

## EXERCISE 10.1

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1. Show that  $f(x) = |x - 3|$  is continuous but not differentiable at  $x = 3$ .

**Solution:**

Given  $f(x) = |x - 3|$

Therefore we can write given function as,

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} -(x - 3), & x < 3 \\ x - 3, & x \geq 3 \end{cases}$$

But  $f(3) = 3 - 3 = 0$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{LHL} &= \lim_{x \rightarrow 3} f(x) \\ &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} f(3 - h) \\ &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} 3 - (3 - h) \\ &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} 0 \end{aligned}$$

Now consider,

$$\begin{aligned} \text{RHL} &= \lim_{x \rightarrow 3} f(x) \\ &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} f(3 + h) \\ &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} 3 + h - 3 \\ &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{LHL} = \text{RHL} = f(3)$$

Since,  $f(x)$  is continuous at  $x = 3$

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$$\text{LHD at } x = 3 = \lim_{x \rightarrow 3^-} \frac{f(x) - f(3)}{x - 3}$$

$$= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0^-} \frac{f(3-h) - f(3)}{3-h-3}$$

$$= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0^-} \frac{3 - (3-h) - 0}{-h}$$

$$= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0^-} \frac{h}{-h}$$

$$= -1$$

$$\text{RHD at } x = 3 = \lim_{x \rightarrow 3^+} \frac{f(x) - f(3)}{x - 3}$$

$$= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{f(3+h) - f(3)}{3+h-3}$$

$$= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{3 + h - 3 - 0}{h}$$

$$= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{h}{h}$$

$$= 1$$

$$\text{LHD at } x = 3 \neq \text{RHD at } x = 3$$

Hence,  $f(x)$  is continuous but not differentiable at  $x = 3$ .

**2. Show that  $f(x) = x^{1/3}$  is not differentiable at  $x = 0$ .**

**Solution:**

For differentiability,

$$\text{LHD (at } x = 0) = \text{RHD (at } x = 0)$$

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

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

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$$= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0^-} \frac{(-h)^{\frac{1}{2}} - 0}{-h}$$

$$= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0^-} \frac{(-h)^{\frac{1}{2}}}{-h}$$

$$= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0^-} \frac{(-1)^{\frac{1}{2}}(h)^{\frac{1}{2}}}{(-1)h}$$

$$= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0^-} (-1)^{\frac{-2}{2}} h^{\frac{-2}{2}}$$

= Not defined

$$(\text{RHD at } x = 3) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{f(x) - f(0)}{x - 0}$$

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

$$= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{(h)^{\frac{1}{2}} - 0}{+h}$$

$$= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{(h)^{\frac{1}{2}}}{+h}$$

$$= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} h^{\frac{-2}{2}}$$

= Not defined

Since, LHD and RHD does not exist at  $x = 0$

Hence,  $f(x)$  is not differentiable at  $x = 0$

3. Show that  $f(x) = \begin{cases} 12x - 13, & \text{if } x \leq 3 \\ 2x^2 + 5, & \text{if } x > 3 \end{cases}$  is differentiable at  $x = 3$ . Also, find  $f'(3)$

**Solution:**

Now we have to check differentiability of given function at  $x = 3$

That is LHD (at  $x = 3$ ) = RHD (at  $x = 3$ )

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$$(\text{LHD at } x = 3) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 3^-} \frac{f(x) - f(3)}{x - 3}$$

$$= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0^-} \frac{f(3-h) - f(3)}{3-h-3}$$

$$= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0^-} \frac{[12(3-h)-13] - [12(3)-13]}{-h}$$

$$= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0^-} \frac{36-12h-13-36+13}{-h}$$

$$= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0^-} \frac{-12h}{-h}$$

$$= 12$$

$$(\text{RHD at } x = 3) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 3^+} \frac{f(x) - f(3)}{x - 3}$$

$$= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{f(3+h) - f(3)}{3+h-3}$$

$$= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{[2(3+h^2)+5] - [12(3)-13]}{3+h-3}$$

$$= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{18+12h+2h^2+5-36+13}{h}$$

$$= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{2h^2+12h}{h}$$

$$= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{h(2h+12)}{h}$$

$$= 12$$

Since,  $(\text{LHD at } x = 3) = (\text{RHD at } x = 3)$

Hence,  $f(x)$  is differentiable at  $x = 3$ .

**4. Show that the function  $f$  is defined as follows**

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} 3x - 2, & 0 < x \leq 1 \\ 2x^2 - x, & 1 < x \leq 2 \\ 5x - 4, & x > 2 \end{cases}$$

**Is continuous at  $x = 2$ , but not differentiable thereat.**

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Given

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} 3x - 2, & 0 < x \leq 1 \\ 2x^2 - x, & 1 < x \leq 2 \\ 5x - 4, & x > 2 \end{cases}$$

Now we have to check continuity at  $x = 2$ 

For continuity,

$$\text{LHL (at } x = 2) = \text{RHL (at } x = 2)$$

$$f(2) = 2(2)^2 - 2$$

$$= 8 - 2 = 6$$

$$\text{LHL} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 2^-} f(x)$$

$$= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0^-} f(2 - h)$$

$$= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0^-} [2(2 - h)^2 - (2 - h)]$$

$$= 8 - 2$$

$$= 6$$

$$\text{RHL} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 2^+} f(x)$$

$$= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0^+} f(2 + h)$$

$$= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0^+} 5(2 + h) - 4$$

$$= 6$$

Since,  $\text{LHL} = \text{RHL} = f(2)$ Hence,  $F(x)$  is continuous at  $x = 2$ Now we have to differentiability at  $x = 2$

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

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

$$= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{[2(2-h)^2 - (2-h)] - [8-2]}{-h}$$

$$= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{8-8h+2h^2-h-6}{-h}$$

$$= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{2h^2-6h}{-h}$$

$$= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{h(2h-6)}{-h}$$

$$= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} (6-2h)$$

$$= 6$$

Now consider,

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

$$= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(2+h) - f(2)}{2+h-2}$$

$$= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{[5(2+h)-4] - [8-2]}{h}$$

$$= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{10+5h-4-6}{h}$$

$$= 5$$

Since,  $(\text{RHD at } x = 2) \neq (\text{LHD at } x = 2)$

Hence,  $f(2)$  is not differentiable at  $x = 2$ .

**5. Discuss the continuity and differentiability of the function  $f(x) = |x| + |x-1|$  in the interval of  $(-1, 2)$ .**

**Solution:**



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The given function  $f(x)$  can be defined as

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} x + x + 1, & -1 < x < 0 \\ 1, & 0 \leq x \leq 1 \\ -x - x + 1, & 1 < x < 2 \end{cases}$$

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} 2x + 1, & -1 < x < 0 \\ 1, & 0 \leq x \leq 1 \\ -2x + 1, & 1 < x < 2 \end{cases}$$

We know that a polynomial and a constant function is continuous and differentiable everywhere. So,  $f(x)$  is continuous and differentiable for  $x \in (-1, 0)$  and  $x \in (0, 1)$  and  $(1, 2)$ .

We need to check continuity and differentiability at  $x = 0$  and  $x = 1$ .

Continuity at  $x = 0$

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

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

$$f(0) = 1$$

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

Since,  $f(x)$  is continuous at  $x = 0$

Continuity at  $x = 1$

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

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

$$f(1) = 1$$

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

Since,  $f(x)$  is continuous at  $x = 1$

Now we have to check differentiability at  $x = 0$

For differentiability, LHD (at  $x = 0$ ) = RHD (at  $x = 0$ )

Differentiability at  $x = 0$

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

$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^-} \frac{2x + 1 - 1}{x - 0}$$

$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^-} \frac{2x}{x}$$

$$= 2$$

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

$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{1 - 1}{x}$$

$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{0}{x}$$

$$= 0$$

Since,  $(\text{LHD at } x = 0) \neq (\text{RHD at } x = 0)$

So,  $f(x)$  is differentiable at  $x = 0$ .

Now we have to check differentiability at  $x = 1$

For differentiability,  $\text{LHD (at } x = 1) = \text{RHD (at } x = 1)$

Differentiability at  $x = 1$

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

$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow 1^-} \frac{1 - 1}{x - 1}$$

$$= 0$$

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

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

$$= \infty$$

Since,  $f(x)$  is not differentiable at  $x = 1$ .

So,  $f(x)$  is continuous on  $(-1, 2)$  but not differentiable at  $x = 0, 1$



## EXERCISE 10.2

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1. If  $f$  is defined by  $f(x) = x^2$ , find  $f'(2)$ .**Solution:**We have a polynomial function  $f(x) = x^2$ , and we have to find whether it isderivable at  $x = 2$  or not, so by using the formula,  $f'(c) = \lim_{x \rightarrow c} \frac{f(x) - f(c)}{x - c}$ ,

$$\text{We get, } f'(2) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 2} \frac{f(x) - f(2)}{x - 2}$$

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

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

[Using  $a^2 - b^2 = (a + b)(a - b)$ ]

$$f'(2) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 2} x + 2 = 4$$

Hence, the function is differentiable at  $x = 2$  and its derivative equals to 4.2. If  $f$  is defined by  $f(x) = x^2 - 4x + 7$ , show that  $f'(5) = 2 f'(7/2)$ **Solution:**We have a polynomial function  $f(x) = x^2 - 4x + 7$ , and we have to find  $f'(x)$  its valueat  $x = 5$  and  $x = 7/2$ , so by using the formula,  $f'(c) = \lim_{x \rightarrow c} \frac{f(x) - f(c)}{x - c}$ ,

$$\text{We get, } f'(5) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 5} \frac{f(x) - f(5)}{x - 5}$$

$$f'(5) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 5} \frac{x^2 - 4x + 7 - (5^2 - 4 \times 5 + 7)}{x - 5}$$

$$f'(5) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 5} \frac{x^2 - 4x - 5}{x - 5}$$

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

$$f'(5) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 5} (x + 1) = 6$$

Hence the function is differentiable at  $x = 5$  and has value 6.

$$f'(7/2) = \lim_{x \rightarrow \frac{7}{2}} \frac{f(x) - f(\frac{7}{2})}{x - \frac{7}{2}}$$

$$f'(7/2) = \lim_{x \rightarrow \frac{7}{2}} \frac{x^2 - 4x + 7 - [(\frac{7}{2})^2 - 4 \times \frac{7}{2} + 7]}{x - \frac{7}{2}}$$

$$f'(7/2) = \lim_{x \rightarrow \frac{7}{2}} \frac{x^2 - 4x + 7 - [(\frac{7}{2})^2 - 4 \times \frac{7}{2} + 7]}{x - \frac{7}{2}}$$

$$f'(7/2) = \lim_{x \rightarrow \frac{7}{2}} \frac{x^2 - 4x + \frac{7}{4}}{x - \frac{7}{2}}$$

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$$f'(7/2) = \lim_{x \rightarrow \frac{7}{2}} \frac{(2x-1)(2x-7)}{2(2x-7)}$$

$$f'(7/2) = \lim_{x \rightarrow \frac{7}{2}} \frac{(2x-1)}{2} = 3$$

Therefore  $f'(5) = 2 f'(7/2) = 6$ ,

Hence the proof.

**3. Show that the derivative of the function  $f$  is given by  $f'(x) = 2x^3 - 9x^2 + 12x + 9$ , at  $x = 1$  and  $x = 2$  are equal.**

**Solution:**

We are given with a polynomial function  $f(x) = 2x^3 - 9x^2 + 12x + 9$ , and we have

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to find  $f'(x)$  at  $x = 1$  and  $x = 2$ , so by using the formula,  $f'(c) = \lim_{x \rightarrow c} \frac{f(x) - f(c)}{x - c}$ , we get,

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

$$f'(1) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 1} \frac{2x^3 - 9x^2 + 12x + 9 - [2(1)^3 - 9(1)^2 + 12(1) + 9]}{x - 1}$$

$$f'(1) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 1} \frac{2x^3 - 9x^2 + 12x - 5}{x - 1}$$

$$f'(1) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 1} \frac{(x-1)(2x^2 - 7x + 5)}{x - 1}$$

$$f'(1) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 1} 2x^2 - 7x + 5 = 0$$

For  $x = 2$ , we get,

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

$$f'(2) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 2} \frac{2x^3 - 9x^2 + 12x + 9 - [2(2)^3 - 9(2)^2 + 12(2) + 9]}{x - 2}$$

$$f'(2) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 2} \frac{2x^3 - 9x^2 + 12x - 4}{x - 2}$$

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

$$f'(2) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 2} 2x^2 - 5x + 2 = 0$$

Hence they are equal at  $x = 1$  and  $x = 2$ .

4. If for the function  $\phi(x) = \lambda x^2 + 7x - 4$ ,  $\phi'(5) = 97$ , find  $\lambda$ .

**Solution:**

We have to find the value of  $\lambda$  given in the real function and we are given with the differentiability of the function  $f(x) = \lambda x^2 + 7x - 4$  at  $x = 5$  which is  $f'(5) = 97$ , so we will adopt the same process but with a little variation.

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So by using the formula,  $f'(c) = \lim_{x \rightarrow c} \frac{f(x) - f(c)}{x - c}$ , we get,

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

$$f'(5) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 5} \frac{\lambda x^2 + 7x - 4 - [\lambda(5)^2 + 7(5) - 4]}{x - 5}$$

$$f'(5) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 5} \frac{\lambda x^2 + 7x - 4 - [\lambda(5)^2 + 7(5) - 4]}{x - 5}$$

$$f'(5) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 5} \frac{\lambda x^2 + 7x - 35 - 25\lambda}{x - 5}$$

As the limit has some finite value, then there must be the formation of some indeterminate form like  $\frac{0}{0}$ ,  $\frac{\infty}{\infty}$ , so if we put the limit value, then the numerator will also be zero as the denominator, but there must be a factor  $(x - 5)$  in the numerator, so that this form disappears.

$$f'(5) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 5} \frac{(x - 5)(\lambda x + 5\lambda + 7)}{x - 5}$$

$$f'(5) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 5} \lambda x + 5\lambda + 7 = 97$$

$$f'(5) = 10\lambda + 7 = 97$$

$$10\lambda = 90$$

$$\lambda = 9$$

5. If  $f(x) = x^3 + 7x^2 + 8x - 9$ , find  $f'(4)$ .

**Solution:**

We are given with a polynomial function  $f(x) = x^3 + 7x^2 + 8x - 9$ , and we have to find whether it is derivable at  $x = 4$  or not,

So by using the formula,  $f'(c) = \lim_{x \rightarrow c} \frac{f(x) - f(c)}{x - c}$ ,

$$\text{We get, } f'(4) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 4} \frac{f(x) - f(4)}{x - 4}$$

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$$f'(4) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 4} \frac{x^3 + 7x^2 + 8x - 9 - [4^3 + 7(4)^2 + 8(4) - 9]}{x - 4}$$

$$f'(4) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 4} \frac{(x-4)(x^2 + 11x + 52)}{x-4}$$

$$f'(4) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 4} x^2 + 11x + 52$$

$$f'(4) = 112.$$

6. Find the derivative of the function  $f$  defined by  $f(x) = mx + c$  at  $x = 0$ .

**Solution:**

We are given with a polynomial function  $f(x) = mx + c$ , and we have to find whether it is derivable at  $x = 0$  or not,

So by using the formula,  $f'(c) = \lim_{x \rightarrow c} \frac{f(x) - f(c)}{x - c}$ ,

$$\text{We get, } f'(0) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(x) - f(0)}{x - 0}$$

$$f'(0) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{mx + c - [m(0) + c]}{x - 0}$$

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

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

This is the derivative of a function at  $x = 0$ , and also this is the derivative of this function at every value of  $x$ .