) + \frac{2}{3} x + \dots$$

$$y'(0) = 0$$

$$y''(x) = -\frac{3!}{4!} x + \dots + \frac{2}{3} + \dots$$

$$y''(0) = \frac{2}{3} > 0$$

\therefore relative minimum.