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Values

- 16 1. Find the Taylor series about  $x = 1$  for the function  $f(x) = 1/(3x + 2)^{3/2}$ . You must use a method that guarantees that the series converges to  $f(x)$ . Express your answer in sigma notation, simplified as much as possible. What is the radius of convergence of the series?

 $x-1$ 

$$\begin{aligned}
 \frac{1}{(3x+2)^{3/2}} &= \frac{1}{[3(x-1)+5]^{3/2}} = \frac{1}{5\sqrt{5}[1+3(x-1)/5]^{3/2}} = \frac{1}{5\sqrt{5}} \left[1 + \frac{3}{5}(x-1)\right]^{-3/2} \\
 &= \frac{1}{5\sqrt{5}} \left[1 + \left(-\frac{3}{2}\right) \left(\frac{3}{5}\right) (x-1) + \frac{(-3/2)(-5/2)}{2!} \left(\frac{3}{5}\right)^2 (x-1)^2 + \dots\right] \\
 &= \frac{1}{5\sqrt{5}} \left[1 - \frac{3 \cdot 3}{2 \cdot 5} (x-1) + \frac{3^2(3 \cdot 5)}{2^2 5^2 2!} (x-1)^2 - \frac{3^3(3 \cdot 5 \cdot 7)}{2^3 5^3 3!} (x-1)^3 + \dots\right] \\
 &= \frac{1}{5\sqrt{5}} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n 3^n [1 \cdot 3 \cdot 5 \cdots (2n+1)]}{2^n 5^n n!} (x-1)^n \\
 &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n 3^n (2n+1)!}{2^{2n} 5^{n+3/2} (n!)^2} (x-1)^n.
 \end{aligned}$$

Since the series converges for

$$\left|\frac{3}{5}(x-1)\right| < 1 \quad \implies \quad |x-1| < \frac{5}{3},$$

the radius of convergence is  $5/3$ .

8 2. Find the sum of the series

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n}{a^{2n+2}(2n+1)!} x^{2n+2},$$

where  $a$  is a constant. For what values of  $x$  is your sum valid?

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n}{a^{2n+2}(2n+1)!} x^{2n+2} &= \frac{x}{a} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n}{(2n+1)!} \left(\frac{x}{a}\right)^{2n+1} = \frac{x}{a} \left[ \sin\left(\frac{x}{a}\right) - \frac{x}{a} \right] \\ &= \frac{x}{a} \sin\left(\frac{x}{a}\right) - \frac{x^2}{a^2}. \end{aligned}$$

This is valid for all real  $x$ .

10 3. Find a 1-parameter family of solutions to the differential equation

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{x^4 e^{2x} + 2y}{x}.$$

Does your family contain any singular solutions? If it does, find one; if it does not, explain why not.

When we write the differential equation in the form

$$\frac{dy}{dx} - \frac{2}{x}y = x^3 e^{2x},$$

we see that it is linear first-order. An integrating factor is

$$e^{\int (-2/x)dx} = e^{-2 \ln |x|} = \frac{1}{x^2},$$

provided  $x \neq 0$ . We multiply each term in the differential equation by  $1/x^2$  to get

$$\frac{1}{x^2} \frac{dy}{dx} - \frac{2}{x^3}y = x e^{2x} \quad \implies \quad \frac{d}{dx} \left( \frac{y}{x^2} \right) = x e^{2x}.$$

Integration gives

$$\frac{y}{x^2} = \int x e^{2x} dx = \frac{x}{2} e^{2x} - \frac{1}{4} e^{2x} + C.$$

A 1-parameter family of solutions is therefore

$$y(x) = \frac{x^3}{2} e^{2x} - \frac{x^2}{4} e^{2x} + Cx^2.$$

Since the differential equation is linear, this is a general solution, and there can be no singular solutions.

- 6 4. Three chemicals A, B, and C combine to form chemical D in such a way that 1 unit of A, 2 units of B, and 2 units of C create 5 units of D. The rate at which D is formed is proportional to the product of the amount of A and the square of the amount of C in the mixture, but it does not depend on the amount of B. If 10 units of A, 12 units of B, and 15 units of C are placed in a container at time  $t = 0$ , find an initial-value problem for the amount of D given that 3 units of D were in the container at that time.

If we let  $x(t)$  represent the number of units of D in the mixture at time  $t$ , then

$$\frac{dx}{dt} = k \left[ 10 - \frac{x-3}{5} \right] \left[ 15 - \frac{2(x-3)}{5} \right]^2, \quad x(0) = 3.$$