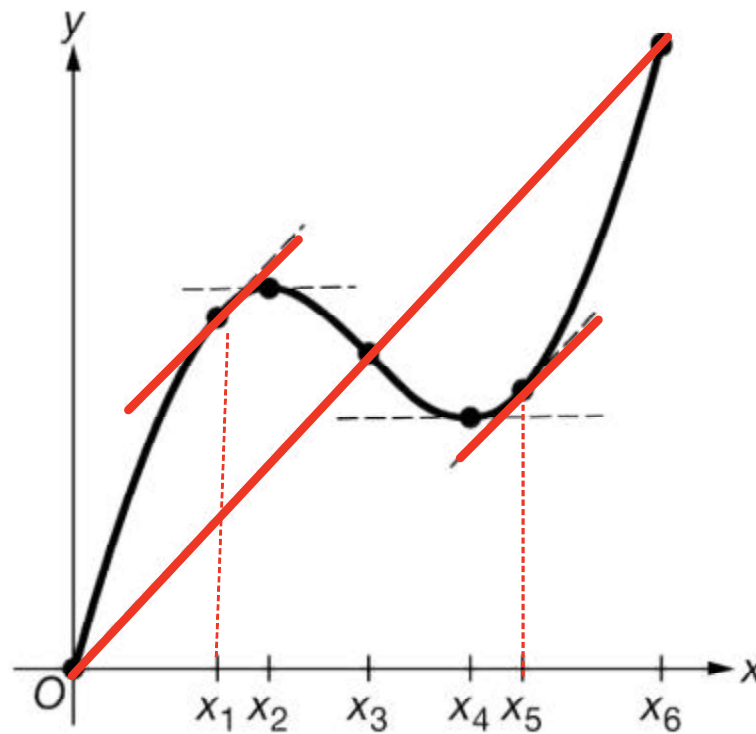


## Unit 5.1 Using the Mean Value Theorem

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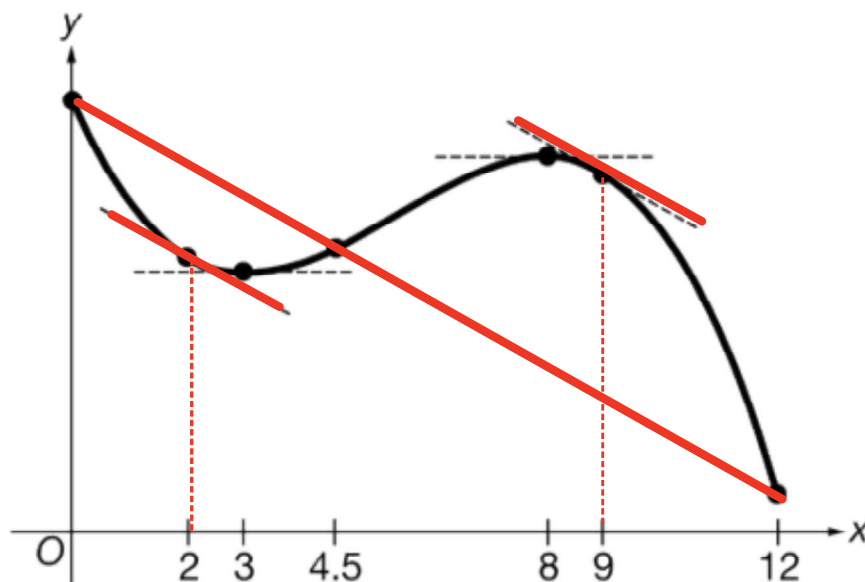
Graph of  $g$ 

MVT

The function  $g$  shown in the figure above is continuous on the closed interval  $[0, x_6]$  and differentiable on the open interval  $(0, x_6)$ , where  $x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4, x_5$ , and  $x_6$  are points on the  $x$ -axis. Based on the graph, what are all values of  $x$  that satisfy the conclusion of the Mean Value Theorem applied to  $g$  on the closed interval  $[0, x_6]$ ?

- (A)  $x_3$  only, because this is the value where  $g(x)$  equals the average rate of change of  $g$  on  $[0, x_6]$ .
- (B)  $x_2$  and  $x_4$  only, because these are the values where  $g'(x) = 0$  on  $[0, x_6]$ .
- (C)  $x_1$  and  $x_5$  only, because these are the values where the instantaneous rate of change of  $g$  at those values is equal to the average rate of change of  $g$  on  $[0, x_6]$ .
- (D)  $x_1, x_3$ , and  $x_5$  only, because these are the values where either the instantaneous rate of change of  $g$  at the value is equal to the average rate of change of  $g$  on  $[0, x_6]$  or the value of  $g(x)$  is equal to the average rate of change of  $g$  on  $[0, x_6]$ .

2.



The function  $f$  shown in the figure above is continuous on the closed interval  $[0, 12]$  and differentiable on the open interval  $(0, 12)$ . Based on the graph, what are all values of  $x$  that satisfy the conclusion of the Mean Value Theorem applied to  $f$  on the closed interval  $[0, 12]$ ?

- (A) 4.5 only because this is the value where  $f(x)$  equals the average rate of change of  $f$  on  $[0, 12]$ .
- (B) 3 and 8 because these are the values where  $f'(x) = 0$  on  $[0, 12]$ .
- (C) 2 and 9 only because these are the values where the instantaneous rate of change of  $f$  at those values is equal to the average rate of change of  $f$  on  $[0, 12]$ .
- (D) 2, 4.5, and 9 because these are the values where either the instantaneous rate of change of  $f$  at the value is equal to the average rate of change of  $f$  on  $[0, 12]$  or the value of  $f(x)$  is equal to the average rate of change of  $f$  on  $[0, 12]$ .

3. The Mean Value Theorem can be applied to which of the following functions on the closed interval  $[-5, 5]$ ?

- (A)  $f(x) = \frac{1}{\sin x}$   $x \neq -\pi, 0, \pi$
- (B)  $f(x) = \frac{x-1}{|x-1|}$   $x \neq 1$
- (C)  $f(x) = \frac{x^2}{x^2-36}$   $x \neq -6, x \neq 6$
- (D)  $f(x) = \frac{x^2}{x^2-4}$   $x \neq -2, x \neq 2$

4. The Mean Value Theorem can be applied to which of the following functions on the closed interval  $[-3, 3]$ ?

- (A)  $f(x) = x^{\frac{2}{3}}$   $x$  Not diff at  $x=0$
- (B)  $f(x) = |x-1|$   $x$  Not diff at  $x=1$
- (C)  $f(x) = \frac{x-2}{x-5}$   $x \neq -5$
- (D)  $f(x) = \frac{x-5}{x-2}$   $x \neq 2$

5.

$x$	0	2	5	7	11
$f(x)$	13	5	17	28	41

$m = -4$  (0, 2)  
 $m = -4$  (2, 5)  
 $m = \frac{11}{2}$  (5, 7)  
 $m = \frac{13}{4}$  (7, 11)  
 $\frac{28}{5}$  (0, 5)  
 $\frac{36}{9}$  (0, 11)

Selected values of a differentiable function  $f$  are given in the table above. What is the fewest possible number of values of  $c$  in the interval  $[0, 11]$  for which the Mean Value Theorem guarantees that  $f'(c) = 4$ ?

- (A) Zero  
(B) One  
(C) Two  
(D) Three

6.

$x$	1	3	5	7	9
$f(x)$	0	6	18	29	42

$m = \frac{6}{2}$  (1, 3) ✓  
 $m = \frac{12}{2}$  (3, 5) ✓  
 $m = \frac{11}{2}$  (5, 7)  
 $m = \frac{13}{2}$  (7, 9)  
 $\frac{23}{4}$  (1, 5)  
 $\frac{36}{6}$  (1, 9) ✓  
 $\frac{18}{4}$  (1, 5)  
 $\frac{29}{6}$  (1, 3)  
 $\frac{42}{8}$  (1, 9)

Selected values of a differentiable function  $f$  are given in the table above. What is the fewest possible number of values of  $c$  in the interval  $[1, 9]$  for which the Mean Value Theorem guarantees that  $f'(c) = 6$ ?

- (A) Zero  
(B) One  
(C) Two  
(D) Three

7. The function  $f$  is continuous for  $-2 \leq x \leq 2$  and  $f(-2) = f(2) = 0$ . If there is no  $c$ , where  $-2 < c < 2$  for which  $f'(c) = 0$ , which of the following statements must be true?

- (A) For  $-2 < k < 2$ ,  $f'(k) > 0$   
 (B) For  $-2 < k < 2$ ,  $f'(k) < 0$   
 (C) For  $-2 < k < 2$ ,  $f'(k)$  exists.  
 (D) For  $-2 < k < 2$ ,  $f'(k)$  exists, but  $f$  is not continuous.  
 (E) For some  $k$ , where  $-2 < k < 2$ ,  $f'(k)$  does not exist.

Diff?

8.

$x$	$f(x)$
1	2.4
3	3.6
5	5.4

$$\searrow m = 0.6$$

$$\searrow m = 0.9$$

we need  $0.6 < f'(3) < 0.9$  b/c  $f'' > 0$

The table above gives selected values of a function  $f$ . The function is twice differentiable with  $f''(x) > 0$ . Which of the following could be the value of  $f'(3)$ ?

- (A) 0.6  
 (B) 0.7  
 (C) 0.9  
 (D) 1.2  
 (E) 1.5

9. A differentiable function  $f$  has the property that  $f'(x) \leq 3$  for  $1 \leq x \leq 8$  and  $f(5) = 6$ . Which of the following could be true?

I.  $f(2) = 0$  ✓

II.  $f(6) = -2$  ✓

III.  $f(7) = 13$  ✗

- (A) I only  
 (B) II only  
 (C) I and II only  
 (D) I and III only  
 (E) II and III only

$$(2, 0), (5, 6) \Rightarrow m = 2$$

$$(5, 6), (6, -2) \Rightarrow m = \frac{-8}{1} = -8$$

$$(5, 6), (7, 13) \Rightarrow m = \frac{7}{2} > 3$$

10. Let  $f$  be the function given by  $f(x) = x^3 - 2x^2 + 5x - 16$ . For what value of  $x$  in the closed interval  $[0, 5]$  does the instantaneous rate of change of  $f$  equal the average rate of change of  $f$  over that interval?

- (A) 0  
(B)  $5/3$   
(C)  $5/2$   
(D) 3  
(E) 5

ARC

$$f(0) = -16$$

$$f(5) = 125 - 50 + 25 - 16$$

$$f(5) = 84$$

$$ARC = \frac{84 + 16}{5 - 0} = \frac{100}{5} = 20$$

$$f' = 3x^2 - 4x + 5$$

MVT

$$20 = 3x^2 - 4x + 5$$

$$0 = 3x^2 - 4x - 15$$

$$0 = 3x^2 - 9x + 5x - 15$$

$$0 = 3x(x - 3) + 5(x - 3)$$

$$0 = (x - 3)(3x + 5)$$

$$x = 3, x = -5/3$$

$$m = -4/5x^2$$

$$Add = -4x$$

$$T = -9x, 5x$$

diff & Cont

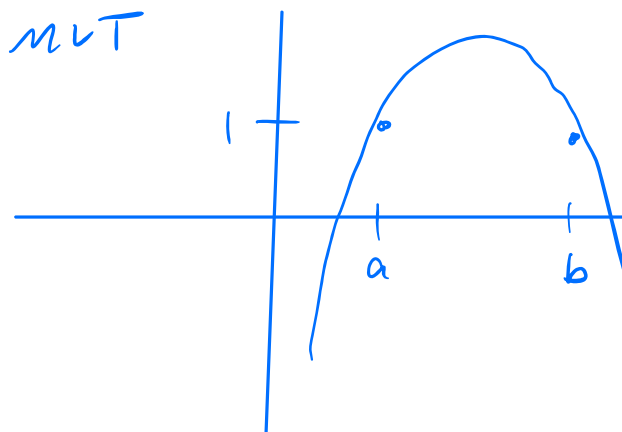
11. Let  $f$  be a polynomial function with degree greater than 2. If  $a \neq b$  and  $f(a) = f(b) = 1$ , which of the following must be true for at least one value of  $x$  between  $a$  and  $b$ ?

I.  $f(x) = 0$

II.  $f'(x) = 0$

III.  $f''(x) = 0$

- (A) None  
(B) I only  
(C) II only  
(D) I and II only  
(E) I, II, and III



12. Let  $f$  be the function defined by  $f(x) = x + \ln x$ . What is the value of  $c$  for which the instantaneous rate of change of  $f$  at  $x = c$  is the same as the average rate of change of  $f$  over  $[1, 4]$ ?

- (A) 0.456  
(B) 1.244  
(C) 2.164  
(D) 2.342  
(E) 2.452

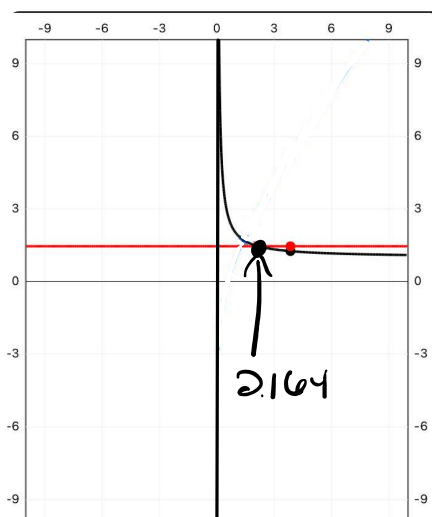
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$Y_1 = X + \ln(X)$

$Y_2 = (Y_1(1) - Y_1(4)) / (1 - 4)$

$Y_3 = \frac{d}{dX}(Y_1)_{X=X}$

$Y_4 =$



## FRQ 1

$x$	-1.5	-1.0	-0.5	0	0.5	1.0	1.5
$f(x)$	-1	-4	-6	-7	-6	-4	-1
$f'(x)$	-7	-5	-3	0	3	5	7

Let  $f$  be a function that is differentiable for all real numbers. The table above gives the values of  $f$  and its derivative  $f'$  for selected points  $x$  in the closed interval  $-1.5 \leq x \leq 1.5$ . The second derivative of  $f$  has the property that  $f''(x) > 0$  for  $-1.5 \leq x \leq 1.5$ .

$\therefore f'$  is differentiable

13. Find a positive real number  $r$  having the property that there must exist a value  $c$  with  $0 < c < 0.5$  and  $f''(c) = r$ . Give a reason for your answer.

$f'$  is differentiable on  $-1.5 \leq x \leq 1.5$

By MVT there exists a  $c$  on  $(0, 0.5)$  such that  $f''(c) = \frac{f(0) - f(0.5)}{0 - 0.5} = \frac{0 - 3}{-0.5} = \frac{-3}{-0.5} = \frac{-3}{-1/2} = -6$   
 $\therefore r = -6$

+1

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## FRQ 2

Distance $x$ (cm)	0	1	5	6	8
Temperature $T(x)$ ( $^{\circ}\text{C}$ )	100	93	70	62	55

A metal wire of length 8 centimeters (cm) is heated at one end. The table above gives selected values of the temperature  $T(x)$ , in degrees Celsius ( $^{\circ}\text{C}$ ), of the wire  $x$  cm from the heated end. The function  $T$  is decreasing and twice differentiable.

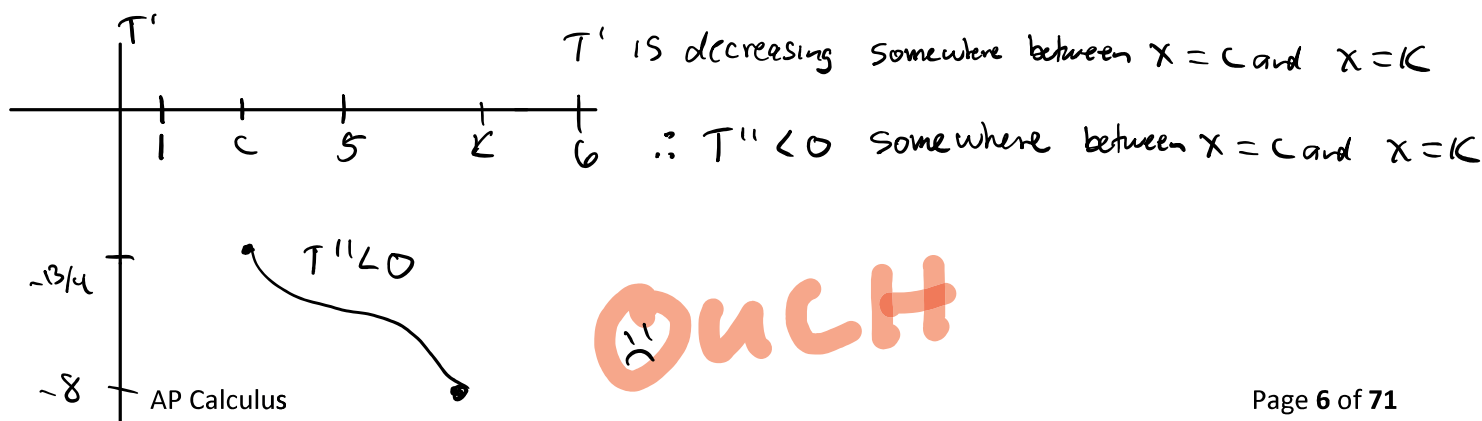
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14. Are the data in the table consistent with the assertion that  $T''(x) > 0$  for every  $x$  in the interval  $0 < x < 8$ ? Explain your answer.

$$\text{ARC} = \frac{f(1) - f(5)}{1 - 5} = \frac{93 - 70}{-4} = \frac{13}{-4} \quad \therefore T'(c) = -\frac{13}{4} \quad \text{for some } c \text{ on } (1, 5)$$

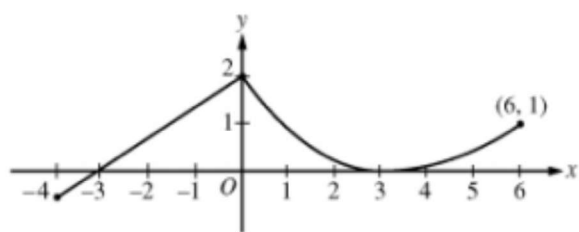
$$\text{ARC} = \frac{f(5) - f(6)}{5 - 6} = \frac{70 - 62}{-1} = \frac{8}{-1} = -8 \quad \therefore T'(k) = -8 \quad \text{for some } k \text{ on } (5, 6)$$

By MVT





## FRQ 3

Graph of  $f$ 

A continuous function  $f$  is defined on the closed interval  $-4 \leq x \leq 6$ . The graph of  $f$  consists of a line segment and a curve that is tangent to the  $x$ -axis at  $x=3$ , as shown in the figure above. On the interval  $0 < x < 6$ , the function  $f$  is twice differentiable, with  $f''(x) > 0$ .

15. Is there a value of  $a$ ,  $-4 \leq a < 6$ , for which the Mean Value Theorem, applied to the interval  $[a, 6]$ , guarantees a value  $c$ ,  $a < c < 6$ , at which  $f'(c) = \frac{1}{3}$ ? Justify your answer.

•  $f(x)$  is continuous on  $[3, 6]$  and differentiable on  $(3, 6)$

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$$ARC = \frac{f(3) - f(6)}{3 - 6} = \frac{0 - 1}{3 - 6} = \frac{-1}{-3} = \frac{1}{3}$$

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By MVT there exists a  $c$  on  $(3, 6)$  such that  $f'(c) = \frac{1}{3}$