

Homework 13: The Intermediate Value Theorem (Due April 28, 2023)

Assignments should be **stapled** and written clearly and legibly. Problems 4 and 5 are optional.

1. §5.3, #5, 7, 10.
2. Let f be continuous on $[0, 1]$ with $f(0) = f(1)$. Prove that there exists $c \in [0, \frac{1}{2}]$ such that $f(c) = f(c + \frac{1}{2})$.
3. Prove that there exists a real number x such that

$$x^{177} + \frac{165}{1 + x^8 + \sin^2 x} = 125.$$

4. Prove that if $f : [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is injective and continuous, then the inverse function f^{-1} is also continuous.
5. (Putnam Exam) Suppose that the real numbers a_0, a_1, \dots, a_n and x , with $0 < x < 1$, satisfy

$$\frac{a_0}{1-x} + \frac{a_1}{1-x^2} + \dots + \frac{a_n}{1-x^{n+1}} = 0.$$

Prove that there exists a real number y with $0 < y < 1$ such that

$$a_0 + a_1 y + \dots + a_n y^n = 0.$$