

## Solution to the Practice questions of Lecture No. 11 and 12

1) If  $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} g(x) = L$  exists, then it means that for any  $\varepsilon > 0$   $g(x)$  is in the interval \_\_\_\_\_.

- I.  $(a - L, a + L)$
- II.  $(a - \delta, a + \delta)$
- III.  $(L - \delta, L + \delta)$
- IV.  $(L - \varepsilon, L + \varepsilon)$  **Correct option is IV**

2) Using epsilon-delta definition,  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 4} f(x) = 6$  can be written as \_\_\_\_\_.

- I.  $|f(x) - 6| < \varepsilon$  whenever  $0 < |x - 4| < \delta$  **Correct option is I**
- II.  $|f(x) - 4| < \varepsilon$  whenever  $0 < |x - 6| < \delta$
- III.  $|x - 6| < \varepsilon$  whenever  $0 < |f(x) - 4| < \delta$
- IV.  $|f(x) - x| < \varepsilon$  whenever  $0 < |6 - 4| < \delta$

3) Using epsilon-delta definition, our task is to find  $\delta$  which will work for any \_\_\_\_\_.

- I.  $\varepsilon < 0$
- II.  $\varepsilon > 0$  **Correct option is II**
- III.  $\varepsilon \geq 0$
- IV.  $\varepsilon \leq 0$

4) Using epsilon-delta definition,  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 1} f(x) = 2$  can be written as \_\_\_\_\_.

- I.  $|x - 2| < \varepsilon$  whenever  $0 < |f(x) - 1| < \delta$
- II.  $|f(x) - x| < \varepsilon$  whenever  $0 < |2 - 1| < \delta$

- III.  $|f(x)-2| < \varepsilon$  whenever  $0 < |x-1| < \delta$  **Correct option is III**
- IV.  $|f(x)-2| < \varepsilon$  whenever  $0 < |x-2| < \delta$

5) Which of the following must hold in the definition of limit of a function?

- I.  $\varepsilon$  greater than zero
- II.  $\delta$  greater than zero
- III. both  $\varepsilon$  and  $\delta$  greater than zero **Correct option is III**
- IV. none of these

### **Solution 6:**

To show that  $h(x) = 2x^2 - 5x + 3$  is continuous for all real numbers, let's consider an arbitrary real number  $c$ . Now, we are to show that

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

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{x \rightarrow c} h(x) &= \lim_{x \rightarrow c} (2x^2 - 5x + 3) \\ &= 2c^2 - 5c + 3 \\ &= f(c) \end{aligned}$$

Since, it is continuous on an arbitrary real number we can safely say that the given polynomial is continuous on all the real numbers.

### **Solution 7:**

Given function is

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} -2x+8 & \text{for } x \leq 4 \\ \frac{1}{2}x-2 & \text{for } x > 4 \end{cases}$$

First of all, we will see if the function is defined at  $x=4$ . Clearly,

$$\begin{aligned} f(4) &= -2(4) + 8 \\ &= -8 + 8 = 0 \end{aligned}$$

So, yes the function is defined at  $x = 4$ .

Now, let's check the limit of the function at  $x = 4$

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{x \rightarrow 4^-} f(x) &= \lim_{x \rightarrow 4^-} (-2x + 8) \\ &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{x \rightarrow 4^+} f(x) &= \lim_{x \rightarrow 4^+} \left( \frac{1}{2}x - 2 \right) \\ &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

Since the left hand side limit and the right hand side limits exist and are equal so, the limit of the given function exist at  $x = 4$ . Also,

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 4} f(x) = f(4)$$

Hence, the function is continuous on the given point.

**Solution 8:**

Given function is

$$g(x) = \begin{cases} x+4 & \text{if } x < 1 \\ 2 & \text{if } 1 \leq x < 4 \\ -5+x & \text{if } x \geq 4 \end{cases}$$

First of all, we will see if the function is defined at  $x=4$ . Clearly,

$$\begin{aligned} g(4) &= -5+4 \\ &= -1 \end{aligned}$$

So the function is defined at  $x = 4$ .

Now, let's check the limit of the function at  $x = 4$ .

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{x \rightarrow 4^-} g(x) &= \lim_{x \rightarrow 4^-} (2) \\ &= 2 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{x \rightarrow 4^+} g(x) &= \lim_{x \rightarrow 4^+} (-5+x) \\ &= -1 \end{aligned}$$

Since the left hand side limit is not equal to the right hand side limit, therefore, the limit of the given function does not exist at  $x = 4$  and so the function is not continuous on the given point.

**Solution 9:**

The given function is

$$f(x) = |x+3|$$

Using the method of finding the limit of composite functions, we can write it as

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{x \rightarrow 3} f(x) &= \lim_{x \rightarrow 3} |x+3| \\ &= \left| \lim_{x \rightarrow 3} (x+3) \right| \\ &= 6 \end{aligned}$$

Also,

$$\begin{aligned} f(3) &= |3+3| \\ &= |6| = 6 \end{aligned}$$

Since,

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

Therefore, the given function is continuous at  $x=3$ .

**Solution 10:**

The given function is

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{9-x^2}{3-x} & \text{if } x \neq 3 \\ 4 & \text{if } x = 3 \end{cases}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{x \rightarrow 3} f(x) &= \lim_{x \rightarrow 3} \frac{9-x^2}{3-x} \\ &= \lim_{x \rightarrow 3} \frac{(3-x)(3+x)}{3-x} \\ &= \lim_{x \rightarrow 3} (3+x) = 6 \end{aligned}$$

$$f(3) = 4$$

Clearly,

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

Therefore, the given function is not continuous at  $x=3$ .