

# Math 1432

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**Geometric Series Test.**  $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (r)^n$  conv. when  $|r| < 1$

**Basic Divergence Test.** if  $a_n \not\rightarrow 0$  then  $\sum a_n$  diverges

**p-Series Test.**  $\sum \frac{1}{n^p}$  conv. if  $p > 1$

**Integral Test.** if  $\int_1^{\infty} f(x) dx$  conv. then  $\sum f(n)$  conv.  
div. div.

**Basic Comparison Test.** less than conv. converges  
greater than div. diverges

**Limit Comparison Test.**  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{a_n}{b_n} = \text{finite positive} \Rightarrow$

**Root Test**  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (a_n)^{1/n} < 1$  conv.  
 $> 1$  div. }  $\sum a_n + \sum b_n$  do same

**Ratio Test**  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{a_{n+1}}{a_n} < 1$  conv.  
 $> 1$  div. }  $= 1 \Rightarrow$  inconclusive

**Alternating Series Test for Convergence:**  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (-1)^{n-1} b_n$   $b_n > 0$

if  $\sum a_n$  alternates &  
terms  $\rightarrow 0 \Rightarrow$  converges

$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n$  is **absolutely convergent** if  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} |a_n|$  converges.

$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n$  is **conditionally convergent** if  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n$  converges

but  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} |a_n|$  diverges.

(Note: a non-alternating series can never converge conditionally)

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1.  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n}{2n^2}$   $\leftarrow$  alternates  $\quad \& \quad \frac{1}{2n^2} \rightarrow 0 \Rightarrow \text{conv.}$

(a.) converges absolutely

b. converges conditionally

~~c. diverges~~

CK for abs:  $\sum \left| \frac{(-1)^n}{2n^2} \right| = \sum \frac{1}{2n^2}$

$$2. \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{2n+1}{5n^2+2n} \sim \sum \frac{1}{n}$$

a. converges

b. diverges

$$3. \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{3n+1}{5n^3+2n} \sim \sum \frac{1}{n^2}$$

a. converges

b. diverges

4.  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{n}{3^n}$

a. converges

b. diverges

5.  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n}{n}$  ← alt  
\*  $\frac{1}{n} \rightarrow 0$   
 $\Rightarrow$  conv

a. converges absolutely ?  $\sum \frac{1}{n}$

b. converges conditionally ←

~~c. diverges~~

6.  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{n+1} \arctan(n)}{n^2} < \pi/2$

$$\sum \frac{(-1)^{n+1}}{n^2}$$

a. converges absolutely

b. converges conditionally

~~c. diverges~~

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} \text{a.} \\ \text{b.} \end{array} \right\} \sum \frac{1}{n^2}$$

7.  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{n \cos(n\pi)}{2^n}$  alt.

$$\frac{n}{2^n} \rightarrow 0 \checkmark$$

a. converges absolutely

b. converges conditionally

$$\sum \frac{n}{2^n}$$

~~c. diverges~~

8.  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{n \cos(n\pi)}{n^2 + 1}$  alt.

$$\frac{n}{n^2 + 1} \rightarrow 0 \checkmark$$

a. converges absolutely

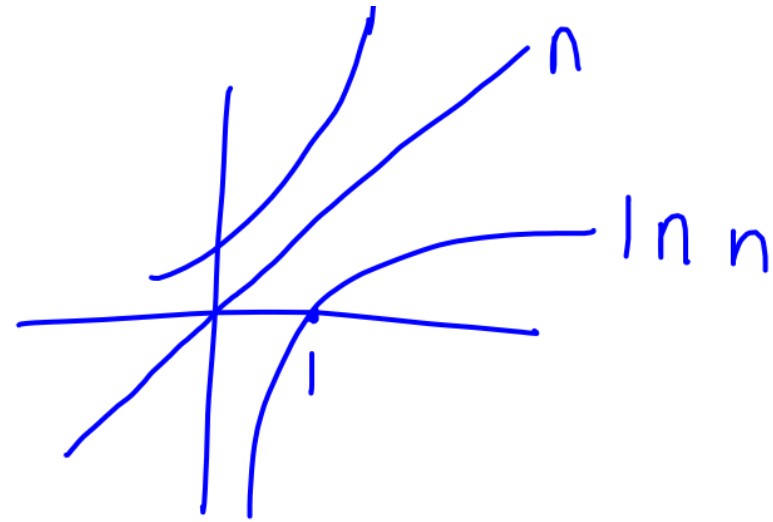
b. converges conditionally

$$\sum \frac{n}{n^2 + 1}$$

~~c. diverges~~



9.  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{\ln n}{n} > \sum \frac{1}{n}$



a. converges

**b.** diverges

10.  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n \ln n}{n}$  alt &  $\frac{\ln n}{n} \rightarrow 0$

**a.** converges

b. diverges

Notes for series "growth":

Let  $p(k)$  be a polynomial in  $k$ . (k to a power (const))  
 $r^k$  for  $r > 1$  grows much faster than  $p(k)$  ex  $2^k$  grows faster than  $k^5$   
 $k!$  grows much faster than  $r^k$ ,  $p(k)$   
 $k^k$  grows much faster than the others

Hence,

$$\sum \frac{p(k)}{r^k}, \quad \sum \frac{p(k)}{k!}, \quad \sum \frac{p(k)}{k^k}$$

$$\sum \frac{r^k}{k!}, \quad \sum \frac{r^k}{k^k}, \quad \sum \frac{k!}{k^k}$$

ALL converge rapidly.

## Power Series:

Suppose that  $f(x) = \frac{6}{1-x} = \frac{a_1}{1-r}$

$$\begin{array}{r} 1-x \overline{) 6+6x} \\ \underline{6} \phantom{+6x} \\ 6+6x \\ \underline{6+6x} \\ 0 \end{array}$$

If you divide  $1-x$  into  $6$ , you get a “polynomial” that continues forever.

$$P(x) = 6 + 6x + 6x^2 + 6x^3 + 6x^4 + \dots$$

$$6 \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} x^n$$

This result is a power series.

The word series indicates that there is an infinite number of terms.

The word power tells us that each term contains a power of  $x$ .

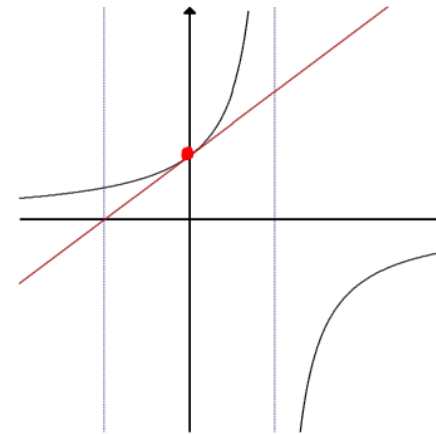
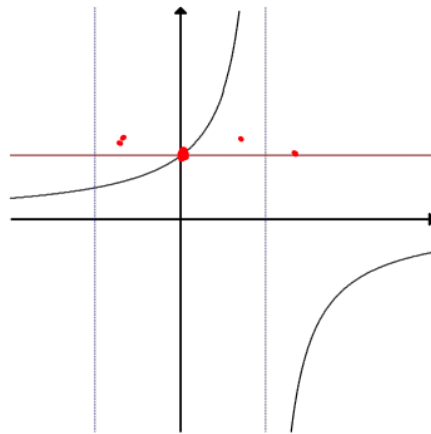
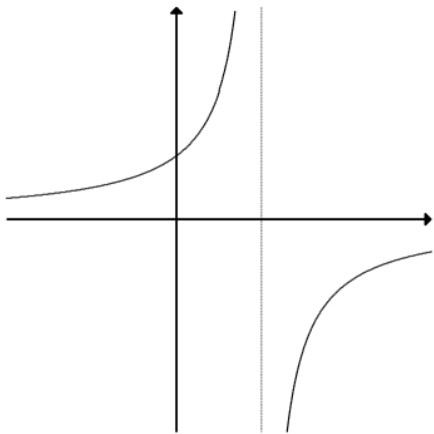
The series is also a geometric series, with  $|r|=x$ , so the series will converge for  $|x|<1$ .

$$-1 < x < 1$$

By comparing the graphs of  $f(x) = \frac{6}{1-x}$  and  $P(x)$  with more and more terms, you will see that between  $-1$  and  $1$  (the interval of convergence), the two graphs converge.

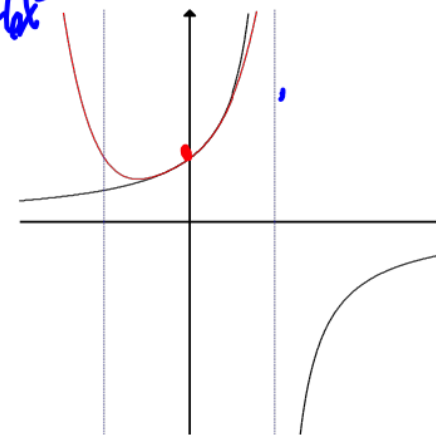
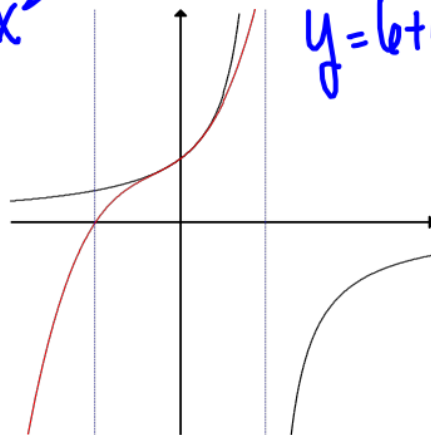
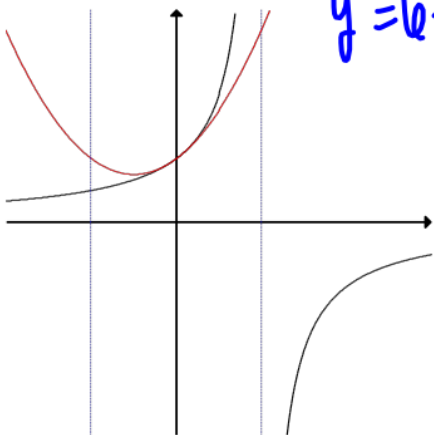
$$y = 6$$

$$y = 6 + 6x$$



$$y = 6 + 6x + 6x^2$$

$$y = 6 + 6x + 6x^2 + 6x^3$$



A Power Series (centered at  $x=0$ ) is a series of the form

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} c_n x^n = c_0 + c_1 x + c_2 x^2 + c_3 x^3 + c_4 x^4 + \dots$$

where  $x$  is a variable and the  $c_n$ 's are coefficients.

Note:  $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} x^n = \frac{1}{1-x}$  when  $|x| < 1$

Using this, we can write functions in this form in sigma notation:

Ex: Write  $\frac{x^2}{4-x^2}$  as its power series

$$= x^2 \left( \frac{1}{4-x^2} \right) = \frac{x^2}{4} \left( \frac{1}{1-\frac{x^2}{4}} \right) \rightarrow \frac{x^2}{4} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left( \frac{x^2}{4} \right)^n$$

$$= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{x^2}{4} \cdot \frac{x^{2n}}{4^n} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{x^{2n+2}}{4^{n+1}}$$

For a **fixed**  $x$ , the series is a series of constants and we can check for convergence/divergence. The series may converge for some values of  $x$  and diverge for others.

The sum of the series is

$$f(x) = c_0 + c_1x + c_2x^2 + c_3x^3 + c_4x^4 + \dots + c_nx^n + \dots$$

whose domain is the set of all  $x$  for which the series converges.

$f(x)$  resembles a polynomial, but it has infinitely many terms.

Let  $c_n = 1$  for all  $n$ , we get the geometric series, centered at  $x = 0$ ,

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} x^n = 1 + x + x^2 + x^3 + x^4 + \dots + x^n + \dots$$

which converges if  $|x| < 1$  and diverges if  $|x| \geq 1$ .

A Power Series (centered at  $x=a$ ) is a series of the form

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} c_n (x-a)^n = c_0 + c_1 (x-a) + c_2 (x-a)^2 + c_3 (x-a)^3 + \dots$$

For notation purposes,  $(x-a)^0 = 1$  even when  $x = a$ .

When  $x = a$ , all the terms are 0 for  $n \geq 1$ , so the power series always converges when  $x = a$ .

Ex. For what values of  $x$  is the series convergent?

$$x = 0$$

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} n! x^n$$

$$\sum \frac{n!}{2^n}$$

ex  $x = 1/2$   $\rightarrow$

$$x = \frac{1}{100000}$$

same thing

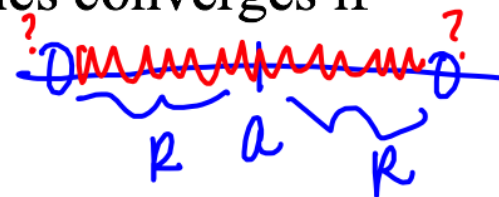


For a given power series  $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} c_n (x - a)^n$  there are only 3 possibilities.

1. The series converges only when  $x = a$ .

2. The series converges for all  $x$ .

3. There is a positive number  $R$  such that the series converges if  $|x - a| \leq R$  and diverges if  $|x - a| > R$ .



R is the radius of convergence.

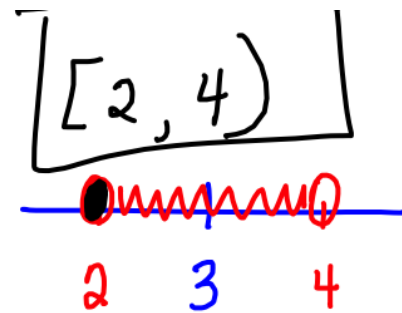
The interval of convergence of a power series is the interval that consists of all values of  $x$  for which the series converges absolutely. Check endpoints (endpoints may converge absolutely or conditionally)!

$|n| = n$   
since  $n > 0$

$$|x - a| < \underline{\underline{R}}$$

Find the interval of convergence for

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



① take abs. value

② Root test

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left( \frac{|x-3|^n}{n} \right)^{1/n} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{|x-3|}{n^{1/n}} \rightarrow \frac{|x-3|}{1}$$

$$\text{conv. if } \frac{|x-3|}{1} < 1$$

$$|x-3| < 1 \quad \boxed{R=1}$$

③ CK endpoints:  
plug endpoints into original  $\sum$ .

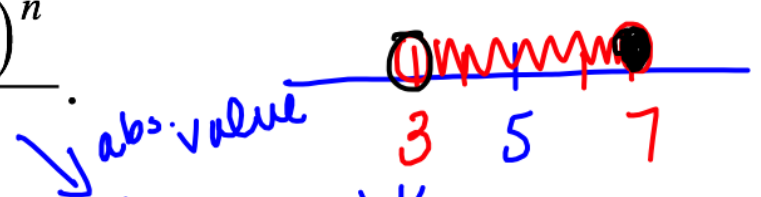
$$x=2: \sum \frac{(-1)^n}{n} \quad \text{conv. by AST}$$

$$x=4: \sum \frac{1^n}{n} = \sum \frac{1}{n} \quad \text{div (Harmonic)}$$

↑  
Radius of conv.

Find the radius of convergence and interval of convergence for

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{n+1} (x-5)^n}{n 2^n}$$



$(3, 7] \quad R=2$

Root:  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left( \frac{|x-5|^n}{n 2^n} \right)^{1/n} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{|x-5|}{n^{1/n} \cdot 2} = \frac{|x-5|}{2}$

Conv. when  $\frac{|x-5|}{2} < 1 \Rightarrow |x-5| < 2$   
 $\uparrow$   
 $R$

endpts:  
 $x=3$ :

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

div.

$x=7$ :

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

Find the radius of convergence and interval of convergence for

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left(\frac{x}{3}\right)^n$$

~~Interval~~  
-3      0      3      (-3, 3)

Root:  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{|x|^n}{3^n}\right)^{1/n} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{|x|}{3} = \frac{|x|}{3}$

$$\frac{|x|}{3} < 1 \Rightarrow |x| < 3 \quad \underline{R=3}$$

endpts:

$$x = -3 \quad \sum \left(\frac{-3}{3}\right)^n = \sum (-1)^n \quad \text{div.}$$

$$x = 3 \quad \sum \left(\frac{3}{3}\right)^n = \sum 1 \quad \text{div.}$$

Find the radius of convergence and interval of convergence for

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

Find the radius of convergence and interval of convergence for

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} n!(x-3)^n .$$

Power series are continuous functions.

A power series is continuous on its interval of convergence.

If a power series centered at  $x = a$  has a radius of convergence  $R > 0$ , then the power series can be differentiated and integrated on  $(a - R, a + R)$ , and the new series will converge on  $(a - R, a + R)$ , and **maybe** at the endpoints.

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