

Q1) To start we will let  $c, d$  be an arbitrary real number, we will also split the piecewise function into five parts, note that if  $\boxed{1}, \boxed{2}, \boxed{3}, \boxed{4}, \boxed{5}$  is continuous for the same  $c, d$  then the piecewise function is continuous everywhere for that  $c, d$

$\boxed{1}$  for  $x < 2$ ,  $f_1(x) = cx + d$ , Rule

-  $f_1(x)$  is a polynomial, so there's no possible value of  $x$  such that  $f_1(x)$  doesn't exist.

- Since  $c$  and  $d$  are real coefficients in the form  $\overset{\alpha \in \mathbb{R}}{c}x + d$ , there is no value of  $c$  and  $d$  such that  $f_1(x)$  doesn't exist.

- We know from the "limit of polynomials" that  $\forall a \in \mathbb{R}$ :

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow a} f_1(x) = f_1(a)$$

$\therefore$  since  $\forall x \in \mathbb{R}$ ,  $x < 2$ ,  $\forall c, d \in \mathbb{R}$ ,  $f_1(x)$  exists and  $\forall a \in \mathbb{R}$

$\lim_{x \rightarrow a} f_1(x) = f_1(a)$ , then  $f_1(x)$  must be continuous for any real  $c$  and  $d$ !  $\leftarrow$  (from formal definition of continuity)

$\boxed{2}$  for  $2 < x < 3$ ,  $f_2(x) = x^2 + 4$ ,

-  $f_2(x)$  is a polynomial, so there's no possible values of  $x$  such that  $f_2(x)$  doesn't exist.

- We know since  $f_2(x)$  is a polynomial, that the "limit of polynomials" holds and thus  $\forall a \in \mathbb{R}$ ,  $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} f_2(x) = f_2(a)$

$\therefore \forall x \in \mathbb{R}$ ,  $2 < x < 3$ ,  $f_2(x)$  exists and  $\forall a \in \mathbb{R}$ ,  $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} f_2(x) = f_2(a)$ ,

thus from the formal definition of continuity  $f_2(x)$  will be continuous for any real  $c, d$



$$\boxed{3} \text{ for } x > 3, f_3(x) = 2dx^2 + \frac{2}{c}x + 1 \quad (c \neq 0)$$

- For every  $c, d, x \in \mathbb{R}$ , if  $c \neq 0$ ,  $f_3(x)$  will have to exist because there will be no possible discontinuities as  $f_3(x)$  is a simple polynomial

- Since  $f_3(x)$  is a polynomial in the form  $ax^2 + a_1x + 1$  where  $a \in \mathbb{R}$  (true as long as  $c \neq 0$ ) the "limit of polynomials" holds such that:

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow a} f_3(x) = f_3(a)$$

$\therefore$  as long as  $c \neq 0$ , any other value of  $c, d, x$  will result in  $f_3(x)$  being continuous, as it will exist at every point and  $\forall a \in \mathbb{R}$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow a} f_3(x) = f_3(a)$$

$\Rightarrow \boxed{1}, \boxed{2}, \boxed{3}$  show that for any  $x$ , ( $x \neq 2$  or  $x \neq 3$ ) and  $c \neq 0$  that  $f(x)$  will be continuous.  $\boxed{4}$  and  $\boxed{5}$  will show that  $\exists c, d \in \mathbb{R}, c \neq 0, x = 2$  or  $x = 3$  that  $f(x)$  is continuous

$\boxed{4}$  NTP:  $f(x)$  is continuous at 2

$\boxed{5}$  NTP:  $f(x)$  is continuous at 3

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

$$\Rightarrow f(2^-) = f(2^+)$$

$$\Rightarrow c(2) + 4d = (2)^2 + 4$$

$$\Rightarrow 2c + 4d = 8$$

$$\Rightarrow c = 4 - 2d \quad \boxed{A}$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 3} f(x) \equiv \lim_{x \rightarrow 3^-} f(x) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 3^+} f(x)$$

$$\Rightarrow f(3^-) = f(3^+)$$

$$\Rightarrow 2c(3)^2 + \frac{2}{c}(3) + 1 = (3)^2 + 4$$

$$\Rightarrow 9d + \frac{6}{c} = 12$$

$$\Rightarrow 9dc + 12c + 6 = 0 \quad \boxed{B}$$

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$\boxed{4}$  and  $\boxed{5}$  have to be continuous for the same  $c, d$ . So we sub  $\boxed{A} \rightarrow \boxed{B}$

$$\Rightarrow 9d(4 - 2d) + 12(4 - 2d) + 6 = 0 \quad \leftarrow d \neq 2 \text{ as } 6/c \neq 6/(4 - 2d)$$

$$\Rightarrow 36d - 18d^2 + 48 + 24d + 6 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow -18d^2 + 60d - 42 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow -6(3d^2 - 10d + 7) = 0$$



$$\Delta = \frac{-b \pm \sqrt{b^2 - 4ac}}{2a} \Rightarrow \frac{10 \pm \sqrt{100 - 4 \cdot 3 \cdot 7}}{2 \cdot 3} \Rightarrow \frac{10 \pm \sqrt{16}}{6} \Rightarrow \frac{10 \pm 4}{6} \Rightarrow 1 \text{ or } \frac{14}{6}$$

for [4] and [5],  $\Delta \geq 1$  or  $\frac{14}{6}$ , we will find the corresponding  $c$ :

case [6]  $\Delta \geq 1$

case [7]  $\Delta \geq \frac{14}{6}$

$$c \geq 4 - 2\Delta$$

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$$c \geq 4 - 2$$

$$c \geq \frac{12}{3} - \frac{14}{3}$$

$$c \geq 2$$

$$c \geq -2/3$$

$\therefore$  When  $\Delta \geq 1$  and  $c \geq 2$  or  $\Delta = \frac{14}{6}$  and  $c \geq -2/3$ , [4] and [5] will be true or  $f(x)$  will be continuous at 2 and 3.

$\therefore$  [1], [2], [3], [4], [5] is only true  $\forall x \in \mathbb{R}$ , if  $\Delta \geq 1$  and  $c \geq 2$  or  $\Delta = \frac{14}{6}$  and  $c \geq -2/3$ .  
In other words  $f(x)$  will be continuous everywhere if  $\Delta \geq 1$  and  $c \geq 2$  or  $\Delta = 14/6$  and  $c \geq -2/3$ .