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Limit, Continuity

Definition: Limit of a function $f(x)$ is said to exist, as $x \rightarrow a$ when

$$\lim_{h \rightarrow 0^+} f(a-h) = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0^+} f(a+h) = \text{finite}$$

(Left hand limit) (Right hand limit)

Note that we are not interested in knowing about what happens at $x = a$. Also note that if L.H.L & R.H.L are both tending towards ' ∞ ' or ' $-\infty$ ', then it is said to be infinite limit.

Remember, $x \rightarrow a$, means that x is approaching to 'a' not equal to 'a'

Fundamental theorems on limits :

Let $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x) = \ell$ and $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} g(x) = m$. if ℓ & m are finite, then

(a) $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} \{f(x) \pm g(x)\} = \ell \pm m$.

(b) $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} \{f(x) \cdot g(x)\} = \ell \cdot m$.

(c) $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} \frac{f(x)}{g(x)} = \frac{\ell}{m}$, provided $m \neq 0$

(d) $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} kf(x) = k \lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x) = k\ell$; where k is a constant

(e) $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(g(x)) = f\left(\lim_{x \rightarrow a} g(x)\right) = f(m)$; provided f is continuous at $g(x) = m$.

Standard Limits:

(i) $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin x}{x} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\tan x}{x} = 1$

(ii) $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\tan^{-1} x}{x} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin^{-1} x}{x} = 1$

(iii) $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} (1+x)^{1/x} = e$; $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} (1+ax)^{1/x} = e^a$

(iv) $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \left(1 + \frac{1}{x}\right)^x = e$; $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \left(1 + \frac{a}{x}\right)^x = e^a$

(v) $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{e^x - 1}{x} = 1$; $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{a^x - 1}{x} = \log_e a = \ln a$, $a > 0$

(vi) $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\ln(1+x)}{x} = 1$

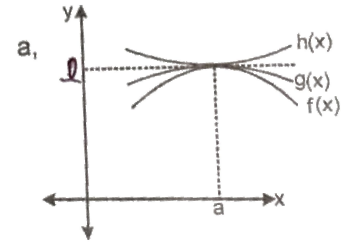
(vii) $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} \frac{x^n - a^n}{x - a} = na^{n-1}$

Sandwich theorem or squeeze paly theorem

Suppose that $f(x) \leq g(x) \leq h(x)$ for all x in some open interval containing a , except possibly at $x = a$ itself. suppose also that

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x) = \ell = \lim_{x \rightarrow a} h(x),$$

then $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} g(x) = \ell$.

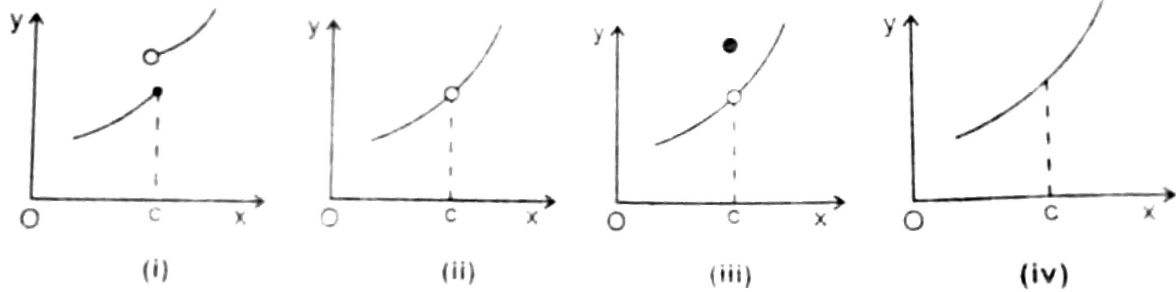


Continuity & derivability:

A function $f(x)$ is said to be continuous at $x = c$, if $\lim_{x \rightarrow c} f(x) = f(c)$

i.e, $\lim_{h \rightarrow 0^-} f(c-h) = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0^+} f(c+h) = f(c)$

If a function $f(x)$ is continuous at $x = c$, the graph of $f(x)$ at the corresponding point $(c, f(c))$ will not be broken. But if $f(x)$ is discontinuous at $x = c$, then graph will be broken when $x = c$



(i), (ii) and (iii) are discontinuous at $x = c$

(iv) is continuous at $x = c$

A function f can be discontinuous due to any of the following three reasons:

- (i) $\lim_{x \rightarrow c} f(x)$ does not exist i.e., $\lim_{x \rightarrow c^-} f(x) \neq \lim_{x \rightarrow c^+} f(x)$ (Fig.i)
- (ii) $f(x)$ is not defined at $x = c$ (Fig.ii)
- (iii) $\lim_{x \rightarrow c} f(x) \neq f(c)$, geometrically, the graph of the function will exhibit a break at $x = c$ (Fig.iii)

Differentiability of a Function at a Point:

(i) The right hand derivative of $f(x)$ at $x = a$ denoted by $f'(a^+)$ is defined by:

$$\text{R.H.D.} = f'(a^+) = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{f(a+h) - f(a)}{h}, \text{ provided the limit exists.}$$

(ii) The left hand derivative of $f(x)$ at $x = a$ denoted by $f'(a^-)$ is defined by:

$$\text{L.H.D.} = f'(a^-) = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{f(a-h) - f(a)}{-h}, \text{ provided the limit exists.}$$

A function $f(x)$ is said to be differentiable at $x = a$ if $f'(a^+) = f'(a^-) = \text{finite}$

By definition $f'(a) = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{f(a+h) - f(a)}{h}$



Ex. The function $f(x) = \begin{cases} ax^2 + b & \text{if } x \leq 2 \\ x^3 & \text{if } x > 2 \end{cases}$ is both continuous and differentiable

- (a) When $a = 1$ and $b = 2$
 (b) When $a = 3$ and $b = 1$
 (c) For all values of a and b satisfying the equation $4a + b = 8$
 (d) When $a = 3$ and $b = -4$

Soln. f is continuous at $x = 2$

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

$$\Rightarrow \lim_{x \rightarrow 2^-} (ax^2 + b) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 2^+} x^3 = 4a + b$$

$$\Rightarrow 4a + b = 8 = 4a + b$$

$$\Rightarrow 4a + b = 8 \quad \dots(i)$$

Also, f is differentiable at $x = 2$

$$\Rightarrow \text{LHD at } x = 2 = \text{RHD at } x = 2$$

$$\Rightarrow \left[\frac{d}{dx}(ax^2 + b) \right]_{x=2} = \left[\frac{d}{dx}[x^3] \right]_{x=2}$$

$$\Rightarrow [2ax]_{x=2} = [3x^2]_{x=2}$$

$$\Rightarrow 4a = 12$$

$$\Rightarrow a = 3$$

$$\text{from (i), } b = 8 - 4a = 8 - 4 \times 3 = 8 - 12 = -4$$

$$b = -4$$

Correct option is (d)

Ex. The function $\sin|x|$ is

- (a) Continuous and differentiable at $x = \pi$ (b) Continuous but not differentiable at $x = \pi$
 (c) Differentiable but not continuous at $x = \pi$ (d) Neither continuous nor differentiable at $x = \pi$

Soln. Let $f(x) = \sin|x|$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow \pi} f(x) = \lim_{x \rightarrow \pi} (\sin|x|) = \sin(\pi) = 0$$

$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow \pi} f(\pi) = f(\pi)$$

$\Rightarrow f$ is continuous at $x = \pi$

$$\text{Again, } f'(\pi) = \lim_{x \rightarrow \pi} \frac{f(x) - f(\pi)}{x - \pi}$$

$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow \pi} \frac{\sin|x| - \sin(\pi)}{x - \pi} = \lim_{x \rightarrow \pi} \frac{\sin|x|}{x - \pi} = \lim_{x \rightarrow \pi} \frac{\sin(x)}{x - \pi}$$

$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow \pi} \frac{\cos(x)}{1}$$

(L'Hospital rule)

$$= \cos(\pi) = -1$$

Thus, f is differentiable at $x = \pi$ & $f'(\pi) = -1$

Correct option is (a)

Differentiation:

Derivative of a function : Derivative of a function $f(x)$ with respect to x is denoted by $f'(x)$ and defined by

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

Provided that limit exists

Algebra of derivative of function :

- (1) **Sum rule** $\frac{d}{dx}(f(x) + g(x)) = \frac{d}{dx}(f(x)) + \frac{d}{dx}(g(x))$
- (2) **Difference rule** $\frac{d}{dx}(f(x) - g(x)) = \frac{d}{dx}(f(x)) - \frac{d}{dx}(g(x))$
- (3) **Product rule** $\frac{d}{dx}(f(x) \cdot g(x)) = g(x) \cdot \frac{d}{dx}(f(x)) + f(x) \cdot \frac{d}{dx}(g(x))$
- (4) **Quotient rule** $\frac{d}{dx}\left(\frac{f(x)}{g(x)}\right) = \frac{g(x) \cdot \frac{d}{dx}(f(x)) - f(x) \cdot \frac{d}{dx}(g(x))}{(g(x))^2}$
- (5) **Scalar multiplication rule** $\frac{d}{dx}(\alpha \cdot f(x)) = \alpha \cdot \frac{d}{dx}(f(x))$
- (6) **Chain Rule** $\frac{d}{dx}(f(g(x))) = f'(g(x)) \cdot g'(x)$

Derivative of special functions

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

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

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

$$\frac{d}{dx}(\cot x) = -\operatorname{cosec}^2(x)$$

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

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

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

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



$$\frac{d}{dx}(\tan^{-1} x) = \frac{1}{1+x^2}$$

$$\frac{d}{dx}(\cot^{-1} x) = \frac{-1}{1+x^2}$$

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

$$\frac{d}{dx}(\operatorname{cosec}^{-1} x) = \frac{-1}{|x|\sqrt{x^2-1}}$$

$$\frac{d}{dx}(x^n) = nx^{n-1}$$

$$\frac{d}{dx}\left(\frac{1}{x^n}\right) = \frac{-n}{x^{n+1}}$$

$$\frac{d}{dx}(\sqrt{x}) = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{x}}$$

$$\frac{d}{dx}\left(\frac{1}{x}\right) = \frac{-1}{x^2}$$

$$\frac{d}{dx}(\log x) = \frac{1}{x}$$

$$\frac{d}{dx}(a^x) = a^x \log(a)$$

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

Logarithmic Differentiation

If $f(x) = (u(x))^{v(x)}$

$$\Rightarrow \log(f(x)) = v(x) \cdot \log(u(x))$$

Differentiating both side w.r.t.x

$$\Rightarrow \frac{d}{dx}[\log(f(x))] = \frac{d}{dx}[v(x) \cdot \log(u(x))]$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{f(x)} \cdot f'(x) = v(x) \cdot \frac{1}{u(x)} \cdot u'(x) + v'(x) \log(u(x))$$

$$\Rightarrow f'(x) = f(x) \left[\frac{v(x)u'(x)}{u(x)} + v'(x) \cdot \log(u(x)) \right]$$

Exponential Differentiation

If $f(x) = a^{g(x)}$ where $a > 0, a \neq 1$ then $\frac{d}{dx}(f(x)) = \frac{d}{dx}(a^{g(x)}) = a^{g(x)} \cdot g'(x) \log(a)$

Parametric Differentiation

If $y = f(t)$ and $x = g(t)$ where t is parameter



$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{\frac{dy}{dt}}{\frac{dx}{dt}} = \frac{f'(t)}{g'(t)}$$

Ex. If $y = x^y$ then $\frac{dy}{dx}$ is

(a) $\frac{y^2}{x(1 - y \log(x))}$

(b) yx^{y-1}

(c) $\frac{y}{x(1 - y \log(x))}$

(d) $yx^{y-1} \log(x)$

Soln. $y = x^y$

taking log both side

$$\Rightarrow \log(y) = \log(x^y)$$

$$\Rightarrow \log(y) = y \log(x)$$

Differentiating both side w.r.t.x

$$\Rightarrow \frac{d}{dx}(\log(y)) = \frac{d}{dx}(y \log(x))$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{y} \times \frac{dy}{dx} = y \cdot \frac{1}{x} + \log(x) \cdot \frac{dy}{dx}$$

$$\Rightarrow \left(\frac{1}{y} - \log x \right) \frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{y}{x}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1 - y \log(x)}{y} \cdot \frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{y}{x}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{y^2}{x(1 - y \log(x))}$$

Correct option is (a)

Ex. The derivative of $x \log(x)$ with respect to x is

(a) $\log(ex)$

(b) $x + \log(x)$

(c) $1 + \frac{1}{x}$

(d) $x + \frac{1}{x}$

Soln. $\frac{d}{dx}(x \log(x))$

$$= x \cdot \frac{1}{x} + 1 \cdot \log(x) = 1 + \log(x) = \log(e) + \log(x)$$

$$= \log(ex)$$

Correct option is (a)



Ex. The differential Co-efficient of $\sin^{-1}\left(\frac{1-x}{1+x}\right)$ is

- (a) $\frac{-4x}{(1+x)^2}$ (b) $\frac{-8x}{(1+x)^3}$ (c) $\frac{-8x^2}{(1+x)^3}$ (d) None

Soln. Differential Co-efficient = $\frac{d}{dx}\left(\sin^{-1}\left(\frac{1-x}{1+x}\right)\right)$

$$= \frac{1}{\sqrt{1-\left(\frac{1-x}{1+x}\right)^2}} \times \frac{d}{dx}\left(\frac{1-x}{1+x}\right)$$

$$= \frac{1+x}{\sqrt{(1+x)^2-(1-x)^2}} \times \frac{(1+x)(-1)-(1-x)(1)}{(1+x)^2}$$

$$= \frac{1+x}{\sqrt{2 \cdot (2x)}} \times \frac{-1-x-1+x}{(1+x)^2} = \frac{1+x}{2\sqrt{x}} \cdot \frac{-2}{(1+x)^2} = \frac{-1}{(1+x)\sqrt{x}}$$

Correct option is (d)

Ex. If $f(x+y) = f(x) \cdot f(y)$ for all x and y and $f(5) = 2$, $f'(0) = 3$ then $f'(5)$ is

- (a) 5 (b) 6 (c) 0 (d) 3

Soln. $f'(5) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 5} \frac{f(x) - f(5)}{x - 5} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(5+h) - f(5)}{h}$

$$= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(h) \cdot f(5) - f(5)}{h} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{2 \cdot (f(h) - 1)}{h}$$

Since $f(x+y) = f(x) \cdot f(y)$

$$\Rightarrow f(1+0) = f(1) \cdot f(0) \Rightarrow f(1) = f(1) \cdot f(0)$$

$$\Rightarrow f(0) = 1$$

$$\text{So, } f'(5) = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{2(f(h) - f(0))}{h - 0} = 2 \cdot f'(0) = 2 \cdot 3 = 6$$

Correct option is (b)

Ex. If $f(x) = \begin{cases} x^2 \sin\left(\frac{1}{x}\right), & x \neq 0 \\ 0, & x = 0 \end{cases}$

- (a) f is not differentiable at 0 (b) $f'(0) = 0$
 (c) $f'(0) = 1$ (d) $f'(0) = 2$

Soln. $f'(0) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(x) - f(0)}{x - 0} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{x^2 \sin\left(\frac{1}{x}\right) - 0}{x}$

$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} x \sin\left(\frac{1}{x}\right) = 0$$

f is differentiable & $f'(0) = 0$

Correct option is (b)

Ex. The function $f(x) = x|x|$ is

- (a) differentiable at $x = 0$ and $f'(0) = 0$ (b) not differentiable though continuous at $x = 0$
 (c) not continuous at $x = 0$ (d) differentiable at $x = 0$ and $f'(0) = 1$

Soln. $f(x) = x|x| = \begin{cases} x^2, & x \geq 0 \\ -x^2, & x < 0 \end{cases}$

$$\begin{aligned} LHD &= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^-} \frac{f(x) - f(0)}{x - 0} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^-} \frac{-x^2 - 0}{x} \\ &= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^-} (-x) = 0 \end{aligned}$$

$$RHD = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{f(x) - f(0)}{x - 0} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{x^2 - 0}{x - 0} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} (x) = 0$$

Since LHD = RHD at $x = 0$

Therefore, f is differentiable at $x = 0$

$\Rightarrow f$ is continuous at $x = 0$

Also, $f'(0) = 0$

Correct option is (a)

Ex. If $y = x^x$, then $\frac{dy}{dx}$ is equal to

- (a) $x^x(x - \ln(x))$ (b) $x^x(1 - \ln(x))$ (c) $x^x(1 + \ln(x))$ (d) $x^x(x + \ln(x))$

Soln. $y = x^x$

$$\Rightarrow \log(y) = x \log(x)$$

Differentiating both side w.r.t. x

$$\Rightarrow \frac{d}{dx}(\log y) = \frac{d}{dx}(x \log(x))$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{y} \times \frac{dy}{dx} = x \cdot \frac{1}{x} + 1 \cdot \log(x)$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{dy}{dx} = y(1 + \log(x)) = x^x(1 + \log(x))$$

Correct option is (c)

Ex. The function $f(x) = |x|$ is

- (a) Continuous but not differentiable in \mathbb{R} (b) Continuous and differentiable in \mathbb{R}
 (c) Not continuous but differentiable in \mathbb{R} (d) Neither continuous nor differentiable in \mathbb{R}



Soln. $|x| = \begin{cases} x, & x \geq 0 \\ -x, & x < 0 \end{cases}$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^-} |x| = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} |x| = f(0) = 0$$

$\therefore f$ is continuous at $x = 0$

$\Rightarrow f$ is continuous on \mathbb{R}

But LHD = $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^-} \frac{f(x) - f(0)}{x - 0} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^-} \frac{-x - 0}{x} = -1$

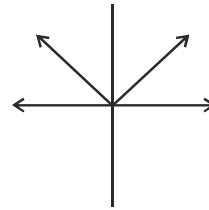
$$\text{RHD} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{f(x) - f(0)}{x - 0} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{x - 0}{x} = 1$$

since LHD \neq RHD

Therefore, f is not differentiable at $x = 0$

Hence, $f(x) = |x|$ is continuous but not differentiable in \mathbb{R} .

Correct option is (a)



- Ex.** Differentiate $\ln(x)$ with respect to $\frac{1}{x}$
- (a) $\frac{-1}{x}$ (b) $\frac{1}{x}$ (c) x (d) $-x$

Soln. Let $u = \ln(x), v = \frac{1}{x}$

$$\frac{du}{dv} = \frac{\frac{du}{dx}}{\frac{dv}{dx}} = \frac{\frac{1}{x}}{\frac{-1}{x^2}} = -x$$

Correct option is (d)

- Ex.** The derivative of $\cos^{-1}(\sin(x))$ with respect to x is
- (a) 0 (b) $\cot x$ (c) -1 (d) $\sin(x) \cdot \cos(x)$

Soln. $\frac{d}{dx}(\cos^{-1}(\sin(x)))$

$$= \frac{d}{dx} \left(\cos^{-1} \left(\cos \left(\frac{\pi}{2} - x \right) \right) \right) = \frac{d}{dx} \left(\frac{\pi}{2} - x \right) = -1$$

Correct option is (c)

Ex. If $x^y = e^{x-y}$ then $\frac{dy}{dx}$ is

- (a) $\frac{\log(x)}{[\log(ex)]^2}$ (b) $\frac{y \log(x)}{x[\log(ex)]}$ (c) $\frac{x \log(x)}{[\log(e^x)]^2}$ (d) $\frac{x \log(x)}{[\log(e^x)]}$

Soln. $x^y = e^{x-y}$

taking log both side

$$\Rightarrow y \log(x) = (x - y) \log(e)$$

$$\Rightarrow y \log(x) = x - y \quad \dots(i)$$

Differentiating both side w.r.t.x.

$$\Rightarrow \frac{d}{dx}(y \log(x)) = \frac{d}{dx}(x - y)$$

$$\Rightarrow y \cdot \frac{1}{x} + \frac{dy}{dx} \cdot \log(x) = 1 - \frac{dy}{dx}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{dy}{dx}(1 + \log(x)) = 1 - \frac{y}{x}$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{x - y}{x(1 + \log x)} \quad (\text{from (i) and } \log e = 1)$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{y \log x}{x \log(ex)} \quad (\because x - y = y \log x)$$

Correct option is (b)

Ex. If y is a function of x defined

$$y = a^x + \frac{1}{a^x + \frac{1}{a^x + \frac{1}{a^x + \dots}}}$$

The derivative of y with respect to x is

(a) $\frac{ya^x \ln(a)}{2y + a^x}$ (b) $\frac{ya^x \ln(a)}{2y - a^x}$ (c) $\frac{ya^x \ln(a)}{2(y - a^x)}$ (d) $\frac{ya^x \ln(a)}{2(y + a^x)}$

Soln. $y = a^x + \frac{1}{y}$

$$\Rightarrow y - \frac{1}{y} = a^x \quad \dots(i)$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{dy}{dx} + \frac{1}{y^2} \cdot \frac{dy}{dx} = a^x \log(a)$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{dy}{dx} \left(1 + \frac{1}{y^2} \right) = a^x \log(a)$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{y^2 a^x \log(a)}{y^2 + 1} = \frac{ya^x \log(a)}{y + \frac{1}{y}}$$



from (i),

$$y - \frac{1}{y} = a^x$$

$$\Rightarrow \left(y + \frac{1}{y} \right) - \frac{2}{y} = a^x$$

$$\Rightarrow \left(y + \frac{1}{y} \right) - 2 \left(\frac{1}{y} + y \right) = a^x - 2y$$

$$\Rightarrow - \left(y + \frac{1}{y} \right) = a^x - 2y$$

$$\Rightarrow y + \frac{1}{y} = 2y - a^x$$

So, $\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{ya^x \log(a)}{2y - a^x}$

Correct option is (b)

Ex. The value of the derivative of $y = \tan^{-1} \left[\frac{\sqrt{1+x^2}-1}{x} \right], x \neq 0$ at $x=1$ is

(a) $\frac{1}{4-2\sqrt{2}}$

(b) $\frac{1}{4+2\sqrt{2}}$

(c) $\frac{1}{2}$

(d) $\frac{1}{4}$

Soln. $y = \tan^{-1} \left[\frac{\sqrt{1+x^2}-1}{x} \right]$

Let $x = \tan \theta$

$$y = \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{\sqrt{1+\tan^2 \theta} - 1}{\tan \theta} \right)$$

$$y = \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{\sec \theta - 1}{\tan \theta} \right)$$

$$y = \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{1 - \cos \theta}{\sin \theta} \right)$$

$$\left(\begin{array}{l} \because \sec \theta = \frac{1}{\cos \theta} \\ \tan \theta = \frac{\sin \theta}{\cos \theta} \end{array} \right)$$

$$y = \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{2 \sin^2 \left(\frac{\theta}{2} \right)}{2 \sin \left(\frac{\theta}{2} \right) \cos \left(\frac{\theta}{2} \right)} \right)$$

$$y = \tan^{-1}\left(\tan \frac{\theta}{2}\right) = \frac{\theta}{2} = \frac{1}{2} \tan^{-1}(x)$$

$$y = \frac{1}{2} \tan^{-1}(x) \Rightarrow \frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{1}{2(1+x^2)}$$

$$\left. \frac{dy}{dx} \right|_{x=1} = \frac{1}{2(1+1)} = \frac{1}{4}$$

Correct option is (d)

Ex. If y is a function of x given by $y = \sqrt{x + \sqrt{x + \sqrt{x + \sqrt{x + \dots}}}}$, then $\frac{dy}{dx}$ at $(0, 0)$ is

- (a) -1 (b) 0 (c) 1 (d) $\sqrt{2}$

Soln. $y = \sqrt{x + y}$

$$\Rightarrow y^2 = x + y$$

Differentiating with respect to x

$$\Rightarrow 2y \cdot \frac{dy}{dx} = 1 + \frac{dy}{dx}$$

$$\Rightarrow (2y - 1) \frac{dy}{dx} = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{1}{2y - 1}$$

$$\text{At } (0,0) \frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{1}{2 \times 0 - 1} = -1$$

Correct option is (a)

Ex. The value of $\frac{d}{dx}(x \ln(x) + (1-x) \ln(1-x))$ is

- (a) $\ln\left(\frac{x}{1-x}\right)$ (b) $\ln\left(\frac{1-x}{x}\right)$ (c) 0 (d) $2 + \ln\left(\frac{x}{1-x}\right)$

Soln. $\frac{d}{dx}(x \ln(x) + (1-x) \ln(1-x))$

$$= \frac{d}{dx}[x \ln(x)] + \frac{d}{dx}[(1-x) \ln(1-x)]$$

$$= x \cdot \frac{1}{x} + 1 \cdot \ln(x) + (1-x) \times \frac{1}{1-x} \times (-1) + (-1) \ln(1-x)$$

$$= 1 + \ln(x) - 1 - \ln(1-x)$$

$$= \ln(x) - \ln(1-x)$$

$$= \ln\left(\frac{x}{1-x}\right)$$



Correct option is (a)

Ex. If $u(x)$ and $v(x)$ are differentiable at $x = 0$, and if $u(0) = 5$, $u'(0) = -3$, $v(0) = -1$ and $v'(0) = 2$ then value of

$$\frac{d}{dx} \left(uv + \frac{u}{v} \right) \text{ at } x = 0 \text{ is}$$

- (a) -20 (b) -7 (c) 6 (d) 3

Soln.
$$\frac{d}{dx} \left(uv + \frac{u}{v} \right) = \frac{d}{dx}(uv) + \frac{d}{dx} \left(\frac{u}{v} \right)$$

$$= u \cdot \frac{dv}{dx} + v \frac{du}{dx} + \frac{v \cdot \frac{du}{dx} - u \cdot \frac{dv}{dx}}{v^2}$$

At $x = 0$,

$$\frac{d}{dx} \left(uv + \frac{u}{v} \right) = u(0) \cdot v'(0) + v(0)u'(0) + \frac{v(0) \cdot u'(0) - u(0)v'(0)}{(v(0))^2}$$

$$= 5 \times 2 + (-1) \cdot (-3) + \frac{(-1) \cdot (-3) - 5 \cdot 2}{(-1)^2}$$

$$= 10 + 3 + \frac{3 - 10}{1} = 13 - 7 = 6$$

Correct option is (c)

Ex. If $x^2 + y^2 = \cos(x + y)$ then

(a) $\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{-(2x + \sin(x + y))}{2y + \sin(x + y)}$

(b) $\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{2x + \sin(x + y)}{2y + \sin(x + y)}$

(c) $\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{2x - \sin(x + y)}{2y + \sin(x + y)}$

(d) $\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{2x - \sin(x + y)}{2y - \sin(x + y)}$

Soln. $x^2 + y^2 = \cos(x + y)$

$$\Rightarrow 2x + 2y \frac{dy}{dx} = -\sin(x + y) \cdot \left(1 + \frac{dy}{dx} \right)$$

$$\Rightarrow 2x + 2y \frac{dy}{dx} = -\sin(x + y) - \sin(x + y) \frac{dy}{dx}$$

$$\Rightarrow 2x + \sin(x + y) = -[\sin(x + y) + 2y] \frac{dy}{dx}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{dy}{dx} = -\frac{2x + \sin(x + y)}{2y + \sin(x + y)}$$

Correct option is (a)

Ex. If $2^y = e^x$ then $\frac{dy}{dx}$ is

- (a) $\ln(2)$ (b) $\frac{1}{\ln(2)}$ (c) e^2 (d) $\frac{1}{e^2}$

Soln. $2^y = e^x$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{d}{dx}(2^y) = \frac{d}{dx}(e^x)$$

$$\Rightarrow 2^y \ln(2) \frac{dy}{dx} = e^x$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{e^x}{2^y \ln(2)} = \frac{2^y}{2^y \ln(2)} = \frac{1}{\ln(2)}$$

Correct option is (b)

Ex. If $f(x) = 4x^2 \sin(2x)$ then its first derivative is

(a) $4x^2 \cos(2x) + 8x \sin(2x)$

(b) $-4x^2 \cos(2x) + 8x \sin(2x)$

(c) $8x^2 \cos(2x) + 8x \sin(2x)$

(d) $-8x^2 \cos(2x) + 8x \sin(2x)$

Soln. $f(x) = 4x^2 \sin(2x)$

$$f'(x) = 8x \sin(2x) + 4x^2 \cdot 2 \cos(2x)$$

$$\Rightarrow f'(x) = 8x \sin(2x) + 8x^2 \cos(2x)$$

Correct option is (c)

Ex. The derivative of 2^x with respect to x is

(a) $\ln(x) \cdot 2^x$

(b) $x \cdot 2^{x-1}$

(c) $\ln(2) \cdot 2^x$

(d) $2 \cdot 2^{x-1}$

Soln. $\frac{d}{dx}(2^x) = 2^x \ln(2)$

because $\frac{d}{dx}(a^x) = a^x \ln(a) \quad \forall a > 0, a \neq 1$

Correct option is (c)

Second order derivative : If $y = f(x)$ is a function then $\frac{dy}{dx} = f'(x)$ is called first order derivative and

$$f''(x) = \frac{d}{dx}(f'(x)) = \frac{d}{dx}\left(\frac{dy}{dx}\right) = \frac{d^2y}{dx^2}$$

is called second order derivative of y w.r.t. x .

Ex. If $y = ae^x + be^{-x}$ then $\frac{d^2y}{dx^2}$ is equal to

(a) $\frac{1}{y}$

(b) y

(c) $\frac{dy}{dx}$

(d) y^2

Soln. $y = ae^x + be^{-x}$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{dy}{dx} = ae^x - be^{-x}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{d^2y}{dx^2} = ae^x + be^{-x} = y$$

Correct option is (b)

5. For large values of n , the value of $\frac{n^2 - n}{n + 1}$ tends to

(a) ∞

(b) 0

(c) 1

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(d) an unknown value

Soln. \therefore as $n \rightarrow \infty$ we have,



$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{n^2 - n}{n + 1}$$

$$\Rightarrow \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{n(n-1)}{n \left(1 + \frac{1}{n}\right)} = \infty$$

Correct option is (a)

Ex. The function $f(x) = x|x|$ is

- (a) Differentiable at $x=0$ and $\frac{df}{dx}$ at $x=0$ is zero
 (b) Not differentiable through continuous at $x=0$
 (c) Not continuous at $x=0$
 (d) Differentiable at $x=0$ and $\frac{df}{dx}\Big|_{x=0}$ is 1.

Soln. $f(x) = x|x| = \begin{cases} x^2, & x \geq 0 \\ -x^2, & x < 0 \end{cases}$

$$f'(0) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(x) - f(0)}{x - 0} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(x)}{x}$$

$$\text{LHD} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^-} \frac{f(x)}{x} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^-} \frac{-x^2}{x} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^-} (-x) = 0$$

$$\text{RHD} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{f(x)}{x} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{x^2}{x} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} x = 0$$

f is differentiable at $x=0$ and $f'(0) = 0$

Correct option is (a)

Ex. Consider the curve $y = \cos(x) - 1$, $x \in \left[\frac{\pi}{2}, \frac{3\pi}{2}\right]$. Tangent at point p on the curve is parallel to the x -axis. Then co-ordinates of the point p are

- (a) $(\pi, 2)$ (b) $\left(\frac{\pi}{2}, -1\right)$ (c) $(\pi, -2)$ (d) $\left(\frac{\pi}{2}, 1\right)$

Soln. $y = \cos(x) - 1$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = -\sin(x)$$

Since tangent is parallel to x -axis

$$\Rightarrow \frac{dy}{dx} = 0 \Rightarrow \sin(x) = 0 \Rightarrow x = n\pi \quad \forall x \in \mathbb{Z}$$

$$x \in \left[\frac{\pi}{2}, \frac{3\pi}{2}\right] \Rightarrow x = \pi$$

$$\Rightarrow y = \cos(\pi) - 1 = -1 - 1 = -2$$

point p is $(\pi, -2)$

Option (c) is correct