

## Sequences of functions.

Let  $\{f_n(x)\}$  be a sequence of functions defined on an interval  $I$ .

ex:-  $f_n(x) = \frac{x}{n}$ ,  $\forall n \in \mathbb{N}$ ,  $x \in [0, 1]$ .

clearly  $f_n(0) = 0$ ,  $\forall n \in \mathbb{N}$ .

$$f_1(x) = x$$

$$f_2(x) = \frac{x}{2}$$

→ for each point  $x \in I$ , there corresponds a sequence of numbers.

ex at  $x = \frac{1}{2} \in [0, 1]$ .

$$f_n(x) = f_n\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) = \frac{\frac{1}{2}}{n} = \frac{1}{2n}.$$

now the sequence becomes

$$\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{4}, \frac{1}{6}, \frac{1}{8}, \dots$$

$\uparrow \quad \uparrow \quad \uparrow \quad \uparrow$   
 $f_1\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) \quad f_2\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) \quad f_3\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) \quad f_4\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)$

→ So when a particular  $x$  value is considered it results into a new sequence for which convergence can be checked.

Let  $f_n(x)$  be a sequence of functions on a given interval then

a) we say that the sequence of functions  $f_n$  is convergent at a point  $x = x_0 \in I$  if the sequence  $f_n(x_0)$  is convergent.

ex The sequence  $f_n(x) = \frac{x}{n}$  at  $x = 0.4$ .

$$f_n(0.4) = \frac{0.4}{n}$$

$$f_1(0.4) = 0.4$$

$$f_2(0.4) = \frac{0.4}{2}$$

$\vdots$

the resulting sequence  $f_n(0.4) = \frac{0.4}{n}$  is convergent

$$\text{as } \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} f_n(0.4) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{0.4}{n} = 0.$$

So the sequence of functions  $\frac{x}{n}$ ,  $x \in (0, 1)$  is convergent at  $x = 0.4$ .

b) we say that it is point wise convergent if for each  $x \in I$ , the sequence  $f_n(x)$  is convergent i.e.,

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} f_n(x) = f(x)$$

where  $f(x)$  is a function of  $x$ .

by using definition of convergence

② Consider  $f_n(x) = \frac{n}{1+nx}$ ,  $x \in (0,1)$ .

Consider  $|f_n(x) - f| = \left| \frac{n}{1+nx} - \frac{1}{x} \right|$

Since  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (f_n(x)) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{n}{1+nx}$   
 $= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{x}{x(1+\frac{1}{n})}$   
 $= \frac{1}{x}$ .

now  $\left| \frac{n}{1+nx} - \frac{1}{x} \right| = \left| \frac{nx - nx - 1}{x(1+nx)} \right| < \epsilon$

$$\frac{1}{x(1+nx)} < \epsilon \Rightarrow x(1+nx) > \frac{1}{\epsilon}$$

$$1+nx > \frac{1}{\epsilon x}$$

$$nx > \frac{1}{\epsilon x} - 1$$

$$n > \frac{1}{\epsilon x^2} - \frac{1}{x} = m.$$

for each  $\epsilon > 0$ ,  $\exists m$  for each  $x \in (0,1)$

such that  $|f_n(x) - f(x)| < \epsilon$ .

so  $\frac{n}{1+nx}$  converges point wise on  $(0,1)$ .



3)  $f_n : [0,1] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  ,  $f_n(x) = x^n$  ,  $0 \leq x \leq 1$

for  $0 \leq x < 1$  ,  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x^n = 0$ .

i.e., for  $[0,1)$  the function converges to zero function but at  $x=1$ ,

$f_n(1) = 1$ ,

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{for } 0 \leq x < 1 \\ 1 & \text{for } x = 1. \end{cases}$$

so  $f_n(x)$  is pointwise convergent to zero function on  $[0,1)$ .

### 9) Uniform Convergence:-

we say  $\{f_n(x)\}$  is uniformly convergent to a function on  $I$  if for each  $\epsilon > 0$ , there exists  $m \in \mathbb{N}$  such that

$$|f_n(x) - f(x)| < \epsilon, \quad \forall n \geq m, \forall x \in I$$

in this case we say  $f_n \rightarrow f$  uniformly on  $I$ .

\* here  $m$  depends only on  $\epsilon$  & not  $x$ .

Note:- If  $\{f_n\}$  converges uniformly to  $f$ ,

then it converges pointwise also. but

if a sequence does not converge pointwise to any function, it can not converge uniformly.

uniform convergence examples.

①

$$f_n(x) = \frac{1}{n+x}.$$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} f(x) = 0, \quad \forall x \in [0, b].$$

$$\text{for any } \epsilon > 0, \quad |f_n(x) - f(x)|$$

$$= \left| \frac{1}{n+x} - 0 \right| < \epsilon$$

$$\frac{1}{n+x} < \epsilon$$

$$n+x > \frac{1}{\epsilon}$$

$$n > \frac{1}{\epsilon} - x, \quad \text{this decreases as } x \text{ increases.}$$

with max value  $\frac{1}{\epsilon}$ .

$$m = \frac{1}{\epsilon}$$

Statement:- Suppose  $f_n(x)$  for  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  and  $f$  are functions on given interval.

If there exists a sequence  $a_n$  of positive real numbers such that  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = 0$ ,

and  $|f_n(x) - f(x)| < a_n$ ,  $\forall n \in \mathbb{N}$  &  $\forall x \in J$   
then  $f_n(x)$  converges uniformly to  $f(x)$ .

ex  $f_n(x) = \frac{2nx}{1+n^4x^2}$ ,  $x \in [0, 1]$ .

we have  $1+n^4x^2 \geq 2n^2x$  ( $\because a^2+b^2 \geq 2ab$ )

$$0 \leq f_n(x) \leq \frac{2nx}{2n^2x}$$

$$= \frac{1}{n}.$$

now we have  $|f_n(x) - f(x)|$

$$= \left| \frac{2nx}{1+n^4x^2} - 0 \right| \leq \frac{2nx}{1+n^4x^2} \cdot \left( \because 1+n^4x^2 \geq 2n^2x \right)$$
$$\leq \frac{2nx}{2n^2x} = \frac{1}{n}$$

$$\& \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n} = 0.$$

hence by previous statement the given sequence uniformly converges to  $f(x) = 0$ .

Ex (1)

$$f_n(x) = \frac{nx}{1+n^2x^2}$$

$$f_n(0) = 0 \quad \text{for } x=0.$$

$$\text{for } x \neq 0 \quad \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} f_n(x)$$

$$= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{nx}{n^2(x^2 + \frac{1}{n^2})}$$

$$= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{x}{n(x^2 + \frac{1}{n^2})}$$

$$= 0$$

So  $f_n$  converges pointwise to zero function  
when  $x = \frac{1}{n}$ .

$$f_n(x) = f_n\left(\frac{1}{n}\right) = \frac{n \cdot \frac{1}{n}}{1 + n^2 \cdot \frac{1}{n^2}} \\ = \frac{1}{2}.$$

$$\text{then } |f_n(x) - f| = \left| \frac{1}{2} - 0 \right| = \frac{1}{2} < \epsilon \Rightarrow \epsilon > \frac{1}{2}.$$

but if we choose  $\epsilon < \frac{1}{2}$  it is  
not possible.

So it is not uniformly convergent.

ex

$$f_n(x) = \frac{1}{n^3} \log(1+n^4 x^2), \quad x \in [0,1]$$

$$0 \leq f_n(x) - 0 \leq \frac{1}{n^3} \log(1+n^4).$$

now consider  $\frac{1}{n^3} \log(1+n^4)$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\log(1+n^4)}{n^3}$$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{4n^3}{(1+n^4) \cdot 3n^2}$$

using L hospital's rule

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{4n}{1+n^4}$$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{4}{n^4 \left( \frac{1}{n^4} + 1 \right)}$$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{4}{n^3 \left( 1 + \frac{1}{n^4} \right)}$$

$$= 0$$

by previous theorem above sequence of functions converges to zero function.



## Series of Functions :-

def Series of functions is denoted by  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} f_n(x)$ .

where  $f_n(x)$  is sequence of functions.

def For any given series,  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} f_n(x)$  on any interval  $I$ , let  $S_n(x) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} f_n(x)$ ,  $x \in I$

where  $S_n(x)$  is called  $n^{\text{th}}$  partial sum of given series of functions.

Consider the series  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} f_n(x)$  of functions on  $I$ .

&  $S_n(x)$  be its  $n^{\text{th}}$  partial sum. then  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} f_n(x)$

(a) converges at a point  $x_0 \in I$ , if  $S_n(x)$

converges at  $x_0$ .

(b) converges pointwise on  $I$  if  $S_n(x)$  converges

pointwise on  $I$ .

(c) converges uniformly on  $I$ , if  $S_n(x)$  converges uniformly on  $I$ .

We say that a series of functions  $\sum f_n(x)$  is dominated series if there exists a sequence  $a_n$  of positive real numbers such that  $|f_n(x)| \leq a_n$ ,  $\forall x \in \mathbb{R}$ , and  $\forall n \in \mathbb{N}$  and the sequence series  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n$  converges, then

Statement: A dominated series converges uniformly

ex  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{\cos nx}{n^2}$  &  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{\sin nx}{n^2}$  are dominated

series as  $\left| \frac{\cos nx}{n^2} \right| \leq \frac{1}{n^2}$ ,  $\left| \frac{\sin nx}{n^2} \right| \leq \frac{1}{n^2}$

&  $\sum \frac{1}{n^2}$  is convergent as  $p > 1$

So the series of functions are uniformly convergent.

2).  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{x}{1+n^2 x^2}$   $x \in [c, \infty)$ ,  $c > 0$ .

$$\frac{x}{1+n^2 x^2} \leq \frac{x}{n^2 x^2} \leq \frac{1}{n^2 x} \leq \frac{1}{n^2 c}$$

now  $\sum \frac{1}{n^2 c}$  is convergent,  $p > 1$

So, given series is uniformly convergent