



### Solving Nonlinear Equations





## **Bisection Method**

Assume continuos function f has a zero on the interval [a, b] and

 $\operatorname{sign}(f(a)) = -\operatorname{sign}(f(b)).$ 

Perform binary search: check sign of f((a+b)/2) and define new search interval so that ends have opposite sign. **Demo:** Bisection Method

What's the rate of convergence? What's the constant?

## Newton's Method





**Demo:** Newton's method **Demo:** Convergence of Newton's Method

What are some drawbacks of Newton?

### Secant Method

What would Newton without the use of the derivative look like?

#### **Demo:** Secant Method In-class activity: Nonlinear equations in 1D

# Outline

Python, Numpy, and Matplotlib Making Models with Polynomials Making Models with Monte Carlo

Error, Accuracy and Convergence Floating Point

Modeling the World with Arrays

The World in a Vector What can Matrices Do? Graphs

Sparsity

Norms and Errors The 'Undo' Button for Linear Operations: LU Repeating Linear Operations: Eigenvalues and Steady States Eigenvalues: Applications

Low-Rank Approximation Solving Many Equations