

Chapter 1.

FUNCTION AND LIMITS

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Function:

If A and B be two non-empty sets then f is said to be a function from set A to set B written as ; $f: A \rightarrow B$ and defined as

i) $D_f = A$ ii) for every $a \in A$ there exist only one $b \in B$ s. that $(a, b) \in f$

Domain:

The set of all possible inputs of a function is called domain.

*the domain of every function $f(x)$ is defined.

*the values at which at $f(x)$ becomes undefined or complex valued will be excluded from real numbers.

*domain is also known as pre-images.

Range:

The set of all possible out puts of a function is called range.

*range is also known as images.

Types of functions:**i) Algebraic function:**

Any function generated by algebraic operations is known as algebraic function. Algebraic functions are classified as below.

ii) Polynomial function:

A function P of the form

$$p(x) = a_n x^n + a_{n-1} x^{n-1} + a_{n-2} x^{n-2} + \dots + a_2 x^2 + a_1 x + a_0$$

for all x,

where the coefficients $a_n, a_{n-1}, a_{n-2}, a_2, a_1, a_0$ are real numbers and exponents are non – negative

integers, is called a polynomial function.

iii) Linear Function:

If the degree of polynomial function is 1. Then it is called linear function.

iv) Quadratic Function:

If the degree of polynomial function is 2. Then it is called a quadratic function.

v) Identity function:

A function for which $f(x) = y$ or $y = x$ is called identity function. It is denoted by I

vi) Constants Function:

A function for which $f(x) = b$ or $y = b$ is called constant function.

vii) Rational function:

The quotient of two polynomials such as $f(x) = \frac{Q(x)}{Q(x)}$ where $Q(x) \neq 0$ is called rational function

viii) Exponential Function:

A function in which the variable appears as exponent (power) is called exponential function.

e. g; $y = e^{ax}, y = e^x$ e. t. c

ix) Logarithmic Functions:

if $x = a^y$ then $y = \log_a x$ where $a > 0, a \neq 1$ is called

logarithmic functions.

* $\log_{10} x$ is known as common logarithm.

* $\log_e x$ is known as natural logarithm.

x) Hyperbolic Function:

$$\sinh x = \frac{e^x - e^{-x}}{2}, \quad \cosh x = \frac{e^x + e^{-x}}{2}$$

$$\tanh x = \frac{e^x - e^{-x}}{e^x + e^{-x}}, \quad \operatorname{sech} x = \frac{2}{e^x + e^{-x}}$$

$$\operatorname{csch} x = \frac{2}{e^x - e^{-x}}, \quad \operatorname{coth} x = \frac{e^x + e^{-x}}{e^x - e^{-x}}$$

xi) Inverse Hyperbolic function:

$$\sinh^{-1} x = \ln(x + \sqrt{x^2 + 1}), \forall x$$

$$\cosh^{-1} x = \ln(x + \sqrt{x^2 - 1}), x \geq 1$$

$$\tanh^{-1} x = \frac{1}{2} \ln\left(\frac{1+x}{1-x}\right), |x| < 1$$

$$\operatorname{csch}^{-1} x = \ln\left(\frac{1}{x} + \sqrt{1 + x^2}\right), x \neq 0$$

$$\operatorname{sech}^{-1} x = \ln\left(\frac{1}{x} + \sqrt{1 - x^2}\right), 0 < x \leq 1$$

$$\operatorname{coth}^{-1} x = \frac{1}{2} \ln\left(\frac{x+1}{x-1}\right), |x| < 1$$

xii) Explicit function:

If y is easily expressed in terms of x, then y is called explicit function.

Symbolically $y = f(x)$

xiii) Implicit function:

If the two variables x and y are so mixed up such that y cannot be expressed in terms of x, then this type of function. Symbolically $f(x, y) = 0$

xiv) Parametric function:

If x and y are expressed in terms of third variable (say t) such as $x = f(t), y =$

$g(t)$ then these equations are

Called parametric equations.

xv) Even function:

A function f is said to be an even if $f(-x) = f(x)$ for every x in domain of f.

xvi) Odd function:

A function f is said to be odd if $f(-x) = -f(x)$ for every number x in the domain of f

Exercise 1.1

Q1. Given that

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

$$b) f(x) = \sqrt{x+4} \quad \text{find i) } f(-2)$$

$$ii) f(a) \quad iii) f(x-1) \quad iv) f(x^2+4)$$

Solution:

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

$$(i) f(-2) = (-2)^2 - (-2) = 4 + 2 = 6$$

$$ii) f(0) = (0)^2 - 0 = 0$$

$$iii) f(x-1) = (x-1)^2 - (x-1) \\ = x^2 + 1 - 2x - x + 1$$

$$= x^2 - 3x + 2$$

$$iv) f(x^2 + 4) = ((x^2 + 4)^2 - (x^2 + 4))$$

$$= x^4 + 16 + 8x^2 - x^2 - 4$$

$$= x^4 + 7x^2 + 12$$

$$(b) f(x) = \sqrt{x + 4} \quad (i) f(-2) = \sqrt{-2 + 4} = \sqrt{2}$$

$$ii) f(0) = \sqrt{0 + 4} = \sqrt{4} = 2$$

$$iii) f(x - 1) = \sqrt{x - 1 + 4} = \sqrt{x + 3}$$

$$xiv) f(x^2 + 4) = \sqrt{x^2 + 4} - 4 = \sqrt{x^2 + 8}$$

Q2. Find $f^{(a+h)} - f(a)$ and simplify where

i) $f(x) = 6x - 9$ ii) $f(x) = \sin x$

iii) $f(x)x^3 + 2x^2 - 1$ (iv) $f(x) = \cos x$

Solution:

i) $f(x) = 6x - 9$

$$\frac{f(a+h) - f(a)}{h} = \frac{\{6(a+h) - 9\} - (6a - 9)}{h}$$

$$= \frac{(6a + 6h - 9 - 6a + 9)}{h} = \frac{6h}{h} = 6$$

ii) $f(x) = \sin x$

$$\frac{f(a+h) - f(a)}{h} = \frac{\sin(a+h) - \sin a}{h}$$

$$= \frac{1}{h} \{2 \cos\left(\frac{a+h+a}{2}\right) \sin\left(\frac{h}{2}\right)\}$$

$$= \frac{1}{h} \{2 \cos\left(\frac{h}{2}\right) \sin\left(\frac{h}{2}\right)\}$$

$$= \frac{1}{h} \{2 \cos\left(\frac{h}{2}\right) \sin\left(\frac{h}{2}\right)\}$$

iii) $f(x) = x^3 + 2x^2 - 1$

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

$$= \frac{a^3 + h^3 + 3a^2h + 3ah^2 + 2a^2 + 2h^2 + 4ah - 1 - a^3 - 2a^2 + 1}{h}$$

$$= \frac{h(h^2 + 3a^2 + 3ah + 2h + 4a)}{h}$$

$$= h^2 + 3a^2 + 3ah + 2h + 4a$$

iv) $f(x) = \cos x$

$$\frac{f(a+h) - f(a)}{h} = \frac{\cos(a+h) - \cos a}{h}$$

$$= \frac{1}{h} (-2 \sin\left(\frac{2a+h}{2}\right) \sin\left(\frac{h}{2}\right))$$

$$= \frac{1}{h} (-2 \sin\left(\frac{2a+h}{2}\right) \sin\left(\frac{h}{2}\right))$$

$$= \frac{2}{h} \sin\left(\frac{a+h}{2}\right) \sin\left(\frac{h}{2}\right)$$

Q3. Express the following (a) the perimeter P of square as a function of its area A.

Solution:

Let each side of square be "x" then

Perimeter:

$$p = 4x \rightarrow (i)$$

Area:

$$a = x \times x = x^2 \Rightarrow x = \sqrt{A}$$

put value of x in (i)

$$\Rightarrow P = 4\sqrt{A}$$

b) The area A of a circle as a function of its circumference C.

Solution:

let r be the radius of circle then

Then

$$\text{Area} = \pi r^2 \rightarrow (i)$$

Circumference:

$$C = 2\pi r \Rightarrow r = \frac{C}{2\pi} \text{ put in (i)}$$

$$\Rightarrow A = \pi \left(\frac{C}{2\pi}\right)^2 = \pi \cdot \left(\frac{C^2}{4\pi^2}\right) = \frac{C^2}{4\pi}$$

$$\Rightarrow A = \frac{C^2}{4\pi}$$

(C) the volume V of a cube as a function of the area A of its base.

solution:

let each side of cube be x then

volume:

$$V = x \times x \times x$$

$$V = x^3 \rightarrow (i)$$

Area of base:

$$A = x^2 \Rightarrow x = \sqrt{A} \text{ put in (i)}$$

$$\Rightarrow V = (\sqrt{A})^3 \Rightarrow V = A^{3/2}$$

Q4. Find the domain and range of the functions g defined below.

(i) $g(x) = 2x - 5$

$$D_y = (-\infty, +\infty), R_y = (-\infty, +\infty)$$

ii) $g(x) = \sqrt{x^2 - 4}$

$g(x)$ becomes complex valued when $x^2 - 4 < 0$
or $x^2 < 4$ or $-2 < x < 2$

$$D_y = R - (-2, 2), R_y = [0, +\infty)$$

(iii) $g(x) = \sqrt{x + 1}$

$g(x)$ becomes complex valued when $x + 1 < 0$ or $x < -1$ so $D_g = [-1, +\infty)$

iv) $g(x) = |x - 3|$

$$D_y = (-\infty, +\infty), R_y = [0, \infty)$$

$$6x + 7 \text{ if } x \leq -2$$

$$4x - 3 \text{ if } x > -2$$

$$D_y = (-\infty, -2] \cup (-2, +\infty)$$

$$R_y = (-\infty, -5] \cup (-11, +\infty)$$

vi) $g(x) = x^2 + 3x + 2, x \neq -1$

$$D_y = R - \{-1\} \quad \because x^2 + 3x + 2$$

$$R_y = R - \{1\} \quad = \frac{(x+1)(x+2)}{x+1}$$

$$g(x) = x + 2$$

viii) $g(x) = \frac{x^2 - 16}{x - 4}, x \neq 4 \quad g(-1) = -1 + 2$

$$= 1$$

$$D_y = R - \{4\} \quad \therefore \frac{2 - 16}{xx - 4}$$

$$R = \frac{(x-4)(x+4)}{x-4}$$

$$y = R - \{8\}$$

$$g(x) = x + 4$$

$$g(x) = 4 + 4 = 8$$

Q5. Given $f(x) = x^3 - ax^2 + bx + 1$ if $f(2) = -3$, $f(-1) = 0$ find the value of a and b

Solution:

$$f(x) = x^3 - ax^2 + bx + 1$$

$$\Rightarrow f(2) = (2)^3 - a(2)^2 + b(2) + 1$$

$$\Rightarrow -3 = 8 - 4a + 2b + 1$$

$$\Rightarrow -4a + 2b + 12 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow -2a + b + 6 = 0 \rightarrow (i)$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{also } f(-1) = (-1)^3 + b(-1) + 1$$

$$\Rightarrow 0 = -1 - a - b + 1$$

$$\Rightarrow -a - b = 0 \rightarrow (ii)$$

$$\Rightarrow (i) + (ii) \quad -2a + b + 6 = 0$$

$$-a - b = 0$$

$$-3 + 6 = 0 \Rightarrow -3a = -6 \Rightarrow a = 2$$

$$\text{Put in } (ii) \quad -2 - b = 0 \Rightarrow b = -2$$

Q6. A stone falls from a height of h after x second is approximately given by $h(x) = 40 - 10x^2$

i) when is the height of the stone when **(a) $x = 1$ sec?**

b) $x = 1.5$ sec (c) $x = 1.7$ sec

d) when does the stone strike the ground.

Solution:

$$h(x) = 40 - 10x^2$$

$$(a) \quad h(1) = 40 - 10(1)^2 = 40 - 10 = 30$$

$$b) \quad h(1.5) = 40 - 10(1.5)^2 = 40 - 22.5 = 17.5m$$

$$c) \quad h(1.7) = 40 - 10(1.7)^2 = 40 - 28.9 = 11.1m$$

$$ii) \text{ when does stone strikes the ground then } h(x) = 0$$

$$h(x) = 40 - 10x^2$$

$$\Rightarrow 0 = 40 - 10x^2$$

$$\Rightarrow 10x^2 = 40$$

$$\Rightarrow x^2 = 4$$

$$\Rightarrow x = \pm 2$$

$$\Rightarrow x = 2, (\text{neglect } -2)$$

Q7. Show that the parametric equation:

i) $x = at^2, y = 2at$ represented the equation: of parabola $y^2 = 4ax$

Solution:

$$x = at^2 \rightarrow (1)$$

$$y = 2at \Rightarrow t = \frac{y}{2a} \text{ put in } (i)$$

$$\Rightarrow x = a \left(\frac{y}{2a}\right)^2 = \frac{ay^2}{4a}$$

$$\Rightarrow x = \frac{y^2}{4a} \Rightarrow y^2 = 4ax$$

(ii) $x = a \cos \theta, y = b \sin \theta$ represent the equation of ellipse $\frac{x^2}{a^2} + \frac{y^2}{b^2} = 1$

Solution:

$$x = a \cos \theta \rightarrow (1)$$

$$y = b \sin \theta \rightarrow (2)$$

From (1)

$$\frac{x}{a} = \cos \theta \rightarrow (3)$$

From (2)

$$\frac{y}{b} = \sin \theta \rightarrow (4)$$

Squaring and adding (3) and (4)

$$\left(\frac{x}{a}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{y}{b}\right)^2 = (\cos \theta)^2 + (\sin \theta)^2$$

$$= \cos^2 \theta + \sin^2 \theta$$

$$\frac{x^2}{a^2} + \frac{y^2}{b^2} = 1$$

iii) $x = a \sec \theta \rightarrow (1)$

$y = b \tan \theta \rightarrow (2)$

From (1)

$$\frac{x}{a} = \sec \theta \Rightarrow \frac{x^2}{a^2} = \sec^2 \theta \rightarrow (3)$$

From (2)

$$y = b \tan \theta \Rightarrow y^2 = b^2 \tan^2 \theta \rightarrow (4)$$

(3) - (4)

$$\Rightarrow \frac{x^2}{a^2} - \frac{y^2}{b^2} = \sec^2 \theta - \tan^2 \theta$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{x^2}{a^2} - \frac{y^2}{b^2} = 1$$

Q8. prove the identities

i) $\sinh 2x = 2 \sinh x \cosh x$

Solution:

$$R.H.S = 2 \sinh x \cosh x$$

$$\Rightarrow 2 \cdot \frac{e^x - e^{-x}}{2} \cdot \frac{e^x + e^{-x}}{2} = \frac{e^{2x} - e^{-2x}}{2}$$

$$\Rightarrow \sinh 2x = L.H.S$$

Hence **$\sinh 2x = 2 \sinh x \cosh x$**

iii) $\text{sech}^2 x = 1 - \tanh^2 x$

Solution:

R.H.S = $1 - \tanh^2 x$

$$\frac{e^x - e^{-x}}{e^x + e^{-x}} = \frac{(e^x - e^{-x})^2}{(e^x + e^{-x})^2}$$

$$(e^{2x} + e^{-2x} + 2) - \frac{(e^x - e^{-x})^2}{(e^x + e^{-x})^2}$$

$$(e^{2x} + e^{-2x} + 2) - \frac{e^{2x} - e^{-2x} + 2}{(e^x + e^{-x})^2}$$

$$= \frac{(e^x + e^{-x})^2 - (e^x - e^{-x})^2}{(e^x + e^{-x})^2}$$

$$= \frac{(e^x + e^{-x})^2 - (e^x - e^{-x})^2}{(e^x + e^{-x})^2} = \frac{4e^x e^{-x}}{(e^x + e^{-x})^2} = \frac{4}{(e^x + e^{-x})^2} = \text{sech}^2 x = L.H.S$$

(iii) $\text{csch}^2 x = \coth^2 x - 1$

Solution:

R.H.S = $\coth^2 x - 1$

$$= \left(\frac{e^x + e^{-x}}{e^x - e^{-x}}\right)^2 - 1 = \frac{(e^x + e^{-x})^2 - (e^x - e^{-x})^2}{(e^x - e^{-x})^2} = 1$$

$$= \frac{e^{2x} + e^{-2x} + 2 - e^{2x} - e^{-2x} + 2}{(e^x - e^{-x})^2}$$

$$= \frac{4}{(e^x - e^{-x})^2} = \left(\frac{2}{e^x - e^{-x}}\right)^2$$

$$= \frac{1}{\frac{e^x - e^{-x}}{2}} = \frac{1}{\sinh^2 x} = \operatorname{csch}^2 x = L.H.S$$

Hence $\operatorname{csch}^2 x = \operatorname{coth}^2 x - 1$

Q9. Determine whether the given function f is even or odd.

Solution:

i) $f(x) = x^3 + x$

$\Rightarrow f(-x) = (-x)^3 + (-x) = -x^3 - x$

$\Rightarrow = -(x^3 + x) = -f(x)$

\Rightarrow thus $f(x)$ is odd.

\Rightarrow ii) $f(x) = (x + 2)^2$

$\Rightarrow f(-x) = (-x + 2)^2 \neq \pm f(x)$

thus $f(x)$ is neither even nor odd.

iii) $f(x) = x\sqrt{x^2 + 5}$

$\Rightarrow f(-x) = x\sqrt{(-x)^2 + 5}$

$\Rightarrow = -x\sqrt{x^2 + 5} = -f(x)$

thus $f(x)$ is neither even nor odd.

v) $f(x) = x^3 + 6$

$\Rightarrow f(x) = x^3 + 6$

$[(-x)^2] + 6$

$= (x^2)^3 + 6$

$= (x^2)^3 + 6 = x^6 + 6 = f(x)$

thus $f(x)$ is even.

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

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

$\Rightarrow = -\frac{(x-x)}{3} = -f(x)$

thus $f(x)$ is odd.

Composition of function:

If f is a function from set A to set B and g is a function from set B to set C then composition of f and g is denoted by

$(f \circ g)(x) = f(g(x)) \forall x \in A$

Inverse of a function:

Let f be a bijective (1 -

1 and onto) function from set

A to set B i.e $f: A$

$\rightarrow B$ then its inverse is f^{-1} which is

surjective (onto) function from B to A i.e

$f^{-1}: B \rightarrow A$ in this case $D_f: R_f$ on to $R_f = D_{f^{-1}}$

Exercise 1.2

Q1. The real valued functions f and g are defined below. find

(a) $f \circ g(x)$ (b) $g \circ f(x)$ (c) $f \circ f(x)$ (d) $g \circ g(x)$

i) $f(x) = 2x + 1; g = \frac{3}{x-1}, x \neq 1$

Solution:

(a) $f \circ g(x) = f(g(x)) = f\left(\frac{3}{x-1}\right)$

$= 2\left(\frac{3}{x-1}\right) + 1 = \frac{6}{x-1} + 1 = \frac{6+x-1}{x-1}$

b) $g \circ f(x) = g(f(x)) = g(2x + 1)$

$= 2x + 1 - 1 = 2x$

c) $f \circ f(x) = f(f(x)) = f(2x + 1)$

$= 2(2x + 1) + 1 = 4x + 3$

d) $g \circ g(x) = g(g(x)) = g\left(\frac{3}{x-1}\right) =$

$\frac{3}{3 - (x-1)} = \frac{3}{3-x+1} = \frac{3(x-1)}{4-x}$

ii) $f(x) = \sqrt{x+1}, g(x) = \frac{1}{x-1}$

Solution:

a) $f \circ g(x) = f(g(x))$

$= f\left(\frac{1}{x-1}\right) = \sqrt{\frac{1}{x-1} + 1} = \sqrt{\frac{1+x^2}{1}}$

b) $g \circ f(x) = g(f(x)) = g(\sqrt{x+1}) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{x+1}}$

$\frac{1}{x+1}$

c) $f \circ f(x) = f(f(x)) = f(\sqrt{x+1}) = \sqrt{\sqrt{x+1} + 1}$

d) $g \circ g(x) = g(g(x)) = g\left(\frac{1}{x-1}\right) = \frac{1}{\left(\frac{1}{x-1}\right) - 1} = \frac{1}{\frac{1-x+1}{x-1}} = x^2$

(iii) $f(x) = \sqrt{x-1}, g(x) = (x^2 + 1)^2$

Solution:

a) $f \circ g(x) = f(g(x))$

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

$\sqrt{x^4 + 1 + 2x^2 - 1} = \sqrt{x^4 + 2x^2} = \sqrt{x^2(x^2 + 2)}$

$= x\sqrt{x^2 + 2}$

b) $g \circ f(x) = g(f(x)) = g(\sqrt{x-1})$

$= \left[\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{x-1}}\right)^2 + 1\right]^2 = \left(\frac{1}{x-1} + 1\right)^2$

$= \left(\frac{1-x-1}{x-1}\right)^2 = \left(\frac{-2}{x-1}\right)^2$

c)

$f \circ f(x) = f(f(x)) = f\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{x-1}}\right)$

$$= \frac{1}{\sqrt{\sqrt{x-1}} - 1} = \frac{1}{\left(\frac{1 - \sqrt{x-1}}{\sqrt{x-1}}\right)^{\frac{1}{2}}}$$

$$= \left(\frac{1 - \sqrt{x-1}}{\sqrt{x-1}}\right)^{-1/2}$$

$$\frac{\sqrt{x-1}^{\frac{1}{2}}}{1 - \sqrt{x-1}} = \frac{\sqrt{x-1}}{1 - \sqrt{x-1} - 16}$$

d)

$$g \circ g(x) = g(g(x))$$

$$= g(x^2 + 1)$$

$$= ((x^2 + 1)^2 + 1)^2$$

(iv)

$$f(x) = 3x^4 - 2x^2, g(x) = \sqrt{x}$$

Solution:

$$a) f \circ g(x) = f(g(x))$$

$$= f(\sqrt{x}) = 3(\sqrt{x})^4 - 2(\sqrt{x})^2$$

$$= 3(16/x^2) - 8 = \frac{48}{x^2} - 8 = \frac{48 - 8x^2}{x^2}$$

b)

$$g \circ f(x) = g(f(x)) = g(3x^2 - 2x^2)$$

$$= g(3x^4 - 2x^2)$$

$$= \sqrt{3x^4 - 2x^2} = \sqrt{x^2(3x^2 - 2)} = x\sqrt{3x^2 - 2}$$

c)

$$f \circ f(x) = f(f(x)) = f(3x^4 - 2x^2)$$

$$= 3(3x^4 - 2x^2)^4 - 2(3x^4 - 2x^2)^2$$

d)

$$g \circ g(x) = g(g(x)) = g\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{x}}\right)$$

$$= \frac{2}{\sqrt{\frac{1}{\sqrt{x}}}} = \frac{2}{\sqrt{x}^{\frac{1}{2}}} = 2\sqrt{x} = \sqrt{2} \cdot \sqrt{2} \sqrt{x}$$

$$= \sqrt{2}\sqrt{x}$$

Q2.

For the real valued function f defined below, find

(a) $f^{-1}(x)$ (b) $f^{-1}(-1)$ and verify

$$f(f^{-1}(x)) = f^{-1}(f(x)) = x$$

$$i) f(x) = -2x + 8$$

Solution:

$$f(x) = -2x + 8$$

let $y = f(x)$ then

$$y = -2x + 8 \Rightarrow \frac{y-8}{-2} = x$$

$$\Rightarrow x = \frac{y-8}{-2}$$

$$\Rightarrow f^{-1}(y) = \frac{y-8}{-2} \Rightarrow \because y = f(x)$$

$$\Rightarrow f^{-1}(y) = x$$

Replace y by x we have

$$\Rightarrow f^{-1}(x) = \frac{x-8}{-2}$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{put } x = -1, f^{-1}(-1) = \frac{-1-8}{-2} = 9$$

$$ii) f(x) = 3x^2 + 7$$

Solution:

$$f(x) = 3x^2 + 7$$

$$\text{let } y = f(x) \text{ then } y = 3x^2 + 7$$

$$\Rightarrow y-7 = 3x^2$$

$$\Rightarrow x = (y-7)^{\frac{1}{3}}$$

$$\Rightarrow \because y = f(x) \Rightarrow f^{-1}(y) = x$$

$$\Rightarrow f^{-1}(y) = (y-7)^{\frac{1}{3}}$$

Replace y by x we have

$$\Rightarrow f^{-1}(x) = (x-7)^{\frac{1}{3}}$$

$$\text{Put } x = -1, f^{-1}(-1) = (-8)^{\frac{1}{3}}$$

Verification:

$$f(f^{-1}(x)) = f\left[\left(\frac{x-7}{3}\right)^{\frac{1}{3}}\right] = 3\left[\left(\frac{x-7}{3}\right)^{\frac{1}{3}}\right]^2 + 7$$

$$= 3\left(\frac{x-7}{3}\right) + 7 = x - 7 + 7 = x$$

$$f^{-1}(f(x)) = f^{-1}(3x^2 + 7) = \left(3x^2 + 7 - 7\right)^{\frac{1}{3}}$$

$$= \left(3x^2\right)^{\frac{1}{3}} = x$$

hence $f(f^{-1}(x)) = f^{-1}(f(x)) = x$

$$iii) f(x) = (-x + 9)^3$$

$$\Rightarrow y = f(x) = (-x + 9)^3$$

$$\text{let } y = f(x) \text{ then } y = (-x + 9)^3$$

$$y^{\frac{1}{3}} = -x + 9$$

$$\Rightarrow y^{\frac{1}{3}} - 9 = -x$$

$$\Rightarrow x = 9 - y^{\frac{1}{3}}$$

$$\Rightarrow f^{-1}(y) = 9 - y^{\frac{1}{3}}$$

$$(\because y = f(x) \Rightarrow f^{-1}(y) = x)$$

replace y by x we have

$$f^{-1}(x) = 9 - x^{\frac{1}{3}}$$

$$\text{Put } x = -1, f^{-1}(-1) = 9 - (-1)^{\frac{1}{3}} = 9 - (-1) = 0$$

Verification:

$$f(f^{-1}(x)) = f\left(9 - x^{\frac{1}{3}}\right) = \left[-\left(9 - x^{\frac{1}{3}}\right) + 9\right]^3$$

$$= (-9 + x^{\frac{1}{3}} + 9) = x$$

$$f^{-1}(f(x)) = f^{-1}((-x + 9)^3)$$

$$= 9 - ((-x + 9)^{\frac{1}{3}})^3 = 9 - (-x + 9)$$

$$= 9 + x - 9 = x$$

Hence $f(f^{-1}(x)) = f^{-1}(f(x)) = x$

iv) $f(x) = 2^{x+1}$

Let $y = f(x)$ then $y = 2^{x+1}$

$\Rightarrow (x - 1)y = 2x + 1$

$\Rightarrow xy - y = 2x + 1$

$\Rightarrow xy - 2x = y + 1$

$\Rightarrow x(y - 2) = y + 1$

$\Rightarrow x = \frac{y+1}{y-2}$

\Rightarrow replace y by x we have

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

\Rightarrow put $x = -1, f^{-1}(-1) = \frac{-1+1}{-1-2} = 0$

Verification:

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

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

$$= \frac{2^{2x-1}}{2^{\frac{1}{x-2}}} = \frac{2^{2x-1} \cdot 2^{\frac{1}{2-x}}}{1} = \frac{2^{2x-1} \cdot 2^{\frac{1}{2-x}}}{1}$$

Hence $f(f^{-1}(x)) = f^{-1}(f(x)) = x$

Q3.

Without finding the inverse, state the domain and

range of f^{-1}) i) $f(x) = \sqrt{x+2}$ ii) $f(x) = x^{-1}, x \neq 4$

iii) $f(x) = \frac{1}{x+3}, x \neq -3$

iv) $f(x) = (x - 5)^2, x \geq 5$

Solution:

i) $f(x) = \sqrt{x+2}$

$\therefore f(x)$ becomes complex valued when $x + 2 < 0$

or $x < -2$

$D_f = [-2, +\infty), R_f = [0, +\infty)$

By definition of inverse function,

$D_{f^{-1}} = R_f = [0, +\infty)$

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$D_{f^{-1}} = R_f = [0, +\infty), R_{f^{-1}} = D_f = [-2, +\infty)$

ii)

$f(x) = \frac{x-1}{x-4}, x \neq 4$

$D_f = R - \{4\}, \therefore f(x) = \frac{x-1}{x-4}, x \neq 4$

$R_f = R - \{1\} \quad y = \frac{x-1}{x-4}$

$\Rightarrow yx - 4y = x - 1$

$xy - x = 4y - 1$

$\Rightarrow x(y - 1) = 4y - 1$

$\Rightarrow x = \frac{4y-1}{y-1}$

$f^{-1}(x) = \frac{4x-1}{x-1}, x \neq 1$

By def. of inverse function.

$D_{f^{-1}} = R_f = R - \{1\}$

$R_{f^{-1}} = D = R - \{4\}$

iii)

$f(x) = \frac{1}{x+3}, x \neq -3$

$D = R - \{-3\} \quad \therefore f(x) = \frac{1}{x+3}, x \neq -3$

$R_f = R - \{0\} \quad y = \frac{1}{x+3}$

By def. of inverse $x + 3 = \frac{1}{y}$

$D_{f^{-1}} = R_f = R - \{0\} \quad x = \frac{1}{y} - 3$

$R_{f^{-1}} = D = R - \{-3\} \quad f^{-1}(x) = \frac{1}{x} - 3, x \neq 0$

$R_{f^{-1}} = D = R - \{-3\}$

iv)

$f(x) = (x - 2)^2, x \geq 5$

$D = [5, +\infty), R_f = [0, +\infty)$

By definition of inverse function.

$D_{f^{-1}} = R_f = [0, +\infty), R_{f^{-1}} = D = [5, +\infty)$

Limits of functions:

Let $f(x)$ be a function then a number L is said to be limit of $f(x)$ when x approaches to a from both left and right hand side of a , symbolically it is written as;
 $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x) = L$

And read as "limit of f of x as x approaches to a is equal to L "

Theorems on limits of functions:

i) $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} [f(x) + g(x)] = \lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x) + \lim_{x \rightarrow a} g(x)$

$= L + M$

ii) $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} [f(x) - g(x)] = \lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x) - \lim_{x \rightarrow a} g(x)$

$= L - M$

iii) $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} [k, f(x)] = k \lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x) = kL$

iv) $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x)g(x) = \lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x) \cdot \lim_{x \rightarrow a} g(x) = LM$

v) $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} (g(x))^n = \left(\lim_{x \rightarrow a} g(x)\right)^n = M^n$

vi) $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} [f(x)]^n = \left[\lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x)\right]^n = L^n$

Theorem:

Prove that $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} \frac{x^n - a^n}{x - a} =$

na^{n-1} where n is an integer

And $a > 0$

Proof:

Case 1:

Suppose n is a +ve integer.

$$\begin{aligned} L.H.S &= \lim_{x \rightarrow a} \frac{x^n - a^n}{x - a} \left(\frac{0}{0}\right) \text{ form} \\ &= \lim_{x \rightarrow a} \frac{(x - a)(x^{n-1} + x^{n-2}a + x^{(n-3)}a^2 + \dots + xa^{n-2} + a^{n-1})}{x - a} \\ &= \lim_{x \rightarrow a} x^{n-1} + x^{n-2}a + x^{(n-3)}a^2 + \dots + xa^{n-2} + a^{n-1} \\ &= a^{n-1} + a^{n-2} \cdot a + a^{n-3} \cdot a^2 + \dots + xa^{n-2} + a^{n-1} \\ &= a^{n-1} + a^{n-1} + a^{n-1} + \dots + a^{n-1} + a^{n-1} \\ &= na^{n-1} \\ \text{thus } \lim_{x \rightarrow a} \frac{x^n - a^n}{x - a} &= na^{n-1} \end{aligned}$$

Case 11:

Suppose n is +ve.

let n is -ve

(where m is +ve integer)

$$\begin{aligned} \text{then } \lim_{x \rightarrow a} \frac{x^n - a^n}{x - a} &= \lim_{x \rightarrow a} \frac{x^{-m} - a^{-m}}{x - a} \\ &= \lim_{x \rightarrow a} \frac{x^{-m} - a^{-m}}{x - a} \cdot \frac{x^m}{x^m} = \lim_{x \rightarrow a} \left(\frac{x^{-m} - a^{-m}}{x - a} \cdot x^m \right) \\ &= \lim_{x \rightarrow a} \left(\frac{x^{-m} - a^{-m}}{x - a} \right) \cdot \lim_{x \rightarrow a} x^m \\ &= \lim_{x \rightarrow a} \left(\frac{x^{-m} - a^{-m}}{x - a} \right) \lim_{x \rightarrow a} \left(\frac{x^m - a^m}{x - a} \right) \\ &= \lim_{x \rightarrow a} \frac{x^{-m} - a^{-m}}{x - a} \cdot \lim_{x \rightarrow a} \frac{x^m - a^m}{x - a} \\ &= \lim_{x \rightarrow a} \frac{x^{-m} - a^{-m}}{x - a} \cdot \lim_{x \rightarrow a} \frac{x^m - a^m}{x - a} \\ &= \lim_{x \rightarrow a} \frac{x^{-m} - a^{-m}}{x - a} \cdot \lim_{x \rightarrow a} \frac{x^m - a^m}{x - a} \\ &= \lim_{x \rightarrow a} \frac{x^{-m} - a^{-m}}{x - a} \cdot \lim_{x \rightarrow a} \frac{x^m - a^m}{x - a} \\ &= \lim_{x \rightarrow a} \frac{x^{-m} - a^{-m}}{x - a} \cdot \lim_{x \rightarrow a} \frac{x^m - a^m}{x - a} \end{aligned}$$

Thus $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} \frac{x^n - a^n}{x - a} = na^{n-1} \therefore n = -m$

Theorem:

Prove that $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} \frac{\sqrt{x+a} - \sqrt{a}}{x - a} = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{a}}$

proof:

$$\begin{aligned} L.H.S &= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sqrt{x+a} - \sqrt{a}}{x - a} \left(\frac{0}{0}\right) \text{ form} \\ &= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sqrt{x+a} - \sqrt{a}}{x - a} \cdot \frac{\sqrt{x+a} + \sqrt{a}}{\sqrt{x+a} + \sqrt{a}} \\ &= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{x - a}{x - a} \cdot \frac{\sqrt{x+a} + \sqrt{a}}{\sqrt{x+a} + \sqrt{a}} \\ &= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sqrt{x+a} + \sqrt{a}}{\sqrt{x+a} + \sqrt{a}} \\ &= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{\sqrt{a} + \sqrt{a}} \\ &= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{2\sqrt{a}} \\ \text{thus } \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sqrt{x+a} - \sqrt{a}}{x - a} &= \frac{1}{2\sqrt{a}} \end{aligned}$$

Theorem:

Prove that $\lim_{x \rightarrow +\infty} \left(1 + \frac{1}{x}\right)^x = e$

Using Binomial theorem we have

$$\begin{aligned} \left(1 + \frac{1}{x}\right)^x &= 1 + n \binom{x}{1} + \frac{n(n-1)}{2!} \binom{x}{2} + \frac{n(n-1)(n-2)}{3!} \binom{x}{3} + \dots \\ &= 1 + 1 + \frac{1}{2} \binom{x-1}{1} + \frac{1}{6} \binom{x-1}{2} + \dots \end{aligned}$$

$$2 + \frac{1}{2!} \binom{x-1}{1} + \frac{1}{3!} \binom{x-1}{2} + \dots$$

when $n \rightarrow \infty, n', n', n' \dots$ all tend to term

Thus,

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{x \rightarrow +\infty} \left(1 + \frac{1}{x}\right)^x &= 2 + \frac{1}{2!} + \frac{1}{3!} + \frac{1}{4!} + \dots \\ &= 2 + 0.5 + 0.16667 + \dots \\ &= 2.718281 \end{aligned}$$

Thus,

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow +\infty} \left(1 + \frac{1}{x}\right)^x = e$$

Deduction:

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

We know that

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(1 + \frac{1}{n}\right)^n = e \rightarrow (1)$$

put $n = \frac{1}{x} \Rightarrow x = \frac{1}{n}$ in (i)
when $n \rightarrow \infty, x \rightarrow 0$

So (i)

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

Theorem:

Prove that

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

Proof:

$$L.H.S = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{a^x - 1}{x}$$

put $a^x - 1 = y \Rightarrow a^x = 1 + y$

So $x = \log_a(1 + y)$

As $x \rightarrow 0, y \rightarrow 0$ so

$$L.H.S = \lim_{y \rightarrow 0} \frac{y}{\log_a(1+y)}$$

$$\begin{aligned} &= \lim_{y \rightarrow 0} \frac{y}{\log_a(1+y)} = \lim_{y \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{\log_a(1+y)^3} \\ &= \lim_{y \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{\log_a(1+y)^3} = \lim_{y \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{\log_a(1+y)^3} \\ &= \log_a e = \log_e a \therefore \lim_{y \rightarrow 0} (1+y)^y = e \end{aligned}$$

R.H.S

Thus $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{a^x - 1}{x} = \log_e a$

Deduction:

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

Since we know that

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \left(\frac{a^x - 1}{x} \right) = \log_e a \rightarrow (i)$$

put $a = e$ in (1) we get

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

Important results to remember:

i) $\lim_{x \rightarrow +\infty} (e^x) = \infty$

ii) $\lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} (e^x) = \lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} \left(\frac{1}{e^{-x}} \right) = 0$

iii) $\lim_{x \rightarrow \pm\infty} \left(\frac{1}{e^x} \right) = 0$ where a is any real numbers.

The Sandwich theorem:

let f, g and h be functions s. that $f(x) \leq g(x) \leq h(x)$ For all numbers x in some open interval containing " c " itself. if $\lim_{x \rightarrow c} f(x) = L$ and

$\lim_{x \rightarrow c} h(x) = L$ then $g(x)$ is sandwich b/w $f(x)$ and $h(x)$ so that $\lim_{x \rightarrow c} g(x) = L$

Theorem:

If θ is measured in radian, then $\lim_{\theta \rightarrow 0} \sin \theta = \theta$

Proof:

draw a unit circle (radius 1) in which

A

C

B

D

Area of $\Delta OAB = \frac{1}{2} (\text{base})(\text{perpendicular})$

$$= \frac{1}{2} |OB||AC| \text{ where } |OA| = \sin \theta$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} (1)(\sin \theta) \quad |AC| = |OA| \sin \theta$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \sin \theta \quad |AC| = \sin \theta$$

$$\therefore \text{radius} = |OA| = |OB| = 1$$

Area of sector $OAB = \frac{1}{2} r^2 \theta$

$$= \frac{1}{2} (1)^2 \theta = \frac{1}{2} \theta$$

Area of $\Delta OAD = \frac{1}{2} (\text{base})(\text{perpendicular})$

$$= \frac{1}{2} |OA||AD| \text{ where } \frac{AD}{|OA|} = \tan \theta$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \tan \theta \quad |AD| = \tan \theta$$

Now by (1)

$$\frac{1}{2} \sin \theta < \frac{1}{2} \theta < \frac{1}{2} \tan \theta$$

$$\text{or } \sin \theta < \theta < \tan \theta$$

$$\text{or } \frac{\sin \theta}{\sin \theta} < \frac{\theta}{\sin \theta} < \frac{\sin \theta}{\cos \theta} \times \frac{1}{\sin \theta} \quad \left(\div \frac{y}{b} \text{ in } \theta \right)$$

$$\text{or } 1 < \frac{\theta}{\sin \theta} < \frac{1}{\cos \theta}$$

take reciprocal and limit $\theta \rightarrow 0$

$$\lim_{\theta \rightarrow 0} (1) > \lim_{\theta \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin \theta}{\theta} > \lim_{\theta \rightarrow 0} \cos \theta$$

$$1 > \lim_{\theta \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin \theta}{\theta} > 1$$

applying sandwich theorem

$$\lim_{\theta \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin \theta}{\theta} = 1$$

Exercise 1.3

Q1. Evaluate each limit by using theorems of limits.

i) $\lim_{x \rightarrow 3} (2x + 4)$

Solution:

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 3} (2x + 4) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 3} 2x + \lim_{x \rightarrow 3} 4 = 2(3) + 4 = 10$$

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

Solution:

$$= 3(1)^2 - 2(1) + 4 = 3 - 2 + 4 = 5$$

iii) $\lim_{x \rightarrow 3} x^2 + x + 4$

solution: $\sqrt{(3)^2 + 3 + 4} = \sqrt{16} = 4$

iv) $\lim_{x \rightarrow 2} x\sqrt{x^2 - 4}$

solution: $(2)\sqrt{(2)^2 - 4} = 0$

v) $\lim_{x \rightarrow 2} (\sqrt{x^3 + 1} - \sqrt{x^2 + 5})$

$$\sqrt{(2)^3 + 1} - \sqrt{(2)^2 + 5} = 3 - 3 = 0$$

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

$$\frac{2(-2)^3 + 5(-2)}{3(-2) - 2} = \frac{-16 - 10}{-8} = \frac{26}{-8} = -\frac{13}{4}$$

Q2. Evaluate each limit by using algebra techniques.

i) $\lim_{x \rightarrow -1} x^3 - x$

Solution:

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow -1} x^3 - x \quad (0) \text{ form}$$

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

$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow -1} x(x - 1) = (-1)(-1 - 1) = 2$$

ii)

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} (3x^3 + 4x)$$

Solution:

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} 3x^3 + 4x \quad (\leftarrow) \text{ form}$$

$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{x(3x^2 + 4)}{x(x + 1)} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{3x^2 + 4}{x + 1}$$

$$= \frac{3(0)^2 + 4}{0 + 1} = \frac{4}{1} = 4$$

iii)

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 2} \frac{x^3 - 8}{x^2 + x - 6} \quad \left(\frac{0}{0} \right) \text{ form}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= \lim_{x \rightarrow 2} \frac{(x)^3 - (2)^3}{x^2 + 3x - 2x - 6} \\
 &= \lim_{x \rightarrow 2} \frac{(x-2)(x^2 + 4 + 2x)}{x(x+3) - 2(x+3)} \\
 &= \lim_{x \rightarrow 2} \frac{(x-2)(x^2 + 4 + 2x)}{(x+3)(x-2)} \\
 &= \lim_{x \rightarrow 2} \frac{x^2 + 4 + 2x}{x+3} = \frac{(2)^2 + 4 + 2(2)}{2+3} = \frac{12}{5}
 \end{aligned}$$

iv)

$$\begin{aligned}
 &\lim_{x \rightarrow 1} (x^3 - 3x^2 + 3x - 1) \quad (0) \text{ form} \\
 &= \lim_{x \rightarrow 1} (x-1)^3 \quad \because (x-1)^3 \\
 &= \lim_{x \rightarrow 1} \frac{x^3 - 3x^2 + 3x - 1}{3} = \frac{1^3 - 3(1)^2 + 3(1) - 1}{3} \\
 &= \lim_{x \rightarrow 1} \frac{x(x-1)(x+1)}{3} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 1} \frac{x(x+1)}{3} \\
 &= \frac{1(1+1)}{3} = \frac{2}{3}
 \end{aligned}$$

v)

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow -1} (x^3 + x)$$

Solution:

$$\begin{aligned}
 &\lim_{x \rightarrow -1} (x^2 - 1) \quad (0) \text{ form} \\
 &= \lim_{x \rightarrow -1} \frac{x^2(x+1)}{(x-1)(x+1)} = \lim_{x \rightarrow -1} \frac{x^2}{x-1} = \frac{(-1)^2}{-1-1} = \frac{1}{-2}
 \end{aligned}$$

vi)

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 4} \frac{2x^2 - 32}{x^3 - 4x^2}$$

Solution:

$$\begin{aligned}
 &\lim_{x \rightarrow 4} \frac{2x^2 - 32}{x^2(x-4)} \quad (0) \text{ form} \\
 &= \lim_{x \rightarrow 4} \frac{2(x-4)(x+4)}{x^2(x-4)} \\
 &= \lim_{x \rightarrow 4} \frac{2(x+4)}{x^2} = \frac{2(4+4)}{4^2} = 1
 \end{aligned}$$

vii)

$$\begin{aligned}
 &\lim_{x \rightarrow 2} \frac{\sqrt{x} - 2}{x} \cdot \frac{\sqrt{x} + 2}{\sqrt{x} + 2} \\
 &= \lim_{x \rightarrow 2} \frac{x - 4}{x(\sqrt{x} + 2)}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &\lim_{x \rightarrow 2} \frac{(x-2)(\sqrt{x} - 2)}{x(\sqrt{x} + 2)} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 2} \frac{\sqrt{x} - 2}{\sqrt{x} + 2} = \frac{\sqrt{2} - 2}{\sqrt{2} + 2} \\
 &= \frac{2 - 2\sqrt{2}}{2 + 2\sqrt{2}} = \frac{1 - \sqrt{2}}{1 + \sqrt{2}}
 \end{aligned}$$

viii)

$$\lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sqrt{x+h} - \sqrt{x}}{h}$$

Solution:

$$\begin{aligned}
 &\lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sqrt{x+h} - \sqrt{x}}{h} \quad (0) \text{ form} \\
 &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sqrt{x+h} - \sqrt{x}}{h} \times \frac{\sqrt{x+h} + \sqrt{x}}{\sqrt{x+h} + \sqrt{x}} \\
 &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{x+h - x}{h(\sqrt{x+h} + \sqrt{x})} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{\sqrt{x+h} + \sqrt{x}} = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{x}}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{x+h-x}{h(\sqrt{x+h} + \sqrt{x})} \\
 &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{\sqrt{x+h} + \sqrt{x}} \\
 &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{x} + \sqrt{x}} = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{x}}
 \end{aligned}$$

ix)

$$\lim_{\theta \rightarrow a} \frac{x^n - a^n}{x^m - a^m}$$

Solution:

$$\begin{aligned}
 &\lim_{x \rightarrow a} \frac{x^n - a^n}{x^m - a^m} \quad (0) \text{ form} \\
 &\text{dividing up and down by } x - a \\
 &= \lim_{x \rightarrow a} \frac{x^n - a^n}{x - a} \cdot \frac{1}{x^m - a^m} \\
 &= \lim_{x \rightarrow a} (x^{n-1} + x^{n-2}a + \dots + a^{n-1}) \cdot \frac{1}{x^m - a^m} \\
 &= \lim_{x \rightarrow a} \frac{x^{n-1} + x^{n-2}a + \dots + a^{n-1}}{x^m - a^m} \\
 &= \lim_{x \rightarrow a} \frac{x^{n-1} + x^{n-2}a + \dots + a^{n-1}}{x - a} \cdot \frac{1}{x^{m-1} + x^{m-2}a + \dots + a^{m-1}} \\
 &= \frac{n a^{n-1}}{m a^{m-1}} = \frac{n}{m} a^{n-m}
 \end{aligned}$$

Q3. Evaluate the following limits.

i) $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \sin 7x$

Solution:

$$\begin{aligned}
 &\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \sin 7x \quad (0) \text{ form} \\
 &= 7 \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin 7x}{7x} = 7(1) = 7 \\
 &\because \lim_{\theta \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin \theta}{\theta} = 1
 \end{aligned}$$

ii)

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \sin x^0$$

Solution:

$$\begin{aligned}
 &\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \sin x^0 \quad (0) \text{ form} \\
 &= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin \pi x}{x} \quad \because 1^0 = 180 \text{ rad} \\
 &\text{so } x^0 = 180 \text{ rad} \\
 &= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin \pi x}{180 \pi x} \\
 &= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{180} = \frac{1}{180}
 \end{aligned}$$

iii)

$$\lim_{\theta \rightarrow 0} \frac{1 - \cos \theta}{\sin \theta}$$

Solution:

$$\begin{aligned}
 &\lim_{\theta \rightarrow 0} \frac{1 - \cos \theta}{\sin \theta} \quad (0) \text{ form} \\
 &= \lim_{\theta \rightarrow 0} \frac{1 - \cos \theta}{\sin \theta} \times \frac{1 + \cos \theta}{1 + \cos \theta} \\
 &= \lim_{\theta \rightarrow 0} \frac{1 - \cos^2 \theta}{\sin \theta (1 + \cos \theta)} \\
 &= \lim_{\theta \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin^2 \theta}{\sin \theta (1 + \cos \theta)} = \lim_{\theta \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin \theta}{1 + \cos \theta} = \frac{0}{2} = 0
 \end{aligned}$$

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

$$= \lim_{\theta \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin \theta}{1 + \cos \theta} = \frac{\sin \theta}{1 + \cos \theta} = \frac{0}{1 + 1} = 0$$

iv)

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow \pi} \frac{\sin x}{\pi - x} \quad \left(\frac{0}{0}\right) \text{ form}$$

put $\pi - x = t$

$$\Rightarrow x = \pi - t$$

when $x \rightarrow \pi$ then $t \rightarrow 0$

So

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow \pi} \frac{\sin x}{\pi - x} = \lim_{t \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin(\pi - t)}{t}$$

$$= \lim_{t \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin t}{t} \quad \because \sin(\pi - \theta) = \sin \theta$$

$$= 1$$

v)

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin ax}{\sin bx}$$

Solution:

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin ax}{\sin bx} \quad \left(\frac{0}{0}\right) \text{ form}$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \left(\frac{\sin ax \times ax}{\sin bx \times bx} \right)$$

$$= \left(\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin ax}{ax} \right) \times \left(\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{ax}{bx} \right) = 1 \times ax = a$$

vi)

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{x}{\tan x}$$

Solution:

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{x}{\tan x} \quad \left(\frac{0}{0}\right) \text{ form}$$

$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} x \cdot \cot x \quad \because \cot x = \frac{\cos x}{\sin x}$$

$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} x \cdot \frac{\cos x}{\sin x}$$

$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} x \cdot \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\cos x}{\sin x}$$

$$= \left(\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} x \right) \cdot \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\cos x}{\sin x}$$

$$= (1)^{-1} \cdot \cos x = 1.1 = 1$$

vii)

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

Solution:

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{1 - \cos 2x}{x^2} \quad \left(\frac{0}{0}\right) \text{ form}$$

$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{2 \sin^2 x}{x^2} \quad \because 1 - \cos \theta = 2 \sin^2 \left(\frac{\theta}{2}\right)$$

$$\Rightarrow 1 - \cos 2\theta = 2 \sin^2 \theta$$

$$\Rightarrow = 2 \left(\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \left(\frac{\sin x}{x} \right)^2 \right) = 2(1)^2 = 2$$

(viii)

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \left(\frac{1 - \cos x}{\sin^2 \theta} \right)$$

Solution:

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \left(\frac{1 - \cos x}{1 - \cos x} \right) \quad \left(\frac{0}{0}\right) \text{ form}$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin^2 \theta}{1 - \cos^2 x} \quad \because \sin^2 \theta + \cos^2 \theta = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow \sin^2 \theta = 1 - \cos^2 \theta$$

$$\Rightarrow \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{1 - \cos x}{(1 - \cos x)(1 + \cos x)} = (1 - \cos \theta)(1 + \cos \theta)$$

$$\Rightarrow = \lim_{1 + \cos x} = 1 + \cos(0) = 1 + 1 = 2$$

ix)

$$\lim_{\theta \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin^2 \theta}{\theta}$$

Solution:

$$\lim_{\theta \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin^2 \theta}{\theta} \quad \left(\frac{0}{0}\right) \text{ form}$$

$$\lim_{\theta \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin \theta}{\theta} \cdot \lim_{\theta \rightarrow 0} \sin \theta = 1 \cdot \sin \theta = 1.0 = 0$$

x)

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sec x - \cos x}{x}$$

Solution:

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sec x - \cos x}{x} \quad \left(\frac{0}{0}\right) \text{ form}$$

$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{\cos x} - \cos x = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \left(\frac{1}{\cos x} - \cos x \right)$$

$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \left(\frac{1}{\cos x} \right) \cdot \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \sin x = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin x}{\cos x} \cdot \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \sin x$$

$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin x}{\cos x} \cdot \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \tan x = 1 \cdot \tan 0 = 0$$

xi)

$$\lim_{\theta \rightarrow 0} \frac{1 - \cos p\theta}{1 + \cos q\theta}$$

Solution:

$$\lim_{\theta \rightarrow 0} \frac{1 - \cos p\theta}{1 + \cos q\theta} \quad \left(\frac{0}{0}\right) \text{ form}$$

$$= \lim_{\theta \rightarrow 0} \frac{2 \sin^2 \left(\frac{p\theta}{2}\right)}{2 \sin^2 \left(\frac{q\theta}{2}\right)} = \left(\lim_{\theta \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin \left(\frac{p\theta}{2}\right)}{\sin \left(\frac{q\theta}{2}\right)} \right)^2$$

$$\left(\lim_{\theta \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin p}{2} \times p\theta \right)$$

$$= \frac{\sin p}{\sin q} \cdot \frac{p^2}{q^2} = \left(\frac{1 \times p}{1 \times q} \right)^2$$

$$\left(\lim_{\theta \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin p}{2} \times p\theta \right)$$

$$2$$

$$p^2 \theta^2$$

$$= \frac{q^2 \theta^2}{4} = p^2 / q^2$$

xii)

$$\lim_{\theta \rightarrow 0} \frac{\tan \theta - \sin \theta}{\sin^3 \theta}$$

Solution:

$$\lim_{\theta \rightarrow 0} \frac{\tan \theta - \sin \theta}{\sin^3 \theta} \quad \left(\frac{0}{0}\right) \text{ form}$$

$$= \lim_{\theta \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{\sin^3 \theta} \left(\frac{\sin \theta}{\cos \theta} - \sin \theta \right)$$

$$= \lim_{\theta \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{\sin^3 \theta} (\sin \theta - \sin \theta \cos \theta)$$

$$= \lim_{\theta \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin \theta}{\sin^3 \theta} (1 - \cos \theta) = \lim_{\theta \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{\sin^2 \theta} (1 - \cos \theta)$$

$$\frac{1 - \cos \theta}{\theta \rightarrow 0} \quad \frac{1 - \cos \theta}{\theta \rightarrow 0 (1 - \cos \theta)(1 + \cos \theta)}$$

$$= \frac{1}{1 + \cos \theta} = \frac{1}{1 + 1} = 2$$

Q4. express each limit in terms of e

i) $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (1 +)^{2n}$

Solution:

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (1 +)^{2n} = [\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (1 +)^n]^2 = e^2$$

ii) $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (1 + 1)^{\frac{n}{2}}$

Solution:

$$= [\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} 1 +]^{\frac{n}{2}} = e^{\frac{1}{2}}$$

iii) $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (1 +)^n$

Solution:

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (1 + 1)^{\frac{3n}{3}} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (1 + 1)^{\frac{1}{3}}$$

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

iv)

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (1 -)^n$$

Solution:

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} 1 + (-)^n = [\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} 1 + (-)^{-n-1}] = e^{-1}$$

v)

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (1 + 4)^n$$

Solution:

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (1 + 4)^n = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (1 + 4)^{\frac{4n}{4}} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (1 + 4)^{\frac{n}{4}} = e^4$$

vi)

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} (1 + 3x)^{\frac{2}{x}}$$

Solution:

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} (1 + 3x)^{\frac{2}{x}}$$

$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} (1 + 3x)^{\frac{2}{x} \times \frac{3}{3}} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} (1 + 3x)^{\frac{6}{3x}}$$

$$= [\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} (1 + 3x)^{\frac{1}{3x}}]^6 = e^6$$

vii)

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

Solution:

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

$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} (1 + 2x^2)^{\frac{2}{2x^2}} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} (1 + 2x^2)^{\frac{1}{2x^2} \times 2} = e^2$$

viii)

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

Solution:

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

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

ix)

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} ()^x$$

Solution:

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} ()^x$$

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

$$= [\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} (+ 1)^{\frac{x}{x}}]^{-1} = e^{-1}$$

(x)

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \left(\frac{e^x - 1}{ex + 1} \right), x < 0$$

Solution:

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \left(\frac{e^x - 1}{ex + 1} \right)$$

Since $x < 0$, so let $x = -t$ where $t > 0$
as $x \rightarrow 0, t \rightarrow 0$

$$\text{so } \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \left(\frac{e^x - 1}{ex + 1} \right) = \lim_{t \rightarrow 0} \left(\frac{e^{-t} - 1}{e^{-t} + 1} \right)$$

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

xi)

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{e^x - 1}{e^x + 1}, x > 0$$

Solution:

$$\begin{aligned} & \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{e^x - 1}{e^x + 1} \\ &= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{e^x} \frac{e^x(1 - e^{-x})}{e^x(1 + e^{-x})} \\ &= \frac{(1 - 1)}{(1 + 1)} = \frac{e^0 - 1}{1 + e^0} = \frac{\infty - 1}{1 + \infty} = \frac{1 - 0}{1 + 0} = 1 \end{aligned}$$

The left hand limit:

if $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x) = L$ it means $f(x)$ takes value L as x approaches to a from the left side of " a " (i.e. from $-\infty$ to a) then $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x) = L$ is called left hand limit.

The Right hand limit:

if $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x) = L$ it means $f(x)$ takes value L as x approaches to a from the right side of a (i.e. from a to ∞) then $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x) = L$ is called right hand limit.

Existence of Limit of function(criteria)

$$\begin{aligned} & \lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x) = L \text{ if and only if} \\ & \lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x) = \lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x) = L \\ & \text{i.e. L.H.S} = \text{R.H.S} \end{aligned}$$

Continuous Function:

A function f is said to be continuous at a number $x = a$ if

$$\text{i) } f(a) \text{ is defined ii) } \lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x) \text{ exist. iii) } \lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x) = f(a)$$

Discontinuous function:

A function $f(x)$ is said to be discontinuous at $x = a$ if $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x) \neq f(a)$

- if $f(x)$ is not defined at $x = a$ then $f(x)$ is called discontinuous
- Any function which does not satisfied at least one of three conditions of continuous is called discontinuous.

Exercise 1.4

Q1. Determine the left hand limit and the right hand limit and then find the limit of the following functions when $x \rightarrow c$

i) $f(x) = 2x^2 + x - 5, c = 1$

Solution:

L.H.S

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

R.H.S

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{x \rightarrow 1^+} f(x) &= \lim_{x \rightarrow 1^+} (2x^2 + x - 5) = 2(1)^2 + 1 - 5 \\ &= -2 \\ \text{As L.H.S} &= \text{R.H.S} \end{aligned}$$

So,

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

ii) $f(x) = \frac{1}{x-3}, c = -3$

Solution:

L.H.S

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{x \rightarrow -3} f(x) &= \lim_{x \rightarrow -3} \frac{x^2 - 9}{(x - 3)(x + 3)} \\ &= \lim_{x \rightarrow -3} \frac{x - 3}{x + 3} = \frac{-3 - 3}{-3 + 3} = 0 \end{aligned}$$

R.H.S

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{x \rightarrow -3} f(x) &= \lim_{x \rightarrow -3} \frac{x^2 - 9}{(x - 3)(x + 3)} \\ &= \lim_{x \rightarrow -3} \frac{x - 3}{x + 3} = \frac{-3 - 3}{-3 + 3} = 0 \end{aligned}$$

As L.H.S = R.H.S

So,

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow -3} f(x) = 0$$

iii)

$f(x) = |x - 5|, c = 5$

Solution:

L.H.S

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 5} f(x) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 5} |x - 5| = 5 - 5 = 0$$

R.H.S

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 5} f(x) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 5} |x - 5| = 5 - 5 = 0$$

As

L.H.S = R.H.S

So

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 5} f(x) = 0$$

Q2. Discuss the continuous of $f(x)$ at $x = c$

i)

$$\begin{aligned} & 2x + 5 \text{ if } x \leq 1 \\ & 4x + 1 \text{ if } x > 2 \end{aligned}$$

Solution:

L.H.S

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 2} f(x) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 2} (2x + 5) = 2(2) + 5 = 9$$

R.H.S

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 2} f(x) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 2} (4x + 1) = 4(2) + 1 = 9$$

$$\text{At } x = 2$$

$$f(x) = 2x + 5$$

$$\Rightarrow f(2) = 2(2) + 5 = 9$$

As L.H.S = R.H.S so

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 2} f(x) = 9$$

$$\Rightarrow \lim_{x \rightarrow 2} f(x) = f(x) \text{ is continuous at } x = 2$$

ii)

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} 3x - 1 & \text{if } x < 1 \\ 4 & \text{if } x = 1, c = 1 \\ 2x & \text{if } x > 1 \end{cases}$$

Solution:

L.H.S

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

R.H.S

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

$$\text{at } x = 1, f(x) = 4 \Rightarrow f(1) = 4$$

as L.H.S = R.H.S so $\lim_{x \rightarrow 1} f(x)$ exist.

But $\lim_{x \rightarrow 1} f(x) \neq f(1)$ hence $f(x)$ is discontinuous.

$$3x \text{ if } x \leq -2$$

Q3. if $f(x) = \begin{cases} x^2 - 1 & \text{if } -2 < x < 2 \\ 3 & \text{if } x \geq 2 \end{cases}$

Discuss continuity at $x = 2$ and $x = -2$

Solution:

i)

$$x = 2$$

$$L.H.S; \lim_{x \rightarrow 2} f(x) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 2} (x^2 - 1)$$

$$= (2)^2 - 1 = 3$$

$$R.H.S \lim_{x \rightarrow 2} f(x) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 2} 3 = 3$$

$$\text{at } x = 2, f(x) = 3 \Rightarrow f(2) = 3$$

$\therefore L.H.S = R.H.S$ so $\lim_{x \rightarrow 2} f(x)$ exist.

$$\text{so } \lim_{x \rightarrow 2} f(x) = f(2)$$

hence $f(x)$ is continuous at $x = 2$

ii)

$$x = -2$$

$$R.H.S; \lim_{x \rightarrow -2} f(x) = \lim_{x \rightarrow -2} (x^2 - 1)$$

$$= (-2)^2 - 1 = 3$$

$$L.H.S \lim_{x \rightarrow -2} f(x) = \lim_{x \rightarrow -2} 3x = 3(-2) = -6$$

$$\text{at } x = -2, f(x) = 3x \Rightarrow f(-2) = 3(-2) = -6$$

$\therefore L.H.S \neq R.H.S$ so.

hence $f(x)$ is discontinuous at $x = -2$

Q4. If $f(x) = \begin{cases} x + 2, & x \leq -1 \\ \text{if and "c"} \end{cases}$
so that $\lim_{x \rightarrow -1} f(x)$ exist.

solution:

L.H.S

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

$$R.H.S = \lim_{x \rightarrow -1} f(x) = \lim_{x \rightarrow -1} (c + 2) = c + 2$$

Given that $\lim_{x \rightarrow -1} f(x)$ exist .so

$$L.H.S = R.H.S$$

$$\Rightarrow 1 + c + 2$$

$$\Rightarrow 1 - 2 = c$$

$$\Rightarrow c = -1$$

Q5. Find the value of m and n, so that given function f is continuous at $x = 3$

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} mx & \text{if } x < 3 \\ n & \text{if } x = 3 \\ -2x + 9 & \text{if } x > 3 \end{cases}$$

Solution:

$$L.H.S = \lim_{x \rightarrow 3^-} f(x) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 3^-} (mx) = 3m$$

$$R.H.S = \lim_{x \rightarrow 3^+} f(x) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 3^+} (-2x + 9) = -2(3) + 9 = 3$$

$$\text{at } x = 3 f(x) = n \Rightarrow f(3) = n$$

Given that $f(x)$ is continuous so $L.H.S = R.H.S$

$$\Rightarrow 3m = 3$$

$$\Rightarrow m = 1$$

We know that for a continuous function

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 3} f(x) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 3} f(x) = f(3)$$

$$3m = 3 = n$$

$$\Rightarrow n = 3, m = 1$$

i)

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} mx & \text{if } x < 3 \\ x^2 & \text{if } x \geq 3 \end{cases}$$

Solution:

$$L.H.S = \lim_{x \rightarrow 3} f(x) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 3} (mx) = 3m$$

$$R.H.S = \lim_{x \rightarrow 3} f(x) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 3} (x^2) = (3)^2 = 9$$

$$\text{at } x = 3 f(x) = x^2 \Rightarrow f(3) = (3)^2 = 9$$

Given that $f(x)$ is continuous so $L.H.S = R.H.S$

$$\Rightarrow 3m = 9$$

$$\Rightarrow m = 3$$

Q6. If $f(x) = \begin{cases} \sqrt{2x+5} - \sqrt{x+7} & x < 2 \\ k & x = 2 \end{cases}$

Find value of k so that f is continuous.

Solution:

$$\text{at } x = 2 f(x) = k \Rightarrow f(2) = k$$

Now $\lim_{x \rightarrow 2} f(x) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 2} (\sqrt{2x+5} - \sqrt{x+7})$ form $\frac{0}{0}$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 2} \frac{\sqrt{2x+5} - \sqrt{x+7}}{x-2} \cdot \frac{\sqrt{2x+5} + \sqrt{x+7}}{\sqrt{2x+5} + \sqrt{x+7}}$$

$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow 2} \frac{2x+5 - x - 7}{(x-2)(\sqrt{2x+5} + \sqrt{x+7})}$$

$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow 2} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2x+5} + \sqrt{x+7}}$$

$$= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2(2)+5} + \sqrt{2+7}} = \frac{1}{6}$$

\therefore given function is continuous at $x = 2$ so

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

$$\Rightarrow 1 = k \Rightarrow k = 1/6$$

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