

Math 12

Midterm Exam #3

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# Answer Key

1. [15 Points] Find the **Interval** and **Radius** of Convergence for each of the following power series. Analyze carefully and with full justification.

(a)  $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{x^n}{(2n)!}$  Use Ratio Test.

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{\frac{x^{n+1}}{(2n+2)!}}{\frac{x^n}{(2n)!}} \right| = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{x^{n+1}}{x^n} \cdot \frac{(2n)!}{(2n+2)!} \right| = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{|x|}{(2n+2)(2n+1)} = 0 < 1 \text{ for all } x.$$

The Ratio Test gives convergence for all  $x$ . So Interval of Convergence  $I = (-\infty, \infty)$  with Radius of Convergence  $R = \infty$ .

(b)  $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(3x+4)^n}{n^2 4^n}$  Use Ratio Test.

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{\frac{(3x+4)^{n+1}}{(n+1)^2 4^{n+1}}}{\frac{(3x+4)^n}{n^2 4^n}} \right| = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{(3x+4)^{n+1}}{(3x+4)^n} \cdot \frac{n^2}{(n+1)^2} \cdot \frac{4^n}{4^{n+1}} \right| = \frac{|3x+4|}{4}$$

The Ratio Test gives convergence for  $x$  when  $\frac{|3x+4|}{4} < 1$  or  $|3x+4| < 4$ .

$$\text{That is } -4 < 3x+4 < 4 \implies -8 < 3x < 0 \implies -\frac{8}{3} < x < 0$$

Endpoints:

•  $x = 0$  The original series becomes  $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{4^n}{n^2 4^n} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n^2}$  which is a convergent  $p$ -series with  $p = 2 > 1$ .

•  $x = -\frac{8}{3}$  The original series becomes  $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-4)^n}{n^2 4^n} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n 4^n}{n^2 4^n} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n}{n^2}$  which is convergent by

Absolute Convergence Test since the absolute series above converges. (can also use AST here, but not needed if you use ACT)

Finally, Interval of Convergence  $I = \left[-\frac{8}{3}, 0\right]$  with Radius of Convergence  $R = \frac{4}{3}$ .

**2.** [10 Points] Find the **Taylor polynomial of degree 3** for  $f(x) = \frac{1}{x}$  centered at  $a = 2$ .

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

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

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

$$f'''(x) = -\frac{6}{x^4} \quad f'''(2) = -\frac{3}{8}$$

Finally,

$$\begin{aligned} T_3(x) &= f(2) + f'(2)(x-2) + \frac{f''(2)}{2!}(x-2)^2 + \frac{f'''(2)}{3!}(x-2)^3 \\ &= \frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{4}(x-2) + \frac{1}{4!}(x-2)^2 - \frac{3}{3!}(x-2)^3 \\ &= \boxed{\frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{4}(x-2) + \frac{1}{8}(x-2)^2 - \frac{1}{16}(x-2)^3} \end{aligned}$$

**3.** [10 Points] Find the **MacLaurin series** representation for each of the following functions.

Your answer should be in sigma notation  $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty}$

(a)  $f(x) = xe^{-x^2}$

First  $e^x = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{x^n}{n!}$

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

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

(b)  $f(x) = \frac{1}{1+7x}$

First,  $\frac{1}{1-x} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} x^n$ .

Finally,  $\frac{1}{1+7x} = \frac{1}{1-(-7x)} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-7x)^n = \boxed{\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-1)^n (7x)^n}$

4. [10 Points] Use a Power Series representation for  $\sin(x^2)$  to estimate the given integral within the given error. Justify in words that your error is indeed less than  $\frac{1}{10}$ .

$$\text{Estimate } \int_0^1 \sin(x^2) dx \text{ with error less than } \frac{1}{10}$$

$$\text{First } \sin x = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n x^{2n+1}}{(2n+1)!}.$$

$$\text{Then, } \sin(x^2) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n (x^2)^{2n+1}}{(2n+1)!} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n x^{4n+2}}{(2n+1)!}.$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Now, } \int_0^1 \sin(x^2) dx &= \int_0^1 \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n x^{4n+2}}{(2n+1)!} dx = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n x^{4n+3}}{(4n+3)(2n+1)!} \Big|_0^1 \\ &= \frac{x^3}{3} - \frac{x^7}{7 \cdot 3!} + \frac{x^{11}}{11 \cdot 5!} + \dots \Big|_0^1 = \left( \frac{1}{3} - \frac{1}{42} + \frac{1}{1320} + \dots \right) - (0 - 0 + 0 + \dots) \approx \boxed{\frac{1}{3}} \end{aligned}$$

Note this is an alternating series. Use the Alternating Series Estimation Theorem. If we approximate the actual sum with only the first term, the error from the actual sum will be at most the absolute value of the next term,  $\frac{1}{42}$ . Here  $\frac{1}{42} < \frac{1}{10}$  as desired.

5. [15 Points] Find the **sum** for each of the following series.

$$(a) \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{7^n}{n!} = \boxed{e^7}$$

$$(b) \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n \pi^{2n}}{(2n)!} = \cos \pi = \boxed{-1}$$

$$\begin{aligned} (c) \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n \left(\frac{3\pi}{2}\right)^{2n}}{(2n+1)!} &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n \left(\frac{3\pi}{2}\right)^{2n} \left(\frac{3\pi}{2}\right)}{(2n+1)! \left(\frac{3\pi}{2}\right)} = \frac{2}{3\pi} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n \left(\frac{3\pi}{2}\right)^{2n+1}}{(2n+1)!} \\ &= \frac{2}{3\pi} \sin\left(\frac{3\pi}{2}\right) = \frac{2}{3\pi}(-1) = \boxed{-\frac{2}{3\pi}} \end{aligned}$$

**6.** [20 Points] Volumes of Revolution

(a) Consider the region bounded by  $y = \sin x$ ,  $x = 0$ ,  $x = \frac{\pi}{2}$  and the  $x$ -axis. Rotate the region about the vertical line  $x = -3$ . Set-up, **BUT DO NOT EVALUATE!!**, the integral to compute the volume of the resulting solid using the Cylindrical Shells Method. Sketch the solid, along with one of the approximating cylindrical shells.

See me for a sketch.

$$V = \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} 2\pi \text{ radius height } dx = \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} 2\pi(x+3)\sin x \, dx$$

(b) Consider the region bounded by  $y = e^x$ ,  $y = \ln x$ ,  $x = 1$  and  $x = 2$ . Rotate the region about the horizontal line  $y = -1$ . Set-up, **BUT DO NOT EVALUATE!!**, the integral to compute the volume of the resulting solid using the Washer Method. Sketch the solid, along with one of the approximating washers.

See me for a sketch.

$$V = \int_1^2 \pi ((\text{outer radius})^2 - (\text{inner radius})^2) \, dx = \pi \int_1^2 (e^x + 1)^2 - (\ln x + 1)^2 \, dx$$

**7.** [20 Points] Consider the Parametric Curve represented by  $x = 3 - 2t$  and  $y = e^t + e^{-t}$ .

(a) Find  $\frac{dy}{dx}$  when  $t = \ln 5$ .

$$\text{First, } \frac{dx}{dt} = -2 \text{ and } \frac{dy}{dt} = e^t - e^{-t}.$$

$$\text{Then, } \frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{\frac{dy}{dt}}{\frac{dx}{dt}} = \frac{e^t - e^{-t}}{-2}.$$

$$\text{Finally, } \left. \frac{dy}{dx} \right|_{t=\ln 5} = \frac{e^{\ln 5} - e^{-\ln 5}}{-2} = \frac{e^{\ln 5} - e^{\ln 5^{-1}}}{-2} = \frac{5 - \frac{1}{5}}{-2} = \frac{\frac{24}{5}}{-2} = \boxed{-\frac{12}{5}}$$

(b) Find the **arclength** of this parametric curve for  $0 \leq t \leq 1$ .

$$\begin{aligned} L &= \int_0^1 \sqrt{\left(\frac{dx}{dt}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{dy}{dt}\right)^2} \, dt = \int_0^1 \sqrt{(-2)^2 + (e^t - e^{-t})^2} \, dt = \int_0^1 \sqrt{4 + e^{2t} - 2 + e^{-2t}} \, dt \\ &= \int_0^1 \sqrt{e^{2t} + 2 + e^{-2t}} \, dt = \int_0^1 \sqrt{(e^t + e^{-t})^2} \, dt \\ &= \int_0^1 e^t + e^{-t} \, dt = e^t - e^{-t} \Big|_0^1 = (e - e^{-1}) - (e^0 - e^0) = e - e^{-1} = \boxed{e - \frac{1}{e}} \end{aligned}$$

(c) Set-up, **BUT DO NOT EVALUATE!!**, the definite integral representing the **surface area** of the solid obtained by rotating this curve about the  **$x$ -axis**, for  $0 \leq t \leq 1$ .

$$\begin{aligned} \text{S.A.} &= \int_0^1 2\pi y(t) \sqrt{\left(\frac{dx}{dt}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{dy}{dt}\right)^2} dt = \int_0^1 2\pi y(t) \sqrt{(-2)^2 + (e^t - e^{-t})^2} dt \\ &= \boxed{\int_0^1 2\pi (e^t + e^{-t}) ((e^t + e^{-t}) dt} \text{ from part(b) above.} \end{aligned}$$

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## OPTIONAL BONUS

Do not attempt these unless you are completely done with the rest of the exam.

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**OPTIONAL BONUS #1** Compute the **sum**  $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{n}{3^n}$

First  $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{n}{3^n}$  comes from  $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} nx^n$  with  $x = \frac{1}{3}$ .

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Recognize } \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} nx^n &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} nx^{n-1}x = x \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} nx^{n-1} = x \frac{d}{dx} \left( \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} x^n \right) = x \frac{d}{dx} \left( \frac{1}{1-x} \right) \\ &= x \left( \frac{1}{(1-x)^2} \right) = \frac{x}{(1-x)^2} \end{aligned}$$

Finally, substituting  $x = \frac{1}{3}$ , we get

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{n}{3^n} = \frac{\frac{1}{3}}{\left(1 - \frac{1}{3}\right)^2} = \frac{\frac{1}{3}}{\left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^2} = \frac{\frac{1}{3}}{\frac{4}{9}} = \boxed{\frac{3}{4}}$$

**OPTIONAL BONUS #2** Compute the **sum**  $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{n^3}{3^n n!}$

First  $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{n^3}{3^n n!}$  comes from  $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{n^3 x^n}{n!}$  with  $x = \frac{1}{3}$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Recognize } \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{n^3 x^n}{n!} &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{n^3 x^{n-1} x}{n!} = x \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{n^2 \cdot nx^{n-1}}{n!} = x \frac{d}{dx} \left( \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{n^2 x^n}{n!} \right) = x \frac{d}{dx} \left( \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{n^2 x^{n-1} x}{n!} \right) \\ &= x \frac{d}{dx} \left( x \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{n \cdot nx^{n-1}}{n!} \right) = x \frac{d}{dx} \left( x \frac{d}{dx} \left( \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{nx^n}{n!} \right) \right) = x \frac{d}{dx} \left( x \frac{d}{dx} \left( \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{nx^{n-1} x}{n!} \right) \right) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= x \frac{d}{dx} \left( x \frac{d}{dx} \left( x \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{nx^{n-1}}{n!} \right) \right) = x \frac{d}{dx} \left( x \frac{d}{dx} \left( x \frac{d}{dx} \left( \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{x^n}{n!} \right) \right) \right) \\
&= x \frac{d}{dx} \left( x \frac{d}{dx} \left( x \frac{d}{dx} (e^x) \right) \right) = x \frac{d}{dx} \left( x \frac{d}{dx} (xe^x) \right) = x \frac{d}{dx} (x(xe^x + e^x)) = x \frac{d}{dx} (x^2e^x + xe^x) \\
&= x (x^2e^x + e^x 2x + xe^x + e^x) = x (x^2e^x + 3xe^x + e^x) = (x^3 + 3x^2 + x) e^x
\end{aligned}$$

Finally, substituting  $x = \frac{1}{3}$ , we get

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{n^3}{3^n n!} = \left( \left( \frac{1}{3} \right)^3 + 3 \left( \frac{1}{3} \right)^2 + \frac{1}{3} \right) e^{\frac{1}{3}} = \left( \frac{1}{27} + \frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{3} \right) e^{\frac{1}{3}} = \left( \frac{1}{27} + \frac{9}{27} + \frac{9}{27} \right) e^{\frac{1}{3}} = \boxed{\frac{19}{27} e^{\frac{1}{3}}}$$

**OPTIONAL BONUS #3** Compute the sum  $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{n^3}{3^n}$

First  $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{n^3}{3^n}$  comes from  $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} n^3 x^n$  with  $x = \frac{1}{3}$

$$\begin{aligned}
\text{Recognize } \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} n^3 x^n &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} n^3 x^{n-1} x = x \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} n^2 \cdot n x^{n-1} = x \frac{d}{dx} \left( \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} n^2 x^n \right) \\
&= x \frac{d}{dx} \left( \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} n \cdot n x^{n-1} x \right) = x \frac{d}{dx} \left( x \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} n \cdot n x^{n-1} \right) = x \frac{d}{dx} \left( x \frac{d}{dx} \left( \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} n x^n \right) \right) \\
&= x \frac{d}{dx} \left( x \frac{d}{dx} \left( \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} n x^{n-1} x \right) \right) = x \frac{d}{dx} \left( x \frac{d}{dx} \left( x \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} n x^{n-1} \right) \right) \\
&= x \frac{d}{dx} \left( x \frac{d}{dx} \left( x \frac{d}{dx} \left( \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} x^n \right) \right) \right) = x \frac{d}{dx} \left( x \frac{d}{dx} \left( x \frac{d}{dx} \left( \frac{1}{1-x} \right) \right) \right) \\
&= x \frac{d}{dx} \left( x \frac{d}{dx} \left( x \left( \frac{1}{(1-x)^2} \right) \right) \right) = x \frac{d}{dx} \left( x \frac{d}{dx} \left( \frac{x}{(1-x)^2} \right) \right) \\
&= x \frac{d}{dx} \left( x \left( \frac{(1-x)^2(1) - x(2(1-x)(-1))}{(1-x)^4} \right) \right) = x \frac{d}{dx} \left( x \left( \frac{(1-x)((1-x) + 2x)}{(1-x)^4} \right) \right) \\
&= x \frac{d}{dx} \left( x \left( \frac{1+x}{(1-x)^3} \right) \right) = x \frac{d}{dx} \left( \frac{x+x^2}{(1-x)^3} \right) = x \left( \frac{(1-x)^3(1+2x) - (x+x^2)3(1-x)^2(-1)}{(1-x)^6} \right) \\
&= x \left( \frac{(1-x)^2((1-x)(1+2x) + 3(x+x^2))}{(1-x)^6} \right) = x \left( \frac{(1-x)(1+2x) + 3(x+x^2)}{(1-x)^4} \right) \\
&= x \left( \frac{1-x+2x-2x^2+3x+3x^2}{(1-x)^4} \right) = x \left( \frac{1+4x+x^2}{(1-x)^4} \right) = \frac{x+4x^2+x^3}{(1-x)^4}
\end{aligned}$$

Finally, substituting  $x = \frac{1}{3}$ , we get  $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{n^3}{3^n} = \frac{\frac{1}{3} + 4 \left( \frac{1}{3} \right)^2 + \left( \frac{1}{3} \right)^3}{\left( 1 - \frac{1}{3} \right)^4} = \boxed{\frac{33}{8}}$