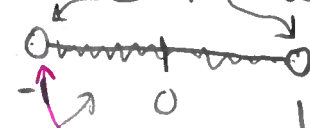


Ex: Find IoC and RoC of

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

Soln: Ratio test: $a_k = \frac{(-1)^k x^k}{(k+1)(k+2)}$

Compute $\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{a_{k+1}}{a_k} \right| = \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{(-1)^{k+1} x^{k+1}}{(k+2)(k+3)} \cdot \frac{(k+1)(k+2)}{(-1)^k x^k} \right|$
 $= \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} |x| \left(\frac{k+1}{k+3} \right)^{\infty}$

so far, endpoint behavior is not known
 \Rightarrow  \Rightarrow L'H = $|x| \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{1} = |x| < 1$
enforce this condition to get convergence

Check endpoints:

$x = -1$

Plug into series:

$$\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^k (-1)^k}{(k+1)(k+2)} = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{(k+1)(k+2)}$$

Limit comparison test: $b_k = \frac{1}{k^2}$

Compute $\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\tilde{a}_k}{b_k} = \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{1}{(k+1)(k+2)} \cdot \frac{k^2}{1} \right)$
 $= \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \frac{k^2}{k^2 + 3k + 2} = 1$

\Rightarrow LCT, $\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{(k+1)(k+2)}$ Converges
 \Rightarrow power series converges at $x = -1$

Other endpoint at $x=1$

$$\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^k 1^k}{(k+1)(k+2)} = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^k}{(k+1)(k+2)}$$

To use alt. series test; compute

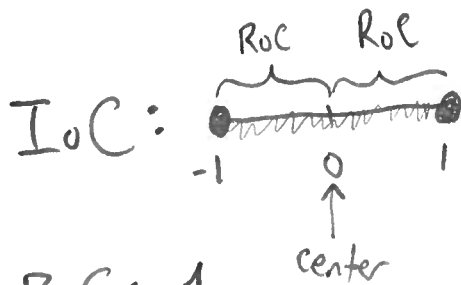
$$\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{(k+1)(k+2)} = 0$$

And so series converges by alt. series test.

\Rightarrow power series converges when $x=1$

Conclusions The power series $\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^k x^k}{(k+1)(k+2)}$

has



RoC: 1

(or $[-1, 1]$ or $-1 \leq x \leq 1$)

Ex: $\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} (2k)! \left(\frac{x}{3}\right)^k$ $2(k+1)$

$(2k+2)! = (2k+2)(2k+1)(2k)!$
 \uparrow
 $(2k-1)\dots 2 \cdot 1$
 \uparrow
 $(2k)!$

Ratio test: $a_k = (2k)! \left(\frac{x}{3}\right)^k$

Compute $\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{a_{k+1}}{a_k} \right| = \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{(2k+2)! x^{k+1}}{3^{k+1}} \cdot \frac{3^k}{(2k)! x^k} \right|$

$= \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \frac{(2k+2)(2k+1) |x|}{3}$

IoC: $\{0\}$

RoC: 0

$= \infty \Rightarrow$ diverges!

Ex: Bessel function of order 0 is

$(k+1)! = (k+1)k!$

$J_0(x) = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^k x^{2k}}{2^{2k} (k!)^2}$

Ratio test: $a_k = \frac{(-1)^k x^{2k}}{2^{2k} (k!)^2}$

\Rightarrow compute $\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{a_{k+1}}{a_k} \right| = \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{(-1)^{k+1} x^{2k+2} 2^k (k!)^2}{2^{2(k+1)} ((k+1)!)^2 (-1)^k x^{2k}} \right|$

$= \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \frac{|x|^2}{(k+1)^2 4} = 0 < 1$

\Rightarrow $\left[\begin{array}{l} \text{IoC: } \mathbb{R} \\ \text{RoC: } \infty \end{array} \right]$ $\left(\begin{array}{l} \text{or } (-\infty, \infty) \\ \text{or } \longleftrightarrow \\ \text{or } -\infty < x < \infty \end{array} \right)$

\Rightarrow converge no matter what value that x takes!!

Student Research Project

this page differs from lecture because I found a mistake!! It's now correct

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$$Li_2(x) = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{x^k}{k^2}$$

Ratio test

$$\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{x^{k+1}}{(k+1)^2} \cdot \frac{k^2}{x^k} \right|$$

enforce

$$= \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} |x| \frac{k^2}{k^2 + 2k + 1} = |x| < 1$$

RoC: 1

IoC: (-1, 1)

$$x^{\underline{2}} = x(x-1)$$

Define: falling powers

$$x^{\underline{n}} = \underbrace{x(x-1)(x-2)\dots(x-n+1)}_{n \text{ factors}}$$

Define "discrete Li_2 "

$$\rightarrow di_2(x) = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{x^{\underline{k}}}{k^2}$$

Ratio test: $\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} |x| \frac{x^{\underline{k+1}}}{(k+1)^2} \cdot \frac{k^2}{|x|^{\underline{k}}}$

$$= \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \frac{|x| |x-1| \dots |x-k+1| |x-k| k^2}{|x-1| \dots |x-k+1| (k+1)^2}$$

$$= \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \frac{|x-k| k^2}{(k+1)^2} = \infty \Rightarrow \text{divergent!!}$$

(note: does not diverge at $x=1, 2, 3, \dots$ it turns out, because the sum becomes finite there!)