

The root test:

a) If  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sqrt[n]{|a_n|} = L < 1$ , then the series  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n$  is absolutely convergent and hence convergent

b) If  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sqrt[n]{|a_n|} = L > 1$ , or  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sqrt[n]{|a_n|} = +\infty$  the series  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n$  is divergent

c) If  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sqrt[n]{|a_n|} = 1$ , the root test is inconclusive.

Ex  $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left( \frac{5n+7}{6n+3} \right)^n$

$$L = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sqrt[n]{|a_n|} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sqrt[n]{\left( \frac{5n+7}{6n+3} \right)^n}$$

$$= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{5n+7}{6n+3} = \frac{5}{6} < 1$$

so  $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left( \frac{5n+7}{6n+3} \right)^n$  converges

Given any finite series

$$\sum_{i=1}^n a_i$$

the series always converges, and

we get the same sum, no matter what order we sum the terms,

A rearrangement of a series, is simply rearranging the order of the terms of some original series,

~~A divergent series~~

If  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n$  is an alternating series

with  $|a_n| \rightarrow 0$ ,  $a_n \rightarrow 0$  and

$a_n > 0 \forall n$ , then the order in which we add the terms will change the sum,

Thm Riemann

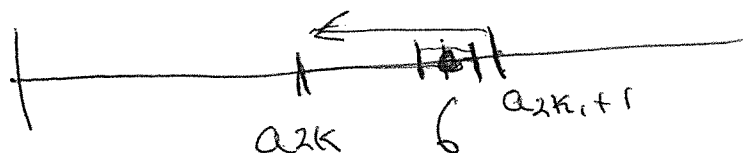
if  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n$  is a conditionally convergent series and  $r$  is any real number, then there is a rearrangement of  $\sum a_n$  which converges to  $r$ ,

Idea of the proof. Since  $\sum a_n$  is conditionally convergent

we have  $\sum |a_n|$  diverges

This implies that

$$\begin{aligned} a_1 + a_3 + a_5 + \dots &\rightarrow +\infty, \text{ and } a_{2k+1} \rightarrow 0 \\ a_2 + a_4 + a_6 + \dots &\rightarrow -\infty \text{ and } a_{2k} \rightarrow 0 \end{aligned}$$



Quiz on Wed

- 1) Sum a geometric series
- 2) Convergence of p-series
- 3) Show that the harmonic series diverges
- 4) Error Estimates for alternating series

## Section 11.8 Power Series

A power series centered at  $a$  is a series of the form

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} C_n X^n = C_0 + C_1 X + C_2 X^2 + C_3 X^3 + \dots$$

Where  $X$  is a variable

The  $C_i$ 's are constants

A power series is defined by the  $C_i$ 's. For a given set of  $C_i$ 's, a power series will converge for some values of  $X$  and diverge for other values of  $X$

~~Cx~~ if  $C_0 = C_1 = C_2 = \dots = 1$

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} C_n X^n = 1 + X + X^2 + X^3 + \dots$$

This is a geometric series and converges if  $|X| < 1$ ,

A power series, centered at  $a$ , or in  $X-a$  is

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} C_n (X-a)^n = C_0 + C_1 (X-a) + C_2 (X-a)^2 + \dots$$

Key Theorem For a power series  $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} C_n (X-a)^n$

one of the following is true.

- i) The series converges only for  $X=a$
- ii) " " " for all  $X$ ,  $X \in \mathbb{R}$
- iii) There is a positive number  $R$  s.t. the series converges if  $|X-a| < R$  and diverges if  $|X-a| > R$

$R$  is called the radius of convergence.

The interval of convergence is one of the following

$$(a-R, a+R), [a-R, a+R), (a-R, a+R], [a-R, a+R]$$

EX Find the interval of convergence for

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{x^n}{n!}, \text{ use the ratio test}$$

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

We have  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{x^{n+1}}{(n+1)!} \cdot \frac{n!}{x^n} \right| = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{x}{n+1} \right| = 0 \text{ for all } x$

The interval of convergence is,  $(-\infty, \infty)$  and

The radius of convergence  $R = +\infty$

EX  $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} 3(x-2)^n$ . ~~For~~ let  $a_n = 3(x-2)^n$

consider  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{a_{n+1}}{a_n} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{3(x-2)^{n+1}}{3(x-2)^n} \right| = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} |x-2|$

we need  $|x-2| < 1$   
 $-1 < x-2 < 1$

$1 < x < 3$ . Radius of convergence is 1.

We check the endpoints separately

If  $x=1$ ,  $\sum 3(x-2)^n$  is  $3 \sum (-1)^n$ , which diverges

If  $x=3$ ,  $\sum 3(x-2)^n$  is  $3 \sum (+1)^n$  which diverges

So, the interval of convergence is  $(1, 3)$

Ex Find the interval of convergence of  $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{x^n}{n!}$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{a_{n+1}}{a_n} \right| = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{x^{n+1}}{n+1} \cdot \frac{n!}{x^n} \right| = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{n! x}{n+1} \right|$$

$$= |x| \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{n!}{n+1} \right| = |x| \cdot \infty = \infty$$

So the radius of convergence is  $\infty$   
and our interval of convergence is one of the following  
 $[-1, 1]$  or  $[-1, 1)$  or  $(-1, 1)$  or  $(-1, 1]$

In our original series  $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{x^n}{n!}$ ,

If  $x=1$ , we have  $\sum \frac{1}{n!}$ , diverges

If  $x=-1$  " "  $\sum \frac{(-1)^n}{n!}$ , converges

so the interval of convergence is  $[-1, 1)$

Ex  $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} n! x^n$   $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{a_{n+1}}{a_n} \right| = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{(n+1)! x^{n+1}}{n! x^n} \right|$

$$= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{(n+1)x}{1} \right| = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (n+1)|x| = \infty \quad \forall x$$

except  $x=0$ ,

So, the radius of convergence is 0

and the interval of convergence is  $[0]$

Bessel Function, of order 0

$$J_0(x) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n x^{2n}}{2^{2n} (n!)^2}, \text{ Find the interval of convergence}$$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{a_{n+1}}{a_n} \right| = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{x^{2(n+1)}}{2^{2(n+1)} [(n+1)!]^2} \cdot \frac{2^{2n} (n!)^2}{x^{2n}} \right|$$

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

$$= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{x^2}{4(n+1)^2} \right| \rightarrow 0 \text{ for all } x$$

So Radius of convergence is  $\infty$   
and the interval of convergence is  $(-\infty, \infty)$

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Ex  $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{k^2} x^k$ ,  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{a_{n+1}}{a_n} \right| = \left| \frac{k^2}{(k+1)^2} \frac{|x|^{k+1}}{|x|^k} \right|$

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

We need  $|x| < 1$ , so Radius of convergence is 1.

Test  
Endpoints For  $x = -1$ , we have  $\sum \frac{1}{k^2} x^k$  is  $\sum \frac{(-1)^k}{k^2}$ . Converges by alternating series test

For  $x = 1$ , we have  $\sum \frac{1}{k^2} x^k$  is  $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{k^2}$ , converges by the p-test  
 $p = 2 > 1$

So, the interval of convergence is  $[-1, 1]$

## Section 11.9 Representation of Functions as Power Series

Start with  $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} x^n = 1 + x + x^2 + \dots = \frac{1}{1-x}$ , converges for  $|x| < 1$

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

EX Write  $\frac{1}{1+x^2}$  as a power series and find the interval of convergence

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

$$= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-1)^n x^{2n} = 1 - x^2 + x^4 - x^6 + x^8 - \dots$$

This is a power series and hence converges when  $|-x^2| < 1$   
i.e.  $x^2 < 1$  so Radius of convergence is 1,

The interval of convergence is  $(-1, 1)$

When  $x=1$  or  $x=-1$ , we have  $1-1+1-1+\dots$  diverges

EX Find a power series representation for  $\frac{1}{x+2}$

$$\text{Set } \frac{1}{2+x} = \frac{1}{2(1+\frac{x}{2})} = \frac{1}{2[1-(-\frac{x}{2})]} = \frac{1}{2} \left[ \frac{1}{1-(-\frac{x}{2})} \right]$$

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

This series converges when  $|\frac{-x}{2}| < 1$ , i.e.  $|x| < 2$

So the interval of convergence is  $(-2, 2)$

## Differentiation and Integration of Power Series.

② Thm If the power series  $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} c_n (x-a)^n$  has a radius of convergence  $R > 0$  then the function  $f$  defined by

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

is differentiable, and hence continuous, on the interval  $(a-R, a+R)$  and

$$f'(x) = c_1 + 2c_2(x-a) + 3c_3(x-a)^2 + \dots = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n c_n (x-a)^{n-1}$$

also  $\int f(x) dx = C + c_0(x-a) + c_1 \frac{(x-a)^2}{2} + c_2 \frac{(x-a)^3}{3} + \dots$

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

in the interval  $(a-R, a+R)$

The upside is that finding derivatives and antiderivatives of a power series is pretty easy.

The downside is that there are questions of convergence and if we only differentiate or integrate, a finite number of terms, we have error.



We have

$$\frac{d}{dx} \left[ \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} c_n (x-a)^n \right] = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{d}{dx} [c_n (x-a)^n]$$

$$\int \left[ \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} c_n (x-a)^n \right] dx = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \int c_n (x-a)^n dx$$

Caution The Radius of Convergence  $R$  is the same for a function  $f(x)$  and in its power series and for its derivative  $f'(x)$  and antiderivative  $\int f(x) dx$  as power series. But convergence or divergence at the endpoints might change.