

Bad example $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n^2}$ $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{a_{n+1}}{a_n} \right| = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1/(n+1)^2}{1/n^2} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{n^2}{(n+1)^2} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{1}{1+1/n} \right)^2 = 1$

Thm Root test (a_n) sequence, suppose that $L = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sqrt[n]{|a_n|}$ exists.

- ① if $L < 1$ then $\sum a_n$ converges absolutely
- ② if $L > 1$ then $\sum a_n$ diverges
- ③ if $L = 1$ no information

Example $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left(\frac{n}{2n+3} \right)^n$

§10.6 Power series

Def: A power series centered at $x=a$ is an infinite sum of the form

$$F(x) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n(x-a)^n = a_0 + a_1(x-a) + a_2(x-a)^2 + a_3(x-a)^3 + \dots$$

note: if this converges, then this gives a function of x .

The series always converges for $x=a$! $F(a) = a_0$

Thm: Radius of convergence Let $F(x) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n(x-a)^n$, then

- ① $F(x)$ converges only for $x=a$ ($R=0$)
- or ② $F(x)$ converges for all $x \in \mathbb{R}$ ($R=\infty$)
- or ③ there is an $R > 0$ st. ~~$F(x)$~~ $F(x)$ converges for all $|x-a| < R$ and diverges for all $|x-a| > R$. It may or may not converge at $x+R, x-R$. R is called the radius of convergence.

Example for what values of x does $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{x^n}{2^n}$ converge?

ratio test: $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{a_{n+1}}{a_n} \right| = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{x^{n+1}}{2^{n+1}} \cdot \frac{2^n}{x^n} \right| = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{|x|}{2} = \frac{|x|}{2}$

so converges for $\frac{|x|}{2} < 1 \Leftrightarrow |x| < 2$ so $R=2$.

Example $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n}{n} (x-5)^n$

ratio test: $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{a_{n+1}}{a_n} \right| = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{(x-5)^{n+1}}{n+1} \cdot \frac{n}{(x-5)^n} \right| = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| (x-5) \frac{n}{n+1} \right| = |x-5| < 1$

so converges for $|x-5| < 1$, $R=1$

Examples $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{x^n}{n!}$, $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} n! x^n$

Thm Suppose $f(x) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n (x-a)^n$ has radius of convergence $R > 0$,

then $f(x)$ is differentiable on $(a-R, a+R)$ and furthermore:

$$\left. \begin{aligned} f'(x) &= \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n n (x-a)^{n-1} \\ \int f(x) dx &= c + \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n \frac{(x-a)^{n+1}}{n+1} \end{aligned} \right\} \text{ with same radius of convergence.}$$

Example ① $1+x+x^2+x^3+\dots = \frac{1}{1-x}$ radius of convergence $R=1$

so $\frac{d}{dx} \left(\frac{1}{1-x} \right) = \frac{1}{(1-x)^2} = 1+2x+3x^2+4x^3+\dots$

and $\int \frac{1}{1-x} dx = -\ln|1-x| = c + x + \frac{x^2}{2} + \frac{x^3}{3} + \dots$

② $1-x^2+x^4-x^6+\dots = \frac{1}{1+x^2}$

so $\tan^{-1}(x) = c + x - \frac{x^3}{3} + \frac{x^5}{5} - \frac{x^7}{7} + \dots$ } ∞ : radius of convergence?

③ Fact: $y=e^x$ is the (unique & up to scalar multiple) solution to $\frac{dy}{dx}=y$ ($f'(x)=f(x)$)

$\frac{d}{dx} \left(1+x+\frac{x^2}{2!}+\frac{x^3}{3!}+\dots \right) = 1+x+\frac{x^2}{2!}+\frac{x^3}{3!}+\dots$

so $e^x = 1+x+\frac{x^2}{2!}+\frac{x^3}{3!}+\dots$ radius of convergence $R=\infty$

How to find a power series solution to a differential equation:

try: $y = a_0 + a_1 x + a_2 x^2 + a_3 x^3 + \dots$

Example $y'=y$: $a_1 + 2a_2 x + 3a_3 x^2 + \dots = a_0 + a_1 x + a_2 x^2 + \dots$

$a_1 = a_0$

$$2a_2 = a_1 \Rightarrow a_2 = a_1/2$$

$$3a_3 = a_2 \Rightarrow a_3 = a_2/3! \quad \text{so} \quad y = a_0 \left(1 + x + \frac{x^2}{2!} + \frac{x^3}{3!} + \dots \right)$$

Example $y'' + y' + y = 0$ with $y(0) = 1, y'(0) = 1$

look for a solution $y = a_0 + a_1x + a_2x^2 + \dots$ $y(0) = 1 \Rightarrow a_0 = 1$

$$y'(0) = 1 \Rightarrow a_1 = 1$$

$$y = 1 + x + a_2x^2 + a_3x^3 + \dots$$

$$y' = 1 + 2a_2x + 3a_3x^2 + \dots$$

$$y'' = 2a_2 + 6a_3x + \dots$$

$$a_2 = -1$$

$$a_3 = -1/6$$

$$\vdots$$

$$y'' + y' + y = (1 + 1 + 2a_2) + x(1 + 2a_2 + 6a_3) + x^2(-) + \dots = 0$$

§10.7 Taylor series suppose $f(x)$ has a power series expansion at $x=c$, i.e.
suppose $f(x) = a_0 + a_1(x-c) + a_2(x-c)^2 + \dots$

Q: how do we find the a_i ?

A: $f(c) = a_0$ so $a_0 = f(c)$

$$f'(x) = a_1 + 2a_2(x-c) + 3a_3(x-c)^2 + \dots$$

$$f'(c) = a_1$$

$$\text{so} \quad a_1 = f'(c)$$

$$f''(x) = 2a_2 + 6a_3(x-c) + \dots$$

$$f''(x) = 2a_2$$

$$\text{so} \quad a_2 = \frac{f''(c)}{2}$$

Fact: $a_n = \frac{f^{(n)}(c)}{n!}$ Examples $e^x = 1 + x + \frac{x^2}{2!} + \frac{x^3}{3!} + \dots$

$$\sin(x) = x - \frac{x^3}{3!} + \frac{x^5}{5!} - \dots$$

$$\cos(x) = 1 - \frac{x^2}{2!} + \frac{x^4}{4!} - \dots$$

Thm If $f(x)$ is equal to a power series centered at $x=c$, with radius of convergence $R > 0$, then $f(x) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n(x-c)^n$, where $a_n = \frac{f^{(n)}(c)}{n!}$