

Uniform Convergence- HW Problems

1. Let $\{f_n(x)\}$ be defined by:

$$f_n(x) = \sqrt[n]{x}; \quad \text{for } 0 \leq x \leq 1.$$

a. Prove with an ϵ - N argument that $\{f_n(x)\}$ converges pointwise to the function:

$$f(x) = 1 \quad \text{if } 0 < x \leq 1$$

$$= 0 \quad \text{if } x = 0.$$

b. Show that $\{f_n(x)\}$ does not converge uniformly to $f(x)$ by showing that given any $n > 0$ you can find a point $0 < x < 1$ such that $|\sqrt[n]{x} - 1| \geq \frac{1}{2}$.

(Note: the point x can be a function of n)

c. Using the ϵ - N definition of uniform convergence, prove that $\{f_n(x)\}$ converges uniformly to: $f(x) = 1$, on the interval $[\frac{1}{2}, 1]$.

2. Suppose that $\{f_n(x)\}$ and $\{g_n(x)\}$ are sequences of real-valued functions on \mathbb{R} such that $\{f_n(x)\}$ converges uniformly to $f(x)$ on \mathbb{R} and $\{g_n(x)\}$ converges uniformly to $g(x)$ on \mathbb{R} . Prove with an ϵ - N argument that $\{f_n(x) + g_n(x)\}$ converges uniformly to $f(x) + g(x)$ on \mathbb{R} .