



CONTINUITY AND DIFFERENTIABILITY (CONTINUITY)

Class 12 - Mathematics

Section A

- Find the value of $f(0)$, so that the function $f(x) = \frac{\sqrt{a^2-ax+x^2}-\sqrt{a^2+ax+x^2}}{\sqrt{a+x}-\sqrt{a-x}}$ becomes continuous for all x , given by [1]
 - $a^{1/2}$
 - $-a^{1/2}$
 - $a^{3/2}$
 - $-a^{3/2}$
- The function $f(x) = \begin{cases} x^2 a & , \quad 0 \leq x < 1 \\ a & , \quad 1 \leq x < \sqrt{2} \\ \frac{2b^2-4b}{x^2} & , \quad \sqrt{2} \leq x < \infty \end{cases}$ is continuous for $0 \leq x < \infty$, then the most suitable values of a and b are [1]
 - $a = -1, b = 1$
 - $a = -1, b = 1^+$
 - $a = -1, b = -1$
 - none of these
- Let $f(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{|x|} & \text{for } |x| \geq 1 \\ ax^2 + b & \text{for } |x| < 1 \end{cases}$ If $f(x)$ is continuous and differentiable at any point, then [1]
 - $a = 1, b = -1$
 - $a = \frac{1}{2}, b = -\frac{3}{2}$
 - $a = \frac{1}{2}, b = \frac{3}{2}$
 - none of these
- The function $f(x) = \cot x$ is discontinuous on the set [1]
 - $\{x = (2n+1)\frac{\pi}{2}; n \in \mathbf{Z}\}$
 - $\{x = 2n\pi; n \in \mathbf{Z}\}$
 - $\{x = \frac{n\pi}{2}; n \in \mathbf{Z}\}$
 - $\{x = n\pi; n \in \mathbf{Z}\}$
- Find the value of $f(0)$, so that the function $f(x) = \frac{(27-2x)^{1/3}-3}{9-3(243+5x)^{1/5}} (x \neq 0)$ is continuous, is given by [1]
 - 6
 - $\frac{2}{3}$
 - 4
 - 2
- If $f(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{\sin(\cos x) - \cos x}{(\pi-2x)^2} & , x \neq \frac{\pi}{2} \\ k & , x = \frac{\pi}{2} \end{cases}$ is continuous at $x = \frac{\pi}{2}$, then k is equal to [1]
 - 1
 - 1
 - 0
 - $\frac{1}{2}$
- The function $f(x) = \begin{cases} 1+x, & \text{when } x \leq 2 \\ 5-x, & \text{when } x > 2 \end{cases}$ is continuous and differentiable at $x=2$, yes or no [1]
 - Differentiable but not continuous at $x = 2$
 - Continuous as well as differentiable at $x = 2$

- c) Continuous but not differentiable at $x = 2$ d) None of these
8. If $f(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{\log(1+ax) - \log(1-bx)}{x} & , x \neq 0 \\ k & , x = 0 \end{cases}$ and $f(x)$ is continuous at $x = 0$, then the value of k is [1]
- a) $a - b$ b) $a + b$
c) $\log a + \log b$ d) none of these
9. If $f(x) = \begin{cases} mx + 1, & \text{if } x \leq \frac{\pi}{2} \\ \sin x + n, & \text{if } x > \frac{\pi}{2} \end{cases}$ is continuous at $x = \frac{\pi}{2}$ then [1]
- a) $m = n = \frac{\pi}{2}$ b) $n = \frac{m\pi}{2}$
c) $m = 1, n = 0$ d) $m = \frac{n\pi}{2} + 1$
10. The function $f(x) = \frac{\sin(\pi[x-\pi])}{4+[x]^2}$, where $[.]$ denotes the greatest integer function, is [1]
- a) differentiable for all x but not continuous at some x . b) none of these
c) continuous for all x but not differentiable at some x d) continuous as well as differentiable for all $x \in \mathbb{R}$
11. The function $f(x) = |\cos x|$ is [1]
- a) everywhere continuous but not differentiable at $(2n+1)\frac{\pi}{2}, n \in \mathbb{Z}$ b) everywhere continuous and differentiable
c) neither continuous nor differentiable at $(2n+1)\frac{\pi}{2}, n \in \mathbb{Z}$ d) none of these
12. The function $f(x) = \frac{4-x^2}{4x-x^3}$ is [1]
- a) none of these b) discontinuous at only one point
c) discontinuous at exactly two points d) discontinuous at exactly three points
13. Determine the value of the constant k so that the function $f(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{x^2-3x+2}{x-1} & , \text{if } x \neq 1 \\ k & , \text{if } x = 1 \end{cases}$ is continuous at $x = 1$ [1]
14. Determine the value of ' k ' for which the following function is continuous at $x = 3$: $f(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{(x+3)^2-36}{x-3}, & x \neq 3 \\ k & , x = 3 \end{cases}$. [1]
15. Discuss the continuity of the function $f(x)$ given by $f(x) = \begin{cases} 2-x, & x < 2 \\ 2+x, & x \geq 2 \end{cases}$ at $x = 2$. [1]
16. Discuss the continuity of the function f defined by $f(x) = \frac{1}{x}, x \neq 0$ [1]
17. Discuss the continuity of $f(x) = \begin{cases} 2x-1, & x < 0 \\ 2x+1, & x \geq 0 \end{cases}$ at $x = 0$. [1]
18. Determine $f(0)$ so that the function $f(x)$ defined by $f(x) = \frac{(4^x-1)^3}{\sin \frac{x}{4} \log\left(1+\frac{x^2}{3}\right)}$ becomes continuous at $x = 0$. [1]
19. Show that the function f defined by $f(x) = \begin{cases} x \sin \frac{1}{x}, & x \neq 0 \\ 0, & x = 0 \end{cases}$ is continuous at $x = 0$. [1]
20. Show that $f(x) = x^3$ is continuous at $x = 2$. [1]
21. Examine the function for continuity. [1]
 $f(x) = \frac{1}{x-5}, x \neq 5$

22. If the function $f(x) = \frac{\sin 10x}{x}$, $x \neq 0$ is continuous at $x = 0$, find $f(0)$. [1]

Section B

23. Find the points of discontinuity, if any, of the function: $f(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{x^4 + x^3 + 2x^2}{\tan^{-1} x} & , \text{ if } x \neq 0 \\ 10 & , \text{ if } x = 0 \end{cases}$ [2]

24. Find the value of k so that the function f is continuous at the indicated point: $f(x) = \begin{cases} 3x - 8, & \text{if } x \leq 5 \\ 2k, & \text{if } x > 5 \end{cases}$ at $x = 5$. [2]

25. Prove that the function defined by $f(x) = \tan x$ is a continuous function. [2]

26. Find the value of k for which $f(x) = \begin{cases} kx + 5, & \text{when } x \leq 2 \\ x - 1, & \text{when } x > 2 \end{cases}$ is continuous at $x = 2$. [2]

27. Show that $\sec x$ is a continuous function. [2]

28. Show that the function $f(x) = 2x - |x|$ is continuous at $x = 0$. [2]

29. Discuss the continuity of the function $f(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{|x|}{x}, & \text{if } x \neq 0 \\ 0, & \text{if } x = 0 \end{cases}$ [2]

30. Discuss the continuity of the following function at $x = 0$ [2]

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{x^4 + 2x^3 + x^2}{\tan^{-1} x}, & x \neq 0 \\ 0, & x = 0 \end{cases}$$

31. Find the value of k for which the function $f(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{x^2 + 3x - 10}{x - 2}, & x \neq 2 \\ k, & x = 2 \end{cases}$ is continuous at $x = 2$ [2]

32. Show that the function $f(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{x}{|x|}, & \text{when } x \neq 0 \\ 1, & \text{when } x = 0 \end{cases}$. [2]

Section C

33. Discuss the continuity of the function f , where f is defined by: $f(x) = \begin{cases} -2, & \text{if } x \leq -1 \\ 2x, & \text{if } -1 < x \leq 1 \\ 2, & \text{if } x > 1 \end{cases}$ [3]

34. Find the relationship between a and b , so that the function f defined by $f(x) = \begin{cases} ax + 1, & \text{if } x \leq 3 \\ bx + 3, & \text{if } x > 3 \end{cases}$ is continuous at $x = 3$. [3]

35. Find all points of discontinuity of f where f is defined as follows, $f(x) = \begin{cases} |x| + 3, & x \leq -3 \\ -2x, & -3 < x < 3 \\ 6x + 2, & x \geq 3 \end{cases}$ [3]

36. Discuss the continuity of the function f , where f is defined by: $f(x) = \begin{cases} 2x, & \text{if } x < 0 \\ 0, & \text{if } 0 \leq x \leq 1 \\ 4x, & \text{if } x > 1 \end{cases}$ [3]

37. For what values of λ is the function $f(x) = \begin{cases} \lambda(x^2 - 2x), & \text{if } x \leq 0 \\ 4x + 1, & \text{if } x > 0 \end{cases}$ is continuous at $x = 0$? [3]

38. Find all points of discontinuity of f , where f is defined by: $f(x) = \begin{cases} |x| + 3, & \text{if } x \leq -3 \\ -2x, & \text{if } -3 < x < 3 \\ 6x + 2, & \text{if } x \geq 3 \end{cases}$ [3]

39. Find the value of k so that the function f is continuous at the indicated point: [3]

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} Kx + 1 & \text{if } x \leq \pi \\ \cos x & \text{if } x > \pi \end{cases} \text{ at } x = \pi$$

40. Find the values of a and b so that the function f given by $f(x) = \begin{cases} 1, & \text{if } x \leq 3 \\ ax + b, & \text{if } 3 < x < 5 \\ 7, & \text{if } x \geq 5 \end{cases}$ is continuous at $x = 3$ and $x = 5$ [3]

Section D

41. Read the text carefully and answer the questions:

[5]

The function $f(x)$ will be discontinuous at $x = a$ if $f(x)$ has

- Discontinuity of first kind : $\lim_{h \rightarrow 0} f(a - h)$ and $\lim_{h \rightarrow 0} f(a + h)$ both exist but are not equal. If is also known as irremovable discontinuity.
- Discontinuity of second kind : If none of the limits $\lim_{h \rightarrow 0} f(a - h)$ and $\lim_{h \rightarrow 0} f(a + h)$ exist.
- Removable discontinuity: $\lim_{h \rightarrow 0} f(a - h)$ and $\lim_{h \rightarrow 0} f(a + h)$ both exist and equal but not equal to $f(a)$.

(i) $f(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{x^2-9}{x-3}, & \text{for } x \neq 3 \\ 4, & \text{for } x = 3 \end{cases}$, then at $x = 3$

- a) none of these
b) f has irremovable discontinuity
c) f has removable discontinuity
d) f is continuous

(ii) Let $f(x) = \begin{cases} x + 2, & \text{if } x \leq 4 \\ x + 4, & \text{if } x > 4 \end{cases}$ then at $x = 4$

- a) f has irremovable discontinuity b) none of these
c) f has removable discontinuity d) f is continuous

(iii) Consider the function $f(x)$ defined as $f(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{x^2-4}{x-2}, & \text{for } x \neq 2 \\ 5, & \text{for } x = 2 \end{cases}$, then at $x = 2$.

- a) f is continuous if $f(2) = 3$ b) f has irremovable discontinuity
c) f has removable discontinuity d) f is continuous

(iv) If $f(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{x-|x|}{x}, & x \neq 0 \\ 2, & x = 0 \end{cases}$, then at $x = 0$.

- a) f has irremovable discontinuity b) f is continuous
c) f has removable discontinuity d) none of these

(v) If $f(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{e^x - 1}{\log(1 + 2x)}, & \text{if } x \neq 0 \\ 7, & \text{if } x = 0 \end{cases}$, then at $x = 0$.

- a) f is continuous if $f(0) = 2$
b) f has removable discontinuity
c) f is continuous
d) f has irremovable discontinuity

42. Read the text carefully and answer the questions:

[5]

- A function $f(x)$ is said to be continuous in an open interval (a, b) if it is continuous at every point in this interval.
- A function $f(x)$ is said to be continuous in the closed interval $[a, b]$, if $f(x)$ is continuous in (a, b) and $\lim_{h \rightarrow 0} f(a + h) = f(a)$ and $\lim_{h \rightarrow 0} f(b - h) = f(b)$

If function $f(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{\sin(a+1)x + \sin x}{x} & , x < 0 \\ c & , x = 0 \\ \frac{\sqrt{x+bx^2} - \sqrt{x}}{bx^{3/2}} & , x > 0 \end{cases}$ is continuous at $x = 0$, then

- (i) The value of a is

- a) $\frac{1}{2}$
c) $\frac{-1}{2}$
- b) 0
d) $\frac{-3}{2}$

- (ii) The value of b is

a) -1

b) any real number

c) 1

d) 0

(iii) The value of c is

a) -2

b) -1

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

d) 1

(iv) The value of a + c is

a) -1

b) -2

c) 0

d) 1

(v) The value of c - a is

a) 2

b) -1

c) 1

d) 2

43. Show that the function $f(x) = \begin{cases} x^m \sin\left(\frac{1}{x}\right), & x \neq 0 \\ 0, & x = 0 \end{cases}$ is continuous but not differentiable at $x = 0$, if $0 < m < 1$. [5]

44. Discuss the continuity and differentiability $f(x) = \begin{cases} 1 - x & , \quad x < 1 \\ (1 - x)(2 - x), & 1 \leq x \leq 2 \\ 3 - x & , \quad x > 2 \end{cases}$ [5]

45. Discuss the continuity of the function [5]

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} -2 & \text{if } x \leq -1 \\ 2x, & \text{if } -1 < x \leq 1 \\ 2 & \text{if } x > 1 \end{cases}$$

46. Find all the points of discontinuity of f defined by $f(x) = |x| - |x + 1|$. [5]

47. Find the values of p and q for which $f(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{1 - \sin^3 x}{3 \cos^2 x}, & \text{if } x < \frac{\pi}{2} \\ p, & \text{if } x = \frac{\pi}{2} \\ \frac{q(1 - \sin x)}{(\pi - 2x)^2}, & \text{if } x > \frac{\pi}{2} \end{cases}$ is continuous at $x = \frac{\pi}{2}$. [5]

48. The function f(x) will be discontinuous at $x = a$ if f(x) has [5]

- Discontinuity of first kind : $\lim_{h \rightarrow 0} f(a - h)$ and $\lim_{h \rightarrow 0} f(a + h)$ both exist but are not equal. It is also known as irremovable discontinuity.
- Discontinuity of second kind : If none of the limits $\lim_{h \rightarrow 0} f(a - h)$ and $\lim_{h \rightarrow 0} f(a + h)$ exist.
- Removable discontinuity: $\lim_{h \rightarrow 0} f(a - h)$ and $\lim_{h \rightarrow 0} f(a + h)$ both exist and equal but not equal to $f(a)$.

Based on the above information, answer the following questions.

i. $f(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{x^2 - 9}{x - 3}, & \text{for } x \neq 3 \\ 4, & \text{for } x = 3 \end{cases}$, then at $x = 3$

- f has removable discontinuity
- f is continuous
- f has irremovable discontinuity
- none of these

ii. Let $f(x) = \begin{cases} x + 2, & \text{if } x \leq 4 \\ x + 4, & \text{if } x > 4 \end{cases}$ then at $x = 4$

- a. f is continuous
- b. f has removable discontinuity
- c. f has irremovable discontinuity
- d. none of these

iii. Consider the function $f(x)$ defined as $f(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{x^2-4}{x-2}, & \text{for } x \neq 2 \\ 5, & \text{for } x = 2 \end{cases}$, then at $x = 2$

- a. f has removable discontinuity
- b. f has irremovable discontinuity
- c. f is continuous
- d. f is continuous if $f(2) = 3$

iv. If $f(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{x-|x|}{x}, & x \neq 0 \\ 2, & x = 0 \end{cases}$, then at $x = 0$

- a. f is continuous
- b. f has removable discontinuity
- c. f has irremovable discontinuity
- d. none of these

v. If $f(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{e^x-1}{\log(1+2x)}, & \text{if } x \neq 0 \\ 7, & \text{if } x = 0 \end{cases}$, then at $x = 0$

- a. f is continuous if $f(0) = 2$
- b. f is continuous
- c. f has irremovable discontinuity
- d. f has removable discontinuity