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Main Points:

1. Use *Mathematica* to graph partial sum functions.
2. Notice the significance of radius of convergence.

Exercises.

1. Recall that $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} x^n$ is a function with domain $(-1, 1)$. Using the formula for the sum of a convergent geometric series,

$$\frac{1}{1-x} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} x^n = 1 + x + x^2 + x^3 + \dots \quad (\text{for } -1 < x < 1)$$

- (a) Write out the first five partial sum functions. (The first three are done for you.)

$$s_0(x) = 1$$

$$s_1(x) = 1 + x$$

$$s_2(x) = 1 + x + x^2$$

$$s_3(x) =$$

$$s_4(x) =$$

What is the degree 10 partial sum function?

$$s_{10}(x) =$$

- (b) Use *Mathematica* to plot $f(x)$ and each of the partial sum functions in (a) on a common set of axes. Start by plotting $f(x)$ and $s_0(x)$ together:

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Plot[{1/(1-x), 1}, {x, -2, 2}, PlotRange -> {-6, 6}]
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Note that this command sets the x -limits of the viewing rectangle to be -2 and 2 , and it sets the y -limits of the viewing rectangle to be -6 and 6 . You can change the viewing rectangle by changing the x or y -limits in the `Plot` command.

Then plot $g(x)$ and $s_1(x)$ together:

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Plot[{1/(1-x), 1+x}, {x, -2, 2}, PlotRange->{-6, 6}]
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Do the same for each of the partial sum functions $s_2(x), \dots, s_4(x)$, as well as $s_{10}(x)$.

- (c) For what x -values does $s_0(x)$ give a good approximation of $f(x)$? What about $s_1(x)$? $s_2(x)$? etc. Fill in the table to show the range of x -values for which $s_n(x)$ approximates $f(x)$ well. Do your answers make sense, given the domain of the power series?

n	x -range for s_n
0	
1	
2	
3	
4	
10	

2. Consider the function given by the power series $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(n+1)(x-1)^n}{2^{n+1}}$.

(a) What is the center of this power series? $a =$ _____

(b) Use the Ratio Test to find the radius of convergence of the series.

- (c) Write out the first five partial sum functions. (The first three are done for you.)

$$s_0(x) = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$s_1(x) = \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2}(x-1)$$

$$s_2(x) = \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2}(x-1) + \frac{3}{8}(x-1)^2$$

$$s_3(x) =$$

$$s_4(x) =$$

What is the degree 10 partial sum function? Use the `Sum` command in *Mathematica* to help you.

`Sum[((n+1)(x-1)^n)/(2^(n+1)), {n, 0, 10}]`

$$s_{10}(x) =$$

- (d) In Section 11.9, we will learn how to show that this power series agrees with the function $g(x) = 2/(3-x)^2$ on its interval of convergence. Use *Mathematica* to plot $g(x)$ and each of the partial sum functions in (a) on a common set of axes. Start by plotting $g(x)$ and $s_0(x)$ together:

`Plot[{2/(3-x)^2, 1/2}, {x, -2, 4}, PlotRange -> {-2, 5}]`

Then plot $g(x)$ and $s_1(x)$ together:

`Plot[{2/(3-x)^2, 1/2+(1/2)(x-1)}, {x, -2, 4}, PlotRange -> {-2, 5}]`

Do the same for each of the partial sum functions $s_2(x), \dots, s_4(x)$, as well as $s_{10}(x)$.

- (e) For what x -values does $s_0(x)$ give a good approximation of $g(x)$? What about $s_1(x)$? $s_2(x)$? etc. Fill in the table to show the range of x -values for which $s_n(x)$ approximates $g(x)$ well. What do you notice? Do your observations make sense with your answers for (a) and (b)?

n	x -range for s_n
0	
1	
2	
3	
4	
10	

3. Consider the power series $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n x^{2n+1}}{(2n+1)!}$.

- (a) Write out the first four partial sum functions. (The first two are done for you.) Use the `Sum` command in *Mathematica* to help you. For a number N , to find $s_N(x)$,

`Sum[(-1)^n x^(2n+1)/(2n+1)!, {n, 0, N}]` (Fill in a number for N .)

$$s_0(x) = x$$

$$s_1(x) = x - \frac{1}{6}x^3$$

$$s_2(x) =$$

$$s_3(x) =$$

- (b) Plot $s_{10}(x)$ on the interval $[-6, 6]$. Instead of writing out $s_{10}(x)$, use the sum command:

`Plot[Sum[(-1)^n x^(2n+1)/(2n+1)!, {n, 0, 10}], {x, -6, 6}]`

The graph should look like the graph of a familiar function. Which one?

4. (**Bonus** +3) The Bessel function of order one is $J_1(x) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n x^{2n+1}}{n!(n+1)!2^{2n+1}}$.

- (a) Show that its domain is $(-\infty, \infty)$, using the Ratio Test.

- (b) The function $J_1(x)$ is `BesselJ[1,x]` in *Mathematica*. Plot partial sums along with $J_1(x)$ in *Mathematica* to determine the smallest degree N such that $s_N(x)$ gives a good approximation for $J_1(x)$ on $[-6, 6]$.

`Plot[{BesselJ[1,x], Sum[(-1)^n x^(2n+1)/(n!(n+1)!2^(2n+1)), {n,0,N}]}, {x,-6,6}]`

$$N =$$

5. Print off your *Mathematica* work, and staple it to this packet. Make sure that all of the graphs you were asked to produce are shown in your print-off. (You should have thirteen or fourteen graphs: six for #1, six for #2, one for #3, and, optionally, one for #4.)