

Lesson 66 – Introduction to Power Series

Opening Examples

- Determine the sums of the following series:

(a) $S_{\infty} = 1 + \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{8} + \dots$

(b) $S_{\infty} = 2 + \frac{4}{3} + \frac{8}{9} + \frac{16}{27} + \dots$

(c) $S_{\infty} = 1 - \frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{9} - \frac{1}{27} + \dots$

(d) $S_{\infty} = 1 + x + x^2 + x^3 + \dots$

Lesson Objectives

- The main goal of our lesson for today is to consider the sorts of functions that are sums of Power Series:
- What are these functions like?
- Are power series functions continuous? Are they differentiable? Antidifferentiable?
- Can we find formulas for them?

Opening exercise #1

- Expand the following series (6 – 8 terms) and comment upon the similarities and differences you notice:

$$\begin{array}{ll} \text{(a)} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n} & \text{(b)} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{x^n}{n} \\ \text{(c)} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{2^n}{n!} & \text{(d)} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(2x)^n}{n!} \\ \text{(e)} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n & \text{(f)} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} nx^n \\ \text{(g)} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{10^n}{(n+1)!} & \text{(h)} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{10^n x^n}{(n+1)!} \end{array}$$

Opening exercise #2

- For the following series, write the first 5 terms and then test the convergences of the following series:

$$\bullet \text{ : } \begin{array}{lllll} \text{(a)} \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{2^k}{k!} & \text{(b)} \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^k}{k!} & \text{(c)} \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-4)^k}{k!} & \text{(d)} \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{(0.5)^k}{k!} & \text{(e)} \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{214^k}{k!} \end{array}$$

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- Make a general conclusion about the convergence of $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{x^k}{k!}$ and prove that it is true:

- The series $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{x^k}{k!}$ is an example of a POWER SERIES

Opening exercise #3

- Use DESMOS to:
- (1) graph $f(x) = \frac{1}{1-x}$
- (2) graph $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} x^n$ so maybe use 100 as the upper limit rather than infinity
- (3) now expand $g(x) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} x^n = \dots$ and call it $g(x)$
- (4) Evaluate & compare $f(0.2)$ and $g(0.2)$; $f(-0.1)$ and $g(-0.1)$; $f(0.01)$ and $g(0.01)$

Formulas! Consider an (already familiar) Example

Our old friend the geometric series!

$$S_{\infty} = 1 + \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{8} + \dots$$

We know it converges to $S_{\infty} = \frac{a}{1-r} = \frac{1}{1 - \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)} = 2$

Formulas! Consider an (already familiar) Example

And our NEW friend, also a geometric series!

$$1 + x + x^2 + x^3 + x^4 + x^5 + x^6 + x^7 + \dots$$

And just exactly HOW the HECK is this a geometric series?

Formulas! Consider an (already familiar) Example

Our old friend the geometric series **since $r = x!$**

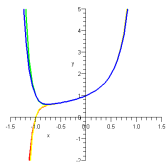
$$1 + x + x^2 + x^3 + x^4 + x^5 + x^6 + x^7 + \dots$$

We know it converges to $\frac{1}{1-x}$ whenever $|x| < 1$ and diverges elsewhere.

That is, $f(x) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} x^n = \frac{1}{1-x}$ for all x in $(-1,1)$.

Our first formula!

$$f(x) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} x^n = \frac{1}{1-x} \text{ for all } x \text{ in } (-1,1).$$



This plot shows the 10th, 12th, 13th, and 15th partial sums of this series.

We see the expected convergence on a “balanced” interval about $x = 0$.

Near $x = 1$, the partial sums “blow up” giving us the asymptote we expect to see there.

Near $x = -1$ the even and odd partial sums go opposite directions, preventing any convergence to the left of $x = -1$.

Example #1

- Express $f(x) = \frac{1}{1+x}$ as a power series and find its interval of convergence

Example #1

EXAMPLE 1: Express $\frac{1}{1+x}$ as a power series and find the interval of convergence.

Solution: We have

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

Putting $u = -x$ in (1), we get

$$\frac{1}{1-(-x)} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-x)^n \implies \boxed{\frac{1}{1+x} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-1)^n x^n}$$

with the interval of convergence

$$|-x| < 1 \implies |x| < 1 \implies \boxed{(-1, 1)}$$

Example #2

- Express $f(x) = \frac{1}{5+x}$ as a power series and find its interval of convergence

Example #2

EXAMPLE 2: Express $\frac{1}{5+x}$ as a power series and find the interval of convergence.

Solution: We have

$$\frac{1}{5+x} = \frac{1}{1+\frac{x}{5}} = \frac{1}{5} \cdot \frac{1}{1+\frac{x}{5}} = \frac{1}{5} \cdot \frac{1}{1-(-\frac{x}{5})}$$

Putting $u = -x/5$ in (1), we get

$$\frac{1}{1-(-\frac{x}{5})} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-1)^n \frac{x^n}{5^n} \implies \frac{1}{5} \cdot \frac{1}{1-(-\frac{x}{5})} = \frac{1}{5} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-1)^n \frac{x^n}{5^n} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-1)^n \frac{x^n}{5^{n+1}}$$

Therefore

$$\boxed{\frac{1}{5+x} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-1)^n \frac{x^n}{5^{n+1}}}$$

with the interval of convergence

$$\left| -\frac{x}{5} \right| < 1 \implies \left| \frac{x}{5} \right| < 1 \implies |x| < 5 \implies \boxed{(-5, 5)}$$

Example #3

- Express $f(x) = \frac{1}{1+x^2}$ as a power series and find its interval of convergence

Example #3

EXAMPLE 3: Express $\frac{1}{1+x^2}$ as a power series and find the interval of convergence.

Solution: We have

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

Putting $u = -x^2$ in (1), we get

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

with the interval of convergence

$$|-x^2| < 1 \implies |x^2| < 1 \implies x^2 < 1 \implies \boxed{(-1, 1)}$$

Example #4

- Express $f(x) = \frac{1}{1+x^5}$ as a power series and find its interval of convergence

Example #4

EXAMPLE 4: Express $\frac{1}{1+x^5}$ as a power series and find the interval of convergence.

Solution: We have

$$\frac{1}{1+x^5} = \frac{1}{1-(-x^5)}$$

Putting $u = -x^5$ in (1), we get

$$\frac{1}{1-(-x^5)} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-x^5)^n \implies \frac{1}{1+x^5} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-1)^n x^{5n}$$

with the interval of convergence

$$|-x^5| < 1 \implies |x^5| < 1 \implies |x| < 1 \implies (-1, 1)$$

Example #5

- Express $f(x) = \frac{x^5}{7-9x^3}$ as a power series and find its interval of convergence

Example #5

EXAMPLE 5: Express $\frac{x^5}{7-9x^3}$ as a power series and find the interval of convergence.

Solution: We have

$$\frac{x^5}{7-9x^3} = \frac{x^5}{1-\frac{9x^3}{7}} = \frac{x^5}{7} \cdot \frac{1}{1-\frac{9x^3}{7}}$$

Putting $u = \frac{9x^3}{7}$ in (1), we get

$$\frac{1}{1-\frac{9x^3}{7}} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left(\frac{9x^3}{7}\right)^n = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{9^n x^{3n}}{7^n} \implies \frac{x^5}{7-9x^3} = \frac{x^5}{7} \cdot \frac{1}{1-\frac{9x^3}{7}} = \frac{x^5}{7} \cdot \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{9^n x^{3n}}{7^n} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{9^n x^{3n+5}}{7^{n+1}}$$

thus

$$\frac{x^5}{7-9x^3} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{9^n x^{3n+5}}{7^{n+1}}$$

with the interval of convergence

$$\left|\frac{9x^3}{7}\right| < 1 \implies |x^3| < \frac{7}{9} \implies \left(-\sqrt[3]{\frac{7}{9}}, \sqrt[3]{\frac{7}{9}}\right)$$

Example #6

- Express $f(x) = \frac{3}{4-x}$ as a power series and find its interval of convergence

Find a geometric power series for the function: $f(x) = \frac{3}{4-x}$

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} ar^n = \frac{a}{1-r}$$

We write $\frac{3}{4-x}$ in the form $\frac{a}{1-r}$ and identify a and r

Make this Divide numerator and denominator by 4

$$\frac{3}{4-x} = \frac{\frac{3}{4}}{\frac{4-x}{4}} = \frac{3/4}{1-x/4} \quad a = 3/4 \quad r = x/4$$

Use a and r to write the power series.

$$f(x) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} ar^n = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{3}{4} \left(\frac{x}{4}\right)^n = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{3x^n}{4^{n+1}} = \frac{3}{4} + \frac{3}{16}x + \frac{3}{64}x^2 + \dots \frac{3x^n}{4^{n+1}} \dots$$

Find a geometric power series for the function: $f(x) = \frac{3}{4-x}$

$$f(x) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{3x^n}{4^{n+1}} = \frac{3}{4} + \frac{3}{16}x + \frac{3}{64}x^2 + \dots \frac{3x^n}{4^{n+1}} \dots$$

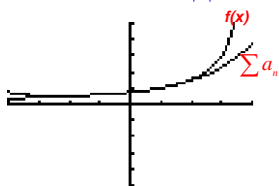
Let us obtain the interval of convergence for this power series.

$$\left| \frac{a_{n+1}}{a_n} \right| = \left| \frac{3x^{n+1}}{4^{n+2}} \cdot \frac{4^{n+1}}{3x^n} \right| = \left| \frac{x}{4} \right| \quad \text{The series converges for } \left| \frac{x}{4} \right| < 1$$

$$-4 < x < 4$$

Watch the graph of $f(x)$ and the graph of the first four terms of the power series.

The convergence of the two on $(-4, 4)$ is obvious.



Example #7

- Express $f(x) = \frac{3}{4-x}$ as a power series centered at $x = -2$ and find its interval of convergence

Find a geometric power series centered at $c = -2$ for the function: $f(x) = \frac{3}{4-x}$

The power series centered at c is: $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a(r-c)^n = \frac{a}{1-(r-c)}$

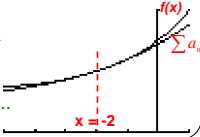
We write $\frac{3}{4-x}$ in the form $\frac{a}{1-(r-c)} = \frac{3}{4-[x-(-2)]+2} = \frac{3}{6-(x+2)}$

Divide numerator and denominator by 6 Make this 1

$$\frac{\frac{3}{6}}{\frac{6-(x+2)}{6}} = \frac{1/2}{1-(x+2)/6}$$

$a = 1/2$ $r - c = (x+2)/6$

$$f(x) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a(r-c)^n = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{x+2}{6} \right)^n = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(x+2)^n}{2 \cdot 6^n}$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} + \frac{x+2}{2 \cdot 6} + \frac{(x+2)^2}{2 \cdot 6^2} + \dots + \frac{(x+2)^n}{2 \cdot 6^n} + \dots$$


Example #8

- Express $f(x) = \frac{3}{2x-1}$ as a power series centered at $x = 2$ and find its interval of convergence

Find a geometric power series centered at $c = 2$ for the function: $f(x) = \frac{3}{2x-1}$

We write $\frac{3}{2x-1}$ in the standard form $\frac{a}{1-r}$

$$\frac{3}{2x-1} = \frac{3}{-1+2x} = \frac{3}{-1+2(x-2)+4}$$

Since $c = 2$, this x has to become $x - 2$

Add 4 to compensate for subtracting 4

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

Divide by 3 to make this 1

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

Make this $-$ to bring it to standard form

$$= \frac{1}{1 - \left(-\frac{2}{3}(x-2)\right)}$$

Find a geometric power series centered at $c = 2$ for the function: $f(x) = \frac{3}{2x-1}$

$$f(x) = \frac{3}{2x-1} = \frac{1}{1 - \left(-\frac{2}{3}(x-2)\right)} \quad a=1 \quad r-c = -\frac{2}{3}(x-2)$$

$$f(x) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a(r-c)^n = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} 1 \left[-\frac{2}{3}(x-2)\right]^n = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-1)^n \frac{2^n (x-2)^n}{3^n}$$

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

This series converges for: $\left|-\frac{2}{3}(x-2)\right| < 1$

$$|(x-2)| < \frac{3}{2}$$

$$-\frac{3}{2} < (x-2) < \frac{3}{2} \quad \frac{1}{2} < x < \frac{7}{2}$$

Example #9

- Express $f(x) = \frac{4}{4+x^2}$ as a power series and find its interval of convergence

Our first formula!

$$f(x) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} x^n = \frac{1}{1-x} \text{ for all } x \text{ in } (-1,1).$$

What else can we observe?

Clearly this function is both continuous and differentiable on its interval of convergence.

It is very tempting to say that the **derivative** for $f(x) = 1 + x + x^2 + x^3 + \dots$

should be $1 + 2x + 3x^2 + 4x^3 + 5x^4 + \dots$

But is it? For that matter, does this series even converge? And if it does converge, what does it converge to?

The general form of the series is

$$1 + 2x + 3x^2 + 4x^3 + \dots = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (n+1)x^n$$

The ratio test limit:

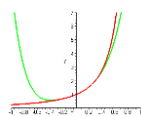
$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{(n+2)|x|^{n+1}}{(n+1)|x|^n} = |x| \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{(n+2)}{(n+1)} = |x| < 1$$

So the “derivative” series also converges on $(-1,1)$. We showed that it diverges at the endpoints.

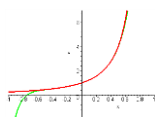


Differentiating Power Series

Does it converge to $\rightarrow \frac{d}{dx} \left(\frac{1}{1-x} \right) = \frac{1}{(1-x)^2}$?



6th partial sum



10th partial sum

The green graph is the partial sum, the red graph is $\frac{1}{(1-x)^2}$

This graph suggests a general principle:

Theorem: (Derivatives and Antiderivatives of Power Series)

Let $S(x) = a_0 + a_1(x - x_0) + a_2(x - x_0)^2 + a_3(x - x_0)^3 + a_4(x - x_0)^4 + \dots$ be a power series with radius of convergence $R > 0$.

And let $D(x) = a_1 + 2a_2(x - x_0) + 3a_3(x - x_0)^2 + 4a_4(x - x_0)^3 + \dots$

And $A(x) = a_0(x - x_0) + \frac{a_1}{2}(x - x_0)^2 + \frac{a_2}{3}(x - x_0)^3 + \frac{a_3}{4}(x - x_0)^4 + \dots$

Then

- Both D and A converge with radius of convergence R .
- On the interval $(x_0 - R, x_0 + R)$ $S'(x) = D(x)$.
- On the interval $(x_0 - R, x_0 + R)$ $A'(x) = S(x)$.

Or to put it more succinctly, if a little less precisely,

Theorem: (Derivatives and Antiderivatives of Power Series)

If $S(x) = a_0 + a_1(x - x_0) + a_2(x - x_0)^2 + a_3(x - x_0)^3 + a_4(x - x_0)^4 + \dots$

is a power series with radius of convergence $R > 0$.

Then we can differentiate and antidifferentiate S . Moreover,

$S'(x) = a_1 + 2a_2(x - x_0) + 3a_3(x - x_0)^2 + 4a_4(x - x_0)^3 + \dots$

And $\int S(x) dx = a_0(x - x_0) + \frac{a_1}{2}(x - x_0)^2 + \frac{a_2}{3}(x - x_0)^3 + \frac{a_3}{4}(x - x_0)^4 + \dots + C$

These all have the same radius of convergence.

Lest we lose the forest for the trees. . .

Let us consider again our original example from SLIDE #4


$$f(x) = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{2^k k^2} (x-3)^k.$$

Even though we can't find a formula for f , we can still differentiate and antidifferentiate it. What do we get?

$$f'(x) = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{k}{2^k k^2} (x-3)^{k-1} = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{2^k k} (x-3)^{k-1}$$

$$\int f(x) dx = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{2^k k^2} \frac{(x-3)^{k+1}}{k+1} + C = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{2^k k^2 (k+1)} (x-3)^{k+1} + C$$

Lest we lose the forest for the trees. . .

Interval of Conv. $f(x) = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{2^k k^2} (x-3)^k$. 

$f'(x) = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{k}{2^k k^2} (x-3)^{k-1} = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{2^k k} (x-3)^{k-1}$

What is the radius of convergence?



$\int f(x) dx = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{2^k k^2} \frac{(x-3)^{k+1}}{k+1} + C = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{2^k k^2 (k+1)} (x-3)^{k+1} + C$

What is the radius of convergence?



Example #11

- Express $f(x) = \ln(1+x)$ as a power series and find its interval of convergence

Example #12

- Express $f(x) = \ln(1-x^2)$ as a power series and find its interval of convergence

Find a geometric power series centered at $c = 0$ for the function: $f(x) = \ln(1 - x^2) = \int \frac{1}{1+x} dx - \int \frac{1}{1-x} dx$

We obtain power series for $1/(1+x)$ and integrate it

Then integrate the power series for $1/(1-x)$ and combine both.

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

$$\int \frac{1}{1+x} dx = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \int (-1)^n x^n dx = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-1)^n \frac{x^{n+1}}{n+1} + c_1$$

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

$$\int \frac{1}{1-x} dx = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \int x^n dx = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{x^{n+1}}{n+1} + c_2$$

Find a geometric power series centered at $c = 0$ for the function: $f(x) = \ln(1 - x^2) = \int \frac{1}{1+x} dx - \int \frac{1}{1-x} dx$

$$\int \frac{1}{1+x} dx = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-1)^n \frac{x^{n+1}}{n+1} + c_1 \quad \int \frac{1}{1-x} dx = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{x^{n+1}}{n+1} + c_2$$

$$f(x) = \ln(1 - x^2) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-1)^n \frac{x^{n+1}}{n+1} + c_1 - \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{x^{n+1}}{n+1} + c_2$$

$$= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{x^{n+1}}{n+1} [(-1)^n - 1] + c = -\frac{2x^2}{2} - \frac{2x^4}{4} - \frac{2x^6}{6} - \dots + c$$

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

$\ln(1 - x^2) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)x^{2n+2}}{n+1} + c$ **When $x = 0$, we have**

$\ln(1 - x^2) = -\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{x^{2n+2}}{n+1}$ **$0 = 0 + c$ $c = 0$**

Example #13

- Express $f(x) = \ln(1+x^2)$ as a power series and find its interval of convergence

Find a geometric power series centered at $c = 0$ for $f(x) = \ln(x^2 + 1)$

$$\frac{d}{dx} \ln(x^2 + 1) = \frac{2x}{x^2 + 1} \quad \text{We obtain the power series for this and integrate.}$$

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

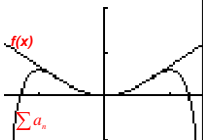
$$\ln(x^2 + 1) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \int (-1)^n 2x^{2n+1} dx = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-1)^n \frac{2x^{2n+2}}{2n+2} + c$$

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

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

When $x = 0$, we have $0 = 0 + c \quad c = 0$

$$\ln(x^2 + 1) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-1)^n \frac{x^{2n+2}}{n+1} \quad -1 < x < 1$$



Example #14

- Express $f(x) = \arctan(2x)$ as a power series and find its interval of convergence

Find a power series for the function $f(x) = \arctan 2x$ centered at $c = 0$

$$\frac{d}{dx} \arctan 2x = \frac{2}{1 + 4x^2} \quad \text{We obtain the power series for this and integrate.}$$

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

Replace x by $4x^2$

$$\frac{2}{1 + 4x^2} = 2 \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-1)^n (4x^2)^n$$

$$\arctan 2x = \int \frac{2}{1 + 4x^2} dx = 2 \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \int (-1)^n (4x^2)^n dx = 2 \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \int (-1)^n 4^n x^{2n} dx$$

$$= 2 \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-1)^n 4^n \frac{x^{2n+1}}{2n+1} + c$$

Find a power series for the function $f(x) = \arctan 2x$ centered at $c = 0$

$$\begin{aligned} \arctan 2x &= 2 \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-1)^n 4^n \frac{x^{2n+1}}{2n+1} + c \\ &= 2 \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-1)^n 2^{2n} \frac{x^{2n+1}}{2n+1} + c \\ &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-1)^n 2^{2n+1} \frac{x^{2n+1}}{2n+1} + c \end{aligned}$$

When $x = 0$, $\arctan 2x = 0$ $0 = 0 + c$ $c = 0$

$$\arctan 2x = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-1)^n 2^{2n+1} \frac{x^{2n+1}}{2n+1} = 2x - \frac{8x^3}{3} + \frac{32x^5}{5} - \frac{128x^7}{7} + \dots$$

$$-\frac{1}{2} < x < \frac{1}{2}$$

Example $f(x) = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{2^k k^2} (x-3)^k$

- Consider the power series function

What is the interval of convergence?

The ratio test shows that the radius of convergence is **?**

So the series converges on **(?,?)**

What about the endpoints?
I = ???

Example

- To see this idea “in action,” Consider the power series

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

What is the interval of convergence?

The ratio test shows that the radius of convergence is **2**

So the series converges on **(1,5)**

What about the endpoints?
I = [1,5]

The domain of the function $f(x) = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{2^k k^2} (x-3)^k$ is

Example—Graphs!

- Now use DESMOS to graph the 30th, 35th, 40th, and 45th partial sums of the power series

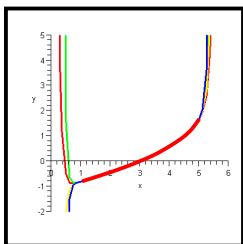
$$f(x) = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{2^k k^2} (x-3)^k$$

Remember that each partial sum is a polynomial. So we can plot it!

Example—Graphs!

- This graph shows the 30th, 35th, 40th, and 45th partial sums of the power series

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



Do you see the graph of f emerging in the picture?
