

Homework guide

AP Calculus
Rolle's Theorem & Mean Value Theorem

* Remember you may also solve using your calculator $y_1 = 3x^2 - 2x - 6$
Find the zeros :)

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Day 1 Curve Sketching Unit

1-4: Verify that the function satisfies the three hypotheses of Rolle's Theorem on the given interval. Then find all numbers c that satisfy the conclusion of Rolle's Theorem.

1. $f(x) = 5 - 12x + 3x^2$, $[1, 3]$

2. $f(x) = x^3 - x^2 - 6x + 2$, $[0, 3]$

- 1 $f(x)$ is continuous $[0, 3]$
- 2 $f'(x) = 3x^2 - 2x - 6$
 $f(x)$ is differentiable $(0, 3)$
- 3 $f(3) = 27 - 9 - 18 + 2 = 2$
 $f(0) = 2$
 $f(3) = f(0)$

\therefore Rolle's Thm applies & $f(x) = 0$ on $(0, 3)$

$$f'(x) = 0 \implies 3x^2 - 2x - 6 = 0$$

$$(3x - 8)(x + 2) = 0$$

$$2 \pm \sqrt{(-2)^2 - 4(3)(-6)}$$

$$2 \pm \sqrt{4 + 72}$$

$$2 \pm \sqrt{76}$$

$$2 \pm 2\sqrt{19}$$

$$x = -1.119 \quad x = 1.786$$

not on interval *

3. $f(x) = \sqrt{x} - \frac{1}{3}x$, $[0, 9]$

4. $f(x) = \cos(2x)$, $[\frac{\pi}{8}, \frac{7\pi}{8}]$

- 1 $f(x)$ is continuous
- 2 $f'(x) = -2\sin(2x)$
 $f(x)$ is differentiable $(\frac{\pi}{8}, \frac{7\pi}{8})$
- 3 $f(\frac{\pi}{8}) = \cos(2 \cdot \frac{\pi}{8}) = \cos \frac{\pi}{4} = \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}$
 $f(\frac{7\pi}{8}) = \cos(2 \cdot \frac{7\pi}{8}) = \cos \frac{7\pi}{4} = \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}$

\therefore Rolle's Thm applies & $f(x) = 0$ on $(\frac{\pi}{8}, \frac{7\pi}{8})$

$$f'(x) = 0 \implies 0 = -2\sin(2x)$$

$$0 = \sin(2x)$$

$$0 = \sin(\theta)$$

$$\theta = 0, \pi, 2\pi, \dots$$

$$2x = \frac{0}{2}, \frac{\pi}{2}, \frac{2\pi}{2}$$

$$x = \frac{\pi}{2} \text{ on the interval}$$

5. Let $f(x) = 1 - x^{\frac{2}{3}}$. Show that $f(-1) = f(1)$ but there is no number c in $(-1, 1)$ such that $f'(c) = 0$.

Why does this **not** contradict Rolle's theorem?

$$f(x) = 1 - (\sqrt[3]{x})^2 \quad f'(x) = -\frac{2}{3}x^{-1/3}$$

$$f(1) = 1 - (\sqrt[3]{1})^2 = 1 - 1 = 0 \quad f'(x) = -\frac{2}{3\sqrt[3]{x}}$$

$$f(-1) = 1 - (\sqrt[3]{-1})^2 = 1 - 1 = 0$$

$0 = -\frac{2}{3\sqrt[3]{x}}$
 $0 \cdot 3\sqrt[3]{x} = -2$
 $0 \neq -2$
garbage

$f(x) = 1 - (\sqrt[3]{x})^2$
domain \mathbb{R} reals so
 $f(x)$ is continuous $[-1, 1]$
 $f'(x) = -\frac{2}{3\sqrt[3]{x}}$ $f'(0) = \text{dne}$
 $f(x)$ is not differentiable on $(-1, 1)$ so Rolle's Thm does not apply

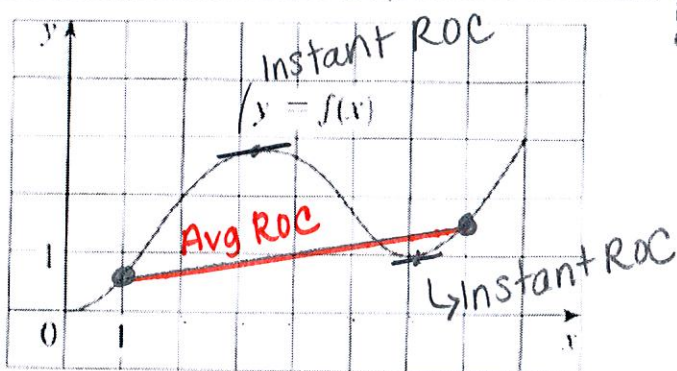
6-7: Use the graph to the right to answer the questions.

6. Use the graph of f to estimate the values of c that satisfy the conclusion of the Mean Value Theorem for the interval $[0, 8]$.

7. Use the graph of f to estimate the values of c that satisfy the conclusion of the Mean Value Theorem for the interval $[1, 7]$.

$x = 3.2$ & $x = 6.1$

Answers may vary.



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8-11: Verify that the function satisfies the hypotheses of the Mean Value Theorem of the given interval. Then find all numbers c that satisfy the conclusion of the Mean Value Theorem.

8. $f(x) = 2x^2 - 3x + 1$, $[0, 2]$

$f(2) = 8 - 6 + 2 = 4$ $f(-2) = -8 + 6 + 2 = 0$

9. $f(x) = x^3 - 3x + 2$, $[-2, 2]$

① $f(x)$ is continuous $[-2, 2]$

② $f'(x) = 3x^2 - 3$
 $f(x)$ is differentiable $(-2, 2)$

$\therefore f'(c) = \frac{f(2) - f(-2)}{2 - (-2)}$

By MVT $3c^2 - 3 = \frac{4 - 0}{4}$
 $3c^2 - 3 = 1$
 $3c^2 = 4$
 $c^2 = \frac{4}{3}$
 $c = \pm \sqrt{\frac{4}{3}} \approx \pm 1.155$

10. $f(x) = \ln(x)$, $[1, 3]$

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

① $x \neq 0$ so $f(x)$ is continuous on $[1, 3]$

② $f'(x) = -x^{-2} = -\frac{1}{x^2}$

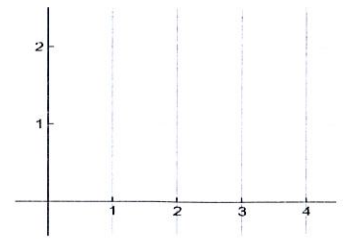
$x \neq 0$ so $f(x)$ is differentiable $(1, 3)$

\therefore MVT applies

$f'(c) = \frac{f(3) - f(1)}{3 - 1}$
 $-\frac{1}{c^2} = \frac{\frac{1}{3} - 1}{2}$
 $-\frac{1}{c^2} = \frac{-\frac{2}{3}}{2}$
 $-\frac{1}{c^2} = -\frac{1}{3}$
 $-X^2 = -3$
 $X^2 = 3$
 $X = \pm\sqrt{3}$
 $X = \sqrt{3} \approx 1.732$

12-13: Find the number c that satisfies the conclusion of the Mean Value Theorem on the given interval. Graph the function, the secant line through the endpoints, and the tangent line at $(c, f(c))$. Are the secant line and the tangent line parallel?

12. $f(x) = \sqrt{x}$, $[0, 4]$



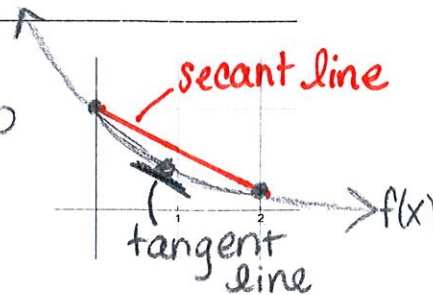
13. $f(x) = e^{-x}$, $[0, 2]$ $f(0) = e^0 = 1$ $f(2) = e^{-2} \approx .135$

① $f(x)$ is continuous $[0, 2]$

② $f'(x) = -e^{-x}$
 $f(x)$ is differentiable on $(0, 2)$

\therefore MVT applies

$f'(c) = \frac{f(2) - f(0)}{2 - 0}$
 $-e^{-c} = \frac{.135 - 1}{2}$
 $-e^{-c} = -.432$
 $-e^{-X} + .432 = 0$
 $X = .839$



14. Let $f(x) = (x-3)^{-2}$. Show that there is no value of c in $(1, 4)$ such that $f(4) - f(1) = f'(c)(4-1)$. Why does this not contradict the Mean Value Theorem?

15. Let $f(x) = 2 - |2x - 1|$. Show that there is no value c such that $f(3) - f(0) = f'(c)(3-0)$. Why does this not contradict the Mean Value Theorem?

Parent function
 $f(x) = |x|$

Set $2x - 1 = 0$
 & solve for x

$2x = 1$
 $x = \frac{1}{2}$

Sharp turn occurs at

$x = \frac{1}{2}$
 $\therefore f(x)$ is not differentiable on $(0, 3)$ so MVT does not apply.

Answers:

1) $x = 2$

2) $x = 1.786$

3) $x = \frac{9}{4}$

4) $x = \frac{\pi}{2}$

5) $f'(x) = \frac{-2}{3\sqrt[3]{x}}$ and $f'(0) = dne \therefore f(x)$ is not differentiable on $(-1,1)$. So Rolle's theorem does not apply.

6) $x \approx .3, 3, \& 6.3$

7) $x \approx 3.2 \& 6.1$

8) $x = 1$

9) $x = \pm\sqrt{\frac{4}{3}} \approx 1.155$

10) $x = \frac{3}{\ln 4} \approx 2.164$

11) $x = \sqrt{3} \approx 1.732$

13) $x = 1$

13) $x = -\ln\left(\frac{1-e^{-2}}{2}\right) \approx .839$

14) $f'(x) = -2(x-3)^{-3} = \frac{-2}{(x-3)^3}$ and $f'(3) = dne \therefore f(x)$ is not differentiable on $(1,4)$. So Mean

Value theorem does not apply.

15) $f(x) = 2 - |2x - 1|$ $f(x)$ is not differentiable at $x = \frac{1}{2} \therefore f(x)$ is not differentiable on $(0,3)$. So Mean Value theorem does not apply.

