

## Series

2016 BC 6

The function  $f$  has a Taylor series about  $x = 1$  that converges to  $f(x)$  for all  $x$  in the interval of convergence. It is known that  $f(1) = 1$ ,  $f'(1) = \frac{-1}{2}$ , and the  $n$ th derivative of  $f$  at  $x = 1$  is given by  $f^n(1) = (-1)^n \frac{(n-1)!}{2^n}$  for  $n \geq 2$ .

- a) Write the first 4 non-zero terms and the general term of the Taylor series for  $f$  about  $x = 1$

2015 BC6

1. The Maclaurin series for a function  $f$  is given by

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-3)^{n-1}}{n} x^n = x - \frac{3}{2}x^2 + 3x^3 - \cdots + \frac{(-3)^{n-1}}{n} x^n \cdots \text{and converges to } f(x) \text{ for } |x| < R, \text{ where } R$$

is the radius of convergence of the Maclaurin series.

- a) Write the first four non-zero terms of the Maclaurin series for  $f'$ , the derivative of  $f$ . Express  $f'$  as a rational function for  $|x| < R$ .
- b) Write the first four nonzero terms of the Maclaurin series for  $e^x$ . Use the Maclaurin series for  $e^x$  to write the third-degree polynomial for  $g(x) = e^x f(x)$  about  $x = 0$ .

### 2014 BC6

6. The Taylor series for a function  $f$  about  $x = 1$  is given by  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (-1)^{n+1} \frac{2^n}{n} (x-1)^n$  and converges to  $f(x)$  for  $|x-1| < R$ , where  $r$  is the radius of convergence of the Taylor series.
- b) Find the first three nonzero terms and the general term of the Taylor series for  $f'$ , the derivative of  $f$ , about  $x = 1$ .
- c) The Taylor series for  $f'$  about  $x = 1$ , found in part (b), is a geometric series. Find the function  $f'$  to which the series converges for  $|x-1| < R$ . Use this function to determine  $f$  for  $|x-1| < R$ .

### 2009 BC#5

Consider the differential equation  $\frac{dy}{dx} = 6x^2 - x^2y$ . Let  $y = f(x)$  be a particular solution to this differential equation with the initial condition  $f(-1) = 2$ .

At the point  $(-1, 2)$ , the value of  $\frac{d^2y}{dx^2}$  is  $-12$ . Find the second-degree Taylor Polynomial for  $f$  about  $x = -1$ .

### 2009 BC#6

The Maclaurin series for  $e^x$  is  $e^x = 1 + x + \frac{x^2}{2} + \frac{x^3}{6} + \cdots + \frac{x^n}{n!} + \cdots$ . The continuous function  $f$  is defined by  $f(x) = \frac{e^{(x-1)^2} - 1}{(x-1)^2}$  for  $x \neq 1$  and  $f(1) = 1$ . The function has derivatives of all orders  $x = 1$ .

- a. Write the first four nonzero terms and the general term of the Taylor series for  $e^{(x-1)^2}$  about  $x = 1$ .
- b. Use the Taylor series found in part (a) to write the first four nonzero terms and the general term of the Taylor series for  $f$  about  $x = 1$ .
- c. Use the Taylor Series to determine whether the graph of  $f$  has any inflection points.

2012 #4

The function  $f$  is twice differentiable for  $x > 0$  with  $f(1) = 15$  and  $f''(1) = 20$ . Values  $f'$ , the derivative of  $f$ , are given for selected values of  $x$  in the table.

$x$	1	1.1	1.2	1.3	1.4
$f'(x)$	8	10	12	13	14.5

- a) Write the second-degree Taylor polynomial for  $f$  about  $x = 1$ . Use the Taylor polynomial to approximate  $f(1.4)$ .

The function  $g$  has derivatives of all orders, and the Maclaurin series for  $g$  is

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-1)^n \frac{x^{2n+1}}{2n+3} = \frac{x}{3} - \frac{x^3}{5} + \frac{x^5}{7} - \dots$$

- a) Write the first three nonzero terms and the general term of the Maclaurin series for  $g'(x)$

2008 BC6 Form B

6c. The derivative of  $\ln(1 + x^2)$  is  $\frac{2x}{1+x^2}$ . Write the first four nonzero terms of the Taylor series for  $\ln(1 + x^2)$ .

2006 FormB BC6

The function  $f$  is defined by  $f(x) = \frac{1}{1+x^3}$ .

- a. Find the first four nonzero terms and general term for the Maclaurin series for  $f$ .
- b. Find the first three nonzero terms and the general term for  $f'(x)$ .

### 2013 BC6

A function  $f$  has derivatives of all orders at  $x = 0$ . Let  $P_n(x)$  denote the  $n$ th-degree Taylor polynomial for  $f$  about  $x = 0$ .

- a) It is known that  $f(0) = -4$  and that  $P_1\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) = -3$ . Show that  $f'(0) = 2$ .
- b) It is known that  $f''(0) = \frac{-2}{3}$  and  $f'''(0) = \frac{1}{3}$ . Find  $P_3(x)$
- c) The function  $h$  has first derivative given by  $h'(x) = f(2x)$ . It is known that  $h(0) = 7$ . Find the third degree Taylor polynomial for  $h$  about  $x = 0$ .

### 2011 BC6

Let  $f(x) = \sin(x^2) + \cos x$ .

- a. Write the first four nonzero terms of the Taylor series for  $\sin x$  about  $x = 0$ , and write the first four nonzero terms of the Taylor series for  $\sin(x^2)$  about  $x = 0$ .
- b. Write the first four nonzero terms of the Taylor series for  $\cos x$  about  $x = 0$ . Use this series and the series for  $\sin(x^2)$ , found in part a, to write the first four nonzero terms of the Taylor series for  $f(x)$  about  $x = 0$ .
- c. Find the value of  $f^{(6)}(0)$ .

14. 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)  $1 - \frac{1}{6} + \frac{1}{120}$

89. The graph of the function represented by the Maclaurin series

$$1 - x + \frac{x^2}{2!} - \frac{x^3}{3!} + \cdots + \frac{(-1)^n x^n}{n!} + \cdots$$

intersects the graph of  $y = x^3$  at  $x =$

(A) .773    (B) .865    (C) .929    (D) 1.000    (E) 1.857

17. Let  $f$  be 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)  $(x - 2) + (x - 2)^2 + (x - 2)^3$     (D)  $(x - 2) + \frac{(x - 2)^2}{2} + \frac{(x - 2)^3}{3}$

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

24. The Taylor series for  $\sin x$  about  $x = 0$  is  $x - \frac{x^3}{3!} + \frac{x^5}{5!} - \cdots$ . 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)  $-\frac{1}{7!}$

77. Let  $P(x) = 3x^2 - 5x^3 + 7x^4 + 3x^5$  be the fifth-degree 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)  $-\frac{1}{6}$

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

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

20. A function  $f$  has Maclaurin series given by  $\frac{x^4}{2!} + \frac{x^5}{3!} + \frac{x^6}{4!} + \cdots + \frac{x^{n+3}}{(n+1)!} + \cdots$ . 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)  $x^2e^x - x^3 - x^2$   
 E)  $e^{x^2} - x^2 - 1$

11. 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  $\frac{x^2}{1-x^2}$ ?

- A)  $1 + x^2 + x^4 + x^6 + x^8 + \cdots$   
 B)  $x^2 + x^3 + x^4 + x^5 + \cdots$   
 C)  $x^2 + 2x^3 + 3x^4 + 4x^5 + \cdots$   
 D)  $x^2 + x^4 + x^6 + x^8 + \cdots$   
 E)  $x^2 - x^4 + x^6 - x^8 + \cdots$

23. If  $f(x) = x\sin(2x)$ , which of the following is the Taylor Series for  $f$  about  $x = 0$ ?

- A)  $x - \frac{x^3}{2!} + \frac{x^5}{4!} - \frac{x^7}{6!} + \dots$
- B)  $x - \frac{4x^3}{2!} + \frac{16x^5}{4!} - \frac{64x^7}{6!} + \dots$
- C)  $2x - \frac{8x^3}{3!} + \frac{32x^5}{5!} - \frac{128x^7}{7!} + \dots$
- D)  $2x^2 - \frac{2x^4}{3!} + \frac{2x^6}{5!} - \frac{2x^8}{7!} + \dots$
- E)  $2x^2 - \frac{8x^4}{3!} + \frac{32x^6}{5!} - \frac{128x^8}{7!} + \dots$

84. Let  $f$  be a function with  $f(3) = 2$ ,  $f'(3) = -1$ ,  $f''(3) = 6$ , and  $f'''(3) = 12$ . Which of the following is the third degree Taylor Polynomial for  $f$  about  $x = 3$ ?

- A)  $2 - (x - 3) + 3(x - 3)^2 + 2(x - 3)^3$
- B)  $2 - (x - 3) + 3(x - 3)^2 + 4(x - 3)^3$
- C)  $2 - (x - 3) + 6(x - 3)^2 + 12(x - 3)^3$
- D)  $2 - x + 3x^2 + 2x^3$
- E)  $2 - x + 6x^2 + 12x^3$