

Calculus I

Sec 4.2

#21. (a) Yes, the conditions of the Mean Value Theorem are satisfied: f is continuous and differentiable since it is a polynomial.

$$(b) \frac{f(2) - f(-1)}{2 - (-1)} = \frac{3 - 6}{3} = -1; \quad f'(x) = -2x.$$

Solve $f'(c) = -2c = -1$ to obtain $c = \frac{1}{2}$, the unique point in the interval $(-1, 2)$ where $f'(c)$ equals the average rate of change of f on $[-1, 2]$.

#22. (a) Yes, the conditions of the Mean Value Theorem are satisfied: f is continuous and differentiable since it is a polynomial.

$$(b) \frac{f(1) - f(0)}{1 - 0} = \frac{-1 - 0}{1 - 0} = -1, \quad f'(x) = 3x^2 - 4x. \quad \text{To find points}$$

where $f'(c) = 3c^2 - 4c = -1$, solve $0 = 3c^2 - 4c + 1 = (3c - 1)(c - 1)$.

The roots of this equation are $\frac{1}{3}$ and 1 ; however we require $0 < c < 1$. So the only solution is $c = \frac{1}{3}$.

#23. (a) No; the conditions required by the Mean Value Theorem are not satisfied. Although f is continuous, it is not differentiable at 0 .

#24. (a) No; this function is neither continuous nor differentiable at 1 .

#25. (a) Yes; the exponential function is both continuous and differentiable.

$$(b) \frac{f(1) - f(0)}{1 - 0} = \frac{e - 1}{1} = e - 1, \quad f'(x) = e^x. \quad \text{We must find } c$$

such that $e^c = e - 1$. The unique solution is $c = \ln(e - 1) \approx 0.541$, a point in the open interval $(0, 1)$.

