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**From the 2003 BC Exam:**

1. The function  $f$  has a Taylor series about  $x = 2$  that converges to  $f(x)$  for all  $x$  in the interval of convergence. The  $n$ th derivative of  $f$  at  $x = 2$  is given by the following

$$f^{(n)}(2) = \frac{(n+1)!}{3^n} \text{ for } n \geq 1 \text{ and } f(2) = 1.$$

- (a) Write the first four terms & the general term of the Taylor Series for  $f$  about  $x = 2$ .
- (b) Find the radius of convergence for the Taylor Series for  $f$  about  $x = 2$ .  
**Show the work that leads to your answer!**
- (c) Let  $g$  be a function satisfying  $g(2) = 3$  and  $g'(x) = f(x)$  for all  $x$ . Write the first four terms and the general term of the Taylor Series for  $g$  about  $x = 2$ .
- (d) Does the Taylor Series for  $g$  as defined in part (c) converge at  $x = -2$ ?  
**Give a reason for your answer!**

a)  $f(2) = 1$   
 $f'(2) = \frac{2}{3}$   
 $f''(2) = \frac{2}{3}$   
 $f'''(2) = \frac{8}{9}$

**Definitions of Taylor and Maclaurin Series**

If a function  $f$  has derivatives of all orders at  $x = c$ , then the series

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{f^{(n)}(c)}{n!} (x - c)^n = f(c) + f'(c)(x - c) + \dots + \frac{f^{(n)}(c)}{n!} (x - c)^n + \dots$$

is called the **Taylor series for  $f(x)$  at  $c$** . Moreover, if  $c = 0$ , then the series is the **Maclaurin series for  $f$** .

$$1 + \frac{2}{3}(x-2) + \frac{1}{3}(x-2)^2 + \frac{4}{27}(x-2)^3$$

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

b)

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

$$= \frac{1}{3} |x-2| < 1$$



$$|x-2| < 3 \Rightarrow \boxed{R=3}$$

$$(-1, 5)$$

$$\text{at } x = -1: \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{n+1}{3^n} (-3)^n = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (n+1) (-1)^n \text{ Diverge}$$

$$\text{at } x = 1: \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(n+1)}{3^n} 3^n = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} n+1 \text{ Diverge}$$

Interval of Convergence:  $(-1, 5)$

(c) Let  $g$  be a function satisfying  $g(2) = 3$  and  $g'(x) = f(x)$  for all  $x$ . Write the first four terms and the general term of the Taylor Series for  $g$  about  $x = 2$ .

$$g(2) = 3 \quad g'(2) = f(2) = 1$$

$$g''(2) = f'(2) = \frac{2}{3}$$

$$g'''(2) = f''(2) = \frac{2}{3}$$

$$f^{(n)}(2) = \frac{(n+1)!}{3^n}$$

$$3 + (x-2) + \frac{1}{3}(x-2)^2 + \frac{1}{9}(x-2)^3$$

- (d) Does the Taylor Series for  $g$  as defined in part (c) converge at  $x = -2$ ?  
Give a reason for your answer!

$x = -2$  is not in the interval of convergence for  $f(x)$  and  $g'(x) = f(x)$ , therefore  $x = -2$  is not in the interval of convergence of  $g(x)$ .

$f(x)$ ,  $f'(x)$ , and  $\int f(x) dx = g(x)$  have the same int. of convergence (they may only differ at the endpoints).

## From the 1999 BC Exam:

2. Let  $f$  be a function that has derivatives of all orders for all real numbers. Assume  $f(0) = 5$ ,  $f'(0) = -3$ ,  $f''(0) = 1$ ,  $f'''(0) = 4$
- Write the third degree Taylor Polynomial for  $f$  about  $x = 0$  and use it to approximate  $f(0.2)$ .
  - Write the fourth degree Taylor Polynomial for  $g$ , where  $g(x) = f(x^2)$ , about  $x = 0$ .
  - Write the third degree Taylor Polynomial for  $h$ , where  $h(x) = \int_0^x f(t) dt$ , about  $x = 0$ .
  - Let  $h$  defined as in part c). Given that  $f(1) = 3$ , either find the exact value of  $h(1)$  or explain why it cannot be determined.

$$a) P_3(x) = f(0) + f'(0)x + \frac{f''(0)}{2}x^2 + \frac{f'''(0)}{6}x^3$$

$$P_3(x) = 5 - 3x + \frac{1}{2}x^2 + \frac{2}{3}x^3$$

$$f(0.2) \approx P_3(0.2) = 4.425$$

$$b) g(x) = f(x^2) \quad \text{For } f(x): P_2(x) = 5 - 3x + \frac{1}{2}x^2$$

$$\text{For } g(x): P_4(x) = 5 - 3(x^2) + \frac{1}{2}(x^2)^2 = 5 - 3x^2 + \frac{1}{2}x^4$$

$$P_4(x) = 5 - 3x^2 + \frac{1}{2}x^4$$

$$c) h(x) = \int_0^x f(t) dt = \int_0^x \left( 5 - 3t + \frac{1}{2}t^2 \right) dt = \left[ 5t - \frac{3}{2}t^2 + \frac{1}{6}t^3 \right]_0^x$$

$$= 5x - \frac{3}{2}x^2 + \frac{1}{6}x^3$$

For  $h(x)$ :  $P_3(x) = 5x - \frac{3}{2}x^2 + \frac{1}{6}x^3$

d)  $h(1) = \int_0^1 f(t) dt$  but we only know  $f(t)$  at  $t=0$  and  $t=1$ ,  
therefore we can not exactly know the  $\int_0^1 f(t) dt$ .

(We could use the poly. app. but that will be a diff. question)

3. a. Find a power series for  $f(x) = \frac{3}{x+2}$  centered at 0.  
 b. Find the radius & interval of convergence for the above series.

$$a) f(0) = 3/2 \quad f(x) = 3(x+2)^{-1}$$

$$f'(x) = -3(x+2)^{-2} = -\frac{3}{(x+2)^2} \quad f'(0) = -\frac{3}{4} = -3 \cdot \frac{1}{2^2} \quad \left. \begin{array}{l} f'(0) = -\frac{3}{4} = -3 \cdot \frac{1}{2^2} \\ f''(0) = \frac{6}{8} = 3 \cdot \frac{2}{2^3} \\ f'''(0) = -\frac{18}{2^4} = -3 \cdot \frac{6}{2^4} \end{array} \right\} f^{(n)} = (-1)^n \cdot \frac{3n!}{2^{n+1}}$$

$$f''(x) = 6(x+2)^{-3} = \frac{6}{(x+2)^3} \quad f''(0) = \frac{6}{8} = 3 \cdot \frac{2}{2^3}$$

$$f'''(x) = -18(x+2)^{-4} = -\frac{18}{(x+2)^4} \quad f'''(0) = -3 \cdot \frac{6}{2^4}$$

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

$$b) \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{(-1)^{n+1} \frac{3}{2^{n+2}} x^{n+1}}{(-1)^n \frac{3}{2^{n+1}} x^n} \right| = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{(-1) x}{2} \right| = \frac{|x|}{2} < 1$$

$$|x| < 2$$

$$R=2 \quad (-2, 2)$$

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

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{3}{2} \quad \boxed{\text{Diverge}}$$

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

Interval of Convergence:  $(-2, 2)$

4.
  - a. Build a MacLaurin expansion for  $f(x) = \sin(\sqrt{x})$
  - b. For what values of  $x$  does this series converge?
  - c. Use your series from problem 4 to determine how many terms are needed to approximate  $f(1.5)$  with error less than  $10^{-6}$

a)

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} g(x) = \sin x \quad g(0) = 0 \\ g'(x) = \cos x \quad g'(0) = 1 \\ g''(x) = -\sin x \quad g''(0) = 0 \\ g'''(x) = -\cos x \quad g'''(0) = -1 \end{array} \right\} \begin{array}{l} 0 + x + \frac{0}{2!}x^2 - \frac{1}{3!}x^3 + \frac{0}{4!}x^4 + \frac{1}{5!}x^5 \\ \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n x^{2n+1}}{(2n+1)!} \end{array}$$

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

b)

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{\frac{(-1)^{n+1} x^{n+3/2}}{(2n+3)(2n+2)(2n+1)!}}{\frac{(-1)^n x^{n+1/2}}{(2n+1)!}} \right| = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{(-1) x}{(2n+3)(2n+2)} \right| = 0 < 1$$

$R = \infty$   $(-\infty, \infty)$  ← The series converge for all  $\mathbb{R}$ .

c)

$$R_n(x) = \frac{f^{(n+1)}(z)}{(n+1)!} x^{n+1} \leq \frac{x^{n+1}}{(n+1)!}$$

$$\frac{(1.5)^{n+1}}{(n+1)!} \leq 10^{-6} \quad \boxed{n=12}$$

86.49755859  
 Ans/(11!)  
 2.166946213E-6  
 1.5^12  
 129.7463379  
 Ans/12!  
 2.708682766E-7



5. Determine whether the following converge or diverge – state what test you're using and find an upper bound if possible!

a.  $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{2^n}{3^n + 2}$

$$a_n = \frac{2^n}{3^n + 2} \leq b_n = \frac{2^n}{3^n} = \left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^n$$

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^n \text{ Converge} \Rightarrow \text{(Geo. Series)} \\ \text{(w/ } r = 2/3)$$

By the Direct Comparison Test  
 $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{2^n}{3^n + 2}$  abs. converge

$$\frac{1}{1 - 2/3} = \frac{1}{1/3} = 3$$

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{2^n}{3^n + 2} \leq 3$$

b.  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{n^{3/2} + 5}{n^2 + \sqrt{n}} \geq \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{n^{3/2}}{n^2 + n^2} = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{n^{3/2}}{n^2} = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n^{1/2}}$

By Direct Comparison Test

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{n^{3/2} + 5}{n^2 + \sqrt{n}} \text{ Diverge .}$$

P-Series,  $p = 1/2$   
Diverge

c.  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{\ln n^2}{n} = 2 \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{\ln(n)}{n}$

$$\int_1^{\infty} \frac{\ln x}{x} dx = \int_0^{\infty} u du = \left. \frac{u^2}{2} \right|_0^{\infty} = \infty$$

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{\ln(n)}{n} \text{ Diverge by the Integral Test}$$

6. Consider the sequence  $\left\{ \left( 1 + \frac{1}{5n} \right)^{4n} \right\}$
- Graph using  $95 \leq n \leq 100$ . Indicate the coordinate of  $a_{95} \dots a_{100}$  rounded to four places
  - Notice your sequence seems to converge? Find the actual value the sequence converges to using analytic means and show work!

a) Set the  
MODE to  
Seq in your  
Calculator



b)  $\left\{ \left( 1 + \frac{1}{5n} \right)^{4n} \right\} \quad \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left( 1 + \frac{1}{5n} \right)^{4n} = L$

$$\ln(L) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} 4n \ln \left( 1 + \frac{1}{5n} \right) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\ln \left( 1 + \frac{1}{5n} \right)}{\frac{1}{4n}}$$

$$\ln(L) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\frac{1}{1 + \frac{1}{5n}} \left( -\frac{1}{5n^2} \right)}{-\frac{1}{4n^2}} = \frac{4}{5} \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{1 + \frac{1}{5n}} = \frac{4}{5}$$

$$\ln(L) = \frac{4}{5}$$

$$L = e^{4/5}$$

7. Recall the formal definition of a convergent sequence a.k.a.  $\{a_n\} \rightarrow L$   
 For any  $\varepsilon > 0$ ,  $\exists M(\varepsilon)$   $\ni$  if  $n > M(\varepsilon)$  then  $|a_n - L| < \varepsilon$

Find such a  $M(\varepsilon)$  for the sequence  $\left\{ \frac{3n^2 + 1}{2n^2} \right\}$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{3n^2 + 1}{2n^2} = 3/2$$

$$|a_n - 3/2| < \varepsilon$$

$$\left| \frac{3n^2 + 1}{2n^2} - \frac{3n^2}{2n^2} \right| < \varepsilon$$

$$\left| \frac{1}{2n^2} \right| < \varepsilon$$

$$\frac{1}{2n^2} < \varepsilon$$

$$\frac{1}{n^2} < 2\varepsilon$$

$$n^2 > \frac{1}{2\varepsilon}$$

$$n > \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\varepsilon}}$$

$$M(\varepsilon) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\varepsilon}}$$

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$$\begin{aligned} \text{(a)} \quad P_3(f)(x) &= 5 - 3x + \frac{1}{2}x^2 + \frac{2}{3}x^3 \\ f(0.2) &\approx P_3(f)(0.2) = \\ &= 5 - 3(0.2) + \frac{0.04}{2} + \frac{2(0.008)}{3} = \\ &= 4.425 \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{(b)} \quad P_4(g)(x) = P_2(f)(x^2) = 5 - 3x^2 + \frac{1}{2}x^4$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(c)} \quad P_3(h)(x) &= \int_0^x \left( 5 - 3t + \frac{1}{2}t^2 \right) dt \\ &= \left[ 5t - \frac{3}{2}t^2 + \frac{1}{6}t^3 \right]_0^x \\ &= 5x - \frac{3}{2}x^2 + \frac{1}{6}x^3 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(d)} \quad h(1) &= \int_0^1 f(t) dt \\ &\text{cannot be determined because } f(t) \text{ is known} \\ &\text{only for } t = 0 \text{ and } t = 1 \end{aligned}$$

$$3 \left\{ \begin{array}{l} 2: 5 - 3x + \frac{1}{2}x^2 + \frac{2}{3}x^3 \\ <-1> \text{ each incorrect term,} \\ &\text{extra term, or } + \dots \\ 1: \text{ approximates } f(0.2) \end{array} \right.$$

<-1> for incorrect use of =

$$2: P_2(f)(x^2) \\ <-1> \text{ each incorrect or extra term}$$

$$2 \left\{ \begin{array}{l} 1: P_3(h)(x) = \int_0^x P_2(f)(t) dt \\ 1: \text{ answer} \\ 0/1 \text{ if any incorrect or extra terms} \end{array} \right.$$

$$2 \left\{ \begin{array}{l} 1: h(1) \text{ cannot be determined} \\ 1: \text{ reason} \end{array} \right.$$

8. Which of the following statements about series is true?

~~(A)~~ If  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} u_n = 0$  then  $\sum u_n$  converges. **(B)** If  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} u_n \neq 0$  then

$\sum u_n$  diverges.

B

~~(C)~~ If  $\sum u_n$  diverges then  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} u_n \neq 0$ . ~~(D)~~ (A) & (B) ~~(E)~~ (B) & (C)

9. Which of the following converges absolutely?

~~(A)~~  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{n+1}}{\sqrt[3]{n+1}}$  ~~(B)~~  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{n+1}}{n+1}$  ~~(C)~~  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{n+1}}{\ln(n+1)}$

E

~~(D)~~  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{n+1}}{\sqrt{n+1}}$  **(E)**  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{n+1}}{(n+1)^2}$

10. Which of the following statements about series is false?

- ~~(A)~~ If  $\sum u_n$  converges, so does  $\sum cu_n$  if  $c \neq 0$
- ~~(B)~~ If  $\sum a_n$  and  $\sum b_n$  converge, so does  $\sum (ca_n + b_n)$ , where  $c \neq 0$
- (C)** If  $\sum u_n$  converges, so does  $\sum |u_n|$
- ~~(D)~~ If  $\sum |u_n|$  converges, so does  $\sum u_n$
- ~~(E)~~ Rearranging the terms of a positive convergent series will not affect its convergence or its sum

C

11. Which of the following converge?

- (A)  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \sin\left(\frac{1}{n}\right)$
- (B)  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \tan\left(\frac{1}{n}\right)$
- (C)  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \sin\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{n}}\right)$
- (D)  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \tan\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{n}}\right)$
- (E) None of the above

E

$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\sin\left(\frac{1}{n}\right)}{\frac{1}{n}} = 1$  and  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n}$  diverge ~~A~~

$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\tan\left(\frac{1}{n}\right)}{\frac{1}{n}} = 1$  and

$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{\sqrt{n}}$  diverge and  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\sin\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{n}}\right)}{\frac{1}{\sqrt{n}}} = 1$  ~~C~~  
 $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\tan\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{n}}\right)}{\frac{1}{\sqrt{n}}} = 1$  ~~D~~

12. The series  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (-1)^{n-1} (\sqrt{n+1} - \sqrt{n})$

- (A) converges absolutely  
 (B) converges conditionally  
 (C) diverges to  $\infty$   
 (D) diverges to  $-\infty$   
 (E) None of the above

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

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left( \frac{\frac{1}{\sqrt{n+1} + \sqrt{n}}}{\frac{1}{2\sqrt{n}}} \right) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{2\sqrt{n}}{\sqrt{n+1} + \sqrt{n}} = 1 \text{ and } \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{2\sqrt{n}} = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n^{1/2}}$$

Diverge, P-Series,  $p=1/2$

By the Limit Comp. Test  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} |(-1)^{n-1} (\sqrt{n+1} - \sqrt{n})|$  Diverge.

~~A~~

B)  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sqrt{n+1} - \sqrt{n} = 0$

$$\sqrt{n+2} - \sqrt{n+1} \leq \sqrt{n+1} - \sqrt{n}$$

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{n+2} + \sqrt{n+1}} \leq \frac{1}{\sqrt{n+1} + \sqrt{n}}$$

$$a_{n+1} \leq a_n$$

By the Alt. Series Test

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

conditionally converges.

13. The Alternating Series Remainder Theorem can be applied to each of the following EXCEPT:

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

(B)  $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{\cos(n\pi)}{n+1}$

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

(D)  $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{\sin\left(\frac{(2n+1)\pi}{2}\right)}{\sqrt{n+1}}$

(E)  $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{\cos(2n\pi)}{n+1}$

E

always even  
 $\cos(2n\pi) = 1$   
 $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n+1}$  not Alternating