

1. Find the total mass and the center of mass for the region bounded by the graphs of $f(x) = 4 - x^2$ and $g(x) = x + 2$, if the density is $\delta(x, y) = x^2$.

Solution. Notice that the curves intersect at $(-2, 0)$ and $(1, 3)$. We set up the integrals in terms of vertical slices. The vertical slice has upper endpoint $4 - x^2$ and lower endpoint $x + 2$. Since the slice has uniform density, the center of mass of the slice is $(\tilde{x}, \tilde{y}) = (x, (6 + x - x^2)/2)$. The slice has width dx , length $(4 - x^2) - (x + 2) = 2 - x - x^2$, area $(2 - x - x^2) dx$, and mass $dm = x^2(2 - x - x^2) dx$. Thus, the total mass is

$$\int_{-2}^1 dm = \int_{-2}^1 x^2(2 - x - x^2) dx = \left. \frac{2x^3}{3} - \frac{x^4}{4} - \frac{x^5}{5} \right|_{-2}^1 = \frac{63}{20}.$$

The moment about each axis is

$$M_x = \int_{-2}^1 \tilde{y} dm = \int_{-2}^1 \frac{6 + x - x^2}{2} x^2(2 - x - x^2) dx = \frac{351}{70}$$

$$M_y = \int_{-2}^1 \tilde{x} dm = \int_{-2}^1 x x^2(2 - x - x^2) dx = \frac{-18}{5}$$

Thus, the center of mass is $(-8/7, 78/49)$.

2. Determine if $a_n = \frac{\cos(n\pi)}{n^2}$ converges or diverges. If it converges, find the limit.

Solution. As $\cos(n\pi) = (-1)^n$, a_n is $(-1)^n/n^2$. Since $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n^2} = 0$ and $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{-1}{n^2} = 0$, by the Squeeze Theorem, $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = 0$.

3. Determine if $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{n}{n+1}$ converges or diverges.

Solution. Since $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{n}{n+1} = 1 \neq 0$, by the n th term test, the series diverges.

4. Determine if the following series converge or diverge and, if one converges, find its sum.

$$\text{a) } \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{5(2^n)}{3^n}, \quad \text{b) } \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{n^2 - 1}{3n^3 - 2n^2 + 1}.$$

Solution. For part a), we note that

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{5(2^n)}{3^n} = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} 5 \left(\frac{2}{3} \right)^n = \frac{10}{3} + \frac{20}{9} + \frac{40}{27} + \cdots$$

and so this is a geometric series with first term $10/3$ and ratio $2/3$. Since $2/3 < 1$, the series converges and the sum is

$$\frac{a}{1-r} = \frac{10/3}{1-2/3} = 10.$$

For part b), we use the limit comparison test with

$$a_n = \frac{n^2 - 1}{3n^3 - 2n^2 + 1}, \quad b_n = \frac{1}{n}.$$

Then

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{a_n}{b_n} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{n^3 - n}{3n^3 - 2n^2 + 1} = \frac{1}{3} \neq 0$$

Since $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} 1/n$ diverges (it is the Harmonic series), by the limit comparison test, the series

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{n^2 - 1}{3n^3 - 2n^2 + 1}$$

diverges also.

5. Determine whether or not the following series converge or diverge:

$$\text{a) } \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (-1)^n \ln(n), \quad \text{b) } \sum_{k=2}^{\infty} \frac{3}{k(\ln k)^2}$$

Solution. For a), notice that the terms do not go to zero as n goes to infinity. In fact, $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (-1)^n \ln(n)$ does not exist. Thus, the series diverges by the n th term test.

For b), we use the integral test. Notice first that the function is continuous, nonnegative and decreasing, so that we can apply the Integral Test. Next, we compute

$$\begin{aligned} \int_2^{\infty} \frac{3}{x(\ln x)^2} dx &= \lim_{R \rightarrow \infty} \int_2^R \frac{3}{x(\ln x)^2} dx \\ &= \lim_{R \rightarrow \infty} \int_{\ln 2}^{\ln R} \frac{3}{u^2} du \begin{cases} u = \ln x \\ du = 1/x dx \end{cases} \\ &= \lim_{R \rightarrow \infty} \left. \frac{-3}{u} \right|_{\ln 2}^{\ln R} \\ &= \lim_{R \rightarrow \infty} \frac{3}{\ln 2} - \frac{3}{\ln R} = \frac{3}{\ln 2}. \end{aligned}$$

Since the integral is finite, the series converges.

6. Estimate the error in approximating $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{n+1} 5}{n^3}$ by $S_{10} = \frac{5}{1} - \frac{5}{8} + \cdots + \frac{5}{10^3}$.

Solution. The error estimate for the Alternating Series Test tell us the error is at most $\left| \frac{(-1)^{11} 5}{11^3} \right| = 5/1,331 \approx .00376$.

7. Find the radius of convergence and the interval of convergence for $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{k}{4^k} x^k$.

Solution. Let $a_k = kx^k/4^k$. Then

$$\left| \frac{a_{k+1}}{a_k} \right| = \frac{(k+1)|x|}{k4}.$$

and so

$$\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{a_{k+1}}{a_k} \right| = \frac{|x|}{4}.$$

Thus, the radius of convergence is 4.

Letting $x = 4$, the series becomes $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} k$ which clearly diverges by the k th

term test. Letting $x = -4$, the series becomes $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} (-1)^k k$ which also diverges

by the k th term test. Thus, the interval of convergence is $(-4, 4)$.

8. Find a Taylor series for $f(x) = x^2 \cos \sqrt{x}$ centered at $c = 0$. You can give either the whole series or the first four nonzero terms.

Solution. The series for $\cos(y)$ is $\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^k}{(2k)!} y^{2k}$. Letting $y = \sqrt{x}$ shows the

Taylor series for $\cos(\sqrt{x})$ is $\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^k}{(2k)!} x^k$. Finally, multiplying by x^2 gives the Taylor series for $x^2 \cos \sqrt{x}$, which is

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

9. Find a Taylor series for $g(x) = \frac{2}{4+x}$ centered at $c = 0$ and determine its radius of convergence.

Solution. Notice that

$$\frac{2}{4+x} = \frac{1}{2} \frac{1}{1+x/4}.$$

This suggests obtaining the Taylor series for g by making the substitution $y = -x/4$ in the Taylor series of

$$\frac{1}{1-y} = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} y^k.$$

Making this substitution gives

$$\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^k}{2 \cdot 4^k} x^k.$$

To compute the radius of convergence, note that

$$\left| \frac{a_{k+1}}{a_k} \right| = \left| \frac{\frac{(-1)^{k+1} x^{k+1}}{2 \cdot 4^{k+1}}}{\frac{(-1)^k}{2 \cdot 4^k}} \right| = \frac{|x|}{4}.$$

Thus, the radius of convergence is 4.

10. Using an appropriate Taylor series, solve each of the following problems:

(a) Evaluate $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{e^{-2x} - 1}{x}$.

(b) Find e^4 to 10^{-5} .

Solution. For a), we have the series $e^y = 1 + y + y^2/2 + y^3/6 + \dots$. Substituting $y = -2x$ into the series gives $1 - 2x + 2x^2 - 4x^3/3 + \dots$. Thus,

$$\frac{e^{-2x} - 1}{x} = -2 + 2x - \frac{4}{3}x^2 + \dots$$

This shows that $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{e^{-2x} - 1}{x} = -2$.

For b), notice that the derivative of e^x is always e^x , so, for any n , the maximum of e^z for z between 0 and .4 is $e^{.4} < e < 3$. Thus, the error estimate for Taylor Polynomials shows that

$$|e^{.4} - P_n(.4)| \leq \frac{3(.4)^{n+1}}{(n+1)!}.$$

Using a calculator shows that if $n = 5$, then the error is at most 1.71×10^{-5} and if $n = 6$, then the error is at most 9.75×10^{-7} . Thus, the required approximation to $e^{.4}$ is

$$1 + .4 + \frac{.4^2}{2} + \frac{.4^3}{6} + \frac{.4^4}{24} + \frac{.4^5}{120} + \frac{.4^6}{720} = 1.491824356$$

which compares to $e^{.4} = 1.491824698 \dots$