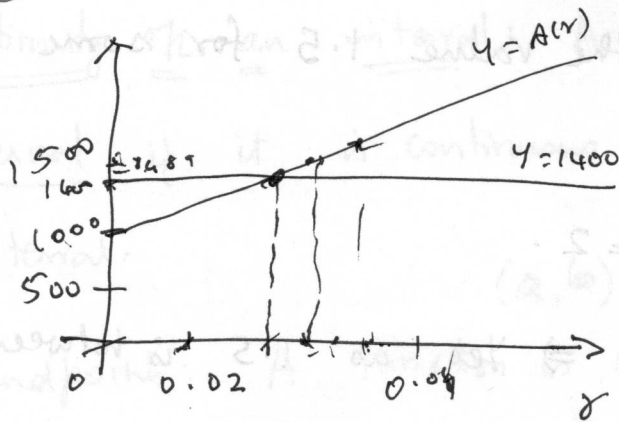


(2)



Graphs of  $A(r)$  and  $y=1400$  intersect for an  $r$  between  $r=0$  and  $r=0.08$ .

Solving  $A(r) = 1400 \implies r \approx 0.0675$ .

Derivative:

$A(r) = 1000 \left(1 + \frac{r}{5}\right)^{50}$

Use the Intermediate Value Theorem (IVT) to show that there is a value of  $r$  in the interval  $[0, 0.08]$  such that  $A(r) = 1400$ .

Let  $f(r) = A(r) - 1400$ . Then  $f(0) = 1000 - 1400 = -400 < 0$  and  $f(0.08) = 1489.82 - 1400 = 89.82 > 0$ .

Since  $f$  is continuous on  $[0, 0.08]$  and  $f(0) < 0 < f(0.08)$ , by the IVT, there exists a value  $c$  in  $(0, 0.08)$  such that  $f(c) = 0$ , i.e.,  $A(c) = 1400$ .

Problems on limits:  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 1^+} f(x) = 7$   $\lim_{x \rightarrow 1^-} f(x) = 4$

Find the following limits:

$$a) \lim_{x \rightarrow 2} \frac{x^2 - 3x + 2}{x^2 - 4} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 2} \frac{(x-2)(x-1)}{(x-2)(x+2)} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 2} \frac{(x-1)}{(x+2)} = \frac{1}{4}$$

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

$$c) \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{x+1}{x(\sqrt{x+1} + 1)} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{\sqrt{x+1} + 1} = \frac{1}{2}$$

c) Given the function

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} 7 - 4x & x < 1 \\ x^2 + 2 & x \geq 1 \end{cases}$$

Evaluate the following limits, if they exist.

$$i) \lim_{x \rightarrow -6} f(x) : \text{Ans: } \lim_{x \rightarrow -6} f(x) = \lim_{x \rightarrow -6} 7 - 4x \text{ (as } -6 < 1) = 7 - 4(-6) = 31$$

$$ii) \lim_{x \rightarrow 1} f(x) : \text{Ans: } \text{LHL} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 1^-} f(x) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 1^-} 7 - 4x = 3$$

$$\text{RHL} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 1^+} f(x) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 1^+} (x^3 + 2) \quad (\text{as } x > 1)$$

$$= (1)^3 + 2 = 3.$$

similar process will be used

$$\frac{(1-x)(s-x)}{s+x} \text{ nil} = \frac{s+xs-s}{s+x} \text{ nil} = \frac{s+xs-s}{s+x} \text{ nil} \quad (s \leftarrow x)$$

$$\text{RHL} = \text{LHL} = 3, \text{ hence limit exists and}$$

equals  $3 \cdot \frac{1}{1} = \frac{(1-x)}{(s+x)} \text{ nil} =$

Eg.  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 5} (10 + |x-5|)$

$$\frac{(1+|x|)(1-|x|)}{s+x} \text{ nil} = \frac{1-|x|}{s+x} \text{ nil}, \quad \frac{1-|x|}{s+x} \text{ nil} \quad (s \leftarrow x)$$

Absolute value function  $|x| = \begin{cases} -x & \text{if } x < 0 \\ x & \text{if } x > 0 \end{cases}$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 5^-} (10 + |x-5|) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 5^-} (10 + (5-x)) \quad \left( \begin{array}{l} x \rightarrow 5^- \text{ means} \\ |x-5| = -x+5 \end{array} \right)$$

$$= 10 + (5-5) = 10.$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 5^+} (10 + |x-5|) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 5^+} (10 + (x-5)) \quad (\text{as } x \rightarrow 5^+ \text{ means } x > 5, \text{ hence } x-5 > 0)$$

$$= 10$$

So  $\text{LHL} = \text{RHL} = 10$

evaluate the following if they exist

$$(1) \lim_{x \rightarrow 2} (x^2 - 4) \quad \lim_{x \rightarrow 2} (x^2 - 4) = (2)^2 - 4 = 0$$

$$(ii) \lim_{x \rightarrow 1} (x^2 - 1) \quad \lim_{x \rightarrow 1} (x^2 - 1) = (1)^2 - 1 = 0$$



## Continuity and Intermediate Value Theorem.

① Determine if the following function is continuous at  $x=1$ .

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} 3x-5 & \text{if } x \neq 1 \\ 2 & \text{if } x = 1. \end{cases}$$

Ans: The function  $f(x)$  is defined at  $x=1$  and  $f(1)=2$ .

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 1} f(x) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 1} (3x-5) = 3(1)-5 = -2.$$

Thus  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 1} f(x) = -2$  and does not equal  $f(1) = 2$ . Therefore

$f(x)$  is not continuous at  $x=1$ .

② Let  $f(x) = \begin{cases} x^2 \cos(\frac{1}{x}) & \text{if } x \neq 0 \\ 0 & \text{if } x = 0. \end{cases}$

Show that  $f(x)$  is continuous for all values of  $x$ .

Show that  $f$  is differentiable for all values of  $x$ , but that

the derivative  $f'$  is not continuous at  $x=0$ . Assume  $f'(x) = \sin(\frac{1}{x}) + 2x \cos(\frac{1}{x})$  for  $x \neq 0$ .

Ans:  $f(x) = k(x) \cdot h(g(x))$ ; where  $k(x) = x^2$ ,  $g(x) = \frac{1}{x}$  and

$h(x) = \cos x$ . Thus  $h(g(x)) = \cos(\frac{1}{x})$  is continuous and  $k(x)$

is continuous;  $h(g(x))$  is continuous as it is the composite of two continuous functions. The function  $f(x)$  is therefore a product of two continuous functions and is continuous, when  $x \neq 0$ .

At  $x=0$ :  $f$  is defined since  $f(0) = 0$ .

The limit  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \cos(\frac{1}{x})$  does not exist since the values of  $\cos(\frac{1}{x})$  oscillate between  $-1$  and  $+1$  as  $x \rightarrow 0$ .

However, for  $x \neq 0$ ,  $-1 \leq \cos(\frac{1}{x}) \leq +1$ , and hence  
$$-x^2 \leq x^2 \cos(\frac{1}{x}) \leq x^2.$$

Since  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} (-x^2) = 0 = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} x^2$ , it follows from the Squeeze Theorem that  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} f(x) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} x^2 \cos(\frac{1}{x}) = 0$ .

Since  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} f(x) = 0 = f(0)$ ,  $f$  is continuous at  $x=0$  and hence  $f(x)$  is continuous for all values of  $x$ .

Given  $f'(x) = \sin \frac{1}{x} + 2x \cos(\frac{1}{x})$ , when  $x \neq 0$ .

$$\begin{aligned} f'(0) &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(0+h) - f(0)}{h} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{h^2 \cos(\frac{1}{h}) - 0}{h} \\ &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} h \cos(\frac{1}{h}) = 0. \text{ (use squeeze theorem)} \end{aligned}$$

Hence  $f$  is differentiable for all values of  $x$ . Since

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} f'(x) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \left\{ \sin\left(\frac{1}{x}\right) + 2x \cos\left(\frac{1}{x}\right) \right\} \text{ does not}$$

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$x$  approaches zero.

Note that the continuity of the function  $f$  for all values of  $x$  also follows from the fact that  $f$  is differentiable for all values of  $x$ .



⑧ Intermediate Value Theorem: Use IVT to show that the function  $f(x) = x e^{x-1} - \frac{1}{2}$  has a zero in the interval  $[0, 1]$ .

Ans.  $f(x) = x e^{x-1} - \frac{1}{2}$  is continuous on the interval  $[0, 1]$  (in fact,

it is continuous everywhere; check this!). We have

$$f(0) = 0 \cdot e^{0-1} - \frac{1}{2} = -\frac{1}{2}; \quad f(1) = 1 \cdot e^{1-1} - \frac{1}{2} = 1 - \frac{1}{2} = \frac{1}{2}.$$

Thus  $f(0) = -\frac{1}{2} < 0$ ,  $f(1) = \frac{1}{2} > 0$ .

As 0 lies between  $-\frac{1}{2}$  and  $+\frac{1}{2}$ , the IVT tells us that  $f(c) = 0$  for some  $c$  in the interval  $[0, 1]$ .

⑨ Use IVT in order to show that the equation

$$x^5 - x + 1 = 0 \text{ has at least one real solution.}$$

Ans:  $f(x) = x^5 - x + 1$ ; it is continuous everywhere since  $x$

is a polynomial. We must find an interval  $[a, b]$  such

that  $f(a)$  and  $f(b)$  have opposite signs. Choosing  $a = -2$

$$\text{and } b = -1, \text{ we get } f(-2) = (-2)^5 - (-2) + 1 = -29,$$

$$f(-1) = (-1)^5 - (-1) + 1 = 1. \text{ Thus } f(-2) < 0 \text{ and } f(-1) > 0.$$

By IVT, there is a  $c$  in the interval  $[-2, -1]$  such that

$$f(c) = 0.$$

Q: Determine all values of the constants  $A$  and  $B$  so that the following function is continuous for all values of  $x$ .

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} Ax - B & \text{if } x \leq -1 \\ 2x^2 + 3Ax + B & \text{if } -1 < x \leq 1 \\ 4 & \text{if } x > 1 \end{cases}$$

Ans: For  $x \leq -1$ ,  $f(x) = Ax - B$  and it is continuous for any values of  $A$  and  $B$  since it is a polynomial. The same is true for  $x \in (-1, 1]$ . For  $x > 1$ ,  $f(x)$  is a constant and is continuous.

$$f(-1) = A(-1) - B = -A - B.$$

$$\text{LHL } \lim_{x \rightarrow -1^-} f(x) = \lim_{x \rightarrow -1^-} (Ax - B) = A(-1) - B = -A - B.$$

$$\text{RHL } \lim_{x \rightarrow -1^+} f(x) = \lim_{x \rightarrow -1^+} (2x^2 + 3Ax + B) = 2(-1)^2 + 3A(-1) + B = 2 - 3A + B.$$

For the limit to exist, we must have  $\text{LHL} = \text{RHL}$ .

$$\text{So } -A - B = 2 - 3A + B,$$

$$\text{or } 2A - 2B = 2 \Rightarrow A - B = 1$$

Next consider continuity at  $x=1$ ; the function must be defined at  $x=1$ , so  $f(1) = 2(1)^2 + 3A + B = 2 + 3A + B$ .

$$\text{RHL} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 1^+} f(x) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 1^+} 4 = 4.$$

$$\text{LHL} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 1^-} f(x) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 1^-} (2x^2 + 3Ax + B) = 2 + 3A + B.$$

$$\text{RHL} = \text{LHL} \text{ gives } 2 + 3A + B = 4 \text{ or } 3A + B = 2.$$

Solving  $3A + B = 2$  and  $A - B = 1$ , we get  $B = -\frac{1}{4}$  and  $A = \frac{3}{4}$ ; these are the values for which  $f$  is continuous at  $x=1$  and  $x=-1$ .