

Quiz 5

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High: 20
Median: 20
Low: 17

(5 points each) For each power series, please find x_0 , the center of the interval of convergence, and R , the radius of convergence. Show all work needed to reach your answers. If you need the value of any limit to reach your answer, please compute that value.

1. $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{n^3(x+1)^n}{3^n}$

$$R = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{|a_n|}{|a_{n+1}|} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{n^3}{3^n} \cdot \frac{3^{n+1}}{(n+1)^3} = 3 \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{n}{n+1} \right)^3 = 3$$

$$x_0 = -1 \quad R = 3$$

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

$$R = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{|a_n|}{|a_{n+1}|} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{4^n}{n \ln n} \cdot \frac{(n+1) \ln(n+1)}{4^{n+1}} = \frac{1}{4} \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{n+1}{n} \cdot \frac{\ln(n+1)}{\ln(n)} = \frac{1}{4}$$

$$x_0 = 0 \quad R = \frac{1}{4}$$

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

$$R = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{|a_n|}{|a_{n+1}|} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{n!}{(3n-2)!!!} \cdot \frac{(3(n+1)-2)!!!}{(n+1)!} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{(3n+1)(3n-2)!!!}{(3n-2)!!! (n+1)} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{3n+1}{n+1} = 3$$

$$x_0 = 0 \quad R = 3$$

4. Suppose $\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} a_k x^k$ converges with radius of convergence $R_a = 2$, while $\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} b_k x^k$ converges with radius of convergence $R_b = 3$. What's the radius of convergence for the series $\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{b_k}{a_k 5^k} x^k$? Assume that $a_k \neq 0 \forall k$.

$$R = \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \frac{b_k}{a_k 5^k} \cdot \frac{a_{k+1} 5^{k+1}}{b_{k+1}} = 5 \left(\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \frac{b_k}{b_{k+1}} \right) \left(\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \frac{a_{k+1}}{a_k} \right) = 5 R_b \left(\frac{1}{R_a} \right) = \frac{15}{2}$$