

# MathCAD Homework

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Basic calculations (solution to quadratic equation:  $ax^2 + bx + c = 0$ )

$$a := 1 \quad b := 2 \quad c := 3$$

$$x_1 := \frac{-b + \sqrt{b^2 - 4 \cdot a \cdot c}}{2 \cdot a} \quad x_2 := \frac{-b - \sqrt{b^2 - 4 \cdot a \cdot c}}{2 \cdot a}$$

$$x_1 = -1 + 1.414i \quad x_2 = -1 - 1.414i$$

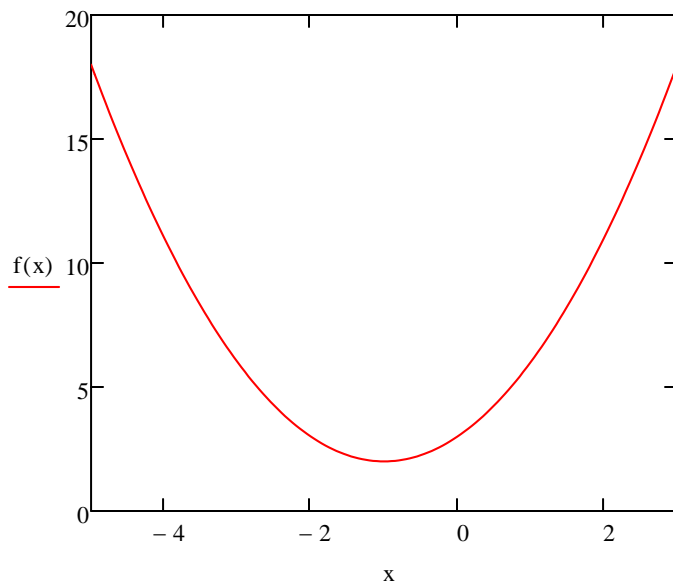
checking results:

$$f(x) := a \cdot x^2 + b \cdot x + c$$

$$f(x_1) = 0 \quad f(x_2) = 0$$

Plotting a function using a range variable

$$x := -5, -4.95 .. 3$$



x =

-5
-4.95
-4.9
-4.85
-4.8
-4.75
-4.7
-4.65
-4.6
-4.55
-4.5
-4.45
-4.4
-4.35
-4.3
...

Using units and significant digit display

$$m := 100 \cdot \text{lb} \quad v := 60 \cdot \text{mph} \quad a := 20 \cdot \frac{\text{ft}}{\text{sec}^2}$$

$$p := m \cdot v \quad p = 1.217 \times 10^3 \frac{\text{m} \cdot \text{kg}}{\text{s}}$$

$$F := m \cdot a \quad F = 62.2 \cdot \text{lbf}$$

## Symbolic Algebra

$$\frac{x}{2x - 3 \cdot x \cdot y} = \frac{(x - 2)^2}{(y + 2)}$$

$$x(y) := \left[ \begin{array}{c} \frac{6 \cdot y + \sqrt{-(y + 2) \cdot (3 \cdot y - 2)} - 4}{3 \cdot y - 2} \\ \frac{\sqrt{-(y + 2) \cdot (3 \cdot y - 2)} - 6 \cdot y + 4}{3 \cdot y - 2} \end{array} \right]$$

$$x(5)_0 = 2 + 0.734i \quad x(5)_1 = 2 - 0.734i$$

## Symbolic Calculus

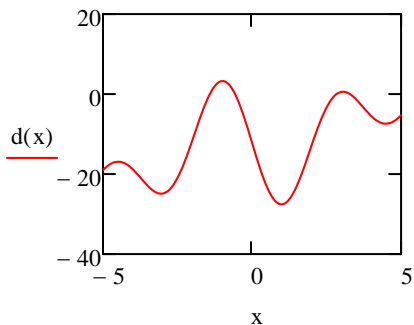
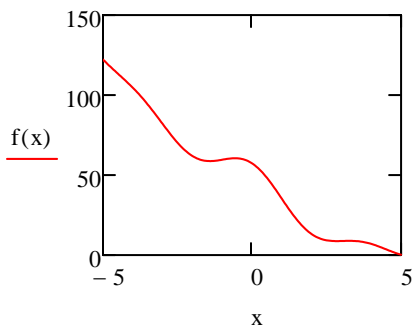
$$a := 6.1$$

redefine "a" to be unitless (see above), so MathCAD is not confused below.

$$f(x) := (x - a)^2 + \frac{10 \sin(2 \cdot x)}{x}$$

$$d(x) := 2 \cdot x - 2 \cdot a + \frac{20 \cdot \cos(2 \cdot x)}{x} - \frac{10 \cdot \sin(2 \cdot x)}{x^2}$$

$$x := -5, -4.95 \dots 5$$



## Vector and Matrix Calculations

$$v_x := -1 \quad v_y := -2$$

$$\underline{v} := \begin{pmatrix} v_x \\ v_y \end{pmatrix} \quad v = \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ -2 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$|v| = 2.236 \quad v \cdot v = 5 \quad \text{magnitude and dot product}$$

$$v := v_x + i \cdot v_y \quad \text{complex plane representation}$$

$$\arg(v) = -116.565 \cdot \text{deg} \quad \text{angle to a vector (argument)}$$

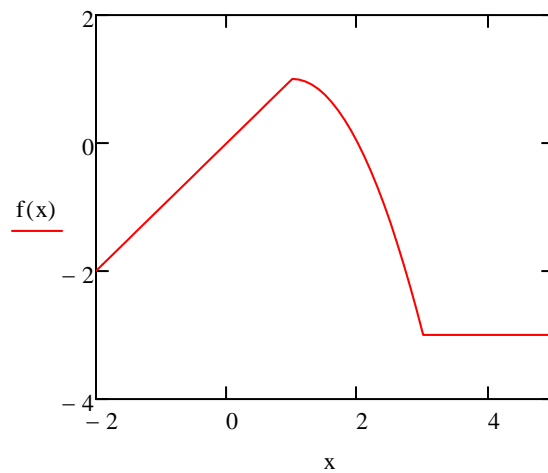
$$\underline{A} := \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 2 & 1 & 5 \\ 0 & -2 & 3 \end{pmatrix} \quad A^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} -1.182 & 1.091 & -0.636 \\ 0.545 & -0.273 & -0.091 \\ 0.364 & -0.182 & 0.273 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$A \cdot A^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

## Programming

$$\underline{f(x)} := \begin{cases} x & \text{if } x < 1 \\ [-(x-1)^2 + 1] & \text{if } 1 \leq x \leq 3 \\ (-3) & \text{if } x > 3 \end{cases} \quad \text{piecewise function}$$

$$x := -2, -1.9..5$$



general programming problem example: find the sum of first N numbers divisible by 3

$N := 10000$

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results :=
  i ← 0
  n ← 0
  total ← 0
  while n < N
    i ← i + 1
    remainder ← mod(i,3)
    total ← total +
      | i if remainder = 0
      | 0 otherwise
    n ← n + 1 if remainder = 0
  (i total)
  
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$results = (3 \times 10^4 \quad 1.5 \times 10^8)$    
 largest := results<sub>0,0</sub>    largest =  $3 \times 10^4$   
 sum := results<sub>0,1</sub>    sum =  $1.5 \times 10^8$

alternative solution (for this problem)

$i := 3, 6 .. 3 \cdot N$    
 $sum := \sum_i i$    
 sum =  $1.5 \times 10^8$

other (even better) alternative solutions (for this problem):

$$3 \cdot \sum_{i=1}^N i = 1.5 \times 10^8 \quad \text{or} \quad 3 \frac{N \cdot (N + 1)}{2} = 1.5 \times 10^8$$

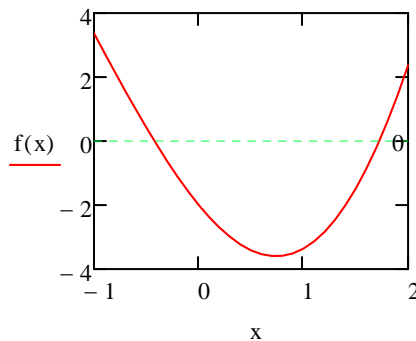
### Finding roots

$$f(x) := 2 \cdot x^2 - 4 \cdot \sin(x) - 2$$

$$x := 1 \quad \text{root}(f(x), x) = 1.725$$

$$x := -1 \quad \text{root}(f(x), x) = -0.423$$

$$x := -1, -0.9 .. 2$$



marker added at 0  
on vertical axis

Solving a set of nonlinear equations

x := 1      y := 1      initial guess

Given

$$x = 2 - y^2$$

$$y = \frac{\sin(x)}{x} + x \cdot y$$

solution := Find(x, y)

$\underline{x} := \text{solution}_0$       x = 0.252       $\underline{y} := \text{solution}_1$       y = 1.322

Checking results (solving symbolically and plotting)

$$x = 2 - y^2$$

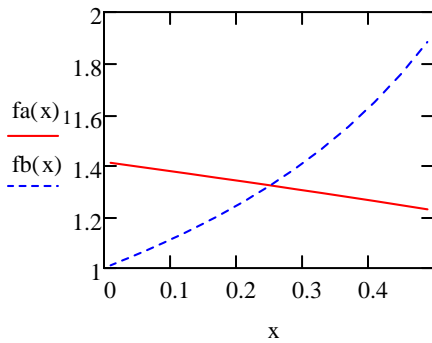
$$y = \frac{\sin(x)}{x} + x \cdot y$$

$$fa(x) := \begin{pmatrix} \sqrt{x - 2 \cdot i} \\ -\sqrt{x - 2 \cdot i} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$fb(x) := -\frac{\sin(x)}{x \cdot (x - 1)}$$

$$fa(x)_1 = 1.322 \quad fb(x) = 1.322$$

$\underline{x} := 0.01, 0.05 \dots 0.5$



Iterative calculations with subscripts

i := 1..10      x<sub>0</sub> := 1      y<sub>0</sub> := 1

$$x_i := x_{i-1} + 2$$

$$y_i := \frac{x_{i-1} + x_i}{2}$$

x =

	0
0	1
1	3
2	5
3	7
4	9
5	11
6	13
7	...

y =

	0
0	1
1	2
2	4
3	6
4	8
5	10
6	12
7	...

Finding an optimal solution given constraints

$$x := 1 \quad y := 1$$

$$z(x,y) := (x - 1)^2 - x \sin(y)$$

Given

$$x > -2$$

$$x < 2 \cdot y^2 + 3$$

$$-3 < y < 5$$

$$z\_max\_loc := \text{Maximize}(z, x, y)$$

$$z\_max\_loc = \begin{pmatrix} -2 \\ 1.571 \end{pmatrix} \quad \begin{matrix} \underline{x} := z\_max\_loc_0 & x = -2 \\ \underline{y} := z\_max\_loc_1 & y = 1.571 & z(x,y) = 11 \end{matrix}$$