

Exam 4

Math 133
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Q1	20	
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Read all of the following information before starting the exam:

- Show all work, clearly and in order. "Answers" without justification will receive zero credit.
- Circle or otherwise indicate your final answers.
- Please keep your written answers brief; be clear and to the point.
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- Wait until instructed to begin exam to start. Good luck!

Problem 1 (20 points) Determine the largest open interval I for which the following Power series converge. If the series converges at a single point only, indicate which point.

(a)

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{2^{n+1}(x-5)^n}{n!} \quad \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{a_{n+1}}{a_n} \right| = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{2^{n+2}}{(n+1)!} \cdot \frac{n!}{2^{n+1}} \right| \cdot \frac{|x-5|^{n+1}}{|x-5|^n}$$

$$= |x-5| \cdot \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} 2 \cdot \frac{1}{(n+1)} = 2|x-5| \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n+1} = 0.$$

$I = (-\infty, \infty)$, converges everywhere.

(b)

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n}{3^n} (x-2)^n$$

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

$$= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{|x-2|}{3} = \frac{|x-2|}{3} < 1$$

Converges when $|x-2| < 3$

i.e.

$$-3 < x-2 < 3$$

~~or~~

$$-1 < x < 5$$

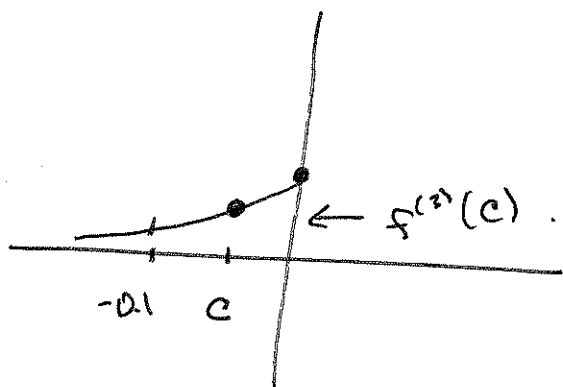
$$I = (-1, 5).$$

Problem 2 (15 points) The polynomial, $p(x) = 1 + x + \frac{x^2}{2!}$ is a good approximation to $f(x) = e^x$ for x near zero. Compute an upper bound for the error, $R = |p(-0.1) - f(-0.1)|$ incurred when using p to approximate f at $x = -0.1$.

$$|R| = \left| \frac{f^{(3)}(c)}{3!} (-0.1)^3 \right|$$

$$= \frac{10^{-3}}{3!} |f^{(3)}(c)|, \quad c \in (-0.1, 0).$$

$$f^{(3)}(x) = e^x, \quad \text{so} \quad |f^{(3)}(c)| < 1.$$



$$\therefore |R| = \frac{10^{-3}}{3!} |f^{(3)}(c)| < \frac{10^{-3}}{3!}$$

Problem 3 (15 points)

- (a) Find the Taylor series centered at
- $x = 0$
- (i.e. the Maclaurin series) of the function

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

Hint: It might be useful to start with a series you already know ...

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

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

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow \frac{2x}{(1-x)^2} &= 2x + 4x^2 + 3 \cdot 2x^2 + 4 \cdot 2x^3 + \dots \\ &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} 2(n+1)x^{n+1} = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} 2nx^n \end{aligned}$$

$$a_n = \frac{f^{(n)}(0)}{n!}$$

- (b) Suppose $f(x) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n}{2^n n!} x^n$. Find $f^{(2012)}(0)$, the 2012th derivative of f evaluate at $x = 0$.

$$a_{2012} = \frac{(-1)^{2012}}{2^{2012} (2012)!} = \frac{1}{2^{2012} (2012)!} \cdot \frac{f^{(2012)}(0)}{(2012)!}$$

$$\Rightarrow f^{(2012)}(0) = \frac{1}{2^{2012}}$$

Problem 4 (15 points) Suppose a curve is parameterized with the following definition,

$$\begin{cases} x(t) = 2 \cos(3t), \\ y(t) = 6t + 2 \sin(3t), \quad 0 \leq t \leq \pi/3. \end{cases}$$

Find the length of the curve.

$$x' = -6 \sin(3t), \quad y' = 6 + 6 \cos(3t).$$

$$\begin{aligned} (x')^2 + (y')^2 &= 36 \sin^2 3t + 36 + 2 \cdot 36 \cos 3t + 36 \cos^2 3t \\ &= 36 + 36 + 2 \cdot 36 \cos(3t) \end{aligned}$$

$$= 2 \cdot 36 (1 + \cos(3t))$$

Use:

$$\cos^2 \theta = \frac{1}{2} (1 + \cos(2\theta))$$

$$\text{so } 2 \cos^2(\theta) = 1 + \cos(2\theta), \quad 2\theta = 3t:$$

$$(x')^2 + (y')^2 = 2 \cdot 36 \left(2 \cos^2\left(\frac{3t}{2}\right) \right)$$

$$L = \int_0^{\pi/3} \sqrt{2 \cdot 36 \cdot 2 \cos^2\left(\frac{3t}{2}\right)} dt = \int_0^{\pi/3} 2 \cdot 6 |\cos\left(\frac{3t}{2}\right)| dt$$

$$= 12 \int_0^{\pi/3} \cos\left(\frac{3t}{2}\right) dt = 12 \cdot \frac{2}{3} \sin\left(\frac{3t}{2}\right) \Big|_0^{\pi/3}$$

$$= 12 \cdot \frac{2}{3} \left(\sin\left(\frac{3 \cdot \pi}{2 \cdot 3}\right) - \sin(0) \right)$$

$$= 8$$

Problem 5 (20 points) Determine whether or not the following series converge.

(a)

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

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_{n+1} \cdot \frac{1}{a_n} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{(2(n+1))!}{(n+1)!(n+2)!} \cdot \frac{n!(n+1)!}{(2n)!}$$

$$= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{(2n+2)(2n+1) \cancel{(2n)!} \cdot \cancel{n!}}{(n+2)(n+1) \cancel{n!} \cancel{(2n)!}}$$

$$= 4. \quad \text{Diverges by Ratio test.}$$

(b)

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{2^n}{n^3}$$

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

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

Diverges by Ratio test.

(c) True or False. If $\sum a_n$ converges, then $\sum |a_n|$ converges. If True, indicate why. If False, provide a counter-example.

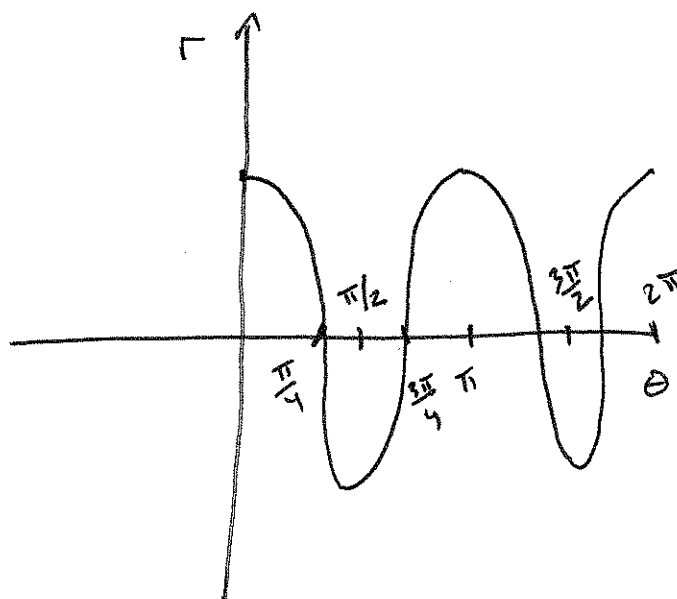
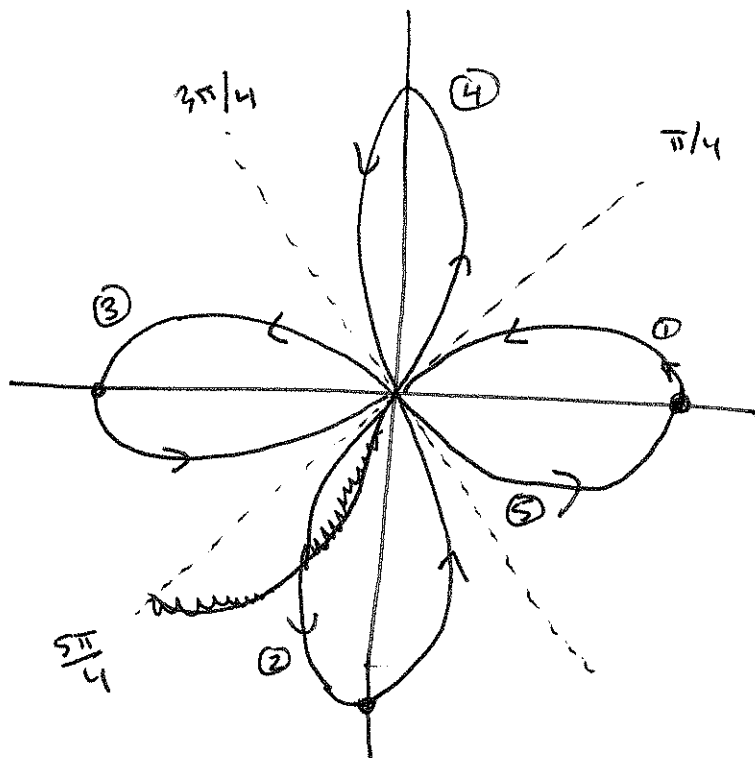
False. $\sum \frac{(-1)^n}{n}$ converges, but $\sum \left| \frac{(-1)^n}{n} \right|$ diverges.

Problem 6 (15 points) Sketch a graph of the curve defined by

$$r(\theta) = 6 \cos(2\theta), \quad 0 \leq \theta \leq 2\pi.$$

Indicate which direction the curve traverses as θ increases.

θ	r	
0	6	①
$\pi/4$	$6 \cdot \cos(\pi/2) = 0$	
$\pi/2$	$6 \cdot \cos(\pi) = -6$	②
$3\pi/4$	0	
π	6	③
$5\pi/4$	0	
$3\pi/2$	$6 \cdot \cos(3\pi/2) = 0$ -6	④
$7\pi/4$	0	
2π	6	⑤



Bonus: (10 points - no partial credit)

Consider the function,

$$f(x) = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \binom{m}{k} x^k,$$

where the *binomial coefficients* are defined as

$$\binom{m}{0} := 1, \quad \binom{m}{k} := \frac{m(m-1)\cdots(m-k+1)}{k!}, \quad k \geq 1.$$

(a) Show that

$$f'(x) = \frac{mf(x)}{1+x}, \quad -1 < x < 1.$$

Hint: It "may" be useful to first show,

$$(k+1)\binom{m}{k+1} + k\binom{m}{k} = m\binom{m}{k}.$$

(b) Define $g(x) = (1+x)^{-m}f(x)$. Show that $g'(x) = 0$.

(c) Using part (b), show that $f(x) = (1+x)^m$.

(a)

$$f'(x) = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} k \binom{m}{k} x^{k-1} = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} (k+1) \binom{m}{k+1} x^k.$$

$$\begin{aligned} (1+x)f'(x) &= \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} (k+1) \binom{m}{k+1} x^k + x \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} k \binom{m}{k} x^{k-1} \\ &= \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \left[(k+1) \binom{m}{k+1} + k \binom{m}{k} \right] x^k. \end{aligned}$$

$\therefore$ Provided $(k+1) \binom{m}{k+1} + k \binom{m}{k} = m \binom{m}{k}, \quad (*)$

we have $(1+x)f'(x) = mf(x)$, which is part (a).

(b) $g(x) = (1+x)^{-m} f(x).$

$$g'(x) = -m(1+x)^{-m-1} f(x) + (1+x)^{-m} f'(x)$$

$$= \frac{-m}{(1+x)} g(x) + (1+x)^{-m} \cdot \frac{mf(x)}{(1+x)} \quad (\text{by (a)})$$

$$= \frac{-m}{(1+x)} g(x) + \frac{m g(x)}{1+x} = 0.$$

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(c) From (b), we know $g'(x) = 0$.

$$\Rightarrow g(x) = \text{const.}$$

$$\text{but } g(0) = f(0) = 1, \text{ so}$$

$$1 = g(x) = (1+x)^{-m} f(x)$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{f(x) = (1+x)^m}$$

Pf of (*)

$$(k+1) \binom{m}{k+1} = (k+1) \left(\frac{m(m-1) \cdots (m-k+1)(m-(k+1)+1)}{(k+1)!} \right)$$

$$= \cancel{(k+1)} \cdot \frac{(m)(m-1) \cdots (m-k+1)}{k!} \cdot \frac{(m-k)}{\cancel{k+1}}$$

$$= \binom{m}{k} \cdot (m-k)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore (k+1) \binom{m}{k+1} + k \binom{m}{k} &= \binom{m}{k} \cdot \{(m-k) + k\} \\ &= m \cdot \binom{m}{k} \end{aligned}$$

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