LIMIT, CONTINUITY & DIFFERENTIABILITY

CONTINUITY

1. DEFINITION

A function f(x) is said to be continuous at x = a; where $a \in \text{domain of } f(x)$, if

$$\lim_{x \to a^{-}} f(x) = \lim_{x \to a^{+}} f(x) = f(a)$$

i.e., LHL = RHL = value of a function at x = a

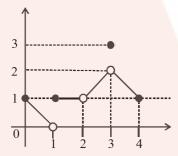
or
$$\lim_{x \to a} f(x) = f(a)$$

1.1 Reasons of discontinuity

If f(x) is not continuous at x = a, we say that f(x) is discontinuous at x = a.

There are following possibilities of discontinuity:

- 1. $\lim_{x \to a^{-}} f(x)$ and $\lim_{x \to a^{+}} f(x)$ exist but they are not equal.
- 2. $\lim_{x \to a^{-}} f(x)$ and $\lim_{x \to a^{+}} f(x)$ exists and are equal but not equal to f(a).
- 3. f(a) is not defined.
- 4. At least one of the limits does not exist. Geometrically, the graph of the function will exhibit a break at the point of discontinuity.



The graph as shown is discontinuous at x = 1, 2 and 3.

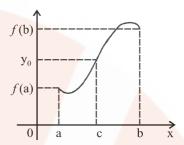
2. PROPERTIES OF CONTINUOUS FUNCTIONS

Let f(x) and g(x) be continuous functions at x = a. Then,

- 1. c f(x) is continuous at x = a, where c is any constant.
- 2. $f(x) \pm g(x)$ is continuous at x = a.
- 3. f(x).g(x) is continuous at x = a.
- 4. f(x)/g(x) is continuous at x = a, provided $g(a) \ne 0$.
- 5. If f(x) is continuous on [a, b] such that f(a) and f(b) are of opposite signs, then there exists at least one solution of equation f(x) = 0 in the open interval (a, b).

3. THE INTERMEDIATE VALUE THEOREM

Suppose f(x) is continuous on an interval I, and a and b are any two points of I. Then if y_0 is a number between f(a) and f(b), their exits a number c between a and b such that $f(c) = y_0$.



The Function f, being continuous on (a,b) takes on every value between f(a) and f(b)



That a function f which is continuous in [a, b] possesses the following properties:

- (i) If f(a) and f(b) possess opposite signs, then there exists at least one solution of the equation f(x) = 0 in the open interval (a, b).
- (ii) If K is any real number between f(a) and f(b), then there exists at least one solution of the equation f(x) = K in the open interval (a, b).

4. CONTINUITY IN AN INTERVAL

- (a) A function f is said to be continuous in (a, b) if f is continuous at each and every point $\in (a, b)$.
- **(b)** A function f is said to be continuous in a closed interval [a, b] if:
- (1) f is continuous in the open interval (a, b) and
- (2) f is right continuous at 'a' i.e. Limit $x \to a^+$ f(x) = f(a) = a finite quantity.
- (3) f is left continuous at 'b'; i.e. Limit f(x) = f(b) = a finite quantity.



5. A LIST OF CONTINUOUS FUNCTIONS

Function f(x)

Interval in which

f(x) is continuous

- 1. constant c
- 2. x^n , n is an integer ≥ 0
- 3. x^{-n} , n is a positive integer
- 4. |x-a
- 5. $P(x) = a_0 x^n + a_1 x^{n-1} + \dots + a_n$
- 6. $\frac{p(x)}{q(x)}$, where p(x) and
 - $(-\infty, \infty)$ and $(-\infty, \infty)$ $-\{x; q(x)=0\}$
 - q(x) are polynomial in x
- 7. $\sin x$

 $(-\infty, \infty)$

8. cos x

 $(-\infty, \infty)$

 $(-\infty, \infty)$

 $(-\infty, \infty)$

 $(-\infty, \infty)$

 $(-\infty, \infty)$

 $(-\infty, \infty) - \{0\}$

9. tan x

 $(-\infty,\infty)$ - $\left\{ (2n+1)\frac{\pi}{2} : n \in I \right\}$

10. cot x

 $(-\infty, \infty) - \{n\pi : n \in I\}$

11. sec x

 $(-\infty, \infty) - \{(2n+1)$ $\pi/2 : n \in I\}$

12. cosec x

 $(-\infty, \infty) - \{n\pi : n \in I\}$

- 13. e^x
- 14. log x
- $(-\infty,\infty)$

 $(0,\infty)$

6. TYPES OF DISCONTINUITIES

Type-1: (Removable type of discontinuities)

In case, Limit f(x) exists but is not equal to f(c) then the

function is said to have a **removable discontinuity or discontinuity of the first kind.** In this case, we can redefine the function such that Limit f(x) = f(c) and make it

continuous at x = c. Removable type of discontinuity can be further classified as:

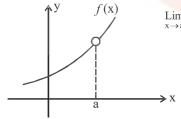
(a) Missing Point Discontinuity:

Where Limit f(x) exists finitely but f(a) is not defined.

E.g. $f(x) = \frac{(1-x)(9-x^2)}{(1-x)}$ has a missing point discontinuity

at x = 1, and

 $f(x) = \frac{\sin x}{x}$ has a missing point discontinuity at x = 0.



missing point discontinuity at x = a

(b) Isolated Point Discontinuity:

Where Limit f(x) exists & f(a) also exists but;

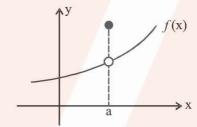
 $\underset{x \to a}{\text{Limit}} \neq f(a).$

E.g.
$$f(x) = \frac{x^2 - 16}{x - 4}$$
, $x \ne 4$ and $f(4) = 9$ has an isolated point

discontinuity at x = 4.

Similarly $f(x) = [x] + [-x] = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & \text{if } x \in I \\ -1 & \text{if } x \notin I \end{bmatrix}$ has an isolated

point discontinuity at all $x \in I$.



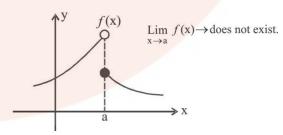
 $\lim_{x \to a} f(x) \to \text{ exists finitely}$ $f(a) \to \text{ exists.}$ But, Lim $f(x) \neq f(a)$

Isolated point discontinuity at x = a

Type-2: (Non-Removable type of discontinuities)

In case, Limit f(x) does not exist, then it is not possible to

make the function continuous by redefining it. Such discontinuities are known as **non-removable discontinuity or discontinuity of the 2nd kind.** Non-removable type of discontinuity can be further classified as:



non-removable discontinuity at x = a



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(a) Finite Discontinuity:

E.g.,
$$f(x) = x - [x]$$
 at all integral x; $f(x) = \tan^{-1} \frac{1}{x}$ at $x = 0$ and

$$f(x) = \frac{1}{1 + 2^{\frac{1}{x}}}$$
 at $x = 0$ (note that $f(0^+) = 0$; $f(0^-) = 1$)

(b) Infinite Discontiunity:

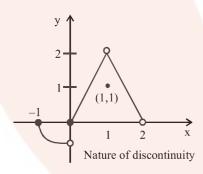
E.g.,
$$f(x) = \frac{1}{x-4}$$
 or $g(x) = \frac{1}{(x-4)^2}$ at $x = 4$; $f(x) = 2^{\tan x}$

at
$$x = \frac{\pi}{2}$$
 and $f(x) = \frac{\cos x}{x}$ at $x = 0$.

(c) Oscillatory Discontinuity:

E.g.,
$$f(x) = \sin \frac{1}{x}$$
 at $x = 0$.

In all these cases the value of f(a) of the function at x = a (point of discontinuity) may or may not exist but $\underset{x \to a}{\text{Limit}}$ does not exist.



From the adjacent graph note that

- f is continuous at x = -1
- -f has isolated discontinuity at x = 1
- -f has missing point discontinuity at x = 2
- -f has non-removable (finite type) discontinity at the origin.



- (a) In case of dis-continuity of the second kind the nonnegative difference between the value of the RHL at
 x = a and LHL at x = a is called the **jump of discontinuity.** A
 function having a finite number of jumps in a given interval
 I is called a piece wise continuous or sectionally continuous
 function in this interval.
- (b) All Polynomials, Trigonometrical functions, exponential and Logarithmic functions are continuous in their domains.
- (c) If f(x) is continuous and g(x) is discontinuous at x = a then the product function $\phi(x) = f(x) \cdot g(x)$ is not necessarily be discontinuous at x = a. e.g.

$$f(x) = x \text{ and } g(x) = \begin{bmatrix} \sin \frac{\pi}{x} & x \neq 0 \\ 0 & x = 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

(d) If f(x) and g(x) both are discontinuous at x = a then the product function $\phi(x) = f(x)$. g(x) is not necessarily be discontinuous at x = a. e.g.

$$f(\mathbf{x}) = -g(\mathbf{x}) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & \mathbf{x} \ge 0 \\ -1 & \mathbf{x} < 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

- (e) Point functions are to be treated as discontinuous eg. $f(x) = \sqrt{1-x} + \sqrt{x-1} \text{ is not continuous at } x = 1.$
- (f) A continuous function whose domain is closed must have a range also in closed interval.
- (g) If f is continuous at x = a and g is continuous at x = f(a) then the composite g[f(x)] is continuous at

$$x = a$$
 E.g $f(x) = \frac{x \sin x}{x^2 + 2}$ and $g(x) = |x|$ are continuous at x

= 0, hence the composite
$$(gof)(x) = \left| \frac{x \sin x}{x^2 + 2} \right|$$
 will also be

continuous at x = 0.



DIFFERENTIABILITY

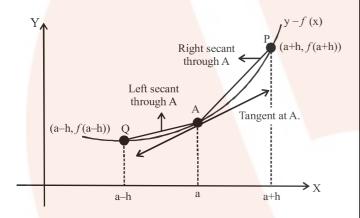
1. DEFINITION

Let f(x) be a real valued function defined on an open interval (a, b) where $c \in (a, b)$. Then f(x) is said to be differentiable or derivable at x = c,

iff,
$$\lim_{x\to c} \frac{f(x) - f(c)}{(x-c)}$$
 exists finitely.

This limit is called the derivative or differentiable coefficient of the function f(x) at x = c, and is denoted by

$$f'(c)$$
 or $\frac{d}{dx}(f(x))_{x=c}$.



- Slope of Right hand secant = $\frac{f(a+h) f(a)}{h}$ as $h \to 0, P \to A$ and secant $(AP) \to tangent$ at A
- $\Rightarrow \text{ Right hand derivative} = \lim_{h \to 0} \left(\frac{f(a+h) f(a)}{h} \right)$
- Slope of tangent at A (when approached from right) $f'(a^+)$.
- Slope of Left hand secant = $\frac{f(a-h) f(a)}{-h}$ as h $\rightarrow 0$, Q \rightarrow A and secant AQ \rightarrow tangent at A

$$\Rightarrow \quad \text{Left hand derivative} = \lim_{h \to 0} \left(\frac{f(a-h) - f(a)}{-h} \right)$$

= Slope of tangent at A (when approached from left) $f'(a^-)$. Thus, f(x) is differentiable at x = c.

$$\Leftrightarrow \lim_{\to c} \frac{f()-f(c)}{(-c)} \text{ exists finitely}$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \lim_{\to c^{-}} \frac{f()-f(c)}{(-c)} = \lim_{\to c^{+}} \frac{f()-f(c)}{(-c)}$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \lim_{h \to 0} \frac{f(c-h) - f(c)}{-h} = \lim_{h \to 0} \frac{f(c+h) - f(c)}{h}$$

Hence,
$$\lim_{\mathbf{x}\to\mathbf{c}^-} \frac{f(\mathbf{x})-f(\mathbf{c})}{(\mathbf{x}-\mathbf{c})} = \lim_{\mathbf{h}\to\mathbf{0}} \frac{f(\mathbf{c}-\mathbf{h})-f(\mathbf{c})}{-\mathbf{h}}$$
 is

called the **left hand derivative** of f(x) at x = c and is denoted by $f'(c^-)$ or Lf'(c).

While,
$$\lim_{\mathbf{x} \to \mathbf{c}^{+}} \frac{f(\mathbf{x}) - f(\mathbf{c})}{\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{c}} = \lim_{\mathbf{h} \to \mathbf{0}} \frac{f(\mathbf{c} + \mathbf{h}) - f(\mathbf{c})}{\mathbf{h}}$$
 is

called the **right hand derivative** of f(x) at x = c and is denoted by $f'(c^+)$ or Rf'(c).

If $f'(c^-) \neq f'(c^+)$, we say that f(x) is not differentiable at x = c.

2. DIFFERENTIABILITY IN A SET

- 1. A function f(x) defined on an open interval (a, b) is said to be differentiable or derivable in open interval (a, b), if it is differentiable at each point of (a, b).
- 2. A function f(x) defined on closed interval [a, b] is said to be differentiable or derivable. "If f is derivable in the open interval (a, b) and also the end points a and b, then f is said to be derivable in the closed interval [a, b]".

i.e.,
$$\lim_{b \to a^+} \frac{f(b) - f(a)}{-a}$$
 and $\lim_{b \to b^-} \frac{f(b) - f(b)}{-b}$, both exist.

A function f is said to be a differentiable function if it is differentiable at every point of its domain.



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- 1. If f(x) and g(x) are derivable at x = a then the functions f(x)+g(x), f(x)-g(x), f(x). g(x) will also be derivable at x = a and if $g(a) \ne 0$ then the function f(x)/g(x) will also be derivable at x = a.
- 2. If f(x) is differentiable at x = a and g(x) is not differentiable at x = a, then the product function F(x) = f(x). g(x) can still be differentiable at x = a. E.g. f(x) = x and g(x) = |x|.
- 3. If f(x) and g(x) both are not differentiable at x = a then the product function; F(x) = f(x). g(x) can still be differentiable at x = a. E.g., f(x) = |x| and g(x) = |x|.
- 4. If f(x) and g(x) both are not differentiable at x = a then the sum function F(x) = f(x) + g(x) may be a differentiable function. E.g., f(x) = |x| and g(x) = -|x|.
- 5. If f(x) is derivable at x = a $\Rightarrow f'(x)$ is continuous at x = a.

e.g.
$$f(x) = \begin{bmatrix} 2\sin\frac{1}{x} & \text{if } x \neq 0 \\ 0 & \text{if } x = 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

3. RELATION B/W CONTINUITY & DIFFERENNINBILINY

In the previous section we have discussed that if a function is differentiable at a point, then it should be continuous at that point and a discontinuous function cannot be differentiable. This fact is proved in the following theorem.

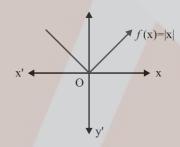
Theorem: If a function is differentiable at a point, it is necessarily continuous at that point. But the converse is not necessarily true,

- or f(x) is differentiable at x = c
- \Rightarrow f(x) is continuous at x = c.

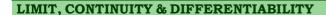
Note.

Converse: The converse of the above theorem is not necessarily true i.e., a function may be continuous at a point but may not be differentiable at that point.

E.g., The function f(x) = |x| is continuous at x = 0 but it is not differentiable at x = 0, as shown in the figure.



The figure shows that sharp edge at x = 0 hence, function is not differentiable but continuous at x = 0.







(a) Let $f'^+(a) = p \& f'^-(a) = q$ where p & q are finite then

(i) p = q $\Rightarrow f$ is derivable at x = a

 \Rightarrow f is continuous at x = a.

(ii) $p \neq q$ $\Rightarrow f$ is not derivable at x = a.

It is very important to note that f may be still continuous at x = a.

In short, for a function f:

Differentiable ⇒ Continuous;

Not Differentiable

⇒ Not Continuous

(i.e., function may be continuous)

But,

Not Continuous \Rightarrow Not Differentiable.

(b) If a function f is not differentiable but is continuous at
 x = a it geometrically implies a sharp corner at
 x = a

Theorem 2: Let f and g be real functions such that fog is defined if g is continuous at x = a and f is continuous at g (a), show that fog is continuous at x = a.



DIFFERENTIATION

1. DEFINITION

(a) Let us consider a function y = f(x) defined in a certain interval. It has a definite value for each value of the independent variable x in this interval.

Now, the ratio of the increment of the function to the increment in the independent variable,

$$\frac{\Delta y}{\Delta x} = \frac{f(x + \Delta x) - f(x)}{\Delta x}$$

Now, as $\Delta x \to 0$, $\Delta y \to 0$ and $\frac{\Delta y}{\Delta x} \to \text{ finite quantity, then}$

derivative f(x) exists and is denoted by y' or f'(x) or $\frac{dy}{dx}$

Thus,
$$f'(x) = \lim_{x \to 0} \left(\frac{\Delta y}{\Delta x} \right) = \lim_{\Delta x \to 0} \frac{f(x + \Delta x) - f(x)}{\Delta x}$$

(if it exits)

for the limit to exist,

$$\lim_{h\to 0} \frac{f(x+h)-f(x)}{h} = \lim_{h\to 0} \frac{f(x-h)-f(x)}{-h}$$

(Right Hand derivative) (Left Hand derivative)

(b) The derivative of a given function f at a point x = a of its domain is defined as:

$$\underset{h\to 0}{\text{Limit}} \frac{f(a+h)-f(a)}{h}, \text{ provided the limit exists \& is}$$

denoted by f'(a).

Note that alternatively, we can define

$$f'(a) = \text{Limit}_{x \to a} \frac{f(x) - f(a)}{x - a}$$
, provided the limit exists.

This method is called first principle of finding the derivative of f(x).

2. DERIVATIVE OF STANDARD FUNCTION

(i)
$$\frac{d}{dx}(x^n) = n \cdot x^{n-1}; x \in R, n \in R, x > 0$$

(ii)
$$\frac{d}{dx}(e^x) = e^x$$

(iii)
$$\frac{d}{dx}(a^x) = a^x \cdot \ln a (a > 0)$$

(iv)
$$\frac{d}{dx}(\ln|x|) = \frac{1}{x}$$

(v)
$$\frac{d}{dx} (\log_a |x|) = \frac{1}{x} \log_a e$$

(vi)
$$\frac{d}{dx}(\sin x) = \cos x$$

(vii)
$$\frac{d}{dx}(\cos x) = -\sin x$$

(viii)
$$\frac{d}{dx}(\tan x) = \sec^2 x$$

(ix)
$$\frac{d}{dx}(\sec x) = \sec x \cdot \tan x$$

(x)
$$\frac{d}{dx}$$
 (cosec x) = -cosec x . cot x

(xi)
$$\frac{d}{dx}(\cot x) = -\csc^2 x$$

(xii)
$$\frac{d}{dx}$$
 (constant) = 0

(xiii)
$$\frac{d}{dx} (\sin^{-1} x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1 - x^2}}, -1 < x < 1$$

(xiv)
$$\frac{d}{dx}(\cos^{-1}x) = \frac{-1}{\sqrt{1-x^2}}, -1 < x < 1$$



(xv)
$$\frac{d}{dx} (\tan^{-1} x) = \frac{1}{1+x^2}, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}$$

(xvi)
$$\frac{d}{dx} \left(\cot^{-1} x \right) = \frac{-1}{1+x^2}, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}$$

(xvii)
$$\frac{d}{dx} (\sec^{-1} x) = \frac{1}{|x| \sqrt{x^2 - 1}}, \quad |x| > 1$$

(xviii)
$$\frac{d}{dx}$$
 (cosec⁻¹x) = $\frac{-1}{|x|\sqrt{x^2-1}}$, $|x| > 1$

(xix) Results:

If the inverse functions f & g are defined by y = f(x) & x = g(y). Then g(f(x)) = x.

$$\Rightarrow$$
 g'(f(x)).f'(x)=1.

This result can also be written as, if $\frac{dy}{dx}$ exists & $\frac{dy}{dx} \neq 0$, then

$$\frac{dx}{dy} = 1/\left(\frac{dy}{dx}\right) \text{ or } \frac{dy}{dx} \cdot \frac{dx}{dy} = 1 \text{ or } \frac{dy}{dx} = 1/\left(\frac{dx}{dy}\right) \left[\frac{dx}{dy} \neq 0\right]$$

3. THEOREMS ON DERIVATIVES

If u and v are derivable functions of x, then,

- (i) Term by term differentiation: $\frac{d}{dx}(u \pm v) = \frac{du}{dx} \pm \frac{dv}{dx}$
- (ii) Multiplication by a constant $\frac{d}{dx}(K u) = K \frac{du}{dx}$, where K is any constant
- (iii) "Product Rule" $\frac{d}{dx}(u.v) = u\frac{dv}{dx} + v\frac{du}{dx}$ known as
- (a) If u_1 , u_2 , u_3 , u_4 , ..., u_n are the functions of x, then $\frac{d}{dx}(u_1 \cdot u_2 \cdot u_3 \cdot u_4 \cdot \dots \cdot u_n)$

$$= \!\! \left(\frac{du_1}{dx} \right) \! \left(u_2 \; u_3 \; u_4 \; ... \, u_n \right) \! + \! \left(\frac{du_2}{dx} \right) \! \left(u_1 \; u_3 \; u_4 \; ... \, u_n \right)$$

$$+ \left(\frac{du_3}{dx}\right) \left(u_1 \ u_2 \ u_4 \ ... \ u_n \ \right) + \left(\frac{du_4}{dx}\right) \left(u_1 \ u_2 \ u_3 \ u_5 \ ... \ u_n \ \right)$$

$$+ ... + \left(\frac{du_n}{dx}\right) (u_1 \ u_2 \ u_3 ... u_{n-1})$$

(iv) "Quotient Rule"
$$\frac{d}{dx} \left(\frac{u}{v} \right) = \frac{v \left(\frac{du}{dx} \right) - u \left(\frac{dv}{dx} \right)}{v^2}$$
 where $v \neq 0$

known as

(b) Chain Rule: If y = f(u), u = g(w), w = h(x)

then
$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{dy}{du} \cdot \frac{du}{dw} \cdot \frac{dw}{dx}$$

or
$$\frac{dy}{dx} = f'(u) \cdot g'(u) \cdot h'(x)$$



In general if y = f(u) then $\frac{dy}{dx} = f'(u) \cdot \frac{du}{dx}$

4. METHODS OF DIFFERENTIATION

4.1 Derivative by using Trigonometrical Substitution

Using trigonometrical transformations before differentiation shorten the work considerably. Some important results are given below:

(i)
$$\sin 2x = 2 \sin x \cos x = \frac{2 \tan x}{1 + \tan^2 x}$$

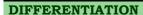
(ii)
$$\cos 2x = 2\cos^2 x - 1 = 1 - 2\sin^2 x = \frac{1 - \tan^2 x}{1 + \tan^2 x}$$

(iii)
$$\tan 2x = \frac{2 \tan x}{1 - \tan^2 x}, \tan^2 x = \frac{1 - \cos 2x}{1 + \cos 2x}$$

- (iv) $\sin 3x = 3 \sin x 4 \sin^3 x$
- (v) $\cos 3x = 4 \cos^3 x 3 \cos x$

(vi)
$$\tan 3x = \frac{3\tan x - \tan^3 x}{1 - 3\tan^2 x}$$

(vii)
$$\tan\left(\frac{\pi}{4} + x\right) = \frac{1 + \tan x}{1 - \tan x}$$



(viii)
$$\tan\left(\frac{\pi}{4} - x\right) = \frac{1 - \tan x}{1 + \tan x}$$

(ix)
$$\sqrt{1 \pm \sin x} = \cos \frac{x}{2} \pm \sin \frac{x}{2}$$

(x)
$$\tan^{-1} x \pm \tan^{-1} y = \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{x \pm y}{1 \mp xy} \right)$$

(xi)
$$\sin^{-1} x \pm \sin^{-1} y = \sin^{-1} \left\{ x \sqrt{1 - y^2} \pm y \sqrt{1 - x^2} \right\}$$

(xii)
$$\cos^{-1} x \pm \cos^{-1} y = \cos^{-1} \left\{ xy \mp \sqrt{1 - x^2} \sqrt{1 - y^2} \right\}$$

(xiii)
$$\sin^{-1}x + \cos^{-1}x = \tan^{-1}x + \cot^{-1}x = \sec^{-1}x + \csc^{-1}x = \pi/2$$

(xiv)
$$\sin^{-1}x = \csc^{-1}(1/x)$$
; $\cos^{-1}x = \sec^{-1}(1/x)$; $\tan^{-1}x = \cot^{-1}(1/x)$



Some standard substitutions:

Expressions Substitutions

$$\sqrt{(a^2 - x^2)}$$
 $x = a \sin \theta$ or $a \cos \theta$

$$\sqrt{\left(a^2 + x^2\right)}$$
 $x = a \tan \theta \text{ or } a \cot \theta$

$$\sqrt{(x^2 - a^2)}$$
 $x = a \sec \theta \text{ or a cosec } \theta$

$$\sqrt{\left(\frac{a+x}{a-x}\right)}$$
 or $\sqrt{\left(\frac{a-x}{a+x}\right)}$ $x = a \cos \theta$ or $a \cos 2\theta$

$$\sqrt{(a-x)(x-b)}$$
 or $x = a \cos^2 \theta + b \sin^2 \theta$

$$\sqrt{\left(\frac{a-x}{x-b}\right)}$$
 or $\sqrt{\left(\frac{x-}{a-x}\right)}$

$$\sqrt{(x-a)(x-b)}$$
 or $x = a \sec^2 \theta - b \tan^2 \theta$

$$\sqrt{\left(\frac{x-a}{x-b}\right)}$$
 or $\sqrt{\left(\frac{x-}{x-a}\right)}$

$$\sqrt{(2ax - x^2)} \quad x = a (1 - \cos \theta)$$

4.2 Logarithmic Differentiation

To find the derivative of:

If
$$y = \{f_1(x)\}^{f_2(x)}$$
 or $y = f_1(x) \cdot f_2(x) \cdot f_3(x) \dots$

or
$$y = \frac{f_1(x).f_2(x).f_3(x)...}{g_1(x).g_2(x).g_3(x)...}$$

then it is convenient to take the logarithm of the function first and then differentiate. This is called derivative of the logarithmic function.

Important Notes (Alternate methods)

1. If
$$y = \{f(x)\}^{g(x)} = e^{g(x)\ln f(x)}$$
 ((variable) variable) $\{\because x = e^{\ln x}\}$

$$\therefore \frac{dy}{dx} = e^{g(x)\ln f(x)} \cdot \left\{ g(x) \cdot \frac{d}{dx} \ln f(x) + \ln f(x) \cdot \frac{d}{dx} g(x) \right\}$$

$$= \left\{ f(x) \right\}^{g(x)} \cdot \left\{ g(x) \cdot \frac{f'(x)}{f(x)} + \ln f(x) \cdot g'(x) \right\}$$

2. If
$$y = \{f(x)\}^{g(x)}$$

 $\therefore \frac{dy}{dx} = Derivative of y treating f(x) as constant + Derivative of$

y treating g(x) as constant

$$= \{f(x)\}^{g(x)} \cdot \ln f(x) \cdot \frac{d}{dx} g(x) + g(x) \{f(x)\}^{g(x)-1} \cdot \frac{d}{dx} f(x)$$

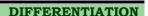
$$= \{f(x)\}^{g(x)} . \ln f(x).g'(x) + g(x).\{f(x)\}^{g(x)-1}.f'(x)$$

4.3 Implict Differentiation: $\phi(x, y) = 0$

- (i) In order to find dy/dx in the case of implicit function, we differentiate each term w.r.t. x, regarding y as a function of x & then collect terms in dy/dx together on one side to finally find dy/dx.
- (ii) In answers of dy/dx in the case of implicit function, both x & y are present.

Alternate Method: If f(x, y) = 0

then
$$\frac{dy}{dx} = -\frac{\left(\frac{\partial f}{\partial x}\right)}{\left(\frac{\partial f}{\partial y}\right)} = -\frac{\text{diff. of f w.r.t. x treating y as constant}}{\text{diff. of f w.r.t. y treating x as constant}}$$



4.4 Parametric Differentiation

If y = f(t) & x = g(t) where t is a Parameter, then

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{dy/dt}{dx/dt}$$
...(1)



1.
$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{dy}{dt} \cdot \frac{dt}{dx}$$

2.
$$\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} = \frac{d}{dx} \left(\frac{dy}{dx} \right) = \frac{d}{dt} \left(\frac{dy}{dx} \right) \cdot \frac{dt}{dx} \left(\because \frac{dy}{dx} \text{ in terms of } t \right)$$

$$= \frac{d}{dt} \left(\frac{f'(t)}{g'(t)} \right) \cdot \frac{1}{f'(t)} \quad \{From(1)\}$$

$$= \frac{f''(t)g'(t)-g''(t)f'(t)}{\{f'(t)\}}$$

4.5 Derivative of a Function w.r.t. another Function

Let
$$y = f(x)$$
; $z = g(x)$ then $\frac{dy}{dz} = \frac{dy/dx}{dz/dx} = \frac{f'(x)}{g'(x)}$

4.6 Derivative of Infinite Series

If taking out one or more than one terms from an infinite series, it remains unchanged. Such that

(A) If
$$y = \sqrt{f(x) + \sqrt{f(x) + \sqrt{f(x) + \dots \infty}}}$$

then
$$y = \sqrt{f(x) + y} \implies (y^2 - y) = f(x)$$

Differentiating both sides w.r.t. x, we get $(2y-1) \frac{dy}{dx} = f'(x)$

(B) If
$$y = \{f(x)\}^{\{f(x)\}} \{f(x)\}^{\dots \infty}$$
 then $y = \{f(x)\}^y \Rightarrow y = e^{y \ln f(x)}$

Differentiating both sides w.r.t. x, we get

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{y\{f(x)\}^{y-1}.f'(x)}{1 - \{f(x)\}^{y}.l \cdot n \cdot f(x)} = \frac{y^{2}f'(x)}{f(x)\{1 - y \cdot l \cdot n \cdot f(x)\}}$$

5. DERIVATIVE OF ORDER TWO & THREE

Let a function y = f(x) be defined on an open interval (a, b). It's derivative, if it exists on (a, b), is a certain function f'(x) [or (dy/dx) or y'] & is called the first derivative of y w.r.t. x. If it happens that the first derivative has a derivative on (a, b) then this derivative is called the second derivative of y w.r.t. x & is denoted by f''(x) or (d^2y/dx^2) or y''.

Similarly, the 3rd order derivative of y w.r.t. x, if it exists, is

defined by
$$\frac{d^3y}{dx} = \frac{d}{dx} \left(\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} \right)$$
 it is also denoted by $f''(x)$ or y''' .

Some Standard Results:

$$(i) \qquad \frac{d^n}{dx^n} \Big(ax+b\Big)^m = \frac{m!}{\big(m-n\big)!}.a^n . \big(ax+b\Big)^{m-n} \ , \ m \geq n.$$

(ii)
$$\frac{d^n}{dx^n} x^n = n!$$

(iii)
$$\frac{d^n}{dx^n} (e^{mx}) = m^n \cdot e^{mx}, m \in \mathbb{R}$$

(iv)
$$\frac{d^n}{dx^n} \left(\sin \left(ax + b \right) \right) = a^n \sin \left(ax + b + \frac{n\pi}{2} \right), n \in \mathbb{N}$$

$$(v) \quad \frac{d^{n}}{dx^{n}} \Big(\cos \big(ax + b \big) \Big) = a^{n} \cos \left(ax + b + \frac{n\pi}{2} \right), n \in \mathbb{N}$$

(vi)
$$\frac{d^n}{dx^n} \left\{ e^{ax} \sin(bx + c) \right\} = r^n \cdot e^{ax} \cdot \sin(bx + c + n\phi), n \in \mathbb{N}$$

where
$$r = \sqrt{(a^2 + b^2)}$$
, $\phi = \tan^{-1}(b/a)$.

(vii)
$$\frac{d^n}{dx^n} \left\{ e^{ax} \cdot \cos(bx + c) \right\} = r^n \cdot e^{ax} \cdot \cos(bx + c + n\phi), n \in \mathbb{N}$$

where
$$r = \sqrt{(a^2 + b^2)}$$
, $\phi = \tan^{-1}(b/a)$.

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6. DIFFERENTIATION OF DETERMINANTS

If
$$F(X) = \begin{vmatrix} f(x) & g(x) & h(x) \\ \ell(x) & m(x) & n(x) \\ u(x) & v(x) & w(x) \end{vmatrix}$$
,

where f, g, h, ℓ , m, n, u, v, w are differentiable function of x then

$$F'(x) = \begin{vmatrix} f'(x) & g'(x) & h'(x) \\ \ell(x) & m(x) & n(x) \\ u(x) & v(x) & w(x) \end{vmatrix} + \begin{vmatrix} f(x) & g(x) & h(x) \\ \ell'(x) & m'(x) & n(x) \\ u(x) & v(x) & w(x) \end{vmatrix}$$

$$+ \begin{vmatrix} f(x) & g(x) & h(x) \\ \ell(x) & m(x) & n(x) \\ u'(x) & v'(x) & w'(x) \end{vmatrix}$$

7. L' HOSPITAL'S RULE

If f(x) & g(x) are functions of x such that:

(i)
$$\lim_{x\to a} f(x) = 0 = \lim_{x\to a} g(x)$$
 or $\lim_{x\to a} f(x) = \infty = \lim_{x\to a} g(x)$ and

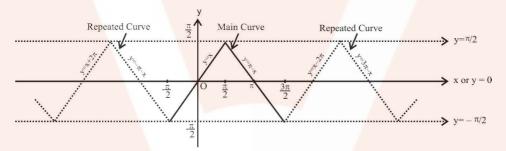
- (ii) Both f(x) & g(x) are continuous at x = a and
- (iii) Both f(x) & g(x) are differentiable at x = a and
- (iv) Both f'(x) & g'(x) are continuous at x = a, Then

$$\underset{x \to a}{\text{Limit}} \frac{f(x)}{g(x)} = \underset{x \to a}{\text{Limit}} \frac{f'(x)}{g'(x)} = \underset{x \to a}{\text{Limit}} \frac{f''(x)}{g''(x)} \text{ & so on till}$$

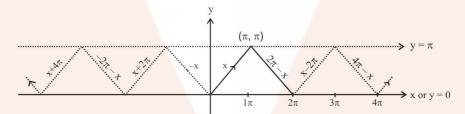
indeterminant form vanishes...

8. ANALYSIS & GRAPHS OF SOME USEFUL FUNCTION

(i)
$$y = \sin^{-1}(\sin x)$$
 $x \in \mathbb{R} \; ; \; y \in \left[-\frac{\pi}{2}, \frac{\pi}{2}\right]$



(ii)
$$y = \cos^{-1}(\cos x)$$
 $x \in R ; y \in [0, \pi]$



$$(iii) \quad y = tan^{-1} (tan \ x) \qquad \qquad x \in R - \left\{ x : x = \left(2n+1\right) \frac{\pi}{2}, n \in Z \right\}; \ y \in \left(-\frac{\pi}{2}, \frac{\pi}{2}\right)$$

