

Function Sequences

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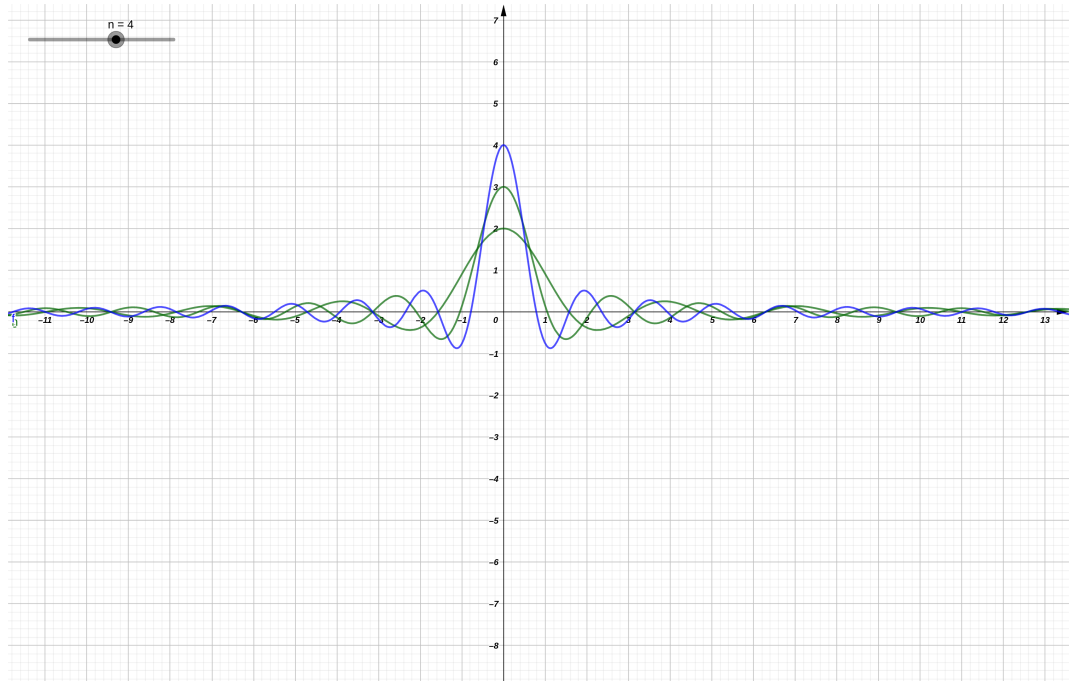
1 Definition

We call a sequence of functions from $I \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ defined by $(f_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}} \in (R^I)^{\mathbb{N}}$

Below we can see an example of what a sequence of functions looks like.

The function defined is $f_n(x) = \frac{\sin(n \cdot x)}{x}$

We can see the sine wave vary from each n value.



2 Convergence

2.1 Point Wise Convergence

We say that a sequence (f_n) is pointwise convergent if:

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

This goes to say that the sequence has to converge to a function f from the same input set I .

Example:

$$f_n : \begin{cases} [0, 1] \mapsto \mathbb{R} \\ x \mapsto x^n \end{cases}$$

setting $x = 0$ or $x = \frac{1}{2}$ we get $\lim_{n \rightarrow +\infty} f_n(x) = 0$

But if x is 1, then the limit is 1 and it converges to that function.

Basically, for any given value of x we check the limit when n reaches infinity,

and if it's zero, it's pointwise convergent.

2.2 Uniform Convergence

Definition let f_n and $f \in R^I$ be the function sequence and the limit respectively. We say that f_n is uniformly convergent, if for any given value of n , the supremum $|f_n(x) - f(x)|$ exists and the supremum (which is a numerical sequence) has to tend to zero around positive infinity.

Example