

Solutions to Problems

Problem 6.1

$$\sum_0^5 = 3 \frac{(x^6 - 1)}{(x - 1)} \quad \text{and} \quad \sum_0^2 = 3 \frac{(x^2 - 1)}{(x - 1)}.$$

Hence

$$\sum_2^5 = \frac{3(x^6 - 1) - 3(x^2 - 1)}{(x - 1)} = 3 \frac{x^2(x^4 - 1)}{(x - 1)}.$$

Problem 6.2

$$\begin{aligned} \sin x &= \frac{1}{2j}(e^{jx} - e^{-jx}) \\ &= \frac{1}{2j} \left(1 + jx - \frac{x^2}{2!} - \frac{jx^3}{3!} + \frac{x^4}{4!} + \frac{jx^5}{5!} \dots \right) \\ &\quad - \frac{1}{2j} \left(1 - jx - \frac{x^2}{2!} + \frac{jx^3}{3!} + \frac{x^4}{4!} - \frac{jx^5}{5!} \dots \right) \\ &= x - \frac{x^3}{3!} + \frac{x^5}{5!} \dots \end{aligned}$$

Problem 6.3

Expand $(1 - x)^{-1}$ using the binomial theorem with $n = -1$.

$$\begin{aligned} (1 - x)^{-1} &= 1 + (-1)(-x) + \frac{(-1)(-2)}{2!}(-x)^2 \\ &\quad + \frac{(-1)(-2)(-3)}{3!}(-x)^3 + \frac{(-1)(-2)(-3)(-4)}{4!}(-x)^4 \dots \\ &= 1 + x + x^2 + x^3 + x^4 \dots \end{aligned}$$

Problem 6.4

$$\ln \frac{1+x}{1-x} = \ln(1+x) - \ln(1-x).$$

For $x < 1$ the result of Example 6.2 can be used to expand the logarithmic terms and subtracting them gives the answer.

Problem 6.5

Use Taylor's theorem to expand f and g close to zero at $x = \delta x$.

$$\frac{f(\delta x)}{g(\delta x)} = \frac{f(0) + \delta x(df/dx) + \dots}{g(0) + \delta x(dg/dx) + \dots}$$

where the differentials are evaluated at $x = 0$ and higher differentials than the first can be ignored as we take the limit of $\delta x \rightarrow 0$ when

$$\frac{f(0)}{g(0)} = \frac{(df/dx)_0}{(dg/dx)_0}.$$
