## AP Calculus BC - Sequences and Series

## Chapter 11- AP Exam Problems solutions

1. A $s_{n}=\frac{1}{5}\left(\frac{5+n}{4+n}\right)^{100}, \lim _{n \rightarrow \infty} s_{n}=\frac{1}{5} \cdot 1=\frac{1}{5}$
2. C I. convergent: $p$-series with $p=2>1$
II. divergent: Harmonic series which is known to diverge
III. convergent: Geometric with $|r|=\frac{1}{3}<1$
3. A I. Converges by Alternate Series Test

II Diverges by the nth term test: $\lim _{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n}\left(\frac{3}{2}\right)^{n} \neq 0$
III Diverges by Integral test: $\int_{2}^{\infty} \frac{1}{x \ln x} d x=\left.\lim _{L \rightarrow \infty} \ln (\ln x)\right|_{2} ^{L}=\infty$
4. A I. Compare with $p$-series, $p=2$
II. Geometric series with $r=\frac{6}{7}$
III. Alternating harmonic series
5. B I. Divergent. The limit of the $n$th term is not zero.
II. Convergent. This is the same as the alternating harmonic series.
III. Divergent. This is the harmonic series.
6. A This is the integral test applied to the series in (A). Thus the series in (A) converges. None of the others must be true.
7. D The first series is either the harmonic series or the alternating harmonic series depending on whether $k$ is odd or even. It will converge if $k$ is odd. The second series is geometric and will converge if $k<4$.
8. A Take the derivative of the general term with respect to $x: \sum_{n=1}^{\infty}(-1)^{n+1} x^{2 n-2}$
9. $\mathrm{E} \quad$ Since $e^{u}=1+u+\frac{u^{2}}{2!}+\frac{u^{3}}{3!}+\cdots$, then $e^{3 x}=1+3 x+\frac{(3 x)^{2}}{2!}+\frac{(3 x)^{3}}{3!}+\cdots$

The coefficient we want is $\frac{3^{3}}{3!}=\frac{9}{2}$
10. B The Maclaurin series for $\sin t$ is $t-\frac{t^{3}}{3!}+\frac{t^{5}}{5!}-\cdots$. Let $t=2 x$.

$$
\sin (2 x)=2 x-\frac{(2 x)^{3}}{3!}+\frac{(2 x)^{5}}{5!}-\cdots+\frac{(-1)^{n-1}(2 x)^{2 n-1}}{(2 n-1)!}+\cdots
$$

11. A $\sin x=x-\frac{x^{3}}{3!}+\frac{x^{5}}{5!}-\cdots \Rightarrow \sin x^{2}=x^{2}-\frac{\left(x^{2}\right)^{3}}{3!}+\frac{\left(x^{2}\right)^{5}}{5!}-\cdots=x^{2}-\frac{x^{6}}{3!}+\frac{x^{10}}{5!}-\cdots$
12. $\mathrm{E} \quad \sin x \approx x-\frac{x^{3}}{3!}+\frac{x^{5}}{5!} ; \sin 1 \approx 1-\frac{1^{3}}{3!}+\frac{1^{5}}{5!}=1-\frac{1}{6}+\frac{1}{120}$
13. D If $f(x)=\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_{n} x^{n}$, then $f^{\prime}(x)=\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} n a_{n} x^{n-1}=\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n a_{n} x^{n-1}$. $f^{\prime}(1)=\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n a_{n} 1^{n-1}=\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n a_{n}$
14. A The series is the Maclaurin expansion of $e^{-x}$. Use the calculator to solve $e^{-x}=x^{3}$.
15. D The center is $x=1$, so only C, D, or E are possible. Check the endpoints.

At $x=0: \quad \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{n}}{n}$ converges by alternating series test.
At $x=2: \quad \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n}$ which is the harmonic series and known to diverge.
16. Check $x=-1, \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{n}}{n}$ which is convergent by alternating series test Check $x=1, \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n}$ which is the harmonic series and known to diverge.
17. C This is a geometric series with $r=\frac{x-1}{3}$. Convergence for $-1<r<1$. Thus the series is convergent for $-2<x<4$.
18. B You may use the ratio test. However, the series will converge if the numerator is $(-1)^{n}$ and diverge if the numerator is $1^{n}$. Any value of $x$ for which $|x+2|>1$ in the numerator will make the series diverge. Hence the interval is $-3 \leq x<-1$.

## 19. 1990 BC5

Solution
(a) Taylor approach

$$
\begin{aligned}
& f(2)=1 \\
& f^{\prime}(2)=-(2-1)^{-2}=-1 \\
& f^{\prime \prime}(2)=2(2-1)^{-3}=2 ; \quad \frac{f^{\prime \prime}(2)}{2!}=1 \\
& f^{\prime \prime \prime}(2)=-6(2-1)^{-4}=-6 ; \frac{f^{\prime \prime \prime}(2)}{3!}=-1
\end{aligned}
$$

## Geometric Approach

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

## (b) Antidifferentiates series in (a):

$$
\begin{aligned}
\ln |x-1| & =C+x-\frac{1}{2}(x-2)^{2}+\frac{1}{3}(x-2)^{3}-\frac{1}{4}(x-2)^{4}+\cdots+\frac{(-1)^{n}(x-2)^{n+1}}{n+1}+\cdots \\
0 & =\ln |2-1| \Rightarrow C=-2
\end{aligned}
$$

Note: If $C \neq 0$, "first 4 terms" need not include $-\frac{1}{4}(x-2)^{4}$
(c)

$$
\begin{aligned}
\ln \frac{3}{2} & =\ln \left|\frac{5}{2}-1\right|=\frac{1}{2}-\frac{1}{2}\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^{2}+\frac{1}{3}\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^{3}-\cdots \\
& =\frac{1}{2}-\frac{1}{8}+\frac{1}{24}-\cdots
\end{aligned}
$$

since $\frac{1}{24}<\frac{1}{20}, \frac{1}{2}-\frac{1}{8}=0.375$ is sufficient.
Justification: Since series is alternating, with terms convergent to 0 and decreasing in absolute value, the truncation error is less than the first omitted term.
Alternate Justification: $\quad\left|R_{n}\right|=\left|\frac{1}{(C-1)^{n+1}} \frac{1}{n+1}\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^{n+1}\right|$, where $2<C<\frac{5}{2}$

$$
\begin{aligned}
& <\frac{1}{n+1} \frac{1}{2^{n+1}} \\
& <\frac{1}{20} \text { when } n \geq 2
\end{aligned}
$$

20. 

1992 BC6
Solution
(a) $0<\frac{1}{n^{p} \ln (n)}<\frac{1}{n^{p}}$ for $\ln (n)>1$, for $n \geq 3$
by $p$-series test, $\sum \frac{1}{n^{p}}$ converges if $p>1$
and by direct comparison, $\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n^{p} \ln (n)}$ converges.
(b) Let $f(x)=\frac{1}{x \ln x}$, so series is $\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} f(n)$
$\int_{2}^{\infty} \frac{1}{x \ln x} d x=\lim _{b \rightarrow \infty} \ln |\ln x|_{2}^{b}=\lim _{b \rightarrow \infty}[\ln (\ln (b))-\ln (\ln 2)]=\infty$
Since $f(x)$ monotonically decreases to 0 , the integral test shows $\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n \ln n}$ diverges.
(c) $\frac{1}{n^{p} \ln n}>\frac{1}{n \ln n}>0$ for $p<1$,
so by direct comparison, $\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n^{p} \ln n}$ diverges for $0 \leq p<1$
21.

1995 BC4

Let $f$ be a function that has derivatives of all orders for all real numbers.
Assume $f(1)=3, f^{\prime}(1)=-2, f^{\prime \prime}(1)=2$, and $f^{\prime \prime \prime}(1)=4$.
(a) Write the second-degree Taylor polynomial for $f$ about $x=1$ and use it to approximate $f(0.7)$.
(b) Write the third-degree Taylor polynomial for $f$ about $x=1$ and use it to approximate $f(1.2)$.
(c) Write the second-degree Taylor polynomial for $f^{\prime}$, the derivative of $f$, about $x=1$ and use it to approximate $f^{\prime}(1.2)$.

## 1995 BC4

Solution
(a) $T_{2}(x)=3+(-2)(x-1)+\frac{2}{2}(x-1)^{2}$ $f(0.7) \approx 3+0.6+0.09=3.69$
(b) $T_{3}(x)=3-2(x-1)+(x-1)^{2}+\frac{4}{6}(x-1)^{3}$
$f(1.2) \approx 3-0.4+0.04+\frac{2}{3}(0.008)=2.645$
(c) $T_{3}^{\prime}(x)=-2+2(x-1)+2(x-1)^{2}$
$f^{\prime}(1.2) \approx-2+0.4+0.08=-1.52$
22. $\mathbf{1 9 9 7}$ BC2

Let $P(x)=7-3(x-4)+5(x-4)^{2}-2(x-4)^{3}+6(x-4)^{4}$ be the fourth-degree Taylor polynomial for the function $f$ about 4. Assume $f$ has derivatives of all orders for all real numbers.
(a) Find $f(4)$ and $f^{\prime \prime \prime}(4)$.
(b) Write the second-degree Taylor polynomial for $f^{\prime}$ about 4 and use it to approximate $f^{\prime}(4.3)$.
(c) Write the fourth-degree Taylor polynomial for $g(x)=\int_{4}^{x} f(t) d t$ about 4 .
(d) Can $f(3)$ be determined from the information given? Justify your answer.

## 1997 BC2

## Solution

(a) $f(4)=P(4)=7$

$$
\frac{f^{\prime \prime \prime}(4)}{3!}=-2, \quad f^{\prime \prime \prime}(4)=-12
$$

(b) $P_{3}(x)=7-3(x-4)+5(x-4)^{2}-2(x-4)^{3}$

$$
P_{3}^{\prime}(x)=-3+10(x-4)-6(x-4)^{2}
$$

$$
f^{\prime}(4.3) \approx-3+10(0.3)-6(0.3)^{2}=-0.54
$$

(c) $P_{4}(g, x)=\int_{4}^{x} P_{3}(t) d t$

$$
\begin{aligned}
& =\int_{4}^{x}\left[7-3(t-4)+5(t-4)^{2}-(t-4)^{3}\right] d t \\
& =7(x-4)-\frac{3}{2}(x-4)^{2}+\frac{5}{3}(x-4)^{3}-\frac{1}{2}(x-4)^{4}
\end{aligned}
$$

(d) No. The information given provides values for $f(4), f^{\prime}(4), f^{\prime \prime}(4), f^{\prime \prime \prime}(4)$ and $f^{(4)}(4)$ only.
23. 1998 Calculus BC Scoring Guidelines
3. Let $f$ be a function that has derivatives of all orders for all real numbers. Assume $f(0)=5$, $f^{\prime}(0)=-3, f^{\prime \prime}(0)=1$, and $f^{\prime \prime \prime}(0)=4$.
(a) Write the third-degree Taylor polynomial for $f$ about $x=0$ and use it to approximate $f(0.2)$.
(b) Write the fourth-degree Taylor polynomial for $g$, where $g(x)=f\left(x^{2}\right)$, about $x=0$.
(c) Write the third-degree Taylor polynomial for $h$, where $h(x)=\int_{0}^{x} f(t) d t$, about $x=0$.
(d) Let $h$ be defined as in part (c). Given that $f(1)=3$, either find the exact value of $h(1)$ or explain why it cannot be determined.
(a) $\quad P_{3}(f)(x)=5-3 x+\frac{1}{2} x^{2}+\frac{2}{3} x^{3}$ $f(0.2) \approx P_{3}(f)(0.2)=$
$5-3(0.2)+\frac{0.04}{2}+\frac{2(0.008)}{3}=$
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(b) $\quad P_{4}(g)(x)=P_{2}(f)\left(x^{2}\right)=5-3 x^{2}+\frac{1}{2} x^{4}$
(c) $P_{3}(h)(x)=\int_{0}^{x}\left(5-3 t+\frac{1}{2} t^{2}\right) d t$

$$
\begin{aligned}
& =\left[5 t-\frac{3}{2} t^{2}+\frac{1}{6} t^{3}\right]_{0}^{z} \\
& =5 x-\frac{3}{2} x^{2}+\frac{1}{6} x^{3}
\end{aligned}
$$

(d) $h(1)=\int_{0}^{1} f(t) d t$ cannot be determined because $f(t)$ is known only for $t=0$ and $t=1$
$3\left\{\begin{aligned} 2: & 5-3 x+\frac{1}{2} x^{2}+\frac{2}{3} x^{3} \\ & <-1>\text { each incorrect term, } \\ & \text { extra term, or }+\cdots \\ 1: & \text { approximates } f(0.2)\end{aligned}\right.$
$\langle-1\rangle$ for incorrect use of $=$

2: $P_{2}(f)\left(x^{2}\right)$
$<-1>$ each incorrect or extra term
$2 \begin{cases}1: & P_{3}(h)(x)=\int_{0}^{x} P_{2}(f)(t) d t \\ 1: & \text { answer } \\ 0 / 1 \text { if any incorrect or extra terms }\end{cases}$
$2\left\{\begin{array}{l}1: h(1) \text { cannot be determined } \\ 1: \text { reason }\end{array}\right.$
24.
4. The function $f$ has derivatives of all orders for all real numbers $x$. Assume $f(2)=-3, f^{\prime}(2)=5$, $f^{\prime \prime}(2)=3$, and $f^{\prime \prime \prime}(2)=-8$.
(a) Write the third-degree Taylor polynomial for $f$ about $x=2$ and use it to approximate $f(1.5)$.
(b) The fourth derivative of $f$ satisfies the inequality $\left|f^{(4)}(x)\right| \leq 3$ for all $x$ in the closed interval $[1.5,2]$. Use the Lagrange error bound on the approximation to $f(1.5)$ found in part (a) to explain why $f(1.5) \neq-5$.
(c) Write the fourth-degree Taylor polynomial, $P(x)$, for $g(x)=f\left(x^{2}+2\right)$ about $x=0$. Use $P$ to explain why $g$ must have a relative minimum at $x=0$.
(a) $T_{3}(f, 2)(x)=-3+5(x-2)+\frac{3}{2}(x-2)^{2}-\frac{8}{6}(x-2)^{3}$

$$
\begin{aligned}
f(1.5) \approx & T_{3}(f, 2)(1.5) \\
& =-3+5(-0.5)+\frac{3}{2}(-0.5)^{2}-\frac{4}{3}(-0.5)^{3} \\
& =-4.958 \overline{3}=-4.958
\end{aligned}
$$

(b) Lagrange Error Bound $=\frac{3}{4!}|1.5-2|^{4}=0.0078125$ $f(1.5)>-4.958 \overline{3}-0.0078125=-4.966>-5$

Therefore, $f(1.5) \neq-5$.
(c) $P(x)=T_{4}(g, 0)(x)$

$$
=T_{2}(f, 2)\left(x^{2}+2\right)=-3+5 x^{2}+\frac{3}{2} x^{4}
$$

The coefficient of $x$ in $P(x)$ is $g^{\prime}(0)$. This coefficient is 0 , so $g^{\prime}(0)=0$.

The coefficient of $x^{2}$ in $P(x)$ is $\frac{g^{\prime \prime}(0)}{2!}$. This coefficient is 5 , so $g^{\prime \prime}(0)=10$ which is greater than 0 .

Therefore, $g$ has a relative minimum at $x=0$.
$4\left\{\begin{array}{l}\text { 3: } \begin{array}{l}T_{3}(f, 2)(x) \\ <-1>\text { each error } \\ \text { 1: approximation of } f(1.5)\end{array}\end{array}\right.$
$\mathbf{2}\left\{\begin{array}{l}\text { 1: value of Lagrange Error Bound } \\ 1: \text { explanation }\end{array}\right.$


Note:
$\langle-1\rangle$ max for improper use of $+\ldots$ or equality

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## Question 6

A function $f$ is defined by

$$
f(x)=\frac{1}{3}+\frac{2}{3^{2}} x+\frac{3}{3^{3}} x^{2}+\cdots+\frac{n+1}{3^{n+1}} x^{n}+\cdots
$$

for all $x$ in the interval of convergence of the given power series.
(a) Find the interval of convergence for this power series. Show the work that leads to your answer.
(b) Find $\lim _{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(x)-\frac{1}{3}}{x}$.
(c) Write the first three nonzero terms and the general term for an infinite series that represents $\int_{0}^{1} f(x) d x$.
(d) Find the sum of the series determined in part (c).
(a) $\lim _{n \rightarrow \infty}\left|\frac{\frac{(n+2) x^{n+1}}{3^{n+2}}}{\frac{(n+1) x^{n}}{3^{n+1}}}\right|=\lim _{n \rightarrow \infty}\left|\frac{(n+2)}{(n+1)} \frac{x}{3}\right|=\left|\frac{x}{3}\right|<1$

At $x=-3$, the series is $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty}(-1)^{n} \frac{n+1}{3}$, which diverges.
At $x=3$, the series is $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{n+1}{3}$, which diverges.
Therefore, the interval of convergence is $-3<x<3$.
(b) $\lim _{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(x)-\frac{1}{3}}{x}=\lim _{x \rightarrow 0}\left(\frac{2}{3^{2}}+\frac{3}{3^{3}} x+\frac{4}{3^{4}} x^{2}+\cdots\right)=\frac{2}{9}$
(c) $\int_{0}^{1} f(x) d x=\int_{0}^{1}\left(\frac{1}{3}+\frac{2}{3^{2}} x+\frac{3}{3^{3}} x^{2}+\cdots+\frac{n+1}{3^{n+1}} x^{n}+\cdots\right) d x$
$=\left.\left(\frac{1}{3} x+\frac{1}{3^{2}} x^{2}+\frac{1}{3^{3}} x^{3}+\cdots+\frac{1}{3^{n+1}} x^{n+1}+\cdots\right)\right|_{x=0} ^{x=1}$
$=\frac{1}{3}+\frac{1}{3^{2}}+\frac{1}{3^{3}}+\cdots+\frac{1}{3^{n+1}}+\cdots$
(d) The series representing $\int_{0}^{1} f(x) d x$ is a geometric series.

Therefore, $\int_{0}^{1} f(x) d x=\frac{\frac{1}{3}}{1-\frac{1}{3}}=\frac{1}{2}$.
$4:\left\{\begin{array}{l}1: \text { sets up ratio test } \\ 1: \text { computes limit } \\ 1: \text { conclusion of ratio test } \\ 1: \text { endpoint conclusion }\end{array}\right.$

1: answer
$3:\left\{\begin{array}{c}1: \text { antidifferentiation } \\ \text { of series } \\ 1: \text { first three terms for } \\ \text { definite integral series } \\ 1: \text { general term }\end{array}\right.$

1: answer

## Question 6

The Maclaurin series for the function $f$ is given by

$$
f(x)=\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(2 x)^{n+1}}{n+1}=2 x+\frac{4 x^{2}}{2}+\frac{8 x^{3}}{3}+\frac{16 x^{4}}{4}+\cdots+\frac{(2 x)^{n+1}}{n+1}+\cdots
$$

on its interval of convergence.
(a) Find the interval of convergence of the Maclaurin series for $f$. Justify your answer.
(b) Find the first four terms and the general term for the Maclaurin series for $f^{\prime}(x)$.
(c) Use the Maclaurin series you found in part (b) to find the value of $f^{\prime}\left(-\frac{1}{3}\right)$.
(a) $\lim _{n \rightarrow \infty}\left|\frac{\frac{(2 x)^{n+2}}{n+2}}{\frac{(2 x)^{n+1}}{n+1}}\right|=\lim _{n \rightarrow \infty}\left|\frac{(n+1)}{(n+2)} 2 x\right|=|2 x|$
$|2 x|<1$ for $-\frac{1}{2}<x<\frac{1}{2}$
At $x=\frac{1}{2}$, the series is $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n+1}$ which diverges since this is the harmonic series.
At $x=-\frac{1}{2}$, the series is $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty}(-1)^{n+1} \frac{1}{n+1}$ which converges by the Alternating Series Test.
Hence, the interval of convergence is $-\frac{1}{2} \leq x<\frac{1}{2}$.
(b) $f^{\prime}(x)=2+4 x+8 x^{2}+16 x^{3}+\ldots+2(2 x)^{n}+\ldots$
(c) The series in (b) is a geometric series.

$$
\begin{aligned}
f^{\prime}\left(-\frac{1}{3}\right) & =2+4\left(-\frac{1}{3}\right)+8\left(-\frac{1}{3}\right)^{2}+\ldots+2\left(2 \cdot\left(-\frac{1}{3}\right)\right)^{n}+\ldots \\
& =2-\frac{4}{3}+\frac{8}{9}-\frac{16}{27}+\ldots+2\left(-\frac{2}{3}\right)^{n}+\ldots \\
& =\frac{2}{1+\frac{2}{3}}=\frac{6}{5}
\end{aligned}
$$

OR
$f^{\prime}(x)=\frac{2}{1-2 x}$ for $-\frac{1}{2}<x<\frac{1}{2}$. Therefore,
$f^{\prime}\left(-\frac{1}{3}\right)=\frac{2}{1+\frac{2}{3}}=\frac{6}{5}$

1 : sets up ratio
1: computes limit of ratio
1 : identifies interior of interval of convergence

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2 : analysis/conclusion at endpoints
1 : right endpoint
1 : left endpoint
$<-1>$ if endpoints not $x= \pm \frac{1}{2}$ $<-1>$ if multiple intervals
$2 \begin{cases}1: & \text { first } 4 \text { terms } \\ 1: & \text { general term }\end{cases}$

1: substitutes $x=-\frac{1}{3}$ into infinite
2 series from (b) or expresses series from (b) in closed form
1: answer for student's series

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## Question 6

The Maclaurin series for $\ln \left(\frac{1}{1-x}\right)$ is $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{x^{n}}{n}$ with interval of convergence $-1 \leq x<1$.
(a) Find the Maclaurin series for $\ln \left(\frac{1}{1+3 x}\right)$ and determine the interval of convergence.
(b) Find the value of $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{n}}{n}$.
(c) Give a value of $p$ such that $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{n}}{n^{p}}$ converges, but $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n^{2 p}}$ diverges. Give reasons why your value of $p$ is correct.
(d) Give a value of $p$ such that $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n^{p}}$ diverges, but $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n^{2 p}}$ converges. Give reasons why your value of $p$ is correct.
(a) $\ln \left(\frac{1}{1+3 x}\right)=\ln \left(\frac{1}{1-(-3 x)}\right)$

$$
=\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-3 x)^{n}}{n} \text { or } \sum_{n=1}^{\infty}(-1)^{n} \frac{3^{n}}{n} x^{n}
$$

$2\left\{\begin{array}{l}1: \text { series } \\ 1: \text { interval of convergence }\end{array}\right.$

We must have $-1 \leq-3 x<1$, so interval of convergence is $-\frac{1}{3}<x \leq \frac{1}{3}$.
(b) $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{n}}{n}=\ln \left(\frac{1}{1-(-1)}\right)=\ln \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)$
(c) Some $p$ such that $0<p \leq \frac{1}{2}$ because $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{n}}{n^{p}}$ converges by AST, but the $p$-series $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n^{2 p}}$ diverges for $2 p \leq 1$.
(d) Some $p$ such that $\frac{1}{2}<p \leq 1$ because the $p$-series $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n^{p}}$ diverges for $p \leq 1$ and the $p$-series $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n^{2 p}}$ converges for $2 p>1$.

1: answer

1 : correct $p$
$3\left\{1\right.$ : reason why $\sum \frac{(-1)^{n}}{n^{p}}$ converges
1 : reason why $\sum \frac{1}{n^{2 p}}$ diverges

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## 2003 SCORING GUIDELINES

## Question 6

The function $f$ is defined by the power series

$$
f(x)=\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{n} x^{2 n}}{(2 n+1)!}=1-\frac{x^{2}}{3!}+\frac{x^{4}}{5!}-\frac{x^{6}}{7!}+\cdots+\frac{(-1)^{n} x^{2 n}}{(2 n+1)!}+\cdots
$$

for all real numbers $x$.
(a) Find $f^{\prime}(0)$ and $f^{\prime \prime}(0)$. Determine whether $f$ has a local maximum, a local minimum, or neither at $x=0$. Give a reason for your answer.
(b) Show that $1-\frac{1}{3!}$ approximates $f(1)$ with error less than $\frac{1}{100}$.
(c) Show that $y=f(x)$ is a solution to the differential equation $x y^{\prime}+y=\cos x$.
(a) $f^{\prime}(0)=$ coefficient of $x$ term $=0$
$f^{\prime \prime}(0)=2\left(\right.$ coefficient of $x^{2}$ term $)=2\left(-\frac{1}{3!}\right)=-\frac{1}{3}$
$f$ has a local maximum at $x=0$ because $f^{\prime}(0)=0$ and $f^{\prime \prime}(0)<0$.
(b) $\quad f(1)=1-\frac{1}{3!}+\frac{1}{5!}-\frac{1}{7!}+\cdots+\frac{(-1)^{n}}{(2 n+1)!}+\cdots$

This is an alternating series whose terms decrease in absolute value with limit 0 . Thus, the error is less than the first omitted term, so $\left|f(1)-\left(1-\frac{1}{3!}\right)\right| \leq \frac{1}{5!}=\frac{1}{120}<\frac{1}{100}$.
(c) $\quad y^{\prime}=-\frac{2 x}{3!}+\frac{4 x^{3}}{5!}-\frac{6 x^{5}}{7!}+\cdots+\frac{(-1)^{n} 2 n x^{2 n-1}}{(2 n+1)!}+\cdots$

$$
x y^{\prime}=-\frac{2 x^{2}}{3!}+\frac{4 x^{4}}{5!}-\frac{6 x^{6}}{7!}+\cdots+\frac{(-1)^{n} 2 n x^{2 n}}{(2 n+1)!}+\cdots
$$

$$
x y^{\prime}+y=1-\left(\frac{2}{3!}+\frac{1}{3!}\right) x^{2}+\left(\frac{4}{5!}+\frac{1}{5!}\right) x^{4}-\left(\frac{6}{7!}+\frac{1}{7!}\right) x+\cdots
$$

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

$$
=1-\frac{1}{2!} x^{2}+\frac{1}{4!} x^{4}-\frac{1}{6!} x^{6}+\cdots+\frac{(-1)^{n}}{(2 n)!} x^{2 n}+\cdots
$$

$$
=\cos x
$$

## OR

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

$$
=\sin x
$$

$x y^{\prime}+y=(x y)^{\prime}=(\sin x)^{\prime}=\cos x$
$1: f^{\prime}(0)$
$1: f^{\prime \prime}(0)$
1: critical point answer
1 : reason

1 : error bound $<\frac{1}{100}$

1 : series for $y^{\prime}$

1: series for $x y^{\prime}$
4 :
1: series for $x y^{\prime}+y$

1 : identifies series as $\cos x$

## OR

1 : series for $x f(x)$
1 : identifies series as $\sin x$
4 :
1 : handles $x y^{\prime}+y$
1: makes connection

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## Question 6

The function $f$ has a Taylor series about $x=2$ that converges to $f(x)$ for all $x$ in the interval of convergence. The $n$th derivative of $f$ at $x=2$ is given by $f^{(n)}(2)=\frac{(n+1)!}{3^{n}}$ for $n \geq 1$, and $f(2)=1$.
(a) Write the first four terms and the general term of the Taylor series for $f$ about $x=2$.
(b) Find the radius of convergence for the Taylor series for $f$ about $x=2$. Show the work that leads to your answer.
(c) Let $g$ be a function satisfying $g(2)=3$ and $g^{\prime}(x)=f(x)$ for all $x$. Write the first four terms and the general term of the Taylor series for $g$ about $x=2$.
(d) Does the Taylor series for $g$ as defined in part (c) converge at $x=-2$ ? Give a reason for your answer.
(a) $f(2)=1 ; f^{\prime}(2)=\frac{2!}{3} ; f^{\prime \prime}(2)=\frac{3!}{3^{2}} ; f^{\prime \prime \prime}(2)=\frac{4!}{3^{3}}$

$$
\begin{gathered}
f(x)=1+\frac{2}{3}(x-2)+\frac{3!}{2!3^{2}}(x-2)^{2}+\frac{4!}{3!3^{3}}(x-2)^{3}+ \\
+\cdots+\frac{(n+1)!}{n!3^{n}}(x-2)^{n}+\cdots \\
=1+\frac{2}{3}(x-2)+\frac{3}{3^{2}}(x-2)^{2}+\frac{4}{3^{3}}(x-2)^{3}+ \\
+\cdots+\frac{n+1}{3^{n}}(x-2)^{n}+\cdots
\end{gathered}
$$

(b) $\lim _{n \rightarrow \infty}\left|\frac{\frac{n+2}{3^{n+1}}(x-2)^{n+1}}{\frac{n+1}{3^{n}}(x-2)^{n}}\right|=\lim _{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{n+2}{n+1} \cdot \frac{1}{3}|x-2|$
$=\frac{1}{3}|x-2|<1$ when $|x-2|<3$
The radius of convergence is 3 .
(c) $g(2)=3 ; g^{\prime}(2)=f(2) ; g^{\prime \prime}(2)=f^{\prime}(2) ; g^{\prime \prime \prime}(2)=f^{\prime \prime}(2)$

$$
\begin{gathered}
g(x)=3+(x-2)+\frac{1}{3}(x-2)^{2}+\frac{1}{3^{2}}(x-2)^{3}+ \\
+\cdots+\frac{1}{3^{n}}(x-2)^{n+1}+\cdots
\end{gathered}
$$

(d) No, the Taylor series does not converge at $x=-2$ because the geometric series only converges on the interval $|x-2|<3$.
$1:$ coefficients $\frac{f^{(n)}(2)}{n!}$ in first four terms
$3:$
1: powers of $(x-2)$ in first four terms

1 : general term

1: sets up ratio
1 : limit
$3:\{1:$ applies ratio test to conclude radius of convergence is 3
$2:\left\{\begin{array}{l}1: \text { first four terms } \\ 1: \text { general term }\end{array}\right.$

1 : answer with reason

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## Question 6

Let $f$ be the function given by $f(x)=\sin \left(5 x+\frac{\pi}{4}\right)$, and let $P(x)$ be the third-degree Taylor polynomial for $f$ about $x=0$.
(a) Find $P(x)$.
(b) Find the coefficient of $x^{22}$ in the Taylor series for $f$ about $x=0$.
(c) Use the Lagrange error bound to show that $\left|f\left(\frac{1}{10}\right)-P\left(\frac{1}{10}\right)\right|<\frac{1}{100}$.
(d) Let $G$ be the function given by $G(x)=\int_{0}^{x} f(t) d t$. Write the third-degree Taylor polynomial for $G$ about $x=0$.
(a) $\quad f(0)=\sin \left(\frac{\pi}{4}\right)=\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}$

$$
f^{\prime}(0)=5 \cos \left(\frac{\pi}{4}\right)=\frac{5 \sqrt{2}}{2}
$$

$$
f^{\prime \prime}(0)=-25 \sin \left(\frac{\pi}{4}\right)=-\frac{25 \sqrt{2}}{2}
$$

$$
f^{\prime \prime \prime}(0)=-125 \cos \left(\frac{\pi}{4}\right)=-\frac{125 \sqrt{2}}{2}
$$

$$
P(x)=\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}+\frac{5 \sqrt{2}}{2} x-\frac{25 \sqrt{2}}{2(2!)} x^{2}-\frac{125 \sqrt{2}}{2(3!)} x^{3}
$$

(b) $\frac{-5^{22} \sqrt{2}}{2(22!)}$
(c) $\left|f\left(\frac{1}{10}\right)-P\left(\frac{1}{10}\right)\right| \leq \max _{0 \leq c \leq \frac{1}{10}}\left|f^{(4)}(c)\right|\left(\frac{1}{4!}\right)\left(\frac{1}{10}\right)^{4}$

$$
\leq \frac{625}{4!}\left(\frac{1}{10}\right)^{4}=\frac{1}{384}<\frac{1}{100}
$$

(d) The third-degree Taylor polynomial for $G$ about

$$
\begin{array}{r}
x=0 \text { is } \int_{0}^{x}\left(\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}+\frac{5 \sqrt{2}}{2} t-\frac{25 \sqrt{2}}{4} t^{2}\right) d t \\
=\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} x+\frac{5 \sqrt{2}}{4} x^{2}-\frac{25 \sqrt{2}}{12} x^{3}
\end{array}
$$

4: P(x)
$\langle-1\rangle$ each error or missing term deduct only once for $\sin \left(\frac{\pi}{4}\right)$ evaluation error deduct only once for $\cos \left(\frac{\pi}{4}\right)$ evaluation error $\langle-1\rangle$ max for all extra terms, $+\cdots$, misuse of equality
$2:\left\{\begin{array}{l}1: \text { magnitude } \\ 1: \text { sign }\end{array}\right.$

1: error bound in an appropriate inequality

2: third-degree Taylor polynomial for $G$ about $x=0$
$\langle-1\rangle$ each incorrect or missing term
$\langle-1\rangle$ max for all extra terms, $+\cdots$, misuse of equality
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## Question 2

Let $f$ be a function having derivatives of all orders for all real numbers. The third-degree Taylor polynomial for $f$ about $x=2$ is given by $T(x)=7-9(x-2)^{2}-3(x-2)^{3}$.
(a) Find $f(2)$ and $f^{\prime \prime}(2)$.
(b) Is there enough information given to determine whether $f$ has a critical point at $x=2$ ?

If not, explain why not. If so, determine whether $f(2)$ is a relative maximum, a relative minimum, or neither, and justify your answer.
(c) Use $T(x)$ to find an approximation for $f(0)$. Is there enough information given to determine whether $f$ has a critical point at $x=0$ ? If not, explain why not. If so, determine whether $f(0)$ is a relative maximum, a relative minimum, or neither, and justify your answer.
(d) The fourth derivative of $f$ satisfies the inequality $\left|f^{(4)}(x)\right| \leq 6$ for all $x$ in the closed interval $[0,2]$. Use the Lagrange error bound on the approximation to $f(0)$ found in part (c) to explain why $f(0)$ is negative.
(a) $f(2)=T(2)=7$
$\frac{f^{\prime \prime}(2)}{2!}=-9$ so $f^{\prime \prime}(2)=-18$
(b) Yes, since $f^{\prime}(2)=T^{\prime}(2)=0, f$ does have a critical point at $x=2$.
Since $f^{\prime \prime}(2)=-18<0, f(2)$ is a relative maximum value.
(c) $f(0) \approx T(0)=-5$

It is not possible to determine if $f$ has a critical point at $x=0$ because $T(x)$ gives exact information only at $x=2$.
(d) Lagrange error bound $=\frac{6}{4!}|0-2|^{4}=4$
$f(0) \leq T(0)+4=-1$
Therefore, $f(0)$ is negative.

$$
2:\left\{\begin{array}{l}
1: f(2)=7 \\
1: f^{\prime \prime}(2)=-18
\end{array}\right.
$$

$2:\left\{\begin{array}{l}1: \text { states } f^{\prime}(2)=0 \\ 1: \text { declares } f(2) \text { as a relative } \\ \quad \text { maximum because } f^{\prime \prime}(2)<0\end{array}\right.$
$3:\left\{\begin{array}{l}1: f(0) \approx T(0)=-5 \\ 1: \text { declares that it is not } \\ \text { possible to determine } \\ 1: \text { reason }\end{array}\right.$
$2:\left\{\begin{array}{l}1: \text { value of Lagrange error } \\ \quad \text { bound } \\ 1: \text { explanation }\end{array}\right.$

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## Question 6

Let $f$ be a function with derivatives of all orders and for which $f(2)=7$. When $n$ is odd, the $n$th derivative of $f$ at $x=2$ is 0 . When $n$ is even and $n \geq 2$, the $n$th derivative of $f$ at $x=2$ is given by $f^{(n)}(2)=\frac{(n-1)!}{3^{n}}$.
(a) Write the sixth-degree Taylor polynomial for $f$ about $x=2$.
(b) In the Taylor series for $f$ about $x=2$, what is the coefficient of $(x-2)^{2 n}$ for $n \geq 1$ ?
(c) Find the interval of convergence of the Taylor series for $f$ about $x=2$. Show the work that leads to your answer.
(a) $\quad P_{6}(x)=7+\frac{1!}{3^{2}} \cdot \frac{1}{2!}(x-2)^{2}+\frac{3!}{3^{4}} \cdot \frac{1}{4!}(x-2)^{4}+\frac{5!}{3^{6}} \cdot \frac{1}{6!}(x-2)^{6}$
$3:\left\{\begin{aligned} 1: & \text { polynomial about } x=2 \\ 2: & P_{6}(x) \\ & \langle-1\rangle \text { each incorrect term } \\ & \langle-1\rangle \text { max for all extra terms, }, \\ & +\cdots, \text { misuse of equality }\end{aligned}\right.$

1 : coefficient

5 :
$\left\{\begin{array}{l}1: \text { sets up ratio } \\ \text { 1: computes limit of ratio }\end{array}\right.$
1: identifies interior of
interval of convergence
1 : considers both endpoints
1: analysis/conclusion for both endpoints

## Question 3

The Taylor series about $x=0$ for a certain function $f$ converges to $f(x)$ for all $x$ in the interval of convergence. The $n$th derivative of $f$ at $x=0$ is given by

$$
f^{(n)}(0)=\frac{(-1)^{n+1}(n+1)!}{5^{n}(n-1)^{2}} \text { for } n \geq 2
$$

The graph of $f$ has a horizontal tangent line at $x=0$, and $f(0)=6$.
(a) Determine whether $f$ has a relative maximum, a relative minimum, or neither at $x=0$. Justify your answer.
(b) Write the third-degree Taylor polynomial for $f$ about $x=0$.
(c) Find the radius of convergence of the Taylor series for $f$ about $x=0$. Show the work that leads to your answer.
(a) $f$ has a relative maximum at $x=0$ because $f^{\prime}(0)=0$ and $f^{\prime \prime}(0)<0$.
(b) $f(0)=6, f^{\prime}(0)=0$

$$
\begin{aligned}
& f^{\prime \prime}(0)=-\frac{3!}{5^{2} 1^{2}}=-\frac{6}{25}, f^{\prime \prime \prime}(0)=\frac{4!}{5^{3} 2^{2}} \\
& P(x)=6-\frac{3!x^{2}}{5^{2} 2!}+\frac{4!x^{3}}{5^{3} 2^{2} 3!}=6-\frac{3}{25} x^{2}+\frac{1}{125} x^{3}
\end{aligned}
$$

(c) $u_{n}=\frac{f^{(n)}(0)}{n!} x^{n}=\frac{(-1)^{n+1}(n+1)}{5^{n}(n-1)^{2}} x^{n}$
$\left|\frac{u_{n+1}}{u_{n}}\right|=\left|\frac{\frac{(-1)^{n+2}(n+2)}{5^{n+1} n^{2}} x^{n+1}}{\frac{(-1)^{n+1}(n+1)}{5^{n}(n-1)^{2}} x^{n}}\right|$

$$
=\left(\frac{n+2}{n+1}\right)\left(\frac{n-1}{n}\right)^{2} \frac{1}{5}|x|
$$

$\lim _{n \rightarrow \infty}\left|\frac{u_{n+1}}{u_{n}}\right|=\frac{1}{5}|x|<1$ if $|x|<5$.
The radius of convergence is 5 .
$2:\left\{\begin{array}{l}1: \text { answer } \\ 1: \text { reason }\end{array}\right.$

3: $P(x)$
$\langle-1\rangle$ each incorrect term
Note: $\langle-1\rangle$ max for use of extra terms

$$
4:\left\{\begin{array}{l}
1: \text { general term } \\
1: \text { sets up ratio } \\
1: \text { computes limit } \\
1: \text { applies ratio test to get } \\
\text { radius of convergence }
\end{array}\right.
$$

## Question 6

The function $f$ is defined by the power series

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

for all real numbers $x$ for which the series converges. The function $g$ is defined by the power series

$$
g(x)=1-\frac{x}{2!}+\frac{x^{2}}{4!}-\frac{x^{3}}{6!}+\cdots+\frac{(-1)^{n} x^{n}}{(2 n)!}+\cdots
$$

for all real numbers $x$ for which the series converges.
(a) Find the interval of convergence of the power series for $f$. Justify your answer.
(b) The graph of $y=f(x)-g(x)$ passes through the point $(0,-1)$. Find $y^{\prime}(0)$ and $y^{\prime \prime}(0)$. Determine whether $y$ has a relative minimum, a relative maximum, or neither at $x=0$. Give a reason for your answer.
(a) $\left|\frac{(-1)^{n+1}(n+1) x^{n+1}}{n+2} \cdot \frac{n+1}{(-1)^{n} n x^{n}}\right|=\frac{(n+1)^{2}}{(n+2)(n)} \cdot|x|$
$\lim _{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{(n+1)^{2}}{(n+2)(n)} \cdot|x|=|x|$
The series converges when $-1<x<1$.
When $x=1$, the series is $-\frac{1}{2}+\frac{2}{3}-\frac{3}{4}+\cdots$
This series does not converge, because the limit of the individual terms is not zero.

When $x=-1$, the series is $\frac{1}{2}+\frac{2}{3}+\frac{3}{}+\cdots$
This series does not converge, because the limit of the individual terms is not zero.

Thus, the interval of convergence is $-1<x<1$.
(b) $f^{\prime}(x)=-\frac{1}{2}+\frac{4}{3} x-\frac{9}{4} x^{2}+\cdots$ and $f^{\prime}(0)=-\frac{1}{2}$.
$g^{\prime}(x)=-\frac{1}{2!}+\frac{2}{4!} x-\frac{3}{6!} x^{2}+\cdots$ and $g^{\prime}(0)=-\frac{1}{2}$.
$y^{\prime}(0)=f^{\prime}(0)-g^{\prime}(0)=0$
$f^{\prime \prime}(0)=\frac{4}{3}$ and $g^{\prime \prime}(0)=\frac{2}{4!}=\frac{1}{12}$.
Thus, $y^{\prime \prime}(0)=\frac{4}{3}-\frac{1}{12}>0$.
Since $y^{\prime}(0)=0$ and $y^{\prime \prime}(0)>0, y$ has a relative minimum at $x=0$.

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## Question 6

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

$$
1-x^{3}+x^{6}-x^{9}+\cdots+(-1)^{n} x^{3 n}+\cdots
$$

which converges to $f(x)$ for $-1<x<1$.
(a) Find the first three nonzero terms and the general term for the Maclaurin series for $f^{\prime}(x)$.
(b) Use your results from part (a) to find the sum of the infinite series $-\frac{3}{2^{2}}+\frac{6}{2^{5}}-\frac{9}{2^{8}}+\cdots+(-1)^{n} \frac{3 n}{2^{3 n-1}}+\cdots$.
(c) Find the first four nonzero terms and the general term for the Maclaurin series representing $\int_{0}^{x} f(t) d t$.
(d) Use the first three nonzero terms of the infinite series found in part (c) to approximate $\int_{0}^{1 / 2} f(t) d t$. What are the properties of the terms of the series representing $\int_{0}^{1 / 2} f(t) d t$ that guarantee that this approximation is within $\frac{1}{10,000}$ of the exact value of the integral?
(a) $f^{\prime}(x)=-3 x^{2}+6 x^{5}-9 x^{8}+\cdots+3 n(-1)^{n} x^{3 n-1}+\cdots$
(b) The given series is the Maclaurin series for $f^{\prime}(x)$ with $x=\frac{1}{2}$.

$$
f^{\prime}(x)=-\left(1+x^{3}\right)^{-2}\left(3 x^{2}\right)
$$

Thus, the sum of the series is $f^{\prime}\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)=-\frac{3\left(\frac{1}{4}\right)}{\left(1+\frac{1}{8}\right)^{2}}=-\frac{16}{27}$.
(c) $\int_{0}^{x} \frac{1}{1+t^{3}} d t=x-\frac{x^{4}}{4}+\frac{x^{7}}{7}-\frac{x^{10}}{10}+\cdots+\frac{(-1)^{n} x^{3 n+1}}{3 n+1}+\cdots$
(d) $\int_{0}^{1 / 2} \frac{1}{1+t^{3}} d t \approx \frac{1}{2}-\frac{\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^{4}}{4}+\frac{\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^{7}}{7}$.

The series in part (c) with $x=\frac{1}{2}$ has terms that alternate, decrease in absolute value, and have limit 0 . Hence the error is bounded by the absolute value of the next term.

$$
\left|\int_{0}^{1 / 2} \frac{1}{1+t^{3}} d t-\left(\frac{1}{2}-\frac{\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^{4}}{4}+\frac{\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^{7}}{7}\right)\right|<\frac{\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^{10}}{10}=\frac{1}{10240}<0.0001
$$

$2:\left\{\begin{array}{l}1: \text { first three terms } \\ 1: \text { general term }\end{array}\right.$
$2:\left\{\begin{array}{l}1: f^{\prime}(x) \\ 1: f^{\prime}\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)\end{array}\right.$
$2:\left\{\begin{array}{l}1: \text { first four terms } \\ 1: \text { general term }\end{array}\right.$
$3:\left\{\begin{array}{l}1: \text { approximation } \\ 1: \text { properties of terms } \\ 1: \text { absolute value of } \\ \quad \text { fourth term }<0.0001\end{array}\right.$

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## Question 6

Let $f$ be the function given by $f(x)=e^{-x^{2}}$.
(a) Write the first four nonzero terms and the general term of the Taylor series for $f$ about $x=0$.
(b) Use your answer to part (a) to find $\lim _{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{1-x^{2}-f(x)}{x^{4}}$.
(c) Write the first four nonzero terms of the Taylor series for $\int_{0}^{x} e^{-t^{2}} d t$ about $x=0$. Use the first two terms of your answer to estimate $\int_{0}^{1 / 2} e^{-t^{2}} d t$.
(d) Explain why the estimate found in part (c) differs from the actual value of $\int_{0}^{1 / 2} e^{-t^{2}} d t$ by less than $\frac{1}{200}$.
(a) $e^{-x^{2}}=1+\frac{\left(-x^{2}\right)}{1!}+\frac{\left(-x^{2}\right)^{2}}{2!}+\frac{\left(-x^{2}\right)^{3}}{3!}+\cdots+\frac{\left(-x^{2}\right)^{n}}{n!}+\cdots$

$$
=1-x^{2}+\frac{x^{4}}{2}-\frac{x^{6}}{6}+\cdots+\frac{(-1)^{n} x^{2 n}}{n!}+\cdots
$$

(b) $\frac{1-x^{2}-f(x)}{x^{4}}=-\frac{1}{2}+\frac{x^{2}}{6}+\sum_{n=4}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{n+1} x^{2 n-4}}{n!}$

Thus, $\lim _{x \rightarrow 0}\left(\frac{1-x^{2}-f(x)}{x^{4}}\right)=-\frac{1}{2}$.
(c) $\int_{0}^{x} e^{-t^{2}} d t=\int_{0}^{x}\left(1-t^{2}+\frac{t^{4}}{2}-\frac{t^{6}}{6}+\cdots+\frac{(-1)^{n} t^{2 n}}{n!}+\cdots\right) d t$

$$
=x-\frac{x^{3}}{3}+\frac{x^{5}}{10}-\frac{x^{7}}{42}+\cdots
$$

Using the first two terms of this series, we estimate that $\int_{0}^{1 / 2} e^{-t^{2}} d t \approx \frac{1}{2}-\left(\frac{1}{3}\right)\left(\frac{1}{8}\right)=\frac{11}{24}$.
(d) $\left|\int_{0}^{1 / 2} e^{-t^{2}} d t-\frac{11}{24}\right|<\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^{5} \cdot \frac{1}{10}=\frac{1}{320}<\frac{1}{200}$, since
$\int_{0}^{1 / 2} e^{-t^{2}} d t=\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{n}\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^{2 n+1}}{n!(2 n+1)}$, which is an alternating series with individual terms that decrease in absolute value to 0 .
$3:\left\{\begin{array}{l}1: \text { two of } 1,-x^{2}, \frac{x^{4}}{2},-\frac{x^{6}}{6} \\ 1: \text { remaining terms } \\ 1: \text { general term }\end{array}\right.$

1 : answer
$3:\left\{\begin{array}{l}1: \text { two terms } \\ 1: \text { remaining terms } \\ 1: \text { estimate }\end{array}\right.$
$2:\left\{\begin{array}{c}1: \text { uses the third term as } \\ \text { the error bound } \\ 1: \text { explanation }\end{array}\right.$

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Let $f$ be the function given by $f(x)=6 e^{-x / 3}$ for all $x$.
(a) Find the first four nonzero terms and the general term for the Taylor series for $f$ about $x=0$.
(b) Let $g$ be the function given by $g(x)=\int_{0}^{x} f(t) d t$. Find the first four nonzero terms and the general term for the Taylor series for $g$ about $x=0$.
(c) The function $h$ satisfies $h(x)=k f^{\prime}(a x)$ for all $x$, where $a$ and $k$ are constants. The Taylor series for $h$ about $x=0$ is given by

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

Find the values of $a$ and $k$.
(a) $f(x)=6\left[1-\frac{x}{3}+\frac{x^{2}}{2!3^{2}}-\frac{x^{3}}{3!3^{3}}+\cdots+\frac{(-1)^{n} x^{n}}{n!3^{n}}+\cdots\right]$

$$
=6-2 x+\frac{x^{2}}{3}-\frac{x^{3}}{27}+\cdots+\frac{6(-1)^{n} x^{n}}{n!3^{n}}+\cdots
$$

(b) $g(0)=0$ and $g^{\prime}(x)=f(x)$, so

$$
\begin{aligned}
g(x) & =6\left[x-\frac{x^{2}}{6}+\frac{x^{3}}{3!3^{2}}-\frac{x^{4}}{4!3^{3}}+\cdots+\frac{(-1)^{n} x^{n+1}}{(n+1)!3^{n}}+\cdots\right] \\
& =6 x-x^{2}+\frac{x^{3}}{9}-\frac{x^{4}}{4(27)}+\cdots+\frac{6(-1)^{n} x^{n+1}}{(n+1)!3^{n}}+\cdots
\end{aligned}
$$

(c) $f^{\prime}(x)=-2 e^{-x / 3}$, so $h(x)=-2 k e^{-a x / 3}$
$h(x)=1+x+\frac{x^{2}}{2!}+\frac{x^{3}}{3!}+\cdots+\frac{x^{n}}{n!}+\cdots=e^{x}$
$-2 k e^{-a x / 3}=e^{x}$
$\frac{-a}{3}=1$ and $-2 k=1$
$a=-3$ and $k=-\frac{1}{2}$
OR
$f^{\prime}(x)=-2+\frac{2}{3} x+\cdots$, so
$h(x)=k f^{\prime}(a x)=-2 k+\frac{2}{3} a k x+\cdots$
$h(x)=1+x+\cdots$
$-2 k=1$ and $\frac{2}{3} a k=1$
$k=-\frac{1}{2}$ and $a=-3$
$3:\left\{\begin{array}{l}1: \text { two of } 6,-2 x, \frac{x^{2}}{3},-\frac{x^{3}}{27} \\ 1: \text { remaining terms } \\ 1: \text { general term }\end{array}\right.$
$\langle-1\rangle$ missing factor of 6
$3:\left\{\begin{array}{l}1: \text { two terms } \\ 1: \text { remaining terms } \\ 1: \text { general term }\end{array}\right.$
$\langle-1\rangle$ missing factor of
$3:\left\{\begin{array}{c}1: \text { computes } k f^{\prime}(a x) \\ 1: \text { recognizes } h(x)=e^{x} \\ \text { or } \\ \quad \text { equates } 2 \text { series for } h(x) \\ 1: \text { values for } a \text { and } k\end{array}\right.$
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## Question 3

| $x$ | $h(x)$ | $h^{\prime}(x)$ | $h^{\prime \prime}(x)$ | $h^{\prime \prime \prime}(x)$ | $h^{(4)}(x)$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1 | 11 | 30 | 42 | 99 | 18 |
| 2 | 80 | 128 | $\frac{488}{3}$ | $\frac{448}{3}$ | $\frac{584}{9}$ |
| 3 | 317 | $\frac{753}{2}$ | $\frac{1383}{4}$ | $\frac{3483}{16}$ | $\frac{1125}{16}$ |

Let $h$ be a function having derivatives of all orders for $x>0$. Selected values of $h$ and its first four derivatives are indicated in the table above. The function $h$ and these four derivatives are increasing on the interval $1 \leq x \leq 3$.
(a) Write the first-degree Taylor polynomial for $h$ about $x=2$ and use it to approximate $h(1.9)$. Is this approximation greater than or less than $h(1.9)$ ? Explain your reasoning.
(b) Write the third-degree Taylor polynomial for $h$ about $x=2$ and use it to approximate $h(1.9)$.
(c) Use the Lagrange error bound to show that the third-degree Taylor polynomial for $h$ about $x=2$ approximates $h(1.9)$ with error less than $3 \times 10^{-4}$.
(a) $P_{1}(x)=80+128(x-2)$, so $h(1.9) \approx P_{1}(1.9)=67.2$
$P_{1}(1.9)<h(1.9)$ since $h^{\prime}$ is increasing on the interval $1 \leq x \leq 3$.
(b) $P_{3}(x)=80+128(x-2)+\frac{488}{6}(x-2)^{2}+\frac{448}{18}(x-2)^{3}$
$h(1.9) \approx P_{3}(1.9)=67.988$
(c) The fourth derivative of $h$ is increasing on the interval
$1 \leq x \leq 3$, so $\max _{1.9 \leq x \leq 2}\left|h^{(4)}(x)\right|=\frac{584}{9}$.
Therefore, $\left|h(1.9)-P_{3}(1.9)\right| \leq \frac{584}{9} \frac{|1.9-2|^{4}}{4!}$

$$
\begin{aligned}
& =2.7037 \times 10^{-4} \\
& <3 \times 10^{-4}
\end{aligned}
$$

$4:\left\{\begin{array}{l}2: P_{1}(x) \\ 1: P_{1}(1.9) \\ 1: P_{1}(1.9)<h(1.9) \text { with reason }\end{array}\right.$
$3:\left\{\begin{array}{l}2: P_{3}(x) \\ 1: P_{3}(1.9)\end{array}\right.$
$2:\left\{\begin{array}{l}1: \text { form of Lagrange error estimate } \\ 1: \text { reasoning }\end{array}\right.$
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## Question 6

Consider the logistic differential equation $\frac{d y}{d t}=\frac{y}{8}(6-y)$. Let $y=f(t)$ be the particular solution to the differential equation with $f(0)=8$.
(a) A slope field for this differential equation is given below. Sketch possible solution curves through the points $(3,2)$ and $(0,8)$.
(Note: Use the axes provided in the exam booklet.)
(b) Use Euler's method, starting at $t=0$ with two steps of equal size, to approximate $f(1)$.
(c) Write the second-degree Taylor polynomial for $f$ about $t=0$, and use it to approximate $f(1)$.
(d) What is the range of $f$ for $t \geq 0$ ?

(a)

(b) $f\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) \approx 8+(-2)\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)=7$
$f(1) \approx 7+\left(-\frac{7}{8}\right)\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)=\frac{105}{16}$
(c) $\frac{d^{2} y}{d t^{2}}=\frac{1}{8} \frac{d y}{d t}(6-y)+\frac{y}{8}\left(-\frac{d y}{d t}\right)$
$f(0)=8 ; \quad f^{\prime}(0)=\left.\frac{d y}{d t}\right|_{t=0}=\frac{8}{8}(6-8)=-2 ;$ and
$f^{\prime \prime}(0)=\left.\frac{d^{2} y}{d t^{2}}\right|_{t=0}=\frac{1}{8}(-2)(-2)+\frac{8}{8}(2)=\frac{5}{2}$
The second-degree Taylor polynomial for $f$ about $t=0$ is $P_{2}(t)=8-2 t+\frac{5}{4} t^{2}$.

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f(1) \approx P_{2}(1)=\frac{29}{4}
$$

(d) The range of $f$ for $t \geq 0$ is $6<y \leq 8$.
$2:\left\{\begin{array}{l}1: \text { solution curve through }(0,8) \\ 1: \text { solution curve through }(3,2)\end{array}\right.$
$2:\left\{\begin{array}{l}1: \text { Euler’s method with two steps } \\ 1: \text { approximation of } f(1)\end{array}\right.$
$4:\left\{\begin{array}{l}2: \frac{d^{2} y}{d t^{2}} \\ 1: \text { second-degree Taylor polynomial } \\ 1: \text { approximation of } f(1)\end{array}\right.$

1 : answer

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## Question 6

Let $f$ be the function given by $f(x)=\frac{2 x}{1+x^{2}}$.
(a) Write the first four nonzero terms and the general term of the Taylor series for $f$ about $x=0$.
(b) Does the series found in part (a), when evaluated at $x=1$, converge to $f(1)$ ? Explain why or why not.
(c) The derivative of $\ln \left(1+x^{2}\right)$ is $\frac{2 x}{1+x^{2}}$. Write the first four nonzero terms of the Taylor series for $\ln \left(1+x^{2}\right)$ about $x=0$.
(d) Use the series found in part (c) to find a rational number $A$ such that $\left|A-\ln \left(\frac{5}{4}\right)\right|<\frac{1}{100}$. Justify your answer.
(a) $\frac{1}{1-u}=1+u+u^{2}+\cdots+u^{n}+\cdots$
$\frac{1}{1+x^{2}}=1-x^{2}+x^{4}-x^{6}+\cdots+\left(-x^{2}\right)^{n}+\cdots$
$\frac{2 x}{1+x^{2}}=2 x-2 x^{3}+2 x^{5}-2 x+\cdots+(-1)^{n} 2 x^{2 n+1}+\cdots$
(b) No, the series does not converge when $x=1$ because when $x=1$, the terms of the series do not converge to 0 .
(c) $\ln \left(1+x^{2}\right)=\int_{0}^{x} \frac{2 t}{1+t^{2}} d t$

$$
\begin{aligned}
& =\int_{0}^{x}\left(2 t-2 t^{3}+2 t^{5}-t^{7}+\cdots\right) d t \\
& =x^{2}-\frac{1}{2} x^{4}+\frac{1}{3} x^{6}-\frac{1}{4} x^{8}+\cdots
\end{aligned}
$$

(d) $\ln \left(\frac{5}{4}\right)=\ln \left(1+\frac{1}{4}\right)=\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^{2}-\frac{1}{2}\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^{4}+\frac{1}{3}\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^{6}-\frac{1}{4}\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^{8}+\cdots$

Let $A=\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^{2}-\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^{4}=\frac{7}{32}$.
Since the series is a converging alternating series and the absolute values of the individual terms decrease to 0 ,
$\left|A-\ln \left(\frac{5}{4}\right)\right|<\left|\frac{1}{3}\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^{6}\right|=\frac{1}{3} \cdot \frac{1}{64}<\frac{1}{100}$.
$3:\left\{\begin{array}{l}1: \text { two of the first four terms } \\ 1: \text { remaining terms } \\ 1: \text { general term }\end{array}\right.$

1 : answer with reason
$2:\left\{\begin{array}{l}1: \text { two of the first four terms } \\ 1: \text { remaining terms }\end{array}\right.$
$3:\left\{\begin{array}{l}1: \text { uses } x=\frac{1}{2} \\ 1: \text { value of } A \\ 1: \text { justification }\end{array}\right.$

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## Question 4

Consider the differential equation $\frac{d y}{d x}=6 x^{2}-x^{2} y$. Let $y=f(x)$ be a particular solution to this differential equation with the initial condition $f(-1)=2$.
(a) Use Euler's method with two steps of equal size, starting at $x=-1$, to approximate $f(0)$. Show the work that leads to your answer.
(b) At the point $(-1,2)$, the value of $\frac{d^{2} y}{d x^{2}}$ is -12 . Find the second-degree Taylor polynomial for $f$ about $x=-1$.
(c) Find the particular solution $y=f(x)$ to the given differential equation with the initial condition $f(-1)=2$.
(a) $\quad f\left(-\frac{1}{2}\right) \approx f(-1)+\left(\left.\frac{d y}{d x}\right|_{(-1,2)}\right) \cdot \Delta x$

$$
=2+4 \cdot \frac{1}{2}=4
$$

$f(0) \approx f\left(-\frac{1}{2}\right)+\left(\left.\frac{d y}{d x}\right|_{\left(-\frac{1}{2}, 4\right)}\right) \cdot \Delta x$

$$
\approx 4+\frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{1}{2}=\frac{17}{4}
$$

(b) $P_{2}(x)=2+4(x+1)-6(x+1)^{2}$
(c) $\frac{d y}{d x}=x^{2}(6-y)$
$\int \frac{1}{6-y} d y=\int x^{2} d x$
$-\ln |6-y|=\frac{1}{3} x^{3}+C$
$-\ln 4=-\frac{1}{3}+C$
$C=\frac{1}{3}-\ln 4$
$\ln |6-y|=-\frac{1}{3} x^{3}-\left(\frac{1}{3}-\ln 4\right)$
$|6-y|=4 e^{-\frac{1}{3}\left(x^{3}+1\right)}$
$y=6-4 e^{-\frac{1}{3}\left(x^{3}+1\right)}$
$2:\left\{\begin{array}{l}1: \text { Euler's method with two steps } \\ 1: \text { answer }\end{array}\right.$

1 : answer
$6:\left\{\begin{array}{l}1: \text { separation of variables } \\ 2: \text { antiderivatives } \\ 1: \text { constant of integration } \\ 1: \text { uses initial condition } \\ 1: \text { solves for } y\end{array}\right.$

Note: max 3/6 [1-2-0-0-0] if no constant of integration
Note: $0 / 6$ if no separation of variables

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Question 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 $f$ has derivatives of all orders at $x=1$.
(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 ratio test to find the interval of convergence for the Taylor series found in part (b).
(d) Use the Taylor series for $f$ about $x=1$ to determine whether the graph of $f$ has any points of inflection.
(a) $1+(x-1)^{2}+\frac{(x-1)^{4}}{2}+\frac{(x-1)^{6}}{6}+\cdots+\frac{(x-1)^{2 n}}{n!}+\cdots$
(b) $1+\frac{(x-1)^{2}}{2}+\frac{(x-1)^{4}}{6}+\frac{(x-)^{6}}{24}+\cdots+\frac{(x-1)^{2 n}}{(n+1)!}+\cdots$
(c) $\lim _{n \rightarrow \infty}\left|\frac{\frac{(x-1)^{2 n+2}}{(n+2)!}}{\frac{(x-1)^{2 n}}{(n+1)!}}\right|=\lim _{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{(n+1)!}{(n+2)!}(x-1)^{2}=\lim _{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{(x-1)^{2}}{n+2}=0$

Therefore, the interval of convergence is $(-\infty, \infty)$.
(d) $f^{\prime \prime}(x)=1+\frac{4 \cdot 3}{6}(x-1)^{2}+\frac{6 \cdot 5}{24}(x-1)^{4}+\cdots$

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

$3:\left\{\begin{array}{l}1: \text { sets up ratio } \\ 1: \text { computes limit of ratio } \\ 1: \text { answer }\end{array}\right.$
$2:\left\{\begin{array}{l}1: f^{\prime \prime}(x) \\ 1: \text { answer }\end{array}\right.$

Since every term of this series is nonnegative, $f^{\prime \prime}(x) \geq 0$ for all $x$. Therefore, the graph of $f$ has no points of inflection.

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## Question 6

The function $f$ is defined by the power series

$$
f(x)=1+(x+1)+(x+1)^{2}+\cdots+(x+1)^{n}+\cdots=\sum_{n=0}^{\infty}(x+1)^{n}
$$

for all real numbers $x$ for which the series converges.
(a) Find the interval of convergence of the power series for $f$. Justify your answer.
(b) The power series above is the Taylor series for $f$ about $x=-1$. Find the sum of the series for $f$.
(c) Let $g$ be the function defined by $g(x)=\int_{-1}^{x} f(t) d t$. Find the value of $g\left(-\frac{1}{2}\right)$, if it exists, or explain why $g\left(-\frac{1}{2}\right)$ cannot be determined.
(d) Let $h$ be the function defined by $h(x)=f\left(x^{2}-1\right)$. Find the first three nonzero terms and the general term of the Taylor series for $h$ about $x=0$, and find the value of $h\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)$.
(a) The power series is geometric with ratio $(x+1)$.

The series converges if and only if $|x+1|<1$.
Therefore, the interval of convergence is $-2<x<0$.
OR
$\lim _{n \rightarrow \infty}\left|\frac{(x+1)^{n+1}}{(x+1)^{n}}\right|=|x+1|<1$ when $-2<x<0$
At $x=-2$, the series is $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty}(-1)^{n}$, which diverges since the terms do not converge to 0 . At $x=0$, the series is $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} 1$,
which similarly diverges. Therefore, the interval of convergence is $-2<x<0$.
(b) Since the series is geometric,
$f(x)=\sum_{n=0}^{\infty}(x+1)^{n}=\frac{1}{1-(x+1)}=-\frac{1}{x}$ for $-2<x<0$.
(c) $g\left(-\frac{1}{2}\right)=\int_{-1}^{-\frac{1}{2}}-\frac{1}{x} d x=-\left.\ln |x|\right|_{x=-1} ^{x=-\frac{1}{2}}=\ln 2$
(d) $h(x)=f\left(x^{2}-1\right)=1+x^{2}+x^{4}+\cdots+x^{2 n}+\cdots$ $h\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)=f\left(-\frac{3}{4}\right)=\frac{4}{3}$
$3:\left\{\begin{array}{l}1: \text { identifies as geometric } \\ 1:|x+1|<1 \\ 1: \text { interval of convergence }\end{array}\right.$
OR
$3:\left\{\begin{array}{l}1: \text { sets up limit of ratio } \\ 1: \text { radius of convergence } \\ 1: \text { interval of convergence }\end{array}\right.$

1: answer
$2:\left\{\begin{array}{l}1: \text { antiderivative } \\ 1: \text { value }\end{array}\right.$
$3:\left\{\begin{array}{l}1: \text { first three terms } \\ 1: \text { general term } \\ 1: \text { value of } h\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)\end{array}\right.$

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f(x)= \begin{cases}\frac{\cos x-1}{x^{2}} & \text { for } x \neq 0 \\ -\frac{1}{2} & \text { for } x=0\end{cases}
$$

The function $f$, defined above, has derivatives of all orders. Let $g$ be the function defined by $g(x)=1+\int_{0}^{x} f(t) d t$.
(a) Write the first three nonzero terms and the general term of the Taylor series for $\cos x$ about $x=0$. Use this series to write the first three nonzero terms and the general term of the Taylor series for $f$ about $x=0$.
(b) Use the Taylor series for $f$ about $x=0$ found in part (a) to determine whether $f$ has a relative maximum, relative minimum, or neither at $x=0$. Give a reason for your answer.
(c) Write the fifth-degree Taylor polynomial for $g$ about $x=0$.
(d) The Taylor series for $g$ about $x=0$, evaluated at $x=1$, is an alternating series with individual terms that decrease in absolute value to 0 . Use the third-degree Taylor polynomial for $g$ about $x=0$ to estimate the value of $g(1)$. Explain why this estimate differs from the actual value of $g(1)$ by less than $\frac{1}{6!}$.
(a) $\quad \cos (x)=1-\frac{x^{2}}{2}+\frac{x^{4}}{4!}-\cdots+(-1)^{n} \frac{x^{2 n}}{(2 n)!}+\cdots$
$f(x)=-\frac{1}{2}+\frac{x^{2}}{4!}-\frac{x^{4}}{6!}+\cdots+(-1)^{n+1} \frac{x^{2 n}}{(2 n+2)!}+\cdots$
(b) $f^{\prime}(0)$ is the coefficient of $x$ in the Taylor series for $f$ about $x=0$, so $f^{\prime}(0)=0$.
$\frac{f^{\prime \prime}(0)}{2!}=\frac{1}{4!}$ is the coefficient of $x^{2}$ in the Taylor series for $f$ about
$x=0$, so $f^{\prime \prime}(0)=\frac{1}{12}$.
Therefore, by the Second Derivative Test, $f$ has a relative minimum at $x=0$.
(c) $\quad P_{5}(x)=1-\frac{x}{2}+\frac{x^{3}}{3 \cdot 4!}-\frac{x^{5}}{5 \cdot 6!}$
(d) $g(1) \approx 1-\frac{1}{2}+\frac{1}{3 \cdot 4!}=\frac{37}{72}$

Since the Taylor series for $g$ about $x=0$ evaluated at $x=1$ is alternating and the terms decrease in absolute value to 0 , we know $\left|g(1)-\frac{37}{72}\right|<\frac{1}{5 \cdot 6!}<\frac{1}{6!}$.
$3:\left\{\begin{array}{l}1: \text { terms for } \cos x \\ 2: \text { terms for } f \\ 1: \text { first three terms } \\ 1: \text { general term }\end{array}\right.$
$2:\left\{\begin{array}{l}1: \text { determines } f^{\prime}(0) \\ 1: \text { answer with reason }\end{array}\right.$
$2:\left\{\begin{array}{l}1: \text { two correct terms } \\ 1: \text { remaining terms }\end{array}\right.$
$2:\left\{\begin{array}{l}1: \text { estimate } \\ 1: \text { explanation }\end{array}\right.$
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## Question 6

The Maclaurin series for the function $f$ is given by $f(x)=\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{n}(2 x)^{n}}{n-1}$ on its interval of convergence.
(a) Find the interval of convergence for the Maclaurin series of $f$. Justify your answer.
(b) Show that $y=f(x)$ is a solution to the differential equation $x y^{\prime}-y=\frac{4 x^{2}}{1+2 x}$ for $|x|<R$, where $R$ is the radius of convergence from part (a).
(a) $\lim _{n \rightarrow \infty}\left|\frac{\frac{(2 x)^{n+1}}{(n+1)-1}}{\frac{(2 x)^{n}}{n-1}}\right|=\lim _{n \rightarrow \infty}\left|2 x \cdot \frac{n-1}{n}\right|=\lim _{n \rightarrow \infty}\left|2 x \cdot \frac{n-1}{n}\right|=|2 x|$
$|2 x|<1$ for $|x|<\frac{1}{2}$
Therefore the radius of convergence is $\frac{1}{2}$.

1 : sets up ratio
1 : limit evaluation
1 : radius of convergence
1 : considers both endpoints
1 : analysis and interval of convergence
$4:\left\{\begin{array}{l}1: \text { series for } y^{\prime} \\ 1: \text { series for } x y^{\prime} \\ 1: \text { series for } x y^{\prime}-y \\ 1: \text { analysis with geometric series }\end{array}\right.$

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## Question 6

Let $f(x)=\sin \left(x^{2}\right)+\cos x$. The graph of $y=\left|f^{(5)}(x)\right|$ is shown above.
(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 $\sin \left(x^{2}\right)$ 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 $\sin \left(x^{2}\right)$, found in part (a), to write the first four nonzero


Graph of $y=\left|f^{(5)}(x)\right|$ terms of the Taylor series for $f$ about $x=0$.
(c) Find the value of $f^{(6)}(0)$.
(d) Let $P_{4}(x)$ be the fourth-degree Taylor polynomial for $f$ about $x=0$. Using information from the graph of $y=\left|f^{(5)}(x)\right|$ shown above, show that $\left|P_{4}\left(\frac{1}{4}\right)-f\left(\frac{1}{4}\right)\right|<\frac{1}{3000}$.
(a) $\sin x=x-\frac{x^{3}}{3!}+\frac{x^{5}}{5!}-\frac{x^{7}}{7!}+\cdots$

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\sin \left(x^{2}\right)=x^{2}-\frac{x^{6}}{3!}+\frac{x^{10}}{5!}-\frac{x^{14}}{7!}+\cdots
$$

$3:\left\{\begin{array}{l}1: \text { series for } \sin x \\ 2: \text { series for } \sin \left(x^{2}\right)\end{array}\right.$
(b) $\cos x=1-\frac{x^{2}}{2!}+\frac{x^{4}}{4!}-\frac{x^{6}}{6!}+\cdots$

$$
f(x)=1+\frac{x^{2}}{2}+\frac{x^{4}}{4!}-\frac{121 x^{6}}{6!}+\cdots
$$

(c) $\frac{f^{(6)}(0)}{6!}$ is the coefficient of $x^{6}$ in the Taylor series for $f$ about $x=0$. Therefore $f^{(6)}(0)=-121$.
(d) The graph of $y=\left|f^{(5)}(x)\right|$ indicates that $\max _{0 \leq x \leq \frac{1}{4}}\left|f^{(5)}(x)\right|<40$.

Therefore

$$
\left|P_{4}\left(\frac{1}{4}\right)-f\left(\frac{1}{4}\right)\right| \leq \frac{\max _{0 \leq x \leq \frac{1}{4}}\left|f^{(5)}(x)\right|}{5!} \cdot\left(\frac{1}{4}\right)^{5}<\frac{40}{120 \cdot 4^{5}}=\frac{1}{3072}<\frac{1}{3000} .
$$

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## Question 6

Let $f(x)=\ln \left(1+x^{3}\right)$.
(a) The Maclaurin series for $\ln (1+x)$ is $x-\frac{x^{2}}{2}+\frac{x^{3}}{3}-\frac{x^{4}}{4}+\cdots+(-1)^{n+1} \cdot \frac{x^{n}}{n}+\cdots$. Use the series to write the first four nonzero terms and the general term of the Maclaurin series for $f$.
(b) The radius of convergence of the Maclaurin series for $f$ is 1 . Determine the interval of convergence. Show the work that leads to your answer.
(c) Write the first four nonzero terms of the Maclaurin series for $f^{\prime}\left(t^{2}\right)$. If $g(x)=\int_{0}^{x} f^{\prime}\left(t^{2}\right) d t$, use the first two nonzero terms of the Maclaurin series for $g$ to approximate $g(1)$.
(d) The Maclaurin series for $g$, evaluated at $x=1$, is a convergent alternating series with individual terms that decrease in absolute value to 0 . Show that your approximation in part (c) must differ from $g(1)$ by less than $\frac{1}{5}$.
(a) $x^{3}-\frac{x^{6}}{2}+\frac{x^{9}}{3}-\frac{x^{12}}{4}+\cdots+(-1)^{n+1} \cdot \frac{x^{3 n}}{n}+\cdots$
(b) The interval of convergence is centered at $x=0$.

At $x=-1$, the series is $-1-\frac{1}{2}-\frac{1}{3}-\frac{1}{4}-\cdots-\frac{1}{n}-\cdots$, which diverges because the harmonic series diverges.
At $x=1$, the series is $1-\frac{1}{2}+\frac{1}{3}-\frac{1}{4}+\cdots+(-1)^{n+1} \cdot \frac{1}{n}+\cdots$, the alternating harmonic series, which converges.

Therefore the interval of convergence is $-1<x \leq 1$.
(c) The Maclaurin series for $f^{\prime}(x), f^{\prime}\left(t^{2}\right)$, and $g(x)$ are
$f^{\prime}(x): \sum_{n=1}^{\infty}(-1)^{n+1} \cdot 3 x^{3 n-1}=3 x^{2}-3 x^{5}+3 x-3 x^{11}+\cdots$
$f^{\prime}\left(t^{2}\right): \sum_{n=1}^{\infty}(-1)^{n+1} \cdot 3 t^{6 n-2}=3 t^{4}-3 t^{10}+3 t^{16}-3 t^{22}+\cdots$
$g(x): \sum_{n=1}^{\infty}(-1)^{n+1} \cdot \frac{3 x^{6 n-1}}{6 n-1}=\frac{3 x^{5}}{5}-\frac{3 x^{11}}{11}+\frac{3 x^{17}}{17}-\frac{3 x^{23}}{23}+\cdots$
Thus $g(1) \approx \frac{3}{5}-\frac{3}{11}=\frac{18}{55}$.
(d) The Maclaurin series for $g$ evaluated at $x=1$ is alternating, and the terms decrease in absolute value to 0 .
Thus $\left|g(1)-\frac{18}{55}\right|<\frac{3 \cdot 1^{17}}{17}=\frac{3}{17}<\frac{1}{5}$.
$2:\left\{\begin{array}{l}1: \text { first four terms } \\ 1: \text { general term }\end{array}\right.$
2 : answer with analysis


1: analysis
48.

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## Question 6

The function $g$ has derivatives of all orders, and the Maclaurin series for $g$ is $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty}(-1)^{n} \frac{x^{2 n+1}}{2 n+3}=\frac{x}{3}-\frac{x^{3}}{5}+\frac{x^{5}}{7}-\cdots$.
(a) Using the ratio test, determine the interval of convergence of the Maclaurin series for $g$.
(b) The Maclaurin series for $g$ evaluated at $x=\frac{1}{2}$ is an alternating series whose terms decrease in absolute value to 0 . The approximation for $g\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)$ using the first two nonzero terms of this series is $\frac{17}{120}$. Show that this approximation differs from $g\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)$ by less than $\frac{1}{200}$.
(c) Write the first three nonzero terms and the general term of the Maclaurin series for $g^{\prime}(x)$.
(a) $\left|\frac{x^{2 n+3}}{2 n+5} \cdot \frac{2 n+3}{x^{2 n+1}}\right|=\left(\frac{2 n+3}{2 n+5}\right) \cdot x^{2}$
$\lim _{n \rightarrow \infty}\left(\frac{2 n+3}{2 n+5}\right) \cdot x^{2}=x^{2}$
$x^{2}<1 \Rightarrow-1<x<1$
The series converges when $-1<x<1$.
When $x=-1$, the series is $-\frac{1}{3}+\frac{1}{5}-\frac{1}{7}+\frac{1}{9}-\cdots$
This series converges by the Alternating Series Test.
When $x=1$, the series is $\frac{1}{3}-\frac{1}{5}+\frac{1}{7}-\frac{1}{9}+\cdots$
This series converges by the Alternating Series Test.
Therefore, the interval of convergence is $-1 \leq x \leq 1$.
(b) $\left|g\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)-\frac{17}{120}\right|<\frac{\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^{5}}{7}=\frac{1}{224}<\frac{1}{200}$
(c) $g^{\prime}(x)=\frac{1}{3}-\frac{3}{5} x^{2}+\frac{5}{7} x^{4}+\cdots+(-1)^{n}\left(\frac{2 n+1}{2 n+3}\right) x^{2 n}+\cdots$
$5:\left\{\begin{array}{l}1: \text { sets up ratio } \\ 1: \text { computes limit of ratio } \\ 1: \text { identifies interior of } \\ \quad \text { interval of convergence } \\ 1: \text { considers both endpoints } \\ 1: \text { analysis and interval of convergence }\end{array}\right.$
$2:\left\{\begin{array}{l}1: \text { uses the third term as an error bound } \\ 1: \text { error bound }\end{array}\right.$
$2:\left\{\begin{array}{l}1: \text { first three terms } \\ 1: \text { general term }\end{array}\right.$

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## Question 6

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

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=-4+2 x-\frac{1}{3} x^{2}+\frac{1}{18} x^{3}
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(c) Let $Q_{n}(x)$ denote the Taylor polynomial of degree $n$ for $h$ about $x=0$.
$h^{\prime}(x)=f(2 x) \Rightarrow Q_{3}^{\prime}(x)=-4+2(2 x)-\frac{1}{3}(2 x)^{2}$
$Q_{3}(x)=-4 x+4 \cdot \frac{x^{2}}{2}-\frac{4}{3} \cdot \frac{x^{3}}{3}+C ; C=Q_{3}(0)=h(0)=7$
$Q_{3}(x)=7-4 x+2 x^{2}-\frac{4}{9} x^{3}$
OR
$h^{\prime}(x)=f(2 x), h^{\prime \prime}(x)=2 f^{\prime}(2 x), h^{\prime \prime \prime}(x)=4 f^{\prime \prime}(2 x)$
$h^{\prime}(0)=f(0)=-4, h^{\prime \prime}(0)=2 f^{\prime}(0)=4, h^{\prime \prime \prime}(0)=4 f^{\prime \prime}(0)=-\frac{8}{3}$
$Q_{3}(x)=7-4 x+4 \cdot \frac{x^{2}}{2!}-\frac{8}{3} \cdot \frac{x^{3}}{3!}=7-4 x+2 x^{2}-\frac{4}{9} x^{3}$
$2:\left\{\begin{array}{l}1: \text { uses } P_{1}(x) \\ 1: \text { verifies } f^{\prime}(0)=2\end{array}\right.$
$3:\left\{\begin{array}{l}1: \text { first two terms } \\ 1: \text { third term } \\ 1: \text { fourth term }\end{array}\right.$
$4:\left\{\begin{array}{l}2: \text { applies } h^{\prime}(x)=f(2 x) \\ 1: \text { constant term } \\ 1: \text { remaining terms }\end{array}\right.$

