

POWER SERIES (II – PART)

Example 1.

Function $f(x) = \arctg x$ develop into a power series and determine its interval of convergence.

Solution:

The idea is to use familiar development $\frac{1}{1-x} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} x^n \quad -1 < x < 1$

So, here is $x^2 \in (-1,1) \rightarrow x \in (-1,1)$

How to apply theorem $\int_a^b (\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n x^n) dx = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (\int_a^b a_n x^n dx)$

$$f(x) = \arctg x = \int_0^x \frac{1}{1+x^2} dx = \int_0^x (\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-1)^n x^{2n}) dx = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-1)^n \int_0^x x^{2n} dx = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-1)^n \frac{x^{2n+1}}{2n+1}$$

You should always examine the convergence of the resulting series on the borders of the interval of convergence.

In our case it is : $x = -1$ and $x = 1$

For $x = -1$

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-1)^n \frac{x^{2n+1}}{2n+1} \rightarrow \text{for } x = -1 \rightarrow \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-1)^n \frac{(-1)^{2n+1}}{2n+1} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n \overbrace{(-1)^{2n}}^{\text{this is 1}} (-1)^1}{2n+1} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{n+1}}{2n+1}$$

This is an alternative series , and it will apply the Leibniz criteria:

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{2n+1} = 0 \quad \text{and we have : } n+1 > n \rightarrow 2(n+1) > 2n \rightarrow 2(n+1)+1 > 2n+1 \rightarrow \frac{1}{2(n+1)+1} < \frac{1}{2n+1} \rightarrow \boxed{a_{n+1} < a_n}$$

This means that the alternative series is convergent

For $x = 1$

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

Similar to the previous series and here, number series is convergent (Leibniz criterion)

Hence, our power series is convergent for $x \in [-1,1]$

Example 2.

Function $f(x) = \ln \frac{2+x}{1-x}$ develop into a power series.

Solution:

$$f(x) = \ln \frac{2+x}{1-x}$$

$$f'(x) = \frac{1}{\frac{2+x}{1-x}} \cdot \left(\frac{2+x}{1-x} \right)' = \frac{1-x}{2+x} \cdot \frac{1(1-x) + 1(2+x)}{(1-x)^2} = \frac{3}{(2+x)(1-x)}$$

We got a rational function:

$$\frac{3}{(2+x)(1-x)} = \frac{A}{2+x} + \frac{B}{1-x} \dots\dots\dots / \cdot (2+x)(1-x)$$

$$3 = A(1-x) + B(2+x)$$

$$3 = A - Ax + 2B + Bx$$

$$3 = x(-A+B) + A + 2B$$

$$-A + B = 0$$

$$A + 2B = 3$$

$$3B = 3 \rightarrow \boxed{B=1} \rightarrow \boxed{A=1}$$

$$\frac{3}{(2+x)(1-x)} = \frac{1}{2+x} + \frac{1}{1-x} = \frac{1}{2(1+\frac{x}{2})} + \frac{1}{1-x} = \boxed{\frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{1}{(1+\frac{x}{2})} + \frac{1}{1-x}}$$

We will use $\frac{1}{1-x} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} x^n \quad -1 < x < 1$

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

The radius of convergence of this series is:

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{a_n}{a_{n+1}} \right| = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\frac{1}{2^n}}{\frac{1}{2^{n+1}}} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{2^n \cdot 2}{2^n} = 2, \text{ so: } x \in (-2, 2)$$

Now, for the interval $x \in (-1, 1)$ (Which belongs to a given interval $(-2, 2)$) we have :

$$\begin{aligned}
f'(x) &= \frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{1}{1+\frac{x}{2}} + \frac{1}{1-x} = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n}{2^n} x^n + \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} x^n = \\
&= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n}{2 \cdot 2^n} x^n + \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} x^n \\
&= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n}{2^{n+1}} x^n + \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} x^n \\
&= \boxed{\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n + 2^{n+1}}{2^{n+1}} x^n}
\end{aligned}$$

Now go back through the integral to function $f(x)$:

$$f(x) = \int_0^x \left(\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n + 2^{n+1}}{2^{n+1}} x^n \right) dx = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n + 2^{n+1}}{2^{n+1}} \int_0^x x^n dx = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n + 2^{n+1}}{2^{n+1}} \cdot \frac{x^{n+1}}{n+1} = \boxed{\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n + 2^{n+1}}{2^{n+1}(n+1)} x^{n+1}}$$

Example 3.

Function $f(x) = \frac{1+x}{(1-x)^3}$, develop into a power series and then determine the sum $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{n^2}{2^{n-1}}$

Solution :

Again we “separate” the function.

$$\frac{1+x}{(1-x)^3} = \frac{A}{1-x} + \frac{B}{(1-x)^2} + \frac{C}{(1-x)^3} \dots\dots\dots / \cdot (1-x)^3$$

$$1+x = A(1-x)^2 + B(1-x) + C$$

$$1+x = A(1-2x+x^2) + B(1-x) + C$$

$$1+x = A - 2Ax + Ax^2 + B - Bx + C$$

$$1+x = +Ax^2 + x(-2A-B) + A+B+C$$

$$A = 0$$

$$-2A - B = 1$$

$$A + B + C = 1$$

$$B = -1 \rightarrow C = 2$$

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

So :

$$\boxed{f(x) = \frac{2}{(1-x)^3} - \frac{1}{(1-x)^2}}$$

We know that $\frac{1}{1-x} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} x^n \quad -1 < x < 1$

Mark with $g(x) = \frac{1}{1-x} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} x^n$

Derivative is :

$$g'(x) = -\frac{1}{(1-x)^2} (1-x)' = -\frac{1}{(1-x)^2} (-1) = \frac{1}{(1-x)^2}$$

$$g''(x) = -\frac{1}{(1-x)^4} ((1-x)^2)' = -\frac{1}{(1-x)^4} 2(1-x)(-1) = \frac{2}{(1-x)^3}$$

Now we have :

$$\frac{1}{(1-x)^2} = g'(x) = \left(\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} x^n \right)' = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} nx^{n-1} \quad \text{Watch out: we must change that } n \text{ goes from } 1.$$

$$\frac{2}{(1-x)^3} = g''(x) = (g'(x))' = \left(\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} nx^{n-1} \right)' = \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} n(n-1)x^{n-2}$$

Watch out: we must change that n goes from 2, but since the previous sum goes is 1, we will do a small correction for the second sum , we will put that goes from 1, and where we have n , we write $n + 1$

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

Now we return to the task:

$$f(x) = g''(x) - g'(x) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n(n+1)x^{n-1} - \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} nx^{n-1} = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} [n(n+1) - n]x^{n-1} = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} [n^2 + n - n]x^{n-1}$$

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

To find the required sum $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{n^2}{2^{n-1}}$, we need instead of x in $f(x) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n^2 x^{n-1}$ to put some number.

Here it is obvious that it should be $\frac{1}{2}$. This value change in the initial function :

$$f(x) = \frac{1+x}{(1-x)^3} \rightarrow f\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) = \frac{1+\frac{1}{2}}{\left(1-\frac{1}{2}\right)^3} = 12$$

Example 4.

Determine the area of convergence and the sum $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n^2 x^n$ and then find the sum of the numerical series $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n n^2}{2^n}$

Solution :

As is $a_n = n^2$ we will use $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{a_n}{a_{n+1}} \right| = R$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{a_n}{a_{n+1}} \right| = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{n^2}{(n+1)^2} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{n^2}{n^2 + 2n + 1} = \frac{1}{1} = 1, \text{ so we have } R=1$$

Series is convergent for $x \in (-1, 1)$. We must examine what happens for $x = -1$ and for $x = 1$

For $x = 1$

We have numerical series $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n^2 1^{n-1} = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n^2$. As is $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} n^2 = \infty$, **he diverges.**

For $x = -1$

Similar thinking: $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n^2 (-1)^{n-1}$, he diverges because general is not the approaches zero.

We conclude that the area of convergence remains $x \in (-1, 1)$

We will use well-known development $\frac{1}{1-x} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} x^n \quad -1 < x < 1$.

Make a small correction : $\left(\frac{1}{1-x} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} x^n \right)$ all multiply by x

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

Further work:

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n^2 x^n = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n \cdot n \cdot \boxed{x} \cdot x^{n-1} = x \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n \cdot \boxed{n \cdot x^{n-1}} = x \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n \cdot (x^n)' = x \left(\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n \cdot x^n \right)' =$$

we take x and front brackets:

$$x \left(\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n \cdot x^n \right)' = x \left(x \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n \cdot x^{n-1} \right)' = x \left(x \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (x^n)' \right)' = x \left(x \left(\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} x^n \right)' \right)' = x \left(x \left(\frac{x}{1-x} \right)' \right)'$$

Now we have a job to find derivatives:

$$\begin{aligned} x \left(x \left(\frac{x}{1-x} \right)' \right)' &= x \left(x \left(\frac{1-x+x}{(1-x)^2} \right)' \right)' = x \left(x \left(\frac{x}{(1-x)^2} \right)' \right)' = x \cdot \frac{(1-x)^2 - 2(1-x)(-1)x}{(1-x)^4} = \\ &= x \frac{(1-x)^2 + 2(1-x)x}{(1-x)^4} = x \frac{\cancel{(1-x)}[1-x+2x]}{(1-x)^4} = x \frac{x+1}{(1-x)^3} = \boxed{\frac{x(x+1)}{(1-x)^3}} \end{aligned}$$

Sum of number series $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n n^2}{2^n}$ we will find when we put $-\frac{1}{2}$ in $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n^2 x^n$ or $\frac{x(x+1)}{(1-x)^3}$ instead of x.

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n n^2}{2^n} = \frac{-\frac{1}{2} \left(-\frac{1}{2} + 1 \right)}{\left(1 - \left(-\frac{1}{2} \right) \right)^3} = \frac{-\frac{1}{4}}{\frac{27}{8}} = \boxed{-\frac{2}{27}}$$

Example 5.

Examine the convergence $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{n+1}{n} x^n$ and find its sum.

Solution :

$$\text{From } \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{a_n}{a_{n+1}} \right| = \mathbf{R} \text{ we have : } \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\frac{n+1}{n}}{\frac{n+2}{n+1}} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{(n+1)^2}{n(n+2)} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{n^2 + 2n + 1}{n^2 + 2n} = \frac{1}{1} = 1$$

So: $x \in (-1, 1)$.

For $x = -1$

We get series $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{n+1}{n} (-1)^n$, it is obvious that $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{n}{n+1} = 1 \neq 0$ **series diverges.**

For $x = 1$

A similar situation : For $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{n+1}{n}$ is $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{n+1}{n} = 1 \neq 0$ **then series diverges.**

We conclude that the area of convergence of saeries is interval $(-1,1)$.

Mark : $f(x) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{n+1}{n} x^n$

First, we will, at the interval of convergence, integrate serie , to "destroy" $n + 1$

$$\int_0^x f(x) dx = \int_0^x \left(\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{n+1}{n} x^n \right) dx = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{n+1}{n} \int_0^x x^n dx = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{\cancel{n+1}}{n} \frac{x^{\cancel{n+1}}}{\cancel{n+1}} = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{x^{n+1}}{n}$$

Throw x in front: $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{x^{n+1}}{n} = x \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{x^n}{n}$

From here is:

$$\int_0^x f(x) dx = x \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{x^n}{n} \dots \dots \dots / : x$$
$$\frac{1}{x} \int_0^x f(x) dx = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{x^n}{n}$$

Now look for derivative from this:

$$\frac{1}{x} \int_0^x f(x) dx = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{x^n}{n} \rightarrow \left(\frac{1}{x} \int_0^x f(x) dx \right)' = \left(\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{x^n}{n} \right)' = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{nx^{n-1}}{n} = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} x^{n-1} = \frac{1}{1-x}$$

We got $\left(\frac{1}{x} \int_0^x f(x) dx \right)' = \frac{1}{1-x}$

To find $\frac{1}{x} \int_0^x f(x) dx$ we must integrate $\frac{1}{1-x}$:

$$\frac{1}{x} \int_0^x f(x) dx = \int_0^x \frac{1}{1-x} dx = -\ln|1-x| \Big|_0^x = \boxed{-\ln|1-x|}$$

From here we have :

$$\frac{1}{x} \int_0^x f(x) dx = -\ln|1-x| \dots \dots \dots / *x$$

$$\int_0^x f(x) dx = -x \ln|1-x|$$

Finally will be:

$$f(x) = \left(\int_0^x f(x) dx \right)' = \underbrace{(-x \ln|1-x|)'}_{\text{derivative products}} = -1 \cdot \ln|1-x| + \frac{1}{1-x} (-1)(-x) = \boxed{-\ln(1-x) + \frac{x}{1-x}}$$