

# **POWER SERIES**

## **Chapter 11**

### **Section 7**

## Example 11.7.1

Find power series representation and interval of convergence for

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

$$\frac{1}{1 - y} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} y^n \text{ for } |y| < 1 \quad \text{Let } y = x^2$$

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

$$x^2 \frac{1}{1 - x^2} = x^2 \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} x^{2n} = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} x^{2n}$$

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

Radius of convergence:

$$|y| < 1 \Leftrightarrow |x^2| < 1 \Leftrightarrow |x| < 1 \quad \text{so that } R = 1$$

Interval of convergence:  $(-1, 1)$  since

$$x = \pm 1 \Leftrightarrow |x| = 1 \Leftrightarrow y = 1 \text{ divergence point}$$

## Example 11.7.2

Use of partial fraction decomposition:

$$\begin{aligned}f(x) &= \frac{3x - 2}{2x^2 - 3x + 1} \\&= (2x - 1)^{-1} + (x - 1)^{-1} \\&= (-1) \left( (1 - 2x)^{-1} + (1 - x)^{-1} \right) \\&= - \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (2x)^n - \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} x^n \\&= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-1) (1 + 2^n) x^n\end{aligned}$$

Radius of convergence:

$$|2x| < 1 \Leftrightarrow |x| < \frac{1}{2} \Leftrightarrow R = \frac{1}{2}$$

Interval of convergence:  $(-\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2})$ ,

since  $x = \pm \frac{1}{2}$  are points of divergence

### Example 11.7.3

Find the power series representation and radius of convergence for  $f(x) = \frac{1}{(1+x)^3}$

$$\begin{aligned} f(x) &= \frac{1}{(1+x)^3} = (1+x)^{-3} \\ &= \left(\frac{1}{2}\right) \frac{d^2}{dx^2} (1+x)^{-1} \\ &= \left(\frac{1}{2}\right) \frac{d^2}{dx^2} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-1)^n x^n \\ &= \left(\frac{1}{2}\right) \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-1)^n \frac{d^2}{dx^2} x^n \\ &= \left(\frac{1}{2}\right) \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-1)^n n(n-1) x^{n-2} \\ &= \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n}{2} n(n-1) x^{n-2} \\ &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n}{2} (n+1)(n+2) x^n \end{aligned}$$

Radius of convergence:  $|x| < 1 \Leftrightarrow R = 1$

## Example 11.7.4

Find an indefinite integral as a power series:

$$\arctan(y) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n}{2n+1} y^{2n+1}, \quad |y| < 1$$

Substitute  $y = x^2$ , and integrate over  $x$ :

$$\begin{aligned} \int \arctan(x^2) dx &= \int \left( \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n}{2n+1} (x^2)^{2n+1} \right) dx \\ &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n}{2n+1} \int (x^2)^{2n+1} dx \\ &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n}{2n+1} \int x^{4n+2} dx \\ &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n}{(2n+1)(4n+3)} x^{4n+3} + C \end{aligned}$$

Radius of convergence:  $R = 1$

## Exercise 10.7.5

Domain of the *Bessel function of order 1* ?

$$J_1(x) \doteq \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n x^{2n+1}}{n!(n+1)!2^{2n+1}}$$

Ratio test:

$$\begin{aligned} & \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\left( \frac{|x|^{2n+3}}{(n+1)!(n+2)!2^{2n+3}} \right)}{\left( \frac{|x|^{2n+1}}{n!(n+1)!2^{2n+1}} \right)} \\ &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{|x|^2}{2^2(n+1)(n+2)} \\ &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

∴ Radius of convergence:  $R = \infty$

∴ Interval of convergence:  $-\infty < x < \infty$

## Example 11.7.6

$$J_1'(x) = \boxed{\frac{d}{dx}} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n}{n!(n+1)!2^{2n+1}} x^{2n+1}$$

$$= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n}{n!(n+1)!2^{2n+1}} \boxed{\frac{d}{dx}} x^{2n+1}$$

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

$$(\clubsuit) \quad x J_1'(x) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n (2n+1)}{n!(n+1)!2^{2n+1}} \boxed{x^{2n+1}}$$

$$J_1''(x) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n (2n+1)}{n!(n+1)!2^{2n+1}} \boxed{\frac{d}{dx}} x^{2n}$$

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

$$(\spadesuit) \quad x^2 J_1''(x) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n \boxed{(2n)(2n+1)}}{n!(n+1)!2^{2n+1}} x^{2n+1}$$

Adding equations ( $\clubsuit$ ) and ( $\spadesuit$ ) :

$$\begin{aligned}
 & x^2 J_1''(x) + x J_1'(x) \\
 &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n \boxed{(2n+1)^2}}{n!(n+1)!2^{2n+1}} x^{2n+1} \\
 &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n \boxed{((4n^2 + 4n) + 1)}}{n!(n+1)!2^{2n+1}} x^{2n+1} \\
 &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n \boxed{(2^2 n(n+1))}}{n!(n+1)!2^{2n+1}} x^{2n+1} + J_1(x) \\
 &= \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{-(-1)^{n-1}}{(n-1)!n!2^{2(n-1)+1}} x^2 x^{2(n-1)+1} + J_1(x) \\
 &= -x^2 \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n}{n!(n+1)!2^{2n+1}} x^{2n+1} + J_1(x) \\
 &= -x^2 J_1(x) + J_1(x) \\
 &= (1 - x^2) J_1(x)
 \end{aligned}$$

Ordinary differential equation for  $J_1(x)$  :

$$\boxed{x^2 J_1''(x) + x J_1'(x) + (x^2 - 1) J_1(x) = 0}$$

## Example 11.7.7

$$f(x) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n^2} x^n$$

Interval of convergence:  $\boxed{-1} \leq x \leq \boxed{1}$

Interval of absolute convergence:  $-1 \leq x \leq 1$

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

Interval of convergence:  $\boxed{-1} \leq x < 1$

Interval of absolute convergence:  $-1 < x < 1$

$$f''(x) = \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \frac{(n-1)}{n} x^{n-2} = \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \left(1 - \frac{1}{n}\right) x^{n-2}$$

Interval of (absolute) convergence:  $-1 < x < 1$