

Differential calculus at a glance

IMPORTANT LIMITS

1. $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} \frac{x^n - a^n}{x - a} = na^{n-1}$
2. $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{a^x - 1}{x} = \log_e a$
3. $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{e^x - 1}{x} = \log_e e = 1$
4. $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin x}{x} = 1$
5. $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\tan x}{x} = 1$
6. $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\ln(1+x)}{x} = 1$
7. $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin^{-1} x}{x} = 1$
8. $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\tan^{-1} x}{x} = 1$

Continuity at a point

$f(x)$ is continuous at a point $x = c$ if

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

If $\lim_{x \rightarrow c^+} f(x) = \lim_{x \rightarrow c^-} f(x)$,

it means limit at $x = c$ exists

Differentiability at a point

$f(x)$ is said to be differentiable at $x = c$,

iff $\lim_{x \rightarrow c} \frac{f(x) - f(c)}{x - c}$ exists finitely

i.e. $Lf'(c) = Rf'(c)$

$$Lf'(c) = \lim_{x \rightarrow c^-} \frac{f(x) - f(c)}{x - c} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(c-h) - f(c)}{-h}$$

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

Important Formulae of Differentiation

- $\frac{d}{dx} [f(x) + g(x)] = \frac{d}{dx} f(x) + \frac{d}{dx} g(x)$
- $\frac{d}{dx} [f(x) - g(x)] = \frac{d}{dx} f(x) - \frac{d}{dx} g(x)$
- $\frac{d}{dx} [f(x) \cdot g(x)] = \left\{ \frac{d}{dx} f(x) \right\} \cdot g(x) + \left\{ \frac{d}{dx} g(x) \right\} \cdot f(x)$
- $\frac{d}{dx} \left[\frac{f(x)}{g(x)} \right] = \frac{\left\{ \frac{d}{dx} f(x) \right\} \cdot g(x) - f(x) \cdot \left\{ \frac{d}{dx} g(x) \right\}}{(g(x))^2}$
- 1. $\frac{d}{dx} (x^n) = nx^{n-1}$
- 2. $\frac{d}{dx} (a^x) = (\ln a) a^x$
- 3. $\frac{d}{dx} (e^x) = e^x$
- 4. $\frac{d}{dx} (\ln x) = \frac{1}{x}$
- 5. $\frac{d}{dx} (\sin x) = \cos x$
- 6. $\frac{d}{dx} (\cos x) = -\sin x$
- 7. $\frac{d}{dx} (\tan x) = \sec^2 x$
- 8. $\frac{d}{dx} (\cot x) = -\operatorname{cosec}^2 x$
- 9. $\frac{d}{dx} (\sec x) = \sec x \cdot \tan x$
- 10. $\frac{d}{dx} (\operatorname{cosec} x) = -\operatorname{cosec} x \cdot \cot x$
- 11. $\frac{d}{dx} (\sin^{-1} x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1-x^2}}$
- 12. $\frac{d}{dx} (\cos^{-1} x) = \frac{-1}{\sqrt{1-x^2}}$
- 13. $\frac{d}{dx} (\tan^{-1} x) = \frac{1}{1+x^2}$

$$14. \quad \frac{d}{dx}(\cot^{-1} x) = \frac{-1}{1+x^2}$$

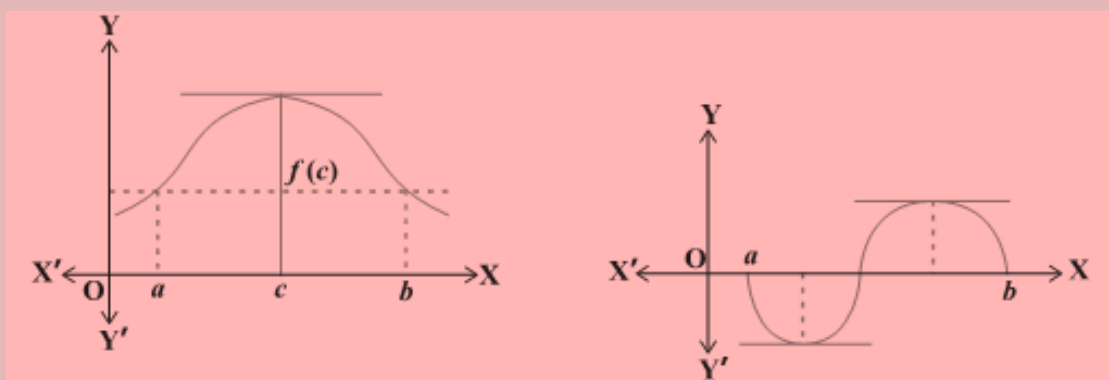
$$16. \quad \frac{d}{dx}(\operatorname{cosec}^{-1} x) = \frac{-1}{|x|\sqrt{x^2-1}}$$

$$15. \quad \frac{d}{dx}(\sec^{-1} x) = \frac{1}{|x|\sqrt{x^2-1}}$$

Rolle's Theorem:

Let $f : [a, b]$ be continuous on $[a, b]$ and differentiable on (a, b) , such that $f(a) = f(b)$, where a and b are some real numbers. Then there exists some c in (a, b) such that $f'(c) = 0$.

Following graphs of a few typical differentiable functions satisfying the hypothesis of Rolle's Theorem are given.



Mean Value Theorem (MVT): Let $f : [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be a continuous function on $[a, b]$ and differentiable on (a, b) . Then there exists some c in (a, b) such that

$$f'(c) = \frac{f(b) - f(a)}{b - a} \quad \text{MVT is an extension of Rolle's Theorem.}$$