Quiz 2

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(20 pts) State (need not prove) the Leibnitz test for alternating series. Then give an example of a_n such that ∑_n a_n converges and ∑_n |a_n| diverges.
Answer.
Suppose a_n ≥ 0 (3 pts), a_n is decreasing (3 pts), and a_n → 0 (3 pts). Then ∑_n(-1)ⁿa_n (3 pts) converges (3 pts).

Let $a_n = (-1)^n/n$. (5 pts) Then $\sum_n a_n$ converges and $\sum_n |a_n|$ diverges.

2. (20 pts) Give an example of a power series that converges on [0, 2] and diverges elsewhere. Explain. Do the same for (3, 7].

Answer.

 $\operatorname{Consider}$

$$\sum_{n} \frac{(-1)^n}{n} (x-1)^{2n}.$$
(4pts)

Then

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} \frac{n|x-1|^{2(n+1)}}{(n+1)|x-1|^{2n}} = |x-1|^2 < 1 \Leftrightarrow x \in (0,2).$$
(2pts)

For x = 0,

$$\sum_{n} \frac{(-1)^n}{n} \text{ converges by Leibnitz Test. } (\mathbf{2pts})$$

For x = 2,

$$\sum_{n} \frac{(-1)^{n}}{n}$$
 converges for the same reason. (2pts)

Thus, this series converges exactly on [0, 2].

Consider

$$\sum_{n} \frac{(-1)^n}{n} \left(\frac{x-5}{2}\right)^n.$$
(4pts)

Then

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} \frac{n}{n+1} \left| \frac{x-5}{2} \right| = \left| \frac{x-5}{2} \right| < 1 \Leftrightarrow x \in (3,7).$$
 (2pts)

For x = 3,

$$\sum_{n} \frac{1}{n} \text{ diverges by P-Test. } (\mathbf{2pts})$$

For x = 7,

$$\sum_{n} \frac{(-1)^{n}}{n}$$
 converges by Leibnitz Test. (2pts)

Thus, this series converges exactly on (3, 7].

3. (20 pts) Give the power series representation (centered at a = 0) of 1/(1+x) and find its radius of convergence. Then use it to find the power series representation (centered at a = 0) of ln(1 + x).

Answer.

$$\frac{1}{1+x} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-1)^n x^n \ (\mathbf{5pts}), \ R = 1. \ (\mathbf{5pts})$$
$$\ln(1+x) = \int_0^x \frac{1}{1+t} \, dt \ (\mathbf{5pts}) = \int_0^x \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-1)^n t^n \, dt = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-1)^n \frac{x^{n+1}}{n+1}. \ (\mathbf{5pts})$$

4. (20 pts) Suppose we know the power series representation of $\sin x$ (centered at a = 0), $\sin x = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n x^{2n+1}}{(2n+1)!}$ is valid for all $x \in \mathbb{R}$. Use it to find the power series representation of $\cos x$ (centered at a = 0). Next, assume that $\tan x = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} c_n x^n$ on -R < x < R, find c_0, \dots, c_5 . Answer.

$$\cos x = (\sin x)' = \left(\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n x^{2n+1}}{(2n+1)!}\right)' = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n}{(2n)!} x^{2n}.$$
 (8pts)
$$P_5(x) = x + \frac{1}{3}x^3 + \frac{2}{15}x^5.$$
$$\Rightarrow c_0 = 0, \ c_1 = 1, \ c_2 = 0, \ c_3 = \frac{1}{3}, \ c_4 = 0, \ c_5 = \frac{2}{15}.$$
 (12pts)

5. (20 pts) True or False? Explain.

If
$$f(x) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n (x-a)^n$$
 converges on $(a-1, a+1)$, then $a_n = \frac{f^{(n)}(a)}{n!}$.
Answer.
True. (4 pts)

$$f^{(n)}(x) = a_n n! + a_{n+1}(n+1) \dots 2(x-a) + a_{n+2}(n+2) \dots 3(x-a)^2 + \dots$$
(16pts)
$$\Rightarrow f^{(n)}(a) = a_n n!.$$