

# Solving nonlinear equations in one variable

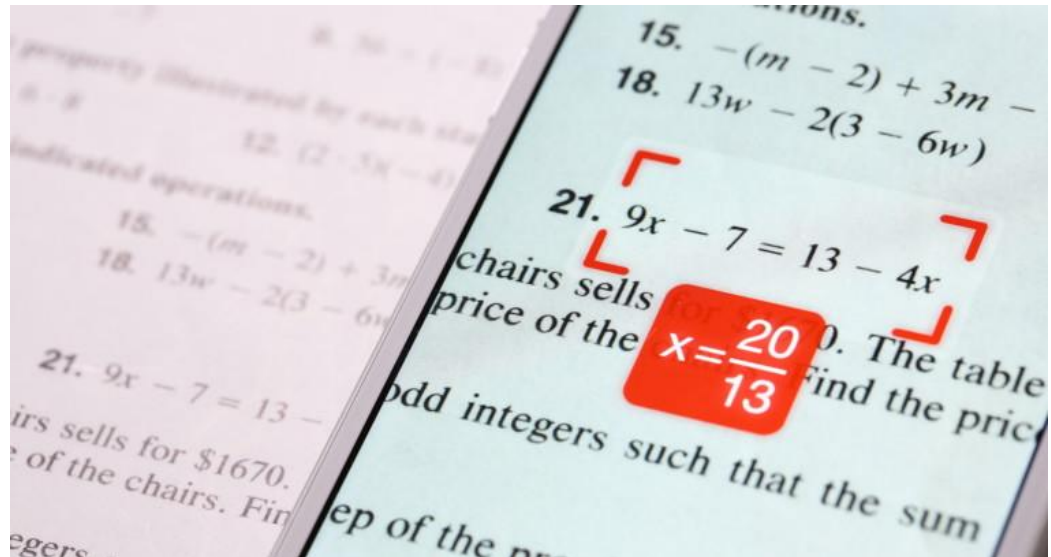
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# PhotoMath

- <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=XIbVB50mlh4>

# Today

- Evaluating a polynomial (warm-up!)
- Solving an equation with one variable



What is an efficient way to compute

$$P(x) = 2x^4 + 3x^3 - 3x^2 + 5x - 1$$



$$P\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) = ?$$

How many operations in total?

## Method 1

$$P(x) = 2x^4 + 3x^3 - 3x^2 + 5x - 1$$

$$P\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) = 2 * \frac{1}{2} * \frac{1}{2} * \frac{1}{2} * \frac{1}{2} + 3 * \frac{1}{2} * \frac{1}{2} * \frac{1}{2} - 3 * \frac{1}{2} * \frac{1}{2} + 5 * \frac{1}{2} - 1$$

- Number of multiplications? **10**
- Number of additions? **4**

## Method 2

$$P(x) = 2x^4 + 3x^3 - 3x^2 + 5x - 1$$

$$\frac{1}{2} * \frac{1}{2} = \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^2 \quad \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^2 * \frac{1}{2} = \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^3 \quad \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^3 * \frac{1}{2} = \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^4$$

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- Number of multiplications? 7
- Number of additions? 4

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***fewer***  
*operations?*

# Nested multiplication (Horner's method)

$$\begin{aligned}P(x) &= 2x^4 + 3x^3 - 3x^2 + 5x - 1 \\&= -1 + 5x - 3x^2 + 3x^3 + 2x^4 \\&= -1 + x(5 - 3x + 3x^2 + 2x^3) \\&= -1 + x(5 + x(-3 + 3x + 2x^2)) \\&= -1 + x(5 + x(-3 + x(3 + 2x)))\end{aligned}$$

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- Number of additions? **4**

**11 → 8**  
*fewer operations?*

# 程式練習

- 請完成下列程式題
- 完成後,請上傳至moodle
  - 程式碼
  - 螢幕截圖 (對答案用)
- 請在google meet教室舉手
- 請檢查即時通訊和moodle是否更新分數



# 程式練習 (HW#0)

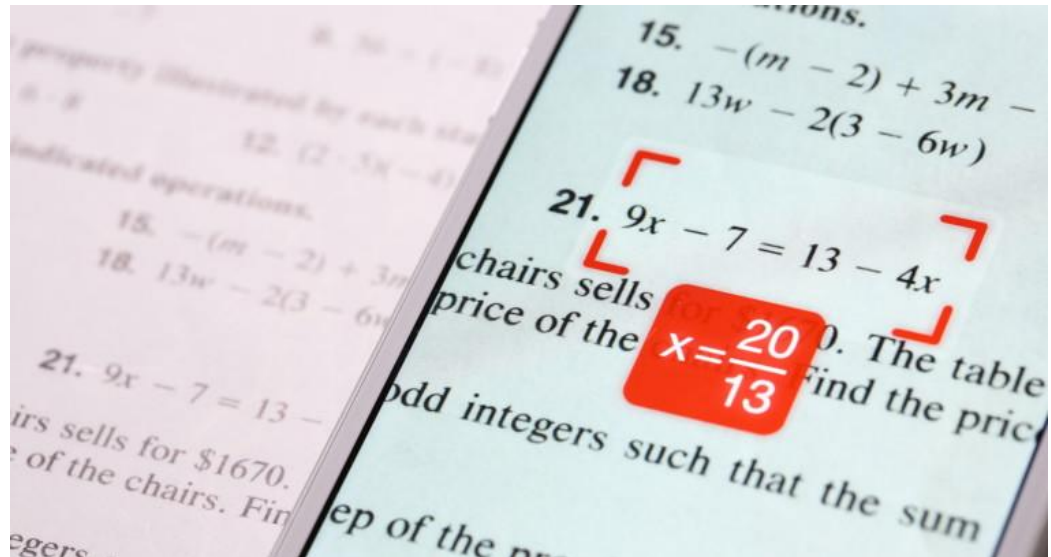
- 請使用 Horner's method 計算多項式的值
- 請用你的程式計算

$$P(x) = 1 + x + \cdots + x^{50}$$

$$P(1.0001) = ?$$

# Today

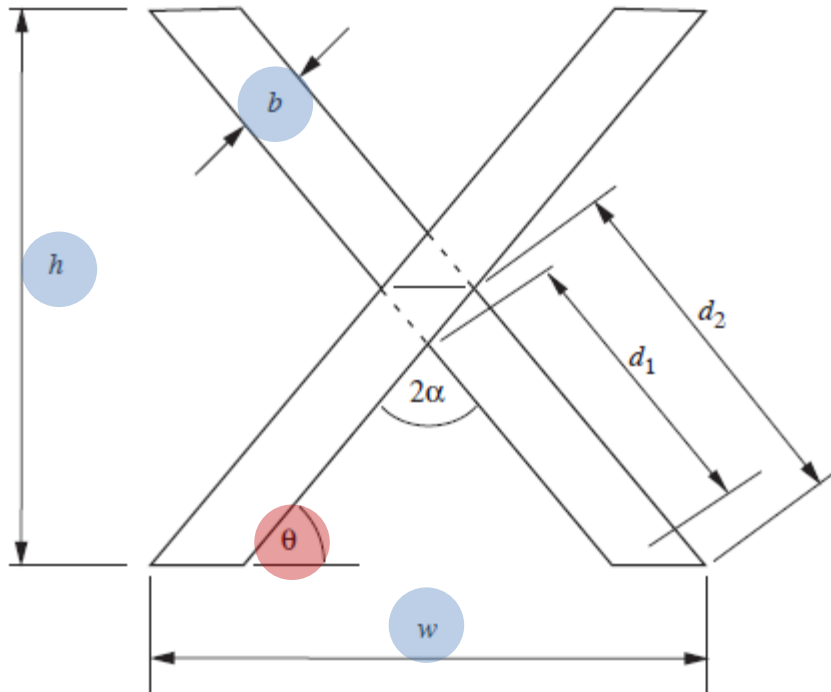
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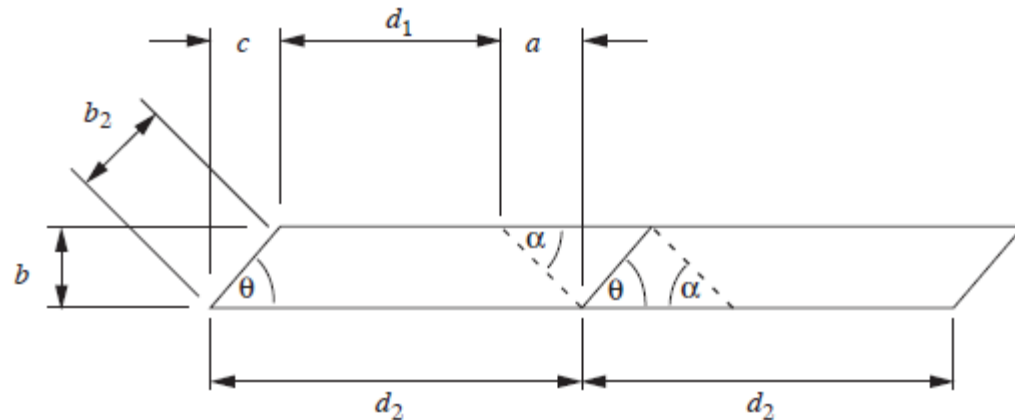
# Example 1: Picnic Table Leg

- Computing the dimensions of a picnic table leg involves a root-finding problem.

Leg assembly



Detail of one leg



- Dimensions of a the picnic table leg satisfy

$$w \sin \theta = h \cos \theta + b$$

- Given  $w$ ,  $h$ , and  $b$ , what is the value of  $\theta$ ?
- An analytical solution for  $\theta = f(w, h, b)$  exists, but is not obvious.
- Use a numerical root-finding procedure to find the value of  $\theta$  that satisfies

$$f(\theta) = w \sin \theta - h \cos \theta - b = 0$$

→ 方程式求根問題

## Example 2: Kepler's equation

(計算行星的軌道)

$$x - a \sin x = b$$

- Given  $a$  and  $b$ , what is the value of  $x$ ?
- $a = 0.2$ ,  $b = \pi/3$ ,  $x = ?$
- A numerical approach:

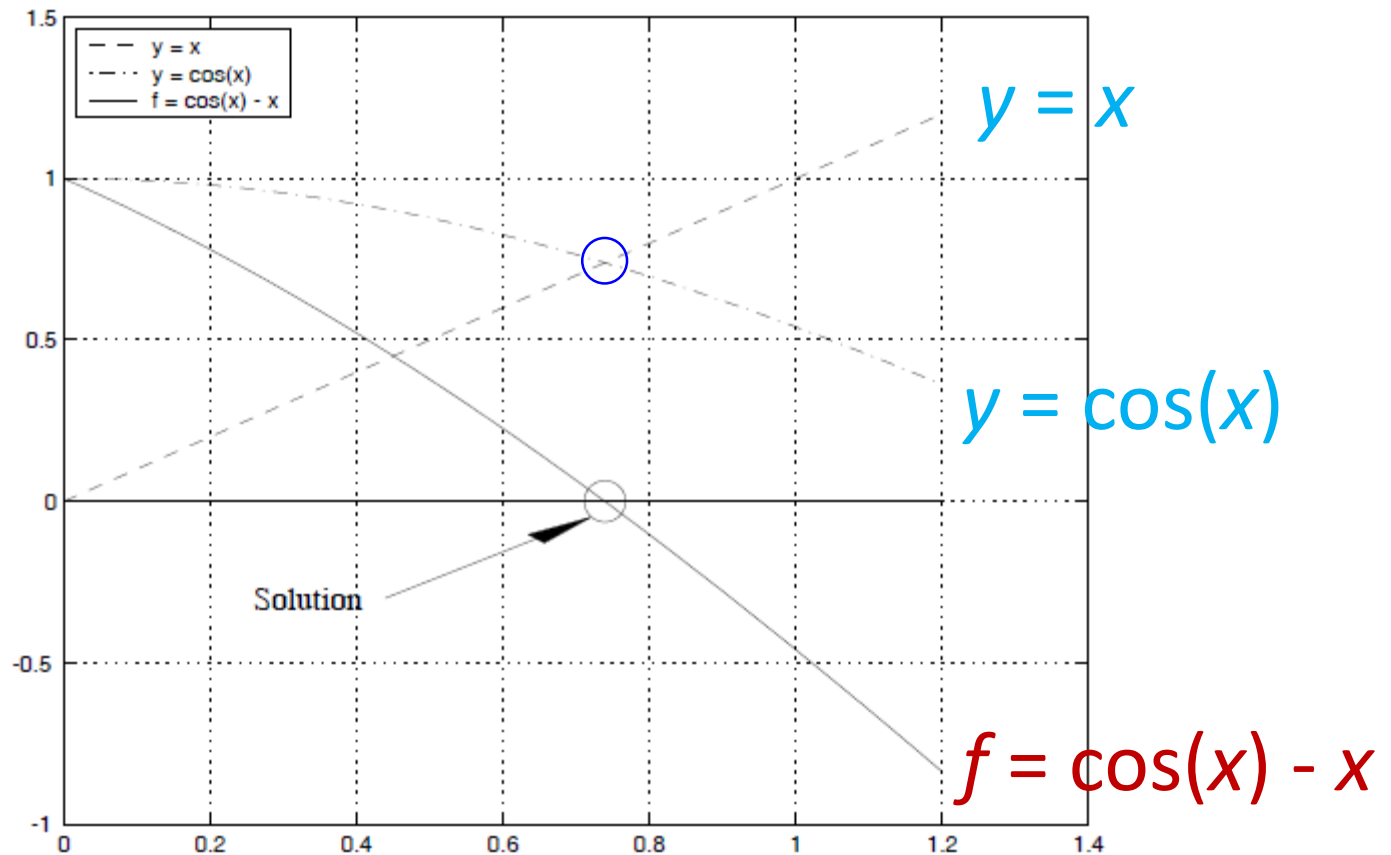
solve

$$f(x) = x - a \sin x - b = 0$$

# Roots of $f(x) = 0$

- Any function of one variable  $x$  can be put in the form  $f(x) = 0$ ? **Yes!**
- Example:
  - To find  $x$  that satisfies  $\cos(x) = x$ ,
  - Find the zero crossing of  $f(x) = \cos(x) - x = 0$ .

$$\cos(x) = x, \quad x = ?$$



# Number of Roots

- In contrast to scalar linear equations

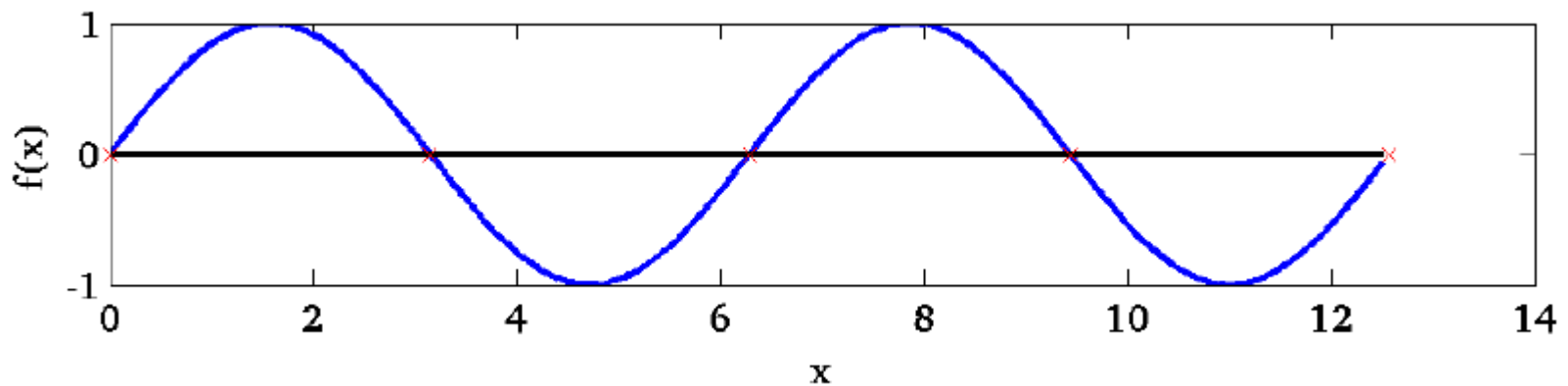
$$mx - n = 0 \Rightarrow x = \frac{n}{m},$$

nonlinear equations have an undetermined number of zeros.



# Number of Roots

- $f(x) = \sin(x)$
- On  $[a, b] = [0, 4\pi]$  there are ??? roots.



# Finding roots

$$f(x) = x^3 + x - 1 = 0$$

$$x = ?$$

幾個解？

範圍為？

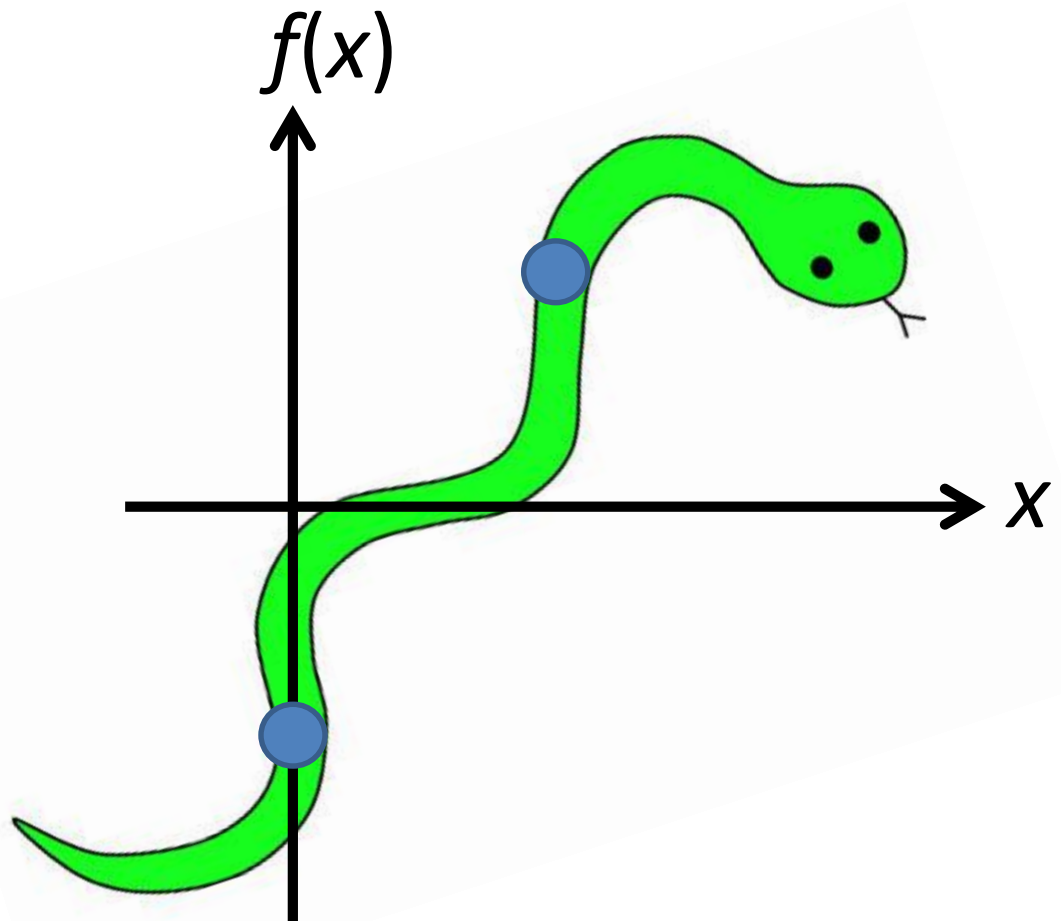
$$f(x) = x^3 + x - 1 = 0$$

- Must have a root between 0 and 1

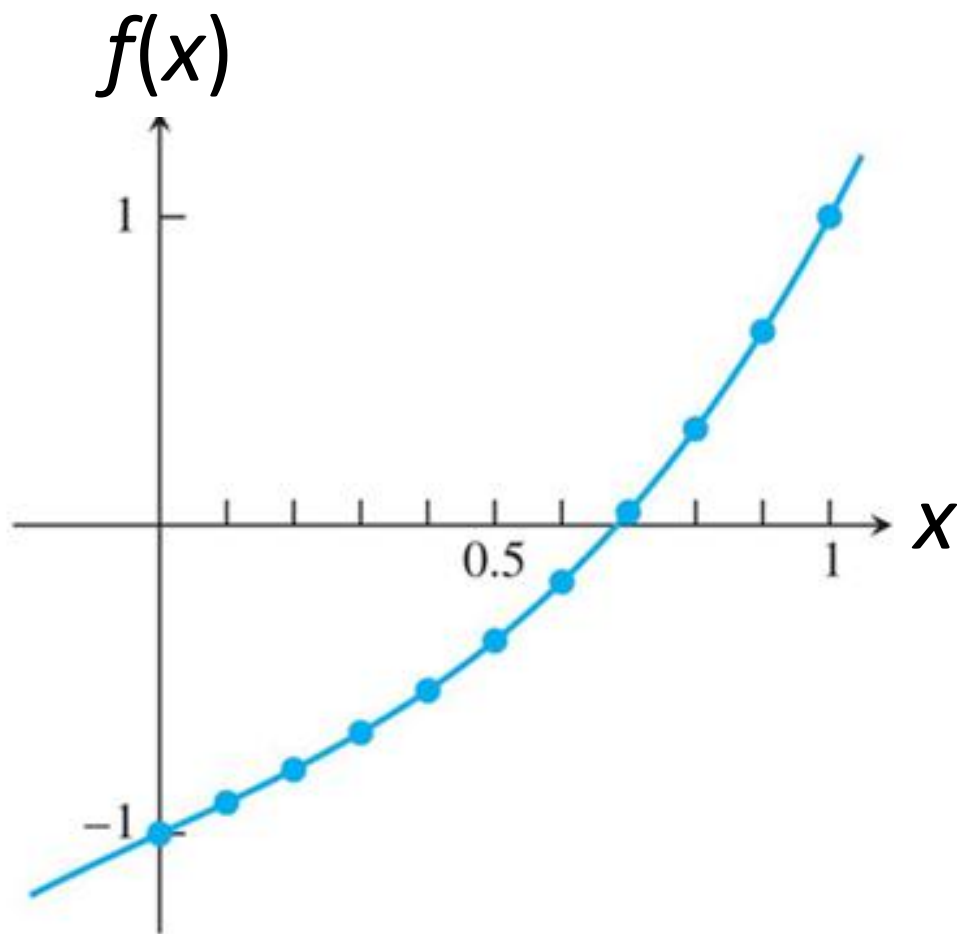
$$-f(0) = -1$$

$$-f(1) = 1$$

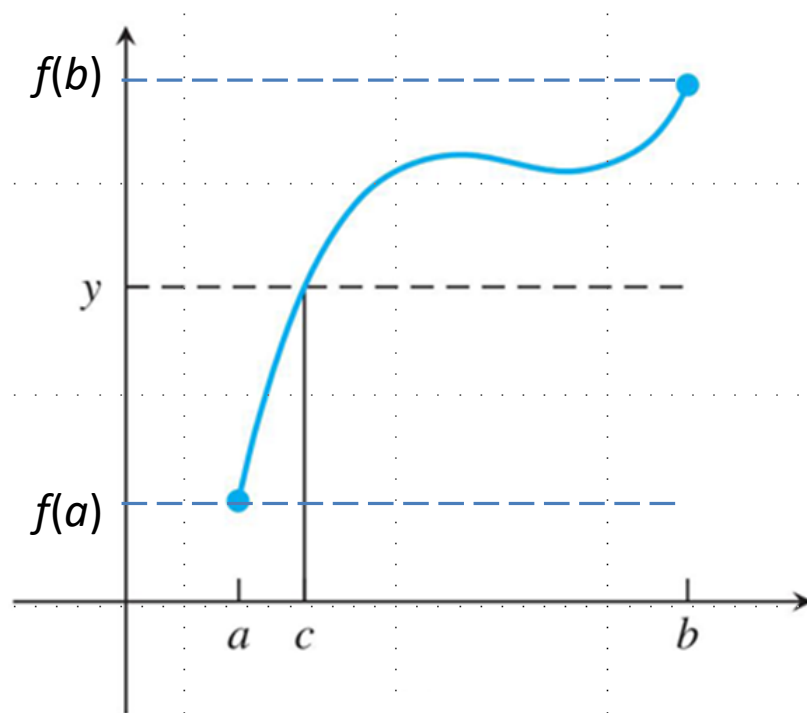
$$-f(0)f(1) < 0$$



$$f(x) = x^3 + x - 1 = 0$$



# Intermediate value theorem



- Let  $f$  be a continuous function on the interval  $[a, b]$ . If  $y$  is a number between  $f(a)$  and  $f(b)$ , then there exists a number  $c$  with  $a \leq c \leq b$  such that  $f(c) = y$ .

猜數字 (1~100)

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# Bisection

- 猜數字
  - Method for finding a root of a scalar equation  $f(x) = 0$  in an interval  $[a, b]$
  - Assumption:  $f(a)f(b) < 0$
  - Since  $f$  is continuous there must be a zero  $x^* \in [a, b]$
1. Compute midpoint  $m$  of the interval and check  $f(m)$
  2. Depending on the sign of  $f(m)$ , we can decide if  $x^* \in [a, m]$  or  $x^* \in [m, b]$ 
    - Of course, if  $f(m) = 0$  then we are done.

# Bisection

- Given  $f(\cdot)$   $f(x) = x^3 + x - 1$
- Given a range  $[a, b]$   $[0, 1]$
- Determine a stopping condition  
 $(b - a) < 10^{-6}$  or  $f((a+b)/2) \approx 0$

Compute the roots of  $f(x) = 0$



# Bisection: Example

$$f(x) = x^3 + x - 1$$

$a$	$b$	$mid$	$f(mid)$
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0.5	1	0.75	0.1719

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0.625	0.6875	0.6563	-0.0611
0.6563	0.6875	0.6719	-0.0248

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$$f(x) = x^3 + x - 1$$

$a$	$b$	$mid$	$f(mid)$
0.6563	0.6875	0.6719	-0.0248
0.6719	0.6875	0.6797	-0.0063
0.6797	0.6875	0.6836	0.0031
0.6797	0.6836	0.6816	-0.0016
0.6816	0.6836	0.6826	0.0006
⋮	⋮	⋮	⋮

# 程式練習 (HW#1)

- 請寫一個程式(Bisection)計算方程式的根
- 請用你的程式計算

$$x - x^{1/3} - 2 = 0 \quad 3 < x < 4 \quad \textcircled{1}$$

$$\sin x = 6x + 5 \quad \textcircled{2}$$