

Access answers to Maths RD Sharma Solutions For Class 12 Chapter 10 – Differentiability

Exercise 10.1 Page No: 10.10

1. Show that $f(x) = |x - 3|$ is continuous but not differentiable at $x = 3$.

Solution:

Given $f(x) = |x - 3|$

Therefore we can write given function as,

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} -(x - 3), & x < 3 \\ x - 3, & x \geq 3 \end{cases}$$

But $f(3) = 3 - 3 = 0$

$$\text{LHL} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 3} f(x)$$

$$= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} f(3 - h)$$

$$= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} 3 - (3 - h)$$

$$= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} 0$$

Now consider,

$$\text{RHL} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 3} f(x)$$

$$= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} f(3 + h)$$

$$= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} 3 + h - 3$$

$$= 0$$

$$\text{LHL} = \text{RHL} = f(3)$$

Since, $f(x)$ is continuous at $x = 3$

$$\text{LHD at } x = 3 = \lim_{x \rightarrow 3^-} \frac{f(x) - f(3)}{x - 3}$$

$$= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0^-} \frac{f(3-h) - f(3)}{3-h-3}$$

$$= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0^-} \frac{3-(3-h)-0}{-h}$$

$$= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0^-} \frac{h}{-h}$$

$$= -1$$

$$\text{RHD at } x = 3 = \lim_{x \rightarrow 3^+} \frac{f(x) - f(3)}{x - 3}$$

$$= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{f(3+h) - f(3)}{3+h-3}$$

$$= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{3+h-3-0}{h}$$

$$= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{h}{h}$$

$$= 1$$

$$\text{LHD at } x = 3 \neq \text{RHD at } x = 3$$

Hence, $f(x)$ is continuous but not differentiable at $x = 3$.

2. Show that $f(x) = x^{1/3}$ is not differentiable at $x = 0$.

Solution:

For differentiability,

LHD (at $x = 0$) = RHD (at $x = 0$)

$$(\text{LHD at } x = 0) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^-} \frac{f(x) - f(0)}{x - 0}$$

$$= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0^-} \frac{f(0-h) - f(0)}{0-h-0}$$

$$= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0^-} \frac{(-h)^{\frac{1}{3}} - 0}{-h}$$

$$= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0^-} \frac{(-h)^{\frac{1}{3}}}{-h}$$

$$= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0^-} \frac{(-1)^{\frac{1}{3}} (h)^{\frac{1}{3}}}{(-1)h}$$

$$= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} (-1)^{\frac{-2}{3}} h^{\frac{-2}{3}}$$

= Not defined

$$(\text{RHD at } x = 3) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{f(x) - f(0)}{x - 0}$$

$$= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{f(0+h) - f(0)}{0+h-0}$$

$$= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{(h)^{\frac{1}{3}} - 0}{+h}$$

$$= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{(h)^{\frac{1}{3}}}{+h}$$

$$= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} h^{\frac{-2}{3}}$$

= Not defined

Since, LHD and RHD does not exist at $x = 0$

Hence, $f(x)$ is not differentiable at $x = 0$

3. Show that $f(x) = \begin{cases} 12x - 13, & \text{if } x \leq 3 \\ 2x^2 + 5, & \text{if } x > 3 \end{cases}$ is differentiable at $x = 3$. Also, find $f'(3)$

Solution:

Now we have to check differentiability of given function at $x = 3$

That is LHD (at $x = 3$) = RHD (at $x = 3$)

$$(\text{LHD at } x = 3) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 3^-} \frac{f(x) - f(3)}{x - 3}$$

$$= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0^-} \frac{f(3-h) - f(3)}{3-h-3}$$

$$= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0^-} \frac{[12(3-h) - 13] - [12(3) - 13]}{-h}$$

$$= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0^-} \frac{36 - 12h - 13 - 36 + 13}{-h}$$

$$= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0^-} \frac{-12h}{-h}$$

$$= 12$$

$$(\text{RHD at } x = 3) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 3^+} \frac{f(x) - f(3)}{x - 3}$$

$$= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{f(3+h) - f(3)}{3+h-3}$$

$$= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{[2(3+h^2) + 5] - [12(3) - 13]}{3+h-3}$$

$$= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{18 + 12h + 2h^2 + 5 - 36 + 13}{h}$$

$$= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{2h^2 + 12h}{h}$$

$$= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{h(2h + 12)}{h}$$

$$= 12$$

Since, (LHD at $x = 3$) = (RHD at $x = 3$)

Hence, $f(x)$ is differentiable at $x = 3$.

4. Show that the function f is defined as follows

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} 3x - 2, & 0 < x \leq 1 \\ 2x^2 - x, & 1 < x \leq 2 \\ 5x - 4, & x > 2 \end{cases}$$

Is continuous at $x = 2$, but not differentiable thereat.

Solution:

Given

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} 3x - 2, & 0 < x \leq 1 \\ 2x^2 - x, & 1 < x \leq 2 \\ 5x - 4, & x > 2 \end{cases}$$

Now we have to check continuity at $x = 2$

For continuity,

$$\text{LHL (at } x = 2) = \text{RHL (at } x = 2)$$

$$f(2) = 2(2)^2 - 2$$

$$= 8 - 2 = 6$$

$$\text{LHL} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 2^-} f(x)$$

$$= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0^-} f(2 - h)$$

$$= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0^-} [2(2 - h)^2 - (2 - h)]$$

$$= 8 - 2$$

$$= 6$$

$$\text{RHL} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 2^+} f(x)$$

$$= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0^+} f(2 + h)$$

$$= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0^+} 5(2 + h) - 4$$

$$= 6$$

Since, $\text{LHL} = \text{RHL} = f(2)$

Hence, $F(x)$ is continuous at $x = 2$

Now we have to differentiability at $x = 2$

$$(\text{LHD at } x = 2) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 2^-} \frac{f(x) - f(2)}{x - 2}$$

$$= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(2-h) - f(2)}{2-h-2}$$

$$= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{[2(2-h)^2 - (2-h)] - [8-2]}{-h}$$

$$= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{8-8h+2h^2-h-6}{-h}$$

$$= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{2h^2-6h}{-h}$$

$$= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{h(2h-6)}{-h}$$

$$= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} (6 - 2h)$$

$$= 6$$

Now consider,

$$(\text{RHD at } x = 2) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 2^+} \frac{f(x) - f(2)}{x - 2}$$

$$= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(2+h) - f(2)}{2+h-2}$$

$$= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{[5(2+h)-4] - [8-2]}{h}$$

$$= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{10+5h-4-6}{h}$$

$$= 5$$

Since, $(\text{RHD at } x = 2) \neq (\text{LHD at } x = 2)$

Hence, $f(2)$ is not differentiable at $x = 2$.

5. Discuss the continuity and differentiability of the function $f(x) = |x| + |x-1|$ in the interval of $(-1, 2)$.

Solution:

The given function $f(x)$ can be defined as

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} x + x + 1, & -1 < x < 0 \\ 1, & 0 \leq x \leq 1 \\ -x - x + 1, & 1 < x < 2 \end{cases}$$

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} 2x + 1, & -1 < x < 0 \\ 1, & 0 \leq x \leq 1 \\ -2x + 1, & 1 < x < 2 \end{cases}$$

We know that a polynomial and a constant function is continuous and differentiable everywhere. So, $f(x)$ is continuous and differentiable for $x \in$

$(-1, 0)$ and $x \in (0, 1)$ and $(1, 2)$.

We need to check continuity and differentiability at $x = 0$ and $x = 1$.

Continuity at $x = 0$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^-} f(x) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^-} 2x + 1 = 1$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} f(x) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} 1 = 1$$

$$f(0) = 1$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^-} f(x) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} f(x) = f(0)$$

Since, $f(x)$ is continuous at $x = 0$

Continuity at $x = 1$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 1^-} f(x) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 1^-} 1 = 1$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 1^+} f(x) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 1^+} 1 = 1$$

$$f(1) = 1$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 1^-} f(x) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 1^+} f(x) = f(1)$$

Since, $f(x)$ is continuous at $x = 1$

Now we have to check differentiability at $x = 0$

For differentiability, LHD (at $x = 0$) = RHD (at $x = 0$)

Differentiability at $x = 0$

$$(\text{LHD at } x = 0) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^-} \frac{f(x) - f(0)}{x - 0}$$

$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^-} \frac{2x + 1 - 1}{x - 0}$$

$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^-} \frac{2x}{x}$$

$$= 2$$

$$(\text{RHD at } x = 0) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{f(x) - f(0)}{x - 0}$$

$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{1 - 1}{x}$$

$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{0}{x}$$

$$= 0$$

Since, $(\text{LHD at } x = 0) \neq (\text{RHD at } x = 0)$

So, $f(x)$ is differentiable at $x = 0$.

Now we have to check differentiability at $x = 1$

For differentiability, $\text{LHD (at } x = 1) = \text{RHD (at } x = 1)$

Differentiability at $x = 1$

$$(\text{LHD at } x = 1) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 1^-} \frac{f(x) - f(1)}{x - 1}$$

$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow 1^-} \frac{1 - 1}{x - 1}$$

$$= 0$$

$$(\text{RHD at } x = 1) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 1^+} \frac{f(x) - f(1)}{x - 1}$$

$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow 1^+} \frac{-2x + 1 - 1}{x - 1}$$

$$= \infty$$

Since, $f(x)$ is not differentiable at $x = 1$.

So, $f(x)$ is continuous on $(-1, 2)$ but not differentiable at $x = 0, 1$

Exercise 10.2 Page No: 10.16

1. If f is defined by $f(x) = x^2$, find $f'(2)$.

Solution:

We have a polynomial function $f(x) = x^2$, and we have to find whether it is derivable at $x = 2$ or not, so by using the formula, $f'(c) = \lim_{x \rightarrow c} \frac{f(x) - f(c)}{x - c}$,

$$\text{We get, } f'(2) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 2} \frac{f(x) - f(2)}{x - 2}$$

$$f'(2) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 2} \frac{x^2 - 2^2}{x - 2}$$

$$f'(2) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 2} \frac{(x + 2)(x - 2)}{x - 2}$$

[Using $a^2 - b^2 = (a + b)(a - b)$]

$$f'(2) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 2} x + 2 = 4$$

Hence, the function is differentiable at $x = 2$ and its derivative equals to 4.

2. If f is defined by $f(x) = x^2 - 4x + 7$, show that $f'(5) = 2 f'(7/2)$

Solution:

We have a polynomial function $f(x) = x^2 - 4x + 7$, and we have to find $f'(x)$ its value

at $x = 5$ and $x = 7/2$, so by using the formula, $f'(c) = \lim_{x \rightarrow c} \frac{f(x) - f(c)}{x - c}$,

We get, $f'(5) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 5} \frac{f(x) - f(5)}{x - 5}$

$$f'(5) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 5} \frac{x^2 - 4x + 7 - (5^2 - 4 \times 5 + 7)}{x - 5}$$

$$f'(5) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 5} \frac{x^2 - 4x - 5}{x - 5}$$

$$f'(5) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 5} \frac{x(x-5) + 1(x-5)}{x-5}$$

$$f'(5) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 5} (x + 1) = 6$$

Hence the function is differentiable at $x = 5$ and has value 6.

$$f'(7/2) = \lim_{x \rightarrow \frac{7}{2}} \frac{f(x) - f(\frac{7}{2})}{x - \frac{7}{2}}$$

$$f'(7/2) = \lim_{x \rightarrow \frac{7}{2}} \frac{x^2 - 4x + 7 - [(\frac{7}{2})^2 - 4 \times \frac{7}{2} + 7]}{x - \frac{7}{2}}$$

$$f'(7/2) = \lim_{x \rightarrow \frac{7}{2}} \frac{x^2 - 4x + 7 - [(\frac{7}{2})^2 - 4 \times \frac{7}{2} + 7]}{x - \frac{7}{2}}$$

$$f'(7/2) = \lim_{x \rightarrow \frac{7}{2}} \frac{x^2 - 4x + \frac{7}{4}}{x - \frac{7}{2}}$$

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$$f'(7/2) = \lim_{x \rightarrow \frac{7}{2}} \frac{(2x-1)(2x-7)}{2(2x-7)}$$

$$f'(7/2) = \lim_{x \rightarrow \frac{7}{2}} \frac{(2x-1)}{2} = 3$$

Therefore $f'(5) = 2 f'(7/2) = 6$,

Hence the proof.

3. Show that the derivative of the function f is given by $f'(x) = 2x^3 - 9x^2 + 12x + 9$, at $x = 1$ and $x = 2$ are equal.

Solution:

We are given with a polynomial function $f(x) = 2x^3 - 9x^2 + 12x + 9$, and we have

to find $f'(x)$ at $x = 1$ and $x = 2$, so by using the formula, $f'(c) = \lim_{x \rightarrow c} \frac{f(x) - f(c)}{x - c}$, we get,

$$f'(1) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 1} \frac{f(x) - f(1)}{x - 1}$$

$$f'(1) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 1} \frac{2x^3 - 9x^2 + 12x + 9 - [2(1)^3 - 9(1)^2 + 12(1) + 9]}{x - 1}$$

$$f'(1) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 1} \frac{2x^3 - 9x^2 + 12x - 5}{x - 1}$$

$$f'(1) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 1} \frac{(x-1)(2x^2 - 7x + 5)}{x - 1}$$

$$f'(1) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 1} 2x^2 - 7x + 5 = 0$$

For $x = 2$, we get,

$$f'(2) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 2} \frac{f(x) - f(2)}{x - 2}$$

$$f'(2) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 2} \frac{2x^3 - 9x^2 + 12x + 9 - [2(2)^3 - 9(2)^2 + 12(2) + 9]}{x - 2}$$

$$f'(2) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 2} \frac{2x^3 - 9x^2 + 12x - 4}{x - 2}$$

$$f'(2) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 2} \frac{(x-2)(2x^2 - 5x + 2)}{x - 2}$$

$$f'(2) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 2} 2x^2 - 5x + 2 = 0$$

Hence they are equal at $x = 1$ and $x = 2$.

4. If for the function $\phi(x) = \lambda x^2 + 7x - 4$, $\phi'(5) = 97$, find λ .

Solution:

We have to find the value of λ given in the real function and we are given with the differentiability of the function $f(x) = \lambda x^2 + 7x - 4$ at $x = 5$ which is $f'(5) = 97$, so we will adopt the same process but with a little variation.

So by using the formula, $f'(c) = \lim_{x \rightarrow c} \frac{f(x) - f(c)}{x - c}$, we get,

$$f'(5) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 5} \frac{f(x) - f(5)}{x - 5}$$

$$f'(5) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 5} \frac{\lambda x^2 + 7x - 4 - [\lambda(5)^2 + 7(5) - 4]}{x - 5}$$

$$f'(5) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 5} \frac{\lambda x^2 + 7x - 4 - [\lambda(5)^2 + 7(5) - 4]}{x - 5}$$

$$f'(5) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 5} \frac{\lambda x^2 + 7x - 35 - 25\lambda}{x - 5}$$

As the limit has some finite value, then there must be the formation of some indeterminate form like $\frac{0}{0}$ or $\frac{\infty}{\infty}$, so if we put the limit value, then the numerator will also be zero as the denominator, but there must be a factor $(x - 5)$ in the numerator, so that this form disappears.

$$f'(5) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 5} \frac{(x-5)(\lambda x + 5\lambda + 7)}{x - 5}$$

$$f'(5) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 5} \lambda x + 5\lambda + 7 = 97$$

$$f'(5) = 10\lambda + 7 = 97$$

$$10\lambda = 90$$

$$\lambda = 9$$

5. If $f(x) = x^3 + 7x^2 + 8x - 9$, find $f'(4)$.

Solution:

We are given with a polynomial function $f(x) = x^3 + 7x^2 + 8x - 9$, and we have to find whether it is derivable at $x = 4$ or not,

So by using the formula, $f'(c) = \lim_{x \rightarrow c} \frac{f(x) - f(c)}{x - c}$,

We get, $f'(4) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 4} \frac{f(x) - f(4)}{x - 4}$

$$f'(4) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 4} \frac{x^3 + 7x^2 + 8x - 9 - [4^3 + 7(4)^2 + 8(4) - 9]}{x - 4}$$

$$f'(4) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 4} \frac{(x-4)(x^2 + 11x + 52)}{x - 4}$$

$$f'(4) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 4} x^2 + 11x + 52$$

$$f'(4) = 112.$$

6. Find the derivative of the function f defined by $f(x) = mx + c$ at $x = 0$.

Solution:

We are given with a polynomial function $f(x) = mx + c$, and we have to find whether it is derivable at $x = 0$ or not,

So by using the formula, $f'(c) = \lim_{x \rightarrow c} \frac{f(x) - f(c)}{x - c}$,

We get, $f'(0) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(x) - f(0)}{x - 0}$

$$f'(0) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{mx + c - [m(0) + c]}{x - 0}$$

$$f'(0) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{mx + c - c}{x - 0}$$

$$f'(0) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} m = m$$

This is the derivative of a function at $x = 0$, and also this is the derivative of this function at every value of x .