

# Exercises 2<sup>nd</sup> week

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# Learning outcomes

We hope that at the end of this session you will:

- Understand how to use Python's vectorization tools
- Be able to create and edit rudimentary functions
- Be able to use basic plotting tools
- Be able to see how iterative non-linear solvers can depend on the starting etc.
- Be able to load a `.py` file and use it

# Exercise 2

The aim of this exercise is to get you familiar with the bisection method.

1.

a) Write a function *bisection\_method.py* that takes in as input

- a function  $f$  : The function of which root is to be calculated
- a tolerance  $tol$  : Desired error/tolerance in the root
- a range  $r$  : Guess range on which root is located

and returns the value  $x$ , which is a root of the function  $f(x)=0$  using the bisection method shown in class (Consider only the situation where  $f(x)$  does not have more than one root)

b) Use this function to find  $x$  such as  $f(x) = 3 \sin(2x + \pi) + 1/3 = 0$  and use the following ranges

- [-1,0]
- [-1,1]
- $[-\pi/2, \pi/2]$

c) What can you tell about these ranges? Did you get satisfying outputs?  
Plot  $f(x)$  between  $-\pi$  and  $\pi$  and make observation on the outputs you got.

**Bonus:** add a functionality that makes the function display an error message if both range values are negative or both positive.

Hint: Python computes sin and cos using radians

# Exercise 2

2.

- a) Write a function called *secant\_method.py* that takes two functions (*f* & *g*), two starting points ( $x_0$  and  $x_1$ ) and outputs the exact value  $x$  where *f* and *g* intersect using the secant method
- b) Use the same function *f* as in part 1 and  $g(x) = 3 \cos(2x-\pi) - 2/3$  and use the following starting points

[0.30 , 0.35]

[1.60 , 1.65]

[0.75 , 0.85]

- c) What can you tell about these ranges? Did you get satisfying outputs? Plot  $f(x)$  and  $g(x)$  between 0 and  $\pi$  and make observation on the outputs you got.

## Exercise 2 (Handwritten)

Consider the following nonlinear equation :

$$g(x) = e^x - x - 2$$

- a) Using the Newton-Raphson method, find numerically the root of this equation with a precision better than  $10^{-3}$  . Take as initially guess  $x_0 = 1$ ; the exact solution is  $x^* = 1.146193$ .
- b) Do three steps of Newton-Raphson iteration starting from  $x_0 = 10$ . Discuss shortly the convergence properties of the iterative scheme around this initial point.
- c) How many iterations would be needed to obtain the accuracy of  $10^{-9}$  if we use the bisection method on the interval  $(0,5)$ .