

# MATH 222: Week 1

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# 1 §11.1 Sequences

A sequence  $\{a_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$  can be thought of as an infinite list of numbers. Often they are generated by a function  $a_n = f(n)$ .

**Example.**

$$a_n = f(n) = \frac{n+1}{n}$$

$$a_1 = 2, a_2 = \frac{3}{2}, a_3 = \frac{4}{3}, \dots$$

A sequence can also be defined recursively (like the Fibonacci sequence) but we won't use those much.

Thinking of  $a_n$  as a function  $f(n) : N \rightarrow R$  can be useful when studying the limit for large  $n$ .

**Definition.** A sequence converges to limit  $L$  written:

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = L$$

if for every  $\varepsilon > 0 \exists$  a corresponding  $N$  such that  $|a_n - L| < \varepsilon \forall N$

**Definition.** We say that a sequence diverges as  $n \rightarrow \infty$  if it is not convergent. This includes if  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = \pm\infty$

**Example.**  $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \sin(x)$  diverges because its value constantly changes.  $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} e^x$  diverges as well because it keeps increasing up to  $+\infty$ . There are different types of divergence.

**Example.** Prove that  $a_n = (-1)^n$  diverges

Suppose that  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = L$  exists. But this means that consecutive terms must get closer together, therefore

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} |a_n - a_{n+1}| = 0$$

if this assumption is true. However,

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} |(-1)^n - (-1)^{n+1}| = 2$$

and not 0.  $\therefore a_n = (-1)^n$  diverges.

## 1.1 Proving a series converges

**Theorem.** If  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} f(x) = L$  for  $x \in \mathbb{R}$  and if  $f(n) = a_n$ , then  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = L$

**Remark.** If  $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} f(x)$  diverges then this DOES NOT imply that  $a_n = f(n)$  diverges.

**Example.**  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sin(\pi x)$  diverges clearly, but  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sin(\pi x) = 0$  and this sequence converges. When you change from  $\mathbb{R}$  to  $\mathbb{N}$  you might get different results.

## 1.2 Sequence limit laws

Suppose  $\{a_n\}, \{b_n\}$  are convergent sequences with  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = A$  and  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} b_n = B$ . Then:

$$\begin{aligned}\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (a_n + b_n) &= A + B \\ \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (a_n - b_n) &= A - B \\ \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} c * a_n &= c * A, \quad c \in \mathbb{R}\end{aligned}$$

**Theorem.** If  $f(x)$  is a continuous function and  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = L$ , then

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} f(a_n) = f(\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n) = f(L)$$

**Example.**  $a_n = (\frac{1}{n})^{10}$

Take  $f(x) = x^{10}$  so then  $f(\frac{1}{n}) = (\frac{1}{n})^{10}$

Since  $f(x) = x^{10}$  is continuous:

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (\frac{1}{n})^{10} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} f(\frac{1}{n}) = f(\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n}) = f(0) = 0$$

## 1.3 Squeeze Theorem

If  $a_n \leq b_n \leq c_n \forall n$  and  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = A$ ,  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} c_n = C$ , then

$$A \leq \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} b_n \leq C$$

**Remark.**  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (1 + \frac{1}{n})^n = e$

## 2 §11.2 Series

Given a sequence  $\{a_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$ , we obtain an infinite series by adding up all if the terms of  $\{a_n\}$

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n = a_1 + a_2 + a_3 + \dots$$

**Definition. Partial Sums**

The  $p$ th partial sum of  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n$  is  $s_p = \sum_{n=1}^p a_n = a_1 + a_2 + \dots + a_p$ .  $s_p$  is the  $p$ th partial sum.

**Definition. Telescoping Series**

A telescoping series is a series where "consecutive" (not always) terms cancel so that's it's possible to write a closed form of the sum of the partial sum.

**Definition. Geometric Series**

An infinite series is called geometric if  $a_n = a * r^n$  for  $a, r \in \mathbb{R}$

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} ar^n = a + ar + ar^2 + ar^3 + \dots$$

**Theorem.** Geometric series  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} ar^{n-1}$  converges to  $\frac{a}{1-r}$  if  $|r| < 1$

The proof of this would take a long time to type so I won't do it right now.

**Example.**

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} ar^n &= ar^2 + ar_a^3 r^4 + \dots \\ &= r^2(a + ar + ar^2 + \dots) \\ &= r^2 * \frac{a}{1-r} \\ &= \frac{ar^2}{1-r} \end{aligned}$$

Pay attention to where your geometric series starts!

### 3 §11.3 Integral Test

Suppose  $f(x)$  is a continuous, positive, (eventually) decreasing function on  $[1, +\infty)$  with  $a_n = f(n)$ . Then:

i if  $\int_1^{\infty} f(x)dx$  is convergent, then  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n$  is also convergent

ii if  $\int_1^{\infty} f(x)dx$  is divergent, then  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n$  is also divergent

This idea comes from Reimann sums. If the integral of a function is less than infinity, then the series must be less than infinity as well.

**Example.**  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n}$  is called the harmonic series.

i)  $f(x) = \frac{1}{x} > 0$ , so therefore  $\frac{1}{x}$  is continuous

ii)  $f'(x) = -\frac{1}{x^2} < 0$ , so it's decreasing too

iii)  $\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \int_1^t \frac{1}{x^2} dx = \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \ln(t) - \ln(1) \rightarrow \infty$

The integral is divergent, so the series is also divergent.

### 3.1 P-Test

By using the integral test on series of the form  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n^p}$ , we learn that if  $p < 1$  the series diverges and if  $p > 1$  the series converges.

**Remark.** If  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n$  and  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} b_n$  are convergent, then

$$i \quad \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n + b_n = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} b_n$$

$$ii \quad \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n - b_n = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n - \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} b_n$$

**Remark.** Suppose  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n$  is convergent and  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} b_n$  is divergent. Then  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n + b_n$  is divergent.

## 4 §11.4 Comparison Test

### 4.1 Direct Comparison Test

Suppose  $\sum a_n$  and  $\sum b_n$  are series with positive terms.

i) If  $\sum b_n$  is convergent and  $a_n \leq b_n \forall n$ , then  $\sum a_n$  is convergent too

ii) If  $\sum b_n$  is divergent and  $a_n \leq b_n \forall n$ , then  $\sum a_n$  is divergent too

## 4.2 Limit Comparison Test

Suppose  $\sum a_n$  and  $\sum b_n$  are series with positive terms. If  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{a_n}{b_n} = c$  and  $c$  is non-zero and finite, then both  $\sum a_n$  and  $\sum b_n$  converge or diverge.

If you're a computer science student, you may recognize this as Big-Theta. The idea here is that if the limit of a function divided by another function is 0, then the function on the bottom must grow faster. If the limit is  $\infty$ , then the function on the top must grow faster. However, if both functions grow at roughly the same rate, the limit will be some constant  $c$ .

This is the relationship that the limit comparison test exploits. If the limit is  $c$  then  $a_n$  and  $b_n$  grow at roughly the same rate. For this reason if we have a series  $\sum a_n$  that we want to test for convergence we can pick a series  $\sum b_n$  that we know a lot about, such as the harmonic series, a p-series, etc. If we can show that  $a_n$  grows at the same rate as  $b_n$  we can say  $a_n$  must converge (or diverge) if  $b_n$  also converges (or diverges).

## 5 §11.5 Alternating Series Test

If the alternating series  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (-1)^n b_n$  satisfied the following criteria:

- i)  $b_n \geq 0$
- ii)  $b_{n+1} \leq b_n \forall n \geq n_0$  (eventually)
- iii)  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} b_n = 0$

then  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (-1)^n b_n$  converges.

**Example.**  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (-1)^n \frac{1}{\sqrt{n^2+2}}$

Finding the first derivative of  $b_n$  gives  $\frac{n}{(n^2+2)^{3/2}}$ , which is less than 0 so  $b_n$  is decreasing, and the limit of  $b_n$  is 0. Therefore by AST, the series is convergent.

## 6 §11.6 Absolute Convergence

**Definition.** A series  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n$  is called absolutely convergent if  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} |a_n|$  is convergent.

**Definition.** A series  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n$  is called conditionally convergent if  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} |a_n|$  is divergent but  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n$  is convergent.

**Example.** Determine if  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{\sin(n)}{n^2}$  is convergent or divergent

*This function isn't alternating because its period is  $2\pi$ . It's also not positive, so we can't use our other tests. We need to test for absolute convergence with the absolute value of  $b_n$ .*

$$|\sin(n)| \leq 1 \Rightarrow \left| \frac{\sin(n)}{n^2} \right| \leq \frac{1}{n^2}$$

*This is a convergent  $p$ -series, therefore the series is absolutely convergent.*

## 6.1 Ratio and Root Tests

**Ratio Test** For the limit  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{a_{n+1}}{a_n} \right| = L$ :

- i) if  $L < 1$ , then  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n$  is absolutely convergent
- ii) if  $L > 1$ , then  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n$  is divergent
- iii) if  $L = 1$ , then the test is inconclusive

In theory this makes sense, because for a series to converge the next value in the series must be less than the previous and this relationship must be true as  $n$  reaches infinity.

*Proof.* Proof of part i:

Suppose  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{a_{n+1}}{a_n} \right| = L < 1$ , so that  $\exists$  numbers  $k, r$  such that

$$\begin{aligned} \left| \frac{a_{n+1}}{a_n} \right| &< r < 1 \quad \forall n \geq k \\ \Rightarrow |a_{n+1}| &< r|a_n| \\ \Rightarrow |a_{n+2}| &< r|a_{n+1}| < r^2|a_n| \\ \Rightarrow \sum |a_{n+k}| &\leq \sum r^n |a_k| \end{aligned}$$

□

**Root Test** For the limit  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sqrt[n]{|a_n|} = L$ :

- i) if  $L < 1$ , then  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n$  is absolutely convergent
- ii) if  $L > 1$ , then  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n$  is divergent
- iii) if  $L = 1$ , then the test is inconclusive

## 7 §11.8 Power Series

**Definition.** A power series is a series of the form

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} c_n x^n = c_0 + c_1 x + c_2 x^2 + \dots$$

Evaluating a power series at a number  $x$  gives a numerical series  $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n$ . Because  $x$  is a variable, the convergence of the series depends on the value of  $x$ .

We obtain a function  $f(x) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} c_n x^n$ , and the domain of this function is the set of all  $x \in \mathbb{R}$  such that the power series converges to a finite number.

**Example.** The power series where  $c_n = 1$  is

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} x^n = 1 + x + x^2 + \dots$$

This is a geometric series. Geometric series converge if their value of  $r$ , the difference between the terms, is between  $-1$  and  $1$ . Therefore we can say that the series  $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} x^n$  converges to  $\frac{1}{1-x}$  if  $|x| < 1$

We say that  $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} x^n$  is the power series representation of  $\frac{1}{1-x}$  on  $|x| < 1$

A power series centered at  $x = a$  is written

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} c_n (x - a)^n = c_0 + c_1 (x - a) + c_2 (x - a)^2 + \dots$$

Notice that when we set  $x = a$ , the series equals  $c_0$  because all other terms are multiplied by 0. **This gives the valuable information that a power series is always convergent at its center.**

**Theorem.** For a given power series  $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} c_n (x - a)^n$  there are only 3 possibilities:

- i) The series converges at the center, where  $x = a$
- ii) The series converges for all  $x \in \mathbb{R}$
- iii) There exists a radius (abbreviated  $R$ ) such that the series converges for  $x - a < R$  and diverges for  $x - a > R$



Power series that fit the third definition have both a **radius of convergence** and **interval of convergence**. Beginning at  $x = a$ , for values of  $x$  between  $a + R$  and  $a - R$ , the series converges. The interval of convergence gives specific information about those endpoints. Sometimes the series converges for both, one, or neither of its endpoints. This is represented by a ( or ) if the endpoint doesn't result in convergence or a [ or ] if it does.

The **Ratio Test** has a lot of use with power series. It is used to find the ROC and IOC. This illustrates why.

**Example.** Find the ROC and IOC of  $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{x^n}{n^n}$

Use the ratio test

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

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| x \cdot \frac{n^n}{(n+1)^{n+1}} \right|$$

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

$\frac{1}{n+1}$  has limit of 0 and  $\left(\frac{n}{n+1}\right)^n$  has a limit of  $\frac{1}{e}$ . The ratio test states that in order for the series to converge, the limit must be less than 1. In this case, no matter what the value of  $x$  is the limit will always be 0, which is less than 1. Therefore this power series converges for all values of  $x$

ROC =  $-\infty$  and IOC =  $(-\infty, +\infty)$

## 8 §11.9 Representation

We stated previously that  $\frac{1}{1-x} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} x^n$ . We can exploit this in order to represent a variety of functions as power series.

**Example.** Here are a few examples of rewriting functions in this way

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

true when  $|x| < 1$

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

true when  $|2x| < 1 \Rightarrow |x| < \frac{1}{2}$

$$\frac{1}{1+x^4} = \frac{1}{1-(-x)^4} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-1)^n x^{4n}$$

true when  $|x^4| < 1 \Rightarrow |x| < 1$

Since we can do this, we are also able to write the power series for functions whose integrals or derivative resemble  $\frac{1}{1-x}$  such as  $\ln x$  and  $\arctan x$ . We do this by finding the power series for the integral or derivative, then (respective) differentiate or integrate that series to find the power series of the original function.

## 9 §11.10 Taylor and Maclaurin Series

Taylor and Maclaurin series allow us to find a power series representation of any given function  $f(x)$  even if its derivative or antiderivative isn't close to the form  $\frac{1}{1-x}$ .

Suppose  $f(x) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} c_n(x-a)^n$ ,  $|x-a| < R$

$$f(a) = c_0 + 0 \Rightarrow c_0 = f(a)$$

$$f'(a) = \frac{d}{dx}(c_0 + c_1(x-a) + c_2(x-a)^2 + \dots) = c_1 + 2c_2(x-a) + 3c_3(x-a)^2 + \dots$$

$$\Rightarrow f'(a) = c_1 + 0 + 0 + \dots \Rightarrow f'(a) = c_1$$

From this above pattern we can deduce that:

$$f''(a) = 2c_2 \Rightarrow c_2 = \frac{f''(a)}{2}$$

$$f'''(a) = 3!c_3 \Rightarrow c_3 = \frac{f'''(a)}{3!}$$

Therefore the power series (Taylor series) that represents/equals  $f(x)$  can be written as:

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{f^n(a)(x-a)^n}{n!}$$

There are three main Maclaurin series that are important to know/memorize:

$e^x$

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{x^n}{n!} = 1 + x + \frac{x^2}{2} + \frac{x^3}{3!} + \dots$$

$\sin x$

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

$\cos x$

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n x^{2n}}{(2n)!} = 1 - \frac{x^2}{2} + \frac{x^4}{4!} - \frac{x^6}{6!} + \dots$$

All of these converge to the true value of the functions they represent. This can be verified using the ratio test.

## 9.1 Remainders

Suppose we only compute a finite number of terms from a Taylor/Maclaurin series. How far is this "finite" series from the true value?

Suppose we deconstruct the standard form of a Taylor series:

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

As long as the second term of this is small,  $f(x)$  can be approximated using just the first term. Since the series must converge in order to equal the function and convergent series have terms that generally decrease in size as  $n$  becomes larger, for many values of  $p$  we will have an acceptable amount of error

For convenience's sake:

$$T_p(x) = \sum_{n=0}^p \frac{f^n(a)(x-a)^n}{n!}, \quad R_p(x) = \sum_{n=p+1}^{\infty} \frac{f^n(a)(x-a)^n}{n!}$$

**Theorem.** If  $f(x) = T_p(x) + R_p(x)$  where  $T_p(x)$  is the  $p$ th degree Taylor polynomial of  $f(x)$  centered at  $a$  and  $\lim_{p \rightarrow \infty} R_p(x) = 0$  on  $|x-a| < ROC$ , then  $f(x)$  equals its Taylor series on  $|x-a| < ROC$

**Theorem.**

$$|R_p(x)| \leq \frac{f^{p+1}(z)(x-a)^{p+1}}{(p+1)!}$$

Where  $z$  equals the value between  $x-a$  and  $x+a$  that causes this expression to have its largest possible value (and therefore the largest possible difference from the true value of the

function  $f(x)$ )

The proof of the  $p = 1$  case of this involves calling  $f''(z) = M$  (for  $x = \max(x - a, x + a)$ ) and then integrating this twice.

$$\int_a^x f''(t) dt \leq \int_a^x M dt \Rightarrow f'(x) - f'(a) \leq M(x - a)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \int_z^x f'(t) - f'(a) dt &\leq \int_a^x M(t - a) dt \Rightarrow f(x) - f(a) - f'(a)(x - a) \leq \frac{M(x - a)^2}{2} \\ \Rightarrow |f(x) - T_1(x)| &\leq \frac{M(x - a)^2}{2} \end{aligned}$$

However, the LHS equals  $|R_1(x)|$

$$\Rightarrow |R_p(x)| \leq \frac{f^{p+1}(z)(x - a)^{p+1}}{(p + 1)!}$$

**This is known as the Lagrange form of the remainder**

$$R_p(x) = \frac{f^{p+1}(z)(x - a)^{p+1}}{(p + 1)!}$$

**Example.** Find a Taylor polynomial which approximates  $\sin \frac{1}{10}$  to 4 decimal places.

We want  $R_p(\frac{1}{10})$  to be less than  $\frac{1}{10000}$ . We must solve the inequality

$$\frac{f^{p+1}(z)x^{p+1}}{(p + 1)!} \leq \frac{1}{10000}$$

There are a few routes you can take with a question like this. I have decided to start at  $p = 2$  and see if it will make the inequality true. The 3rd derivative of  $\sin x$  is  $-\cos x$ .

$$\frac{-\cos(z)x^3}{3!} \leq \frac{1}{10000}$$

$$\frac{-\cos(z)(\frac{1}{10})^3}{6} \leq \frac{1}{10000}$$

Multiply each side by  $(\frac{1}{10})^{-3}$ .

$$|\frac{-1}{6}| \leq \frac{1}{10}$$

It doesn't look like  $p = 2$  will work, let's try  $p = 3$ . The 4th derivative of  $\sin x$  is  $\sin x$ .

$$\frac{\sin(z)x^4}{4!} \leq \frac{1}{10000}$$

$$\frac{\sin(z)(\frac{1}{10})^4}{24} \leq \frac{1}{10000}$$

$$\frac{\sin(z)}{24} \leq 1$$

The only way for this to not be true is if  $\sin z = \sin \frac{1}{10} > 24$  ( $z$  will be  $\frac{1}{10}$  because that's the value of  $z$  that makes the function largest in this range). This is impossible because  $\sin$  has an upper bound of 1. Therefore we need a polynomial of at least degree 3.

A polynomial that approximates  $\sin \frac{1}{10}$  to 4 decimal places is  $x - \frac{x^3}{3!}$ . The true value of  $\sin \frac{1}{10}$  is 0.0998334166 and our approximation gives 0.09983

**Example.** Find the Maclaurin series of  $F(x) = \int e^{-x^2}$

The only way to do this is with power series.

$$e^x = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{x^n}{n!} \quad \forall x \in \mathbb{R}$$

$$\Rightarrow e^{-x} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-x)^n}{n!}$$

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

Now we just need to integrate this by using the rule that  $\int x^n = \frac{x^{n+1}}{n+1}$

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

## 9.2 Limits using power series

Try to compute  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin x^2}{x}$

$$\sin x = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n x^{2n+1}}{(2n+1)!} \Rightarrow \sin x^2 = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n x^{4n+2}}{(2n+1)!}$$

Now rewrite the limit using the long-form of the series.

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{x^2 - \frac{x^6}{3!} + \frac{x^{10}}{5!} - \dots}{x}$$

Divide it all by  $x$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} x - \frac{x^5}{3!} + \frac{x^9}{5!} - \dots = 0$$

A hint for problems like these is to center the series at whatever the value of  $x$  is approaching (0, in this case)

### 9.3 $\times$ and $\div$ of Power Series

**Theorem.** Suppose we have two power series

$$f(x) = \sum a_n(x-a)^n, \quad |x-a| < R_1$$

$$g(x) = \sum b_n(x-a)^n, \quad |x-a| < R_2$$

Then:

$$f(x) + g(x) = \sum (a_n + b_n)(x-a)^n, \quad |x-a| < \min(R_1, R_2)$$

$$f(x)g(x) = \left(\sum a_n(x-a)^n\right)\left(\sum b_n(x-a)^n\right), \quad |x-a| < \min(R_1, R_2)$$

And, if  $g(a) \neq 0$ :

$$\frac{f(x)}{g(x)} = \frac{\sum a_n(x-a)^n}{\sum b_n(x-a)^n}$$

for  $|x-a| < r$ , for some  $r$

**Example.** For example, to find the first three non-zero terms of  $f(x) = \sin x \cos x$  we would have to find the sum of all multiples of terms in their series that had the three smallest degrees. In this case:

$$\begin{aligned} & \left(x - \frac{x^3}{3!} + \frac{x^5}{5!}\right)\left(1 - \frac{x^2}{2!} + \frac{x^4}{4!}\right) \\ &= x - x^3\left(\frac{1}{6} + \frac{1}{2}\right) + x^5\left(\frac{1}{120} + \frac{1}{24} + \frac{1}{12}\right) \end{aligned}$$