

MATH 3060 TEST 2. FALL 2010

1-2 (10 points each) Find the interval of convergence of the following power series. Be sure to test the endpoints.

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

2

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

3 (10 points) Use the definition of the Taylor series to compute the Taylor series for $\sin x$ expanded about the point $c = \pi$.

4-7 (8 points each) Manipulate a known series to find the Taylor series for each function (expanded about $c = 0$).

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$$f(x) = x^3 \sin(2x)$$

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

6

$$f(x) = \frac{1}{1+3x^2}$$

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$$f(x) = \frac{1}{(1+x)^2}$$

8 (6 points) What is the exact value of the following series?

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n \cdot 3^n}{n!}$$

9 (6 points) Use the Taylor series for sine and cosine to evaluate following limit [no credit for using any other method]

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{1 - \cos x}{\sin(x^2)}$$

10 (8 points) Find a series solution to the integral

$$\int x^2 e^{x^2} dx$$

11-12 (10 points each) Use Taylor series to estimate the indicated value to within $1/500$. Be sure to justify your decision regarding the number of terms required for this level of precision.

11 $\cos(1)$

12 $e^{1/10}$

1 Use the root test:

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{(-1)^n x^n}{2^n n^2} \right|^{1/n} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{|x|}{2n^{2/n}} = \frac{|x|}{2}.$$

The series converges if $|x| < 2$ and diverges if $|x| > 2$. Now to test the endpoints. When $x = 2$, $\sum (-1)^n/n^2$ converges by the Alternating Series Test. When $x = -2$, $\sum 1/n^2$ converges by the p -test ($p = 2$). Therefore, the interval of convergence is $[-2, 2]$.

2 Use the ratio test:

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{|x-1|^{n+1}}{3n+4} \cdot \frac{3n+1}{|x-1|^n} \\ &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{3n+1}{3n+4} \cdot |x-1| \\ &= |x-1|. \end{aligned}$$

This converges for $0 < x < 2$ and diverges if $x < 0$ or $x > 2$. Now to test the endpoints. When $x = 0$, $\sum (-1)^n/(3n+1)$ converges by the alternating series test. When $x = 2$, $\sum 1/(3n+1)$ diverges by a limit comparison with the harmonic series. The interval of convergence is $[0, 2)$.

3

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

The Taylor series is

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{-1}{1!}(x-\pi) + \frac{1}{3!}(x-\pi)^3 - \frac{1}{5!}(x-\pi)^5 + \dots \\ = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{n+1}}{(2n+1)!} (x-\pi)^{2n+1} \end{aligned}$$

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$$\begin{aligned} f(x) &= x^3 \cdot \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n}{(2n+1)!} (2x)^{2n+1} \\ &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n 2^{2n+1}}{(2n+1)!} x^{2n+4} \end{aligned}$$

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$$f(x) = x \cdot \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n!} (-x)^n = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n}{n!} x^{n+1}$$

6

$$\begin{aligned} f(x) &= \frac{1}{1 - (-3x^2)} \\ &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-3x^2)^n \\ &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-3)^n x^{2n} \end{aligned}$$

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$$\begin{aligned} f(x) &= \frac{1}{(1+x)^2} = \frac{d}{dx} \left(\frac{-1}{1+x} \right) \\ &= \frac{d}{dx} \left(- \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-x)^n \right) \\ &= \frac{d}{dx} \left(\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-1)^{n+1} x^n \right) \\ &= \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (-1)^{n+1} n x^{n-1} \end{aligned}$$

8

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n \cdot 3^n}{n!} = e^{-3}$$

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$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1 - \left(1 - \frac{x^2}{2!} + \frac{x^4}{4!} - \dots\right)}{\frac{x^2}{1!} - \frac{x^6}{3!} + \frac{x^{10}}{5!} - \dots} \\ &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\frac{x^2}{2!} - \frac{x^4}{4!} - \dots}{\frac{x^2}{1!} - \frac{x^6}{3!} + \frac{x^{10}}{5!} - \dots} \\ &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\frac{1}{2} - \frac{x^2}{4!} + \dots}{1 - \frac{x^4}{3!} + \frac{x^8}{5!} - \dots} \\ &= 1/2 \end{aligned}$$

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$$\begin{aligned} \int x^2 e^{x^2} dx &= \int \left(x^2 \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n!} (x^2)^n \right) dx \\ &= \int \left(\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n!} x^{2n+2} \right) dx \\ &= C + \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n!} \cdot \frac{x^{2n+3}}{2n+3} \end{aligned}$$

11

$$\begin{aligned} \cos(1) &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n}{(2n)!} (1)^{2n} \\ &= 1 - \frac{1}{2!} + \frac{1}{4!} - \frac{1}{6!} + \frac{1}{8!} - \dots \end{aligned}$$

Note that $1/6! = 1/720 < 1/500$, so, to within $1/500$,

$$\cos(1) = 1 - \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{24} = \frac{13}{24}.$$

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$$\begin{aligned} e^{1/10} &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n!} (1/10)^n \\ &= 1 + \frac{1}{10} + \frac{1}{2!} \cdot \frac{1}{100} + \frac{1}{3!} \frac{1}{1000} + \dots \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} R_n(x) &= \frac{M}{(n+1)!} (1/10)^{n+1} \\ &< \frac{2}{(n+1)!} \cdot \frac{1}{10^{n+1}} \end{aligned}$$

Note that when $n = 2$,

$$R_2(x) < \frac{2}{3!} \cdot \frac{1}{10^3} = \frac{2}{6000} < \frac{1}{500},$$

so to within $1/500$,

$$e^{1/10} \approx 1 + \frac{1}{10} + \frac{1}{200} = \frac{221}{200}.$$