

CALCULUS BC  
POWER SERIES WORKSHEET

Work the following on notebook paper.

- (a) Find the fourth-degree Taylor polynomial for  $\cos x$  about  $x = 0$ . Then use your polynomial to approximate the value of  $\cos 0.8$ , and use Taylor's Theorem to determine the accuracy of the approximation. Give three decimal places.  
(b) Find an interval  $[a, b]$  such that  $a \leq \cos(0.8) \leq b$ .  
(c) Could  $\cos 0.8$  equal 0.695? Show why or why not.
- (a) Write the fourth-degree Maclaurin polynomial for  $f(x) = e^x$ . Then use your polynomial to approximate  $e^{-1}$ , and find a Lagrange error bound for the maximum error when  $|x| \leq 1$ . Give three decimal places.  
(b) Find an interval  $[a, b]$  such that  $a \leq e^{-1} \leq b$ .
- Let  $f$  be a function that has derivatives of all orders for all real numbers  $x$ . Assume that  $f(5) = 6$ ,  $f'(5) = 8$ ,  $f''(5) = 30$ ,  $f'''(5) = 48$ , and  $|f^{(4)}(x)| \leq 75$  for all  $x$  in the interval  $[5, 5.2]$ .  
(a) Find the third-degree Taylor polynomial about  $x = 5$  for  $f(x)$ .  
(b) Use your answer to part (a) to estimate the value of  $f(5.2)$ . What is the maximum possible error in making this estimate? Give three decimal places.  
(c) Find an interval  $[a, b]$  such that  $a \leq f(5.2) \leq b$ . Give three decimal places.  
(d) Could  $f(5.2)$  equal 8.254? Show why or why not.  
(d) Let  $g(x) = x \cdot f(x^2)$ . Find the Maclaurin series for  $g(x)$ . (Write as many nonzero terms as possible.)  
(e) Let  $h(x)$  be a function that has the properties  $h(0) = 5$  and  $h'(x) = f(x)$ . Find the Maclaurin series for  $h(x)$ . (Write as many terms as possible.)

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4. Find the first four nonzero terms of the power series for  $f(x) = \sin x$  centered at  $x = \frac{3\pi}{4}$ .

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Find the first four nonzero terms and the general term for the Maclaurin series for:

5.  $f(x) = x \cos(x^3)$

6.  $g(x) = \frac{1}{1+x^2}$

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Find the radius and interval of convergence for:

7.  $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n (x-2)^n}{3^n n^2}$

8.  $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (2n)! (x-5)^n$

9. Use the Maclaurin series for  $\cos x$  to find  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{1 - \cos x}{x}$ .

10. The Taylor series about  $x = 3$  for a certain function  $f$  converges to  $f(x)$  for all  $x$  in the interval of convergence. The  $n$ th derivative of  $f$  at  $x = 3$  is given by

$$f^{(n)}(3) = \frac{(-1)^n n!}{5^n (n+3)} \quad \text{and} \quad f(3) = \frac{1}{3}.$$

(a) Write the fourth-degree Taylor polynomial for  $f$  about  $x = 3$ .

(b) Find the radius of convergence of the Taylor series for  $f$  about  $x = 3$ .

(c) Show that the third-degree Taylor polynomial approximates  $f(4)$  with an error less than  $\frac{1}{4000}$ .

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Multiple Choice.

11. What are all the values of  $x$  for which the series  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{x^n}{n}$  converges?

(A)  $-1 \leq x \leq 1$     (B)  $-1 < x < 1$     (C)  $-1 < x \leq 1$     (D)  $-1 \leq x < 1$     (E) All real  $x$

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12. The coefficient of  $x^6$  in the Taylor series expansion about  $x = 0$  for  $f(x) = \sin(x^2)$  is

(A)  $-\frac{1}{6}$     (B) 0    (C)  $\frac{1}{120}$     (D)  $\frac{1}{6}$     (E) 1

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13. If  $f$  is a function such that  $f'(x) = \sin(x^2)$ , then the coefficient of  $x^7$  in the Taylor series for  $f(x)$  about  $x = 0$  is

(A)  $\frac{1}{7!}$     (B)  $\frac{1}{7}$     (C) 0    (D)  $-\frac{1}{42}$     (E)  $-\frac{1}{7!}$