

The series

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

converges to $\sin x$ for all x .

a) Find this find the series for $\cos x$. For what values of x should the series converge?

b) By replacing x by $2x$ in the series for $\sin x$, find a series that converges to $\sin 2x$ for all x .

Solution

a) Take the derivative of $\sin x$

$$\begin{aligned} \cos x &= \frac{d}{dx} \sin x = \frac{d}{dx} x + \frac{d}{dx} \left(-\frac{x^3}{3!} \right) + \frac{d}{dx} \left(\frac{x^5}{5!} \right) + \frac{d}{dx} \left(-\frac{x^7}{7!} \right) + \dots + (-1)^n \frac{d}{dx} \left(\frac{x^{2n+1}}{(2n+1)!} \right) + \dots \\ &= 1 - \frac{3x^2}{3!} + \frac{5x^4}{5!} - \frac{7x^6}{7!} + \dots + (-1)^n \frac{2n+1 x^{2n}}{(2n+1)!} + \dots \\ &= 1 - \frac{x^2}{2!} + \frac{x^4}{4!} - \frac{x^6}{6!} + \dots + (-1)^n \frac{x^{2n}}{(2n)!} + \dots \end{aligned}$$

The series converges for all values of x since

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

$$\begin{aligned} \text{b) } \sin(2x) &= (2x) - \frac{(2x)^3}{3!} + \frac{(2x)^5}{5!} - \frac{(2x)^7}{7!} + \dots + \frac{(-1)^n (2x)^{2n+1}}{(2n+1)!} + \dots \\ &= 2x - \frac{8}{3!} x^3 + \frac{32}{5!} x^5 - \frac{128}{7!} x^7 + \dots + \frac{(-1)^n (2)^{2n+1}}{(2n+1)!} x^{2n+1} + \dots \end{aligned}$$