

# Key to Fake Test 3A

(1)

(1) Consider

$$a_n = \frac{4 - 3n + 5n^2}{-3n^2 + 2n - 1}$$

a)

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{5n^2 - 3n + 4}{-3n^2 + 2n - 1} \\ &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{n^2 \left(5 - \frac{3}{n} + \frac{4}{n^2}\right)}{n^2 \left(-3 + \frac{2}{n} - \frac{1}{n^2}\right)} \\ &= -\frac{5}{3} \end{aligned}$$

b) Since  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = -\frac{5}{3} \neq 0$ , the series

$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n$  diverges by the  $n$ -th term test.

(2) Consider

$$\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^n - \left(\frac{3}{4}\right)^n$$

(1) Does this series converge?

Note:  $\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^n$  is a geometric series with  $r = \frac{2}{3} < 1$   
so it converges.

$\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \left(\frac{3}{4}\right)^n$  is a geometric series with  $r = \frac{3}{4} < 1$   
so it converges.

In this case the difference

$\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^n - \left(\frac{3}{4}\right)^n$  also converges.

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(b) Recall:  $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} ar^n = \frac{a}{1-r}$  if  $r < 1$

so  $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^n = \frac{1}{1-\frac{2}{3}} = 3$

and  $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left(\frac{3}{4}\right)^n = \frac{1}{1-\frac{3}{4}} = 4$

Unfortunately, these sums begin at  $n=2$  not

$n=0$ !

I have subtracted the  
1st two terms in both series!

So

$$\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^n - \left(\frac{3}{4}\right)^n = \left[ \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^n - \left(1 + \frac{2}{3}\right) \right] - \left[ \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left(\frac{3}{4}\right)^n - \left(1 + \frac{3}{4}\right) \right]$$

$$= \left[ 3 - 1 - \frac{2}{3} \right] - \left[ 4 - 1 - \frac{3}{4} \right]$$

$$= 1 + \frac{1}{3} - 2 - \frac{1}{4}$$

$$= -1 + \frac{1}{12}$$

$$= -\frac{11}{12}$$

3  
a)  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n^{\pi/2}}$  converges by p-series  
since  $p = \pi/2 > 1$ .

b)  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{5^n}{3n+1}$

Ratio test. Here  $a_n = \frac{5^n}{3n+1}$

$$\frac{a_{n+1}}{a_n} = \frac{\frac{5^{n+1}}{3(n+1)+1}}{\frac{5^n}{3n+1}} = \frac{5^{n+1}}{5^n} \cdot \frac{3n+1}{3n+4} = 5 \frac{3n+1}{3n+4}$$

Thus

$$\begin{aligned}\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{a_{n+1}}{a_n} \right| &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} 5 \left| \frac{3n+1}{3n+4} \right| \\ &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} 5 \left| \frac{n(3+\frac{1}{n})}{n(3+\frac{4}{n})} \right| \\ &= 5 > 1\end{aligned}$$

So the series in b) diverges by the ratio Test.

(4) Find the Taylor series for  $f(x) = x^2 + 3x - 1$  at  $a = 2$ .

$$f(x) = x^2 + 3x - 1$$

$$f'(x) = 2x + 3$$

$$f''(x) = 2$$

$$f'''(x) = 0$$

$$f^{(n)}(x) = 0 \quad n \geq 3.$$

The Taylor series is then

$$f(x) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n (x-2)^n$$

where

$$a_n = \frac{f^{(n)}(2)}{n!}$$

Here

$$a_0 = \frac{f(2)}{1} = \frac{4+6-1}{1} = 9$$

$$a_1 = \frac{f'(2)}{1} = \frac{4+3}{1} = 7$$

$$a_2 = \frac{f''(2)}{2!} = \frac{2}{2} = 1$$

$$a_3 = 0$$

So

$$\begin{aligned}x^2 + 3x - 1 &= 9 + 7(x-2) \\ &\quad + 1(x-2)^2 \\ &\quad + 0\end{aligned}$$

(5) Find the 4<sup>th</sup> degree Taylor polynomial

(3)

for

$$f(x) = \frac{1}{(1-x)^2} \quad \text{centered at } a=0.$$

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

$$f'(x) = -2(1-x)^{-2-1}(-1)$$

$$f''(x) = (-2)(-3)(1-x)^{-2-2}(-1)^2$$

$$f'''(x) = (-2)(-3)(-4)(1-x)^{-2-3}(-1)^3$$

$$f^{(4)}(x) = (-2)(-3)(-4)(-5)(1-x)^{-2-4}(-1)^4$$

$$\Rightarrow f(0) = 1, \quad f'(0) = 2, \quad f''(0) = 6, \quad f'''(0) = 24$$

$$f^{(4)}(0) = 20$$

Thus

$$\frac{1}{1-x^2} = f(x) \approx S_4(x) = \sum_{n=0}^4 \frac{f^{(n)}(0)}{n!} x^n$$

$$= 1 + 2x + 3x^2 + 4x^3 + 5x^4$$