

SCAN 2 — Solution of Math Test #4

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hence, since $(-1)^n/n^{\alpha} \xrightarrow[n \to +\infty]{} 0$,

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we conclude that the series $\sum_{n} w_n$ converges if and only if $2\alpha > 1$, i.e., if and only if $\alpha > 1/2$. We know that the sum of a convergent series and a divergent series yields a divergent series, and that the sum of two convergent series yields a convergent one.

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Exercise 2.

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$$\frac{n}{1+n^3} \underset{n \to +\infty}{\sim} \frac{1}{n^2} > 0$$

and by Riemann (with $\alpha = 2 > 1$), the series $\sum_{n} 1/n^2$ converges. Hence, by the equivalent test, the series $\sum_{n} n/(1+n^3)$ converges.

2. Let $t \in (0, +\infty)$. Since $1 + t^3 > t^3 > 0$,

$$\frac{1}{1+t^3} < \frac{1}{t^3}$$

and multiplying by t > 0 yields the first inequality.

Let $N \in \mathbb{N}^*$ and let $t \in [N+1, +\infty)$. Then

$$\frac{t}{1+t^3} - \frac{1}{\left(1+\frac{1}{(N+1)^3}\right)t^2} = \frac{\left(1+\frac{1}{(N+1)^3}\right)t^3 - 1 - t^3}{t^2\left(1+\frac{1}{(N+1)^2}\right)t^2} = \frac{\frac{t^3}{(N+1)^3} - 1}{t^2\left(1+\frac{1}{(N+1)^2}\right)t^2} \ge 0.$$

3. Let $N \geq 2$. Define the function

$$\begin{array}{rcc} f \ \colon \ [N,+\infty) \longrightarrow & \mathbb{R} \\ & t & \longmapsto \frac{t}{1+t^3} \end{array}$$

For $t \in [N, +\infty)$,

$$f'(t) = \frac{1 - 2t^3}{\left(1 + t^3\right)^2} < 0$$

since $t \ge N \ge 1$, hence the function f is decreasing: we can use the integral comparison test, and we obtain:

$$\frac{1}{1+\frac{1}{(N+1)^3}} \int_{N+1}^{+\infty} \frac{\mathrm{d}t}{t^2} \le R_N = \sum_{n=N+1}^{+\infty} \frac{n}{1+n^3} \le \int_N^{+\infty} \frac{\mathrm{d}t}{t^2},$$

hence

$$\frac{(N+1)^2}{(N+1)^3+1} \le R_N \le \frac{1}{N^2}.$$

Now, the result follows from the fact that $R_N = S - S_N$.

4. From the given numerical values, we obtain (using the previous inequality with N = 38)

$$\underline{1.1113} < S_{38} + \frac{39^2}{39^3 + 1} \le S \le S_{38} + \frac{1}{38} < \underline{1.11199},$$

hence we obtain the numerical value of S correct to 3 decimal places:

$$S = 1.111...$$

Exercise 3.

1. Let $z \in \mathbb{C}^*$. We use the ratio test:

$$\left|\frac{\frac{(n+1)^{n+1}z^{n+1}}{(n+1)!}}{\frac{n^n z^n}{n!}}\right| = \frac{(n+1)^n}{n^n}|z| = \left(1+\frac{1}{n}\right)^n |z| \xrightarrow[n \to +\infty]{} e|z|.$$

Hence, by the ratio test, the power series converges for $|z| < e^{-1}$ and diverges for $|z| > e^{-1}$. We conclude that the radius of convergence of the power series is e^{-1} .

- 2. a) We know that the radius of convergence of $\sum_n na_n x^n$ is R. Now, for $z \in \mathbb{C}$ such that $|z| > \sqrt{R}$, the series $\sum_n a_n z^{2n} = \sum_n a_n (z^2)^n$ diverges, and for $z \in \mathbb{C}$ such that $|z| < \sqrt{R}$, the series $\sum_n a_n z^{2n} = \sum_n a_n (z^2)^n$ converges. We hence conclude that $R_g = \sqrt{R}$.
 - b) We know that for all $x \in (-R, R)$,

$$f'(x) = \sum_{n=1}^{+\infty} n a_n x^{n-1}.$$

Hence, for $x \in (-R_g, R_g)$,

$$f'(x^2) = \sum_{n=1}^{+\infty} n a_n x^{2n-2}$$

and we conclude that

$$g(x) = \sum_{n=0}^{+\infty} na_n x^{2n+1} = \sum_{n=1}^{+\infty} na_n x^{2n+1} = x^3 \sum_{n=1}^{+\infty} na_n x^{2n-2} = x^3 f'(x^2).$$

Exercise 4.

1. a) Let $x \in (-R, R)$. We know that f can be differentiated term by term as much as we want within (-R, R), hence

$$f'(x) = \sum_{n=1}^{+\infty} na_n x^{n-1} = \sum_{n=0}^{+\infty} (n+1)a_{n+1}x^n,$$

$$f''(x) = \sum_{n=2}^{+\infty} n(n-1)a_n x^{n-2} = \sum_{n=0}^{+\infty} (n+2)(n+1)a_{n+2}x^n,$$

Hence,

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

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$$x^2f'(x) = \sum_{n=0}^{+\infty} na_n x^{n+1} = \sum_{n=1}^{+\infty} (n-1)a_{n-1}x^n,$$

hence

$$\begin{aligned} x(x^{2}+1)f''(x) &+ (x^{2}-1)f'(x) \\ &= -a_{1} + \sum_{n=1}^{+\infty} \Big((n-1)(n-2)a_{n-1} + (n+1)na_{n+1} + (n-1)a_{n-1} - (n+1)a_{n+1} \Big) x^{n} \\ &= -a_{1} + \sum_{n=1}^{+\infty} \Big((n-1)^{2}a_{n-1} + (n+1)(n-1)a_{n+1} \Big) x^{n} \end{aligned}$$

b) By the identity theorem, f is a solution of Equation (E) on (-R, R) if and only if

$$\begin{cases} a_1 = -1 \\ \forall n \ge 1, \ (n-1)^2 a_{n-1} + (n+1)(n-1)a_{n+1} = 0. \end{cases}$$

Note that the case n = 1 is always fulfilled, and if $n \neq 1$ we can simplify by n - 1. We hence conclude that f is a solution of Equation (E) if and only if:

$$\begin{cases} a_1 = -1 \\ \forall n \ge 2, \ (n-1)a_{n-1} + (n+1)a_{n+1} = 0. \end{cases}$$

2. a) The coefficients (a_n) hence satisfy

$$\forall n \ge 2, \ a_{n+1} = -\frac{n-1}{n+1}a_{n-1}.$$

• We thus have, for the odd ones:

$$a_3 = \frac{1}{3}, \ a_5 = -\frac{1}{5}, \ a_7 = \frac{1}{7}, \ \dots$$

and we conjecture that

$$\forall k \in \mathbb{N}, \ a_{2k+1} = (-1)^{k+1} \frac{1}{2k+1}.$$

We check this conjecture by induction: for k = 0 the result holds true; assume it true for some $k \in \mathbb{N}$, then

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• Similarly for the even ones:

$$a_4 = -\frac{1}{2}a_2, \ a_6 = \frac{1}{3}a_2, \ a_8 = -\frac{1}{4}a_2, \ \dots$$

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b) We split the power series defining f into its odd and even components:

$$f_{\text{even}}(x) = \sum_{k=0}^{+\infty} a_{2k} x^{2k} = a_0 + a_2 \sum_{k=1}^{+\infty} \frac{(-1)^{k+1}}{k} x^{2k},$$

$$f_{\text{odd}}(x) = \sum_{k=0}^{+\infty} a_{2k+1} x^{2k+1} = \sum_{k=0}^{+\infty} \frac{(-1)^{k+1}}{2k+1} x^{2k+1}.$$

It's now easy to see, e.g., using the ratio test, that the radius of convergence of f_{even} and of f_{odd} is 1 (unless $a_2 = 0$ in which case the radius of convergence of f_{even} is 0). Hence R = 1.

3. a)

$$\forall x \in (-1,1), \ h(x) = \frac{1}{1+x} = \sum_{n=0}^{+\infty} (-1)^n x^n$$

b) Since a power series can be integrated term by term within its open interval of convergence, we conclude:

$$\forall x \in (-1,1), \ F(x) = \ln(1+x) = \int_0^x \frac{\mathrm{d}t}{1+t} = \int_0^x \left(\sum_{n=0}^{+\infty} (-1)^n t^n\right) \,\mathrm{d}t = \sum_{n=0}^{+\infty} (-1)^n \frac{x^{n+1}}{n+1} = \sum_{n=1}^{+\infty} (-1)^{n-1} \frac{x^n}{n+1} = \sum_{n=0}^{+\infty} (-1)^{n-1} \frac{x^n}{n+1} = \sum_{n=0}^{$$

Moreover,

$$\forall x \in (-1,1), \ h(x^2) = \frac{1}{1+x^2} = \sum_{n=0}^{+\infty} (-1)^n x^{2n}$$

and hence,

$$\forall x \in (-1,1), \ G(x) = \arctan(x) = \int_0^x \frac{\mathrm{d}t}{1+t^2} = \int_0^x \left(\sum_{n=0}^{+\infty} (-1)^n t^{2n}\right) \,\mathrm{d}t = \sum_{n=0}^{+\infty} (-1)^n \frac{x^{2n+1}}{2n+1}$$

The radius of convergence of F and G is that of h, i.e., 1.

4. We hence conclude that:

$$\forall x \in (-1,1), \ f_{\text{even}}(x) = a_0 + a_2 \ln(1+x^2), \quad \text{and} \quad f_{\text{odd}}(x) = -\arctan(x).$$

Hence, the solutions of Equation (E) that possess a power series expansion are of the form

$$f(x) = a_0 + a_2 \ln(1 + x^2) - \arctan(x)$$

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Exercise 8.

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$$\forall (x, y, z) \in \mathbb{R}^3, \ q(x, y, z) = x^2 + 4xy + 6xz + 2y^2 + 8yz - z^2.$$

2.

$$M = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 3/2 \\ 1 & -1 & 0 \\ 3/2 & 0 & -3 \end{pmatrix}.$$