

Math 182 Quiz 9

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Point values in boxes.

1. [1] Please indicate True or F false. Center = -2

Radius > 4

(a)  F : Suppose  $\sum a_n(x+2)^n$  converges when  $x = 2$ . Then it must converge when  $x = -4$ .

(b) T /  F : Suppose  $\sum a_n(x+2)^n$  converges when  $x = 0$ . Then it must converge when  $x = -4$ .

2. [1] For a power series  $\sum a_n(x-c)^n$ , suppose  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{a_{n+1}}{a_n} \right| = 0$ . State the radius and interval of convergence.

$$\text{Radius} = \infty, \quad \text{Interval} = \mathbb{R}$$

3. [5] For the power series below, find and clearly state the radius and interval of convergence. Provide appropriate justification.

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

$$\sqrt[n]{\left| \frac{(-1)^n (x-1)^n}{2^n n^2} \right|} = \frac{|x-1|}{2} \cdot \sqrt[n]{\frac{1}{n^2}} \xrightarrow{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{|x-1|}{2} < 1$$

so  $\sum_{n=3}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n (x-1)^n}{2^n n^2}$  converges absolutely when  $|x-1| < 2$ ,

i.e. the radius of convergence is 2.

To find the interval we check the endpoints

$$x = 3 : \sum_{n=3}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n 2^n}{2^n n^2} = \sum_{n=3}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n}{n^2} \text{ which converges absolutely since } \sum_{n=3}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n^2} \text{ converges.}$$

$$x = -1 : \sum_{n=3}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n (-2)^n}{2^n n^2} = \sum_{n=3}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n^2} \text{ which is a convergent p-series,}$$

so the interval of convergence is  $[-1, 3]$ .

CONTINUED ON THE REVERSE.

4. [3] Use the geometric series  $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} x^n = \frac{1}{1-x}$  for  $|x| < 1$  to find a series representation for  $f(x) = -\ln(1-x)$  centered at  $c = 0$  and its interval of convergence.

$$\text{HINT: } f'(x) = \frac{1}{1-x}.$$

$$\frac{1}{1-x} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} x^n \quad \text{for } |x| < 1$$

so

$$-\ln(1-x) = \int \frac{1}{1-x} dx + A \quad \text{for } |x| < 1$$

$$= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{x^{n+1}}{n+1} + A \quad \text{for } |x| < 1$$

Let  $x = 0$ ,

$$-\ln(1) = A \quad \text{so } A = 0,$$

so

$$-\ln(1-x) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{x^{n+1}}{n+1} \quad \text{for } |x| < 1.$$

Does the series converge for  $x = \pm 1$ ?

$x = 1$  :  $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n+1}$  diverges since  $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n+1} = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{k}$  is the Harmonic.

$x = -1$  :  $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n}{n+1}$  converges by the Alternating Series Test

since  $\frac{1}{n+1} > 0$ ,  $\frac{1}{n+1} > \frac{1}{n+2}$ , and  $\frac{1}{n+1} \xrightarrow{n \rightarrow \infty} 0$ .