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Today is national dark chocolate day!

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Let's talk about factoring, relative to problem 2.

> $f(x) := x^4 - 4;$

$$f(x) := x^4 - 4 \quad (1)$$

> $factor(f(x))$

$$(x^2 - 2) (x^2 + 2) \quad (2)$$

this means factor over rationals.... but we want over reals

> $solve(f(x) = 0);$

$$\sqrt{2}, -\sqrt{2}, I\sqrt{2}, -I\sqrt{2} \quad (3)$$

> $factor(f(x), sqrt(2))$

$$-(x + \sqrt{2}) (-x + \sqrt{2}) (x^2 + 2) \quad (4)$$

> $factor(f(x), \{sqrt(2), I\})$

$$(x + \sqrt{2}) (I\sqrt{2} - x) (-x + \sqrt{2}) (x + I\sqrt{2}) \quad (5)$$

> $factor(x^2 + 4, I)$

$$-(-x + 2I) (x + 2I) \quad (6)$$

Another approach: I know that

$\sqrt{2}, -\sqrt{2}, I\sqrt{2}, -I\sqrt{2}$ are all roots, so I can build the factored polynomial.

> $sols := [solve(f(x) = 0)];$

$$sols := [\sqrt{2}, -\sqrt{2}, \sqrt{2} I, -I\sqrt{2}] \quad (7)$$

added later open if you want.

> $maketerm(r) := x - r$

$$maketerm := r \mapsto x - r \quad (1.1)$$

> $maketerm(5)$

$$x - 5 \quad (1.2)$$

> $maketerm(sols[2])$

$$x + \sqrt{2} \quad (1.3)$$

> $maketerm(sols)$

$$x + [-\sqrt{2}, \sqrt{2}, -I\sqrt{2}, \sqrt{2} I] \quad (1.4)$$

> $map(maketerm, sols)$

$$[x - \sqrt{2}, x + \sqrt{2}, x - \sqrt{2} I, x + \sqrt{2} I] \quad (1.5)$$

But I don't really need maketerm directly, just tell it to do that this time.

> $terms := map(r \mapsto x - r, sols);$

$$terms := [x - \sqrt{2}, x + \sqrt{2}, x - \sqrt{2} I, x + \sqrt{2} I] \quad (8)$$

> $?product$

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> product(terms);
Error. (in product) wrong number or type of arguments
> product( {rabbit, dog, 7} )
Error. (in product) wrong number or type of arguments
> product(x^2, x = 1 ..3)
36 (9)
> product(thing(i), i = 1 ..3);
thing(1) thing(2) thing(3) (10)
> terms[2]
x + sqrt(2) (11)
> product(terms[i], i = 1 ..4);
(x - sqrt(2)) (x + sqrt(2)) (x - sqrt(2) I) (x + sqrt(2) I) (12)
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How long is terms?
> nops(terms)
4 (13)
> nops([1, 18. rrr, KK, seq(i = 1 ..10)]);
5 (14)
> product(terms[i], i = 1 ..nops(terms));
(x - sqrt(2)) (x + sqrt(2)) (x - sqrt(2) I) (x + sqrt(2) I) (15)
> solve(x^5 - x^2 + 3 = 0, x);
RootOf(_Z^5 - _Z^2 + 3, index = 1), RootOf(_Z^5 - _Z^2 + 3, index = 2), RootOf(_Z^5 - _Z^2 + 3, (16)
index = 3), RootOf(_Z^5 - _Z^2 + 3, index = 4), RootOf(_Z^5 - _Z^2 + 3, index = 5)
> evalf(%);
1.047313491 + 0.6082313004 I, -0.4881437136 + 1.261168584 I, -1.118339554, (17)
-0.4881437136 - 1.261168584 I, 1.047313491 - 0.6082313004 I
> listOfSols := [%]
listOfSols := [1.047313491 + 0.6082313004 I, -0.4881437136 + 1.261168584 I, (18)
-1.118339554, -0.4881437136 - 1.261168584 I, 1.047313491 - 0.6082313004 I]
> f(x) := sqrt(x + 5)
f := x ↦ sqrt(x + 5) (19)
> f(3);
2 sqrt(2) (20)
> f(-10);
I sqrt(5) (21)
>

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What if I want f to not return complex numbers, just complain if x-5<0

a new line is shift-enter

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> f:=proc(x)
  if x < -5 then
    return(x + 5);
  else
    return(sqrt(x + 5));
  fi;
end;

f:= proc(x) if x < - 5 then return x + 5 else return sqrt(x + 5) end if end proc (22)

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> f(2);
       $\sqrt{7}$  (23)

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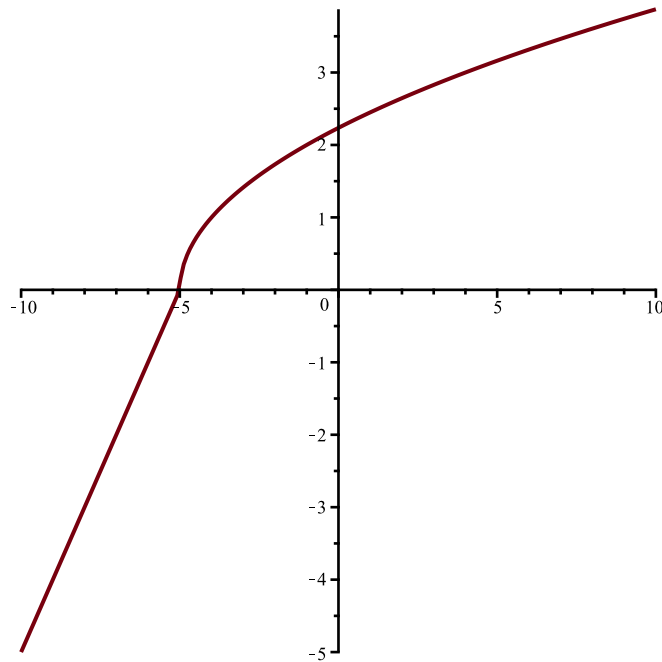
> f(-10);
      -5 (24)

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> plot(f,-10..10);

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> f(turkey)
Error. (in f) cannot determine if this expression is true or false:
turkey < -5

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> ithprime(10);
      29 (25)

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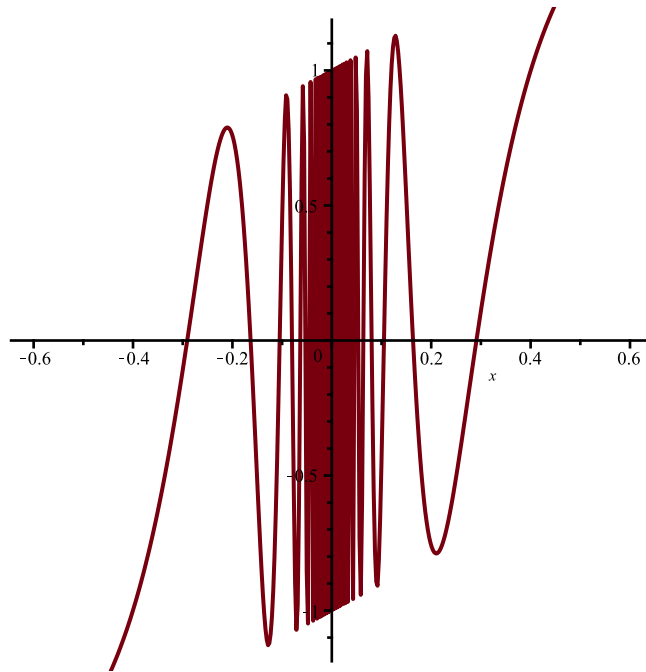
> ithprime(1000);
      7919 (26)

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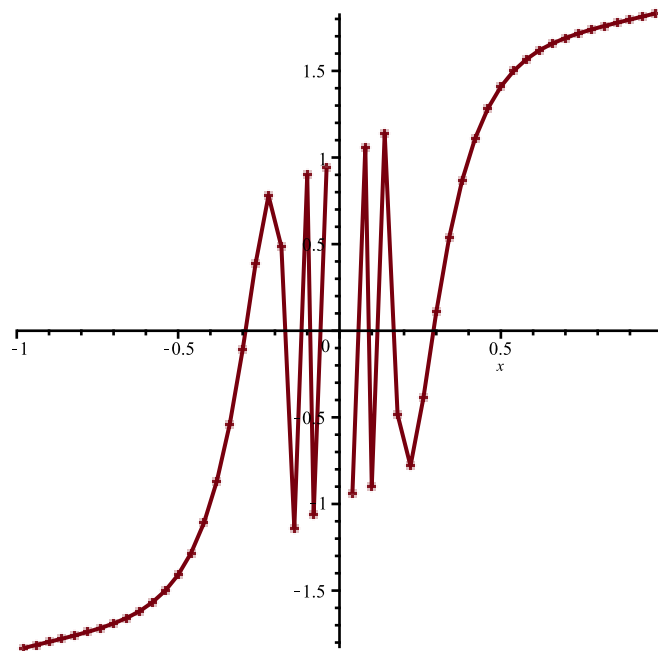
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> plot( sin(1/x) + x, x=-1..1 )

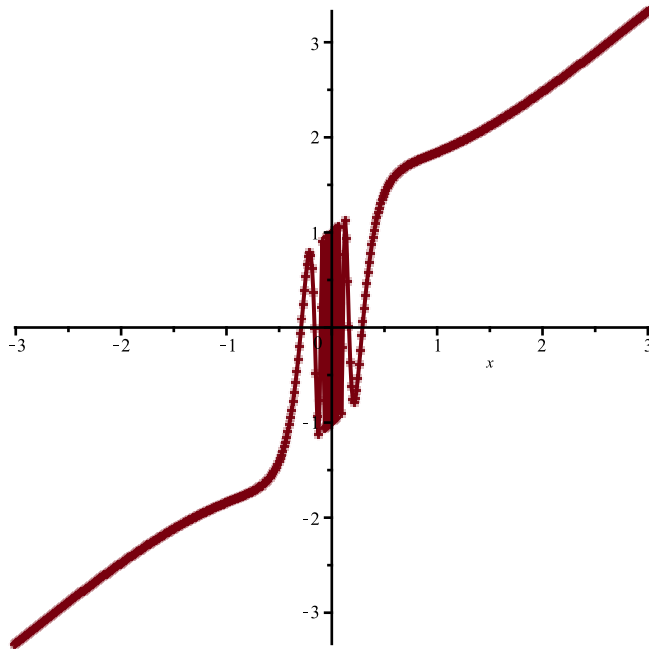
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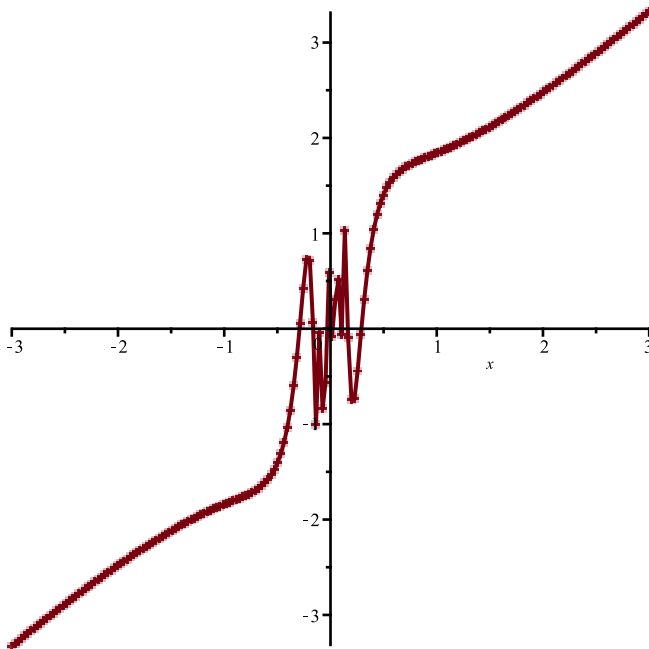
> `plot(sin(1/x) + x, x=-1 ..1, numpoints = 50, style=pointline)`



> `plot(sin(1/x) + x, x=-3 ..3, style=pointline)`



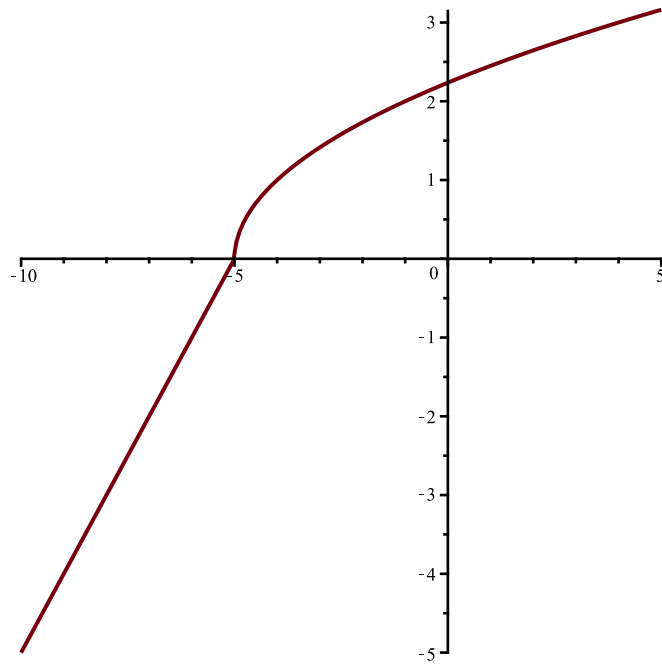
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> plot( sin(1/x) + x, x=-3 ..3, style=pointline, adaptive=false )
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> plot(f(x), x=-10 ..5);
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Error, (in f) cannot determine if this expression is true or false: x < -5

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> plot(f, -10 ..5)
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What??/?/?

> $f(x)$

Error. (in f) cannot determine if this expression is true or false: $x < -5$

> $f(\text{turkey})$

Error. (in f) cannot determine if this expression is true or false: $\text{turkey} < -5$

[Trouble is that maple is trying to evaluate $f(x)$ "too early", before x has a value.

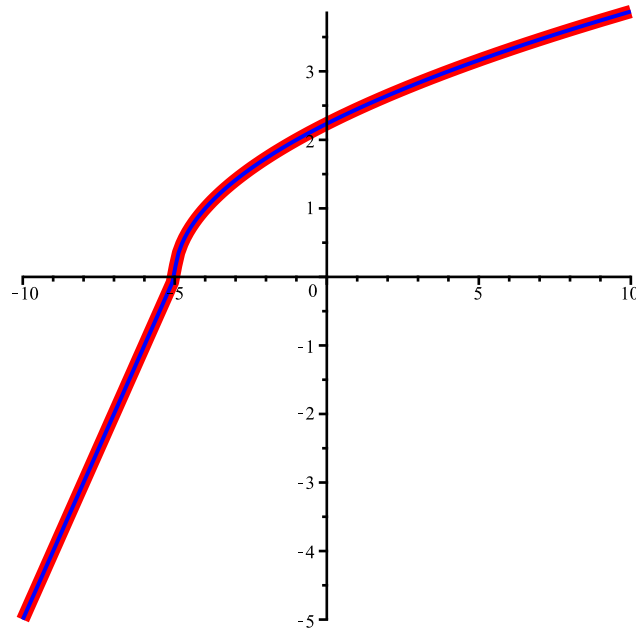
> ?piecewise

> $g := x \rightarrow \text{piecewise}(x > -5, \text{sqrt}(x + 5), x + 5);$

$$g := x \mapsto \begin{cases} \sqrt{x + 5} & -5 < x \\ x + 5 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

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> $\text{plot}([g, f], -10 .. 10, \text{thickness} = [5, 1], \text{color} = [\text{red}, \text{blue}]);$

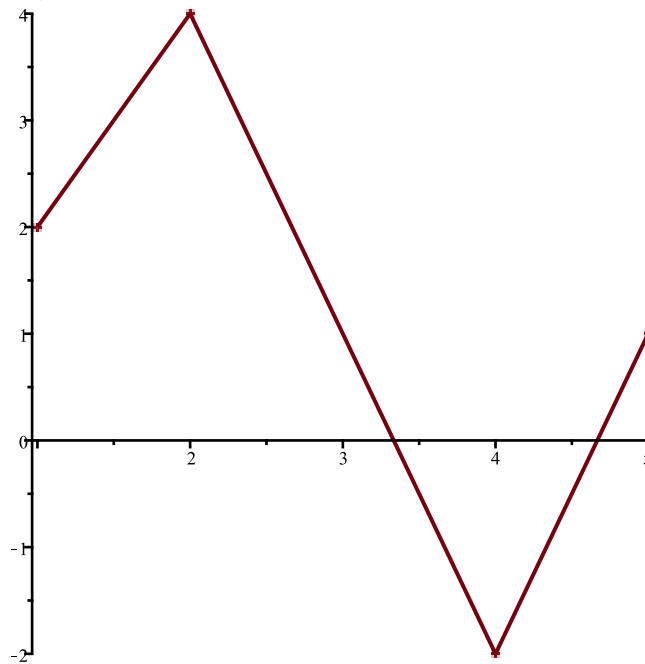


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> pts := [ [1, 2], [2, 4], [4, -2], [5, 1] ];
           pts := [[1, 2], [2, 4], [4, -2], [5, 1]]
> plot(pts, style=pointline);

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How do I find the unique cubic that goes through those 4 points?

Next time.