

Chapter 1

Differential Calculus

1.1 Recap of Function of One Variable

- Various Intervals: Let $a, b \in \mathbb{R}$ with $a < b$. An open interval $\{x : x \in \mathbb{R}, a < x < b\}$ is a subset of \mathbb{R} and denoted by (a, b) . A closed interval $\{x : x \in \mathbb{R}, a \leq x \leq b\}$ is a subset of \mathbb{R} and denoted by $[a, b]$. A semi-open or, semi-closed interval is $[a, b), (a, b]$. Some unbounded intervals are $(-\infty, a), (-\infty, a], (a, \infty), [a, \infty), (-\infty, \infty)$ etc.
- Neighbourhood: A neighbourhood of a point $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}$ is an open interval (a, b) such that $\alpha \in (a, b)$. It is denoted by $N(\alpha)$. A δ -neighbourhood of a point $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}$ is an open interval $(\alpha - \delta, \alpha + \delta)$ for $\delta > 0$ i.e. the set of all points $x \in \mathbb{R}$ such that $|x - \alpha| < \delta$. It is denoted by $N(\alpha, \delta)$.
- Interior Point: A point $x \in S$ is said to be an interior point of S if \exists a $N(x)$ such that $N(x) \subset S$. It is denoted by S^o . For ex. $S = (2, 3] \Rightarrow$ only 3 is not an interior point rest are all interior points $\Rightarrow S^o = (2, 3)$.
- Deleted Neighbourhood: $N(\alpha) \setminus \{\alpha\}$ is called deleted neighbourhood of α and denoted by $N'(\alpha)$. Again $N(\alpha, \delta) \setminus \{\alpha\}$ is called deleted δ -neighbourhood of α and denoted by $N'(\alpha, \delta)$. For ex. $N'(2, 0.1) = (1.9, 2.1) \setminus \{2\} = (1.9, 2) \cup (2, 2.1)$.
- Limit Point/ Cluster Point: A point $x \in S$ is said to be a limit point (cluster point) of S if $N'(x, \delta) \cap S \neq \phi$. For ex. $S = (2, 3] \Rightarrow$ each point of S is a limit point of S , 2 is also a limit point of S . Again, \mathbb{N} has no limit points.
- Isolated Point: A point $y \in S$ is said to be an isolated point of S if y is not a limit point of S . For ex. each point of \mathbb{N} is an isolated point.
- Open Set: A set S is said to be an open set if each point of S is an interior point of S . For ex. $(1, 2), \mathbb{R}, \phi$, etc. Note that, S^o is the largest open set contained in S .

1.1.1 Limit, Continuity and Differentiability

■ A function $f(x)$ is said to tend to a limit l as x tends to c if for each $\varepsilon > 0$, $\exists \delta > 0$ such that $|f(x) - l| < \varepsilon$, when $0 < |x - c| < \delta$. We write $\lim_{x \rightarrow c} f(x) = l$.

■ Then f is said to be continuous at c ($a < c < b$) if $\lim_{x \rightarrow c} f(x) = f(c)$ i.e. for each $\varepsilon > 0$, $\exists \delta > 0$ such that $|f(x) - f(c)| < \varepsilon$, when $0 < |x - c| < \delta$.

■ Let $f(x)$ be a function defined on an interval $I = [a, b]$. Let c be an interior point of I , the function f is said to be *differentiable at c* if $\lim_{x \rightarrow c} \frac{f(x) - f(c)}{x - c}$ exists. If the limiting value is l , then l is said to be the derivative of f at c and is denoted by $f'(c)$.

■ We will study these in detail on the course 'Mathematical Analysis'.

1.2 Function of Several Variables

► The neighborhood of (α, β) is a subset S of \mathbb{R}^2 such that $(\alpha, \beta) \in S$.

► Let $\delta > 0$ then $S = \{(x, y) : |x - \alpha| < \delta, |y - \beta| < \delta\} \subset \mathbb{R}^2$ is called a square δ -nbd of (α, β) . It is denoted by $R_\delta(\alpha, \beta)$.

► Let $\delta > 0$ then $S = \{(x, y) : (x - \alpha)^2 + (y - \beta)^2 < \delta^2\} \subset \mathbb{R}^2$ is called a circular δ -nbd of (α, β) . It is denoted by $B_\delta(\alpha, \beta)$.

► The deleted neighborhood of (x, y) is $N'_\delta(x, y) = N_\delta(x, y) \setminus \{(x, y)\}$.

► Let $S \subset \mathbb{R}^2$ and $(x, y) \in S$. Then (x, y) is called an interior point of S if $\exists \delta > 0$ such that $N_\delta(x, y) \subset S$.

► S is said to be an open set if every point of S is its interior point.

► A point $(x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^2$ is said to be a limit point of a set $S \subset \mathbb{R}^2$ if $\forall \delta > 0$, $N'_\delta(x, y) \cap S \neq \emptyset$.

► Let $S \subset \mathbb{R}^2$ is said to be bounded if \exists a rectangle $R = [a, b] \times [c, d]$ such that $S \subset R$.

1.3 Limit

We already studied the limit in one variable. Now we will study some problems related to one variable.

[Do It Yourself] 1.1. Let $L = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} n \left[f\left(\frac{1}{n}\right) + f\left(\frac{2}{n}\right) + \cdots + f\left(\frac{k}{n}\right) - kf(0) \right]$, where k is a positive integer. If $f(x) = \sin x$, then L is equal to
(A) $\frac{(k+1)(k+2)}{6}$. (B) $\frac{(k+1)(k+2)}{2}$. (C) $\frac{k(k+1)}{2}$. (D) $k(k+1)$.

[Do It Yourself] 1.2. $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1 - 2 + 3 - 4 + \cdots + (-2n)}{\sqrt{n^2 + 1} + \sqrt{n^2 - 1}}$ equals.
(A) ∞ . (B) $1/2$. (C) 0 . (D) $-1/2$.

[Do It Yourself] 1.3. $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1 + \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{3} + \cdots + \frac{1}{n}}{(\pi^n + e^n)^{1/n} \ln n}$ equals

(A) $\frac{1}{\pi}$. (B) $\frac{1}{e}$. (C) $\frac{e}{\pi}$. (D) $\frac{\pi}{e}$.

[Hint : Use Harmonic sum $= 1 + \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{3} + \cdots + \frac{1}{n} \approx \ln(n) + \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2n}$]

1.3.1 Double Limit (Two Variable)

Let $D \subset \mathbb{R}^2$, $f : D \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be a function and (a, b) be a limit point of D . Let $(x, y) \in D$ and $(x, y) \rightarrow (a, b)$ in any manner. The function $f(x, y)$ is said to tend to limit l if for each $\varepsilon > 0$, \exists a $\delta > 0$ such that $|f(x, y) - l| < \varepsilon$ for $(x, y) \in N_\delta(a, b)$ [Square or, Circular].

$\lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (a,b)} f(x, y) = l$ is called double limit.

■ $\lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (a,b)} f(x, y) = l$ means for given $\varepsilon > 0$, $\exists \delta > 0$ such that $|f(x, y) - l| < \varepsilon$.

If $0 < |x - a| < \delta$, $0 < |y - b| < \delta$ [or], $0 < (x - a)^2 + (y - b)^2 < \delta^2$.

■ If double limit exists then along any smooth curve or path we can find the limit. This approach is helpful to find the limiting value when it is given that the double limit exists.

Example 1.1. Show that $\lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (0,0)} xy \frac{x^2 - y^2}{x^2 + y^2} = 0$.

\Rightarrow Let $f(x, y) = xy \frac{x^2 - y^2}{x^2 + y^2}$. Put $x = r \cos \theta$, $y = r \sin \theta$.

Therefore, $|f(x, y) - 0| = |xy \frac{x^2 - y^2}{x^2 + y^2}| = |r^2 \sin \theta \cos \theta \cos 2\theta| = |\frac{r^2}{4} \sin 4\theta| \leq \frac{r^2}{4}$.

So $|f(x, y) - 0| < \varepsilon$ if $\frac{r^2}{4} \leq \varepsilon$ i.e. $(x - 0)^2 + (y - 0)^2 < \delta^2$ ($= 4\varepsilon$).

Therefore, by definition $\lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (0,0)} xy \frac{x^2 - y^2}{x^2 + y^2} = 0$.

Example 1.2. Show that $\lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (0,0)} \left[x \sin \frac{1}{y} + y \sin \frac{1}{x} \right] = 0$.

\Rightarrow Let $f(x, y) = x \sin \frac{1}{y} + y \sin \frac{1}{x}$.

Therefore, $|f(x, y) - 0| = |x \sin \frac{1}{y} + y \sin \frac{1}{x}| \leq |x| + |y|$.

So $|f(x, y) - 0| < \varepsilon$ if $|x| + |y| \leq \varepsilon$ i.e. $|x - 0| < \delta$ ($= \frac{\varepsilon}{2}$), $|y - 0| < \delta$ ($= \frac{\varepsilon}{2}$).

Therefore, by definition $\lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (0,0)} \left[x \sin \frac{1}{y} + y \sin \frac{1}{x} \right] = 0$.

[Do It Yourself] 1.4. Show that i) $\lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (0,0)} \frac{xy}{\sqrt{x^2 + y^2}} = 0$, ii) $\lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (0,0)} \frac{x^3 - y^3}{x^2 + y^2} = 0$,

iii) $\lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (0,0)} e^{-(x^2 + y^2)} = 1$, iv) $\lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (0,0)} \frac{\sqrt{1 + x^2 y^2} - 1}{x^2 + y^2} = 0$.

[Hint : iii) $|e^{-(x^2 + y^2)} - 1| \approx |x^2 + y^2|$, in nbd of $(0, 0)$, iv) $|\frac{\sqrt{1 + x^2 y^2} - 1}{x^2 + y^2}| \approx \frac{1}{2} |\frac{x^2 y^2}{x^2 + y^2}|$]

Example 1.4. Show that $\lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (0,0)} \frac{xy}{x^2 + y^2}$ does not exist.

\Rightarrow Let $(x, y) \rightarrow (0, 0)$ along $y = mx$.

Then, $\lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (0,0)} \frac{xy}{x^2 + y^2} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{mx^2}{x^2 + m^2x^2} = \frac{m}{1 + m^2}$.

The limit is different for different values of m . So the limit does not exist.

[Do It Yourself] 1.5. Show that the limits are not exists

i) $\lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (0,0)} \frac{xy^3}{x^2 + y^6}$, ii) $\lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (0,0)} \frac{x^3 + y^3}{x - y}$, iii) $\lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (0,0)} (x + y) \frac{y + (x + y)^2}{y - (x + y)^2}$.

[Hint: $x = my^3$; $y = x - mx^3$; $y = x^2 \Rightarrow -1$ and $y = 0 \Rightarrow 0$]

1.3.2 Polar Transformation (Two Variable)

■ $x = r \cos \theta$, $y = r \sin \theta$. It works if the denominator contains the term $(x^2 + y^2)$ or, some function of $(x^2 + y^2)$.

■ For $\lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (0,0)} \frac{xy}{x^2 + y^2}$ polar transformation gives $\lim_{r \rightarrow 0} \frac{r^2 \sin \theta \cos \theta}{r^2} = \sin \theta \cos \theta \Rightarrow$ Limit does not exist.

■ For $\lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (0,0)} \frac{xy}{\sqrt{x^2 + y^2}}$ polar transformation gives $\lim_{r \rightarrow 0} \frac{r^2 \sin \theta \cos \theta}{r} = 0 \Rightarrow$ Limit exist and equal to 0.

■ For $\lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (0,0)} \frac{xy}{x + y}$ polar transformation gives $\lim_{r \rightarrow 0} \frac{r^2 \sin \theta \cos \theta}{r(\sin \theta + \cos \theta)} = \lim_{r \rightarrow 0} \frac{r \sin \theta \cos \theta}{\sin \theta + \cos \theta}$
 \Rightarrow Denominator can be zero \Rightarrow Try not to use polar transformation.

1.3.3 Repeated Limit (Two Variable)

■ $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} [\lim_{y \rightarrow b} f(x, y)] = \alpha$. Here calculating ' $\lim_{y \rightarrow b} f(x, y)$ ' we will take x is fixed.

■ $\lim_{y \rightarrow b} [\lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x, y)] = \beta$. Here calculating ' $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x, y)$ ' we will take y is fixed.

■ $\lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (a,b)} f(x, y) = l \Rightarrow \lim_{x \rightarrow a} [\lim_{y \rightarrow b} f(x, y)] = \lim_{y \rightarrow b} [\lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x, y)] = l$.

■ If $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} [\lim_{y \rightarrow b} f(x, y)] \neq \lim_{y \rightarrow b} [\lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x, y)] \Rightarrow$ Double limit does not exist.

[Do It Yourself] 1.6. Show that $\lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (0,0)} \left[x \sin \frac{1}{y} + y \sin \frac{1}{x} \right]$ exist but repeated limit does not exist.

[Hint : $\lim_{t \rightarrow 0} \sin \frac{1}{t}$ does not exist].

[Do It Yourself] 1.7. Let

$$f(x, y) = \begin{cases} x \sin \frac{1}{y} + \frac{x^2 - y^2}{x^2 + y^2} & \text{if } y \neq 0 \\ 0 & \text{if } y = 0 \end{cases}$$

, then show that $\lim_{y \rightarrow 0} \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} f(x, y)$ exists but $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \lim_{y \rightarrow 0} f(x, y)$ and $\lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (0,0)} f(x, y)$ does not exist.

1.4 Continuity (Two Variables)

Let $D \subset \mathbb{R}^2$, $f : D \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be a function. Suppose $(a, b) \in D$, then we say that $f(x, y)$ is continuous at (a, b) if $\lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (a,b)} f(x, y) = f(a, b)$ i.e. for each $\varepsilon > 0$, $\exists \delta > 0$ such that $|f(x, y) - f(a, b)| < \varepsilon$ for $(x, y) \in N_\delta(a, b)$ [Square or, Circular].

■ $f(x, y)$ is continuous at $(a, b) \Rightarrow$ given $\varepsilon > 0$, $\exists \delta > 0$ such that $|f(x, y) - f(a, b)| < \varepsilon$.
If $0 < |x - a| < \delta$, $0 < |y - b| < \delta$ or, $0 < (x - a)^2 + (y - b)^2 < \delta^2$.

Example 1.5. Show that

$$f(x, y) = \begin{cases} x \sin \frac{1}{y} + y \sin \frac{1}{x} & \text{if } xy \neq 0 \\ 0 & \text{if } xy = 0 \end{cases}$$

is continuous at $(0, 0)$.

\Rightarrow Here $|f(x, y) - f(0, 0)| \leq |x| + |y| < \varepsilon$ if $|x - 0| < \frac{\varepsilon}{2}$, $|y - 0| < \frac{\varepsilon}{2}$.

It implies, $|f(x, y) - f(0, 0)| < \varepsilon$ if $|x - 0| < \delta$, $|y - 0| < \delta$, where $\delta = \frac{\varepsilon}{2}$.

Therefore, $\lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (0,0)} f(x, y) = 0 = f(0, 0) \Rightarrow f(x, y)$ is continuous at $(0, 0)$.

Example 1.6. Show that

$$f(x, y) = \begin{cases} (px + qy) \sin \frac{x}{y} & \text{if } y \neq 0 \\ 0 & \text{if } y = 0 \end{cases}$$

is continuous at $(0, 0)$.

\Rightarrow Here $|f(x, y) - f(0, 0)| \leq |p||x| + |q||y| < \varepsilon$ if $|x - 0| < \frac{\varepsilon}{2|p|}$, $|y - 0| < \frac{\varepsilon}{2|q|}$.

It implies, $|f(x, y) - f(0, 0)| < \varepsilon$ if $|x - 0| < \delta$, $|y - 0| < \delta$, where $\delta = \min\{\frac{\varepsilon}{2|p|}, \frac{\varepsilon}{2|q|}\}$.

Therefore, $\lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (0,0)} f(x, y) = 0 = f(0, 0) \Rightarrow f(x, y)$ is continuous at $(0, 0)$.

[Do It Yourself] 1.8. Let $f : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ defined by

$$f(x, y) = \begin{cases} \frac{\sin 2(x^2 + y^2)}{x^2 + y^2} e^{3x \sin \frac{4}{y}} & \text{if } (x, y) \neq (0, 0) \\ \alpha & \text{if } (x, y) = (0, 0) \end{cases}$$

where α is a real constants. If f is continuous at $(0, 0)$ then the value of α is

(A) 1. (B) 2. (C) 3. (D) 4.

[Hint : Since limit exist try to evaluate along $y = x$]

[Do It Yourself] 1.10. Let

$$f(x, y) = \begin{cases} \frac{x^2 + y^2}{x + y} & \text{if } (x, y) \neq (0, 0) \\ 0 & \text{if } (x, y) = (0, 0) \end{cases}$$

Check for the continuity of f at $(0, 0)$.

[Hint : $y = mx^2 - x$]