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%the bisection function:
function x1= bisection(f,a,b,tol,maxiter)
%This function computes a root of f in the interval [a, b]
x1=[];
while abs(b-a)>tol
    mean=(a+b)/2%the interval of b is too large, change the interval
    x1=[x1, mean];
    %add the new approximate root in the array;
    if length(x1)==maxiter
        break
    elseif f(a)*f(mean)<=0</pre>
            a=a;
            b=mean;%now the new interval is a~mean
    else
        a=mean;
        b=b;
    end
end
    if length(x1)<maxiter</pre>
        x=(a+b)/2
        x1=[x1, x];
    end
end
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