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Recall Power series centered at $x=a$ given by

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} C_n(x-a)^n, \text{ we want to know for which } x \text{ values does this converge?}$$

Theorem Given $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} C_n(x-a)^n$, one of only 3 possibilities occurs:

1. The series converges only for $x=a$.
2. The series converges for all x .
3. There is $R > 0$ so that

- Series converges for $|x-a| < R$
- Series diverges for $|x-a| > R$

For $|x-a|=R$, i.e.
 $x=a+R, x=a-R$
 either may happen

Def R is the radius of convergence.

The interval of convergence is the set of values for which x converges.

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$$(-\infty, \infty) \text{ or } (a-R, a+R) \text{ or } [a-R, a+R) \text{ or } (a-R, a+R] \text{ or } [a-R, a+R]$$

Hint Endpoints tested separately

Hint Usually ratio test, sometimes root test

Hint Endpoints will not be decided by ratio/root test.

$$\text{Ex } \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-2)^n x^n}{\sqrt{n+2}} \quad \left| \frac{a_{n+1}}{a_n} \right| = \left| \frac{\frac{2^{n+1} x^{n+1}}{\sqrt{n+3}}}{\frac{2^n x^n}{\sqrt{n+2}}} \right| = \left| 2x \sqrt{\frac{n+2}{n+3}} \right|$$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{a_{n+1}}{a_n} \right| = |2x|$$

Thus need $-1 < 2x < 1$

So $-1/2 < x < 1/2$ converges by Ratio Test.

$$x = 1/2 \Rightarrow \sum \frac{(-1)^n}{\sqrt{n+2}} \text{ converges} \quad x = -1/2 \Rightarrow \sum \frac{1}{\sqrt{n+2}} \text{ DIVS}$$

$(-1/2, 1/2]$
 $R = 1/2$

Ex $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{n(x+2)^n}{3^{n+1}}$ $\left| \frac{a_{n+1}}{a_n} \right| = \left| \frac{(n+1)(x+2)^{n+1}}{3^{n+2}} \cdot \frac{3^{n+1}}{n(x+2)^n} \right|$

$= \left| \frac{(n+1)(x+2)}{3n} \right|$ so $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{a_{n+1}}{a_n} \right| = \left| \frac{x+2}{3} \right|$

Converges for $-1 < \frac{x+2}{3} < 1 \rightarrow -3 < x+2 < 3$
 $-5 < x < 1$
 $a = -2, R = 3$

$x=1 \rightarrow \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{n \cdot 3^n}{3^{n+1}} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{3}$ DIV'S

$x=-5 \rightarrow \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{n(-3)^n}{3^{n+1}} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n n}{3} = 0 - \frac{1}{3} + \frac{2}{3} - \frac{3}{3} \dots$ DIV'S

Int of convergence $(-5, 1)$

8.6 Representing Functions as Power Series

Recall from yesterday

$$\frac{1}{1-x} = 1 + x + x^2 + x^3 + \dots = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} x^n \quad \text{holds for } |x| < 1 \text{ plot}$$

This can give us other power series:

$$\text{Ex } \frac{1}{1+x^2} = \frac{1}{1-(-x^2)} = 1 - x^2 + x^4 - x^6 + x^8 \dots$$

For $|x^2| < 1$, i.e. still $(-1, 1)$

Ex Find a power series representation for $\frac{1}{3+x}$

$$\frac{1}{3+x} = \frac{1}{3} \cdot \frac{1}{1+\frac{x}{3}} = \frac{1}{3} \cdot \frac{1}{1-\left(-\frac{x}{3}\right)}$$

$$= \frac{1}{3} \left(1 - \frac{x}{3} + \frac{x^2}{9} - \frac{x^3}{27} \dots \right)$$

$$= \frac{1}{3} - \frac{x}{9} + \frac{x^2}{27} - \frac{x^3}{81} \dots$$

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

converges for $\left| -\frac{x}{3} \right| < 1$

$$|x| < 3 \quad \boxed{(-3, 3)}$$

Ex Find power series for $\frac{x^2}{3+x}$

$$= x^2 \left(\frac{1}{3+x} \right) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{n+1}}{3^{n+1}} x^{n+2}$$

same interval
of convergence.

Ex Find power series for $\frac{1}{(1+x)^2}$

Possible answer: $f(x) = \frac{1}{1+x} = 1 - x + x^2 - x^3 + \dots$

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

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

Is this justified??

Theorem

Suppose $\sum c_n (x-a)^n$ has radius of convergence R

so $f(x) = \sum c_n (x-a)^n$ is defined on $(a-R, a+R)$

Then

1. $f(x)$ is diffble on $(a-R, a+R)$

2. $f'(x) = c_1 + 2c_2(x-a) + 3c_3(x-a)^2 + \dots = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n c_n (x-a)^{n-1}$

3. $\int f(x) dx = C + c_0(x-a) + \frac{c_1}{2}(x-a)^2 + \frac{c_2}{3}(x-a)^3 + \dots$

Both 2 & 3 have R.O.C. R .