

5.1 Review of Power Series.

Definition: $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n(x - x_0)^n = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{n=0}^n a_n(x - x_0)^n$

Taylor's Theorem

Suppose f has $n + 1$ continuous derivatives on an open interval containing a . Then for each x in the interval,

$$f(x) = \left[\sum_{k=0}^n \frac{f^{(k)}(a)}{k!} (x - a)^k \right] + R_{n+1}(x)$$

where the error term $R_{n+1}(x)$ satisfies $R_{n+1}(x) = \frac{f^{(n+1)}(c)}{(n+1)!} (x - a)^{n+1}$ for some c between a and x .

The *infinite* Taylor series converges to f ,

$$f(x) = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{f^{(k)}(a)}{k!} (x - a)^k \text{ if and only if } \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} R_n(x) = 0.$$

Defn: The function f is said to be **analytic** at a if its Taylor series expansion about $x = a$ has a positive radius of convergence.

1.) $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n(x - x_0)^n$ converges at the point x if and only if $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{n=0}^n a_n(x - x_0)^n$ exists at the point x .

2.) $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n(x - x_0)^n$ converges absolutely at the point x if and only if $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} |a_n| |x - x_0|^n$ converges at the point x

If a series converges absolutely, then it also converges.

3.) Ratio test for absolute convergence:

Let $L = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{a_{n+1}}{a_n} \right|$

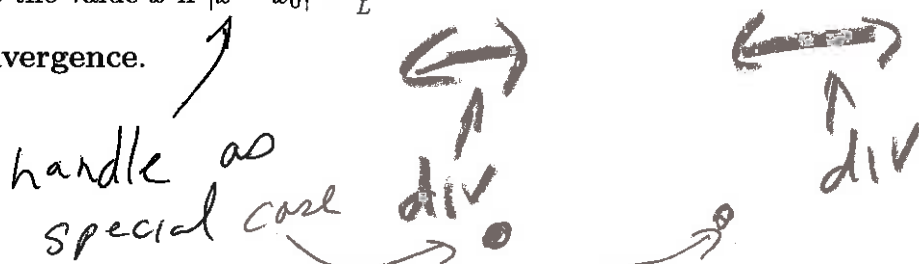
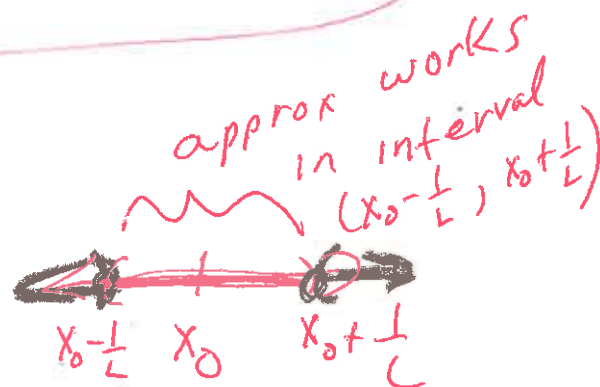
$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{a_{n+1}(x - x_0)^{n+1}}{a_n(x - x_0)^n} \right| = |x - x_0| \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{a_{n+1}}{a_n} \right| = |x - x_0| L$$

The power series converges at the value x if $|x - x_0| < \frac{1}{L}$

The power series diverges at the value x if $|x - x_0| > \frac{1}{L}$

The ratio test give no info at the value x if $|x - x_0| = \frac{1}{L}$

Note $\frac{1}{L}$ is the **radius of convergence**.



handle as special case

Solve $y'' - 4y' + 4y = 0$

Using quick 3.4 method. Guess $y = e^{rt}$ and plug into equation to find $r^2 - 4r + 4 = 0$. Thus $(r-2)^2 = 0$. Hence $r = 2$. Therefore general solution is $y = c_1 e^{2x} + c_2 x e^{2x}$.

Use LONG 5.2 method (normally use this method only when other shorter methods don't exist) to find solution for values near $x_0 = 0$.

Suppose the solution $y = f(x)$ is analytic at $x_0 = 0$.

That is $f(x) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{f^{(n)}(0)}{n!} (x-0)^n$ for x near $x_0 = 0$.

Thus there are constants $a_n = \frac{f^{(n)}(0)}{n!}$ such that,

$$f(x) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n (x-0)^n = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n x^n.$$

Find a recursive formula for the constants of the series solution to $y'' - 4y' + 4y = 0$ near $x_0 = 0$

We will determine these constants a_n by plugging f into the ODE.

$$f(x) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n x^n, f'(x) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n a_n x^{n-1}, f''(x) = \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} n(n-1) a_n x^{n-2}$$

$$\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} n(n-1) a_n x^{n-2} - 4 \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n a_n x^{n-1} + 4 \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n x^n = 0.$$

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_{n+2} (n+2)(n+1) x^n - 4 \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_{n+1} (n+1) x^n + 4 \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n x^n = 0.$$

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} [a_{n+2} (n+2)(n+1) - 4a_{n+1} (n+1) + 4a_n] x^n = 0.$$

$$a_{n+2} (n+2)(n+1) - 4a_{n+1} (n+1) + 4a_n = 0.$$

$$a_{n+2} = \frac{4a_{n+1} (n+1) - 4a_n}{(n+2)(n+1)}$$

Hence the recursive formula (if know previous terms, can determine later terms) is

$$a_{n+2} = 4 \left(\frac{(n+1)a_{n+1} - a_n}{(n+2)(n+1)} \right)$$

$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n x^n$
 $a_0 = a_0$
 $a_1 = a_1$

Given the recursive formula, $a_{n+2} = 4 \left(\frac{(n+1)a_{n+1} - a_n}{(n+2)(n+1)} \right)$, determine a_n . Determine formula for a_k by noticing patterns. Note: It is easier to notice patterns if you do NOT simplify too much.

Find the first 6 terms of the series solution

$n = 0: a_2 = 4 \left(\frac{a_1 - a_0}{(2)(1)} \right)$
 $n = 1: a_3 = 4 \left(\frac{2a_2 - a_1}{(3)(2)} \right) = 4 \left(\frac{(2)(4) \left(\frac{a_1 - a_0}{(2)(1)} \right) - a_1}{(3)(2)} \right) = 4 \left(\frac{4(a_1 - a_0) - a_1}{(3)(2)} \right) = 4 \left(\frac{3a_1 - 4a_0}{(3)(2)} \right)$
 $n = 2: a_4 = 4 \left(\frac{3a_3 - a_2}{(4)(3)} \right) = 4 \left(\frac{3(4) \left(\frac{3a_1 - 4a_0}{(3)(2)} \right) - 4 \left(\frac{a_1 - a_0}{(2)} \right)}{(4)(3)} \right) = 4 \left(\frac{3 \left(\frac{3a_1 - 4a_0}{3} \right) - 2(a_1 - a_0)}{3} \right) = 4 \left(\frac{3a_1 - 4a_0}{3} \right)$
 $n = 3: a_5 = 4 \left(\frac{4a_4 - a_3}{(5)(4)} \right) = 4 \left(\frac{(4) \left(\frac{3a_1 - 4a_0}{3} \right) - 4 \left(\frac{3a_1 - 4a_0}{(3)(2)} \right)}{(5)(4)} \right) = 4 \left(\frac{4 \left(\frac{3a_1 - 4a_0}{3} \right) - 4 \left(\frac{3a_1 - 4a_0}{6} \right)}{(5)(4)} \right) = 4 \left(\frac{4(2a_1 - 3a_0) - (3a_1 - 4a_0)}{5(3)} \right) = 4 \left(\frac{5a_1 - 8a_0}{5(3)} \right)$

$f(x) \sim a_0 + a_1 x + 4 \left(\frac{a_1 - a_0}{2!} \right) x^2 + 4 \left(\frac{3a_1 - 4a_0}{3!} \right) x^3 + 4 \left(\frac{2a_1 - 3a_0}{(3!)^2} \right) x^4 + 4 \left(\frac{5a_1 - 8a_0}{5(3!)^2} \right) x^5$

Recall $f(x) = a_0 \phi_0(x) + a_1 \phi_1(x)$ for linearly independent solutions ϕ_0 and ϕ_1 to equation $y'' - 4y' + 4y = 0$. $f(x) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n x^n$

Find the first 5 terms in each of the 2 solns $y = \phi_0(x)$ and $y = \phi_1(x)$

$\phi_0 \sim 1 + 4 \left(\frac{-1}{2!} \right) x^2 + 4 \left(\frac{-4}{3!} \right) x^3 + 4 \left(\frac{-3}{(3!)^2} \right) x^4 + 4 \left(\frac{-8}{5(3!)^2} \right) x^5$

$\phi_1 \sim x + 4 \left(\frac{1}{2!} \right) x^2 + 4 \left(\frac{3}{3!} \right) x^3 + 4 \left(\frac{2}{(3!)^2} \right) x^4 + 4 \left(\frac{5}{5(3!)^2} \right) x^5$

$n = 0: a_2 = 4 \left(\frac{a_1 - a_0}{(2)(1)} \right) = 2 \left(\frac{2a_1 - 2a_0}{2!} \right)$

$n = 1: a_3 = 4 \left(\frac{3a_2 - 4a_1}{(3)(2)} \right) = 2^2 \left(\frac{3a_1 - 4a_0}{3!} \right)$

$n = 2: a_4 = 4 \left(\frac{2a_3 - 3a_2}{(4)(3)} \right) = 16 \left(\frac{2a_1 - 3a_0}{4!} \right) = 8 \left(\frac{4a_1 - 6a_0}{4!} \right) = 2^3 \left(\frac{4a_1 - 6a_0}{4!} \right)$

$n = 3: a_5 = 4 \left(\frac{5a_4 - 8a_3}{(5)(3)} \right) = 16 \left(\frac{5a_1 - 8a_0}{5!} \right) = 2^4 \left(\frac{5a_1 - 8a_0}{5!} \right)$

Hence it appears $a_k = \frac{2^{k-1} (ka_1 - 2(k-1)a_0)}{k!}$