## **Chapter-5**

## **Continuity and Differentiability**

- A real valued function is continuous at a point in its domain if the limit of the function at that point equals the value of the function at that point. A function is continuous if it is continuous on the whole of its domain.
- Sum, difference, product and quotient of continuous functions are continuous. i.e., if f and g are continuous functions, then

$$(f \pm g)(x) = f(x) \pm g(x)$$
 is continuous.

$$(f.g)(x) = f(x).g(x)$$
 is continuous.

$$\left(\frac{f}{g}\right)(x) = \frac{f(x)}{g(x)}$$
 (wherever g (x) \neq 0) is continuous.

- Every differentiable function is continuous, but the converse is not true.
- Chain rule is rule to differentiate composites of functions. If f = v o u, t = u (x) and if both and if both  $\frac{dt}{dx}$  and  $\frac{dv}{dt}$  exist then  $\frac{df}{dx} = \frac{dv}{dt} = \frac{dt}{dx}$
- Following are some of the standard derivatives (in appropriate domains):

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

$$\frac{d}{dx}(\cos^{-1}x) = -\frac{1}{\sqrt{1-x^2}}$$

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

$$\frac{\mathrm{d}}{\mathrm{dx}}\left(\cot^{-1}x\right) = \frac{-1}{1+x^2}$$

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

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

$$\frac{d}{dx}(e^x) = e^x$$

$$\frac{\mathrm{d}}{\mathrm{d}x}(\log x) = \frac{1}{x}$$

- Logarithmic differentiation is a powerful technique to differentiate functions of the form  $f(x) = [u(x)]^{v(x)}$  Here both f(x) and u(x) need to be positive for this technique to make sense.
- Rolle's Theorem: If f: [a, b] → R is continuous on [a, b] and differentiable on (a, b) such that f
  (a) = f (b), then there exists some c in (a, b) such that f'(c) = 0.
- Mean Value Theorem: If f: [a, b]  $\to$  R is continuous on [a, b] and differentiable on (a, b). Then there exists some c in (a, b) such that  $f'(c) = \frac{f(b) f(a)}{b a}$