

Get Started with MotionGenesis – Short



To download and install a demo version of the program (PC/Macintosh), go to <http://www.MotionGenesis.com>
Click on the **Download** Software button.

Math

Browse to the MotionGenesis folder and double-click on:

On line (1), type:

To try **symbolic manipulation**, type:

To **evaluate** fred at $t=\pi/3$, type:

To **convert units** from inches to cm, type:

To find the roots of the **quadratic equation**, type:

To save **input** to the text file FirstDemo.txt, type:

To save **input** and **output** to file FirstDemo.html, type:

For general help and/or a list of commands, type:

For help with a command (e.g., Solve), type:

To exit the program, type

MotionGenesisStartHere

```
sum = 2 + 2
```

```
fred = 3*sin(t)^2 + 2*cos(t)^2
```

```
test = Evaluate( fred, t = pi/3 )
```

```
inchToCm = ConvertUnits( inch, cm)
```

```
Constant a, b, c
```

```
Variable x
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```
Roots = GetQuadraticRoots( a*x^2 + b*x + c, x )
```

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Save FirstDemo.txt
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```
Save FirstDemo.html
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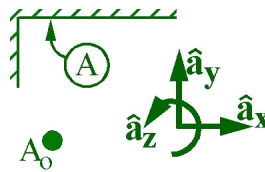
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Help
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Help SOLVE
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Quit
```

Vectors

1. To create right-handed orthogonal unit vectors A_x , A_y , A_z fixed in a RigidFrame A, type:



RigidFrame A

2. To define a vector v in terms of A_x , A_y , A_z , type:

Similarly, one can define a vector w with:

3. To multiply the vector v by 5, type:

4. To **add vectors** v and w , type:

5. To **dot-multiply** v with w , type:

6. To **cross-multiply** v with w , type:

7. To find the **magnitude** of v , type:

8. To find the **magnitude-squared** of v , type:

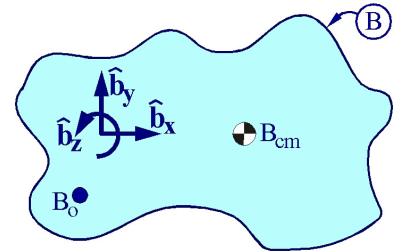
9. To find the **unit vector** in the direction of v , type:

10. To find the **angle** between v and w , type:

11. To **save input** (for subsequent re-use), type

12. To **save input and output**, type:

13. To quit the program, type:



```
v = 2*Ax + 3*Ay + 4*Az
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w = 6*Ax + 7*Ay + 8*Az
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vFive = 5 * v
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```
addVW = v + w
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```
dotVW = Dot( v, w )
```

```
crossVW = Cross( v, w )
```

```
magV = GetMagnitude( v )
```

```
vSquared = GetMagnitudeSquared( v )
```

```
unitV = GetUnitVector( v )
```

```
theta = GetAngleBetweenVectors( v, w )
```

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Save VectorSampleCommands.txt
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Save VectorSampleCommands.html
```

```
Quit.
```

Solving linear algebraic equations

$$\begin{cases} 2*x + 3*y = \sin(t) \\ 4*x + t*y = \cos(t) \end{cases}$$

To **symbolically solve** the previous set of linear equations for x and y, type

```
Variable x, y
Zero[1] = 2*x + 3*y - sin(t)
Zero[2] = 4*x + t*y - cos(t)
Solve( Zero, x, y )
```

To **save input** (for subsequent re-use), type

To **save input and output**, type:

Save SolveLinearEqn.txt

Save SolveLinearEqn.html

Solving one nonlinear algebraic equation

$$x^2 - \cos(x) = 0$$

To **numerically solve** the previous **nonlinear** equation for x , type:

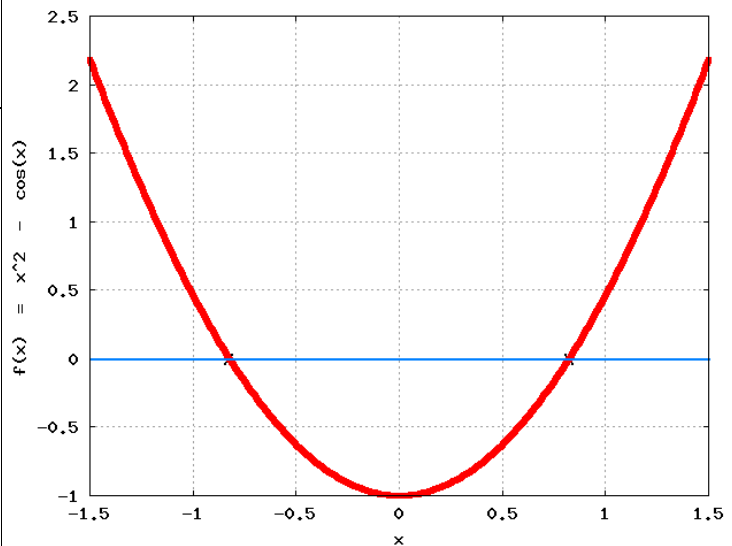
```
Variable x
Solve( x^2 - cos(x), x = 0.2 )
```

Nonlinear equations may have multiple solutions.

The program's solution of $x = 0.8241323$ depends on the starting guess which is specified by the argument $x = 0.2$.

If instead, one starts with a guess of $x = -9$, the program produces a different solution, namely $x = -0.8241323$.

The program frequently converges to a solution close to the starting guess.



To **save input** (for subsequent re-use), type

To **save input and output**, type:

Save SolveNonlinearEqn1.txt

Save SolveNonlinearEqn1.html

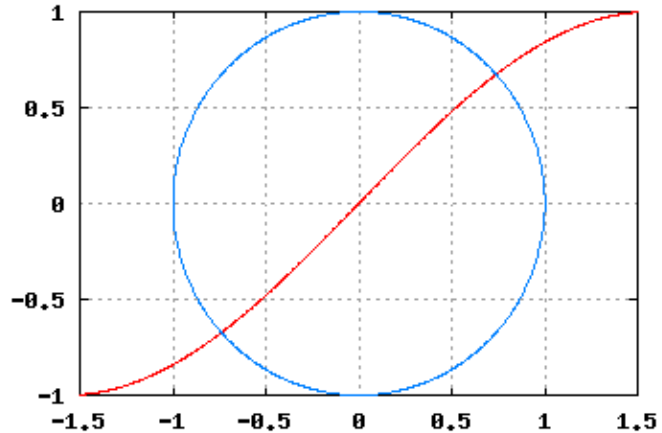
Solving sets of nonlinear algebraic equations

Equations for a circle and sine curve.

$$\begin{aligned} x^2 + y^2 &= 1 \\ y &= \sin(x) \end{aligned}$$

To **numerically solve** the previous set of nonlinear equations for x and y , type:

```
Variable x, y
Zero[1] = x^2 + y^2 - 1
Zero[2] = y - sin(x)
Solve( Zero, x = 3, y = 5 )
```



These nonlinear equations have **two** solutions. The program's solution of $x = 0.739085$ and $y = 0.673612$ depend on the guess. The program frequently converges to a solution close to the starting guess.

To **save input** (for subsequent re-use), type

Save SolveNonlinearEqn2.txt

To **save input and output**, type:

Save SolveNonlinearEqn2.html

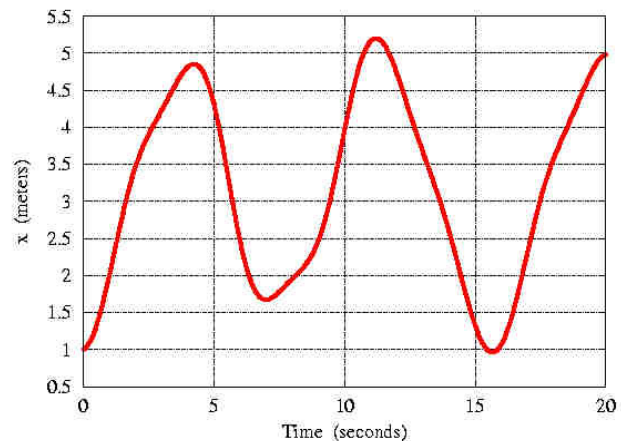
Solving ODEs (differential equations)

Solve the nonlinear ordinary differential equation

$$x'' = \cos(2t) + \sin(x)$$

with the initial values $x=1$ m and $x'=0.2$ m/s, Create a plot with t varying from 0 to 20 seconds.

Note: t is the independent variable time. The prime symbol ' denotes time-differentiation.



This plot was generated with the MotionGenesis Plot command

To **numerically solve** this ODE with output every 0.02 sec for the given initial values, type

```
Variable x'' = cos(2*t) + sin(x)
Input x = 1 m, x' = 0.2 m/s, tFinal = 20 sec, tStep = 0.02 sec
OutputPlot t sec, x m, x' m/s
ODE() odeOutputFile % Solves ODE (no MATLAB® required)
ODE() odeOutputFile.m % Creates MATLAB® file that solves ODE.
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Next: See [MotionGenesisTutorial.pdf](#) installed in your: MotionGenesis -> MGToolbox folder (after you download/install)