

## 9.6 | Power series

- (2) Find the convergence set for the given power series.

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{x^n}{3^n}$$

By Absolute ratio test, if  $\rho = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{a_{n+1}}{a_n} \right| < 1$

the series converges.

$$\rho = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{x^{n+1}}{3^{n+1}} \div \frac{x^n}{3^n} \right|$$

$$= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{x^{n+1}}{3^{n+1}} \cdot \frac{3^n}{x^n} \right| = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{|x|}{3} < 1$$

$$\Rightarrow |x| < 3$$

$$\Rightarrow -3 < x < 3$$

test convergence of series at endpoints.

$$\text{at } x = -3 \quad \sum \frac{x^n}{3^n} = \sum \frac{(-3)^n}{3^n} = \sum (-1)^n$$

alternating but  
 $\lim a_n \neq 0$ .

$\therefore$  series diverges

$$\text{at } x = 3 \quad \sum \frac{x^n}{3^n} = \sum \frac{3^n}{3^n} = \sum (1)^n = 1 + 1 + 1 + \dots$$

clearly divergent.

so convergence set of the series is

$$\boxed{-3 < x < 3}$$

or  $x \in (-3, 3)$

## 9.6 / power series

(10) Find the convergence set for the given power series.

$$1 + x + \frac{x^2}{2!} + \frac{x^3}{3!} + \frac{x^4}{4!} + \dots$$

$$= \frac{x^0}{0!} + \frac{x^1}{1!} + \frac{x^2}{2!} + \frac{x^3}{3!} + \frac{x^4}{4!} + \dots \quad (0! = 1, 1! = 1)$$

$$a_n = \frac{x^n}{n!}$$

Find convergence set using  
Absolute Ratio Test

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

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

$$= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{x}{n+1} \right|$$

$$= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} |x| \cdot \left| \frac{1}{n+1} \right| = |x| \cdot 0 = 0 < 1$$

∴ series converges for all  $x$ .

$\mathbb{R}$  = convergence set  
 $-\infty < x < \infty$   
 $x \in (-\infty, \infty)$

### 9.6 / Power series.

(26) Find the convergence set for the power series.

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

$$a_1 + a_2 + a_3 + a_4 + \dots + a_n$$

$a_n = \frac{(x-2)^n}{n^2}$  Find convergence for  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n$

using the Absolute Ratio Test  
and then testing endpoints for convergence.

$$\rho = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{a_{n+1}}{a_n} \right| = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{(x-2)^{n+1}}{(n+1)^2} \div \frac{(x-2)^n}{n^2} \right|$$

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

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

for convergence  $\rho = |x-2| < 1$

$$|x-2| < 1$$

$$\Rightarrow -\frac{1}{2} < x-2 < \frac{1}{2}$$

$$1 < x < 3$$

when  $x=1$   $a_n = \frac{(1-2)^n}{n^2} = \frac{(-1)^n}{n^2}$  alternating series

and  $\lim a_n = 0$

series converges at  $x=1$

when  $x=3$   $a_n = \frac{(3-2)^n}{n^2} = \frac{1}{n^2}$   $\sum \frac{1}{n^2}$

converges by p-series test

$\therefore$  convergence set includes both endpts.  $1 \leq x \leq 3$

$$x \in [1, 3]$$