

Bisection Method

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1 Question No.1

Algorithm 1 Bisection Method

procedure BISECTION_METHOD(*start_point, end_point, increment*)

 set a very low ϵ value.

$a = \text{start_point}$;

$b = a + \text{increment}$;

 evaluate $f(a)$;

 evaluate $f(b)$;

while ($b \leq \text{end_point}$) **do**

if ($f(a) < \epsilon$) **then**

 return a ;

 ▶ close to zero

if ($f(b) < \epsilon$) **then**

 return b ;

 ▶ close to zero

if ($f(a) * f(b) < 0$) **then**

$\text{mid} = (a+b)/2$;

 evaluate $f(\text{mid})$;

if ($f(\text{mid}) < \epsilon$) **then**

 return mid ;

 ▶ close to zero

else if ($f(\text{mid}) * f(a) < 0$) **then**

$b = \text{mid}$;

$f(b) = f(\text{mid})$;

else

$a = \text{mid}$;

$f(a) = f(\text{mid})$;

else

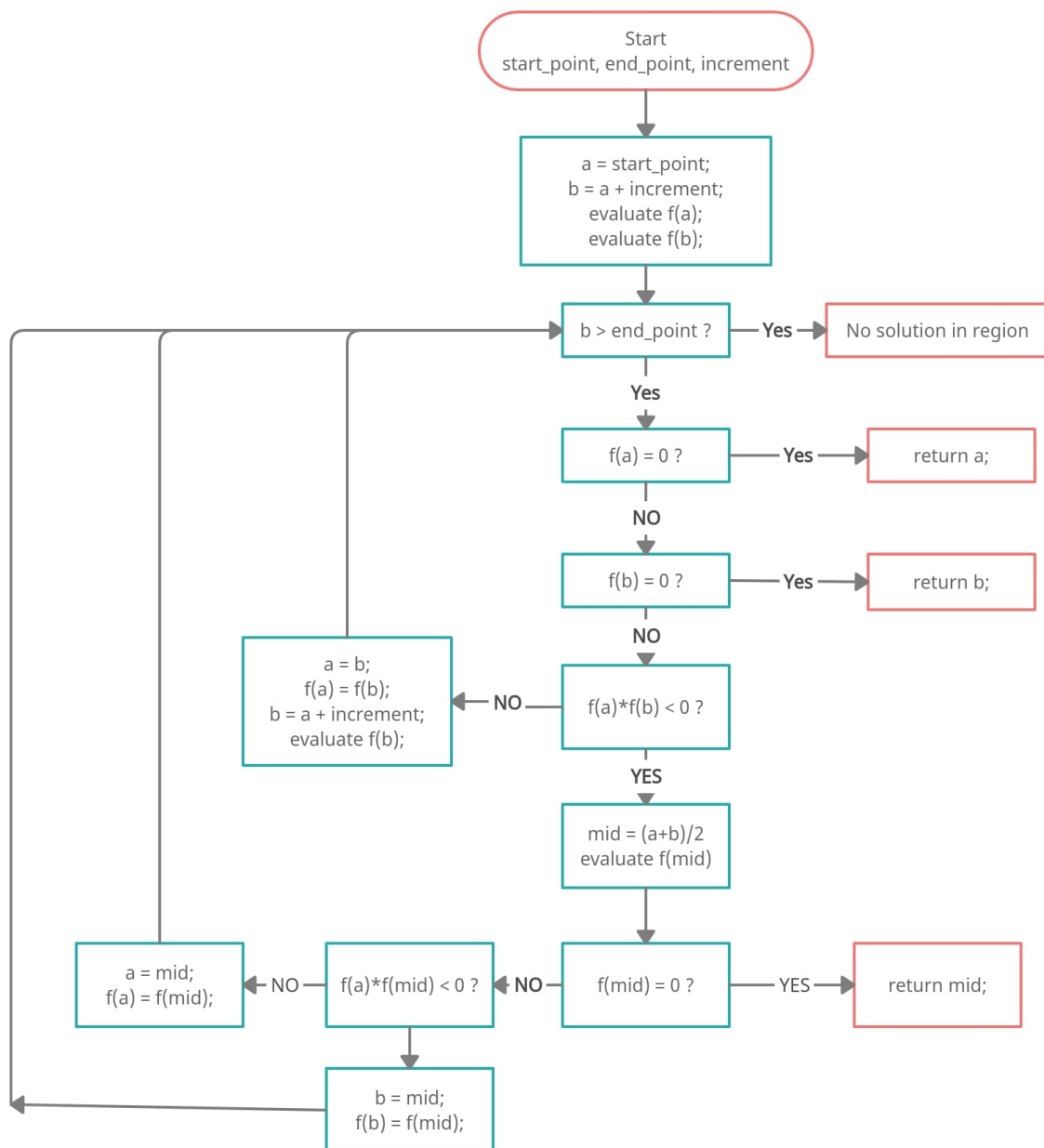
$a = b$;

$f(a) = f(b)$;

$b = a + \text{increment}$;

 evaluate $f(b)$;

2 Flow Chart



3 Results

3.1 Problem a) xe^x

3.1.1 Parameters

start_point : -2
 end_point : 2
 increment : 4
 ϵ : 10^{-9} ;

3.1.2 Output

root	function evaluations
0	3

3.1.3 Observations

The algorithm converged in 3 iterations for the given region.

3.2 Problem b) $x^3 - 2x + 1$

3.2.1 Parameters

start_point : -2
end_point : 2
increment : 4
 ϵ : 10^{-9} ;

3.2.2 Output

root	function evaluations
-1.61803	35

3.2.3 Observations

The algorithm converged in 35 iterations for the given region.

3.3 Problem c) $\sin(x) - \frac{1}{x}$

3.3.1 Parameters

start_point : -2
end_point : 2
increment : 4
 ϵ : 10^{-9} ;

3.3.2 Output

root	function evaluations
1.11416	28

3.3.3 Observations

The algorithm converged in 28 iterations for the given region.

4 Remarks

- increment is set to 1 by default in code.
- input arguments can be changed to get different solutions, if exist.