

HW Set 6 Solution.

#1. Find c in $(-2, 2)$ such that $f'(c) = \frac{f(2) - f(-2)}{2 - (-2)}$. Here $f'(c) = 2c + 2$.

So solve $2c + 2 = \frac{(2^2 + 2) - ((-2)^2 + (-2))}{2 - (-2)}$ for c . $\Rightarrow \boxed{c = -\frac{1}{2}}$ in $(-2, 2)$.

#2. Find c in $(1, 3)$ such that $f'(c) = \frac{f(3) - f(1)}{3 - 1}$. Here $f'(c) = -\frac{1}{c^2}$.

So solve $-\frac{1}{c^2} = \frac{(\frac{1}{3} + 1) - (\frac{1}{1} + 1)}{3 - 1}$ for c . $\Rightarrow c^2 = 3 \Rightarrow c = \pm\sqrt{3}$.

But we need to choose $\boxed{c = \sqrt{3}}$ only, cause it must be in $(1, 3)$.

#3. Let $f(x) = x - \cos x$. Then $f(0) = 0 - \cos 0 = -1 < 0$ and $f(\frac{\pi}{2}) = \frac{\pi}{2} - \cos \frac{\pi}{2} = \frac{\pi}{2} > 0$.

So $f(0) < 0 < f(\frac{\pi}{2})$. Then by Intermediate Value Theorem (IVT),

$f(x) = 0$ has at least one solution c , that is, $f(c) = 0$ in $(0, \frac{\pi}{2})$.

#4. $f'(x) = -\frac{2}{x^2} < 0$ for all x in $(-2, -1)$.

So by theorem, f must be increasing on $(-2, -1)$.

#5. Let $h(x) = f(x) - g(x)$ on $[1, 5]$. Then $h'(x) = f'(x) - g'(x) = 0$ by assumption.

So $h'(x) = 0$. Then $h(x) = C$ (constant) on $[1, 5]$.

We need to determine C . Since $h(2) = f(2) - g(2) = 1 - 4 = -3$, $\boxed{h(x) = -3}$.

Hence, $f(3) - g(3) = h(3) = \boxed{-3}$ and $f(4) - g(4) = h(4) = \boxed{-3}$.

#6. Since $f'(x) = 0$ on $(1, 4)$, $f(x) = C$ (constant) on $(1, 4)$.

Since $f(2) = 4$, $f(x) = 4$ on $[1, 4]$. $\Rightarrow \boxed{f(x) = 4}$ on $[1, 4]$.

#7. (1) Choose $0 < 1$. Then $f(0) = -1 < 0$ & $f(1) = 4 + 2 - 1 = 5 > 0$.

& let $f(x) = 4x^2 + 2x - 1$ So $f(0) < 0 < f(1)$.

Then by IVT, there exists at least one c in $(0, 1)$ such that

$f(c) = 0$. $\Rightarrow c$ is a solution of $4x^2 + 2x - 1 = 0$.

(2). We have shown that $f(x) = 0$ has at least one solution by # (1).

Suppose there are c_1 & c_2 as solutions of $f(x) = 0$.

Then $f(c_1) = 0 = f(c_2)$. Then by Rolle's theorem (or MVT),

there exists C between c_1 and c_2 such that $f'(C) = 0$.

But $f'(x) = 12x^2 + 2$ has no solution, that is, there is no x such

that $12x^2 + 2 = 0$. So such C that $f'(C) = 0$ cannot exist.

This contradiction happens because we assume that there are two solutions.

So $f(x) = 0$ has only one solution!