## Approximation and interpolation of simple and complex functions

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## <u>Outline</u>

- Interpolation and errors: linear, spline
- Approximation: Taylor, Pade`
- Lookup table plus Newton-Raphson
- Range reduction
- Fast inverse square root

Throughout we will talk about

- Cost of interpolation vs. explicit function evaluation
- Floating-point math tricks