

Please show **all** your work! Answers without supporting work will not be given credit.
Write answers in spaces provided.

Name: _____

1. [2 pts each] If the given series converges, then find its sum. If not, state that it diverges.

(a) $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left(\frac{3}{2}\right)^n$

(b) $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} 6 \left(\frac{-1}{9}\right)^n$

Solution: [2 pts] Since our sum starts at $n = 0$, we can check whether our r satisfies the condition:

$$|r| < 1$$

Since $r = 3/2$, it doesn't satisfy the condition. Hence the series **diverges**.

Solution: [1 pt] Since our sum starts at $n = 0$, we can check whether our r satisfies the condition:

$$|r| < 1$$

Since $r = -1/9$, it does satisfy the condition.

Hence we can use the Geometric Series Formula

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} 6 \left(\frac{-1}{9}\right)^n = \frac{6}{1 - (-1/9)} = \frac{54}{10} \quad [1 \text{ pt}]$$

2. [6 pts] Express $f(x) = \frac{3}{1+2x}$ as a power series and its radius of convergence.

Solution: Let's rewrite $f(x)$ to look like our Power Series Formula.

$$\frac{3}{1+2x} = 3 \cdot \frac{1}{1 - (-2x)} \quad [1 \text{ pt}]$$

So replace x with $-2x$ in our formula.

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-2x)^n = \frac{1}{1 - (-2x)} \quad \text{where } |-2x| < 1 \quad [2 \text{ pts}]$$

Now multiply both sides by 3.

$$3 \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-2x)^n = \frac{3}{1 - (-2x)} \quad \text{where } 2 \cdot |x| < 1 \quad [1 \text{ pt}]$$

Hence

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} 3(-1)^n 2^n x^n = \frac{3}{1+2x} \quad \text{where } |x| < \frac{1}{2} \quad [2 \text{ pts}]$$

Hence the radius of convergence is $R = 1/2$.