

$$\text{Let } u_n(x) = \frac{x}{n+x^2}, \quad x \in [0,1] \quad u_n'(x) = \frac{n-x^2}{(n+x^2)^2} > 0$$

$\forall x \in [0,1]$ and $n \in \mathbb{N}$ and $\forall n > 1$

So, $\forall n > 1$, u_n is strictly increasing function of x on $[0,1]$ and so, $\sup_{x \in [0,1]} u_n(x) = \frac{1}{n+1}$

That is $M_n = \frac{1}{n+1} \quad \forall n > 1$, and $\lim M_n = 0$

Hence the sequence $\{f_n\}$ is uniformly convergent on $[0,1]$.

3.4 Some consequences of uniform convergence

Theorem 3.4.1 Let $D \subset \mathbb{R}$ and for each $n \in \mathbb{N}$, $f_n: D \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is bounded on D . If the sequence $\{f_n\}$ be uniformly convergent on D , then the limit function f is bounded on D .

Proof: Let us choose $\varepsilon > 0$. Since $\{f_n\}$ is uniformly convergent on D to f , \exists a natural number k such that

$$\forall x \in D, \quad |f_n(x) - f(x)| < \varepsilon \quad \forall n \geq k.$$

Let $\varepsilon = 1$. \exists a natural number m such that $\forall x \in D$,

$$|f_n(x) - f(x)| < 1 \quad \forall n \geq m. \quad \text{So, } \forall x \in D,$$

$$|f_m(x) - f(x)| < 1.$$

Since $\left| |f(x)| - |f_m(x)| \right| \leq |f(x) - f_m(x)|$, it follows that

$$\text{that } |f(x)| \leq |f_m(x)| + |f(x) - f_m(x)| < |f_m(x)| + 1$$

Since f_m is bounded on D , \exists a positive number

$$B \quad \text{such that } |f_m(x)| < B \quad \forall x \in D$$

So, $\forall x \in D$, $|f(x)| < B+1$ and this proves that

f is bounded on D .

Theorem 3.4.2 Let $D \subset \mathbb{R}$ and for each $n \in \mathbb{N}$, $f_n: D \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is continuous on D . If the sequence $\{f_n\}$ be uniformly convergent on D to a function f , then f is continuous on D .

Proof: Let $c \in D$. Let us choose $\varepsilon > 0$. Since $\{f_n\}$ is uniformly convergent on D to the function f , \exists a natural number k such that $\forall x \in D$,

$$|f_n(x) - f(x)| < \frac{\varepsilon}{3} \quad \forall n \geq k$$

$$\text{So, } |f_k(x) - f(x)| < \frac{\varepsilon}{3} \quad \forall x \in D \quad \text{and}$$

$$|f_k(c) - f(c)| < \frac{\varepsilon}{3}. \quad \text{Since } f_k \text{ is continuous at } c,$$

\exists a positive δ such that $|f_k(x) - f_k(c)| < \frac{\varepsilon}{3}$

$$\forall x \in N(c, \delta) \cap D \quad (N(c, \delta) = (c - \delta, c + \delta))$$

By triangle inequality,

$$|f(x) - f(c)| \leq |f(x) - f_k(x)| + |f_k(x) - f_k(c)| + |f_k(c) - f(c)|$$

$$< \frac{\varepsilon}{3} + \frac{\varepsilon}{3} + \frac{\varepsilon}{3} \quad \forall x \in N(c, \delta) \cap D$$

$$\text{That is, } |f(x) - f(c)| < \varepsilon \quad \forall x \in N(c, \delta) \cap D$$

This proves that f is continuous at c . Since c is arbitrary, f is continuous on D .

Theorem 3.4.3 Let $I = [a, b]$ be a closed and bounded interval and for each $n \in \mathbb{N}$, $f_n: I \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be Riemann integrable on I .

If the sequence $\{f_n\}$ converges uniformly to a function f on I then f is Riemann integrable on I and moreover,

$$\text{the sequence } \left\{ \int_a^b f_n \right\} \text{ converges to } \int_a^b f$$

Proof: Let us choose $\varepsilon > 0$. Since $\{f_n\}$ is uniformly convergent on $I = [a, b]$ to the function f , \exists a natural number k such that $\forall x \in [a, b]$,

$$|f_n(x) - f(x)| < \frac{\varepsilon}{4(b-a)} \quad \forall n \geq k$$

$$\text{So, } \forall x \in [a, b], |f_k(x) - f(x)| < \frac{\epsilon}{4(b-a)}$$

$$\text{or, } f_k(x) - \frac{\epsilon}{4(b-a)} < f(x) < f_k(x) + \frac{\epsilon}{4(b-a)} \quad \forall x \in [a, b] \dots (i)$$

Since f_k is integrable on $[a, b]$, \exists a partition

$$P = \{x_0, x_1, \dots, x_n\} \text{ of } [a, b] \text{ such that } U(P, f_k) - L(P, f_k) < \frac{\epsilon}{2} \dots (ii)$$

$$\text{Let } M_r = \sup_{x \in [x_{r-1}, x_r]} f(x), \quad m_r = \inf_{x \in [x_{r-1}, x_r]} f(x) \quad \left[\begin{array}{l} \text{As } f_k \text{ is bounded,} \\ \text{so } f \text{ is ldd on } [a, b] \\ \text{from (i)} \end{array} \right]$$

$$M'_r = \sup_{x \in [x_{r-1}, x_r]} f_k(x), \quad m'_r = \inf_{x \in [x_{r-1}, x_r]} f_k(x), \quad r=1, 2, \dots, n$$

$$\text{From (i) it follows that } m_r \geq m'_r - \frac{\epsilon}{4(b-a)}; \quad M_r \leq M'_r + \frac{\epsilon}{4(b-a)}$$

$$U(P, f) = M_1(x_1 - x_0) + M_2(x_2 - x_1) + \dots + M_n(x_n - x_{n-1}) \\ \leq M'_1(x_1 - x_0) + M'_2(x_2 - x_1) + \dots + M'_n(x_n - x_{n-1}) + \frac{\epsilon}{4}$$

$$L(P, f) = m_1(x_1 - x_0) + m_2(x_2 - x_1) + \dots + m_n(x_n - x_{n-1}) \\ \geq m'_1(x_1 - x_0) + m'_2(x_2 - x_1) + \dots + m'_n(x_n - x_{n-1}) - \frac{\epsilon}{4}$$

$$\text{So, } U(P, f) - L(P, f) \leq U(P, f_k) - L(P, f_k) + \frac{\epsilon}{2} \\ < \epsilon \text{ by using (ii)}$$

This proves that f is Riemann integrable on $[a, b]$

Second part Let us choose $\epsilon > 0$. Since the sequence $\{f_n\}$ converges uniformly to f on $[a, b]$, \exists a natural number k such that

$$\forall x \in [a, b], |f_n(x) - f(x)| < \frac{\epsilon}{2(b-a)} \quad \forall n \geq k$$

$$\text{We have } \left| \int_a^b [f_n(x) - f(x)] dx \right| \leq \int_a^b |f_n(x) - f(x)| dx \leq \frac{\epsilon}{2(b-a)} \cdot (b-a)$$

$$\text{i.e., } \frac{\epsilon}{2} < \epsilon \quad \forall n \geq k$$

$$\text{or, } \left| \int_a^b f_n(x) dx - \int_a^b f(x) dx \right| < \epsilon \quad \forall n \geq k$$

$$\text{This implies } \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \int_a^b f_n(x) dx = \int_a^b f(x) dx.$$

In other words, $\left\{ \int_a^b f_n \right\}$ converges to $\int_a^b f$

This completes the proof.

Theorem 3.4.4 Let $\{f_n\}$ be a sequence of functions on $[a, b]$ such that for each $n \in \mathbb{N}$ $f'_n(x)$ exists $\forall x \in [a, b]$. If the sequence of derivatives $\{f'_n\}$ converges uniformly on $[a, b]$ to a function g and the sequence $\{f_n\}$ converges at least at one point $x_0 \in [a, b]$, then the sequence $\{f_n\}$ is uniformly convergent on $[a, b]$ and if the limit function be f then $f'(x) = g(x) \forall x \in [a, b]$.

Proof: Let us choose $\epsilon > 0$. Since the sequence $\{f'_n\}$ is uniformly convergent on $[a, b]$, \exists a natural number k_1 such that $\forall x \in [a, b]$, $|f'_{n+p}(x) - f'_n(x)| < \frac{\epsilon}{2(b-a)} \forall n \geq k_1$

and $p = 1, 2, 3, \dots$

Also since $\{f_n(x_0)\}$ is convergent, \exists a natural number

k_2 such that $|f_{n+p}(x_0) - f_n(x_0)| < \frac{\epsilon}{2} \forall n \geq k_2$ and

$p = 1, 2, 3, \dots$. Let $k = \max\{k_1, k_2\}$

Then $\forall x \in [a, b]$, $|f'_{n+p}(x) - f'_n(x)| < \frac{\epsilon}{2(b-a)} \forall n \geq k$ and

$p = 1, 2, 3, \dots$ and $|f_{n+p}(x_0) - f_n(x_0)| < \frac{\epsilon}{2} \forall n \geq k$ and $p = 1, 2, 3, \dots$

Applying Lagrange's Mean Value Theorem to the function

$f_{n+p} - f_n$ on $[x_0, x]$ or $[x, x_0]$ where $x \in [a, b]$,

$$|f_{n+p}(x) - f_n(x) - f_{n+p}(x_0) + f_n(x_0)| = |x - x_0| |f'_{n+p}(\xi) - f'_n(\xi)|$$

where $x_0 < \xi < x$ or $x < \xi < x_0$, as the case may be.

Now $|f'_{n+p}(\xi) - f'_n(\xi)| < \frac{\epsilon}{2(b-a)} \forall n \geq k$, and $p = 1, 2, 3, \dots$

and $|x - x_0| < b - a \forall x \in [a, b]$

It follows that $\forall x \in [a, b]$, $|f_{n+p}(x) - f_n(x) - f_{n+p}(x_0) + f_n(x_0)| < \frac{\epsilon}{2}$