

11.8: Power Series!

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Speed Round

Determine whether each of the following series converges or diverges.

1. $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n}$ DIV

5. $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{\sqrt{n}}$ DIV

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

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

6. $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n}{1 + \ln n}$ CC

10. $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (-1)^n$ DIV

3. $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{2^n}{n!}$ ABS

7. $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{n^2 \ln n}{4^n}$ ABS

11. $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{3^n}{n^2 + \sqrt{n}}$ DIV

4. $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{2^n}{n^2}$ DIV

8. $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{n^5 5^n}{n!}$ ABS

12. $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{n!}{30^n}$ DIV

Interval of Convergence

How to tell at a glance what the interval of convergence is:

1. If $n!$ appears, ignore everything else. $R = 0$ or $R = \infty$.
2. If not, write your series (if possible) as $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} A(n) \cdot (x - a)^n \cdot r^n$ where r^n is the part that increases exponentially and $A(n)$ is everything else.
3. $R = 1/|r|$. The interval of convergence is $(a - R, a + R)$, except maybe for the endpoints.
4. If $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} A(n)$ converges absolutely, the interval is $[a - R, a + R]$.
5. If $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} A(n)$ converges conditionally the interval will be one-sided (either $(a - R, a + R]$ or $[a - R, a + R)$).
6. If $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} A(n) \neq 0$, the interval is $(a - R, a + R)$.

Find the intervals of convergence of the following functions:

1. $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} x^n$: $(-1, 1)$

5. $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(x - 5)^n}{n \cdot 3^n}$: $[2, 12)$

9. $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n!(x - 1)^n$: $\{1\}$ only.

2. $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{x^n}{n}$: $[-1, 1)$

6. $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (-2)^n \frac{(x + 4)^n}{\sqrt{n}}$:
 $(-4.5, -3.5]$

10. $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(x - 3)^n}{n(-4)^n}$: $(-1, 7]$

3. $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{x^n}{n^2}$: $[-1, 1]$

7. $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} 5^n \frac{(x + 3)^n}{n!}$: $(-\infty, \infty)$

11. $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{x^n}{n!}$: $(-\infty, \infty)$

4. $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(x - 3)^n}{2^n}$: $(1, 5)$

8. $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (x + 7)^n \frac{n}{2^n}$: $(-9, -5)$

12. $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (-1)^n \frac{(x + 2)^n}{n\sqrt{n}}$: $[-3, -1]$

Power Series Arithmetic!

- $e^x = 1 + x + x^2/2! + x^3/3! - \dots = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} x^n/n!$
- $\sin x = x - x^3/3! + x^5/5! - \dots = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-1)^n x^{2n+1}/(2n+1)!$
- $\cos x = 1 - x^2/2! + x^4/4! - \dots = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-1)^n x^{2n}/(2n)!$
- $\frac{1}{1-x} = 1 + x + x^2 + x^3 + \dots = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} x^n$

Rewrite the power series above in sigma notation.

Add and Multiply!

- $5e^x = 5 + 5x + 5x^2/2! + 5x^3/3! - \dots$
- $\sin x + \cos x = 1 + x - x^2/2! - x^3/3! + x^4/4! + x^5/5! - \dots$

Compose!

- $e^{-x^2} = 1 - x^2 + x^4/2! - x^6/3! + \dots$
- $\sin(2x) = 2x - (2x)^3/3! + (2x)^5/5! - \dots$
- $\frac{1}{1-3x} = 1 + (3x) + (3x)^2 + (3x)^3 + \dots = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (3x)^n$
- $\frac{1}{1+x^2} = 1 - x^2 + x^4 - x^6 + \dots$
- $\frac{1}{5-x} = \frac{1}{5}(1 + (x/5) + (x/5)^2 + (x/5)^3 + \dots)$
- $\frac{1}{2+3x} = \frac{1}{2}(1 - (3x/2) + (3x/2)^2 - (3x/2)^3 + \dots)$

Differentiate and Integrate!

- $\frac{d}{dx} e^x = e^x$
- $\frac{d}{dx} \sin x = \cos x$
- $\int e^x = e^x$
- $\ln(1+x) = \int \frac{1}{1+x} = 1 - x + x^2/2 - x^3/3 + \dots$
- $\arctan x = \int \frac{1}{1+x^2} = 1 - x^3/3 + x^5/5 - x^7/7 + \dots$
- $\int \sin x = -\cos x$

... Multiply and Divide?

Verify the following:

- $\sin(2x) = 2 \sin x \cos x$
- $e^x e^{-x} = 1$
- $\sin^2 x + \cos^2 x = 1$
- Find $1/\cos(x)$ by solving $(a_0 + a_1x + a_2x^2 + \dots) \cos(x) = 1$ term-by-term.

Invert??

1. Find $\arcsin(x)$ by solving $P(\sin x)$ term-by-term.
2. Find $\sqrt{1+x}$ by solving $P(x)^2 = 1+x$.