

#22 on Series Handout A

a) Recall:  $\frac{d}{du}[\ln(1+u)] = \frac{1}{1+u} = 1 - u + u^2 - u^3 + u^4 - u^5 + \dots$

Integrate term-by-term the Maclaurin series for  $\frac{1}{1+u}$  to get the Maclaurin series for  $\ln(1+u)$ :

$$u - \frac{u^2}{2} + \frac{u^3}{3} - \frac{u^4}{4} + \dots = \boxed{\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{n+1} u^n}{n}}$$

b) Letting  $u = x-1$ , we have

$$\ln(1+u) = \ln(x) = (x-1) - \frac{(x-1)^2}{2} + \frac{(x-1)^3}{3} - \frac{(x-1)^4}{4} + \dots$$

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

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$$\begin{aligned} 24. (a) \sin x &= x - \frac{x^3}{3!} + \frac{x^5}{5!} - \frac{x^7}{7!} + \dots \\ &= 1 - \frac{x^2}{2!} + \frac{x^4}{4!} - \frac{x^6}{6!} + \dots \end{aligned}$$

To get the 3<sup>rd</sup> degree polynomial for  $f(x) = \sin x \cos x$ , we only need to multiply the first two terms of the Taylor polynomials of  $\sin x$  and  $\cos x$ .

$$\begin{aligned} \sin x \cos x &\approx \left(x - \frac{x^3}{3!}\right) \left(1 - \frac{x^2}{2!}\right) = x - \frac{x^3}{2!} - \frac{x^3}{3!} \left[ + \frac{x^5}{3!2!} \right. \\ &= x - \frac{x^3}{2} - \frac{x^3}{6} = \boxed{x - \frac{2}{3}x^3} \quad \left. \begin{array}{l} \text{exclude because} \\ \text{its degree is} \\ \text{greater than 3.} \end{array} \right. \end{aligned}$$

Check:

$$\sin(2x) = 2 \sin x \cos x$$

$$\frac{\sin(2x)}{2} = \sin x \cos x$$

- substitute  $2x$  for  $x$  in the Taylor polynomial for  $\sin x$ , up to the 3<sup>rd</sup> degree term

$$\frac{\sin(2x)}{2} = \frac{(2x) - \frac{(2x)^3}{3!}}{2} = \boxed{x - \frac{2}{3}x^3}$$

$$b) \sqrt{1+x} = 1 + \frac{x}{2} + \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{n-1} \cdot 1 \cdot 3 \cdot 5 \cdots (2n-3)}{2^n n!} x^{3n+1}$$

To get the 2<sup>nd</sup> degree polynomial for  $f(x) = \sqrt{1+x} \cdot \sqrt{1-x}$  we only need to multiply the 1<sup>st</sup> 3 terms

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow \sqrt{1+x} \cdot \sqrt{1-x} &= \left(1 + \frac{x}{2} + \frac{x^2}{8}\right) \cdot \left(1 + \frac{x}{2} - \frac{x^2}{8}\right) \\ &= \boxed{1+x} \quad (\text{excluding all terms with degree greater than 2}) \end{aligned}$$

- The  $x^3$  coefficient should be 0 (remember that our function is just  $1+x$ )

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$$f(x) = \frac{1}{x-5} = -\frac{1}{5} \left( \frac{1}{1 - \frac{x}{5}} \right) = -\frac{1}{5} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left( \frac{x}{5} \right)^n \text{ or equivalently,}$$

$$-\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{5^{n+1}} x^n. \text{ The series converges when } \left| \frac{x}{5} \right| < 1;$$

that is, when  $|x| < 5$ , so  $I = (-5, 5)$ .

11. (a)  $f(x) = \frac{1}{(1+x)^2} = \frac{d}{dx} \left( \frac{-1}{1+x} \right) = -\frac{d}{dx} \left[ \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-1)^n x^n \right]$  [from Exercise 3]

$$= \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (-1)^{n+1} n x^{n-1} \text{ [from Theorem 2(a)]} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-1)^n (n+1) x^n \text{ with } R = 1.$$

In the last step, note that we *decreased* the initial value of the summation variable  $n$  by 1, and then *increased* each occurrence of  $n$  in the term by 1 [also note that  $(-1)^{n+2} = (-1)^n$ ].

(b)  $f(x) = \frac{1}{(1+x)^3} = -\frac{1}{2} \frac{d}{dx} \left[ \frac{1}{(1+x)^2} \right] = -\frac{1}{2} \frac{d}{dx} \left[ \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-1)^n (n+1) x^n \right]$  [from part (a)]

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

(c)  $f(x) = \frac{x^2}{(1+x)^3} = x^2 \cdot \frac{1}{(1+x)^3} = x^2 \cdot \frac{1}{2} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-1)^n (n+2)(n+1) x^n$  [from part (b)]

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

To write the power series with  $x^n$  rather than  $x^{n+2}$ ,

we will *decrease* each occurrence of  $n$  in the term by 2 and *increase* the initial value of the summation variable

by 2. This gives us  $\frac{1}{2} \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} (-1)^n (n)(n-1) x^n$ .

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$n$	$f^{(n)}(x)$	$f^{(n)}(1)$
0	$x^{-1}$	1
1	$-x^{-2}$	-1
2	$2x^{-3}$	2
3	$-3 \cdot 2x^{-4}$	$-3 \cdot 2$
4	$4 \cdot 3 \cdot 2x^{-5}$	$4 \cdot 3 \cdot 2$
$\vdots$	$\vdots$	$\vdots$

So  $f^{(n)}(1) = (-1)^n n!$ , and  $\frac{1}{x} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n n!}{n!} (x-1)^n = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-1)^n (x-1)^n$ . If  $a_n = (-1)^n (x-1)^n$  then

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{a_{n+1}}{a_n} \right| = |x-1| < 1 \text{ for convergence, so } R = 1.$$

$$29. e^x = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{x^n}{n!}, \text{ so } e^{-0.2} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-0.2)^n}{n!} = 1 - 0.2 + \frac{1}{2!}(0.2)^2 - \frac{1}{3!}(0.2)^3 + \frac{1}{4!}(0.2)^4 - \frac{1}{5!}(0.2)^5 + \frac{1}{6!}(0.2)^6 - \dots$$

But  $\frac{1}{6!}(0.2)^6 = 8.\bar{8} \times 10^{-8}$ , so by the Alternating Series Estimation Theorem,  $e^{-0.2} \approx \sum_{n=0}^5 \frac{(-0.2)^n}{n!} \approx 0.81873$ ,

correct to five decimal places.

$$36. \cos(x^2) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n (x^2)^{2n}}{(2n)!}, \text{ so}$$

$$\int_0^{0.5} \cos(x^2) dx = \int_0^{0.5} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n x^{4n}}{(2n)!} dx = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left[ \frac{(-1)^n x^{4n+1}}{(4n+1)(2n)!} \right]_0^{0.5} = 0.5 - \frac{(0.5)^5}{5 \cdot 2!} + \frac{(0.5)^9}{9 \cdot 4!} - \dots, \text{ but}$$

$\frac{(0.5)^9}{9 \cdot 4!} \approx 0.000009$ , so by the Alternating Series Estimation Theorem,  $\int_0^{0.5} \cos(x^2) dx \approx 0.5 - \frac{(0.5)^5}{5 \cdot 2!} \approx 0.497$  (correct to three decimal places).