

CLASS 12

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EXTRA QUESTIONS

Class 12 Mathematics Chapter 5 Continuity and Differentiability – Extra Questions with Answers

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Very Short Answer Questions (1 mark)

Q1. State the condition for continuity of f at $x=a$.

Ans: $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x) = f(a)$.

Q2. Is $|x|$ differentiable at $x=0$?

Ans: No, the left and right derivatives differ (-1 and 1).

Q3. What is $d/dx(e^x)$?

Ans: e^x .

Q4. What is $d/dx(\log x)$?

Ans: $1/x$.

Q5. State the chain rule for $y=f(g(x))$.

Ans: $dy/dx = f'(g(x)) \cdot g'(x)$.

Short Answer Questions (2–3 marks)

Q6. Differentiate $y=\sin(x^2)$ with respect to x .

Ans: Using chain rule, $dy/dx = \cos(x^2) \cdot 2x = 2x \cos(x^2)$.

Q7. Find dy/dx if $x^2+y^2=25$ (implicit differentiation).

Ans: Differentiating both sides: $2x+2y(dy/dx)=0$, so $dy/dx = -x/y$.

Q8. Differentiate $y=x^x$ using logarithmic differentiation.

Ans: Take log: $\log y = x \log x$. Differentiate: $(1/y)(dy/dx) = \log x + 1$, so $dy/dx = y(\log x + 1) = x^x(\log x + 1)$.

Higher-Order Thinking / Application Questions

Q9. Examine the continuity and differentiability of $f(x)=|x-1|$ at $x=1$, showing all reasoning using left-hand and right-hand limits and derivatives.

Ans: For continuity at $x=1$: $LHL = \lim_{x \rightarrow 1^-} |x-1| = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} |(1-h)-1| = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} h = 0$.

$RHL = \lim_{x \rightarrow 1^+} |x-1| = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} |(1+h)-1| = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} h = 0$. $f(1) = |1-1| = 0$. Since $LHL = RHL = f(1) = 0$, f is continuous at $x=1$.

For differentiability: $LHD = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} [f(1-h) - f(1)]/(-h) = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} [h-0]/(-h) = -1$.

$RHD = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} [f(1+h) - f(1)]/h = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} [h-0]/h = 1$. Since $LHD = -1 \neq RHD = 1$, f is NOT differentiable at $x=1$, despite being continuous there — this is a classic example demonstrating that continuity does not guarantee differentiability, because the graph has a sharp corner (kink) at $x=1$ even though there is no break or jump.

Q10. State Rolle's Theorem and verify it for $f(x)=x^2-4x+3$ on the interval $[1,3]$, finding the value of c explicitly.

Ans: Rolle's Theorem states that if f is continuous on $[a,b]$, differentiable on (a,b) , and $f(a)=f(b)$, then there exists at least one $c \in (a,b)$ such that $f'(c)=0$. Here $f(x)=x^2-4x+3$ is a polynomial, so it is continuous on $[1,3]$ and differentiable on $(1,3)$, satisfying the first two conditions. Check $f(1)=1-4+3=0$ and $f(3)=9-12+3=0$, so $f(1)=f(3)=0$, satisfying the third condition. By Rolle's Theorem, there must exist $c \in (1,3)$ with $f'(c)=0$. Now $f'(x)=2x-4$, so setting $f'(c)=0$ gives $2c-4=0$, i.e., $c=2$. Since $2 \in (1,3)$, this confirms Rolle's Theorem holds, and geometrically it means the tangent to the parabola is horizontal at $x=2$, which is the vertex of the

parabola exactly midway between the two roots $x=1$ and $x=3$.

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