

Bisection Method: Background



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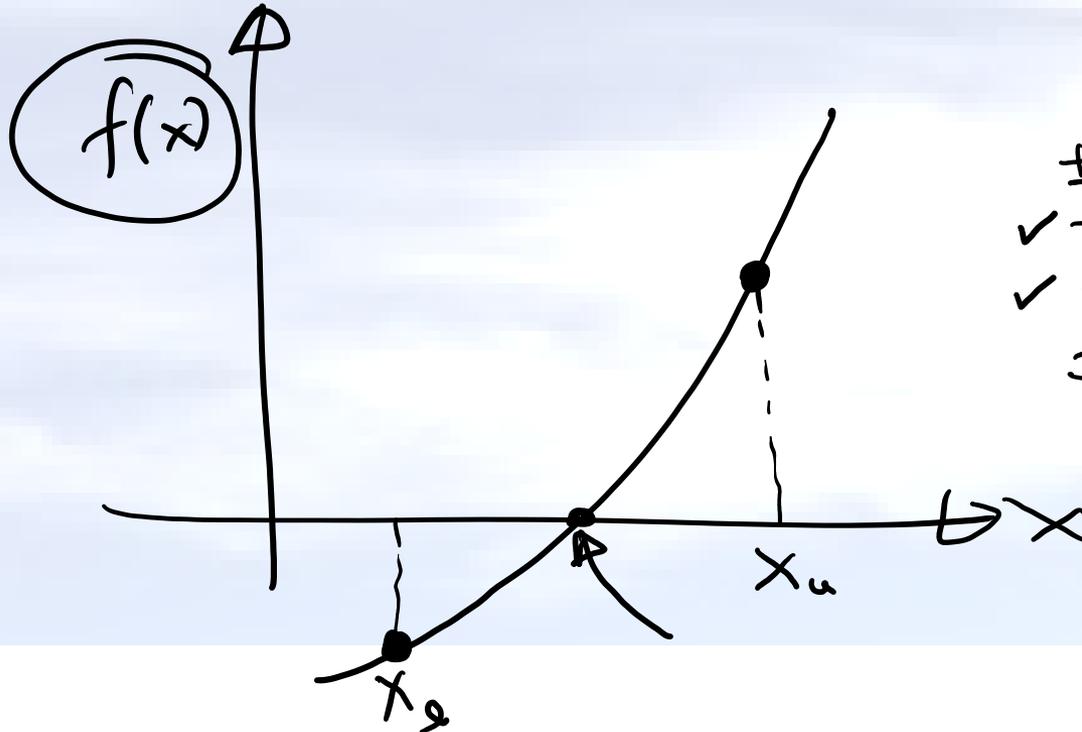
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If we have an eqn. $f(x) = 0$, then if $f(x)$ is real & continuous, and $f(x_2)f(x_1) < 0$, then at least one root lies between

x_2 and x_1 .

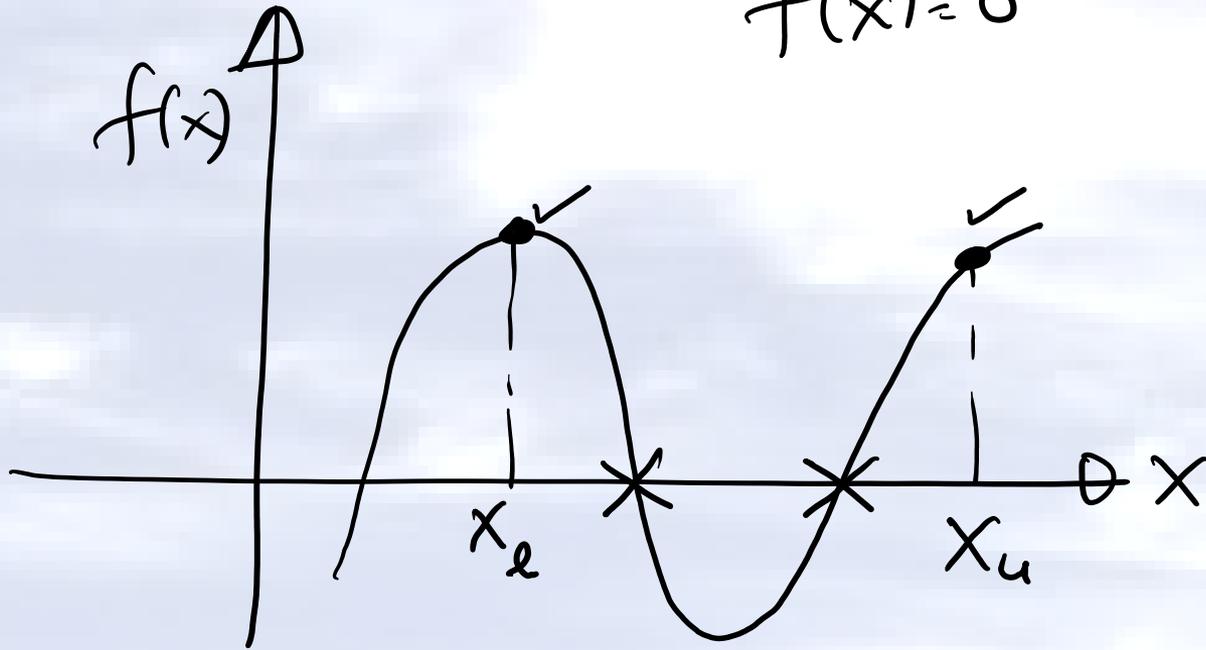
$$f(x) = 0$$



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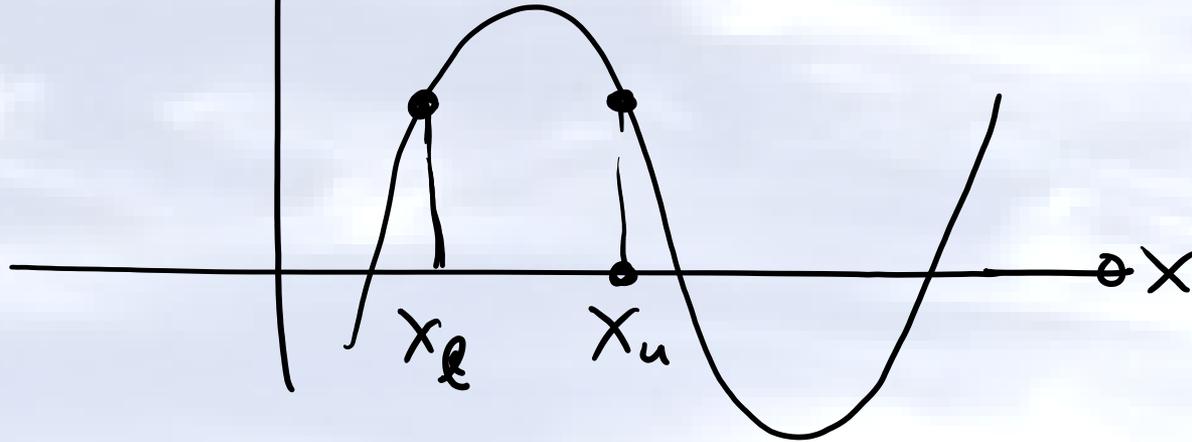


$$\underline{f(x_e)} \quad \underline{f(x_u)} > 0$$



$f(x)$

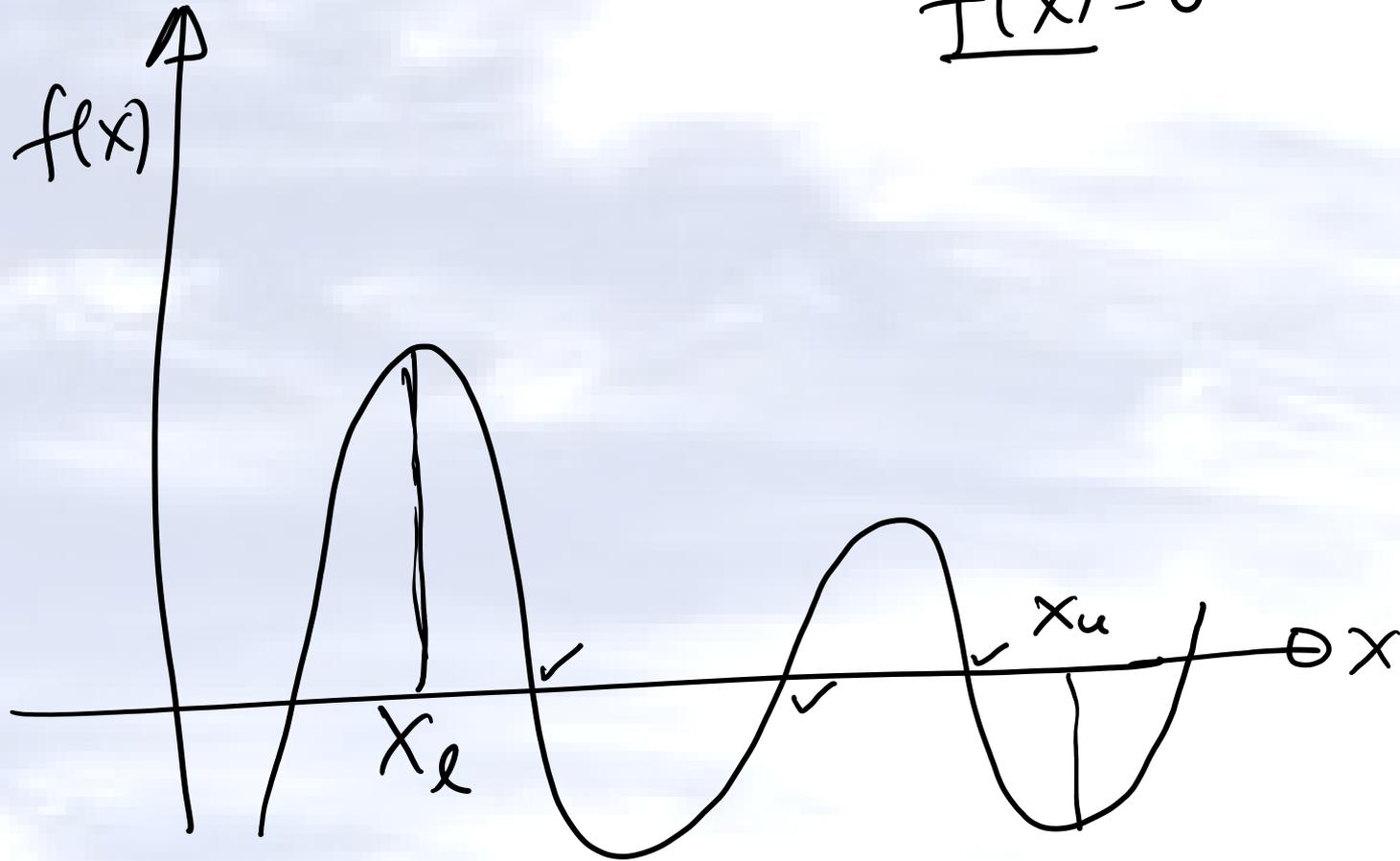
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$$\underline{f(x_l)} \underline{f(x_u)} > 0$$



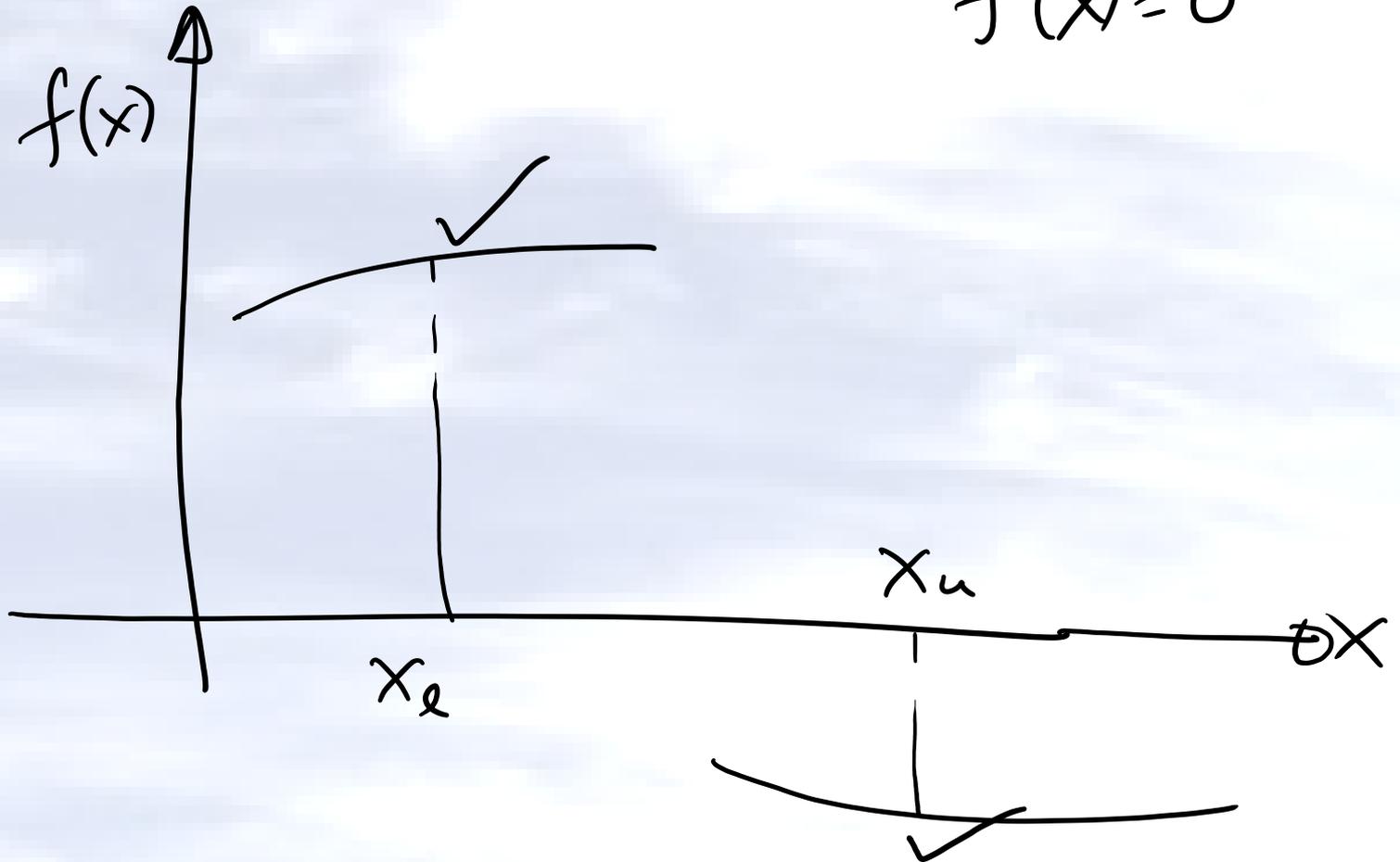
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$$f(x_e) f(x_u) < 0$$



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