# Numerical Methods I Roots of Equations: Bracketing Methods

### The Bisection Method

```
program main
   implicit none
   real, external :: getRootWithBisection, getRootWithFalsePosition,
getRootWithFalsePositionModified
   real :: xLow, xHigh
   real, parameter :: tolerance = 1.0e-5
   real :: rootB, rootFPM
   xLow = 2.0
   xHigh = 0.5
   rootB = getRootWithBisection(xLow, xHigh, tolerance)
   xLow = 2.0
   xHigh = 0.5
   rootFP = getRootWithFalsePosition(xLow, xHigh, tolerance)
   xLow = 2.0
   xHigh = 0.5
   rootFPM = getRootWithFalsePositionModified(xLow, xHigh, tolerance)
   write(*,20) "Root with Bisection = ", rootB
   write(*,20) "Root with False Position = ", rootFP
   write(*,20) "Root with Modified False Position = ", rootFPM
   20 format(a36, f9.4)
end program main
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real function getRootWithBisection(xLow, xHigh, tolerance)
    implicit none
    real, external :: getFunction
    logical, external :: haveOppositeSigns
    real, intent(inout) :: xLow, xHigh
    real, intent(in) :: tolerance
    real :: error
    integer :: iteration
    real :: fLow, fHigh
    real :: xMid, fMid
    write(*,*)
    write(*,*) "Bisection Method"
    write(*,*)
    if(xLow > xHigh) then
        write(*,*) "The lower bound is greater than the upper bound. Swapping..."
        write(*,*)
        call swapNumbers(xLow, xHigh)
    end if
    fLow = getFunction(xLow)
    fHigh = getFunction(xHigh)
    if(fLow == 0) then
        write(*,*) "The initial guess for xLow is the exact root."
        write(*,*)
        getRootWithBisection = xLow
        return
    end if
    if(fHigh == 0) then
        write(*,*) "The initial guess for xHigh is the exact root."
        write(*,*)
        getRootWithBisection = xHigh
        return
    end if
    if(haveOppositeSigns(fLow, fHigh) .eqv. .false.) then
        stop "Bisection Method: Bounds don't bracket the root."
    end if
    error = abs((xHigh - xLow) / 2)
    iteration = 0
    xMid = (xLow + xHigh) / 2
    fMid = getFunction(xMid)
   write(*,10) " | ", "No.", " | ", "xLow", " | ", "xHigh", " | ", "fLow", " | ",
"xMid", " | ", "fMid", " | ", "Error", " | "
    do while(error > tolerance)
        iteration = iteration + 1
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xMid = (xLow + xHigh) / 2
        fMid = getFunction(xMid)
       write(*,20) " | ", iteration, " | ", xLow, " | ", xHigh, " | ", fLow, " | ",
xMid, " | ", fMid, " | ", error, " | "
        if(haveOppositeSigns(fLow, fMid)) then
           xHigh = xMid
           fHigh = fMid
        else if(haveOppositeSigns(fHigh, fMid)) then
           xLow = xMid
           fLow = fMid
        else
           write(*,*) "Exact Root Found"
           write(*,*)
           exit
        end if
        error = (xHigh - xLow) / 2
    end do
   write(*,*)
   write(*,*) "Error (Bisection) = ", error
   write(*,*)
    10 format(a3, a4, a3, a7, a3, a7, a3, a7, a3, a7, a3, a7, a3, a7, a3)
    20 format(a3, i4, a3, f7.2, a3, f7.2, a3, f7.2, a3, f7.2, a3, f7.2, a3)
    getRootWithBisection = xMid
end function getRootWithBisection
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### The False Position Method

```
real function getRootWithFalsePosition(xLow, xHigh, tolerance)
    implicit none
    real, external :: getFunction
    logical, external :: haveOppositeSigns
    real, intent(inout) :: xLow, xHigh
    real, intent(in) :: tolerance
    real :: fLow, fHigh
    real :: xIntercept, fIntercept
    real :: xInterceptPrevious = 0.0
    real :: error
    integer :: iteration = 0
    write(*,*)
    write(*,*) "False Position Method"
    write(*,*)
    if(xLow > xHigh) then
        write(*,*) "The lower bound is greater than the upper bound. Swapping..."
        write(*,*)
        call swapNumbers(xLow, xHigh)
    end if
    fLow = getFunction(xLow)
    fHigh = getFunction(xHigh)
    if(fLow == 0) then
        write(*,*) "The initial guess for xLow is the exact root."
        write(*,*)
        getRootWithFalsePosition = xLow
        return
    end if
    if(fHigh == 0) then
        write(*,*) "The initial guess for xHigh is the exact root."
        write(*,*)
        getRootWithFalsePosition = xHigh
        return
    end if
    if(haveOppositeSigns(fLow, fHigh) .eqv. .false.) then
        stop "Error (False Position): Initial guesses don't bracket the root."
    end if
    write(*,10) "|", "No.", "|", "xLow", "|", "xHigh", "|", "xIntercept", "|"
    do while((error > tolerance) .or. (iteration <= 2))</pre>
        iteration = iteration + 1
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xIntercept = xHigh - (fHigh * ((xHigh - xLow) / (fHigh - fLow)))
        fIntercept = getFunction(xIntercept)
       write(*,20) "|", iteration, "|", xLow, "|", xHigh, "|", xIntercept, "|"
        if(haveOppositeSigns(fLow, fIntercept)) then
            xHigh = xIntercept
            fHigh = fIntercept
        else if(haveOppositeSigns(fHigh, fIntercept)) then
            xLow = xIntercept
            fLow = fIntercept
        else
            write(*,*) "Exact Root Found"
            write(*,*)
            exit
        end if
        error = abs(xIntercept - xInterceptPrevious)
       xInterceptPrevious = xIntercept
    end do
   write(*,*)
    write(*,*) "Error (False Position) = ", error
   write(*,*)
    10 format(a3, a10, a3, a10, a3, a10, a3, a10, a3)
    20 format(a3, i10, a3, f10.4, a3, f10.4, a3, f10.4, a3)
    getRootWithFalsePosition = xIntercept
end function getRootWithFalsePosition
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#### The Modified False Position Method

```
real function getRootWithFalsePositionModified(xLow, xHigh, tolerance)
    implicit none
    real, external :: getFunction
    logical, external :: haveOppositeSigns
    real, intent(inout) :: xLow, xHigh
    real, intent(in) :: tolerance
    real :: fLow, fHigh
    real :: xIntercept, fIntercept
    real :: xInterceptPrevious = 0
    real :: error
    integer :: iteration = 0
    integer :: xLowMoves = 0, xHighMoves = 0
    write(*,*)
    write(*,*) "Modified False Position Method"
    write(*,*)
    if(xLow > xHigh) then
        write(*,*) "The lower bound is greater than the upper bound. Swapping..."
        write(*,*)
        call swapNumbers(xLow, xHigh)
    end if
    fLow = getFunction(xLow)
    fHigh = getFunction(xHigh)
    if(fLow == 0) then
        write(*,*) "The initial guess for xLow is the exact root."
        write(*,*)
        getRootWithFalsePositionModified = xLow
        return
    end if
    if(fHigh == 0) then
        write(*,*) "The initial guess for xHigh is the exact root."
        write(*,*)
        getRootWithFalsePositionModified = xHigh
       return
    end if
    if(haveOppositeSigns(fLow, fHigh) .eqv. .false.) then
        stop "Error (Modified False Position): Initial guesses don't bracket the
root."
    end if
    write(*,10) "|", "No.", "|", "xLow", "|", "xHigh", "|", "xIntercept", "|"
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do while((error > tolerance) .or. (iteration <= 2))</pre>
        iteration = iteration + 1
        xIntercept = xHigh - (fHigh * ((xHigh - xLow) / (fHigh - fLow)))
        fIntercept = getFunction(xIntercept)
        write(*,20) "|", iteration, "|", xLow, "|", xHigh, "|", xIntercept, "|"
        if(haveOppositeSigns(fLow, fIntercept)) then
            xHigh = xIntercept
            fHigh = fIntercept
            xHighMoves = xHighMoves + 1
            xLowMoves = 0
        else if(haveOppositeSigns(fHigh, fIntercept)) then
            xLow = xIntercept
            fLow = fIntercept
            xLowMoves = xLowMoves + 1
            xHighMoves = 0
        else
            write(*,*) "Exact Root Found"
            write(*,*)
            exit
        end if
        error = abs(xIntercept - xInterceptPrevious)
        xInterceptPrevious = xIntercept
        if(xLowMoves == 2) then
            write(*,*) "The upper bound has not moved in the last two iterations.
Modifying fHigh...'
            write(*,*)
            fHigh = fHigh / 2
            xLowMoves = 0
        end if
        if(xHighMoves == 2) then
            write(*,*) "The lower bound has not moved in the last two iterations.
Modifying fLow..."
            write(*,*)
            fLow = fLow / 2
            xHighMoves = 0
        end if
    end do
   write(*,*)
    write(*,*) "Error (Modified False Position) = ", error
    write(*,*)
    10 format(a3, a10, a3, a10, a3, a10, a3, a10, a3)
    20 format(a3, i10, a3, f10.4, a3, f10.4, a3, f10.4, a3)
    getRootWithFalsePositionModified = xIntercept
end function getRootWithFalsePositionModified
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### Common Procedures

```
real function getFunction(x)
    implicit none
    real, intent(in) :: x
    getFunction = (x**10) - 1
    getFunction = (3 * x) + \sin(x) - \exp(x)
end function getFunction
logical function haveOppositeSigns(number1, number2)
    implicit none
    real, intent(in) :: number1, number2
    haveOppositeSigns = .false.
    if((number1 * number2) < 0) then</pre>
        haveOppositeSigns = .true.
    end if
end function haveOppositeSigns
subroutine swapNumbers(number1, number2)
    implicit none
    real, intent(inout) :: number1, number2
    real :: swapper
    swapper = number1
    number1 = number2
    number2 = swapper
end subroutine swapNumbers
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# Output

## Bisection Method

The lower bound is greater than the upper bound. Swapping...

No.	xLow	xHigh	fLow	xMid	fMid	Error
1	0.50	2.00	-1.00	1.25	8.31	0.75
2	0.50	1.25	-1.00	0.88	-0.74	0.38
3	0.88	1.25	-0.74	1.06	0.83	0.19
4	0.88	1.06	-0.74	0.97	-0.27	0.09
5	0.97	1.06	-0.27	1.02	0.17	0.05
6	0.97	1.02	-0.27	0.99	-0.08	0.02
7	0.99	1.02	-0.08	1.00	0.04	0.01
8	0.99	1.00	-0.08	1.00	-0.02	0.01
9	1.00	1.00	-0.02	1.00	0.01	0.00
10	1.00	1.00	-0.02	1.00	-0.00	0.00
11	1.00	1.00	-0.00	1.00	0.00	0.00
12	1.00	1.00	-0.00	1.00	-0.00	0.00
13	1.00	1.00	-0.00	1.00	0.00	0.00
14	1.00	1.00	-0.00	1.00	-0.00	0.00
15	1.00	1.00	-0.00	1.00	0.00	0.00
16	1.00	1.00	-0.00	1.00	-0.00	0.00
17	1.00	1.00	-0.00	1.00	0.00	0.00

Error (Bisection) = 5.72204590E-06

False Position Method

The lower bound is greater than the upper bound. Swapping...

No.	xLow	xHigh	xIntercept
1 1	0.5000	2.0000	0.5015
2	0.5015	2.0000	0.5029
3	0.5029	2.0000	0.5044
4	0.5044	2.0000	0.5058
5	0.5058	2.0000	0.5073
6	0.5073	2.0000	0.5088
7	0.5088	2.0000	0.5102
8	0.5102	2.0000	0.5117
9	0.5117	2.0000	0.5131
10	0.5131	2.0000	0.5146
11	0.5146	2.0000	0.5160
12	0.5160	2.0000	0.5175
13	0.5175	2.0000	0.5189
14	0.5189	2.0000	0.5204
15	0.5204	2.0000	0.5218
16	0.5218	2.0000	0.5232
17	0.5232	2.0000	0.5247
18	0.5247	2.0000	0.5261
19	0.5261	2.0000	0.5276
20	0.5276	2.0000	0.5290
21	0.5290	2.0000	0.5304
22	0.5304	2.0000	0.5319
23	0.5319	2.0000	0.5333
24	0.5333	2.0000	0.5347
25	0.5347	2.0000	0.5361
26	0.5361	2.0000	0.5376
27	0.5376	2.0000	0.5390
28	0.5390	2.0000	0.5404
29	0.5404	2.0000	0.5418
30	0.5418	2.0000	0.5433

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845	0.9989	2.0000	0.9989	١
846	0.9989	2.0000	0.9989	١
847	0.9989	2.0000	0.9989	١
848	0.9989	2.0000	0.9989	١
849	0.9989	2.0000	0.9989	١
850	0.9989	2.0000	0.9989	١
851	0.9989	2.0000	0.9990	١
852	0.9990	2.0000	0.9990	١
853	0.9990	2.0000	0.9990	١
854	0.9990	2.0000	0.9990	١
854	0.9990	2.0000	0.9990	

Error (False Position) = 9.89437103E-06

#### Modified False Position Method

The lower bound is greater than the upper bound. Swapping...

	No.   1	xLow   0.5000	2.0000	xIntercept   0.5015	
 The upper	2   bound	0.5015   has not moved		•	Modifying fHigh
   The upper	3   4   bound	0.5029   0.5058   has not moved		•	Modifying fHigh
   The upper	5   6   bound		2.0000		Modifying fHigh
     The upper	7   8   bound	•	2.0000   2.0000   in the last	-	Modifying fHigh
}	9   10	0.5432   0.5656	2.0000   2.0000	0.5656   0.5876	Modifying fHigh
   The upper	11   12   bound	•	2.0000   2.0000   in the last	•	Modifying fHigh
   The upper	13   14   bound		2.0000	0.8181	Modifying fHigh
   The upper	15   16   bound		2.0000   2.0000   in the last		Modifying fHigh
         The unner	17   18   19	0.9960   0.9960   0.9999		•	Modifying fHigh
	20	1.0000	1.0057	1.0000	routlying might

Error (Modified False Position) = 5.12599945E-06

Root with Bisection = 1.0000 Root with False Position = 0.9990 Root with Modified False Position = 1.0000