

EXERCISE 5.8

QNo 1 Verify Rolle's theorem for function $f(x) = x^2 + 2x - 8$; $x \in [-4, 2]$

Sol: Given function is $f(x) = x^2 + 2x - 8$; $x \in [-4, 2]$

Note that $f(x)$ is polynomial function. Since a poly fn. is derivable on $\mathbb{R}$

- $\therefore$ (i) $f(x)$ is continuous on $[-4, 2]$
 (ii) $f(x)$ is differentiable on $(-4, 2)$

Also $f(-4) = (-4)^2 + 2(-4) - 8 = 16 - 8 - 8 = 0$

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

$\therefore f(-4) = f(2)$

$\Rightarrow$ All the conditions of Rolle's thm are satisfied by $f(x)$ in $[-4, 2]$

$\therefore \exists$ at least one real No. $c \in (-4, 2)$ such that $f'(c) = 0$

Now $f'(x) = 2x + 2$

$\therefore f'(c) = 0 \Rightarrow 2c + 2 = 0 \Rightarrow c = -1 \in (-4, 2)$

$\therefore$ Rolle's thm is verified with $c = -1$.

QNo 2 Examine if Rolle's theorem is applicable to any of the following functions. Can you say something about the converse of Rolle's theorem from these examples?

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

Given function is $f(x) = [x]$; $x \in [5, 9]$.

We know that $f(x)$ is neither cont. nor differentiable at $5, 6, 7, 8, 9 \Rightarrow f(x)$ is not cont. in $[5, 9]$

and $f(x)$ is not diff. on $(5, 9)$

Also $f(5) = 5$ and $f(7) = 7 \Rightarrow f(5) \neq f(7)$

Hence Rolle's theorem is not applicable to $f(x)$ in $[5, 9]$

Note that $f(x) = 0$ for all non integral points in $(5, 9)$

$\Rightarrow$ Converse of Rolle's theorem is not true.

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

Same as above.

(iii) $f(x) = x^2 - 1$ for $x \in [1, 2]$

Sol: $f(x) = x^2 - 1$ which is polynomial function and hence Cont. and diff $\forall x \in \mathbb{R}$

$\therefore f(x)$ is Cont in $[1, 2]$

$f(x)$ is diff in $(1, 2)$

But $f(1) = 1^2 - 1 = 0$ and $f(2) = 2^2 - 1 = 3$

$\therefore f(1) \neq f(2)$

$\Rightarrow$ Rolle's theorem is not applicable in given interval.

Also $f'(x) = 2x \neq 0$ for any $x \in (1, 2)$

CONCLUSION: From the above examples, we conclude that converse of Rolle's theorem is not true.

This means that if conditions of Rolle's theorem are not satisfied by a function $f(x)$ on $[a, b]$

then $f'(x)$ may or may not vanish at some point in (a, b)

QNo 3: If $f: [-5, 5] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is differentiable function and if $f'(x)$ does not vanish anywhere, then prove that $f(-5) \neq f(5)$

Sol: Suppose $f(-5) = f(5)$

Now Since f is differentiable function and differentiable function is always continuous

$\Rightarrow f$ satisfies all the three conditions of Rolle's theorem

$\Rightarrow f'(x) = 0$ at least at some point c in $(-5, 5)$

But $f(x)$ does not vanish anywhere

$\Rightarrow$ Our Supposition is wrong.

$\Rightarrow f(-5) \neq f(5)$

Q.No 4 Verify Mean Value theorem, $f(x) = x^2 - 4x - 3$ in the interval $[a, b]$ where $a=1$ and $b=4$.

Sol. Here $f(x) = x^2 - 4x - 3$; $x \in [1, 4]$
Which being polynomial function is continuous and derivable $\forall x \in \mathbb{R}$

$\therefore$ (i) $f(x)$ is Cont. in $[1, 4]$

(ii) $f(x)$ is diff. in $(1, 4)$

$\therefore$ Conditions of Lagrange's MV Thm are satisfied in $[1, 4]$

Hence there exists $(\exists)$ at least one real no. $c \in (1, 4)$ s.t.

$$f'(c) = \frac{f(4) - f(1)}{4 - 1}$$

$$\text{i.e. } 2c - 4 = \frac{(4^2 - 4 \times 4 - 3) - (1^2 - 4 \times 1 - 3)}{3} \quad \left[\because f'(x) = 2x - 4 \right]$$

$$\text{i.e. } 2c - 4 = \frac{(-3) - (-6)}{3} = \frac{-3 + 6}{3} = \frac{3}{3} = 1$$

$$\text{i.e. } 2c - 4 = 1 \Rightarrow c = \frac{5}{2} \in (1, 4)$$

$\therefore$ Mean Value thm is verified in $[1, 4]$

Q.No 5: Verify MV Thm if $f(x) = x^3 - 5x^2 - 3x$ in interval $[a, b]$, where $a=1$, $b=3$. Find all $c \in (1, 3)$ for which $f'(c) = 0$

Sol. Given $f(x) = x^3 - 5x^2 - 3x$, which is polynomial fn.
Hence $f(x)$ continuous and differentiable $\forall x \in \mathbb{R}$

$\therefore$ (i) $f(x)$ is Cont. in $[1, 3]$

(ii) $f(x)$ is diff. in $(1, 3)$

$$\text{and } f'(x) = 3x^2 - 10x - 3$$

$\therefore$ Conditions of LMV Thm are satisfied on $[1, 3]$

$\therefore \exists$ at least one $c \in (1, 3)$ so that

$$f'(c) = \frac{f(3) - f(1)}{3 - 1} \text{ i.e. } 3c^2 - 10c - 3 = \frac{(3^3 - 5 \cdot 3^2 - 3 \cdot 3) - (1^3 - 5 \cdot 1^2 - 3 \cdot 1)}{3 - 1}$$

$$\text{or } 3c^2 - 10c - 3 = -10 \quad \text{i.e. } 3c^2 - 10c + 7 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow c = \frac{-(-10) \pm \sqrt{(-10)^2 - 4 \times 3 \times 7}}{2 \times 3} = \frac{10 \pm \sqrt{100 - 84}}{6} = \frac{10 \pm \sqrt{16}}{6} = \frac{10 \pm 4}{6}$$

$$= 1, \frac{7}{3}$$

Note that $\frac{7}{3} \in (1, 3)$.

Hence LMV Thm is verified.

$$\text{Now } f'(c) = 0 \Rightarrow 3c^2 - 10c - 3 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow c = \frac{-(-10) \pm \sqrt{(-10)^2 - 4 \times 3 \times (-3)}}{6} = \frac{10 \pm \sqrt{100 + 36}}{6} = \frac{10 \pm \sqrt{136}}{6}$$

QNo 6: Examine the applicability of MV Thm for all fns given in QNo 2.

Sol. (i) and (ii) MV Thm is not applicable as

$f(x) = [x]$ is neither Cont. nor diff. at every point on interval $(-2, 2)$ and $(5, 9)$

(iii) Here $f(x) = x^2 - 1$. which is polynomial fn.

$\therefore f(x)$ is cont. in $[1, 2]$

and $f(x)$ is diff in $(1, 2)$

$\Rightarrow f(x)$ satisfies conditions of MVT in $[1, 2]$

$\therefore \exists$ at least one $c \in \mathbb{R}$ and hence $c \in (1, 2)$ so that

$$f'(c) = \frac{f(2) - f(1)}{2 - 1} \quad \text{i.e. } 2c = \frac{(2^2 - 1) - (1^2 - 1)}{1}$$

$$\text{i.e. } 2c = \frac{3 - 0}{1} \quad \text{i.e. } 2c = 3 \Rightarrow c = \frac{3}{2} \in (1, 2)$$

$\therefore$ MVT is verified for given fn. in given interval.

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