

Re: uniform convergence?

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damage wrote:

- > i know the function $f_n: [-1, 1] \rightarrow \text{reals}$ where $f_n(x) = x^{1/(2*n-1)}$ converges
- > pointwisely to -1 (for $-1 \leq x < 0$) and 1 for $x \geq 0$
- > what i want to know is when should a cts function converge to a limit which
- > is cts, is my thinking right when i say.
- > the reason this does not converge to a cts function (every though it is a
- > family of cts fctns) is due to the fact that the derivative tends to
- > infinity ($f'_n(x)$).
- > my question is ..does uniform convergence \Rightarrow derivatives converge? if so
- > could someone point out a theorem? (web search didnt come up with anything
- > helpful)
- > if this is not the case, is there a counter example (i dont believe this
- > case actually exists though!)
- >
- > Many thanks

Rudin's analysis book Principles of Mathematical Analysis has a chapter (chapter 7) devoted to series and sequences of functions. He answers the kind of the questions you're asking, as well as many others. It's a little expensive to buy, but might be worth checking out from the library.

Anyway, to answer one of your questions, a uniformly convergent sequence of continuous functions converges to a continuous function. In your case, $f_n(x)$ does converge uniformly if restricted to certain intervals, but does not converge uniformly on $[-1, 1]$.

I could quote you more results from Rudin about sequences of functions, but if you're interested I would suggest just checking it out.

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