

Calculus – 13. Series

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1. Let $f(x) = x^x$ be defined for positive real numbers $x > 0$. Compute $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0+0} f(x)$. Determine the local extrema of f . On which parts of its domain is f convex; on which parts is f concave?

2. Prove that for every $x > 0$

$$\frac{x}{1+x} \leq \log(1+x) \leq x.$$

Hint. Apply the mean value theorem to $f(x) = \log(1+x)$.

3. Compute the limits where $a > 0$ and $b > 0$ denote fixed positive real numbers.

- (a) $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\log \cosh(ax)}{\log \cos(bx)}$
- (b) $\lim_{x \rightarrow \pi/2} \frac{1 - \sin^{a+b} x}{\sqrt{(1 - \sin^a x)(1 - \sin^b x)}}$
- (c) $\lim_{x \rightarrow +\infty} \arccos(\sqrt{x^2 + x} - x)$
- (d) $\lim_{x \rightarrow +\infty} x \left(\frac{\pi}{4} - \arctan \frac{x}{x+1} \right)$
- (e) $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\cos \frac{1}{x} \sin^2 x}{x}$

4. Compute the Taylor polynomial of degree 3 of the function

$$f(x) = e^{-x} \cos x$$

at $x_0 = 0$. Give an estimate for the remainder if $|x| \leq \frac{1}{2}$.

5. (a) Compute the Taylor series T_f and T_g of $f(x) = \cos x$ and $g(x) = \log(1+x)$ at $x_0 = 0$, respectively. Compute their radii of convergence.
- (b) Show that $T_f(x)$ converges to $f(x)$ for all $x \in \mathbb{R}$. Show that $T_g(x)$ converges to $g(x)$ for all $x \in (0, 1)$.