

# Freshman Seminar - *Mathematica* Demo

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## What is *Mathematica*?

Simple answer: *Mathematica* is a system for doing computation.

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In[93]:= $Version
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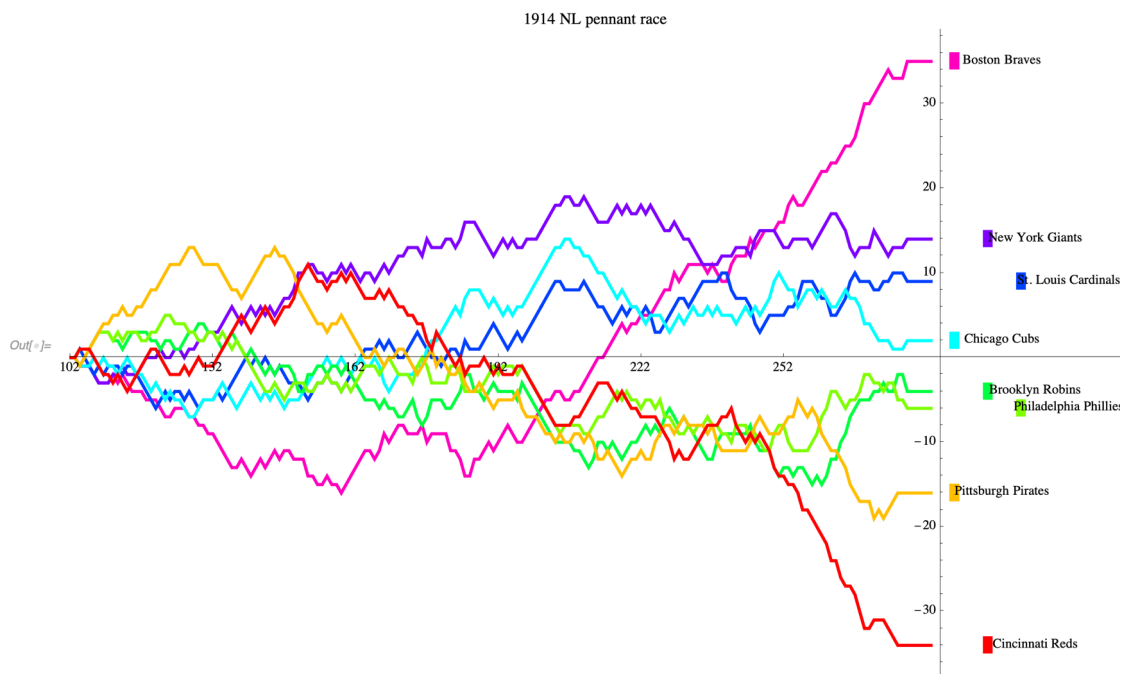
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Out[93]= 13.1.0 for Mac OS X x86 (64-bit) (June 16, 2022)
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## Baseball

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Out[ ]=
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In[ ]:= SeasonPlot[1914, "NL"]
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## How to Begin

### ■ Start typing : You get an input cell

In[94]:= `Expand [(x + y) ^ 10]`

Out[94]=

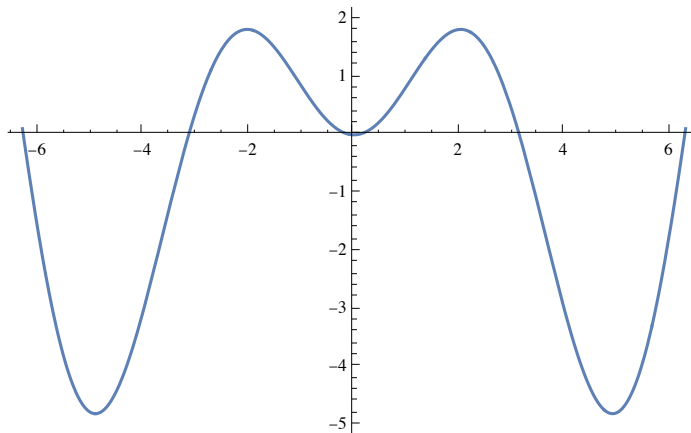
$$x^{10} + 10 x^9 y + 45 x^8 y^2 + 120 x^7 y^3 + 210 x^6 y^4 + 252 x^5 y^5 + 210 x^4 y^6 + 120 x^3 y^7 + 45 x^2 y^8 + 10 x y^9 + y^{10}$$

### ■ Starting with “=” gives you a free-form/natural language input

In[ ]:=

**=** plot x sin x +  
`Plot[x * Sin[x], {x, -6.3, 6.3}]`

Out[95]=



### ■ Starting with “= ” gives you a Wolfram Alpha query

In[96]:=

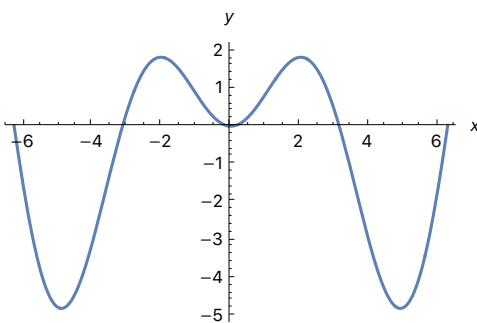
**=** x sin x

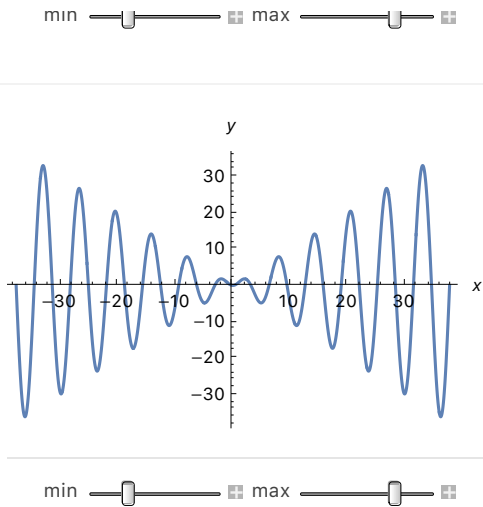
Assuming multiplication | Use a list instead

Input:

`x sin(x)`

Plots:





Alternate form:

$$\frac{1}{2} i e^{-ix} x - \frac{1}{2} i e^{ix} x$$

Roots:

$$x = \pi n, \quad n \in \mathbb{Z}$$

Approximate form  $\mathbb{Z}$  is the set of integers »

Integer root:

$$x = 0$$

Properties as a real function:

Domain:

 $\mathbb{R}$  (all real numbers)

Range:

 $\mathbb{R}$  (all real numbers)

Surjectivity:

surjective onto  $\mathbb{R}$ 

Parity:

even

 $\mathbb{R}$  is the set of real numbers »Series expansion at  $x = 0$ :

$$x^2 - \frac{x^4}{6} + \frac{x^6}{120} + O(x^7)$$

(Taylor series)

Big-O notation »

Derivative:

$$\frac{d}{dx}(x \sin(x)) = \sin(x) + x \cos(x)$$

Step-by-step solution 

Indefinite integral:

[Step-by-step solution](#) 

$$\int x \sin(x) dx = \sin(x) - x \cos(x) + \text{constant}$$

Local maxima:

[More](#) 

$$\max\{x \sin(x)\} \approx 1.81971 \text{ at } x \approx -2.02876$$

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Local minima:

[More](#) 

$$\min\{x \sin(x)\} = 0 \text{ at } x = 0$$

$$\min\{x \sin(x)\} \approx -4.81447 \text{ at } x \approx -4.91318$$

Alternative representations:

[More](#) 

$$x \sin(x) = \frac{x}{\csc(x)}$$

$$x \sin(x) = -x \cos\left(\frac{\pi}{2} + x\right)$$

$$x \sin(x) = x \cos\left(\frac{\pi}{2} - x\right)$$

csc(x) is the cosecant function »

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Series representations:

[More](#) 

$$x \sin(x) = x \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^k x^{1+2k}}{(1+2k)!}$$

$$x \sin(x) \propto \frac{x \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} (-1)^k \frac{\partial^{2k} \delta(x)}{\partial x^{2k}}}{\theta(x)}$$

$$x \sin(x) = 2x \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} (-1)^k J_{1+2k}(x)$$

n! is the factorial function »

 $\theta(x)$  is the Heaviside step function » $\delta(x)$  is the Dirac delta function » $J_n(z)$  is the Bessel function of the first kind »[More information »](#)

Integral representations:



$$x \sin(x) = x^2 \int_0^1 \cos(tx) dt$$

$$x \sin(x) = -\frac{i x^2}{4 \sqrt{\pi}} \int_{-i\infty+\gamma}^{i\infty+\gamma} \frac{e^{s-x^2/(4s)}}{s^{3/2}} ds \text{ for } \gamma > 0$$

$$x \sin(x) = -\frac{i x}{2 \sqrt{\pi}} \int_{-i \infty + \gamma}^{i \infty + \gamma} \frac{2^{-1+2s} x^{1-2s} \Gamma(s)}{\Gamma\left(\frac{3}{2} - s\right)} ds \text{ for } (0 < \gamma < 1 \text{ and } x > 0)$$

$\Gamma(x)$  is the gamma function »

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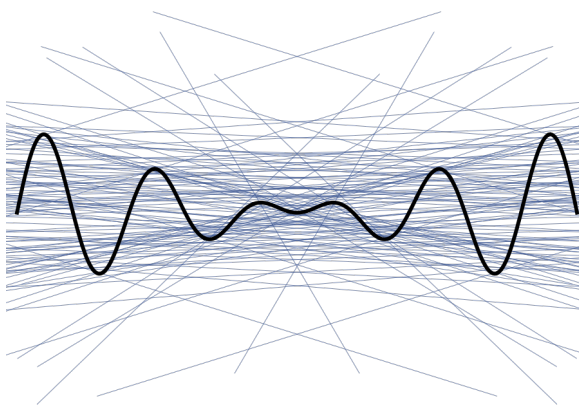
Definite integral:



[More digits](#)

$$\int_0^\pi x \sin(x) dx = \pi \approx 3.14159$$

Differential geometric curves:



—  $x \sin(x)$       — normals

Horizontal plot range:

$x_{\min}$    $x_{\max}$   ☒ symmetric

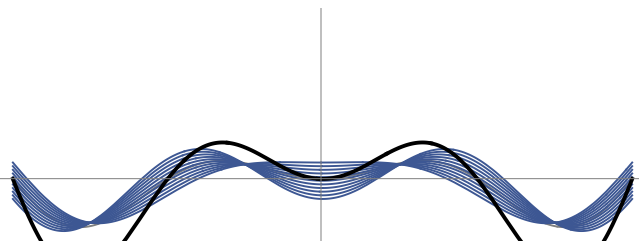
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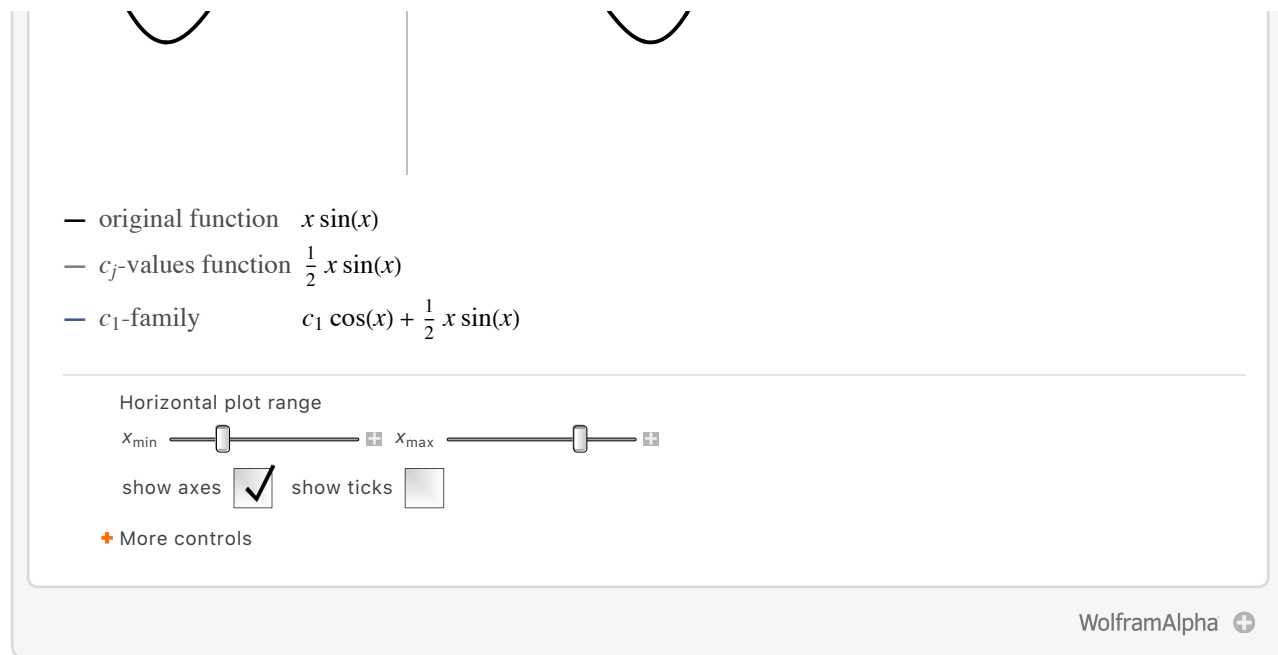
Differential equation solution curve families:



embedding function  $c_3 \sin(x) + c_4 x \sin(x) + c_1 \cos(x) + c_2 x \cos(x)$

embedding ODE  $y^{(4)}(x) + 2 y''(x) + y(x) = 0$





## A few examples from courses most math majors take.

### ■ Precalculus/Trig

In[97]:= `Solve[2 x^2 + 5 x - 7 == 0, x]`

Out[97]=

$$\left\{ \left\{ x \rightarrow -\frac{7}{2} \right\}, \{ x \rightarrow 1 \} \right\}$$

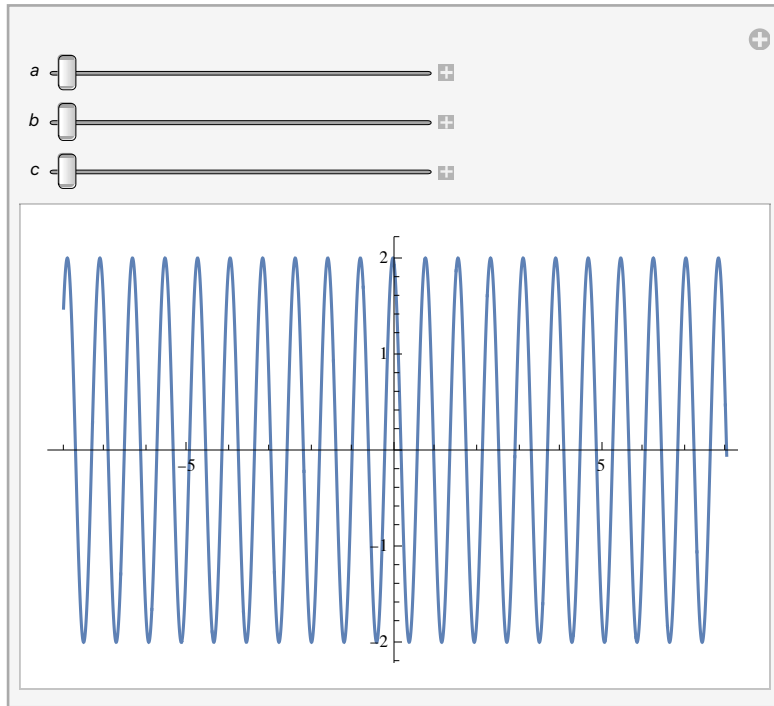
In[98]:= `c Sin[a x + b]`

Out[98]=

$$c \sin(ax + b)$$

In[99]:= **Manipulate**[**Plot**[ $c \sin[b + a x]$ , { $x$ , -8, 8}], { $a$ , -8, 8}, { $b$ , -2, 2}, { $c$ , -2, 2}]

Out[99]=



In[100]:=

**Solve**[ $x \sin[x] == 1/5$ ,  $x$ ]

**Solve:** This system cannot be solved with the methods available to Solve.

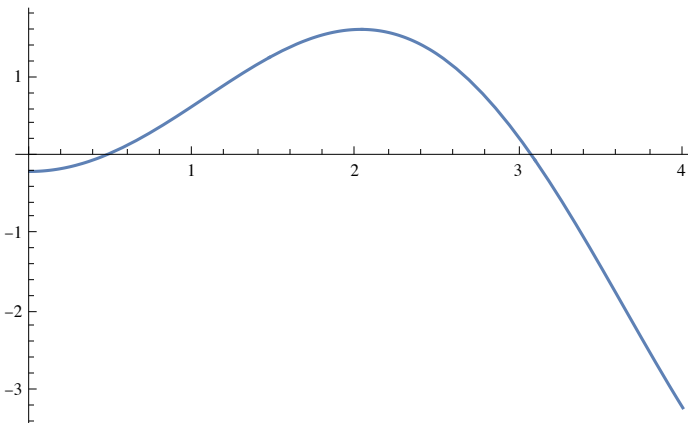
Out[100]=

**Solve**[ $x \sin(x) = \frac{1}{5}$ ,  $x$ ]

In[101]:=

**Plot**[ $x \sin[x] - 1/5$ , { $x$ , 0, 4}]

Out[101]=



In[102]:=

**FindRoot**[ $x \sin[x] == 1/5$ , { $x$ , 0.5}]

Out[102]=

{ $x \rightarrow 0.455053$ }

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In[103]:= FindRoot[x Sin[x] == 1 / 5, {x, 3}]
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Out[103]= {x -> 3.07654}
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## ■ Calculus I/A/IB

Differentiate and plot a function.

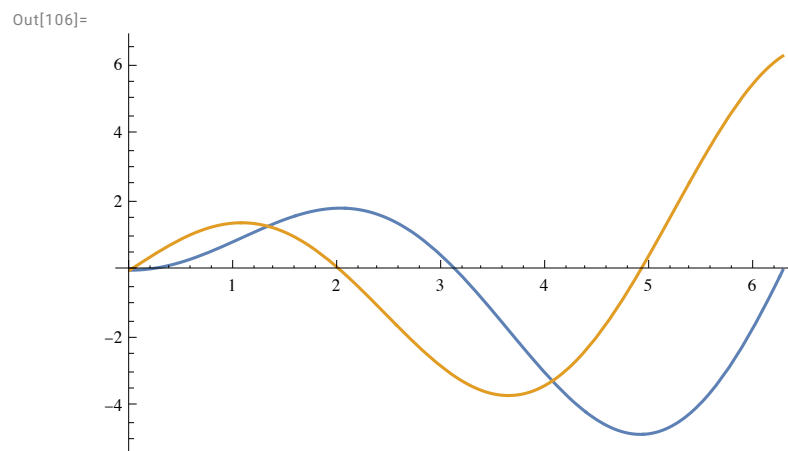
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In[104]:= f = Function[x, x Sin[x]]
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Out[104]= x -> x sin(x)
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In[105]:= f'
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Out[105]= x -> sin(x) + x cos(x)
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In[106]:= Plot[{Tooltip[f[x]], Tooltip[f'[x]]}, {x, 0, 2 Pi}]
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## ■ Calculus II

Integrate an expression, indefinite and definite.

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In[107]:= y = x^2 E^(-x)
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Out[107]= e^{-x} x^2
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In[108]:= Integrate[y, x]
```

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Out[108]= e^{-x} (-x^2 - 2 x - 2)
```

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In[109]:= Integrate[y, {x, 0, 5}]
```

```
Out[109]= 2 - \frac{37}{e^5}
```

Evaluate an infinite series.



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In[110]:= Sum[(2/3)^n, {n, 0, ∞}]
```

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Out[110]= 3
```

A Taylor series

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In[111]:= Series[Cos[x], {x, 0, 4}]
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Out[111]= 1 -  $\frac{x^2}{2}$  +  $\frac{x^4}{24}$  +  $O(x^5)$ 
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### ■ Calculus III

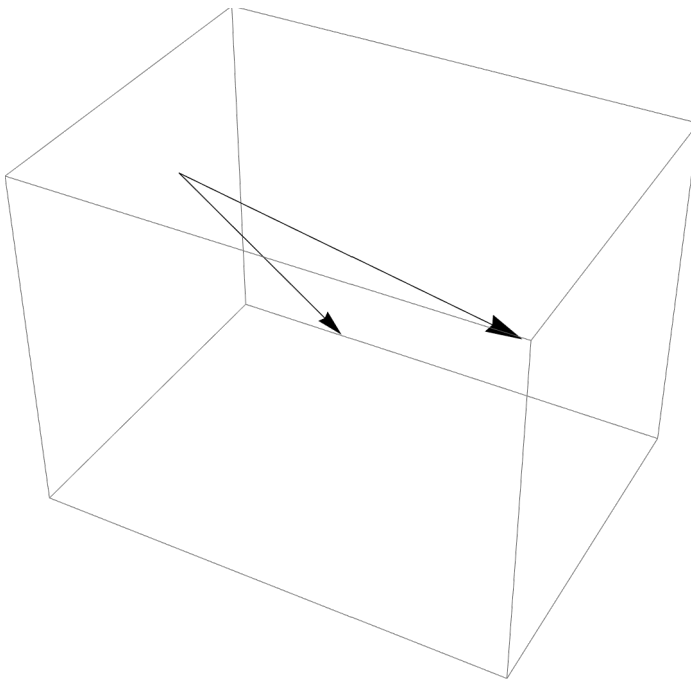
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In[112]:= u = {4, -2, 1};  
v = {1, 1, -2};
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In[114]:= u.v
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Out[114]= 0
```

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In[115]:= Graphics3D[{Arrow[{{0, 0, 0}, u}], Arrow[{{0, 0, 0}, v}]]]
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Out[115]=
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In[116]:= Clear[x, y]
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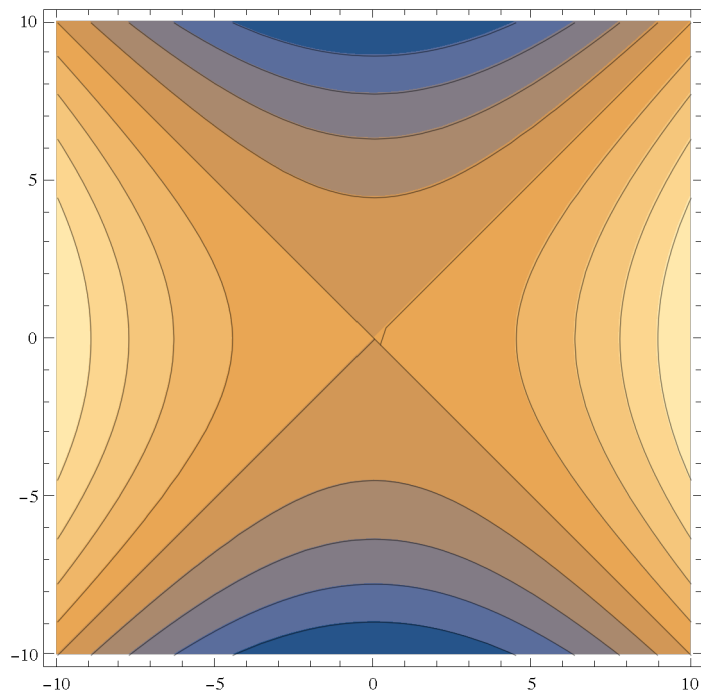
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In[117]:= z = x^2 - y^2
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Out[117]=  $x^2 - y^2$ 
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In[118]:=

**ContourPlot[z, {x, -10, 10}, {y, -10, 10}]**

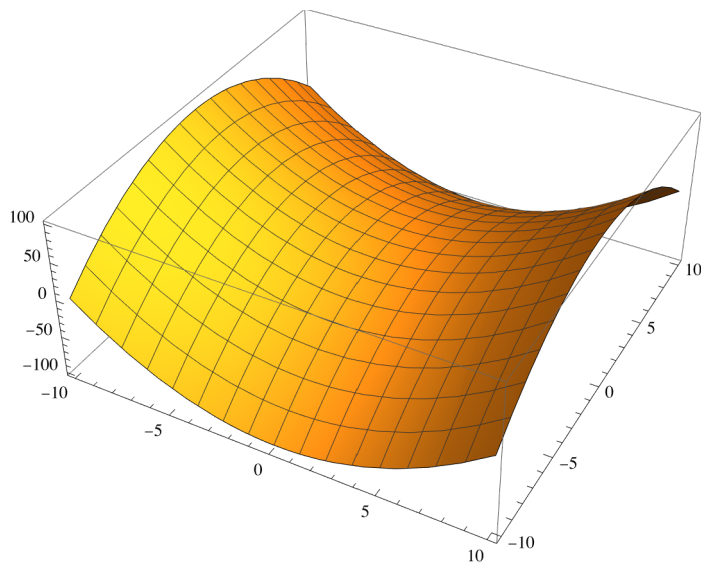
Out[118]=



In[119]:=

**Plot3D[z, {x, -10, 10}, {y, -10, 10}]**

Out[119]=



## ■ Discrete Structures

Binary digits of a number

In[120]:=

**IntegerDigits[1 234 567, 2]**

Out[120]=

{1, 0, 0, 1, 0, 1, 1, 0, 1, 0, 1, 1, 0, 1, 0, 0, 0, 0, 1, 1, 1}

The number of possible 5 card poker hands:

In[121]:=

**Binomial[52, 5]**

Out[121]=

2598960

A recursive definition

In[122]:=

**Clear[f]**

In[123]:=

**f[0] = 0; f[1] = 1;**

**f[n\_] := f[n] = f[n - 1] + f[n - 2]**

In[125]:=

**Table[f[i], {i, 0, 10}]**

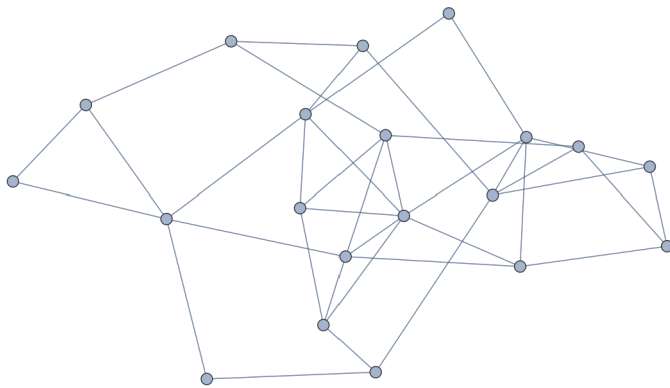
Out[125]=

{0, 1, 1, 2, 3, 5, 8, 13, 21, 34, 55}

In[126]:=

**RandomGraph[BernoulliGraphDistribution[20,  $\frac{1}{5}$ ]]**

Out[126]=



## ■ Linear Algebra

Linear Equations

In[127]:=

**Clear[x, y, z]**

In[128]:=

**Solve[{x + y + z == 4, x + 2 y - z == 5, x - y - z == 0}, {x, y, z}]**

Out[128]=

$\left\{\left\{x \rightarrow 2, y \rightarrow \frac{5}{3}, z \rightarrow \frac{1}{3}\right\}\right\}$

Matrix Equations

In[129]:=

**A =  $\begin{pmatrix} 2 & -1 & 0 \\ -1 & 3 & -1 \\ 0 & -1 & 4 \end{pmatrix}$**

Out[129]=

$\begin{pmatrix} 2 & -1 & 0 \\ -1 & 3 & -1 \\ 0 & -1 & 4 \end{pmatrix}$

In[130]:=

**Solve**[A.{x, y, z} == {3, 4, 5}, {x, y, z}]

Out[130]=

{x → 3, y → 3, z → 2}

In[131]:=

**Inverse**[A]

Out[131]=

$$\begin{pmatrix} \frac{11}{18} & \frac{2}{9} & \frac{1}{18} \\ \frac{2}{9} & \frac{4}{9} & \frac{1}{9} \\ \frac{1}{18} & \frac{1}{9} & \frac{5}{18} \end{pmatrix}$$

## ■ Differential Equations

In[132]:=

**Clear**[x, t]

In[133]:=

**DSolve**[x'[t] == -2 x[t] + t^2, x[t], t]

Out[133]=

$$\left\{ \left\{ x(t) \rightarrow \frac{1}{4} (2t^2 - 2t + 1) + c_1 e^{-2t} \right\} \right\}$$

In[134]:=

**DSolve**[{x'[t] == -2 x[t] + t^2, x[0] == 1}, x[t], t]

Out[134]=

$$\left\{ \left\{ x(t) \rightarrow -\frac{1}{4} e^{-2t} (2e^{2t} t^2 - 2e^{2t} t + e^{2t} + 3) \right\} \right\}$$

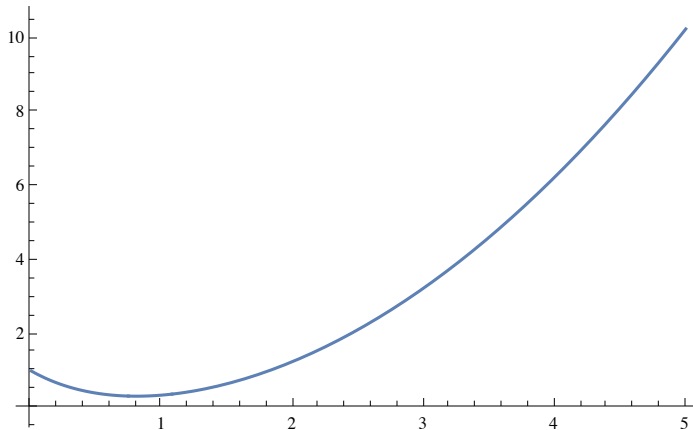
In[135]:=

$$x[t\_]:= \frac{1}{4} e^{-2t} (3 + e^{2t} - 2e^{2t} t + 2e^{2t} t^2)$$

In[136]:=

**Plot**[x[t], {t, 0, 5}]

Out[136]=



## ■ Probability & Statistics

Distribution of probabilities for the roll of a fair die:

In[137]:=

**roll** = **DiscreteUniformDistribution**[{1, 6}]

Out[137]=

DiscreteUniformDistribution[{1, 6}]

In[138]:=

**RandomVariate[roll]**

Out[138]=

6

In[139]:=

**PDF[roll]**

Out[139]=

$$\text{Function}\left[x, \begin{cases} \frac{1}{6} & 1 \leq x \leq 6 \\ 0 & \text{True} \end{cases}, \text{Listable}\right]$$

In[140]:=

**twodice := Total[RandomVariate[roll, 2]]**

In[141]:=

**{twodice, twodice, twodice}**

Out[141]=

{6, 8, 5}

In[142]:=

**data = Table[twodice, {10000}];**

In[143]:=

**Mean[data] // N**

Out[143]=

7.0182

In[144]:=

**Histogram[data]**

Out[144]=

