

Discontinuity of a Function

A function $f(x)$ is said to be discontinuous at a point $x=c$ if it fails to meet any or all conditions mentioned.

- (i): $f(c)$ exists. (c lies in $f(x)$ domain)
- (ii) $\lim_{x \rightarrow c} f(x)$ exists (f has limit at $x \rightarrow c$)
- (iii) $\lim_{x \rightarrow c} f(x) = f(c)$.

(*) Types

They are: jump discontinuity, oscillating discontinuity, infinite discontinuity, & removable discontinuity.

(i) Jump discontinuity:

In this case, one sided limits exists but they are unequal.

$$\text{ie, } LHL \neq RHL$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow a^-} f(x) \neq \lim_{x \rightarrow a^+} f(x)$$

(ii) Oscillating discontinuity:

In this case, function $f(x)$ is oscillating discontinuity at $x=c$, if $f(x)$ is not defined at $x=c$.

(iii) Infinite discontinuity:

In this case, any one of the one side limit is infinite.

(iv) Removable discontinuity:

In this case, the one sided limits are equal and finite and equal but it is not equal to the functional value.