

We need to be able to represent certain types of rational functions as a geometric series. Rather than producing the Taylor's Rule, we will want to develop the series by manipulating a geometric series, or in some cases, using Long Division

**Example 1:**

First we'll do a quick review of geometric series. Geometric series are formed by multiplying by a common ratio  $r$ . Suppose I told you to start with  $a_1 = 2$  and to let  $r = 3$ , what geometric series would you write? WHAT WOULD THE SUM BE IN EACH CASE??

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} 2(3)^n$$

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} ar^n = \frac{a_1}{1-r}, |r| < 1$$

What if  $a_1 = 2$  and  $r = -3$ ?

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} 2(-3)^n$$

What if  $a_1 = 1$  and  $r = x$ ?

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} t(x)^n \text{ . If } |x| < 1, S = \frac{a_1}{1-r} \rightarrow S = \frac{1}{1-x}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Ex. 2} \quad S &= \frac{a_1}{1-r} = \frac{1}{1-x} \\ (b) \quad &= 1 + x + x^2 + x^3 + \dots + x^n \end{aligned}$$

**Example 2:** Find the power series for  $\frac{1}{1-x}$  centered at  $c = 0$  by

a) Using Taylor's Rule (safety net)

b) Manipulating a geometric series

c) Doing Long Division.

centered at  $x = 0 \quad |r| < 1 \quad -1 < x < 1$

Find the Interval of Convergence (without using the ratio test!) Verify by graphing each:

$$\frac{1}{1-x} = \frac{1+x+x^2+\dots+x^n+\dots}{1-x} = \frac{1}{x-1} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} x^n$$

$$\begin{array}{r} \cancel{1} \oplus x \\ \hline \end{array}$$

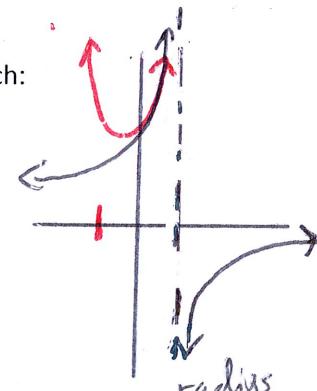
$$\begin{array}{r} x \\ \cancel{x} \oplus x^2 \\ \hline \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} x^2 \\ x^2 - x^3 \\ \hline \end{array}$$

Find I.O.C.

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{x^{n+1}}{x^n} \right| = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} |x| < 1 \rightarrow |x-0| < 1 \rightarrow \text{possible convergence } [-1, 1]$$

I.O.C.:  $(-1, 1)$



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Example 3:

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Find a power series for  $\frac{1}{1+x}$ , then find the interval of convergence. Include the first four nonzero terms and the general term.

$$\frac{1}{1-x} = 1 + x + x^2 + x^3 + \dots + x^n + \dots$$

$$\frac{1}{1+x} = \frac{1}{1-(-x)} = 1 - x + x^2 - x^3 + \dots + (-1)^n x^n \quad \text{or } (-x)^n$$

Example 4:

Find a power series that represents  $\frac{x}{1+x}$ , then find the interval of convergence. Include the first four nonzero terms and the general term.

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{x}{1+x} &= x(1 - x + x^2 - x^3 + \dots) \\ &= x - x^2 + x^3 - x^4 + \dots + (-1)^n x^{n+1}\end{aligned}$$

Example 5:

Find a power series for  $f(x) = \frac{1}{1-x^2}$ , then find the interval of convergence. Find the first four nonzero terms and the general term.

\* Think Geometric Series

$$S = \frac{a}{1-r}$$

$$\frac{1}{1-x} = 1 + x + x^2 + x^3 + \dots + x^n + \dots$$

$$\frac{1}{1-x^2} = 1 + x^2 + x^4 + x^6 + \dots + x^{2n} + \dots$$

Example 6:

$$r = |2x| < 1 \quad -\frac{1}{2} < x < \frac{1}{2}$$

Find a power series that represents  $\frac{1}{1-2x}$ , then find the interval of convergence. Include the first four nonzero terms and the general term.

$$\frac{1}{1-x} = 1 + x + x^2 + x^3 + \dots + x^n + \dots$$

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

$$\begin{array}{r} 1+2x+4x^2 \\ 1-2x \sqrt{ } \quad 1 \\ \underline{-1+2x} \\ \hline -2x+4x^2 \end{array}$$

Example 7:

\*centered at  $x=0$   
Find a power series for  $g(x) = \frac{1}{4+x}$ , centered at then find the interval of convergence. Include the first four nonzero terms and the general term.

\*match to  $\frac{a_1}{1-r}$

$$\frac{1}{4+x} = \frac{1}{4-(-x)} \rightarrow \frac{\frac{1}{4}}{\frac{4}{4}-\left(\frac{-x}{4}\right)}$$

ratio

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left(\frac{1}{4}\right) \left(\frac{-x}{4}\right)^n = \frac{(-1)^n x^n}{4^{n+1}}$$

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

By GST  
 $|-\frac{x}{4}| < 1$   
 $-4 < x < 4$   
center  $c=0$   
 $r=4$   
I.O.C.  $(-4, 4)$

Sometimes we cannot center our function at  $x=0$ . In this case, we must try to rewrite our function with the new center showing.

Example 8:

Find a power series that represents  $\frac{1}{x}$  centered at  $c=1$ , then find the interval of convergence. Include the first four nonzero terms and the general term.

$$\frac{1}{x} = \frac{1}{1+(x-1)} = \frac{1}{1-(-(x-1))}$$

$$f(x) = \frac{1}{x} \quad f(1) = 1$$

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

$$f'(x) = -\frac{1}{x^2} \quad f'(1) = -1$$

$$1 - (x-1) + (x-1)^2 - (x-1)^3 + \dots (-1)^n (x-1)^n + \dots$$

$$f''(x) = \frac{2}{x^3} \quad f''(1) = 2$$

Need point that satisfies  
 $\ln 1 = 0$  the graph

$$f'''(x) = -\frac{6}{x^4} \quad f'''(1) = -6$$

$$\int \frac{1}{x} dx = \ln x = x - \frac{(x-1)^2}{2} + \frac{(x-1)^3}{3} - \frac{(x-1)^4}{4} + \dots \frac{(-1)^n (x-1)^{n+1}}{n+1}$$

$$F(x) = 0 = C + 1 - 0 + 0 - 0 + \dots \int \frac{1}{x} dx = (x-1) - \frac{(x-1)^2}{2} + \frac{(x-1)^3}{3} - \frac{(-1)^n (x-1)^{n+1}}{n+1}$$

### Example 9:

Find a power series for  $h(x) = \frac{15}{2x-1}$ , centered at  $c=1$ , then find the interval of convergence. Include the first four nonzero terms and the general term.

$$\rightarrow \frac{a_1}{1-r}$$

$$\begin{aligned} & 15 \left[ \frac{1}{2x-1} \right] \quad = 15 \left[ \frac{1}{2(x-1)+1} \right] \quad 15 \left[ \frac{1}{1-[-2(x-1)]} \right] \\ & = 15 \left[ \frac{1}{2(x-1)+2-1} \right] \quad = 15 \left[ \frac{1}{1+2(x-1)} \right] \quad 15 \left[ 1 - 2(x-1) + 4(x-1)^2 - 8(x-1)^3 + \dots \right. \\ & \text{force the center} \quad \left. (-1)^n 2^n (x-1)^n \right] \\ & = 15 - 30(x-1) + 60(x-1)^2 - 120(x-1)^3 + \dots (-1)^n 2^n \cdot 15(x-1)^n \end{aligned}$$

We can integrate or differentiate a power series to obtain a new series. When we do this, the radius of convergence will be the same, but the interval may change (retest endpoints).

$$|r| = |-2(x-1)| < 1$$

### Example 10:

original I.O.C.  $|x| < 1$

Find a power series that represents  $\frac{1}{(1-x)^2}$  centered at  $c=0$ . Hint: what is  $\int \left( \frac{1}{(1-x)^2} \right) dx$ ? What is the radius of convergence?

$$\text{since } \int \frac{1}{(1-x)^2} dx = \frac{u=1-x}{\frac{du}{dx}=-1} - \int \frac{1}{u^2} du = - \int u^{-2} du = \frac{-u^{-1}}{-1} = \frac{1}{(1-x)}$$

$$\text{I.O.C. : } \left( \frac{1}{2}, \frac{3}{2} \right)$$

$$\text{And } \frac{1}{1-x} = 1 + x + x^2 + x^3 + x^4 + \dots + x^n + \dots$$

$$\text{so } \frac{d}{dx} \left( \frac{1}{1-x} \right) = \frac{1}{(1-x)^2} = 0 + 1 + 2x + 3x^2 + 4x^3 + \dots + nx^{n-1} + \dots \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n \cdot x^{n-1}$$

### Example 11:

Find a power series that represents  $\ln(1-x)$  centered at  $c=0$ . Hint: what is  $\int \left( \frac{1}{1-x} \right) dx$ ? What is the radius of convergence?

$$r=x$$

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

Test values  
at center, shared  
(guaranteed point)

$$\int \frac{1}{1-x} dx = x + \frac{x^2}{2} + \frac{x^3}{3} + \frac{x^4}{4} + \dots + \frac{x^n}{n}$$

$$\text{Since } \frac{d}{dx} \ln(1-x) = \frac{-1}{1-x}, \quad \int \frac{-1}{1-x} dx = \ln(1-x) = -x - \frac{x^2}{2} - \frac{x^3}{3} - \frac{x^4}{4} - \dots - \frac{x^{n+1}}{n+1} + C$$

$$0 = C - x - \frac{x^2}{2} - \frac{x^3}{3} - \dots$$

$$C=0$$

$$\left| \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{-x^{n+1}}{n+1} \right| \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{-x^{n+2}}{n+2} \cdot \frac{n+1}{x^{n+1}} \right| = |x| < 1 \quad [(-1, 1)]$$

$$\text{I.O.C. : } [-1, 1)$$

**Example 12:**

(Similar to 2008—BC6B) Let  $f$  be the function given by  $f(x) = \frac{1}{1+x^2}$ .  $\leftarrow \frac{1}{1-x^2}$  *Modified Geometric Series*

(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  $\arctan x$  is  $\frac{1}{1+x^2}$ . Write the first four nonzero terms of the Taylor series for  $\arctan x$  about  $x=0$ .

(d) Use the series found in part (c) to find a rational number  $A$  such that  $|A - \arctan\left(\frac{3}{4}\right)| < \frac{1}{10}$ . Justify your answer.

$$a) \quad 1 - x^2 + x^4 - x^6 + \dots + (-1)^n (x^2)^n + \dots$$

$$b) \quad \text{ratio} = |r| = |-x^2| < 1 \quad |x^2| < 1 \rightarrow |x| < 1$$

I.O.C.  $(-1, 1)$ . Since this is a geometric series, no convergence at  $x=1$ , (endpoint)

$$c) \int \frac{1}{1+x^2} dx = \arctan x + C$$

$$\int \frac{1}{1+x^2} dx = \int 1 - x^2 + x^4 - x^6 + \dots (-1)^n x^{2n} dx$$

$$\arctan x = C + x - \frac{x^3}{3} + \frac{x^5}{5} - \frac{x^7}{7} + \dots$$

$$\arctan 0 = C + 0 - 0 \dots \underline{\underline{C=0}}$$

$$\arctan x = x - \frac{x^3}{3} + \frac{x^5}{5} - \frac{x^7}{7} + \dots$$

$$d) \quad \arctan\left(\frac{3}{4}\right) = \frac{3}{4} - \frac{\left(\frac{3}{4}\right)^3}{3} + \frac{\left(\frac{3}{4}\right)^5}{5} - \frac{\left(\frac{3}{4}\right)^7}{7} + \dots$$

$$A = \frac{3}{4} - \left(\frac{3}{4}\right)^3 \left(\frac{1}{3}\right) = \boxed{\frac{39}{64}}$$

series is a converging alternating

series, the error bound is

the first unused term:  $\left(\frac{3}{4}\right)^5 \left(\frac{1}{5}\right) < \frac{1}{10}$

*plug in  $x=0$  to find "C"*

$$\arctan 0 = C + 0 - 0 \dots \underline{\underline{C=0}}$$

$$\arctan x = x - \frac{x^3}{3} + \frac{x^5}{5} - \frac{x^7}{7} + \dots$$

$$\frac{3^5}{4^5 \cdot 5} < \frac{1}{10}$$