



### Mean Value Theorems Ex 15.1 Q10

By Rolle's Theorem, for a function  $f:[a, b] \rightarrow \mathbf{R}$ , if

(a)  $f$  is continuous on  $[a, b]$

(b)  $f$  is differentiable on  $(a, b)$

(c)  $f(a) = f(b)$

then, there exists some  $c \in (a, b)$  such that  $f'(c) = 0$

Therefore, Rolle's Theorem is not applicable to those functions that do not satisfy any of the three conditions of the hypothesis.

(i)  $f(x) = [x]$  for  $x \in [5, 9]$

It is evident that the given function  $f(x)$  is not continuous at every integral point.

In particular,  $f(x)$  is not continuous at  $x = 5$  and  $x = 9$

$f(x)$  is not continuous in  $[5, 9]$ .

Also,  $f(5) = [5] = 5$  and  $f(9) = [9] = 9$

$\therefore f(5) \neq f(9)$

The differentiability of  $f$  in  $(5, 9)$  is checked as follows.

Let  $n$  be an integer such that  $n \in (5, 9)$ .

The left hand limit of  $f$  at  $x = n$  is,

$$\lim_{h \rightarrow 0^-} \frac{f(n+h) - f(n)}{h} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0^-} \frac{[n+h] - [n]}{h} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0^-} \frac{n-1-n}{h} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0^-} \frac{-1}{h} = \infty$$

The right hand limit of  $f$  at  $x = n$  is,

$$\lim_{h \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{f(n+h) - f(n)}{h} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{[n+h] - [n]}{h} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{n-n}{h} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0^+} 0 = 0$$

Since the left and right hand limits of  $f$  at  $x = n$  are not equal,  $f$  is not differentiable at  $x = n$

$f$  is not differentiable in  $(5, 9)$ .

It is observed that  $f$  does not satisfy all the conditions of the hypothesis of Rolle's Theorem.

Hence, Rolle's Theorem is not applicable for  $f(x) = [x]$  for  $x \in [5, 9]$ .

$$(ii) f(x) = [x] \text{ for } x \in [-2, 2]$$

It is evident that the given function  $f(x)$  is not continuous at every integral point.

In particular,  $f(x)$  is not continuous at  $x = -2$  and  $x = 2$

$f(x)$  is not continuous in  $[-2, 2]$ .

$$\text{Also, } f(-2) = [-2] = -2 \text{ and } f(2) = [2] = 2$$

$$\therefore f(-2) \neq f(2)$$

The differentiability of  $f$  in  $(-2, 2)$  is checked as follows.

Let  $n$  be an integer such that  $n \in (-2, 2)$ .

The left hand limit of  $f$  at  $x = n$  is,

$$\lim_{h \rightarrow 0^-} \frac{f(n+h) - f(n)}{h} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0^-} \frac{[n+h] - [n]}{h} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0^-} \frac{n-1-n}{h} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0^-} \frac{-1}{h} = \infty$$

The right hand limit of  $f$  at  $x = n$  is,

$$\lim_{h \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{f(n+h) - f(n)}{h} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{[n+h] - [n]}{h} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{n-n}{h} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0^+} 0 = 0$$

Since the left and right hand limits of  $f$  at  $x = n$  are not equal,  $f$  is not differentiable at  $x = n$

$f$  is not differentiable in  $(-2, 2)$ .

It is observed that  $f$  does not satisfy all the conditions of the hypothesis of Rolle's Theorem.

Hence, Rolle's Theorem is not applicable for  $f(x) = [x]$  for  $x \in [-2, 2]$ .

#### Mean Value Theorems Ex 15.1 Q11

It is given that the Rolle's Theorem holds for the function  $f(x) = x^3 + bx^2 + cx$ ,  $x \in [1, 2]$

at the point  $x = \frac{4}{3}$ .

We need to find the values of  $b$  and  $c$ .

$$f(x) = x^3 + bx^2 + cx$$

Since it satisfies the Rolle's theorem, we have,

$$f(1) = f(2)$$

$$\Rightarrow 1^3 + b \times 1^2 + c \times 1 = 2^3 + b \times 2^2 + c \times 2$$

$$\Rightarrow 1 + b + c = 8 + 4b + 2c$$

$$\Rightarrow 3b + c = -7 \dots (1)$$

Differentiating the given function, we have,

$$f'(x) = 3x^2 + 2bx + c$$

$$f'\left(\frac{4}{3}\right) = 3 \times \left(\frac{4}{3}\right)^2 + 2b \times \left(\frac{4}{3}\right) + c$$

$$\Rightarrow 0 = \frac{16}{3} + \frac{8b}{3} + c \dots (2)$$

Solving the equations (1) and (2), we have,

$$b = -5 \text{ and } c = 8$$

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