



Mean Value Theorems Ex 15.2 Q1(i)

Here,

$$f(x) = x^2 - 1 \text{ on } [2, 3]$$

It is a polynomial function so it is continuous in $[2, 3]$ and differentiable in $(2, 3)$. So, both conditions of Lagrange's mean value theorem are satisfied.

Therefore, there exist a point $c \in (2, 3)$ such that

$$\begin{aligned} f'(c) &= \frac{f(3) - f(2)}{3 - 2} \\ 2c &= \frac{\{(3)^2 - 1\} - \{(2)^2 - 1\}}{1} \\ 2c &= (8 - 3) \\ c &= \frac{5}{2} \in (2, 3) \end{aligned}$$

Hence, Lagrange's mean value theorem is verified.

Mean Value Theorems Ex 15.2 Q1(ii)

Here,

$$f(x) = x^3 - 2x^2 - x + 3 \text{ on } [0, 1]$$

Since, $f(x)$ is a polynomial function. So, $f(x)$ is continuous in $[0, 1]$ and differentiable in $(0, 1)$. So, Lagrange's mean value theorem is applicable. Thus, there exists a point $c \in (0, 1)$ such that

$$\begin{aligned} f'(c) &= \frac{f(1) - f(0)}{1 - 0} \\ \Rightarrow 3c^2 - 4c - 1 &= \frac{[(1)^3 - 2(1)^2 - (1) + 3] - 3}{1} \\ \Rightarrow 3c^2 - 4c - 1 &= 1 - 3 \\ \Rightarrow 3c^2 - 4c + 1 &= 0 \\ \Rightarrow 3c^2 - 3c - c + 1 &= 0 \\ \Rightarrow 3c(c - 1) - 1(c - 1) &= 0 \\ \Rightarrow (3c - 1)(c - 1) &= 0 \\ \Rightarrow c = \frac{1}{3} &\in (0, 1) \end{aligned}$$

Hence, Lagrange's mean value theorem is verified.

Mean Value Theorems Ex 15.2 Q1(iii)

Here,

$$\begin{aligned} f(x) &= x(x - 1) \\ f(x) &= x^2 - x \text{ on } [1, 2] \end{aligned}$$

We know that, polynomial function is continuous and differentiable. So, $f(x)$ is continuous in $[1, 2]$ and $f(x)$ is differentiable in $(1, 2)$. So, Lagrange's mean value theorem is applicable. Thus, there exists a point $c \in (1, 2)$ such that

$$\begin{aligned} f'(c) &= \frac{f(2) - f(1)}{2 - 1} \\ \Rightarrow 2c - 1 &= \frac{(4 - 2) - (1 - 1)}{1} \\ \Rightarrow 2c - 1 &= \frac{2 - 0}{1} \\ \Rightarrow 2c &= 3 \\ \Rightarrow c &= \frac{3}{2} \in (1, 2) \end{aligned}$$

Hence, Lagrange's mean value theorem is verified.

Mean Value Theorems Ex 15.2 Q1(iv)

Here,

$$f(x) = x^2 - 3x + 2 \text{ on } [-1, 2]$$

We know that, polynomial function is continuous and differentiable. So, $f(x)$ is continuous in $[-1, 2]$ and differentiable in $(-1, 2)$. So, Lagrange's mean value theorem is applicable, so there exist a point $c \in (-1, 2)$ such that

$$f'(c) = \frac{f(2) - f(-1)}{2 - (-1)}$$

$$\Rightarrow 2c - 3 = \frac{(4 - 6 + 2) - (1 + 3 + 2)}{3}$$

$$\Rightarrow 2c - 3 = -\frac{6}{3}$$

$$\Rightarrow 2c = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow c = \frac{1}{2} \in (-1, 2)$$

Hence, Lagrange's mean value theorem is verified.

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