

Rick's Rocks sells decorative landscape rocks in bulk quantities. For quantities up to and including 500 lb, Rick charges \$2.50 per pound. For quantities above 500 lb, he charges \$2 per pound. He realizes that his customers are taking advantage of him: for example, they pay less for 550 lb of rocks than they would for 500 lb of rocks. For Rick, this means lost revenue, so he decides to add a quantity discount surcharge for quantities above 500 lb. If  $k$  represents this surcharge, the price function becomes:

$$p(x) = \begin{cases} 2.50x, & \text{for } 0 < x \leq 500, \\ 2x + k, & \text{for } x > 500. \end{cases}$$

Find  $k$  such that the function is continuous at  $x = 500$ .

$$P(x) = \begin{cases} 2.50x & x \leq 500 \\ 2x + k & x > 500 \end{cases}$$

For ftn to be continuous at  $x=500$

$$LHL = RHL = P(500) \rightarrow (i)$$

$$\underline{\underline{LHL}} \quad \lim_{x \rightarrow 500^-} (2.50x) = 1250 \rightarrow (a)$$

$$\underline{\underline{RHL}} \quad \lim_{x \rightarrow 500^+} (2x + k) = 1000 + k \rightarrow (b)$$

$$P(500) = 2.50 \times 500 = 1250 \rightarrow (c)$$

Substituting (a), (b) & (c) in (i) we get

$$1250 = 1000 + k$$

$$\boxed{k = 250}$$

Value of  $k$  should be 250 in order to get ftn continuous at  $x=500$ .

The Candy Factory sells candy by the pound, charging \$1.50 per pound for quantities up to and including 20 pounds. Above 20 pounds, the Candy Factory charges \$1.25 per pound for the entire quantity, plus a quantity surcharge  $k$ . If  $x$  represents the number of pounds, the price function is

$$p(x) = \begin{cases} 1.50x, & \text{for } x \leq 20, \\ 1.25x + k, & \text{for } x > 20. \end{cases}$$

- a) Find  $k$  such that the price function  $p$  is continuous at  $x = 20$ .

$$P(x) = \begin{cases} 1.50x & x \leq 20 \\ 1.25x + K & x > 20 \end{cases}$$

For ftn to be continuous at  $x = 20$

$$LHL = RHL = P(20) \rightarrow (i)$$

$$\underline{\underline{LHL}} \quad \lim_{x \rightarrow 20^-} (1.50x) = 30 \rightarrow (a)$$

$$\underline{\underline{RHL}} \quad \lim_{x \rightarrow 20^+} (1.25x + K) = 25 + K \rightarrow (b)$$

$$P(20) = 1.50 \times 20 = 30 \rightarrow (c)$$

Substituting (a), (b) & (c) in (i)

$$30 = 25 + K$$

$$\boxed{K = 5}$$

So  $K$  should be 5 in order to get price ftn continuous at  $x = 20$ .



(b)  $\{x | 0 < x \leq 3\}$  or  $(0, 3]$

(c) Ftn is Continuous on intervals  $(0, 1]$ ,  $(1, 2]$  &  $(2, 3]$

(d) At  $x = 1$  &  $2$  ftn has jump discontinuity.

Q3: - In December 2023, Florida Power & Light had the following monthly rate schedule for electric usage in single family residences:

Monthly Customer Charge \$7.87

Fuel charge

$\leq 1000$  KWH

0.02173 per KWH

$> 1000$  KWH

0.03173 for each KWH in excess of 1000

(a) Find a ftn  $C$  that models the monthly Cost of using  $x$  KWH of electricity.

(b) What is domain of  $C$ ?

(c) Determine intervals on which  $C$  is Continuous.

(d) At numbers where  $C$  is not Continuous (if any), what type of discontinuity does  $C$  have.

Sol (a) When  $x \leq 1000$

$$C(x) = 7.87 + 0.02173x$$

When  $x > 1000$

The cost for first 1000 KWH is  $7.87 + (0.02173 \times 1000)$ , & the the cost for the remaining  $x - 1000$  KWH is charged at 0.03173 per KWH. So total Cost is

$$C(x) = 7.87 + (0.02173 \times 1000) + 0.03173(x - 1000)$$

$$C(x) = 7.87 + 21.73 + 0.03173(x - 1000)$$

$$C(x) = 29.6 + 0.03173x - 31.73$$

$$C(x) = -2.13 + 0.03173x$$

$$C(x) = \begin{cases} 7.87 + 0.02173x & x \leq 1000 \\ -2.13 + 0.03173x & x > 1000 \end{cases}$$

(b)  $C = [0, \infty)$  or  $\{x | x \geq 0\}$

(c)  $C$  is continuous on its domain

(d) No.

Q3:- A pizza delivery service charges a fee based on distance. The delivery fee is calculated as follows

\* \$10 for deliveries within a 5 mile radius

\* \$2 for each additional mile beyond the initial 5 miles.

If 'd' represent the distance in miles from the pizza shop to the delivery location & let  $f(d)$  represent the delivery fee.

Write an expression for the delivery fee  $f(d)$  based on given pricing structure. Then, determine whether the limit of  $f(d)$  as  $d \rightarrow 5$  miles exists or not?

sol

$$f(d) = \begin{cases} \$10 & 0 < d \leq 5 \\ \$10 + \$2(d-5) & d > 5 \end{cases}$$

LHL

$$\lim_{d \rightarrow 5^-} f(d) = \$10$$

RHL

$$\lim_{d \rightarrow 5^+} f(d) = 10 + 2(5-5) = \$10$$



$HL = RHL$  so limit exists & is \$10.

Q5:- A shipping company charges customers based on the weight of their packages. The pricing structure is as follows:

- \* \$10 for packages weighing upto 5 lb
- \* \$2 for each additional lb beyond the initial 5 lb.

If 'w' represent the weight in lb of package, &  $C(w)$  represent the shipping cost. Write a ftn for  $C(w)$  & find limit of  $C(w)$  as  $w \rightarrow 5$ .

sol

$$C(w) = \begin{cases} \$10 & 0 < w \leq 5 \\ \$10 + \$2(w-5) & w > 5 \end{cases}$$

LHL

$$\lim_{w \rightarrow 5^-} C(w) = \$10$$

RHL

$$\lim_{w \rightarrow 5^+} C(w) = \$10$$

As  $LHL = RHL$  so limit is  $\$10$  when  $w \rightarrow 5$ .