

Pointwise Convergence

Discuss the pointwise convergence of the sequence of functions

$$f(x, n) = x^n$$

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f[x_, n_] := x^n
L1 = Limit[f[x, n], n -> ∞, Assumptions -> x < -1];
L2 = Limit[f[x, n], n -> ∞, Assumptions -> x == -1];
L3 = Limit[f[x, n], n -> ∞, Assumptions -> -1 < x < 1];
L4 = Limit[f[x, n], n -> ∞, Assumptions -> x == 1];
L5 = Limit[f[x, n], n -> ∞, Assumptions -> x > 1];
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Print["limn→∞ f(x) = ", L1, " for x<-1"]
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Print["limn→∞ f(x) = ", L2, " for x=-1"]
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Print["limn→∞ f(x) = ", L3, " for -1<x<1"]
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Print["limn→∞ f(x) = ", L4, " for x=1"]
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Print["limn→∞ f(x) = ", L5, " for x>1"]
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limn→∞ f(x) = Interval[{-∞, ∞}] for x<-1
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limn→∞ f(x) = e2 i Interval[{0, π}] for x=-1
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limn→∞ f(x) = 0 for -1<x<1
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limn→∞ f(x) = 1 for x=1
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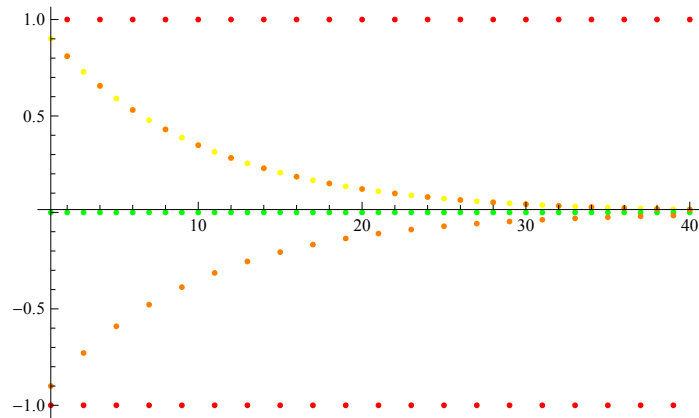
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limn→∞ f(x) = ∞ for x>1
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Conclusion : The given sequence is convergent $\forall x \in (-1, 1]$ and divergent otherwise

Checking Pointwise convergence Graphically :

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a = ListPlot[Table[f[0.9, n], {n, 1, 40}], PlotStyle -> Yellow, PlotRange -> All];
b = ListPlot[Table[f[0, n], {n, 1, 40}], PlotStyle -> Green, PlotRange -> All];
c = ListPlot[Table[f[-1, n], {n, 1, 40}], PlotStyle -> Red, PlotRange -> All];
d = ListPlot[Table[f[-0.9, n], {n, 1, 40}], PlotStyle -> Orange, PlotRange -> All];
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Show[a, b, c, d]
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Conclusion : The given function is pointwise convergent.