

Quiz 18

Please answer the following questions in complete sentences in a clearly prepared manuscript. (No credits for the answer without necessary explanation.)

Problem 0: Quiz checklist

Please write the section number, your name and special number on the **back**.

Problem 1: Power Series

(8 points) Find the radius of convergence and the interval of convergence of the power series.

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(x-2)^n}{\sqrt{n}5^n}$$

solution:

Identify $a_n = \frac{(x-2)^n}{\sqrt{n}5^n}$ and evaluate the limit

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{a_{n+1}}{a_n} \right| = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{(x-2)^{n+1}}{\sqrt{n+1}5^{n+1}} \cdot \frac{\sqrt{n}5^n}{(x-2)^n} \right| = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{x-2}{5} \cdot \sqrt{\frac{n}{n+1}} \right| = \frac{|x-2|}{5} < 1$$

We have $|x-2| < 5$ which means $R = 5$.

Check the endpoints $x_1 = -3$ and $x_2 = 7$, we have $I = [-3, 7)$.

Problem 2: Functions and Power Series

(12 Points) Find a power series representation for the function and give the radius of convergence.

(Give your power series representation centred at $x = 0$.)

(I) $f(x) = \ln(9-x)$,

solution:

$$\begin{aligned} \ln(9-x) &= \int \frac{1}{x-9} dx = -\frac{1}{9} \int \frac{1}{1-\frac{x}{9}} dx \\ &= -\frac{1}{9} \int \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left(\frac{x}{9}\right)^n dx = C - \frac{1}{9} \int \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{x^{n+1}}{9^n} dx \\ &= C - \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{x^n}{n9^n} \end{aligned}$$

Putting $x = 0$, we get $C = \ln 9$, the series converge for $\left|\frac{x}{9}\right| < 1$ which means $|x| < 9$, so $R = 9$.

(II) $f(x) = \frac{x}{4+x^2}$.

solution:

$$\begin{aligned} f(x) &= \frac{x}{4+x^2} = \frac{x}{4} \cdot \left(\frac{1}{1+\frac{x^2}{4}} \right) = \frac{x}{4} \cdot \left[\frac{1}{1-\left(-\frac{x^2}{4}\right)} \right] \\ &= \frac{x}{4} \cdot \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left(-\frac{x^2}{4}\right)^n = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-1)^n \frac{x^{2n+1}}{4^{n+1}} \end{aligned}$$

The series converge for $\left|\frac{x^2}{4}\right| < 1$ which means $|x| < 2$, so $R = 2$.