

Math 1b HW Solutions (Week 3)

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(5) (a) The domain of $f(x)$ is the values of x for which the series $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} (-1)^{k+1} \frac{x^{k-1}}{2^{k-1}}$ converges

$$\left| \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \frac{x^k}{2^k} \cdot \frac{2^{k-1}}{x^{k-1}} \right| = \left| \frac{x}{2} \right| < 1 \Leftrightarrow -2 < x < 2$$

Note that $x=2$ and $x=-2$ don't work because $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} (-1)^{k-1}$ does not converge.

$$\text{Domain} = (-2, 2)$$

(b) Clearly $f(0)=1$, $f(1) = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} (-1)^{k+1} \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^{k-1}$ = geometric series w/ $a=1, r=-1/2 = 1/(1+1/2) = 2/3$

(6) (a) Similar to #5, $f(x) = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} (-1)^{k+1} \frac{(x-5)^{k-1}}{3^{k-1}}$, $\left| \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \frac{(x-5)^k}{3^k} \cdot \frac{3^{k-1}}{(x-5)^{k-1}} \right| = \left| \frac{x-5}{3} \right| < 1$

which means the radius of convergence is 3 and the range of x is $2 < x < 8$

Again, $x=2$ and $x=8$ do not work because $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} (-1)^{k+1}$ does not converge

$$\text{Domain} = (2, 8)$$

(b) In general, $f(x)$ is a geometric series with $a=1, r = \frac{(x-5)}{-3}$ and the sum of the

series is $\frac{1}{1 - \frac{(x-5)}{-3}} = \frac{3}{x-2}$ where $x \in (2, 8)$, so $f(3) = 3$ and $f(6) = 3/4$

(8) $\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} 3^k x^k$ Using the ratio test $\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{(3x)^{k+1}}{(3x)^k} \right| = |3x| < 1 \Leftrightarrow -1/3 < x < 1/3$

So the radius of convergence is $1/3$

Notice that $x = \pm 1/3$ does not work because $\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} 1$ and $\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} (-1)^k$ do not converge

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

(10) $\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{k!}{2^k} x^k$ Using the ratio test $\left| \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \frac{(k+1)! x^{k+1}}{2^{k+1}} \cdot \frac{2^k}{k! x^k} \right| = \left| \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \frac{x(k+1)}{2} \right| = \infty$

So the radius of convergence is 0 and the interval of convergence is $x=0$.

(14) $\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-2)^k x^{k+1}}{k+1}$ $\left| \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \frac{(-2)^{k+1} x^{k+2}}{k+2} \cdot \frac{k}{(-2)^k x^k} \right| = \left| \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \frac{-2x}{k+1} \right| = |-2x| = 2|x| < 1 \Rightarrow -1/2 < x < 1/2$

So the radius of convergence is $1/2$.

If $x = -1/2$, the series becomes $\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{2^{k+1}}$ which diverges (use the limit comparison test with $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} 1/k$)

On the other hand, if $x = 1/2$, the series becomes $\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^k}{2^{k+1}}$ which converges by the alternating series test. So the interval of convergence is $(-1/2, 1/2]$

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$$(18) \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} (-1)^k \frac{x^{3k}}{k^{3/2}} \quad \left| \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \frac{x^{3k+3}}{(k+1)^{3/2}} \cdot \frac{k^{3/2}}{x^{3k}} \right| = |x^3| < 1 \Rightarrow -1 < x < 1$$

So the radius of convergence is 1.

Note that the series $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^k}{k^{3/2}}$ converges absolutely by the p-series test.

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

$$(30) \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{(2x-3)^k}{4^{2k}} \quad \left| \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \frac{(2x-3)^{k+1}}{4^{2k+2}} \cdot \frac{4^{2k}}{(2x-3)^k} \right| = \frac{1}{16} |2x-3| < 1 \Rightarrow -1/2 < x < 19/2$$

So the radius of convergence is 8.

When $x = 19/2 = -13/2$, the series becomes $\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} 1$ and $\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} (-1)^k$ respectively which both diverge. So the interval of convergence is $(-13/2, 19/2)$

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(1) (a) $f^{(k)}(x) = (-1)^k e^{-x}$ so $e^{-x} \approx 1 - x + \frac{x^2}{2}$ (quadratic)
 $f^{(k)}(0) = (-1)^k \approx 1 - x$ (linear)

(b) $f(x) = \cos x$ $f'(x) = -\sin x$ $f''(x) = -\cos x$ $f^{(3)}(x) = \sin x$ $x_0 = 0$
 $\cos x \approx 1 - \frac{x^2}{2}$ (quadratic) $\cos x \approx 1$ (linear)

(c) $f(x) = \sin x$ $f'(x) = \cos x$ $f''(x) = -\sin x$ $x_0 = \pi/2$
 $\sin x \approx 1 - \frac{(x - \pi/2)^2}{2}$ (quadratic) $\sin x \approx 1$ (linear)

(d) $f(x) = \sqrt{x}$ $f'(x) = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{x}}$ $f''(x) = \frac{-1}{4(x)^{3/2}}$ $x_0 = 1$

$\sqrt{x} \approx 1 + \frac{(x-1)}{2} - \frac{(x-1)^2}{8}$ (quadratic) $\sqrt{x} \approx 1 + \frac{(x-1)}{2}$ (linear)

In General

$$f(x) \approx f(x_0) + f'(x_0)(x-x_0) + \frac{f''(x_0)(x-x_0)^2}{2!} + \dots$$

(7) Let p_n be the ^{order} n^{th} Maclaurin polynomial, In general $p_n(x) = f(0) + f'(0)x + \frac{f''(0)}{2!}x^2 + \dots + \frac{f^{(n)}(0)}{n!}x^n$

$f(x) = e^{-x}$

$p_0(x) = 1$ $p_1(x) = 1 - x$ $p_2(x) = 1 - x + \frac{x^2}{2!}$ $p_3(x) = 1 - x + \frac{x^2}{2!} - \frac{x^3}{3!}$

$p_4(x) = 1 - x + \frac{x^2}{2!} - \frac{x^3}{3!} + \frac{x^4}{4!}$ $p(x) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{f^{(n)}(0)}{n!} x^n = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n}{n!} x^n$

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(10) $f(x) = \sin \pi x$ $f'(x) = \pi \cos \pi x$ $f''(x) = -\pi^2 \sin \pi x$ so $f^{(k)}(0) = 0$ when k is even and alternates between π^k and $-\pi^k$ when k is odd.

$$p_0(x) = 0 \quad p_1(x) = \pi x \quad p_2(x) = \pi x \quad p_3(x) = \pi x - \frac{\pi^3 x^3}{3!}$$

$$p_4(x) = \pi x - \frac{\pi^3 x^3}{3!} \quad p(x) = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{\pi^{(2k-1)} x^{(2k-1)}}{(-1)^k (2k-1)!} x^{2k-1} = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} (-1)^k \frac{\pi^{(2k+1)} x^{2k+1}}{(2k+1)!}$$

(12) $f(x) = \frac{1}{1+x} = (1+x)^{-1}$ $f^{(k)}(x) = (-1)^k \frac{k!}{(1+x)^{k+1}}$ $f^{(k)}(0) = (-1)^k k!$

$$p_0(x) = 1 \quad p_1(x) = 1 - x \quad p_2(x) = 1 - x + x^2 \quad p_3(x) = 1 - x + x^2 - x^3$$

$$p_4(x) = 1 - x + x^2 - x^3 + x^4 \quad p(x) = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} (-1)^k x^k$$

(16) $f(x) = xe^x$ $f^{(k)}(x) = (k+x)e^x$ $f^{(k)}(0) = k$

$$p_0(x) = 0 \quad p_1(x) = x \quad p_2(x) = x + x^2 \quad p_3(x) = x + x^2 + \frac{x^3}{2!} \quad p_4(x) = x + x^2 + \frac{x^3}{2!} + \frac{x^4}{3!}$$

$$p(x) = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{x^k}{(k-1)!}$$

(22) $f(x) = \frac{1}{x+2}$ $f^{(k)}(x) = \frac{(-1)^k k!}{(x+2)^{k+1}}$ $f^{(k)}(3) = \frac{(-1)^k k!}{5^{k+1}}$ Let t_n be the n^{th} Taylor polynomial

$$t_0(x) = \frac{1}{5} \quad t_1(x) = \frac{1}{5} - \frac{(x-3)}{25} \quad t_2(x) = \frac{1}{5} - \frac{(x-3)}{25} + \frac{(x-3)^2}{125}$$

$$t_3(x) = \frac{1}{5} - \frac{(x-3)}{25} + \frac{(x-3)^2}{125} - \frac{(x-3)^3}{625} \quad t_4(x) = \frac{1}{5} - \frac{(x-3)}{25} + \frac{(x-3)^2}{125} - \frac{(x-3)^3}{625} + \frac{(x-3)^4}{3125}$$

$$t(x) = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^k (x-3)^k}{5^{k+1}} = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^k (x-3)^k}{5^{k+1}}$$

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(24) $f(x) = \cos x$ $x_0 = \frac{\pi}{2}$ $f^{(k)}(\frac{\pi}{2}) = 0$ if k is even, -1 and 1 alternately if k is odd.

$$t_0(x) = 0 \quad t_1(x) = -(x - \frac{\pi}{2}) \quad t_2(x) = -(x - \frac{\pi}{2}) \quad t_3(x) = -(x - \frac{\pi}{2}) + \frac{(x - \frac{\pi}{2})^3}{3!}$$

$$t_4(x) = -(x - \frac{\pi}{2}) + \frac{(x - \frac{\pi}{2})^3}{3!} \quad t(x) = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{k+1}}{(2k+1)!} (x - \frac{\pi}{2})^{2k+1}$$

A: If $\sum a_n x^n$ has radius of convergence S , what is the radius of convergence of $\sum a_n x^{2n}$?

$$\sum a_n x^{2n} = \sum a_n (x^2)^n \quad \text{since } \sum a_n x^n \text{ has radius of convergence } S,$$

$|x| < S$. So for $\sum a_n x^{2n}$ to converge, $|x^2| < S$ which means $|x| < \sqrt{S}$

So the radius of convergence is \sqrt{S} .