## **7**. [10 points]

**a.** [5 points] Determine the radius of convergence of the power series  $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{n^2(2n)!}{2^n(n!)^2} x^{2n}$ .

Solution: Compute

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} \frac{\frac{(n+1)^2 (2(n+1))!}{2^{n+1} ((n+1)!)^2} |x|^{2(n+1)}}{\frac{n^2 (2n)!}{2^n (n!)^2} |x|^{2n}} = \lim_{n \to \infty} \frac{(n+1)^2}{n^2} \frac{(2n+2)!}{(2n)!} \frac{2^n}{2^{n+1}} \frac{(n!)^2}{((n+1)!)^2} \frac{|x|^{2n+2}}{|x|^{2n}}$$
$$= \lim_{n \to \infty} \frac{(2n+2)(2n+1)}{2n^2} |x|^2$$
$$= 2|x|^2.$$

By ratio test, the power series converges for

$$2|x|^2 < 1 \iff |x|^2 < \frac{1}{2} \iff |x| < \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}.$$

Answer:  $\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$ 

- **b.** [5 points] You do not need to justify your answers below. Suppose  $C_n$  is a sequence such that the following are true:
  - $\bullet$   $C_n$  is a monotone decreasing sequence
  - $C_n$  converges to 0
  - $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} C_n$  diverges
  - $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{C_n(x+3)^n}{4^n}$  has radius of convergence 4.

What is the center of convergence of  $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{C_n(x+3)^n}{4^n}$ ?

What are the endpoints of the interval of convergence of  $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{C_n(x+3)^n}{4^n}$ ?

**Answer:** Left endpoint at  $a = \underline{\hspace{1cm} -7}$ 

Right endpoint at  $b = \underline{\phantom{a}}$ 

Let a and b be the left and right endpoints of the interval of convergence you found above.

Which of the following could be the interval of convergence of  $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{C_n(x+3)^n}{4^n}$ ?

 $[a,b] \hspace{1cm} (a,b) \hspace{1cm} [a,b)$