

Calculus BC - 2022 AP Live Review Session 5

Working With and Manipulating Series on the AP Calculus BC Exam

What Do We Need to Know ?

Function	First Four Terms	General Term	Interval of Convergence
e^x	$1 + x + \frac{x^2}{2!} + \frac{x^3}{3!} + \dots$	$\frac{x^n}{n!}$	$-\infty < x < \infty$
$\sin x$	$x - \frac{x^3}{3!} + \frac{x^5}{5!} - \frac{x^7}{7!} + \dots$	$\frac{(-1)^n x^{2n+1}}{(2n+1)!}$	$-\infty < x < \infty$
$\cos x$	$1 - \frac{x^2}{2!} + \frac{x^4}{4!} - \frac{x^6}{6!} + \dots$	$\frac{(-1)^n x^{2n}}{(2n)!}$	$-\infty < x < \infty$
$\frac{1}{1+x}$	$1 - x + x^2 - x^3 + \dots$	$(-1)^n x^n$	$-1 < x < 1$

The series for $\frac{1}{1+x}$ is useful when working with functions of the form $\frac{1}{1-x}$ and connecting them to the geometric series $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a \cdot r^n$.

Definition of Taylor Series and Maclaurin Series

If f has a power series representation at $x = c$, then the series

$$f(x) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{f^{(n)}(c)}{n!} (x-c)^n = f(c) + f'(c)(x-c) + \frac{f''(c)}{2!} (x-c)^2 + \frac{f'''(c)}{3!} (x-c)^3 + \dots$$

is called the **Taylor series for f centered at c** .

If $c = 0$, then

$$f(x) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{f^{(n)}(0)}{n!} x^n = f(0) + f'(0)x + \frac{f''(0)}{2!} x^2 + \frac{f'''(0)}{3!} x^3 + \dots$$

is also called the **Maclaurin series for f** .

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Finding Your Way Around AP Classroom

Open Response / Multiple Choice Practice

1. Level: AP3

Write the first four terms and the general term of the series expansion for the function $f(x) = e^{2x}$.

2. Level: AP3

Write the first three nonzero terms and the general term of the Maclaurin series for $x^2 \cos(x)$.

3. Level: AP3

Given the infinite series $f(x) = x + x^2 + \frac{x^3}{3} - \frac{x^5}{30} + \dots$, which of the following represents the series $f(-3x^2)$?

(A) $-3x^2 + 3x^3 - x^4 + \frac{x^6}{10} + \dots$

(B) $-3x^2 - 3x^4 - x^6 + \frac{x^{10}}{10} + \dots$

(C) $-3x^2 + 9x^4 - 9x^6 + \frac{81x^{10}}{10} + \dots$

(D) $-3x^3 - 3x^4 - x^5 + \frac{x^7}{10} + \dots$

4. Level: AP4

Given $f(x) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{5(2x-3)^n}{n!}$, find $f'(x)$.

(A) $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{5(2x-3)^{n-1}}{(n-1)!}$

(B) $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{10(2x-3)^{n-1}}{n!}$

(C) $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{10(2x-3)^{n-1}}{(n-1)!}$

(D) $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{10(2x-3)^{n+1}}{(n+1)!}$

5. Level: AP4

The Taylor series for $g(x)$ about $x = -2$ is given by $2 + 4(x+2) + 4(x+2)^2 + \frac{8}{3}(x+2)^3 + \dots + \frac{2^{n+1}}{n!}(x+2)^n + \dots$

Write the first three nonzero terms and the general term for $g'(x)$.

6. Level: AP4

Find the radius of convergence for $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(x+3)^n}{n \cdot 2^n}$.

7. Level: AP4

If the Taylor series for f about $x = 2$ is $3 + \frac{3}{4}(x-2) + \frac{3}{4^2}(x-2)^2 + \frac{3}{4^3}(x-2)^3 + \dots$, then $f(1) =$

- (A) $\frac{-3}{5}$
- (B) $\frac{12}{5}$
- (C) 4
- (D) 12

8. Level: AP5

The power series $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} b_n (x-5)^n$ is conditionally convergent at $x = 1$. Which of the following *must* be true?

- (A) The series converges absolutely at $x = 7$.
- (B) The series is conditionally convergent at $x = 8$.
- (C) The series is conditionally convergent at $x = 9$.
- (D) The series converges absolutely at $x = 10$.

Free Response Practice

1. The Taylor series for a function f about $x=1$ is given by $f(x) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-1)^n \frac{1}{(2n+1) \cdot 3^{n-1}} (x-1)^n$.

(a) Use the ratio test to show that the radius of convergence of $f(x)$ is 3.

(b) Write an equation of the line tangent to the graph of $f(x)$ at $x=1$.

(c) Determine if $f(x)$ converges absolutely, converges conditionally, or diverges at each $x = -2$ and $x = 4$. Justify your answer.

(d) Let $g(x) = \int_1^x f(t) dt$. Find $T_3(x)$, the third-degree Taylor polynomial to $g(x)$ about $x=1$.

(e) Show that $\left| g\left(\frac{3}{2}\right) - T_3\left(\frac{3}{2}\right) \right| \leq \frac{1}{3000}$.

Multiple Choice Practice

9. Level: AP5

The power series $x^2 - \frac{x^6}{3!} + \frac{x^{10}}{5!} - \frac{x^{14}}{7!} + \dots + \frac{(-1)^n}{(2n+1)!} x^{4n+2} + \dots$ converges to which of the following?

- (A) $x \sin(x)$
- (B) $\sin(x^2)$
- (C) $x^2 \cos(x)$
- (D) $\cos(x^3) + x^2 - 1$

10. Level: AP2

Which of the following is a power series for $f(x) = \sin(x^2)$?

- (A) $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n x^{2n+1}}{(2n+1)!}$
- (B) $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{x^{4n+2}}{(2n+1)!}$
- (C) $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n x^{4n}}{(2n)!}$
- (D) $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n x^{4n+2}}{(2n+1)!}$

11. Level: AP4

Which of the following is the coefficient of the x^7 term in the Maclaurin series for $3 - x \cos(x)$?

- (A) $\frac{1}{6!}$
- (B) $-\frac{1}{6!}$
- (C) $-\frac{1}{7!}$
- (D) $\frac{1}{7!}$

12. Level: AP3

Find the interval of convergence for the series $h(x) = \frac{x-3}{2} + \frac{(x-3)^2}{2 \cdot 2^2} + \frac{(x-3)^3}{3 \cdot 2^3} + \frac{(x-3)^4}{4 \cdot 2^4} + \dots$

- (A) $2 \leq x \leq 4$
- (B) $1 < x < 5$
- (C) $1 \leq x < 5$
- (D) $2 \leq x < 4$

13. Level: AP3

Let h be a function where h and its derivatives are positive for all values of x . The Taylor series for h centered at $x = -3$ is $3 + (x+3) + \frac{7}{2!}(x+3)^2 + \frac{3}{7 \cdot 3!}(x+3)^3 + \frac{5}{6 \cdot 4!}(x+3)^4 + \frac{1}{5!}(x+3)^5 + \dots$, and let $T(x)$ be the Taylor polynomial for h , centered at $x = -3$, using the first four terms of the series for h . The Lagrange error bound states that $|h(-1) - T(-1)| \leq K$, where K is a constant. What is the value of K ?

- (A) $K = \frac{5}{9}$
- (B) $K = \frac{4}{15}$
- (C) $K = \frac{5}{144}$
- (D) $K = \frac{1}{120}$

14. Level: AP3

Which of the following is $\int_0^x \cos(\sqrt{t}) dt$?

- (A) $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n x^{2n+1}}{(2n+1)(2n)!}$
- (B) $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n x^{n+1}}{(n+1)(2n)!}$
- (C) $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n (\sqrt{x})^{2n+1}}{(2n+1)(2n+1)!}$
- (D) $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n x^{2n+1}}{(n+1)(2n)!}$

15. Level: AP3

For $-2 < x < 2$, the function h is defined by $h(x) = \frac{-3}{4+2x}$. Which of the following series could be $h(x)$?

(A) $-3 - 6x - 12x^2 - 24x^3 - 48x^4 - \dots$

(B) $-3 + \frac{3x}{2} - \frac{3x^2}{4} + \frac{3x^3}{8} - \frac{3x^4}{16} + \dots$

(C) $-\frac{3}{4} + \frac{3x}{8} - \frac{3x^2}{16} + \frac{3x^3}{32} - \frac{3x^4}{64} + \dots$

(D) $-\frac{3}{4} - \frac{3x}{8} - \frac{3x^2}{16} - \frac{3x^3}{32} - \frac{3x^4}{64} - \dots$