

Distance from center to either endpoint = 1

The number 1 is called the **Radius of Convergence** of the series. $R = 1$.

E.x. Consider the series

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

(Center of this series = 6)

Q: Values of x for which the series converges?

(Hint: Root Test)

$$\begin{aligned}\sqrt[n]{|a_n|} &= \sqrt[n]{\left| \frac{(x-6)^n}{n^n} \right|} = \left| \frac{x-6}{n} \right| \\ &= \frac{|x-6|}{n}\end{aligned}$$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sqrt[n]{|a_n|} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{|x-6|}{n} = 0, \text{ regardless of what } x \text{ is.}$$

Since $0 < 1$, the series converges for all values of x .

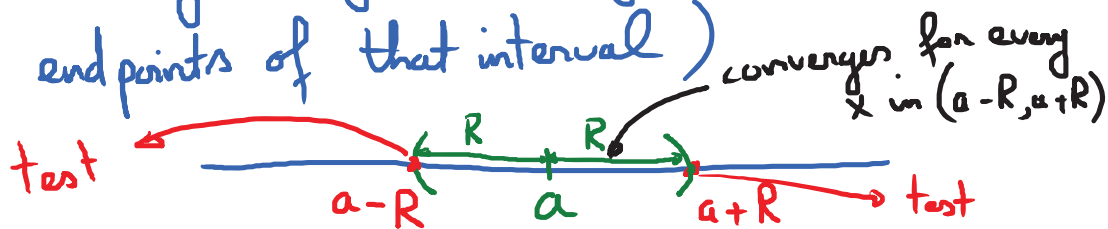
Conclusion: Interval of convergence $(-\infty, \infty)$
Radius of convergence $R = \infty$

Theorem Given any power series $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} c_n (x-a)^n$

Exactly one of the following scenarios will happen:

- ① The series converges only at the center $x = a$.
For all $x \neq a$, the series diverges ($R=0$)
- ② The series converges for all values of x .
($R = \infty$)
- ③ The series converges for every x within an interval surrounding the center.

(It may converge or it may diverge at the endpoints of that interval)



* Represent Functions with Power Series Function

E.g. $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} x^n = 1 + x + x^2 + x^3 + \dots = \frac{1}{1-x}$

Series

for $-1 < x < 1$.

In general

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (\text{Stuff})^n = \frac{1}{1 - \text{Stuff}}$$

provided $-1 < \text{Stuff} < 1$.

E.g. Use a power series to represent the given function. Find the interval of convergence.

① $f(x) = \frac{1}{1+x^3}$

② $g(x) = \frac{x^2}{4-x^2}$

$$\textcircled{1} f(x) = \frac{1}{1+x^3} = \frac{1}{1-(-x^3)}$$

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

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

Interval of convergence: $-1 < -x^3 < 1$.

$$1 > x^3 > -1$$

$$1 > x > -1$$

$$-1 \left(\text{---} \cdot \text{---} \right) 1$$

Interval of convergence is $(-1, 1)$

$$\begin{aligned} \textcircled{2} g(x) &= \frac{x^2}{4-x^2} \cdot \frac{\frac{1}{x^2}}{\frac{1}{x^2}} = \frac{1}{\frac{4}{x^2} - 1} \cdot \frac{(-1)}{(-1)} \\ &= \frac{-1}{1 - \frac{4}{x^2}} = -1 \cdot \left(\frac{1}{1 - \frac{4}{x^2}} \right) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 -1 \cdot \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left(\frac{4}{x^2} \right)^n &= - \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{4^n}{x^{2n}} \\
 &= - \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} 4^n \cdot x^{-2n}.
 \end{aligned}$$

$$g(x) = \frac{x^2}{4 - x^2} = \frac{x^2}{4 \left(1 - \frac{x^2}{4} \right)} = \frac{x^2}{4} \cdot \frac{1}{1 - \frac{x^2}{4}}$$

$$= \frac{x^2}{4} \cdot \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left(\frac{x^2}{4} \right)^n$$

$$= \frac{x^2}{4} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{x^{2n}}{4^n}$$

this is a series which represent $g(x)$

$$= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{x^2}{4} \cdot \frac{x^{2n}}{4^n} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{x^{2n+2}}{4^{n+1}}$$

Interval of convergence: $\left| \frac{x^2}{4} \right| < 1 \iff |x^2| < 4$
 $\iff |x| < 2 \iff \text{I.O.C.} : (-2, 2)$

Ex. Find the interval of convergence and radius of convergence of the given series:

$$\textcircled{1} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{x^n}{n!} \quad \textcircled{2} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-3)^n \cdot x^n}{\sqrt{n+1}}$$

Ex. Find the power series that represent the given function. Find interval of convergence.

$$\textcircled{1} f(x) = \frac{x^3}{2-x} \quad \textcircled{2} g(x) = \frac{x^2}{1-4x^2}.$$