

➤ Continuity of Different Functions

• Continuity of different functions :-

A function “ f ” is said to be continuous at a point “ c ” if the following conditions are satisfied.

1. $f(c)$ is defined
2. $\lim_{x \rightarrow c} f(x) = f(c)$

• Condition for Continuity :-

If $f(x)$ is any given function and we have to find the continuity at $x = c$ then,

$$L - H - L = R - H - L = f(c)$$

If

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

Then the function will be continuous otherwise not.

• Questions :-

➤ Discuss the continuity.

1. $f(x) = \frac{1}{x^2+3}$, $-4 < x < 7$.

Sol : -

$$f(x) = \frac{1}{x^2+3}$$

Condition 1:-

$f(c)$ is defined.

Suppose $x = c = 0$ then,

$$f(x) = \frac{1}{(0)^2+3}$$

$$f(0) = \frac{1}{3}$$

Condition (1) is satisfied.

Condition 2:-

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow c} f(x) \text{ is defined/ exist.}$$

Now Apply the Limit

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} f(x) &= \frac{1}{(0)^2+3} \Rightarrow \frac{1}{0+3} \\ &= \frac{1}{3} \end{aligned}$$

Condition 3:-

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

$$\frac{1}{3} = \frac{1}{3}$$

$$L - H - S = R - H - S$$

Hence it is Continuous.

$$2. f(x) = \frac{x+3}{x^2-2x-15}, \quad -7 < x < 4, \quad x \neq -3$$

$$f(-3) = 2$$

Sol:-

$$f(x) = \frac{x+3}{x^2-2x-15}$$

Condition 1:-

$f(c)$ is defined

Already given that $f(-3) = 2$

Condition 2:-

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow c} f(x) \text{ is defined/ exist.}$$

Now Apply the Limit

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow -3} f(x) = \frac{x+3}{x^2-2x-15} \Rightarrow \frac{-3+3}{(-3)^2-2(-3)-15} \Rightarrow \frac{\cancel{-3} + \cancel{3}}{\cancel{-3}^2 - 2(-3) - 15} \Rightarrow \frac{0}{0} \text{ form}$$

It $\frac{0}{0}$ form then by factorization

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow -3} f(x) = \frac{x+3}{x^2-5x+3x-15}$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow -3} f(x) = \frac{x+3}{x(x-5)+3(x-5)}$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow -3} f(x) = \frac{x+3}{(x+3)(x-5)}$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow -3} f(x) = \frac{\cancel{(x+3)}}{\cancel{(x+3)}(x-5)}$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow -3} f(x) = \frac{1}{(x-5)}$$

Apply the Limit

$$= \frac{1}{(-3-5)}$$

$$= \frac{1}{(-8)}$$

Condition 3:-

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

$$\frac{1}{3} \neq 2$$

$$L - H - S \neq R - H - S$$

Hence it is discontinuous.

3. $f(x) = \frac{x^2-4}{x^2-8x+12}$, $0 < x < 5$, $x \neq 2$

$$f(2) = 1$$

Sol: -

$$f(x) = \frac{x^2-4}{x^2-8x+12}$$

Condition 1:-

$f(c)$ is defined

Already given that $f(2) = 1$

Condition 2:-

$\lim_{x \rightarrow c} f(x)$ is defined/ exist.

Now Apply the Limit

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 2} f(x) = \frac{x^2 - 4}{x^2 - 8x + 12} \Rightarrow \frac{(2)^2 - 4}{(2)^2 - 8(2) + 12} \Rightarrow \frac{\cancel{4} - \cancel{4}}{\cancel{4}^2 - 8(2) + 12} \Rightarrow \frac{0}{0} \text{ form}$$

It $\frac{0}{0}$ form then by factorization

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 2} f(x) = \frac{x^2 - 4}{x^2 - 6x - 2x + 12}$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 2} f(x) = \frac{x^2 - 2^2}{x(x-6) - 2(x-6)}$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 2} f(x) = \frac{\cancel{(x-2)}(x+2)}{\cancel{(x-2)}(x-6)}$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 2} f(x) = \frac{(x+2)}{(x-6)}$$

Apply the Limit

$$= \frac{(2+2)}{(2-6)} \Rightarrow \frac{4}{(-4)}$$

$$= \frac{\cancel{4}}{\cancel{-4}}$$

$$= -1$$

Condition 3:-

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

$$-1 \neq 1$$

$$L - H - S \neq R - H - S$$

Hence it is discontinuous.

$$4. f(x) = \begin{cases} x - 4, & -1 < x \leq 2 \\ f(2) = -2, & x = 2 \\ x^2 - 6, & 2 < x < 5 \end{cases}$$

Sol: -

This function is called piece wise function.

Condition 1:-

$f(c)$ Is defined

Already given that $f(2) = -2$

Condition 2:-

For Left hand Limit

$$\lim_{h \rightarrow 2^-} f(x - 4) \Rightarrow 2 - 4 \Rightarrow -2$$

For Right Hand Limit

$$\lim_{h \rightarrow 2^+} f(x^2 - 6) \Rightarrow 2^2 - 6 \Rightarrow -2$$

$$L - H - L = R - H - L$$

Condition 3:-

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

$$-2 = -2$$

$$L - H - S = R - H - S$$

Hence it is continuous.

$$5. f(x) = \frac{x^3 - 1}{x^2 + x - 2}, \quad 0 < x < 2, \quad x \neq 1$$

$$f(1) = 1$$

Sol: -

$$f(x) = \frac{x^3 - 1}{x^2 + x - 2}$$

Condition 1:-

$f(c)$ is defined

Already given that $f(1) = 1$

Condition 2:-

$\lim_{x \rightarrow c} f(x)$ is defined/ exist.

Now Apply the Limit

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 1} f(x) = \frac{x^3 - 1}{x^2 + x - 2} \Rightarrow \frac{(1)^3 - 1}{(1)^2 + 1 - 2} \Rightarrow \frac{\cancel{x} - \cancel{1}}{\cancel{x^3} + 1 - 2} \Rightarrow \frac{0}{0} \text{ form}$$

It $\frac{0}{0}$ form then by factorization

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 1} f(x) = \frac{x^3 - 1}{x^2 - x + 2x - 2}$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 1} f(x) = \frac{(x-1)(x^2 + (x)(1) + 1^2)}{x(x-1) + 2(x-1)}$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 1} f(x) = \frac{\cancel{(x-1)}(x^2 + x + 1)}{\cancel{(x-1)}(x + 2)} \Rightarrow \lim_{x \rightarrow 1} f(x) = \frac{(x^2 + (x) + 1)}{(x + 2)}$$

Apply the Limit

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

$$= \frac{\cancel{3}}{\cancel{3}}$$

$$= 1$$

Condition 3:-

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

$$1 = 1$$

$$L - H - S = R - H - S$$

Hence it is continuous

$$6. f(x) = \begin{cases} x - 4, & -1 < x \leq 2 \\ f(2) = -2, & x = 2 \\ x^2 - 6, & 2 < x < 5 \end{cases}$$

Sol: -

Condition 1:-

$f(c)$ is defined

Already given that $f\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) = 1$

Condition 2:-

For Left hand Limit

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow \frac{1}{2}^-} f(x) \Rightarrow \lim_{x \rightarrow \frac{1}{2}^-} (x) \Rightarrow \frac{1}{2}$$

For Right Hand Limit

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow \frac{1}{2}^+} f(x) \Rightarrow \lim_{x \rightarrow \frac{1}{2}^+} (1 - x) \Rightarrow 1 - \frac{1}{2} \Rightarrow \frac{2-1}{2} \Rightarrow \frac{1}{2}$$

$$L - H - L = R - H - L$$

Condition 3:-

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

$$\frac{1}{2} \neq 1$$

$$L - H - S \neq R - H - S$$

Hence it is discontinuous.

$$7. f(x) = \begin{cases} 2 - x, & x < 0 \\ 2, & x = 0 \\ 2 + x, & x > 0 \end{cases}$$

Sol:

Condition 1:-

$f(c)$ is defined

Already given that $f(0) = 2$

Condition 2:-

For Left hand Limit

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^-} f(x) \Rightarrow \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^-} (2 - x) \Rightarrow 2 - 0 \Rightarrow 2$$

For Right Hand Limit

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} f(x) \Rightarrow \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} (2 + x) \Rightarrow 2 + 0 \Rightarrow 2$$

$$L - H - L = R - H - L$$

Condition 3:-

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

$$2 = 2$$

$$L - H - S = R - H - S$$

Hence it is continuous.

$$8. f(x) = \begin{cases} x^2 - 1, & x > 1 \\ 0, & x = 1 \\ 1 - x, & x < 1 \end{cases}$$

Sol:

Condition 1:-

$f(c)$ is defined

Already given that $f(1) = 0$

Condition 2:-

For Left hand Limit

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 1^-} f(x) \Rightarrow \lim_{x \rightarrow 1^-} (x^2 - 1) \Rightarrow 1^2 - 1 \Rightarrow 0$$

For Right Hand Limit

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 1^+} f(x) \Rightarrow \lim_{x \rightarrow 1^+} (1 - x) \Rightarrow 1 - 1 \Rightarrow 0$$

$$L - H - L = R - H - L$$

Condition 3:-

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

$$0 = 0$$

$$L - H - S = R - H - S$$

Hence it is continuous.

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