

FindSequence

The results of finding roots of a single 1D function are put into several variables:

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| V_numRoots | The number of roots found. Either 1 or 2. |
| V_Root | The root. |
| V_YatRoot | The Y value of the function at the root. <i>Always</i> check this; some discontinuous functions may give an indication of success, but the Y value at the found root isn't even close to zero. |
| V_Root2 | Second root if FindRoots found two roots. |
| V_YatRoot2 | The Y value at the second root. |

Results for roots of a system of nonlinear functions are reported in waves:

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| W_Root | X values of the root of a system of nonlinear functions. If you used /X=xWave, the root is reported in your wave instead. |
| W_YatRoot | The Y values of the functions at the root of a system of nonlinear functions. Only one root is found during a single call to FindRoots. |

Roots of a polynomial are reported in a wave:

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| W_polyRoots | A complex wave containing the roots of a polynomial. The number of roots should be equal to the degree of the polynomial, unless a root is doubled. |
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See Also

[Finding Function Roots](#) on page III-338.

The FindRoots operation uses the Jenkins-Traub algorithm for finding roots of polynomials:

Jenkins, M.A., Algorithm 493, Zeros of a Real Polynomial, *ACM Transactions on Mathematical Software*, 1, 178-189, 1975. Used by permission of ACM (1998).

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The FindSequence operation finds the location of the specified sequence starting the search from the specified start point. The result of the search stored in V_value is the index of the entry in the wave where the first value is found or -1 if the sequence was not found.

Flags

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| /FNAN | Specifies searching for a NaN value when srcWave is floating point. This flag was added in Igor Pro 7.00. |
| /I=wave | Specifies an integer sequence wave for integer search. |
| /M=val | If there are repeating entries in the match sequence, val is a tolerance value that specifies the maximum difference between the number of repeats. So, for example, if the match sequence is aaabbccc and the srcWave contains a sequence aabbcc then the sequence will not be considered a match if val=0 but will be considered a match if val=1. |
| /R | Searches in reverse from the point in srcWave specified by /S or, if you omit /S, from the end of srcWave. /R was added in Igor Pro 9.00. |
| /S=start | Sets starting point of the search. If you omit /S, the search starts from the start of srcWave or, if you include /R, from the end of srcWave. |
| /T=tolerance | Defines the tolerance (value \pm tolerance will be accepted) when comparing floating point numbers. |
| /U=uValueWave | Specifies the match sequence wave in case of unsigned long range. |