

Position of Real Roots.

If $f(x) = 0$ be a polynomial equation and x_1, x_2, \dots, x_k are the consecutive real roots of $f(x) = 0$, then positive or negative sign of the values of $f(-\infty), f(x), \dots, f(x_k), f(\infty)$ will determine the intervals in which the root of $f(x) = 0$ will lie whenever there is a change of sign from $f(x_r)$ to $f(x_{r+1})$ the root lies in the interval $[x_r, x_{r+1}]$.