

Mean Value Theorem: Suppose

- 1.)  $f$  continuous on  $[a, b]$
- 2.)  $f$  differentiable on  $(a, b)$

Then there exists  $c \in (a, b)$  such that  $f'(c) = \frac{f(b)-f(a)}{b-a}$

Ex 3: If  $f'(x) = 0$  for all  $x \in (a, b)$ , then  $f(x) = c$  for some constant  $c$ .

Proof: Take  $x_0 \in (a, b)$

Show  $f(x) = f(x_0)$  for all  $x \in (a, b)$  [i.e.,  $c = f(x_0)$ ].

Without loss of generality, assume  $x > x_0$ .

(proof is similar when  $x < x_0$ ).

$f$  is continuous on  $[x_0, x]$ .

$f$  is differentiable on  $(x_0, x)$ .

By MVT, there exists  $c \in (x_0, x)$  such that

$$\frac{f(x)-f(x_0)}{x-x_0} = f'(c) = 0.$$

Thus  $f(x) - f(x_0) = 0$ . Hence  $f(x) = f(x_0)$ .

Ex 4: If  $f'(x) = g'(x)$  for all  $x \in (a, b)$ , then  $f(x) = g(x) + c$  for some constant  $c$ .

Proof:  $f'(x) = g'(x)$  implies  $(f - g)'(x) = f'(x) - g'(x) = 0$ .

Thus  $(f - g)(x) = f(x) - g(x) = c$  for some constant  $c$ .

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The Fundamental Theorem of Calculus: Suppose  $f$  continuous on  $[a, b]$ .

1.) If  $g(x) = \int_a^x f(t)dt$ , then  $g'(x) = f(x)$ .

2.)  $\int_a^b f(t)dt = F(b) - F(a)$  where  $F$  is any antiderivative of  $f$ , that is  $F' = f$ .