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# PROBLEMS 1,2,3
import numpy as np
def driver():
# use routines
    f = lambda x: x**3 + x - 4
    #f = lambda x: x**9 - 45*x**8 +900*x**7 -10500*x**6
+78750*x**5 - 393750*x**4 +1312500*x**3 - 2812500*x**2 +3515625*x
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    a = 1
    b = 4
    tol = 1e-3
    [astar,ier, count] = bisection(f,a,b,tol)
    print('the approximate root is',astar)
    print('the number of iterations was',count)
    print('the error message reads:',ier)
    print('f(astar) =', f(astar))
# define routines
def bisection(f,a,b,tol):
#
     Inputs:
      f,a,b

    function and endpoints of initial interval

       tol - bisection stops when interval length < tol
     Returns:
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#
       astar - approximation of root
       ier – error message
             - ier = 1 => Failed
             - ier = 0 == success
      first verify there is a root we can find in the interval
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    fa = f(a)
    fb = f(b):
    if (fa*fb>0):
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ier = 1
       astar = a
       return [astar, ier, 0]
    verify end points are not a root
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    if (fa == 0):
      astar = a
      ier =0
      return [astar, ier, 0]
    if (fb ==0):
      astar = b
      ier = 0
      return [astar, ier, 0]
    count = 0
    d = 0.5*(a+b)
    while (abs(d-a)> tol):
      fd = f(d)
      if (fd ==0):
        astar = d
        ier = 0
        return [astar, ier, count]
      if (fa*fd<0):</pre>
         b = d
      else:
        a = d
        fa = fd
      d = 0.5*(a+b)
      count = count +1
       print('abs(d-a) = ', abs(d-a))
    astar = d
    ier = 0
    return [astar, ier, count]
driver()
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