

1. We define the function

$$h(x) = (f(b) - f(a))g(x) - (g(b) - g(a))f(x)$$

Since  $f, g$  are continuous and differentiable on  $[a, b]$ , we note that  $h$  must be continuous and differentiable on  $[a, b]$  too. We then note that:

$$\begin{aligned} xh(a) &= (f(b) - f(a))g(a) - (g(b) - g(a))f(a) \\ &= f(b)g(a) - f(a)g(a) - g(b)f(a) + g(a)f(a) \\ &= g(a)f(b) - g(b)f(a) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} h(b) &= (f(b) - f(a))g(b) - (g(b) - g(a))f(b) \\ &= f(b)g(b) - f(a)g(b) - g(b)f(b) + g(a)f(b) \\ &= g(a)f(b) - g(b)f(a) \end{aligned}$$

It should be clear that  $h(a) = h(b)$ . We then take note that

$$h'(x) = (f(b) - f(a))g'(x) - (g(b) - g(a))f'(x)$$

Since  $h(a) = h(b)$ , by Rolle's Theorem, there exist a  $c \in (a, b)$  where  $h'(c) = 0$ , which gives  $0 = (f(b) - f(a))g'(c) - (g(b) - g(a))f'(c)$  or  $(f(b) - f(a))g'(c) = (g(b) - g(a))f'(c)$  as desired.