

Exam Questions on Maclaurin Series

1. (a) Find the Maclaurin series for $f(x) = \cos x$ as far as the term in x^4 .
 (b) Deduce the Maclaurin series for $g(x) = \frac{1}{2} \cos 2x$ as far as the term in x^4 .
 (c) Hence write down the first three non-zero terms of the series for $g(3x)$.

2. (a) Write down the Maclaurin expansion of e^x as far as the term in x^3 .
 (b) Hence, or otherwise, obtain the Maclaurin expansion of $(1 + e^x)^2$ as far as the term in x^3 .

3. Find Maclaurin expansions for $\sin 3x$ and e^{4x} up to and including the term in x^3 .
 Hence obtain an expansion for $e^{4x} \sin 3x$ up to and including the term in x^3 .

4. Give that first three non-zero terms in the Maclaurin series for $\cos 3x$.
 Write down the first four terms of the Maclaurin series for e^{2x} .
 Hence determine the Maclaurin series for $e^{2x} \cos 3x$ up to, and including, the term in x^3 .

5. Obtain the first four terms in the Maclaurin series of $\sqrt{1+x}$ and hence write down the first four terms in the Maclaurin series of $\sqrt{1+x^2}$.
 Hence obtain the first four terms in the Maclaurin series of $\sqrt{(1+x)(1+x^2)}$.

6. (a) Find the Maclaurin expansion, up to and including the term in x^3 , for each of the following functions:
 (i) $f(x) = e^{3x}$
 (ii) $g(x) = (x+2)^{-2}$
 (b) Given that $h(x) = \frac{xe^{3x}}{(x+2)^2}$, use the expansions from (a) to find the Maclaurin expansion of $h(x)$ up to and including the term in x^4 .

7. Write down the Maclaurin expansion of e^x as far as the term in x^4 .

Deduce the Maclaurin expansion of e^{x^2} as far as the term in x^4 .

Hence, or otherwise, find the Maclaurin expansion of e^{x+x^2} as far as the term in x^4 .

8. Obtain the first three non-zero terms in the Maclaurin expansion of $x \ln(2+x)$.

Hence deduce the first three non-zero terms in the Maclaurin expansion of $x \ln(2-x)$.

Hence obtain the first **two** non-zero terms in the Maclaurin expansion of $x \ln(4-x^2)$.

[Throughout this question, it can be assumed that $-2 < x < 2$.]

9. Find the Maclaurin expansion of $f(x) = e^x \sin x$ up to and including the term in x^3 .

10. Obtain the Maclaurin series for $f(x) = \sin^2 x$ up to the term in x^4 .

Hence write down the series for $\cos^2 x$ up to the term in x^4 .

11. (a) Given $f(x) = e^{2x}$, obtain the Maclaurin expansion for $f(x)$ up to, and including, the term in x^3 .

(b) On a suitable domain, let $g(x) = \tan x$.

(i) Show that the third derivative of $g(x)$ is given by

$$g'''(x) = 2 \sec^4 x + 4 \tan^2 x \sec^2 x.$$

(ii) Hence obtain the Maclaurin expansion for $g(x)$ up to and including the term in x^3 .

(c) Hence obtain the Maclaurin expansion for $e^{2x} \tan x$ up to, and including, the term in x^3 .

(d) Write down the first three non-zero terms in the Maclaurin expansion for $2e^{2x} \tan x + e^{2x} \sec^2 x$.

12. Express $\frac{x^2 + 6x - 4}{(x+2)^2(x-4)}$ in partial fractions.

Hence obtain the first three non-zero terms in the Maclaurin expansion of

$$f(x) = \frac{x^2 + 6x - 4}{(x+2)^2(x-4)}.$$