

$$\begin{aligned} \text{If } a_n &= (-1)^n \frac{n^5 x^n}{3^n}, \text{ then } \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{a_{n+1}}{a_n} \right| = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{(n+1)^5 x^{n+1}}{3^{n+1}} \cdot \frac{3^n}{n^5 x^n} \right| \\ &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{x(n+1)^5}{3n^5} \right| = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left[\frac{|x|}{3} \left(1 + \frac{1}{n}\right)^5 \right] = \frac{|x|}{3} (1)^5 = \frac{1}{3} |x|. \end{aligned}$$

By the Ratio Test, the series $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (-1)^n \frac{n^5 x^n}{3^n}$ converges when

$\frac{1}{3} |x| < 1 \Leftrightarrow |x| < 3$, so the radius of convergence is $R = 3$. When $x = \pm 3$, both series $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (-1)^n \frac{n^5 (\pm 3)^n}{3^n} = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (\mp 1)^n n^5$ diverge by the Test for Divergence since $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} |(\mp 1)^n n^5| = \infty$. Thus, the interval of convergence is $I = (-3, 3)$.