

# Lecture 4 II

- fzero
- Multiple roots

# Inline Function

```
fstr='x.^2-2*x-4';  
fx=inline(fstr)
```

# Function evaluation

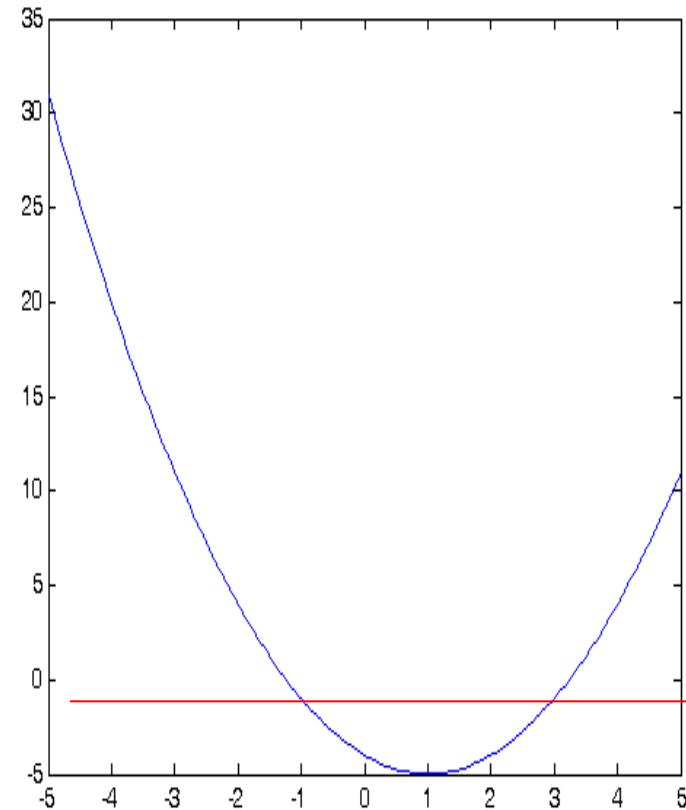
```
fstr='x.^2-2*x-4';  
fx=inline(fstr)
```

```
x = -5:1:5;  
y = fx(x)
```

```
y = [ 31  20  11   4   -1   -4   -5   -4   -1   4   11]
```

# Plot

```
>> fstr='x.^2-2*x-4';  
>> fx=inline(fstr);  
>> x=linspace(-5,5);  
>> plot(x,fx(x));
```



# Find zeros

```
>> fstr = 'x.^2-2*x-4';  
>> v = fzero(fstr,1)
```

ans =

-1.2361



fx(v)

ans =

0

# fzero

- `fzero(fstr,x0)`
- **Input**
  - A string that expresses a 1D function
  - Initial guess
- **Output**
  - A root

# Multiple roots

- Find multiple roots of a given function

- Different guesses may lead to different roots

```
>> fstr = 'x.^2-2*x-4';  
>> v = fzero(fstr,1)
```

ans =

-1.2361

```
>> v = fzero(fstr,5)
```

v =

3.2361

fx(v)

ans =

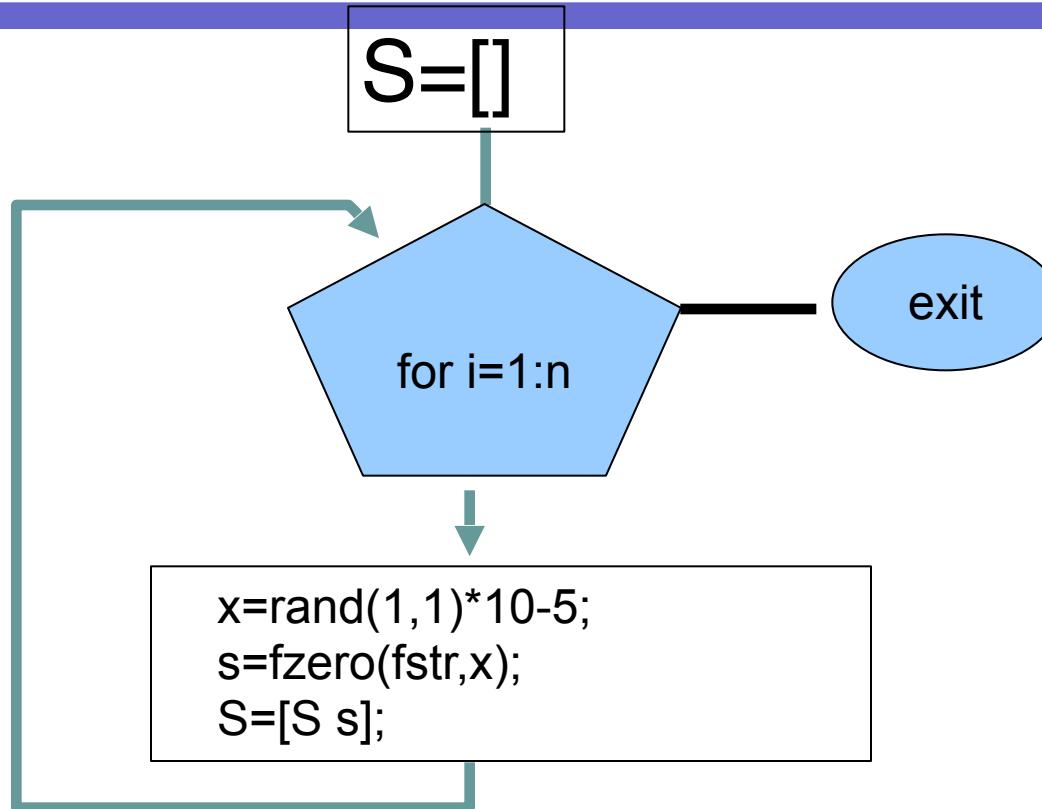
0

fx(v)

ans =

0

# Flow chart I



- Let  $s$  be a root and  $S$  store distinct roots
- Check

$$\text{sum}(\text{abs}(S-s) < 10^{-6}) == 0$$

1. Absolute differences between  $s$  and elements in  $S$
2. Check if any absolute difference is less than a small positive value
3. Exist  $\rightarrow$  left hand side greater zero  $\rightarrow$  logical value is 0
4. Not exist  $\rightarrow$  left hand side equals zero  $\rightarrow$  logical value is 1

# Case I

$S=[1 \ 2 \ 3]; \ s=1$

It is FALSE to say  $s$  not in  $S$



```
sum(abs(S-s) < 10^-6) == 0
```



ans =  
0

1. There exists some element in  $S$  close enough to  $s$
2.  $s$  belongs  $S$

# Case II

$S=[1 2 3]; s=1+\epsilon$

It is FALSE to say  $s$  not in  $S$

$\sum(\text{abs}(S-s) < 10^{-6}) == 0$

ans =  
0

1. There exists some element in  $S$  close enough to  $s$
2.  $s$  belongs  $S$

# Case III

$S=[1 2 3]; s=1.5$



```
sum(abs(S-s) < 10^-6) == 0
```



- 1. no absolute difference less than  $10^{-6}$
- ans = 2. there exists no element in S close enough to s
- 1 3. s does not belong S
- 4. It is TRUE to say s not in S

# Case IV

$S = []$ ;  $s = 1.5$

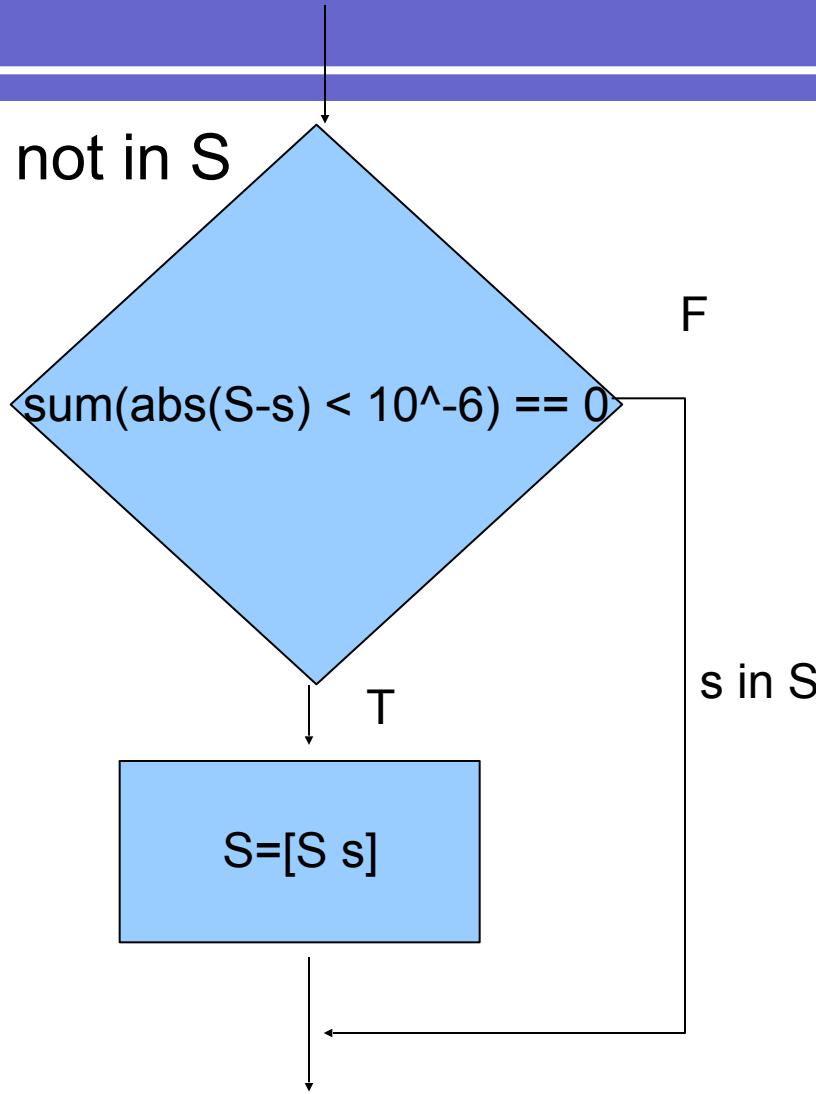


$\text{sum}(\text{abs}(S-s) < 10^{-6}) == 0$

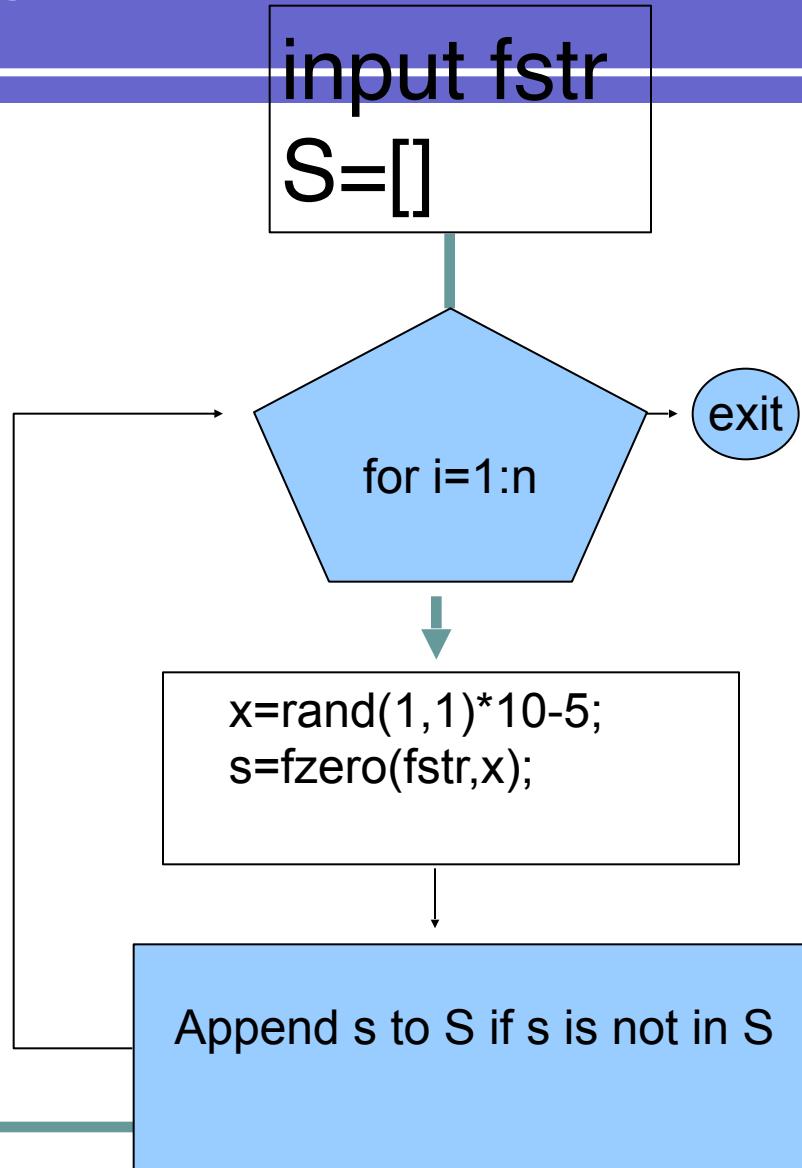


1. no absolute difference less than  $10^{-6}$
- ans = 2. there exists no element in S close enough to s
- 1 3. s does not belong S
4. It is TRUE to say s not in S

Append s to S if s is not in S



# Flow chart



# Multiple roots

## source codes

```
fstr=input('key in a function:','s');
S=[];
ep=10^-6;
for i=1:10
    x=rand(1,1)*8-4;
    s=fzero(fstr,x);
    if sum(abs(S-s) < 10^-6) == 0
        S=[S s];
    end
end
S
fx=inline(fstr);
x=linspace(-5,5);
plot(x,fx(x));hold on;
plot(S,zeros(size(S)), 'ro');
```

