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Instructions There are six questions on seven pages. Answer all the questions in the space provided. If you need more paper, ask the invigilator.

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Solutions

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1) [10 points]

a) State precisely what it means to say that the sequence $\{a_n\}$ diverges.

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = \infty \text{ or } \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n \text{ does not exist}$$

b) State precisely what it means to say that the sequence $\{a_n\}$ is decreasing.

$$\text{for all } n, a_{n+1} < a_n$$

c) State precisely what it means to say that the series $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n$ diverges.

Let $s_n = \sum_{n=0}^m a_n$. The series $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n$ diverges if the sequence $\{s_n\}$ diverges.

d) State precisely what is meant by the interval of convergence of the power series $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} c_n(x-a)^n$.

The interval of convergence is the set of x such that the series $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} c_n(x-a)^n$ converges.

e) State precisely what it means to say that the series $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n$ converges absolutely.

The series $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n$ converges absolutely if the series $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} |a_n|$ converges.

2) [6 points]

- a) State the comparison test for convergence of the series $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n$.

Look it up!

- b) Show that the series $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n^2 + 2n}$ converges.

$$n^2 + 2n > n^2, \quad \text{so} \quad \frac{1}{n^2+2n} < \frac{1}{n^2}.$$

$\sum \frac{1}{n^2}$ converges (it's a p -series with $p > 1$) so $\sum \frac{1}{n^2+2n}$ also converges by the comparison test.

- c) Use a partial fraction decomposition to find the exact value of the series in b).

$$\frac{1}{n^2+2n} = \frac{1}{n(n+2)} = \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{1}{n} - \frac{1}{n+2} \right)$$

$$S_m = \sum_{n=1}^m \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{1}{n} - \frac{1}{n+2} \right) = \frac{1}{2} \left(1 - \frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{3} - \frac{1}{5} + \frac{1}{4} - \frac{1}{6} \right)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} S_m &= \lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{3}{4} - \frac{1}{2} \frac{2m+3}{(m+1)(m+2)} \right) \\ &= \frac{3}{4}. \end{aligned}$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \left(1 + \frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{m+1} - \frac{1}{m+2} \right)$$

$$\therefore \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n^2+2n} = \frac{3}{4}$$

$$S_m = \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{3}{2} - \frac{2m+3}{(m+1)(m+2)} \right)$$

3) [6 points]

- a) Use the power series $\frac{1}{1-x} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} x^n$, for $|x| < 1$ to find a power series representation for the function $f(x) = \frac{1}{1+x^2}$, and hence a power series representation for $g(x) = \arctan(x)$.

$$f(x) = \frac{1}{1+x^2} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-1)^n x^{2n}, \text{ for } |x^2| < 1.$$

$$g(x) = \arctan(x) = \int \frac{1}{1+x^2} dx = \int \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-1)^n x^{2n} dx$$

$$= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \int (-1)^n x^{2n} dx = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-1)^n \frac{1}{2n+1} x^{2n+1} + C.$$

$$\arctan(0) = 0 \Rightarrow \underbrace{\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-1)^n \frac{1}{2n+1} 0^{2n+1}}_{=0} + C, \text{ so } C = 0.$$

- b) What is the interval of convergence of the series for $g(x)$?

The series for $g(x)$ converges for $|x^2| < 1$ i.e. $(x| < 1)$.

When $x=1$, series is $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-1)^n \frac{1}{2n+1} 1^{2n+1} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-1)^n \frac{1}{2n+1}$. This series converges by the alternating series test.

When $x=-1$, series is $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-1)^n \frac{1}{2n+1} (-1)^{2n+1} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-1)^{3n+1} \frac{1}{2n+1} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{-1}{2n+1}$. This series diverges by comparison with the harmonic series. So

- c) Deduce the exact value of the alternating series $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n}{2n+1}$.

interval of convergence is $(-1, 1]$.

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n}{2n+1} = \arctan(1) = \frac{\pi}{4}.$$

- 4) [6 points] Express the repeated decimal number

$$1.616161\dots$$

as a fraction by summing an appropriate geometric series.

$$\begin{aligned}
 1.\overline{61} &= 1 + 61 \times 10^{-2} + 61 \times 10^{-4} + 61 \times 10^{-6} + \dots \\
 &= 1 + 61 \times 10^{-2} \left(1 + (10^2)^{-1} + (10^2)^{-2} \right) \\
 &= 1 + 61 \times 10^{-2} \left(1 + (10^2)^{-1} + (10^2)^{-2} + (10^2)^{-3} + \dots \right) \\
 &= 1 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} 61 \times 10^{-2} (10^2)^{n-1} \quad \text{This is a geometric series} \\
 &\qquad\qquad\qquad \text{with } a = 61 \times 10^{-2} \\
 &\qquad\qquad\qquad r = 10^{-2}, \\
 &\qquad\qquad\qquad \text{or converges as } |r| < 1. \\
 &= 1 + \frac{61 \times 10^{-2}}{1 - 10^{-2}} \\
 &= 1 + \frac{61}{100} \cdot \frac{1}{1 - \frac{1}{100}} \\
 &= 1 + \frac{61}{100} \cdot \frac{100}{99} \\
 &= \frac{99 + 61}{99} \\
 &= \frac{160}{99}
 \end{aligned}$$

5) [6 points]

a) Write the formula for the Taylor series around a for a function $f(x)$.

$$T(x) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n!} f^{(n)}(a) (x-a)^n$$

b) Use your answer to a) to find the Taylor series for the function $f(x) = (1 - 3x)^{1/2}$ around 0. (Do not just quote a known Taylor series.)

$$f(x) = (1 - 3x)^{\frac{1}{2}}$$

$$f(0) = 1$$

$$f'(x) = \frac{1}{2} (1 - 3x)^{\frac{1}{2}-1} (-3)$$

$$f'(0) = \frac{1}{2} (-3)$$

$$f''(x) = \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{1}{2}-1\right) (1 - 3x)^{\frac{1}{2}-2} (-3)(-\frac{3}{2})$$

$$f''(0) = \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{1}{2}-1\right) (-3)^2$$

$$f'''(x) = \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{1}{2}-1\right) \left(\frac{1}{2}-2\right) (1 - 3x)^{\frac{1}{2}-3} (-3)(-\frac{3}{2})(-\frac{5}{2})$$

$$f'''(0) = \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{1}{2}-1\right) \left(\frac{1}{2}-2\right) (-3)^3$$

$$f^{(n)}(x) = \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{1}{2}-1\right) \cdots \left(\frac{1}{2}-(n-1)\right) (1 - 3x)^{\frac{1}{2}-n} (-3)^n$$

$$f^{(n)}(0) = \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{1}{2}-1\right) \cdots \left(\frac{1}{2}-(n-1)\right) (-3)^n$$

$$T(x) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n!} \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{1}{2}-1\right) \cdots \left(\frac{1}{2}-(n-1)\right) (-3)^n x^n$$

6) [6 points]

a) State the divergence test.

If $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n \neq 0$ then $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n$ diverges.

- b) Let $\{a_n\}$ be a decreasing sequence such that $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = \frac{1}{2}$. Write $s_m = \sum_{n=1}^m a_n$. Find a lower bound for s_m (this will depend on m). Deduce that $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n$ diverges (thus verifying the divergence test for this example).

$\{a_n\}$ decreasing, $\Rightarrow a_{n+1} > a_n$ for all n .

$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = \frac{1}{2}$, $\Rightarrow a_n > \frac{1}{2}$ for all n .

$$s_m = \sum_{n=1}^m a_n > \sum_{n=1}^m \frac{1}{2} = \cancel{\frac{1}{2}} m$$

$\lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} s_m = \infty$, now $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n = \infty$ that is,
 $\lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} s_m > \lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{2} m = \infty$

the series diverges.