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The mean value theorem of integral calculus states that for any continuous real-valued function f on an interval I , and for any two distinct real numbers $a, b \in I$, there exists a value $V(a, b)$ in the open interval between a and b for which

$$f(V(a, b)) = \frac{1}{b - a} \int_a^b f(x) \, dx.$$

If in addition f is strictly monotonic, then the function V_f defined by

$$V_f(s, t) = f^{-1} \left(\frac{1}{t - s} \int_s^t f(x) \, dx \right)$$

(and $V_f(s, s) = s$) can be viewed as a two-variable mean on the interval I . We discuss which of these means are homogeneous. (Received September 19, 2011)