

Solutions to the Practice Final Exam

1. (a)-(6), (b)-(1), (c)-(2), (d)-(3), (e)-(4), (f)-(5)
2. Plugging in the functions to the equations, we find the answer is (b) $y = 2e^x + e^{-x}$.
3. This equation is separable. Separate variables, we have

$$\frac{dy}{y^2} = \cos x dx$$

Integrate both sides,

$$-y^{-1} = \sin x + C$$

which we can rewrite as

$$y = \frac{-1}{\sin x + C}$$

where C is a constant. To determine it, we use the initial condition, $y(0) = 5$. Plug it in, we get $5 = \frac{-1}{\sin 0 + C}$, which solves $C = -1/5$. Therefore, the final solution to the initial value problem is

$$y(x) = \frac{-1}{\sin x - 1/5} \quad \text{or} \quad y(x) = \frac{5}{1 - 5 \sin x}$$

4. Suppose the temperature of the turkey is $y(t)$. According to Newton's law, y obeys the following differential equation,

$$y'(t) = k(y - 20)$$

where k is a constant, and 20 is the room temperature in $^{\circ}\text{C}$. The initial condition is given by $y(0) = 100^{\circ}\text{C}$. The goal is to solve this initial value problem.

$\frac{dy}{dt} = k(y - 20)$ is a separable equation. Separate variables,

$$\frac{dy}{y - 20} = k dt$$

Integrate both sides, we get

$$\ln(y - 20) = kt + C$$

where C is the integration constant. Exponentiate both sides, we get

$$y = Ae^{kt} + 20$$

where $A = e^C$ is an unknown constant, which can be determined using the initial conditions $y(0) = 100^\circ\text{C}$. Plug it in, $100 = Ae^0 + 20 \implies A = 80$. Now we need to solve for k , using the other condition $y(1) = 60^\circ\text{C}$. Plugging this into the above equation, we get $60 = 80e^k + 20$, or $k = \ln 1/2 = -\ln 2$. Put all this together,

$$y = 80e^{-t \ln 2} + 20$$

is the solution to the problem. The question asks us to find the time t at which y is 30°C .

$$30 = 80e^{-t \ln 2} + 20 \implies e^{-t \ln 2} = 1/8 \implies -t \ln 2 = \ln 1/8$$

If you know $\ln 1/8 = -3 \ln 2$, you get the final answer $t = 3$ hours.

5. suppose the amount of salt in the tank is $S(t)$. We have $\frac{dS}{dt}$ = rate in - rate out. Since only pure water comes into the tank, rate in = 0. The brine is going out of the tank at a rate of 10(L/min). We need to figure out how much salt is there in this 10(L) of brine. Since the tank holds 1000(L) of brine, in which the amount of salt is S (kg). Therefore, in each liter of brine, there is $\frac{S}{1000}$ (kg/L) salt. So 10(L) of brine contains $10 \frac{S}{1000}$ (kg) of salt. In another word, rate out = $10 \frac{S}{1000}$. Put these informations in, we obtain a differential equation which describe the amount of salt in the tank.

$$\frac{dS}{dt} = 0 - 10 \frac{S}{1000} \quad \text{or} \quad \frac{dS}{dt} = -\frac{S}{100}$$

Separate variables,

$$\frac{dS}{S} = -\frac{1}{100} dt$$

Integrate both sides,

$$\ln S = -\frac{1}{100}t + C$$

Exponentiate

$$S(t) = Ae^{-\frac{1}{100}t}$$

with $A = e^C$ a constant. From the initial condition $S(0) = 15$, we determine $A = 15$. So the function that describes the amount of salt in the tank is

$$S(t) = 15e^{-\frac{1}{100}t}$$

After 20 minutes,

$$S(20) = 15e^{-\frac{1}{100}20} = 15e^{-\frac{1}{5}}$$

6. (a) $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \cos(n\pi/2)$ doesn't exist, so the series is divergent.

(b) First sol: When n is big enough ($n > 4$), $\frac{1}{n!} < \frac{1}{n^2}$. $\sum \frac{1}{n^2}$ is convergent, (p-series with $p = 2 > 1$). Therefore $\sum \frac{1}{n!}$ is convergent by comparison.

second sol: the ratio test.

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{a_{n+1}}{a_n} \right| = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{\frac{1}{(n+1)!}}{\frac{1}{n!}} \right| = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{1}{(n+1)!} \frac{n!}{1} \right| = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{1}{n+1} \right| = 0 < 1$$

so the series is convergent.

(c). First sol: $\frac{n}{2n^2+3} > \frac{n}{2n^2} = \frac{1}{2n}$. Since $\sum \frac{1}{2n}$ is divergent (harmonic series), $\sum \frac{n}{2n^2+3}$ diverges by comparison.

Second sol: use limit comparison test, with $a_n = \frac{1}{n}$.

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{a_n}{b_n} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\frac{1}{n}}{\frac{n}{2n^2+3}} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n} \frac{2n^2+3}{n} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{2n^2+3}{n^2} = 2 > 0$$

Since $\sum \frac{1}{n}$ diverges, so is $\sum \frac{n}{2n^2+3}$.

(d). $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \cos e^{-n} = \cos 0 = 1 \neq 0$, so the series diverges.

(e). $\frac{1}{n3^n} < \frac{1}{3^n} = (\frac{1}{3})^n$. $\sum (\frac{1}{3})^n$ is convergent (geometric series with $r = 1/3$), so our series is convergent as well.

Note: you could also use ratio test.

(f). This is an alternating series, so let's try alternating series test. First

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\ln(n^2)}{n} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{2 \ln n}{n} = 0$$

then

$$\frac{2 \ln(n+1)}{n+1} < \frac{2 \ln n}{n}$$

for $n \geq 3$. This needs some justification, $(\frac{\ln x}{x})' = \frac{1-\ln x}{x^2} < 0$ when $\ln x > 1$, i.e., $x > e$. So the associated function is decreasing when $x > e$, which implies the sequence is decreasing when $n \geq 3$. Therefore the series converges by the alternating series test.

7.(a). By the ratio test, we know when

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{(x-5)^{n+1}}{(x-5)^n} \right| = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} |x-5| = |x-5| < 1$$

the power series is convergent. Therefore the radius of convergence is 1, and the series converges in $(4, 6)$. To find the interval of convergence, we need to check the end points, namely, $x = 4$ and $x = 6$.

When $x = 4$, the power series becomes $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-1)^n$, which diverges. ($\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (-1)^n$ doesn't exist.)

when $x = 6$, the power series becomes $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} 1^n = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} 1$. It diverges because $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} 1 = 1 \neq 0$.

So the interval of convergence is $(4, 6)$.

(b). By the ratio test,

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{3^{n+1} x^{n+1}}{3^n x^n} \right| = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} |3x| = |3x| < 1$$

so for the power series to converge, $|x| < \frac{1}{3} \implies$ the radius of convergence is $1/3$. Now check the end points, $-1/3$ and $1/3$.

when $x = -1/3$, the series becomes $\sum 3^n(-1/3)^n = \sum(-1)^n$, diverges.

when $x = 1/3$, the series becomes $\sum 3^n(1/3)^n = \sum 1^n$, again diverges.

So the interval of convergence is $(-\frac{1}{3}, \frac{1}{3})$.

(c).

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

This converges only when $x = 0$. So the interval of convergence is a single point, 0. Note that in this case, there is no end points to be checked.

(d).

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

Because when $n \rightarrow \infty$, $n+1 \sim n$. If $|x+2| < 1$, our series is convergent. So the radius of convergence is 1, and the series converges in $(-3, -1)$.

when $x = -3$, the series becomes $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n}{n \ln n}$. This is convergent by the alternating series test. ($\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n \ln n} = 0$ and $\frac{1}{n \ln n}$ is decreasing for n big enough, check them).

when $x = -1$, the series becomes $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n \ln n}$. It's divergent (Ex 15, Sec 8.3, You ought to use the integral test).

So the interval of convergence is $[-3, -1)$.

8.(a). see example 3, Sec 8.7, page 616.

(b).

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

(By eq. 1 in the box on page 618). It converges when $|-x| < 1$, or $|x| < 1$.

(c).

$$\sin x^3 = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-1)^n \frac{(x^3)^{2n+1}}{(2n+1)!} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-1)^n \frac{x^{6n+3}}{(2n+1)!}$$

By eq. 3 in the box on page 618.

(d). $(\frac{1}{(1-x)^2})' = \frac{-2}{(1-x)^3}$, so $f(x) = \frac{1}{(1-x)^3} = -\frac{1}{2}(\frac{1}{(1-x)^2})'$.

$$f(x) = -\frac{1}{2}(\frac{1}{(1-x)^2})' = -\frac{1}{2}(\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (n+1)x^n)' = -\frac{1}{2} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} ((n+1)x^n)' = -\frac{1}{2} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (n+1)nx^{n-1}$$

For the series expansion of $\frac{1}{(1-x)^2}$, refer to example 5 in sec 8.6, page 608. So if you have to start scratch and use eq. 1 in the box on page 618, you need to differentiate it twice.

(e). $(x-1)^3$ is already of the desired form, so we only need to worry about $\ln x$.

Using Taylor's formula (or the method discussed in class, check your notes), we find

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

Multiply $(x-1)^3$ in, we get the desired power series expansion

$$(x-1)^3 \ln x = (x-1)^3 \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n}{n+1} (x-1)^{n+1} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n}{n+1} (x-1)^{n+4}$$

9.(a). compare this expression with eq. 2 in the box on page 618, we see that it's just the right hand side with x replaced by $-\ln 3$. so it must equal to the left hand side with x replaced by $-\ln 3$, which is $e^{-\ln 3} = e^{\ln 3^{-1}} = 1/3$.

(b).

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{3^n}{5^n n!} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(3/5)^n}{n!}$$

which is the right hand side of eq. 2 in the box on page 618 with x replaced by $3/5$, so must equal to $e^{3/5}$.

(c). compare to eq. 4 in the box on page 618, we see the series equals to $\cos \pi = -1$.

10.

$$\begin{aligned} \int \frac{\sin x}{x} dx &= \int \frac{\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-1)^n \frac{x^{2n+1}}{(2n+1)!}}{x} dx = \int \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-1)^n \frac{x^{2n}}{(2n+1)!} dx = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-1)^n \int \frac{x^{2n}}{(2n+1)!} dx \\ &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-1)^n \frac{x^{2n+1}}{(2n+1)(2n+1)!} \\ \int_0^1 \frac{\sin x}{x} dx &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-1)^n \frac{x^{2n+1}}{(2n+1)(2n+1)!} \Big|_0^1 = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-1)^n \frac{1^{2n+1}}{(2n+1)(2n+1)!} - 0 \\ &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-1)^n \frac{1}{(2n+1)(2n+1)!} = 1 - \frac{1}{18} + \frac{1}{600} - \frac{1}{29400} + \dots \end{aligned}$$

So, up to the 3rd decimal point,

$$\int_0^1 \frac{\sin x}{x} dx \simeq 1 - \frac{1}{18} + \frac{1}{600} = \frac{1703}{1800}$$

by the error estimates of alternating series. We used eq. 3 in the box on page 618 to represent $\sin x$ as a power series.

11. By eq. 2 in the box on page 618, $e^x = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{x^n}{n!}$, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{\sqrt{e}} = e^{-1/2} &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1/2)^n}{n!} = 1 + (-\frac{1}{2}) + (-\frac{1}{2})^2 \frac{1}{2!} + (-\frac{1}{2})^3 \frac{1}{3!} + (-\frac{1}{2})^4 \frac{1}{4!} \dots = 1 - \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{8} - \frac{1}{48} + \frac{1}{384} \dots \\ &\simeq 1 - \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{8} - \frac{1}{48} = \frac{77}{144} \end{aligned}$$

the error is less than $\frac{1}{100}$ by the error estimates of alternating series.

12. (a) By eq. 3 in the box on page 618, $\sin x = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-1)^n \frac{x^{2n+1}}{(2n+1)!}$,

$$\begin{aligned} \sin 1 &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-1)^n \frac{1^{2n+1}}{(2n+1)!} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-1)^n \frac{1}{(2n+1)!} = 1 - \frac{1}{6} + \frac{1}{120} - \frac{1}{5040} \dots \\ &\simeq 1 - \frac{1}{6} + \frac{1}{120} = \frac{101}{120} \end{aligned}$$

The error is less than $\frac{1}{1000}$ by error estimates on alternating series.

(b) By eq. 4 in the box on page 618, $\cos x = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-1)^n \frac{x^{2n}}{(2n)!}$,

$$\cos 1/2 = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-1)^n \frac{(1/2)^{2n}}{(2n)!} = 1 - \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^2 \frac{1}{2!} + \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^4 \frac{1}{4!} \dots = 1 - \frac{1}{8} + \frac{1}{384} \dots \simeq 1 - \frac{1}{8} = \frac{7}{8}$$

The error is less than $\frac{1}{100}$ by error estimates on alternating series.

13.(a). Suppose $y = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} c_n x^n$ is a power series expansion of the differential equation $y' = xy$, which we rewrite as $y' - xy = 0$.

$$y' = \left(\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} c_n x^n\right)' = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (c_n x^n)' = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} c_n n x^{n-1} = \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} c_{m+1} (m+1) x^m$$

We set $m = n - 1$ to convert the power series into the form $\sum \dots x^m$.

$$xy = x \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} c_n x^n = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} c_n x^{n+1} = \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} c_{m-1} x^m$$

We set $m = n + 1$ to convert the power series into the form $\sum \dots x^m$. Plug these into the equation, we get

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} c_{m+1} (m+1) x^m - \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} c_{m-1} x^m &= 0 \implies c_1 + \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} (c_{m+1} (m+1) - c_{m-1}) x^m = 0 \\ \implies c_1 &= 0 \quad \text{and} \quad c_{m+1} (m+1) - c_{m-1} = 0 \end{aligned}$$

so we obtain the recursive formula

$$c_{m+1} = \frac{c_{m-1}}{m+1}$$

when $m = 1$, it gives $c_2 = \frac{c_0}{2}$. $m = 2$, $c_3 = \frac{c_1}{3} = 0$, $m = 3$, $c_4 = \frac{c_2}{4} = \frac{c_0}{4 \cdot 2}$, (...you need to keep going for a while if you don't see the pattern). In general, $c_n = 0$ when n is odd, when n is even, the coefficients are $\frac{1}{2^n (n)!}$. So the function is $y(x) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{c_0}{2^n (n)!} x^{2n}$. Plug in the initial value, we find $c_0 = 1$. The final solution to the initial value problem is $y(x) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{2^n (n)!} x^{2n}$

(b). This equation is separable, separate variables, we get $\frac{dy}{y} = x dx$. Integrate both sides, $\ln y = \frac{1}{2} x^2 + C$, or $y = A e^{1/2 x^2}$, where $A = e^C$ is a constant. Plug in the initial value, we find $A=1$. Therefore, the functional solution to the initial value problem is $y = e^{\frac{1}{2} x^2}$.

(c). In (a) and (b), we found 2 solutions to the same initial value problem. Therefore, they must equal to each other. That is,

$$y = e^{\frac{1}{2}x^2} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{(n)!} x^{2n}$$

which makes sense, because (using eq. 2 in the box on page 618)

$$e^{\frac{1}{2}x^2} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{(n)!} \left(\frac{1}{2}x^2\right)^n = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{2^n(n)!} x^{2n}$$

14. (a)

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin x}{x} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-1)^n \frac{x^{2n+1}}{(2n+1)!}}{x} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{x - \frac{x^3}{3!} + \dots}{x} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \left(1 - \frac{x^2}{3!} + \dots\right) = 1$$

Because all the terms other than the 1st contains x, therefore vanishes when taking the limit.

(b)

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{1 - \cos x}{e^x - 1 - x} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{1 - \left(1 - \frac{x^2}{2!} + \frac{x^4}{4!} \dots\right)}{\left(1 + x + \frac{x^2}{2!} + \frac{x^3}{3!} + \dots\right) - 1 - x} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\frac{x^2}{2!} - \frac{x^4}{4!} \dots}{\frac{x^2}{2!} + \frac{x^3}{3!} + \dots} = 1$$

Here, you have a quotient of 2 power series, so you need to use long division. However, since we are looking for the limit, you just need 1 term. It turns out it's equivalent to just keep the leading terms in the numerator and the denominator.