

Intervals of Convergence

When finding intervals of converge, use ratio test to find the basic interval of abs. convergence, but then you need to test endpoints to see if the converge abs, converge conditionally, or diverge.

Ex: $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{x^n}{n}$

• Find the radius r ; interval of convergence.

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{x^{n+1}}{n+1} \cdot \frac{n}{x^n} \right| \Rightarrow \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{x \cdot n}{n+1} = |x|$$

$$|x| < 1$$

$$-1 < x < 1 \Rightarrow \text{abs. converge}$$

• $x=1$ $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n} \Rightarrow$ Diverges by the p-series test

• $x=-1$ $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n}{n}$

1. $\frac{1}{n} \geq 0$ ✓
2. $\frac{1}{n} \geq \frac{1}{n+1}$ ✓
3. $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n} = 0$ ✓

converges cond by alt series test

Converges $[-1, 1)$
 conv. abs $(-1, 1)$
 conv. cond $x = -1$
 $R = 1$

Ex: $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n (x+3)^n}{3^n}$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{(-1)^{n+1} (x+3)^{n+1}}{3^{n+1}} \cdot \frac{3^n}{(-1)^n (x+3)^n} \right|$$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{(-1)^1 (x+3)}{3} \right|$$

$$\left| \frac{x+3}{3} \right| < 1$$

$$-1 < \frac{x+3}{3} < 1$$

$$-3 < x+3 < 3$$

$$-6 < x < 0 \Rightarrow \text{abs. converge}$$

$x = 0$ $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n (3)^n}{3^n} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-1)^n \Rightarrow \text{Diverge since } |r| \geq 1$

$x = -6$ $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n (-3)^n}{3^n}$

$|r| \geq 1$

Converge $(-6, 0)$
 conv. Abs $(-6, 0)$

conv. cond. never

$$R=3$$

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

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{(x-3)^n}{4^n} \cdot \frac{4^{n-1}}{(x-3)^{n-1}} \right| = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{(4)^{-1}}{(x-3)^{-1}} \right| = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{x-3}{4} \right| < 1$$

$$-1 < \frac{x-3}{4} < 1$$

$$-4 < x-3 < 4$$

$$-1 < x < 7 \quad \text{conv. abs}$$

$$x=7 \quad \sum \frac{4^{n-1}}{4^{n-1}} = \sum 1^{n-1} \quad \text{Diverges since } |r| \geq 1$$

$$x=-1 \quad \sum \frac{(-4)^{n-1}}{4^{n-1}} = \sum (-1)^{n-1}$$

- converges $(-1, 7)$
 - conv. abs $(-1, 7)$
 - conv cond. never
- $$R=4$$