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NOTE: FIRST ATTEMPT WITHOUT LOOKING AT THE HINTS AND ANSWERS.  
Check your answer on Wolfram|Alpha by typing "series representation for ..."

1. Suppose the radius of convergence of the power series  $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} c_n x^n$  is  $R$ . Use the **Test of Your Choice** to find the radius of convergence of the series.

a.  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n c_n x^{n-1}$

b.  $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{c_n}{n+1} x^{n+1}$

ANSWER: See Theorem 2 Sec 11.9 pg 754.

2. Find a power series representation for the function and determine the interval of convergence.

a.  $\frac{5}{1-4x^2}$

b.  $\frac{2}{3-x}$

c.  $\frac{x}{9+x^2}$

d.  $\frac{x}{2x^2+1}$

GUIDE FOR a,b,c,d: Follow Examples 1,2,3 Sec 11.9.

e.  $\frac{3}{x^2-x-2}$

f.  $\frac{x+2}{2x^2-x-1}$

GUIDE FOR e, f: First use partial fraction. Compute the two power series using the same method as Example 2. Then combine the two series.

g.  $\frac{x}{(1+4x)^2}$

ANSWER:

Step i: Apply Theorem 2 (term-by-term differentiation) to get the series for  $-4/(1+4x)^2$ .

Step ii: Then multiply the series by  $x/(-4)$ .

Step iii: Radius of convergence is  $R = 1/4$ .

h.  $\left(\frac{x}{2-x}\right)^3$

ANSWER:

Step i: To get  $1/(2-x)^2$ , follow Example 5.Step ii: Apply another term-by-term differentiation to get  $1/(2-x)^3$ .Step iii: Multiply this series by  $(x^3)/2$ .Step iv: Radius of converge is  $R = 2$ .

i.  $\frac{1+x}{(1-x)^2}$

ANSWER:

Step i: To get  $1/(1-x)^2$ , use Example 5.Step ii: To get  $x/(1-x)^2$ , multiply the series by  $x$ .

Step iii: Combine them, then shift some indices to turn them into just one series.

Step iv: Radius of convergence is  $R = 1$ .

3. Evaluate the indefinite integral as a power series. What is the radius of convergence?

a.  $\int \frac{x}{1+x^3} dx$

ANSWER:

Step i: First follow Example 8a (top half) to get the series for  $1/(1+x^3)$ .Step ii: Then multiply your series by  $x$ .

Step iii: Then apply Theorem 2 (term-by-term integration).

Step iv: Radius of convergence is the same as in Example 8a,  $R = 1$ .

b.  $\int x^2 \ln(1+x) dx$

ANSWER:

Step i: First follow Example 6 to get the series for  $\ln(1+x)$ .Step ii: Then multiply your series by  $x^2$ .

Step iii: Then apply Theorem 2 (term-by-term integration).

Step iv: Radius of convergence is the same as in Example 6,  $R = 1$ .

c.  $\int \frac{\tan^{-1} x}{x} dx$

ANSWER:

Step i: First follow Example 7 to get the series for  $\arctan(x)$ .Step ii: Then multiply your series by  $1/x$ .

Step iii: Then apply Theorem 2 (term-by-term integration).

Step iv: Radius of convergence is the same as in Example 7,  $R = 1$ .

4. Consider the geometric series  $\frac{1}{1-x} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} x^n$  for  $|x| < 1$ .

a. Find the sum of the series  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} nx^n$  for  $|x| < 1$ .

ANSWER:

Step i: Use Theorem 2 (term-by-term differentiation) to get  $1/(1-x)^2$

Step ii: Then multiply by  $x$ .

Step iii: Answer is  $x/(1-x)^2$

b. Find the sum of the series  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{n}{2^n}$ .

ANSWER:

Step i: Put  $x = 1/2$  into the function for part (a).

Step ii: You get  $(1/2)/(1 - 1/2)^2 = 2$ .

c. Find the sum of the series  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n^2 x^n$  for  $|x| < 1$ .

ANSWER: Start with the answer for part (a). Use Theorem 2 (term-by-term differentiation), then multiply by  $x$ .

d. Find the sum of the series  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{n^2}{2^n}$ .

ANSWER: Put  $x = 1/2$  into the function for part (d).

5. It is known that  $\cos x$  has a power series representation  $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-1)^n \frac{x^{2n}}{(2n)!}$ .

a. Find a power series representation for  $\cos \sqrt{x}$ .

ANSWER: Use Theorem (composition) with  $h(x) = \sqrt{x}$  and  $f(x) = \cos x$ . The answer should look like the same series but you replace  $x^{(2n)}$  with  $x^n$ .

b. Find a power series representation for  $\int \cos \sqrt{x} dx$ .

GUIDE: Apply Theorem 2 (term-by-term integration).

c. Assume that the series you found in part (b) converges for all  $x \geq 0$ . Use your answer in part (b) to determine a series that represents  $\int_0^1 \cos \sqrt{x} dx$ .

GUIDE: Follow Example 8b(top half). The answer should be a series, not an approximation.

d. If the first two non-zero terms of the series are used to estimate the value of the definite integral from part (c), provide a bound on the error of this estimate.

GUIDE: Use Alternating Series Theorem. Follow Example 8b(bottom half).

6. It is known that  $e^x$  has a power series representation  $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{x^n}{n!}$  for  $-\infty < x < \infty$ .

a. Find a power series representation for  $xe^x$ .

ANSWER: Multiply the given series by the number  $x$ . Answer is sum from  $n=0$  of  $x^{(1+n)}/n!$

b. Find a power series representation for  $\frac{d}{dx}(xe^x)$ .

ANSWER: Take the power series from part (a) and apply Theorem 2 (term-by-term differentiation). Answer is sum from  $n=0$  of  $(n+1) x^n/n!$

c. Evaluate  $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(n+1)(-1)^n}{n!}$ .

ANSWER:

Step i: Evaluate the function for derivative  $d/dx (x e^x)$  using product rule - you should get  $(x+1)e^x$ .

Step ii: Due to the power series of part (b), we know that this derivative when  $x = -1$  is the sum of the given series (part c).

Step iii: Final answer is  $((-1) + 1) e^{-1} = 0$ .

d. Find a power series representation for  $\int xe^x dx$ .

ANSWER: Use the series from part (a) and apply Theorem 2 (term-by-term integration).

Answer is sum from  $n = 0$  of  $x^{(n+2)}/(n! (n+2))$ .

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

ANSWER:

Step i: Evaluate the function for the antiderivative for the function  $x e^x$  using integration by parts - you should get  $(x-1) e^x + C$ .

Step ii: Due to part (d), we know that this antiderivative when  $x = 1$  is the sum of the series (part e) but starting at  $n=0$ , so the sum of the series (part e) starting at  $n=0$  is equal the definite integral of  $x e^x$  from 0 to 1, which is equal to 1.

Step iii: But the given series starts at  $n = 1$ , so we have to subtract the term where  $n = 0$ . The term when  $n= 0$  is  $1/( 0! (0 + 2)) = 1/ (1 \cdot 2) = 1/2$ .

So the final answer is  $1-1/2= 1/2$ .