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Find the series' interval of convergence and, within this interval, the sum of the series as a function of x.

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(x-2)^{2n}}{9^n}$$

First, use the root test, $\lim_{n\to\infty} \sqrt[n]{a_n} = \rho$, to find the series' interval of convergence. Begin by taking the nth root of the nth term in the series.

$$\rho = \lim_{n \to \infty} \sqrt[n]{\frac{(x-2)^{2n}}{9^n}}$$
$$= \frac{(x-2)^2}{9}$$

A series will only converge when ρ < 1. Solve the inequality $\rho = \frac{(x-2)^2}{9}$ < 1 for x to find the interval of convergence.

$$\frac{(x-2)^2}{9} < 1$$

$$(x-2)^2 < 9$$

$$|x-2| < 3 \qquad \text{Using } \sqrt{x^2} = |x|.$$

$$-1 < x < 5$$

Next, test for convergence at each endpoint, x = -1 and x = 5. Substitute each back into the expression for the series, $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(x-2)^{2n}}{9^n}$, and use the integral test to determine whether the series converges or diverges at each point.

Begin with x = -1. Substitute this back into the original series.

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(x-2)^{2n}}{9^n} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1-2)^{2n}}{9^n}$$
$$= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-3)^{2n}}{9^n}$$
$$= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (1)^n$$

Now test for convergence using the nth-term test for divergence. Determine the value of $\lim_{n\to\infty} 1^n$.

$$\lim_{n\to\infty} 1^n = 1$$

Since $\lim_{n\to\infty} 1^n$ is different from zero, the series $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (1)^n$ diverges.

Repeat the process for x = 5.

Substitute $r = \frac{(x-2)^2}{a}$.

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(x-2)^{2n}}{9^n} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(5-2)^{2n}}{9^n}$$
$$= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(3)^{2n}}{9^n}$$
$$= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} 1$$

The series becomes $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} 1$ at x = 5. As was the case at x = -1, the series diverges. Therefore, the interval of convergence is -1 < x < 5.

Now find the sum of the series $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(x-2)^{2n}}{9^n}$. Since the series is written in the form $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} ar^n$, it is a geometric series.

Find the ratio of the series, r.

$$r = \frac{(x-2)^2}{9}$$

The sum of a geometric series is given by the expression $\sum ar^{n-1} = \frac{1}{1-r}$. Substitute and solve for the sum.

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(x-2)^{2n}}{9^n} = \frac{1}{1 - ((x-2)^2/9)}$$
$$= \frac{9}{9 - (x-2)^2} = \frac{9}{5 + 4x - x^2}$$

The sum of the series is $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(x-2)^{2n}}{9^n} = \frac{9}{5+4x-x^2}$.