

## Power Series

We will review the relevant Definitions, Calculus, Strategies, Examples, and Applications.

Definition: A **Power Series Centered at**  $a$  has the following form:

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

where  $a$  is a constant value and the Coefficients  $c_n$  may depend on  $n$ . Here  $x$  is the input variable. Note: Convergent for  $x = a$ .

Definition: A **Power Series Centered at**  $a = 0$  has the following 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 the Coefficients  $c_n$  may depend on  $n$ . Here  $x$  is the input variable. Note: Convergent for  $x = 0$ .

Think: Power Series are *Infinite Versions of Polynomials*. We will study their Properties and Applications.

First, we can think of Power Series as functions and plug in a specific finite Real  $x$ -value. Then the Series becomes an Infinite Series, a sum of infinitely many real numbers.

For Example,  $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} x^n = 1 + x + x^2 + x^3 + \dots$  is a Power Series Centered at 0.

When we plug in  $x = 2$  the Power Series becomes an Infinite Series  $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} 2^n$  which is a Divergent Geometric Series  $|r| = 2 > 1$ . Hence  $x = 2$  is **not** in the Domain.

However, when we plug in  $x = \frac{1}{4}$  the Power Series becomes an Infinite Series  $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left(\frac{1}{4}\right)^n$  which is a Convergent Geometric Series  $|r| = \frac{1}{4} < 1$ . Hence,  $x = \frac{1}{4}$  is **in** the Domain.

**Question:** What is the **Domain** of these function-like Power Series? That is, what is the collection of finite Real numbers that can be plugged into the Power Series and keep it finite, meaning *Convergent* as a series.

Definition: The **Interval of Convergence** is the collection of finite Real numbers at which the Power Series is a finite Infinite Series. That is, the Domain of the Power Series.

Definition: The **Radius of Convergence** is half the length of the full Interval of Convergence. This essentially captures the *size* of the Domain Interval.

## Domains

We have a full classification of the Domain of a Power Series  $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} c_n(x - a)^n$ . One of the following **Three** things must happen:

1. The Power Series converges only at the Center point  $x = a$ .

$$I = \{a\}$$

$$R = 0$$

2. The Power Series converges for **all** Real numbers

$$I = (-\infty, \infty)$$

$$R = \infty$$

3. The Power Series converges on a finite Interval Centered at the Center Point  $a$  and possibly one or both of the endpoints.

$$I = (a - R, a + r) \text{ or } I = (a - R, a + r] \text{ or } I = [a - R, a + r) \text{ or } I = [a - R, a + r]$$

$$\text{Radius} = R$$

### To find the Domain of a Power Series we have two main options:

1. If the Series is Geometric, use the Geometric Series Test. This is beneficial since the Geometric Series Test automatically gives Divergence at the endpoints of the Domain Interval. You do **not** need to test endpoints for the Geometric Examples.

2. Run the Ratio Test. Here you **must** manually check convergence at the endpoints for the finite interval case, since the Ratio Test is Inconclusive at the endpoints, that is, where  $L = 1$ .

Example: Find the **Interval** and **Radius** of Convergence for the following power series. Analyze carefully and with full justification.

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(x - 6)^n}{7^n}$$

The Geometric Series Test yields Convergence for  $\left| \frac{x - 6}{7} \right| < 1$  and Divergence otherwise.

Here we need  $|x - 6| < 7 \Rightarrow -7 < x - 6 < 7 \Rightarrow -1 < x < 13$  and finally, the Interval of Convergence is given by  $I = (-1, 13)$  and the Radius is given by  $R = 7$ . Note that the Center of the Domain Interval is indeed the Center of the Power Series,  $x = 6$  here. Cool!

We will now present an example of each of the three Domain options, using the Ratio Test.

Example (Finite Interval): Find the **Interval** and **Radius** of Convergence for the following power series. Analyze carefully and with full justification.

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n (9x - 4)^n}{(n + 1) 5^n}$$

Use Ratio Test.

$$\begin{aligned} L &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{a_{n+1}}{a_n} \right| = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{\frac{(-1)^{n+1} (9x - 4)^{n+1}}{(n + 2) 5^{n+1}}}{\frac{(-1)^n (9x - 4)^n}{(n + 1) 5^n}} \right| = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{(9x - 4)^{n+1}}{(9x - 4)^n} \right| \cdot \left( \frac{n + 1}{n + 2} \right) \cdot \frac{5^n}{5^{n+1}} \\ &= \frac{|9x - 4|}{5} \end{aligned}$$

The Ratio Test gives convergence for  $x$  when  $\frac{|9x - 4|}{5} < 1$  or  $|9x - 4| < 5$ .

That is  $-5 < 9x - 4 < 5 \implies -1 < 9x < 9 \implies -\frac{1}{9} < x < 1$

Manually test Convergence (where  $L = 1$ ) at the Endpoints:

• Take  $x = 1$ . The original series becomes  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n (9(1) - 4)^n}{(n + 1) 5^n}$

$= \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n 5^n}{(n + 1) 5^n} = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n}{n + 1}$  which is convergent by AST:

1.  $b_n = \frac{1}{n + 1} > 0$

2.  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} b_n = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n + 1} = 0$

3.  $b_{n+1} = \frac{1}{n + 2} < \frac{1}{n + 1} = b_n$  or because  $f(x) = \frac{1}{x + 1}$  has derivative  $f'(x) = -\frac{1}{(x + 1)^2} < 0$  so the terms are decreasing.

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Other endpoint:

• Take  $x = -\frac{1}{9}$ . The original series becomes  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n \left(9 \left(-\frac{1}{9}\right) - 4\right)^n}{(n+1) 5^n} = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n (-5)^n}{(n+1) 5^n}$

$$= \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n (-1)^n 5^n}{(n+1) 5^n} = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{2n} \overset{1}{\text{even}}}{n+1} = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n+1} \approx \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n} \text{ Div. harmonic } p\text{-series } p = 1.$$

LCT:  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\frac{1}{n+1}}{\frac{1}{n}} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{n}{n+1} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{1 + \frac{1}{n}} = 1$  which is *finite* and *non-zero*.

Therefore,  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n+1}$  is also divergent by LCT.

Finally, Interval of Convergence  $I = \left(-\frac{1}{9}, 1\right]$  with Radius of Convergence  $R = \frac{5}{9}$ .

Example (Infinite Interval): Find the **Interval** and **Radius** of Convergence for the following power series. Analyze carefully and with full justification.

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

Use Ratio Test.

$$L = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{a_{n+1}}{a_n} \right| = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{\frac{(-1)^{n+1} x^{n+1}}{(2(n+1))!}}{\frac{(-1)^n x^n}{(2n)!}} \right| = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{x^{n+1}}{x^n} \right| \cdot \left( \frac{(2n)!}{(2n+2)!} \right)$$

$$= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{|x|}{\cancel{(2n+2)} \overset{0}{\infty} \cancel{(2n+1)}} \overset{\infty}{\rightarrow} 0 < 1$$

So the Series **Converges by the Ratio Test** for all Real numbers  $x$ .

Finally, the Interval of Convergence is  $I = (-\infty, \infty)$  and the Radius is  $R = \infty$ .

Example (Collapsed to a (Center) point Interval): Find the **Interval** and **Radius** of Convergence for the following power series. Analyze carefully and with full justification.

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (3n)!(x-6)^n$$

Use Ratio Test.

$$\begin{aligned} L &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{a_{n+1}}{a_n} \right| = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{(3(n+1))!(x-6)^{n+1}}{(3n)!(x-6)^n} \right| = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{(x-6)^{n+1}}{(x-6)^n} \right| \cdot \left( \frac{(3n+3)!}{(3n)!} \right) \\ &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} |x-6| \frac{\cancel{(3n+3)} \cancel{(3n+2)} \cancel{(3n+1)}^{\infty}}{\infty} = \infty > 1 \end{aligned}$$

So the Series **Diverges by the Ratio Test for all Real numbers  $x$  UNLESS**  $x-6=0 \Rightarrow x=6$  (when  $L=0 < 1$  which yields convergence by the Ratio Test).

Finally, the Interval of Convergence is  $I = \{6\}$  and the Radius is  $R = 0$ .

### Term-by-Term Differentiation and Integration of Power Series

Next, we can Differentiate or Integrate Power Series *Term-by-Term*. That is, given a Power Series  $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} c_n x^n$  with Radius of Convergence  $R > 0$  then we can compute its Derivative or Integral and the Radius remains unchanged. (The convergence may change at the endpoints.)

$$\frac{d}{dx} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} c_n x^n = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} c_n n x^{n-1} \quad \text{and} \quad \int \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} c_n x^n dx = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} c_n \frac{x^{n+1}}{n+1} + C$$

Example:

$$\frac{d}{dx} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n x^n}{n!} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n n x^{n-1}}{n!}$$

Example:

$$\int \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n x^{4n+2}}{(2n)!} dx = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n x^{4n+3}}{(2n)! (4n+3)} + C$$

## Power Series Representations for Functions

**Question:** Does a function have a Power Series Representation?

We start with the Geometric Series form:

$$\boxed{\frac{1}{1-x} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} x^n = 1 + x + x^2 + x^3 + \dots} \quad \text{valid for } |x| < 1 \text{ by the Geometric Series Test}$$

Next, we can extend this formula to find new Power Series for other functions:

$$\text{Example: } \frac{1}{1+x} = \frac{1}{1-(-x)} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-x)^n = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-1)^n x^n = 1 - x + x^2 - x^3 + x^4 + \dots$$

valid when  $|-x| = |x| < 1$  using the Geometric Series Test. Here the Radius is  $R = 1$ .

$$\text{Example: } \frac{1}{1+x^2} = \frac{1}{1-(-x^2)} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-x^2)^n = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-1)^n x^{2n} = 1 - x^2 + x^4 - x^6 + x^8 + \dots$$

valid when  $|-x^2| = |x^2| < 1$  or  $|x| < 1$  using the Geometric Series Test. Here the Radius is  $R = 1$ .

$$\text{Example: } \frac{1}{1+5x} = \frac{1}{1-(-5x)} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-5x)^n = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-1)^n 5^n x^n = 1 - 5x + 5^2 x^2 - 5^3 x^3 + \dots$$

valid when  $|-5x| < 1$  or  $|x| < \frac{1}{5}$  using the Geometric Series Test. Here the Radius is  $R = \frac{1}{5}$ .

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Example: } \frac{x^3}{6+x} &= x^3 \left( \frac{1}{6-(-x)} \right) = \frac{x^3}{6} \left( \frac{1}{1-\left(-\frac{x}{6}\right)} \right) = \frac{x^3}{6} \left( \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left(-\frac{x}{6}\right)^n \right) \\ &= \frac{x^3}{6} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n x^n}{6^n} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n x^{n+3}}{6^{n+1}} \end{aligned}$$

valid when  $\left|-\frac{x}{6}\right| < 1$  or  $|x| < 6$  using the Geometric Series Test. Here the Radius is  $R = 6$ .

## More Power Series Representations for functions using Intergration

Next, we explored the Power Series for  $\ln(1+x)$  and  $\arctan x$ . We derived these Series using Integration of a known Power Series (derived from the Geometric Series Formula)

$$\begin{aligned}\ln(1+x) &= \int \frac{1}{1+x} dx = \int \frac{1}{1-(-x)} dx = \int \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-x)^n dx = \int \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-1)^n x^n dx \\ &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-1)^n \frac{x^{n+1}}{n+1} + C = x - \frac{x^2}{2} + \frac{x^3}{3} - \frac{x^4}{4} + \dots + C\end{aligned}$$

Expanding the Power Series a few terms and plugging in the Center point value  $x = 0$  we can show that  $C = 0$  here

$$0 = \ln(1+0) = 0 - 0 + 0 - 0 + \dots + C \rightarrow C = 0$$

$$\text{Finally, } \boxed{\ln(1+x) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-1)^n \frac{x^{n+1}}{n+1}}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\text{Next, } \arctan x &= \int \frac{1}{1+x^2} dx = \int \frac{1}{1-(-x^2)} dx = \int \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-x^2)^n dx = \int \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-1)^n x^{2n} dx \\ &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-1)^n \frac{x^{2n+1}}{2n+1} + C = x - \frac{x^3}{3} + \frac{x^5}{5} - \frac{x^7}{7} + \dots + C\end{aligned}$$

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$$0 = \arctan 0 = 0 - 0 + 0 - 0 + \dots + C \rightarrow C = 0$$

$$\text{Finally, } \boxed{\arctan x = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-1)^n \frac{x^{2n+1}}{2n+1}}$$

## Taylor and MacLaurin Series

We've been able to find Power Series Representations for a restricted class of functions, related to Geometric Series. Now we want to try and generalize.

Definition: The **Taylor Series for a function  $f$  at  $a$**  is given by

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

Definition: For the special case when  $a = 0$ , the Taylor Series centered at  $a = 0$  is called the **MacLaurin Series for a function  $f$  at 0**. It is given by

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

We used this Definition (or *Chart Method*) to gain Power Series for  $\sin x$  and  $e^x$ . Review these computations. We differentiated the P.S. for  $\sin x$  to find P.S for  $\cos x$ .

**Key Fact:** If a function  $f$  has a Power Series centered at a given  $a$ , then the Series must be the Taylor Series (or MacLaurin if  $a = 0$ ).

Here is a chart of the 6 MacLaurin Series that we derived:

$$e^x = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{x^n}{n!} = 1 + x + \frac{x^2}{2!} + \frac{x^3}{3!} + \frac{x^4}{4!} + \frac{x^5}{5!} + \dots$$

$$\sin x = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n x^{2n+1}}{(2n+1)!} = x - \frac{x^3}{3!} + \frac{x^5}{5!} - \frac{x^7}{7!} + \frac{x^9}{9!} + \dots$$

$$\cos x = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n x^{2n}}{(2n)!} = 1 - \frac{x^2}{2!} + \frac{x^4}{4!} - \frac{x^6}{6!} + \frac{x^8}{8!} + \dots$$

$$\frac{1}{1-x} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} x^n = 1 + x + x^2 + x^3 + x^4 + x^5 + \dots$$

$$\arctan x = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n x^{2n+1}}{2n+1} = x - \frac{x^3}{3} + \frac{x^5}{5} - \frac{x^7}{7} + \frac{x^9}{9} + \dots$$

$$\ln(1+x) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n x^{n+1}}{n+1} = x - \frac{x^2}{2} + \frac{x^3}{3} - \frac{x^4}{4} + \frac{x^5}{5} + \dots$$



Helpful Tip: There are 4 Main Options for finding a functions Power Series representation:

1. Using Substitution into a known Power Series
2. Differentiating a known Power Series.
3. Integrating a known Power Series. Sometimes messier with solving for  $+C$ .
4. Using the Definition above, sometimes known as the *Chart Method*.  
 → This option has its limitations if the derivatives are complicated.

Think about which options we have used so far for each function.

Fun Challenges:

- See if you can use 3 options to find the MacLaurin Series for  $\cos x$  or  $\sin x$ .
- See if you can use **all** 4 options to find the MacLaurin Series for  $\cosh x$  or  $\sinh x$ .

**Applications** We investigated several Applications for Power Series.

- New Series
- New Indefinite Integrals
- New Sums
- New Estimates using the Alternating Series Estimation Theorem
- New Limits

**New Series**, using substitution into a known Series

Example:

$$x^5 \arctan(3x) = x^5 \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-1)^n \frac{(3x)^{2n+1}}{2n+1} = x^5 \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-1)^n \frac{3^{2n+1} x^{2n+1}}{2n+1} = \boxed{\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-1)^n \frac{3^{2n+1} x^{2n+6}}{2n+1}}$$

Here need  $|3x| < 1$  or  $|x| < \frac{1}{3}$ , so  $\boxed{R = \frac{1}{3}}$ .

$$\text{Example: } \frac{x}{1+7x} = x \left( \frac{1}{1-(-7x)} \right) = x \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-7x)^n = x \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-1)^n 7^n x^n = \boxed{\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-1)^n 7^n x^{n+1}}$$

Here need  $|-7x| < 1$  or  $|x| < \frac{1}{7}$ , so  $\boxed{R = \frac{1}{7}}$ .

## New Indefinite Integrals

Example: Use Series to compute  $\int x^4 e^{-x^2} dx$

$$\int x^4 e^{-x^2} dx \stackrel{\text{P.S.}}{=} \int x^4 \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-x^2)^n}{n!} dx = \int x^4 \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n x^{2n}}{n!} dx = \int \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n x^{2n+4}}{n!} dx$$

$$= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n x^{2n+5}}{(n!)(2n+5)} + C$$

Note: Here we can leave the  $+C$  since we don't have a given function on the left side of the equality chain to plug into to solve for  $+C$ .

## New Sums: Pattern matching in reverse

$$\text{Example: } \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n \pi^{2n}}{(36)^n (2n+1)!} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n \pi^{2n}}{(6)^{2n} (2n+1)!} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n \left(\frac{\pi}{6}\right)^{2n}}{(2n+1)!}$$

$$= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n \left(\frac{\pi}{6}\right)^{2n}}{(2n+1)!} \cdot \left(\frac{\pi}{6}\right) = \frac{6}{\pi} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n \left(\frac{\pi}{6}\right)^{2n+1}}{(2n+1)!} = \frac{6}{\pi} \sin\left(\frac{\pi}{6}\right) = \frac{6}{\pi} \left(\frac{1}{2}\right) = \boxed{\frac{3}{\pi}}$$

$$\text{Example: } \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n (\ln 8)^n}{3^{n+1} n!} = \frac{1}{3} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n (\ln 8)^n}{3^n n!} = \frac{1}{3} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{\left(\frac{-\ln 8}{3}\right)^n}{n!}$$

$$= \frac{1}{3} e^{\left(\frac{-\ln 8}{3}\right)} = \frac{1}{3} e^{\ln(8^{-\frac{1}{3}})} = \frac{1}{3} \left(8^{-\frac{1}{3}}\right) = \frac{1}{3} \left(\frac{1}{8^{\frac{1}{3}}}\right) = \frac{1}{3} \left(\frac{1}{2}\right) = \boxed{\frac{1}{6}}$$

$$\text{Example: } \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n \pi^{2n}}{2^{4n} (2n)!} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n \pi^{2n}}{(2^2)^{2n} (2n)!} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n \pi^{2n}}{4^{2n} (2n)!} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n \left(\frac{\pi}{4}\right)^{2n}}{(2n)!}$$

$$= \cos\left(\frac{\pi}{4}\right) = \boxed{\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}} = \boxed{\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}}$$

$$\text{Example: } \pi - \frac{\pi^3}{3!} + \frac{\pi^5}{5!} - \frac{\pi^7}{7!} + \frac{\pi^9}{9!} - \dots = \sin \pi = \boxed{0}$$

Example:  $-\frac{\pi^2}{2!} + \frac{\pi^4}{4!} - \frac{\pi^6}{6!} + \frac{\pi^8}{8!} - \dots = (\cos \pi) - 1 = -1 - 1 = \boxed{-2}$

Example:  $-1 + \frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{4} - \frac{1}{5} + \dots = -\left(1 - \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{3} - \frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{5} - \dots\right) = -\ln(1+1) = \boxed{-\ln 2}$

### New Estimates for Values of Alternating Series

Example: Estimate  $\cos(1)$  with error less than  $\frac{1}{100}$ . Justify.

$$\cos(1) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n (1)^{2n}}{(2n)!} = 1 - \frac{1}{2!} + \frac{1}{4!} - \frac{1}{6!} + \dots = 1 - \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{24} - \frac{1}{720} + \dots$$

$$\approx 1 - \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{24} = \frac{24}{24} - \frac{12}{24} + \frac{1}{24} = \boxed{\frac{13}{24}} \quad \leftarrow \text{estimate}$$

Using the Alternating Series Estimation Theorem (ASET), we can approximate the actual sum with only the first three terms as  $\frac{13}{24}$ , with error *at most* the absolute value of the first neglected term,  $\boxed{\frac{1}{6!}}$ . Here  $\frac{1}{720} < \frac{1}{100}$  as desired.

### New Estimates for Definite Integrals

Example: Estimate  $\int_0^1 x^3 \ln(1+x^3) dx$  with error less than  $\frac{1}{30}$ . Justify.

$$\int_0^1 x^3 \ln(1+x^3) dx = \int_0^1 \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n x^{3n+6}}{n+1} dx = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n x^{3n+7}}{(n+1)(3n+7)} \Big|_0^1$$

$$= \frac{x^7}{1 \cdot 7} - \frac{x^{10}}{2 \cdot 10} + \frac{x^{13}}{3 \cdot 13} - \dots \Big|_0^1 = \frac{x^7}{7} - \frac{x^{10}}{20} + \frac{x^{13}}{39} - \dots \Big|_0^1$$

$$= \frac{1}{7} - \frac{1}{20} + \frac{1}{39} - \dots - (0 - 0 + 0 - \dots)$$

$$\approx \frac{1}{7} - \frac{1}{20} = \frac{20}{140} - \frac{7}{140} = \boxed{\frac{13}{140}} \quad \leftarrow \text{estimate}$$

Using the Alternating Series Estimation Theorem (ASET), we can approximate the actual sum with only the first two terms, and the error from the actual sum will be *at most* the absolute value of the next (first neglected) term,  $\frac{1}{39}$ . Here  $\frac{1}{39} < \frac{1}{30}$  as desired.

Example: **Estimate**  $\int_0^1 x \sin(x^2) dx$  with error less than  $\frac{1}{1000}$ . Justify.

$$\begin{aligned} \int_0^1 x \sin(x^2) dx &= \int_0^1 x \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n (x^2)^{2n+1}}{(2n+1)!} dx = \int_0^1 x \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n x^{4n+2}}{(2n+1)!} dx \\ &= \int_0^1 \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n x^{4n+3}}{(2n+1)!} dx = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n x^{4n+4}}{(2n+1)!(4n+4)} \Big|_0^1 = \frac{x^4}{1 \cdot 4} - \frac{x^8}{3! \cdot 8} + \frac{x^{12}}{5! \cdot (12)} - \dots \Big|_0^1 \\ &= \left( \frac{1}{4} - \frac{1}{48} + \frac{1}{1440} - \dots \right) - (0 - 0 + 0 - \dots) \approx \frac{1}{4} - \frac{1}{48} = \boxed{\frac{11}{48}} \leftarrow \text{estimate} \end{aligned}$$

Using the Alternating Series Estimation Theorem (ASET), we can approximate the actual sum with only the first two terms as  $\frac{11}{48}$ , with error *at most* the absolute value of the first neglected term,  $\boxed{\frac{1}{1440}}$ . Here  $\frac{1}{1440} < \frac{1}{1000}$  as desired.

### New Limits using Series

Example: Use series to evaluate the following limit

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{x \cos x}{\sin x} &= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{x \left( 1 - \frac{x^2}{2!} + \frac{x^4}{4!} - \frac{x^6}{6!} + \dots \right)}{x - \frac{x^3}{3!} + \frac{x^5}{5!} - \frac{x^7}{7!} + \dots} \\ &= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{x \left( 1 - \frac{x^2}{2!} + \frac{x^4}{4!} - \frac{x^6}{6!} + \dots \right)}{x \left( 1 - \frac{x^2}{3!} + \frac{x^4}{5!} - \frac{x^6}{7!} + \dots \right)} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{1 - \frac{x^2}{2!} + \frac{x^4}{4!} - \frac{x^6}{6!} + \dots}{1 - \frac{x^2}{3!} + \frac{x^4}{5!} - \frac{x^6}{7!} + \dots} \boxed{1} \end{aligned}$$

In closing, there are many more subtopics to study for Power Series, but we have a great base of material to build off of for now. Focus on the

- Definitions
- Domains
- Differentiation/Integration
- Derivation of Power Series for Functions, Multiple Methods
- Memorize the 6 Derived MacLaurin Series, study how each one was derived.
- Many Applications