

Location of roots theorem $f: [a, b] \xrightarrow{\text{cts}} \mathbb{R}$

such that $f(a) < 0 < f(b)$

then $\exists c \in (a, b) : f(c) = 0$

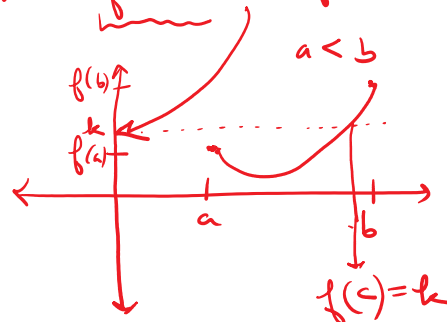
Theorem

5.3.7 Bolzano's Intermediate value theorem

Let I be any interval & $f: I \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be cts on I

If $a, b \in I$ & if $k \in \mathbb{R}$ satisfies $f(a) < k < f(b)$

then there is a point $c \in I$ between a & b such that $f(c) = k$



Proof Let $a < b$ (the case $a > b$ similar)

Define $g: [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ as

$$g(x) = f(x) - k \quad \forall x \in [a, b]$$

Then, $g(a) = f(a) - k < 0$ ($\because f(a) < k$) & $g(b) = f(b) - k > 0$ ($\because k < f(b)$)

$\therefore g(a) < 0 < g(b)$, $g: [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ & g is cts on $[a, b]$

\therefore by location of roots theorem, $\exists c \in (a, b) : g(c) = 0$ ($\because f$ is cts & $x \rightarrow k$ is cts)

$$\Rightarrow f(c) - k = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow f(c) = k \text{ for some } c \text{ lying between } a \text{ & } b$$

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only 1 question

Q17 If $f: [0, 1] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is cts and has only rational values (respectively irrational values) must f be constant? Prove your assertion.

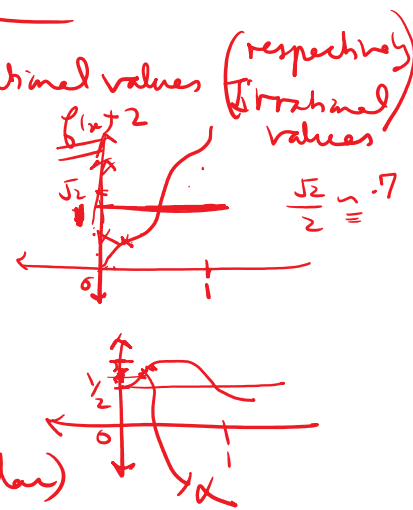
Sol Suppose f is not constant

$$\Rightarrow \exists x, y \in I = [0, 1] :$$

$$f(x) \neq f(y)$$

Let $f(x) < f(y)$ (case $f(x) > f(y)$ is similar)

\exists an irrational no. $k : f(x) < k < f(y)$ (by density theorem)
& f is cts on I & $x, y \in I$



& f is cts on $I \quad \exists x, y \in I$
 By Intermediate Value Theorem, $\exists c$ lying between x & y
 such that $f(c) = k$

This is a contradiction as $f(c)$ is rational (given) & k is irrational

$\therefore f$ is a constant function

Cor. 5.3.8 Let $I = [a, b]$ be a closed, bdd interval & $f: I \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be cts on I . If $k \in \mathbb{R}$ is any no satisfying

$$\inf f(I) \leq k \leq \sup f(I) \quad \text{--- (1)}$$

then \exists a no $c \in I$: $f(c) = k$

Proof

$f: I \xrightarrow{\text{cts}} \mathbb{R}$. I is closed & bdd

\therefore by max-min thm, $\exists x, y \in I$:

$$f(x) = \inf f(I) \quad \& \quad f(y) = \sup f(I)$$

\therefore from (1) we get, $f(x) \leq k \leq f(y)$ where $x, y \in I$

If $k = x$ or $k = y$ we get $f(x) = k$ or $f(y) = k$
 Otherwise, $f(x) < k < f(y)$, $f: I \xrightarrow{\text{cts}} \mathbb{R}$, $x, y \in I$
 & result is proved

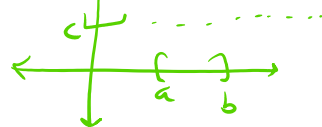
By I.V.T., $\exists c \in I$: $f(c) = k$

Continuous image of a closed & bdd interval is also a closed & bdd interval

$$f: A \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$$

$$f(A)$$

$$f: [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \quad f([a, b]) = [c, d]$$



Thm 5.3.9 Let I be closed & bdd interval

& $f: I \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be cts on I . Then the set

$$f(I) = \{f(x) \mid x \in I\}$$

is a closed & bdd interval

Proof

Let $f: I \xrightarrow{\text{cts}} \mathbb{R}$, $I = [a, b]$

$$m = \inf f(I)$$

$$M = \sup f(I)$$

By bddness theorem, $f(I)$ is a bdd set

$\Rightarrow \inf f(I) \text{ \& \; } \sup f(I) \text{ exist}$
 Let $m = \inf f(I) \text{ \& \; } M = \sup f(I)$

Claim: $f(I) = [m, M]$ $A \subseteq B$
 $A \supseteq B$

for any $f(x) \in f(I) \Rightarrow m \leq f(x) \leq M$
 $\Rightarrow f(x) \in [m, M]$

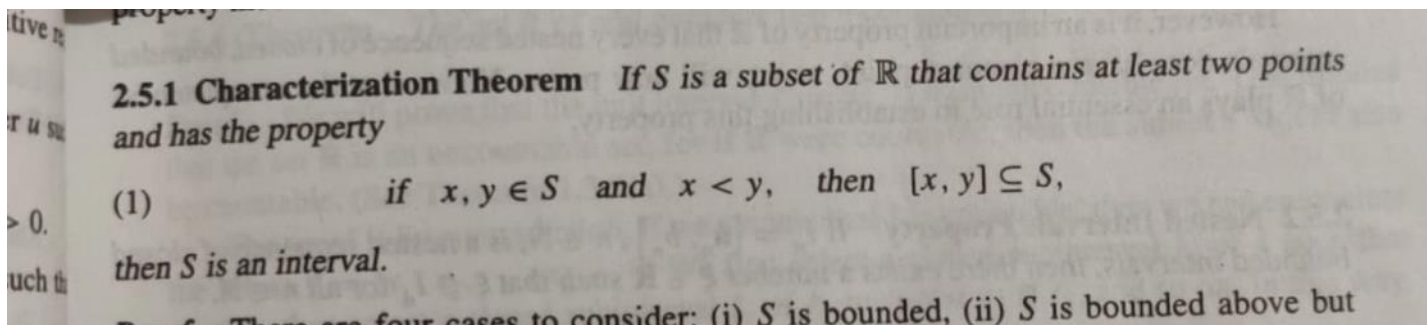
$\therefore f(I) \subseteq [m, M] \text{ ————— (1)}$

Let $k \in [m, M] \Rightarrow m \leq k \leq M$
 i.e. $\inf f(I) \leq k \leq \sup f(I)$

(by cor 5.3.8) $\exists c \in I: f(c) = k$
 $\Rightarrow k \in f(I)$

$\therefore [m, M] \subseteq f(I) \text{ ————— (2)}$

$\therefore \textcircled{1} \text{ \& \; } \textcircled{2} \Rightarrow f(I) = [m, M]$



$\{1, 2, 3\}$



$x < y \quad x, y \in S$

$k \in [x, y] \Rightarrow k \in S$

$[x, y] \subseteq S$



Theorem 5.3.10 Preservation of Intervals

I be any interval & $f: I \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$

be cts on I then $f(I)$ is an Interval

$f: [a, b] \xrightarrow{\text{cts}} \mathbb{R}$
 $\Rightarrow f(I) = [m, M]$

Proof Given: $f: I \xrightarrow{\text{cts}} \mathbb{R}$

To show: $f(I)$ is an Interval (we'll use ...)

$f: [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$
 To show: $f(I)$ is an Interval (we'll use characterization prop)
 Let $\alpha, \beta \in f(I)$, $\alpha < \beta$ (we'll show $[\alpha, \beta] \subseteq f(I)$)

As $\alpha, \beta \in f(I) \therefore \exists a, b \in I: f(a) = \alpha \text{ \& \& } f(b) = \beta$

Let $k \in [\alpha, \beta]$

$\Rightarrow \alpha \leq k \leq \beta$

$\Rightarrow f(a) \leq k \leq f(b)$ for some $a, b \in I$

\therefore by I.V.T., $\exists c \in I: \underline{f(c)} = k$

$\Rightarrow k \in \underline{f(I)} \therefore [\alpha, \beta] \subseteq f(I)$

\therefore for any $\alpha, \beta \in f(I) = S$, $[\alpha, \beta] \subseteq f(I) = S$
 $\Rightarrow f(I) \stackrel{\alpha < \beta}{\text{is an Interval (by char. thm)}}$