

Taylor Series & Polynomials MC Review

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A

1. Let $T_5(x) = 3x^2 - 5x^3 + 7x^4 + 3x^5$ be the fifth-degree Taylor polynomial for the function f about $x = 0$. What is the value of $f'''(0)$?

- (A) -30 (B) -15 (C) -5 (D) $-\frac{5}{6}$ (E) $-\frac{1}{6}$

D

2. For what integer $k, k > 1$, will both $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{kn}}{n}$ and $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left(\frac{k}{4}\right)^n$ converge?

Handwritten notes: $\frac{(-1)^n}{n}$, $\frac{(-1)^3}{n}$, $\frac{(-1)^{3n}}{n}$, $\frac{(-1)^2}{n} = \frac{1}{n}$, $k = 2, 3$

- (A) 6 (B) 5 (C) 4 (D) 3 (E) 2

C

3. (Calculator Permitted) The Taylor series for $\ln x$, centered at $x = 1$, is $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (-1)^{n+1} \frac{(x-1)^n}{n}$. Let f be the function given by the sum of the first three nonzero terms of this series. The maximum value of $|\ln x - f(x)|$ for $0.3 \leq x \leq 1.7$ is which of the following?

Handwritten notes: $= (x-1) - \frac{(x-1)^2}{2} + \frac{(x-1)^3}{3}$

- (A) 0.030 (B) 0.039 (C) 0.145 (D) 0.153 (E) 0.529

B

4. What are the values of x for which the series $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(x+2)^n}{\sqrt{n}}$ converges?

- (A) $-3 < x < -1$ (B) $-3 \leq x < -1$ (C) $-3 \leq x \leq -1$ (D) $-1 \leq x < 1$ (E) $-1 \leq x \leq 1$

$$\frac{(-1)^n}{n^{1/2}}$$

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5. (Calculator Permitted) The graph of the function represented by the Maclaurin series

$1 - x + \frac{x^2}{2!} - \frac{x^3}{3!} + \dots + \frac{(-1)^n x^n}{n!} + \dots$ intersects the graph of $y = x^3$ at $x =$

- (A) 0.773 (B) 0.865 (C) 0.929 (D) 1.000 (E) 1.857

$$e^{-x} - x^3 = e^x$$

D

6. Which of the following sequences converge?

- I. $\left\{ \frac{5n'}{2n'-1} \right\} \sum \frac{5}{2}$ II. $\left\{ \frac{e^n}{n} \right\}$ III. $\left\{ \frac{|e^n|}{e^n} \right\} = 1$

- (A) I only (B) II only (C) I and II only (D) I and III only (E) I, II, and III

E 7. What is the approximation of the value of $\sin 1$ obtained by using the fifth-degree Taylor polynomial about $x=0$ for $\sin x$?

- (A) $1 - \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{24}$ (B) $1 - \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{4}$ (C) $1 - \frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{5}$ (D) $1 - \frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{8}$ (E) $1 - \frac{1}{6} + \frac{1}{120}$

$$\sin x = x - \frac{x^3}{3!} + \frac{x^5}{5!}$$

$$\sin 1 = 1 - \frac{1}{6} + \frac{1}{120}$$

B

8. Which of the following series converge?

- I. $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{n}{n+2}$ *with term* II. $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{\cos(n\pi)}{n}$ III. $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n}$

- (A) None (B) II only (C) III only (D) I and II only (E) I and III only

A

9. If $\lim_{b \rightarrow \infty} \int_1^b \frac{dx}{x^p}$ is finite, then which of the following must be true?

$\int_1^{\infty} \frac{1}{x^p} dx$ converges

Integral test

- (A) $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n^p}$ converges (B) $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n^p}$ diverges (C) $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n^{p-2}}$ converges

- (D) $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n^{p-1}}$ converges (E) $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n^{p+1}}$ diverges

D 10. If $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n x^n$ is a Taylor series that converges to $f(x)$ for all real x , then $f'(1) =$

- (A) 0 (B) a_1 (C) $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n$ (D) $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n a_n$ (E) $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n a_n^{n-1}$
- $f(x) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n \cdot x^n$
 $f'(x) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n \cdot n \cdot x^{n-1}$
 $f'(1) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n \cdot n \cdot 1^{n-1}$

C 11. What is the value of $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{2^{n+1}}{3^n}$? = $2 \left(\frac{2^n}{3^n} \right)$

- (A) 1 (B) 2 (C) 4 (D) 6 (E) The series diverges
- $\frac{\text{first term}}{1-r} = \frac{4/3}{1-2/3} = \frac{4/3}{1/3} = 4$

D 12. The Maclaurin series for $\frac{1}{1-x}$ is $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} x^n$. Which of the following is a power series expansion for $\frac{x^2}{1-x^2}$?

- $\frac{x^2}{1-x^2} = x^2 \left(\frac{1}{1-x^2} \right)$ $\frac{1}{1-x^2} = 1 + x^2 + x^4 + x^6 + x^8 + \dots$
 $x^2 \cdot (1 + x^2 + x^4 + x^6 + x^8 + \dots) = x^2 + x^4 + x^6 + x^8 + \dots$
- (A) $1+x^2+x^4+x^6+x^8+\dots$ (B) $x^2+x^3+x^4+x^5+\dots$ (C) $x^2+2x^3+3x^4+4x^5+\dots$
 (D) $x^2+x^4+x^6+x^8+\dots$ (E) $x^2-x^4+x^6-x^8+\dots$

D 13. A function f has a Maclaurin series given by $\frac{x^4}{2!} + \frac{x^5}{3!} + \frac{x^6}{4!} + \dots + \frac{x^{n+3}}{(n+1)!} + \dots$. Which of the following is an expression for $f(x)$?

- (A) $-3x \sin x + 3x^2$ (B) $-\cos(x^2) + 1$ (C) $-x^2 \cos x + x^2$
 (D) $x^2 e^x - x^3 - x^2$ (E) $e^{x^2} - x^2 - 1$

Handwritten work for Q13:
 $e^x = 1 + x + \frac{x^2}{2!} + \frac{x^3}{3!} + \frac{x^4}{4!} + \frac{x^5}{5!} + \frac{x^6}{6!} + \dots$
 times x^2 : $x^2 + x^3 + \frac{x^4}{2!} + \frac{x^5}{3!} + \dots$
 (D) $x^2 e^x - x^3 - x^2$

D 14. Which of the following series diverge?

I. $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left(\frac{\sin 2}{\pi}\right)^n$ II. $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{\sqrt[3]{n}}$ III. $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left(\frac{1e^n}{e^n}\right)$
 (I) $\left|\frac{\sin 2}{\pi}\right| < 1$ (II) $p > 1$ (III) $\frac{e^n}{e^n} = 1$

- (A) III only (B) I and II only (C) I and III only (D) II and III only (E) I, II, and III

D 15. What is the coefficient of x^2 in the Taylor series for $\frac{1}{(1+x)^2}$ about $x=0$?

- (A) $\frac{1}{6}$ (B) $\frac{1}{3}$ (C) 1 (D) 3 (E) 6

Handwritten work for Q15:
 $f(x) = (1+x)^{-2}$
 $f'(x) = -2(1+x)^{-3}$
 $f''(x) = 6(1+x)^{-4}$
 $f''(0) = 6$
 Coefficient of x^2 is $\frac{f''(0)}{2!} = \frac{6}{2} = 3$

C 16. The sum of the infinite geometric series $\frac{3}{2} + \frac{9}{16} + \frac{27}{128} + \frac{81}{1024} + \dots$ is

- (A) 1.60 (B) 2.35 (C) 2.40 (D) 2.45 (E) 2.50

$$\frac{3}{2} \left(1 + \frac{3}{8} + \frac{9}{64} + \dots \right)$$

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{3}{2} \left(\frac{3}{8} \right)^n = \frac{3/2}{1 - 3/8} = \frac{3/2}{5/8} = \frac{3 \cdot 4}{2 \cdot 5} = \frac{24}{10} = 2.4$$

E 17. What are all values of x for which the series $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(x-2)^n}{n3^n}$ converges?

- (A) ~~$-3 \leq x \leq 3$~~ (B) ~~$-3 < x < 3$~~ (C) ~~$-1 < x \leq 3$~~ (D) $-1 \leq x \leq 5$ (E) $-1 \leq x < 5$

$R=3$

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

$$\frac{(-3)^n}{n \cdot 3^n}$$

D 18. The Taylor series for $\sin x$ about $x=0$ is $x - \frac{x^3}{3!} + \frac{x^5}{5!} - \dots$. If f is a function such that

$f'(x) = \sin(x^2)$, then the coefficient of x^7 in the Taylor series for $f(x)$ about $x=0$ is

- (A) $\frac{1}{7!}$ (B) $\frac{1}{7}$ (C) 0 (D) $-\frac{1}{42}$ (E) $-\frac{1}{7!}$

$$\int f' = \int x^2 - \frac{x^4}{3!} + \frac{x^{10}}{5!} - \dots$$

$$f = C + \frac{1}{3} x^3 - \frac{1}{7 \cdot 3!} x^7 + \dots$$

$$-\frac{1}{7 \cdot 6} = -\frac{1}{42}$$

D 19. $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n x^n}{n!}$ is the Taylor series about zero for which of the following functions?

- (A) ~~sin x~~ (B) ~~cos x~~ (C) e^x (D) e^{-x} (E) $\ln(1+x)$

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

B 20. For what values of x does the series $1+2^x+3^x+4^x+\dots+n^x+\dots$ converge?

- (A) No values of x (B) $x < -1$ (C) ~~$x \geq -1$~~ (D) ~~$x > -1$~~ (E) ~~All values of x~~

~~$\frac{1}{n^{-2}}$~~ $n^{-2} = \frac{1}{n^2}$

E 21. The complete interval of convergence of the series $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{(x+1)^k}{k^2}$ is $\sum \frac{1}{k^2} \frac{1}{h^2}$

- (A) ~~$0 < x < 2$~~ (B) ~~$0 \leq x \leq 2$~~ (C) ~~$-2 < x \leq 0$~~ (D) ~~$-2 \leq x < 0$~~ (E) $-2 \leq x \leq 0$

A 21. For $-1 < x < 1$, if $f(x) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{n+1} x^{2n-1}}{2n-1}$, then $f'(x) =$

- (A) $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (-1)^{n+1} x^{2n-2}$ (B) $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (-1)^n x^{2n-2}$ (C) $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (-1)^{2n} x^{2n}$ (D) $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (-1)^n x^{2n}$ (E) $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (-1)^{n+1} x^{2n}$

$$\sum \frac{(-1)^{n+1} (2n-1) x^{2n-2}}{(2n-1)}$$

$$\sum (-1)^{n+1} x^{2n-2}$$

E 22. The coefficient of x^3 in the Taylor series for e^{3x} about $x=0$ is

- (A) $\frac{1}{6}$ (B) $\frac{1}{3}$ (C) $\frac{1}{2}$ (D) $\frac{3}{2}$ (E) $\frac{9}{2}$

$$e^x = 1 + x + \frac{x^2}{2!} + \frac{x^3}{3!}$$

$$\frac{(3x)^3}{3!} = \frac{27x^3}{6} = \frac{9}{2}x^3$$

B 23. $\sum_{i=0}^{\infty} \left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^i = \frac{(\frac{1}{3})^0}{1 - \frac{1}{3}} = \left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^0 \cdot \left(\frac{3}{2}\right)$

- (A) $\frac{3}{2} - \left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^n$ (B) $\frac{3}{2} \left[1 - \left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^n\right]$ (B) $\frac{3}{2} \left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^n$ (D) $\frac{2}{3} \left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^n$ (E) $\frac{2}{3} \left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^{n+1}$

A 24. Which of the following series converge?

I. $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (-1)^{n+1} \frac{1}{2n+1}$ II. $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n} \left(\frac{3}{2}\right)^n$ III. $\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n \ln n}$

- (A) I only (B) II only (C) III only (D) I and III only (E) I, II, and III

Integral test
 $\int_2^{\infty} \frac{1}{n} \left(\frac{1}{(\ln n)^2}\right) dn$
 $\ln|\ln n| \Big|_2^{\infty}$
 $= \ln|\ln \infty| - \ln|\ln 2|$
 $\infty - \ln|\ln 2|$
 $= \infty$
 Diverges

$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{(n+5)^{100}}{5(n+4)^{100}} = \frac{1}{5}$

A 25. If $s_n = \frac{(5+n)^{100}}{5(n+4)^{100}}$, to what number does the sequence $\{s_n\}$ converge?

- (A) $\frac{1}{5}$ (B) 1 (C) $\frac{5}{4}$ (D) $\left(\frac{5}{4}\right)^{100}$ (E) The sequence does not converge

D 26. (Calculator Permitted) If $f(x) = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} (\sin^2 x)^k$, then $f(1)$ is

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

- (A) 0.369 (B) 0.585 (C) 2.400 (D) 2.426 (E) 3.426

B 27. Let the function given by $f(x) = \ln(3-x)$. The third-degree Taylor polynomial for f about $x=2$ is

- (A) $-(x-2) + \frac{(x-2)^2}{2} - \frac{(x-2)^3}{3}$ (B) $-(x-2) - \frac{(x-2)^2}{2} - \frac{(x-2)^3}{3}$ (C) $(x-2) + (x-2)^2 + (x-2)^3$

- C=2 (D) $(x-2) + \frac{(x-2)^2}{2} + \frac{(x-2)^3}{3}$ (E) $(x-2) - \frac{(x-2)^2}{2} + \frac{(x-2)^3}{3}$

$f(x) = \ln(3-x), f(2) = \ln 1 = 0$ Term: $n=0: 0$
 $f'(x) = \frac{-1}{3-x}, f'(2) = -1$ $n=1: -(x-2)$
 $f''(x) = 1/(3-x)^2 \cdot (-1), f''(2) = -1$ $n=2: \frac{-1}{2!} (x-2)^2 = -\frac{1}{2}(x-2)^2$
 $= \frac{-1}{(3-x)^2}$

E 28. (Calculator Permitted) Suppose a function f is approximated with a fourth-degree Taylor polynomial about $x=1$. If the maximum value of the fifth derivative between $x=1$ and $x=3$ is 0.01, that is, $|f^{(5)}(x)| < 0.01$, then the maximum error incurred using this approximation to compute $f(3)$ is

- (A) 0.054 (B) 0.0054 (C) 0.26667 (D) 0.02667 (E) 0.00267

$$R_4(3) = \left| \frac{|f^{(5)}(2)|}{5!} (3-1)^5 \right|$$

$$\leq \left| \frac{0.01}{5!} (2^5) \right| =$$