

Formulas and Theorems

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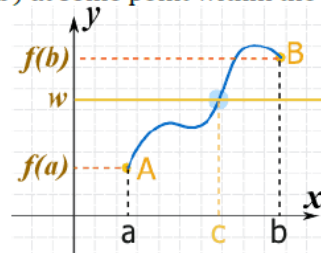
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f is a continuous function with an interval, $[a, b]$, as its domain.

If f takes **values** $f(a)$ and $f(b)$ at each end of the interval, then it also takes any **value** between $f(a)$ and $f(b)$ at some point within the interval.



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