

Ex: Find interval and radius of convergence:

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n n}{4^n} (x+3)^n$$

we have conv.
at $x = -3$

$|x-a| < R$ conv.
 $|x-a| > R$ div.

→ Not even guaranteed alternating series...

Ratio Test:

$$\begin{aligned} L &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{(-1)^{n+1} (n+1) (x+3)^{n+1}}{4^{n+1}} \cdot \frac{4^n}{(-1)^n n (x+3)^n} \right| \\ &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{(n+1)(x+3)}{4n} \right| \\ &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{(n+1)|x+3|}{4n} = |x+3| \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{n+1}{4n} = |x+3| \frac{1}{4} \end{aligned}$$

$$L = \frac{1}{4} |x+3| \quad \text{What values of } x \text{ make } L < 1.$$

$$\frac{1}{4} |x+3| < 1 \quad \text{convergence.}$$

$$\frac{1}{4} |x+3| > 1 \quad \text{divergence.}$$

$$|x+3| < 4 \quad \rightarrow \quad -4 < x+3 < 4$$

Radius of 4, centered at -3

$$\boxed{-7 < x < 1}$$

→ Check endpoints:

$$\begin{aligned} x = -7 \dots \rightarrow \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n n}{4^n} (-7+3)^n &= \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n n}{4^n} (-4)^n \\ &= \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n \cdot n \cdot (-1)^n (4)^n}{4^n} = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n \quad \text{diverges} \end{aligned}$$

No changes to

$$x = 1 \dots \rightarrow \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n n}{4^n} (1+3)^n = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n n}{4^n} (4)^n = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (-1)^n n \quad \text{div.} \quad \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (-1)^n n = \text{DNE}$$

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$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{2^n}{n} (4x-8)^n$$

Ratio:

$$L = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{2^{n+1} (4x-8)^{n+1}}{n+1} \cdot \frac{n}{2^n (4x-8)^n} \right|$$

$$\frac{15}{2} - \frac{16}{2} = -\frac{1}{2}$$

$$= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{(4x-8) 2n}{n+1} \right| = |4x-8| \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{2n}{n+1}$$

$$L = 2|4x-8| < 1 \quad \text{conv}$$

$$8|x-2| < 1 \quad \rightarrow \quad |x-2| < \frac{1}{8} = R$$

$$\text{Interv. of conv.: } 15/8 < x < 17/8 \quad \rightarrow \quad \boxed{\frac{15}{8} \leq x \leq \frac{17}{8}}$$

→ Check endpoints:

$$x = 15/8 \dots \rightarrow \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{2^n}{n} \left(-\frac{1}{2}\right)^n = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{2^n}{n} \frac{(-1)^n}{2^n} = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (-1)^n \frac{1}{n} \quad \text{converg. by Alternating Series test.}$$

$$x = 17/8 \dots \rightarrow \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{2^n}{n} \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^n = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{2^n}{n} \cdot \frac{2^{-n}}{2^n} = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n} \quad \text{diverges (harmonic)}$$

Ex: $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} n! (2x+1)^n$ notice $a = -\frac{1}{2}$.

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

$$L = |2x+1| \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (n+1) = \infty \quad (\text{provided } x \neq -\frac{1}{2})$$

\downarrow
won't affect L since $n+1 \uparrow$ except if $x = -\frac{1}{2}$

This tells me: divergence if $L = \infty > 1$, which happens for all x except $x = -\frac{1}{2}$.

But we already know that at $x = -\frac{1}{2}$ (center) we converge.

Interval of convergence: $x = -\frac{1}{2}$ (not really an interval, 1-element set).

Radius: \emptyset (zero).