

**Week- 8**  
Mathematics for Data Science -1  
Limits, Continuity, Differentiability, and the derivative  
**Graded Assignment**

**Note:** Numbers may differ for some questions, but solution pattern will be the same.

## 1 Multiple Select Questions (MSQ)

1. Match the given functions in Column A with the equations of their tangents at the origin  $(0, 0)$  in column B and the plotted graphs and the tangents in Column C, given in Table M2W2G1.

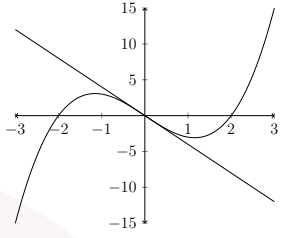
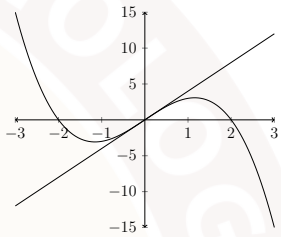
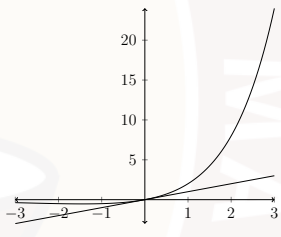
	Function (Column A)		It's tangent at (0,0) (Column B)		Graph (Column C)
i)	$f(x) = x2^x$	a)	$y = -4x$	1)	
ii)	$f(x) = x(x-2)(x+2)$	b)	$y = x$	2)	
iii)	$f(x) = -x(x-2)(x+2)$	c)	$y = 4x$	3)	

Table: M2W2G1

- ☐ **Option 1:** ii) → a) → 1.
- ☐ **Option 2:** i) → b) → 3.
- ☐ **Option 3:** iii) → b) → 1.
- ☐ **Option 4:** iii) → c) → 2.
- ☐ **Option 5:** i) → a) → 1.

**Solution:**

i) Given  $f(x) = x2^x \implies f'(x) = 2^x + x2^x \ln 2$ . So,  $f(0) = 0$  and  $f'(0) = 1$ .  
Hence the equation of the tangent at the origin is

$$y - 0 = 1.(x - 0) \implies y = x.$$

In Column C, figure 3 has the line  $y = x$  and exponential graph.  
Hence i)  $\rightarrow$  b)  $\rightarrow$  3).

ii) Given  $f(x) = x(x - 2)(x + 2) = x^3 - 4x \implies f'(x) = 3x^2 - 4$ .  
So,  $f(0) = 0$  and  $f'(0) = -4$ .  
Hence the equation of the tangent at the origin is

$$y - 0 = -4(x - 0) \implies y = -4x.$$

In Column C, figure 1 has the line  $y = -4x$ .  
Hence ii)  $\rightarrow$  a)  $\rightarrow$  1).

iii) Given  $f(x) = -x(x - 2)(x + 2) = -x^3 + 4x \implies f'(x) = -3x^2 + 4$ .  
So,  $f(0) = 0$  and  $f'(0) = 4$ .  
Hence the equation of the tangent at the origin is

$$y - 0 = 4(x - 0) \implies y = 4x$$

In Column C, figure 2 has the line  $y = 4x$ .  
Hence iii)  $\rightarrow$  c)  $\rightarrow$  2).

2. Consider the following two functions  $f(x)$  and  $g(x)$ .

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{x^3-9x}{x(x-3)} & \text{if } x \neq 0, 3 \\ 3 & \text{if } x = 0 \\ 0 & \text{if } x = 3 \end{cases}$$

$$g(x) = \begin{cases} |x| & \text{if } x \leq 2 \\ \lfloor x \rfloor & \text{if } x > 2 \end{cases}$$

Choose the set of correct options.

- ☐ Option 1:  $f(x)$  is discontinuous at both  $x = 0$  and  $x = 3$ .
- ☐ Option 2:  $f(x)$  is discontinuous only at  $x = 0$ .
- ☒ **Option 3:**  $f(x)$  is discontinuous only at  $x = 3$ .
- ☐ Option 4:  $g(x)$  is discontinuous at  $x = 2$ .
- ☐ **Option 5:**  $g(x)$  is discontinuous at  $x = 3$ .

**Solution:**

(Options 1,2,3)

Given

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{x^3-9x}{x(x-3)} & \text{if } x \neq 0, 3 \\ 3 & \text{if } x = 0 \\ 0 & \text{if } x = 3 \end{cases}$$

Now,  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} f(x) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{x^3-9x}{x(x-3)} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{x(x-3)(x+3)}{x(x-3)} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} x + 3 = 3 = f(0)$ .

So  $f(x)$  is continuous at  $x = 0$ .

Similarly,  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 3} f(x) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 3} \frac{x^3-9x}{x(x-3)} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 3} \frac{x(x-3)(x+3)}{x(x-3)} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 3} x + 3 = 6 \neq f(3)$ .

So  $f(x)$  is not continuous at  $x = 3$ .

Also observe that  $f(x) = \frac{x^3-9x}{x(x-3)}$  if  $x \neq 0, 3$ , is continuous at all points except at  $x = 3$ .

Hence  $f(x)$  is discontinuous only at  $x = 3$ .

(Option 5)

Given

$$g(x) = \begin{cases} |x| & \text{if } x \leq 2 \\ \lfloor x \rfloor & \text{if } x > 2 \end{cases}$$

Observe that, as  $x > 2$ ,  $g(x) = \lfloor x \rfloor$ . And  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 3^+} g(x) = 3 \neq 2 = \lim_{x \rightarrow 3^-} g(x)$ , i.e.,  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 3} g(x)$  does not exist.

Hence  $g(x)$  is discontinuous at  $x = 3$ .

(Option 4)

Observe that  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 2^+} g(x) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 2^+} \lfloor x \rfloor = 2$

and  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 2^-} g(x) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 2^-} |x| = 2$ .

Hence,  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 2^+} g(x) = 2 = \lim_{x \rightarrow 2^-} g(x)$

i.e.,  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 2} g(x) = 2 = g(2)$ .

So  $g(x)$  is continuous at  $x = 2$ .



3. Consider the graphs given below:

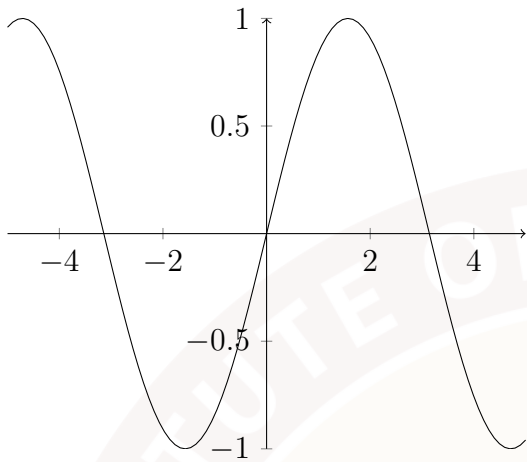


Figure: Curve 1

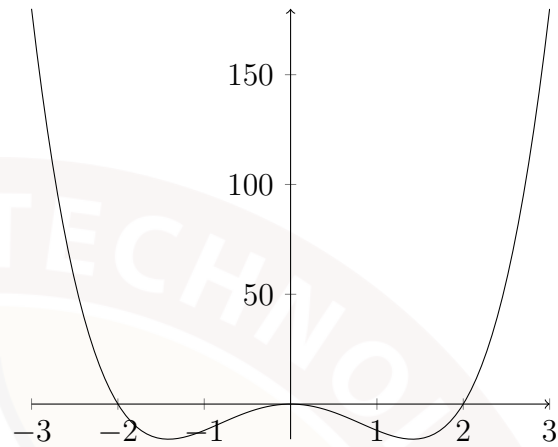


Figure: Curve 2



Figure: Curve 3

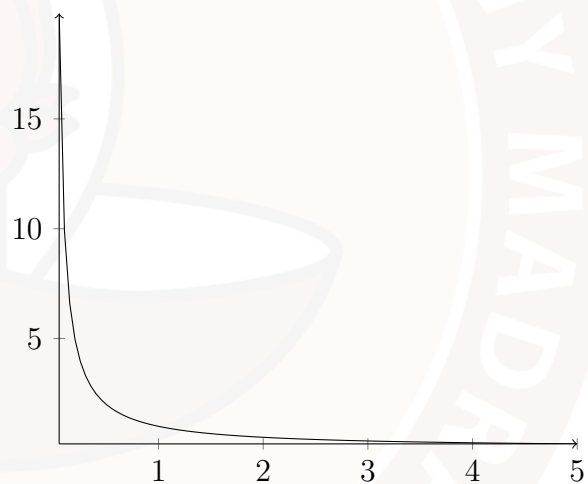


Figure: Curve 4

Choose the set of correct options.

- ☐ **Option 1:** Curve 1 is both continuous and differentiable at the origin.
- ☐ **Option 2:** Curve 2 is continuous but not differentiable at the origin.
- ☐ **Option 3:** Curve 2 has derivative 0 at  $x = 0$ .
- ☐ **Option 4:** Curve 3 is continuous but not differentiable at the origin.
- ☐ **Option 5:** Curve 4 is not differentiable anywhere.
- ☐ **Option 6:** Curve 4 has derivative 0 at  $x = 0$ .

**Solution:**

**Option 1:** Observe that if  $x$  approaches 0 from the left or from the right the value of the function represented by Curve 1 approaches 0. So, the limit of the function exists at  $x = 0$  which is 0. Since  $f(0) = 0$ , the function represented by Curve 1 is continuous at  $x = 0$ .

We can draw a unique tangent to Curve 1 at the origin as shown in Figure M2W2GS (also observe that at  $x = 0$ , the graph has no sharp corner).

Hence function is differentiable at  $x = 0$ .

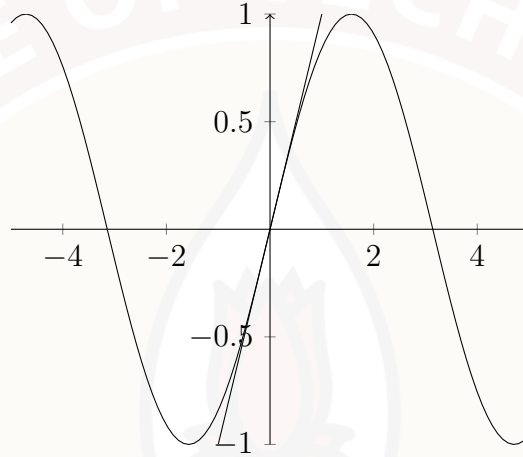


Figure M2W2GS

**Options 2, 3:** Observe that there is a unique tangent to the curve at the origin which is the  $X$ -axis itself and we know that slope of the  $X$ -axis is zero. Hence the function represented by Curve 2 is differentiable at  $x = 0$  with derivative 0.

And we know that a differentiable function is continuous.

Hence function represented by Curve 2 is continuous at the origin.

**Option 4:** Observe that there is a sharp corner on Curve 3 at the origin. So function represented by Curve 3 is not differentiable at the origin.

But if  $x$  approaches 0 from the left or from the right the value of the function represented by Curve 3 approaches 0. So, the limit of the function exists at  $x = 0$  which is 0. Since the value of the function  $f(x)$  is 0 at  $x = 0$ , the function represented by Curve 3 is continuous at  $x = 0$ .

**Option 6:** If the derivative of the function represented by Curve 4 is 0 at the origin then at the origin the slope of the tangent must be 0 i.e., the tangent must be parallel to the  $X$ -axis. For Curve 4, the tangent (if exists) at the origin can never be parallel to the  $X$ -axis. Hence this statement is not true.

**Option 5:** Observe that at  $x = 1$ , there does not exist any sharp corner and at that

point, there exists a unique tangent (which is not vertical).  
Hence the function represented by Curve 4 is differentiable at  $x = 1$ .  
Hence option 5 is not true.





4. Choose the set of correct options considering the function given below:

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

- ☐ Option 1:  $f(x)$  is not continuous at  $x = 0$ .
- ☒ **Option 2:**  $f(x)$  is continuous at  $x = 0$ .
- ☐ Option 3:  $f(x)$  is not differentiable at  $x = 0$ .
- ☒ **Option 4:**  $f(x)$  is differentiable at  $x = 0$ .
- ☒ **Option 5:** The derivative of  $f(x)$  at  $x = 0$  (if exists) is 0.
- ☐ Option 6: The derivative of  $f(x)$  at  $x = 0$  (if exists) is 1.

**Solution:**

We know that  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin x}{x} = 1 = f(0)$ . So  $f(x)$  is continuous at  $x = 0$ .

Hence option 2 is true.

Now,  $\lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(0+h)-f(0)}{h} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(h)-1}{h} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{\frac{\sin h}{h} - 1}{h} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin h - h}{h^2} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{\cos h - 1}{2h} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{-\sin h}{2} = 0$   
(using L'Hopital's rule twice).

Hence the derivative of  $f(x)$  at  $x = 0$  is 0.

So options 4 and 5 are true.

5. Let  $f$  be a polynomial of degree 5, which is given by

$$f(x) = a_5x^5 + a_4x^4 + a_3x^3 + a_2x^2 + a_1x + a_0.$$

Let  $f'(b)$  denote the derivative of  $f$  at  $x = b$ . Choose the set of correct options.

- ☐ **Option 1:**  $a_1 = f'(0)$
- ☐ **Option 2:**  $5a_5 + 3a_3 = \frac{1}{2}(f'(1) + f'(-1) - 2f'(0))$
- ☐ **Option 3:**  $4a_4 + 2a_2 = \frac{1}{2}(f'(1) - f'(-1))$
- ☐ **Option 4:** None of the above.

**Solution:**

Given  $f(x) = a_5x^5 + a_4x^4 + a_3x^3 + a_2x^2 + a_1x + a_0 \implies f'(x) = 5a_5x^4 + 4a_4x^3 + 3a_3x^2 + 2a_2x + a_1$

So  $f'(0) = a_1$ ,  $f'(1) = 5a_5 + 4a_4 + 3a_3 + 2a_2 + a_1$ , and  $f'(-1) = 5a_5 - 4a_4 + 3a_3 - 2a_2 + a_1$

Hence  $5a_5 + 3a_3 = \frac{1}{2}(f'(1) + f'(-1) - 2f'(0))$  and  $4a_4 + 2a_2 = \frac{1}{2}(f'(1) - f'(-1))$

## 2 Numerical Answer Type (NAT)

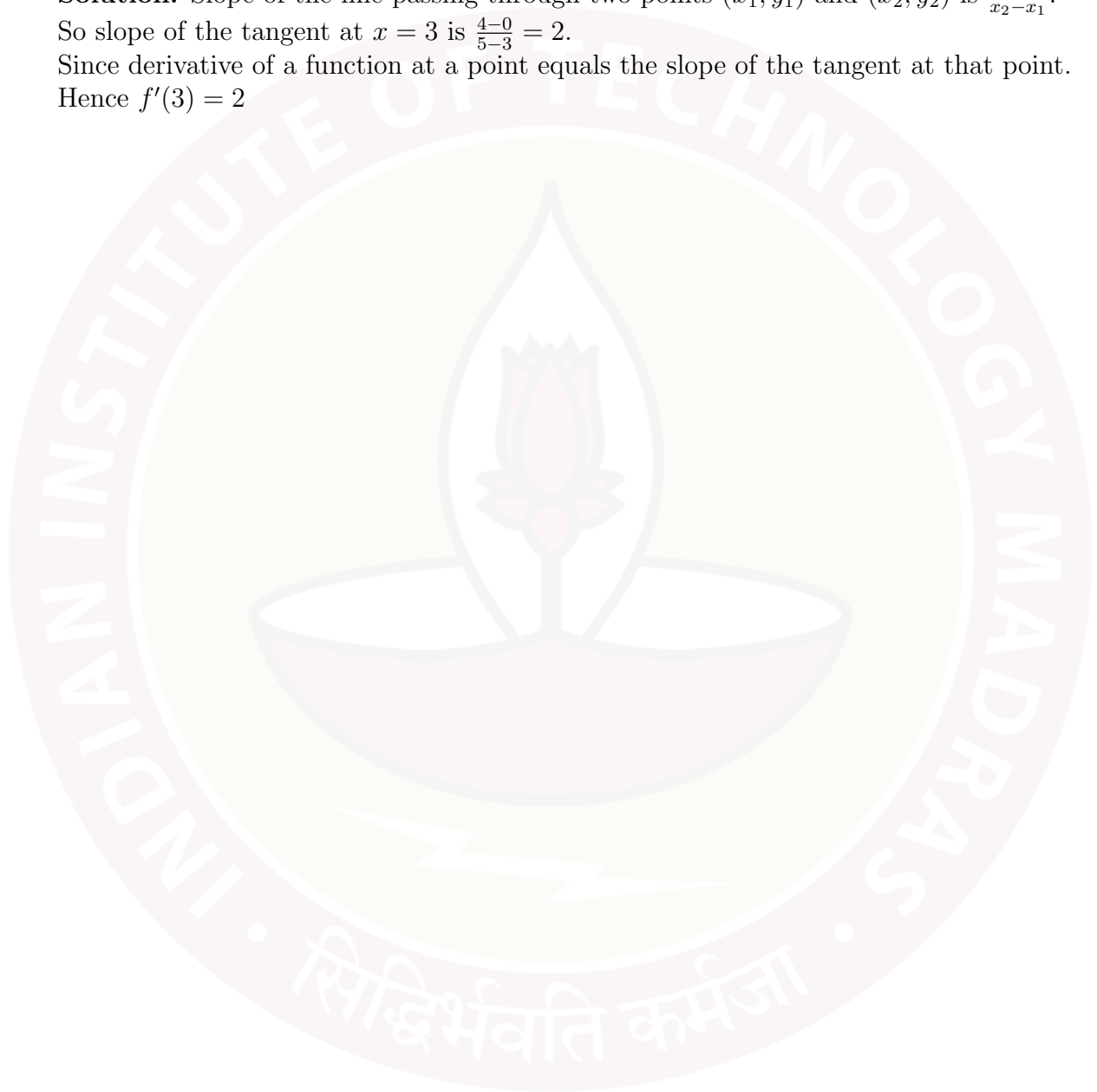
6. Let  $f$  be a differentiable function at  $x = 3$ . The tangent line to the graph of the function  $f$  at the point  $(3, 0)$ , passes through the point  $(5, 4)$ . What will be the value of  $f'(3)$ ?  
[Answer: 2]

**Solution:** Slope of the line passing through two points  $(x_1, y_1)$  and  $(x_2, y_2)$  is  $\frac{y_2 - y_1}{x_2 - x_1}$ .

So slope of the tangent at  $x = 3$  is  $\frac{4 - 0}{5 - 3} = 2$ .

Since derivative of a function at a point equals the slope of the tangent at that point.

Hence  $f'(3) = 2$



7. Let  $f$  and  $g$  be two functions which are differentiable at each  $x \in \mathbb{R}$ . Suppose that,  $f(x) = g(x^2 + 5x)$ , and  $f'(0) = 10$ . Find the value of  $g'(0)$ . [Answer: 2]

**Solution:**

$$\text{Given } f(x) = g(x^2 + 5x) \implies f'(x) = g'(x^2 + 5x)(2x + 5)$$

$$\text{So } f'(0) = 5g'(0) \implies g'(0) = \frac{10}{5} = 2$$



### 3 Comprehension Type Questions:

The population of a bacteria culture of type A in laboratory conditions is known to be a function of time of the form

$$p : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$$
$$p(t) = \begin{cases} \frac{t^3-27}{t-3} & \text{if } 0 \leq t < 3, \\ 27 & t = 3 \\ \frac{1}{e^{81}(t-3)}(e^{27t} - e^{81}) & \text{if } t > 3 \end{cases}$$

where  $p(t)$  represents the population (in lakhs) and  $t$  represents the time (in minutes). The population of a bacteria culture of type B in laboratory conditions is known to be a function of time of the form

$$q : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$$
$$q(t) = \begin{cases} (5t-9)^{\frac{1}{t-2}} & \text{if } 0 \leq t < 2, \\ e^4 & t = 2 \\ \frac{e^{t+2}-e^4}{t-2} & \text{if } t > 2 \end{cases}$$

where  $q(t)$  represents the population (in lakhs) and  $t$  represents the time (in minutes). Using the above information, answer the following questions .

8. Consider the following statements (a function is said to be continuous if it is continuous at all the points in the domain of the function). (MCQ)

- **Statement P:** Both the functions  $p(t)$  and  $q(t)$  are continuous.
- **Statement Q:**  $p(t)$  is continuous, but  $q(t)$  is not.
- **Statement R:**  $q(t)$  is continuous, but  $p(t)$  is not.
- **Statement S:** Neither  $p(t)$  nor  $q(t)$  is continuous.

Find the number of the correct statements.

[Ans: 1]

**Solution:**

Given

$$p(t) = \begin{cases} \frac{t^3-27}{t-3} & \text{if } 0 \leq t < 3, \\ 27 & t = 3 \\ \frac{1}{e^{81}(t-3)}(e^{27t} - e^{81}) & \text{if } t > 3 \end{cases}$$

and

$$q(t) = \begin{cases} (5t-9)^{\frac{1}{t-2}} & \text{if } 0 \leq t < 2, \\ e^4 & t = 2 \\ \frac{e^{t+2}-e^4}{t-2} & \text{if } t > 2 \end{cases}$$

It is enough to check the continuity of  $p(t)$  at  $t = 3$  and of  $q(t)$  at  $t = 2$ .

So right limit,  $\lim_{t \rightarrow 3^+} p(t) = \lim_{t \rightarrow 3^+} \frac{1}{e^{81}(t-3)}(e^{27t} - e^{81}) = \lim_{t \rightarrow 3^+} \frac{27e^{27t}}{e^{81}} = 27$  (Using L'Hopital's rule).

Left limit,  $\lim_{t \rightarrow 3^-} p(t) = \lim_{t \rightarrow 3^-} \frac{t^3-27}{t-3} = \lim_{t \rightarrow 3^-} 3t^2 = 27$

Hence,  $\lim_{t \rightarrow 3^-} p(t) = \lim_{t \rightarrow 3^+} p(t) = 27 = p(3)$ .

So  $p(t)$  is continuous at  $x = 3$ .

Now right limit,  $\lim_{t \rightarrow 2^+} q(t) = \lim_{t \rightarrow 2^+} \frac{e^{t+2}-e^4}{t-2} = \lim_{t \rightarrow 2^+} e^{t+2} = e^4$  (using L'Hopital's rule).

Left limit,  $\lim_{t \rightarrow 2^-} q(t) = \lim_{t \rightarrow 2^-} (5t-9)^{\frac{1}{t-2}}$ , to get the left limit,

let  $y = (5t-9)^{\frac{1}{t-2}}$ .

Taking  $\log$  with base  $e$  on both sides and  $t > \frac{9}{5}$ ,

we get,  $\ln y = \frac{\ln(5t-9)}{t-2} \implies \lim_{t \rightarrow 2^-} \ln y = \lim_{t \rightarrow 2^-} \frac{\ln(5t-9)}{t-2} = \lim_{t \rightarrow 2^-} \frac{5}{5t-9} = 5$  (using L'Hopital's rule)

Hence,  $\lim_{t \rightarrow 2^-} \ln y = 5 \implies \lim_{t \rightarrow 2^-} y = e^5$ .

So  $\lim_{t \rightarrow 2^-} (5t-9)^{\frac{1}{t-2}} = e^5$ .

Since  $\lim_{t \rightarrow 2^+} q(t) \neq \lim_{t \rightarrow 2^-} q(t)$  i.e.,  $\lim_{t \rightarrow 2} q(t)$  does not exist,  $q(t)$  is not continuous at  $t = 2$ .

9. If  $L_p(t) = At + B$  denotes the best linear approximation of the function  $p(t)$  at the point  $t = 1$ , then find the value of  $2A + B$ . [Ans: 18]

**Solution:**

$$p(t) = \frac{t^3 - 27}{t - 3} \text{ if } 0 \leq t < 3 \implies p(1) = 13$$

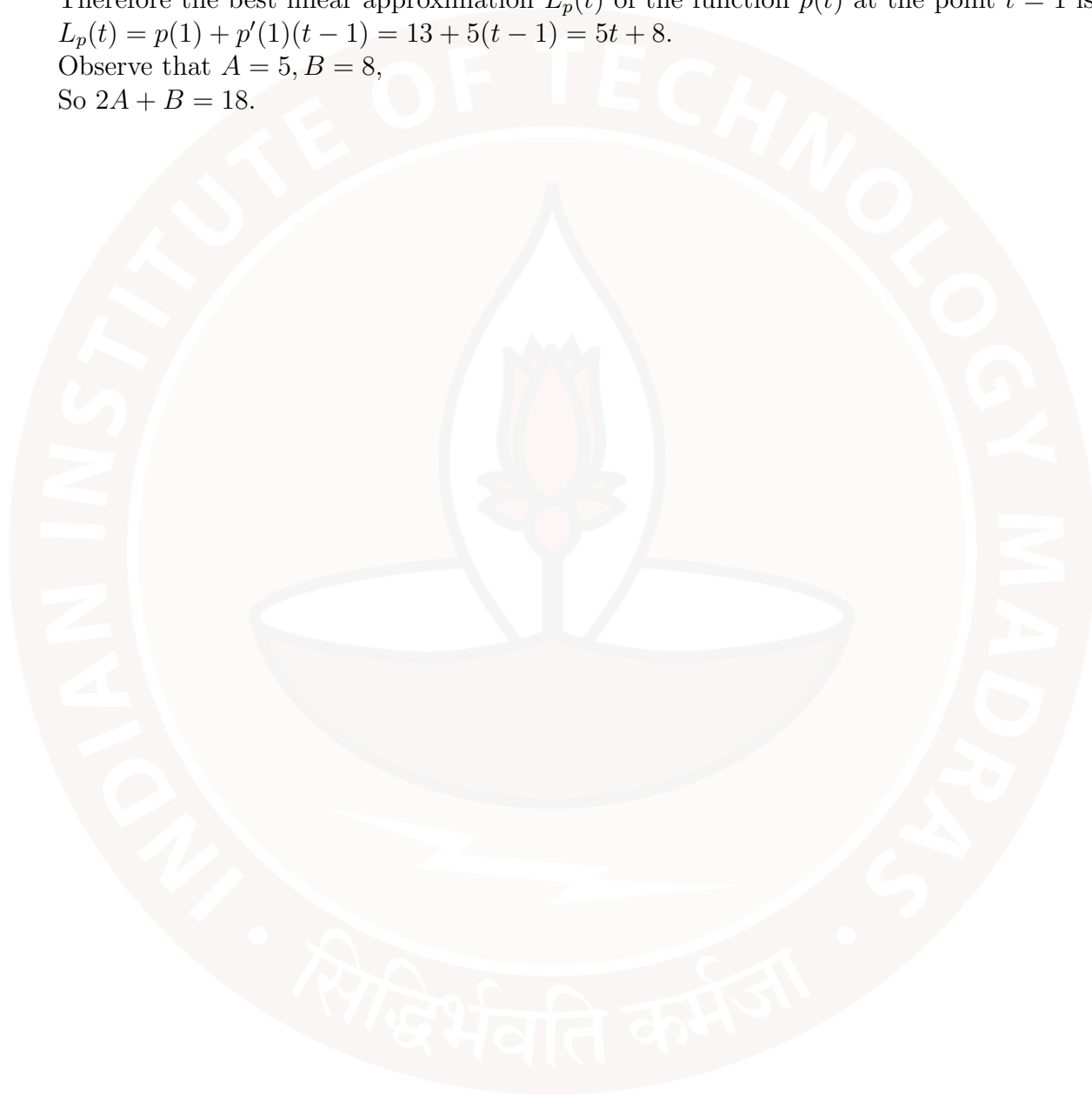
$$p'(t) = \frac{(t-3)(3t^2) - (t^3-27)}{(t-3)^2} \implies p'(1) = 5.$$

Therefore the best linear approximation  $L_p(t)$  of the function  $p(t)$  at the point  $t = 1$  is

$$L_p(t) = p(1) + p'(1)(t - 1) = 13 + 5(t - 1) = 5t + 8.$$

Observe that  $A = 5, B = 8$ ,

So  $2A + B = 18$ .



10. If  $L_p(t) = e^4(At + B) + Ce^5$  denotes the best linear approximation of the function  $q(t)$  at the point  $t = 3$ , then find the value of  $A + B + C$ . [Ans: -2]

**Solution:**

$$q(t) = \frac{e^{t+2} - e^4}{t-2} \text{ if } t > 2 \implies q(3) = e^5 - e^4$$

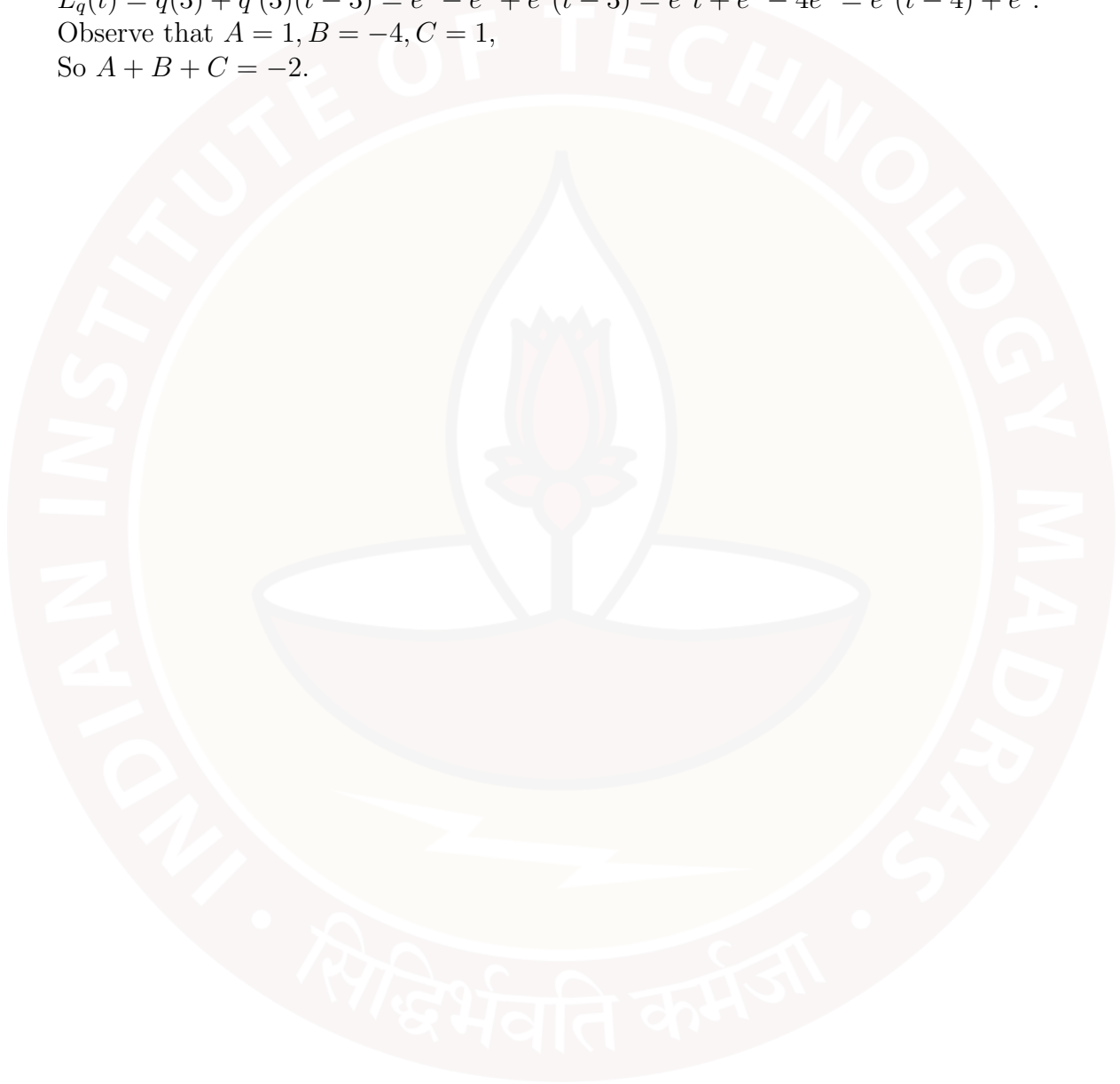
$$q'(t) = \frac{(t-2)e^{t+2} - (e^{t+2} - e^4)}{(t-2)^2} \implies q'(3) = e^4$$

Therefore the best linear approximation  $L_q(t)$  of the function  $q(t)$  at the point  $t = 3$  is

$$L_q(t) = q(3) + q'(3)(t - 3) = e^5 - e^4 + e^4(t - 3) = e^4t + e^5 - 4e^4 = e^4(t - 4) + e^5.$$

Observe that  $A = 1, B = -4, C = 1$ ,

So  $A + B + C = -2$ .





11. Consider a function  $f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  defined as

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{\sin 14x + A \sin x}{19x^3} & \text{if } x \neq 0, \\ B & \text{if } x = 0. \end{cases}$$

If  $f(x)$  is continuous at  $x = 0$ , then find the value of  $114B - A$ . [Ans:  $-2716$ ]

**Solution:**

Given that the function is continuous that at  $x = 0 \implies \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} f(x) = f(0) = B$ .

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} f(x) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin 14x + A \sin x}{19x^3} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{14 \cos 14x + A \cos x}{57x^2} \quad (\text{using L'Hopital's rule})$$

Observe that  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{14 \cos 14x + A \cos x}{57x^2}$  exist, if  $(14 \cos 14x + A \cos x) \rightarrow 0$  and  $(57x^2) \rightarrow 0$  as  $x \rightarrow 0$

$$\text{Now, } 14 \cos 14x + A \cos x \rightarrow 0 \text{ as } x \rightarrow 0 \implies 14 + A = 0 \implies A = -14$$

$$\text{So } \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{14 \cos 14x + A \cos x}{57x^2} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{14 \cos 14x - 14 \cos x}{57x^2} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{-196 \sin 14x + 14 \sin x}{114x} \quad (\text{using L'Hopital's rule})$$

$$\text{Now, } \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{-196 \sin 14x + 14 \sin x}{114x} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{-2744 \cos 14x + 14 \cos x}{114} = \frac{-2744 + 14}{114} = \frac{-2730}{114} \quad (\text{using L'Hopital's rule})$$

$$\text{So } B = \frac{-2730}{114}$$

$$\text{Hence } 114B - A = -2716.$$

12. The distance (in meters) traveled by a car after  $t$  minutes is given by the function  $d(t) = g(4t^3 + 2t^2 + 5t + 2)$ , where  $g$  is a differentiable function with domain  $\mathbb{R}$ . Find the instantaneous speed of the car after 5 min, where  $g'(577) = 2$ . [Ans: 650]

**Solution:**

The instantaneous speed of the car after  $t$  min  $= d'(t) = g'(4t^3 + 2t^2 + 5t + 2)(12t^2 + 4t + 5)$ .  
(use derivative property of composition of two functions)

So the instantaneous speed of the car after 5 min  $= g'(577) \times 325 = 2 \times 325 = 650$



13. Consider the following two functions

$$p : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$$

$$p(t) = \begin{cases} \frac{2e^{(t-2)} - 2}{t-2} & \text{if } 0 \leq t < 2, \\ 2 & t = 2 \\ 2(t^2 - 4)^{\frac{1}{\ln(t-2)}} & \text{if } t > 2 \end{cases}$$

and

$$q : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$$

$$q(t) = |t(t-7)(t-8)|$$

and the following statements (a function is said to be continuous (respectively differentiable) if it is continuous (respectively differentiable) at all the points in the domain of the function).

- **Statement P:** Both the functions  $p(t)$  and  $q(t)$  are continuous.
- **Statement Q:** Both the functions  $p(t)$  and  $q(t)$  are not differentiable.
- **Statement R:**  $p(t)$  is continuous,  $q(t)$  is differentiable.
- **Statement S:**  $q(t)$  is continuous,  $p(t)$  is not differentiable.
- **Statement T:** Neither  $p(t)$  nor  $q(t)$  is continuous.

Find the number of correct statements.

[Ans : 2]

**Solution:**

Right limit of  $p(t)$  at 2,  $\lim_{t \rightarrow 2^+} p(t) = \lim_{t \rightarrow 2^+} 2(t^2 - 4)^{\frac{1}{\ln(t-2)}} = 2 \lim_{t \rightarrow 2^+} (t^2 - 4)^{\frac{1}{\ln(t-2)}}$

Let  $y = (t^2 - 4)^{\frac{1}{\ln(t-2)}}$

taking  $\ln$  both sides,

$$\ln y = \ln (t^2 - 4)^{\frac{1}{\ln(t-2)}}$$

Now,  $\lim_{t \rightarrow 2^+} \ln y = \lim_{t \rightarrow 2^+} \frac{\ln(t^2 - 4)}{\ln(t-2)} = \lim_{t \rightarrow 2^+} \frac{2t(t-2)}{(t-2)(t-2)} = 1$  (using L'Hopital's rule)

So as  $t \rightarrow 2^+$ ,  $y \rightarrow e^1$

hence  $\lim_{t \rightarrow 2^+} p(t) = \lim_{t \rightarrow 2^+} 2(t^2 - 4)^{\frac{1}{\ln(t-2)}} = 2e^1 = 2e \neq 2 = p(2)$

So function  $p(t)$  is not continuous and so  $p(t)$  is not differentiable.

Now, consider the function  $q(t)$ ,

$$q(t) = |t(t-7)(t-8)| = \begin{cases} -t(t-7)(t-8) & \text{if } t < 0, \\ t(t-7)(t-8) & \text{if } 0 \leq t < 7, \\ -t(t-7)(t-8) & \text{if } 7 \leq t < 8, \\ t(t-7)(t-8) & \text{if } t \geq 8, \end{cases}$$

So discontinuity can be possible at  $x = 0, 7, 8$  but observe that  $\lim_{t \rightarrow 0^-} q(t) = \lim_{t \rightarrow 0^+} q(t) = q(0)$ ,

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow 7^-} q(t) = \lim_{t \rightarrow 7^+} q(t) = q(7)$$

$$\text{and } \lim_{t \rightarrow 8^-} q(t) = \lim_{t \rightarrow 8^+} q(t) = q(8).$$

Hence  $q(t)$  is continuous.

For differentiability of  $q(t)$ ,

observe that left derivative,

$$\lim_{h \rightarrow 0^-} \frac{q(0+h)-q(0)}{h} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{q(-h)-0}{-h} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{-(-h)(-h-7)(-h-8)-0}{-h} = -56$$

and right derivative

$$\lim_{h \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{q(0+h)-q(0)}{h} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{q(h)-0}{h} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{h(h-7)(h-8)-0}{h} = 56.$$

So, Left derivative  $\neq$  Right derivative.

Hence  $q(t)$  is not differentiable.

14. Consider the following function

$$p : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$$

$$p(t) = \begin{cases} \frac{2e^{(t-2)}-2}{t-2} & \text{if } 0 \leq t < 2, \\ 2 & t = 2 \\ 2(t^2 - 4)^{\frac{1}{\ln(t-2)}} & \text{if } t > 2 \end{cases}$$

If linear function  $L_p(t) = At + B$  denotes the best linear approximation of the function  $p(t)$  at the point  $t = 1$ , find the value of  $\frac{-2}{e^{-1}-1}(A + B)$ . [Ans: 4]

**Solution:**

Observe that  $p(t) = \frac{2e^{(t-2)}-2}{t-2}$  if  $0 \leq t < 2$ .

Linear approximation of the  $p(t)$  at  $t = 1$  is  $L_p(t) = p'(1)(t-1)+p(1) = p'(1)t-p'(1)+p(1)$

So here  $A = p'(1)$ ,  $B = -p'(1) + p(1)$ .

Therefore  $A + B = p(1)$

Hence  $\frac{-2}{e^{-1}-1}(A + B) = \frac{-2}{e^{-1}-1}p(1) = 4$

15. Consider the following function

$$q : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$$

$$q(t) = |t(t - 7)(t - 8)|.$$

If  $m$  is slope of the tangent of the function  $q(t)$  at point  $t = \frac{3}{2}$ , find the value  $m - \frac{27}{4}$ .

[Ans: 11]

**Solution:**

From question 13, observe that  $q(t) = t(t - 7)(t - 8) = t^3 - 15t^2 + 56t$  if  $0 \leq t < 7$ .

So  $q'(t) = 3t^2 - 30t + 56 \implies q'(\frac{3}{2}) = \frac{27}{4} - 45 + 56 = \frac{27}{4} - 11$ .

Now, slope of the tangent of the function  $q(t)$  at point  $t = \frac{3}{2}$  is  $q'(\frac{3}{2})$ .

Hence  $m = q'(\frac{3}{2})$ .

So  $m - \frac{27}{4} = 11$

