

"Then you should say what you mean," the March Hare went on.
 "I do," Alice hastily replied; "at least I mean what I say, that's the same thing, you know."



"Not the same thing a bit!" said the Hatter.
 "Why, you might just as well say that "I see what I eat" is the same thing as "I eat what I see!"

- Lewis Carroll, **Alice in Wonderland**

Instructions: Answer any 7 of the following 8 problems. You may answer all 8 to obtain extra credit.

1. Without using l'Hôpital's rule, find:

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{e^{3x^2} - 1 - 3x^2 - \frac{9}{2}x^4 - \frac{9}{2}x^6}{\cos(x^4) - 1}$$

Solution:

Since

$$e^x = 1 + \frac{x}{1!} + \frac{x^2}{2!} + \frac{x^3}{3!} + \frac{x^4}{4!} + O(x^5)$$

it follows that:

$$e^{3x^2} = 1 + \frac{3x^2}{1!} + \frac{(3x^2)^2}{2!} + \frac{(3x^2)^3}{3!} + \frac{(3x^2)^4}{4!} + O(x^{10}) =$$

$$1 + 3x^2 + \frac{9x^4}{2} + \frac{27x^6}{6} + \frac{81x^8}{24} + O(x^{10}) =$$

$$1 + 3x^2 + \frac{9x^4}{2} + \frac{9x^6}{2} + \frac{27x^8}{8} + O(x^{10})$$

Since

$$\cos x = 1 - \frac{x^2}{2!} + \frac{x^4}{4!} + O(x^6)$$

it follows that:

$$\cos(x^4) = 1 - \frac{x^8}{2!} + O(x^{16})$$

Hence:

$$\frac{e^{3x^2} - 1 - 3x^2 - \frac{9}{2}x^4 - \frac{9}{2}x^6}{\cos(x^4) - 1} =$$

$$\frac{1 + 3x^2 + \frac{9x^4}{2} + \frac{9x^6}{2} + \frac{27x^8}{8} + O(x^{10}) - 1 - 3x^2 - \frac{9}{2}x^4 - \frac{9}{2}x^6}{1 - \frac{x^8}{2!} + O(x^{16}) - 1} =$$

$$\frac{\frac{27x^8}{8} + O(x^{10})}{-\frac{x^8}{2!} + O(x^{16})} \rightarrow \frac{\frac{27}{8}}{-\frac{1}{2!}} = -\frac{27}{4}$$

2. Given $y = G(x)$ below, calculate the value of $G^{(1313)}(0)$. (Express your answer in factorial form.)

$$G(x) = x^3 \sinh(x^2)$$

Solution:

Beginning with the Maclaurin series for $\sinh t$ and then replacing t by x^2 :

$$\sinh t = \frac{t}{1!} + \frac{t^3}{3!} + \frac{t^5}{5!} + \dots + \frac{t^{2n+1}}{(2n+1)!} + \dots$$

$$\sinh(x^2) = \frac{x^2}{1!} + \frac{x^6}{3!} + \frac{x^{10}}{5!} + \dots + \frac{x^{4n+2}}{(2n+1)!} + \dots$$

Now, multiplying by x^3 yields:

$$G(x) = x^3 \sinh(x^2) = \frac{x^5}{1!} + \frac{x^9}{3!} + \frac{x^{13}}{5!} + \dots + \frac{x^{4n+5}}{(2n+1)!} + \dots$$

Now, the general Maclaurin series of $G(x)$ is:

$$G(x) = G(0) + \frac{G'(0)}{1!}x + \dots + \frac{G^{(k)}(0)}{k!}x^k + \dots$$

Thus the coefficient of x^{1313} is $G^{(1313)}(0) / 1313!$

Now the series for $x^3 \sinh(x^2)$ has coefficient of x^{1313} occur when $4n + 5 = 1313$, that is, when $n = 327$ (and so $2n + 1 = 655$). Thus this coefficient is: $1 / 655!$

Equating $G^{(1313)}(0) / 1313!$ with $1 / 655!$, we find that:

$$G^{(1313)}(0) = 1313! / 655!$$

3. By dividing power series, find the *first three non-zero* terms of the Maclaurin series of

$$\frac{e^{x^2}}{1 + \sin x}$$

Solution:

$$\frac{e^{x^2}}{1 + \sin x} = \frac{1 + x^2 + \frac{1}{2!}x^4 + \frac{1}{3!}x^6 + \dots}{1 + (x - \frac{1}{3!}x^3 + \frac{1}{5!}x^5 - \dots)} =$$

$$\frac{1 + x^2 + \frac{1}{2}x^4 + \frac{1}{6}x^6 + \dots}{1 + x - \frac{1}{6}x^3 + \dots} = 1 + x + x^2 + \frac{5}{6}x^3 + \dots$$

4. For each series below, determine *absolute convergence*, *conditional convergence* or *divergence*. Justify each answer.

$$(a) \sum_{n=3}^{\infty} (-1)^n \frac{13}{n\sqrt{\ln n}}$$

Solution:

Notice that this series fails to converge absolutely, by the p-test. It does converge, however, due to the Cauchy-Leibniz test. Thus the series converges conditionally.

$$(b) \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} (-1)^k \arctan(k^2)$$

Solution:

Since $\arctan(k^2) \rightarrow \pi/2$ as $k \rightarrow \infty$, the series diverges by the n^{th} -term test for divergence.

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

Solution:

Applying the Ratio Test, we see that the series converges absolutely:

$$\left| \frac{a_{n+1}}{a_n} \right| = \frac{\frac{((n+1)!)^2}{(2(n+1))!}}{\frac{(n!)^2}{(2n)!}} = \frac{(2n)!}{(2n+2)!} \frac{((n+1)!)^2}{(n!)^2} =$$

$$\frac{1}{(2n+2)(2n+1)} \left(\frac{(n+1)!}{n!} \right)^2 = \frac{(n+1)^2}{(2n+2)(2n+1)} \rightarrow \frac{1}{4} < 1$$

5. Write each of the following in the form $a + bi$. *Show your work!*

$$(a) \quad 3(9 - 4i) - 5(-6 - 3i)$$

Answer: $57 + 3i$

$$(b) \quad (1 - i)(2 - 5i)$$

Answer: $-4 - 7i$

$$(c) \quad (3 - i)^3$$

Answer: $18 - 26i$

$$(d) \quad \overline{14 - 345i}$$

Answer: $14 + 345i$

$$(f) \quad \frac{3 - 5i}{1 + 2i}$$

Answer: $\frac{3 - 5i}{1 + 2i} = (-48/5) + (96/5)i$

$$(g) \quad i^{1789} + i^{444} - i^{9902}$$

Answer: $i^{1789} + i^{444} - i^{9902} = i^{4(447)+1} + i^{4(111)} - i^{4(247)+2} = i + 1 + 1$
 $= 2 + i$

6. For each power series below, determine the *interval of convergence*. Do *not* investigate the behavior of at endpoints.

$$(a) \quad \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{n^{13}}{13^n} (x - 13)^n$$

Solution:

Using the ratio test:

$$\left| \frac{\frac{(n+1)^{13}}{13^{n+1}} (x-13)^{n+1}}{\frac{n^{13}}{13^n} (x-13)^n} \right| = \frac{1}{13} \frac{(n+1)^{13}}{n^{13}} |x-13| =$$

$$\frac{1}{13} (1+1/n)^{13} |x-13| \rightarrow \frac{1}{13} |x-13|$$

Thus the series converges absolutely for $|x-13| < 13$. So the interval of convergence is $(0, 26)$.

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

Solution:

Invoking the n^{th} root test:

$$\left| \left(1 + \frac{1}{n}\right)^{n^2} (x-4)^n \right|^{1/n} = \left(1 + \frac{1}{n}\right)^n |x-4| \rightarrow e |x-4|$$

Thus the series converges absolutely for $e |x-4| < 1$. So the interval of convergence is $(4 - 1/e, 4 + 1/e)$.

7. For each power series below, determine the *interval of convergence*.

Investigate *end point behavior*.

$$(a) \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{\sqrt{n+13}} (x-13)^n$$

Solution:

Using the ratio test:

$$\left| \frac{\frac{1}{\sqrt{n+14}} (x-13)^{n+1}}{\frac{1}{\sqrt{n+13}} (x-13)^n} \right| = \frac{\sqrt{n+13}}{\sqrt{n+14}} |x-13| = \sqrt{\frac{n+13}{n+14}} |x-13| \rightarrow |x-13|$$

Thus the series converges absolutely for $|x-13| < 1$. So the interval of convergence is $(12, 14)$.

At $x = 14$, the series equals:

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{\sqrt{n+13}} (14-13)^n = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{\sqrt{n+13}}$$

which diverges (using the comparison test and the p-test).

At $x = 12$, the series equals:

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{\sqrt{n+13}} (12-13)^n = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n}{\sqrt{n+13}}$$

which converges conditionally (using the Cauchy-Leibniz test as well as the fact that the series fails to converge absolutely).

$$(b) \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{13^n}{n^2} x^{2n}$$

Solution:

Using the ratio test:

$$\left| \frac{\frac{13^{n+1}}{(n+1)^2} x^{2(n+1)}}{\frac{13^n}{n^2} x^{2n}} \right| = 13 \frac{n^2}{(n+1)^2} x^2 = 13 \left(\frac{n}{n+1} \right)^2 x^2 \rightarrow 13x^2$$

Thus the series converges absolutely for $13x^2 < 1$. So the interval of convergence is $(-1/\sqrt{13}, 1/\sqrt{13})$.

At $x = 1/\sqrt{13}$,

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{13^n}{n^2} x^{2n} = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{13^n}{n^2} \left(\frac{1}{13} \right)^n = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n^2}$$

which converges absolutely (using the p-test).

At $x = -1/\sqrt{13}$,

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{13^n}{n^2} x^{2n} = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{13^n}{n^2} \left(\frac{-1}{\sqrt{13}} \right)^{2n} = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n^2}$$

which converges absolutely (using the p -test).

8. Find the *interval of convergence* of each of the following power series:

$$(a) \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{n!}{(1)(3)(5)(7)\dots(2n-1)} x^{3n}$$

Solution: Using the ratio test:

$$\frac{\frac{(n+1)!}{(1)(3)(5)(7)\dots(2n-1)(2n+1)} |x|^{3n+3}}{\frac{n!}{(1)(3)(5)(7)\dots(2n-1)} |x|^{3n}} = (n+1) \frac{1}{2n+1} |x|^3 \rightarrow \frac{1}{2} |x|^3$$

Now, the series converges absolutely when $\frac{1}{2} |x|^3 < 1$.

Thus the interval of convergence of our series is:

$$\left(-\sqrt[3]{2}, \sqrt[3]{2}\right)$$

$$(b) \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{7^n \sqrt{n^2 + 4}}{\left(n^{4/3} + 1789\right)^3} (x-15)^n$$

Solution: Applying the ratio test,

$$\frac{7^{n+1} \sqrt{(n+1)^2 + 4}}{\left((n+1)^{4/3} + 1789 \right)^3} \frac{|x-15|^{n+1}}{|x-15|^n} = 7 \left(\frac{\left(n^{4/3} + 1789 \right)^3}{\left((n+1)^{4/3} + 1789 \right)^3} \right) |x-15|$$

$$\frac{7^n \sqrt{n^2 + 4}}{\left(n^{4/3} + 1789 \right)^3}$$

$$= 7 \left(\frac{n^{4/3} + 1789}{(n+1)^{4/3} + 1789} \right)^3 |x-15| \rightarrow 7 |x-15|$$

Thus the interval of convergence of our series is

$$\left(15 - \frac{1}{7}, 15 + \frac{1}{7} \right)$$

Extra Credit: Using a series representation of $\sin(3x)$, find constants r and s for which:

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \left(\frac{\sin(3x)}{x^3} + \frac{r}{x^2} + s \right) = 0$$

Solution:

Since

$$\sin t = t - \frac{1}{3!} t^3 + \frac{1}{5!} t^5 - \dots$$

we have:

$$\frac{\sin(3x)}{x^3} + \frac{r}{x^2} + s = \frac{\sin(3x) + rx + sx^3}{x^3} =$$

$$\frac{(3x - \frac{3^3}{3!}x^3 + \frac{3^5}{5!}x^5 - \dots) + rx + sx^3}{x^3} =$$

$$\frac{(3+r)x + \left(s - \frac{3^3}{3!}\right)x^3 + \frac{3^5}{5!}x^5 - \dots}{x^3}$$

If this limit equals 0, then $3 + r = 0$ and $s - 3^3/(3!) = 0$.

Hence $r = -3$ and $s = 9/2$