

**MATH 129-020:  
SIMS  
TEST 3**

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(1) a) Write the following as a finite geometric sum and find its value.

$$\frac{3}{4} + \frac{3}{8} + \frac{3}{16} + \frac{3}{32} + \cdots + \frac{3}{2^{14}}$$

$$= \sum_{m=2}^{14} 3\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^m = 3\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^2 \cdot \sum_{m=0}^{12} \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^m$$

$$= \frac{3}{4} \cdot \left( \frac{1 - \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^{13}}{1 - \frac{1}{2}} \right)$$

$$= \frac{3}{2} \left( 1 - \frac{1}{2^{13}} \right)$$

Also:

$$\sum_{m=2}^{14} 3\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^m$$

$$= 3 \frac{\left(1 - \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^{15}\right)}{1 - \frac{1}{2}}$$

$$-3 - \frac{3}{2}$$

b) Calculate

$$\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \frac{3^{2n} + 6(-4)^n}{5^{3n}}$$

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$$= \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \frac{3^{2n}}{5^{3n}} + \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \frac{6(-4)^n}{5^{3n}}$$

$$= \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \left(\frac{3^2}{5^3}\right)^n + 6 \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \left(\frac{-4}{5^3}\right)^n$$

$$= \left(\frac{9}{125}\right)^2 \cdot \frac{1}{1 - \frac{9}{125}} + 6 \left(\frac{-4}{125}\right)^2 \cdot \frac{1}{1 - \left(\frac{-4}{125}\right)}$$

$$\approx 0.01154$$

- (2) Determine whether the following series converge or diverge. Write a sentence describing the convergence test you used and state your conclusion. For full/partial credit, show all work necessary to reach your conclusions.

a)

$$\sum_{n=3}^{\infty} \frac{5n^2 + 4}{7n^5 + 2n^3}$$

$$a_n = \frac{5n^2 + 4}{7n^5 + 2n^3} = \frac{n^2(5 + \frac{4}{n^2})}{n^3(7 + \frac{2}{n^2})} \approx \frac{5}{7n^3}$$

Let  $b_n = \frac{5}{7n^3}$ . By  $p$ -test,  $\sum_{n=3}^{\infty} b_n$  converges since  $p=3 > 1$ .

By limit comparison:  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{a_n}{b_n} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{n^2(5 + \frac{4}{n^2})}{n^3(7 + \frac{2}{n^2})} \cdot \frac{7n^3}{5} = 1 > 0$

Shows that  $\sum_{n=3}^{\infty} a_n$  converges as well.

b)

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

Use Alternating Series test.

i)  $a_n = \frac{1}{\sqrt{n^2+3}} > 0$  for all  $n \geq 1$ .

ii)  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{\sqrt{n^2+3}} = 0$

iii)  $n < n+1 \Rightarrow n^2 < (n+1)^2 \Rightarrow n^2+3 < (n+1)^2+3$   
 $\Rightarrow \frac{1}{(n+1)^2+3} < \frac{1}{n^2+3}$

$$\Rightarrow a_{n+1} = \sqrt{\frac{1}{(n+1)^2+3}} < \sqrt{\frac{1}{n^2+3}} = a_n$$

This series then converges by the Alternating Series Test.

(3) Consider the following power series.

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

a) Find the radius of convergence.

$$\text{Let } a_n = \frac{(-1)^n n^2 (x+2)^n}{3^{2n}}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{|a_{n+1}|}{|a_n|} &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{(n+1)^2 |x+2|^{n+1}}{3^{2(n+1)}} \cdot \frac{3^{2n}}{n^2 |x+2|^n} \\ &= \frac{|x+2|}{3^2} \Rightarrow R = 3^2 = 9. \end{aligned}$$

b) Find the interval of convergence. You do not need to consider the endpoints.

The center is  $a = -2$ .

In this case, the interval of convergence is

$$\begin{aligned} (a-R, a+R) &= (-2-9, -2+9) \\ &= (-11, 7) \end{aligned}$$

- (4) Find the Taylor polynomial of degree 4, i.e.  $P_4(x)$ , for the function  $f(x) = \cos(x)$  centered at  $a = \pi/2$ .

$$\begin{array}{l|l}
 f(x) = \cos(x) & f(\frac{\pi}{2}) = 0 \\
 f'(x) = -\sin(x) & f'(\frac{\pi}{2}) = -1 \\
 f''(x) = -\cos(x) & f''(\frac{\pi}{2}) = 0 \\
 f'''(x) = \sin(x) & f'''(\frac{\pi}{2}) = 1 \\
 f^{(4)}(x) = \cos(x) & f^{(4)}(\frac{\pi}{2}) = 0
 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 P_4(x) &= \sum_{k=0}^4 \frac{f^{(k)}(\frac{\pi}{2})}{k!} (x - \frac{\pi}{2})^k \\
 &= f(\frac{\pi}{2}) + f'(\frac{\pi}{2})(x - \frac{\pi}{2}) + \frac{f''(\frac{\pi}{2})}{2!}(x - \frac{\pi}{2})^2 \\
 &\quad + \frac{f'''(\frac{\pi}{2})}{3!}(x - \frac{\pi}{2})^3 + \frac{f^{(4)}(\frac{\pi}{2})}{4!}(x - \frac{\pi}{2})^4 \\
 &= 0 - (x - \frac{\pi}{2}) + 0 + \frac{1}{3!}(x - \frac{\pi}{2})^3 + 0 \\
 &= - (x - \frac{\pi}{2}) + \frac{1}{6}(x - \frac{\pi}{2})^3
 \end{aligned}$$

(5) Consider the function

$$f(x) = \frac{1}{1-2x}.$$

a) Find the Taylor series centered at  $a = 0$  for this function.

Two ways to work this:

1)  $f$  looks like geometric series:

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

2) Take derivatives:

$$f(x) = (1-2x)^{-1}$$

$$f'(x) = (-1)(1-2x)^{-2}(-2)$$

$$f''(x) = (-1)(-2)(1-2x)^{-3}(-2)^2$$

$$f'''(x) = (-1)(-2)(-3)(1-2x)^{-4}(-2)^3$$

$$f^{(n)}(x) = (-1)(2) \cdots (-n)(1-2x)^{-(n+1)}(-2)^n$$

$$\Rightarrow f^{(n)}(0) = n! \cdot 2^n$$

b) Use your result in a) to find the Taylor series for

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

again centered at  $a = 0$ .

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

$$= x \cdot \frac{1}{1-2(-x^3)}$$

$$= x \cdot f(-x^3)$$

$$= x \cdot \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} 2^n (-x^3)^n$$

$$= x \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} 2^n \cdot (-1)^n x^{3n}$$

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

thus

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

$$= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{n! \cdot 2^n}{n!} x^n$$

$$= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} 2^n \cdot x^n$$

as before.

- (6) a) Use the method of separation of variables to find an equation which implicitly defines all solutions of the following differential equation

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = y^2 e^{3x}$$

This D.E. is separable.

Thus

STEP 1  $y^2 = 0$

i.e.  $y = 0$  is the only constant solution.

STEP 2/3 when  $y \neq 0$ ,

$$\frac{1}{y^2} \frac{dy}{dx} = e^{3x}$$

$$\Rightarrow \int \frac{1}{y^2} dy = \int e^{3x} dx + C$$

$$\Rightarrow -\frac{1}{y} = \frac{1}{3} e^{3x} + C$$

- b) Find an explicit expression for the solution of the above differential equation which satisfies  $y(0) = 1$ .

We can solve the above explicitly for  $y$ :

$$-\frac{1}{y} = \frac{1}{3} e^{3x} + C \Rightarrow -1 = \left(\frac{1}{3} e^{3x} + C\right) y$$

$$\Rightarrow y = \frac{-1}{\frac{1}{3} e^{3x} + C} = \frac{-3}{e^{3x} + 3C}$$

Using the initial condition, we find that

$$1 = y(0) = \frac{-3}{1 + 3C} \Rightarrow 1 + 3C = -3$$

$$3C = -4$$

$$\Rightarrow y(x) = \frac{-3}{e^{3x} - 4} = \frac{3}{4 - e^{3x}}$$