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2010 SCORING GUIDELINES (Form B)

Question 6

The Maclaurin series for the function f is given by $f(x) = \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n (2x)^n}{n-1}$ on its interval of convergence.

(a) Find the interval of convergence for the Maclaurin series of f . Justify your answer.

(b) Show that $y = f(x)$ is a solution to the differential equation $xy' - y = \frac{4x^2}{1+2x}$ for $|x| < R$, where R is the radius of convergence from part (a).

$$(a) \quad \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{\frac{(2x)^{n+1}}{(n+1)-1}}{\frac{(2x)^n}{n-1}} \right| = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| 2x \cdot \frac{n-1}{n} \right| = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| 2x \cdot \frac{n-1}{n} \right| = |2x|$$

$$|2x| < 1 \text{ for } |x| < \frac{1}{2}$$

Therefore the radius of convergence is $\frac{1}{2}$.

$$\text{When } x = -\frac{1}{2}, \text{ the series is } \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n (-1)^n}{n-1} = \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n-1}.$$

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This is the alternating harmonic series, which converges.

The interval of convergence for the Maclaurin series of f is $\left(-\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}\right]$.

$$(b) \quad y = \frac{(2x)^2}{1} - \frac{(2x)^3}{2} + \frac{(2x)^4}{3} - \dots + \frac{(-1)^n (2x)^n}{n-1} + \dots$$

$$= 4x^2 - 4x^3 + \frac{16}{3}x^4 - \dots + \frac{(-1)^n (2x)^n}{n-1} + \dots$$

$$y' = 8x - 12x^2 + \frac{64}{3}x^3 - \dots + \frac{(-1)^n n(2x)^{n-1} \cdot 2}{n-1} + \dots$$

$$xy' = 8x^2 - 12x^3 + \frac{64}{3}x^4 - \dots + \frac{(-1)^n n(2x)^n}{n-1} + \dots$$

$$xy' - y = 4x^2 - 8x^3 + 16x^4 - \dots + (-1)^n (2x)^n + \dots$$

$$= 4x^2(1 - 2x + 4x^2 - \dots + (-1)^n (2x)^{n-2} + \dots)$$

The series $1 - 2x + 4x^2 - \dots + (-1)^n (2x)^{n-2} + \dots = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-2x)^n$ is a

geometric series that converges to $\frac{1}{1+2x}$ for $|x| < \frac{1}{2}$. Therefore

$$xy' - y = 4x^2 \cdot \frac{1}{1+2x} \text{ for } |x| < \frac{1}{2}.$$

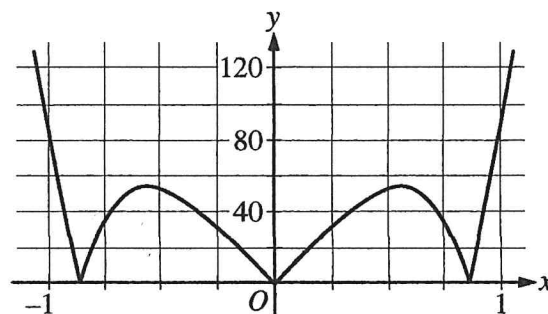
5 : { 1 : sets up ratio
1 : limit evaluation
1 : radius of convergence
1 : considers both endpoints
1 : analysis and interval of convergence

4 : { 1 : series for y'
1 : series for xy'
1 : series for $xy' - y$
1 : analysis with geometric series

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Let $f(x) = \sin(x^2) + \cos x$. The graph of $y = |f^{(5)}(x)|$ is shown above.



Graph of $y = |f^{(5)}(x)|$

- (a) Write the first four nonzero terms of the Taylor series for $\sin x$ about $x = 0$, and write the first four nonzero terms of the Taylor series for $\sin(x^2)$ about $x = 0$.
- (b) Write the first four nonzero terms of the Taylor series for $\cos x$ about $x = 0$. Use this series and the series for $\sin(x^2)$, found in part (a), to write the first four nonzero terms of the Taylor series for f about $x = 0$.
- (c) Find the value of $f^{(6)}(0)$.
- (d) Let $P_4(x)$ be the fourth-degree Taylor polynomial for f about $x = 0$. Using information from the graph of $y = |f^{(5)}(x)|$ shown above, show that $\left|P_4\left(\frac{1}{4}\right) - f\left(\frac{1}{4}\right)\right| < \frac{1}{3000}$.

(a) $\sin x = x - \frac{x^3}{3!} + \frac{x^5}{5!} - \frac{x^7}{7!} + \dots$
 $\sin(x^2) = x^2 - \frac{x^6}{3!} + \frac{x^{10}}{5!} - \frac{x^{14}}{7!} + \dots$

3 : $\begin{cases} 1 : \text{series for } \sin x \\ 2 : \text{series for } \sin(x^2) \end{cases}$

(b) $\cos x = 1 - \frac{x^2}{2!} + \frac{x^4}{4!} - \frac{x^6}{6!} + \dots$
 $f(x) = 1 + \frac{x^2}{2} + \frac{x^4}{4!} - \frac{121x^6}{6!} + \dots$

3 : $\begin{cases} 1 : \text{series for } \cos x \\ 2 : \text{series for } f(x) \end{cases}$

- (c) $\frac{f^{(6)}(0)}{6!}$ is the coefficient of x^6 in the Taylor series for f about $x = 0$. Therefore $f^{(6)}(0) = -121$.

1 : answer

- (d) The graph of $y = |f^{(5)}(x)|$ indicates that $\max_{0 \leq x \leq \frac{1}{4}} |f^{(5)}(x)| < 40$.

Therefore

$$\left|P_4\left(\frac{1}{4}\right) - f\left(\frac{1}{4}\right)\right| \leq \frac{\max_{0 \leq x \leq \frac{1}{4}} |f^{(5)}(x)|}{5!} \cdot \left(\frac{1}{4}\right)^5 < \frac{40}{120 \cdot 4^5} = \frac{1}{3072} < \frac{1}{3000}.$$

2 : $\begin{cases} 1 : \text{form of the error bound} \\ 1 : \text{analysis} \end{cases}$

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A function f has derivatives of all orders at $x = 0$. Let $P_n(x)$ denote the n th-degree Taylor polynomial for f about $x = 0$.

- (a) It is known that $f(0) = -4$ and that $P_1\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) = -3$. Show that $f'(0) = 2$.
- (b) It is known that $f''(0) = -\frac{2}{3}$ and $f'''(0) = \frac{1}{3}$. Find $P_3(x)$.
- (c) The function h has first derivative given by $h'(x) = f(2x)$. It is known that $h(0) = 7$. Find the third-degree Taylor polynomial for h about $x = 0$.

(a) $P_1(x) = f(0) + f'(0)x = -4 + f'(0)x$

$$P_1\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) = -4 + f'(0) \cdot \frac{1}{2} = -3$$

$$f'(0) \cdot \frac{1}{2} = 1$$

$$f'(0) = 2$$

$$2 : \begin{cases} 1 : \text{uses } P_1(x) \\ 1 : \text{verifies } f'(0) = 2 \end{cases}$$

(b) $P_3(x) = -4 + 2x + \left(-\frac{2}{3}\right) \cdot \frac{x^2}{2!} + \frac{1}{3} \cdot \frac{x^3}{3!}$

$$= -4 + 2x - \frac{1}{3}x^2 + \frac{1}{18}x^3$$

$$3 : \begin{cases} 1 : \text{first two terms} \\ 1 : \text{third term} \\ 1 : \text{fourth term} \end{cases}$$

- (c) Let $Q_n(x)$ denote the Taylor polynomial of degree n for h about $x = 0$.

$$h'(x) = f(2x) \Rightarrow Q_3'(x) = -4 + 2(2x) - \frac{1}{3}(2x)^2$$

$$Q_3(x) = -4x + 4 \cdot \frac{x^2}{2} - \frac{4}{3} \cdot \frac{x^3}{3} + C; \quad C = Q_3(0) = h(0) = 7$$

$$Q_3(x) = 7 - 4x + 2x^2 - \frac{4}{9}x^3$$

$$4 : \begin{cases} 2 : \text{applies } h'(x) = f(2x) \\ 1 : \text{constant term} \\ 1 : \text{remaining terms} \end{cases}$$

OR

$$h'(x) = f(2x), \quad h''(x) = 2f'(2x), \quad h'''(x) = 4f''(2x)$$

$$h'(0) = f(0) = -4, \quad h''(0) = 2f'(0) = 4, \quad h'''(0) = 4f''(0) = -\frac{8}{3}$$

$$Q_3(x) = 7 - 4x + 4 \cdot \frac{x^2}{2!} - \frac{8}{3} \cdot \frac{x^3}{3!} = 7 - 4x + 2x^2 - \frac{4}{9}x^3$$