

Lesson 33: Chebyshev and Padé

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Chebyshev approximations in Maple

Maple has commands to produce Chebyshev series approximations: **chebpade** and **chebyshev** in the **numapprox** package.

We can use **chebpade** to produce an approximation to a given degree N , or **chebyshev** to attempt an approximation with error at most ϵ .

```
> with(numapprox):  
f0 := x -> arctan(2*x+1);  
f0 := x → arctan(2 x + 1)  
  
> ChebApp1 := chebyshev(f0(x), x = -1..1, 10^(-8));  
ChebApp1 := 0.452278447151191 T(0, x) + 1.05817102727149 T(1, x)  
- 0.272019649514069 T(2, x) - 0.0288114945860669 T(3, x)  
+ 0.0581710272714922 T(4, x) - 0.0179445424708701 T(5, x)  
- 0.00573045751510579 T(6, x) + 0.00696037216927648 T(7, x)  
- 0.00164411429807495 T(8, x) - 0.00112182104832474 T(9, x)  
+ 0.000974197112900738 T(10, x) - 0.000137741903096520 T(11, x)  
- 0.000215989116121847 T(12, x) + 0.000142833053852007 T(13, x)  
- 0.00000413079194211789 T(14, x) - 0.0000408504603294581 T(15, x)  
+ 0.0000209405094970062 T(16, x) + 0.00000233904648048977 T(17, x)  
- 0.00000757640505946219 T(18, x) + 0.00000296610644775531 T(19, x)  
+ 9.10669348976225 10-7 T(20, x) - 0.00000137447961971678 T(21, x)  
+ 3.88083734932629 10-7 T(22, x) + 2.43382924141505 10-7 T(23, x)  
- 2.43009422324076 10-7 T(24, x) + 4.24644368876864 10-8 T(25, x)  
+ 5.66240774303582 10-8 T(26, x) - 4.16389150932986 10-8 T(27, x)  
+ 2.45005887196057 10-9 T(28, x) + 1.21978131469271 10-8 T(29, x)  
- 6.85347846873698 10-9 T(30, x) + 2.49134438606034 10-9 T(32, x)
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The degree here will be 32.

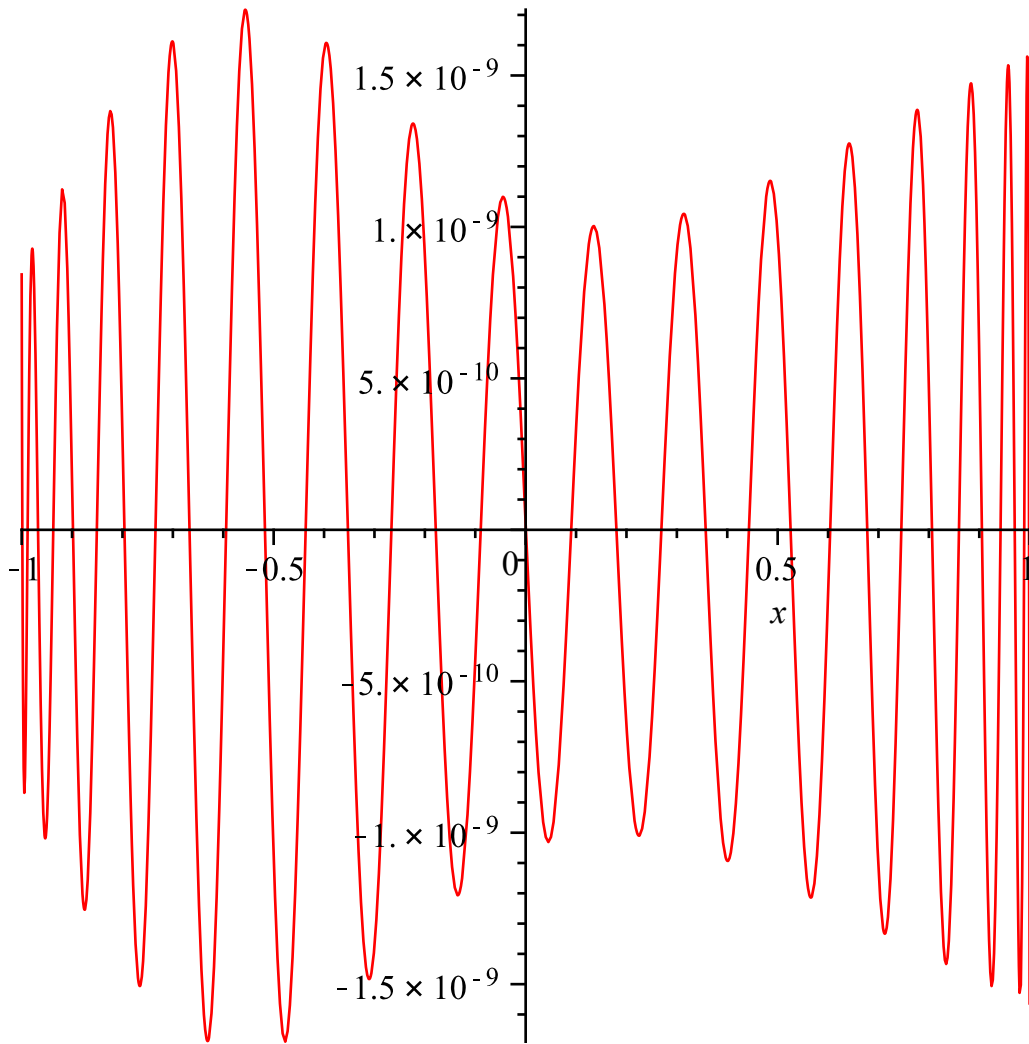
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> ChebApp2 := unapply(eval(%, T = orthopoly[T]), x);  
ChebApp2 := x → 1.000000037081167 x - 1.0000000153842041 x2  
+ 0.6666591956157818 x3 + 0.000004510598563767232 x4 - 0.7995573186639089 x5  
+ 1.333023991736615 x6 - 1.1550260071032648 x7 + 0.009486846158102136 x8  
+ 1.9662715620203932 x9 - 3.3627545726113643 x10 + 1.0840520481328828 x11  
+ 1.749441661514954 x12 + 6.788026279520803 x13 - 3.419954018503308 x14  
- 59.793397931109084 x15 + 62.407875437755564 x16 + 168.2943788434238 x17  
- 245.38418408181653 x18 - 274.1524290199788 x19 + 519.5925542990054 x20
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+ 292.0367553821713 x21 - 712.5174102539618 x22 - 208.385163612622 x23
+ 668.6857133975562 x24 + 96.72552739008381 x25 - 430.5951982022936 x26
- 26.53320041376544 x27 + 183.07810919181904 x28 + 3.274325534298167 x29
- 46.48040388069266 x30 + 5.350121330601184 x32 + 0.7853981633782545

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> plot(f0(x)-ChebApp2(x),x=-1..1);
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Computing Chebyshev polynomials

The Chebyshev polynomials $T(n, x)$ can be defined by $T(n, \cos(t)) = \cos(n t)$. But how should we calculate them for a particular x ?

It turns out that these polynomials satisfy a recurrence relation very much reminiscent of the Fibonacci numbers:

$T(n, x) = 2 x T(n - 1, x) - T(n - 2, x)$, with initial values $T(0, x) = 1$, $T(1, x) = x$.

```
> cos(n*t) = 2*cos(t)*cos((n-1)*t) - cos((n-2)*t);
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$$\cos(n t) = 2 \cos(t) \cos((n - 1) t) - \cos((n - 2) t)$$

(2.1)

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> expand(%);
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$$\cos(n t) = \cos(n t)$$

(2.2)

This could be used with a **for** loop to calculate as many values of $T(n, x)$ as you need.

```
> V[0]:= 1; V[1]:= .234;
  for count from 2 to 6 do
    V[count]:= 2*.234*V[count-1] - V[count-2]
  end do;
```

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          V0 := 1
          V1 := 0.234
          V2 := -0.890488
          V3 := -0.650748384
          V4 := 0.5859377563
          V5 := 0.9249672539
          V6 := -0.1530530815
```

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Oh, but is it numerically stable?

```
> rsolve(T(n)=2*x*T(n-1)-T(n-2), T(n));
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$$\frac{1}{2} \frac{1}{\sqrt{x^2-1} (-x + \sqrt{x^2-1})} \left((-T(0) - T(1)x + T(1)\sqrt{x^2-1} + 2x^2 T(0) - 2x T(0)\sqrt{x^2-1}) \left(-\frac{1}{-x + \sqrt{x^2-1}} \right)^n \right) + \frac{1}{2} \frac{1}{\sqrt{x^2-1} (-x - \sqrt{x^2-1})} \left((T(0) + T(1)x + T(1)\sqrt{x^2-1} - 2x^2 T(0) - 2x T(0)\sqrt{x^2-1}) \left(-\frac{1}{-x - \sqrt{x^2-1}} \right)^n \right)$$

The important things here are the $\left(-\frac{1}{-x - \sqrt{x^2-1}} \right)^n$ and $\left(-\frac{1}{-x + \sqrt{x^2-1}} \right)^n$: the solution is a

linear combination of these, say $a \left(-\frac{1}{-x - \sqrt{x^2-1}} \right)^n + b \left(-\frac{1}{-x + \sqrt{x^2-1}} \right)^n$, with

coefficients a and b that depend on x but not on n . A small error in, say, $T(m, x)$ would produce an error of this form in $T(n, x)$ for $n > m$. If that grew as $n \rightarrow \infty$ it would be bad news. Fortunately, for

x in the interval $[-1, 1]$ (which is where we want it), it doesn't grow. $x^2 - 1 \leq 0$, so $-x - \sqrt{x^2 - 1}$

and $-x + \sqrt{x^2 - 1}$ are complex numbers, and they have absolute value 1:

$$|-x + i\sqrt{1-x^2}| = \sqrt{x^2 + 1 - x^2} = 1.$$

So the error doesn't grow much as $n \rightarrow \infty$. Let's try an example, with $x = 0.8$.

```
> y[0]:= 1; y[1]:= 0.8;
  for count from 2 to 100 do
    y[count]:= 2*0.8*y[count-1] - y[count-2]
  end do:
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          y0 := 1
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$$y_1 := 0.8$$

Here are the errors.

```
> seq([n,y[n]-cos(n*arccos(0.8))],n=1..100);
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[1, 0.], [2, 4. 10⁻¹⁰], [3, -4. 10⁻¹⁰], [4, -1. 10⁻¹⁰], [5, 0.], [6, -2. 10⁻¹⁰], [7, -4. 10⁻¹⁰], [8, 3. 10⁻¹⁰], [9, 1. 10⁻¹⁰], [10, 2. 10⁻¹⁰], [11, 1. 10⁻¹⁰], [12, -3. 10⁻¹⁰], [13, -1.4 10⁻⁹], [14, -1.1 10⁻⁹], [15, -2. 10⁻¹⁰], [16, 1.2 10⁻⁹], [17, 2.3 10⁻¹⁰], [18, -9. 10⁻¹⁰], [19, -9. 10⁻¹⁰], [20, 5. 10⁻¹⁰], [21, -5.3 10⁻⁹], [22, -5.15 10⁻⁹], [23, -3.0 10⁻⁹], [24, -4. 10⁻¹⁰], [25, 5. 10⁻¹⁰], [26, -1. 10⁻¹⁰], [27, -1.40 10⁻⁹], [28, -2.0 10⁻⁹], [29, -1.2 10⁻⁹], [30, -2.9 10⁻⁹], [31, -4.1 10⁻⁹], [32, -3.1 10⁻⁹], [33, -1.0 10⁻⁹], [34, 6. 10⁻¹⁰], [35, 3. 10⁻¹⁰], [36, -1.9 10⁻⁹], [37, -3.8 10⁻⁹], [38, 2.4 10⁻⁹], [39, -8. 10⁻¹⁰], [40, -1.9 10⁻⁹], [41, -9. 10⁻¹⁰], [42, 1.0 10⁻⁹], [43, 2.0 10⁻⁹], [44, 7. 10⁻¹⁰], [45, -2.7 10⁻⁹], [46, 3.5 10⁻⁹], [47, 1.6 10⁻⁹], [48, -4. 10⁻¹⁰], [49, -6. 10⁻¹⁰], [50, 8. 10⁻¹⁰], [51, 2.9 10⁻⁹], [52, 4.2 10⁻⁹], [53, 3.1 10⁻⁹], [54, -2. 10⁻¹⁰], [55, 2.5 10⁻⁹], [56, 9.7 10⁻¹⁰], [57, -1.1 10⁻⁹], [58, -2.0 10⁻⁹], [59, -7. 10⁻¹⁰], [60, 2.1 10⁻⁹], [61, 5.01 10⁻⁹], [62, 5.9 10⁻⁹], [63, 7. 10⁻¹⁰], [64, 2.2 10⁻⁹], [65, 1.5 10⁻⁹], [66, -6.7 10⁻¹⁰], [67, -2.5 10⁻⁹], [68, -2.7 10⁻⁹], [69, 0.], [70, 4.2 10⁻⁹], [71, -2.6 10⁻⁹], [72, 2. 10⁻¹⁰], [73, 1.7 10⁻⁹], [74, 1.0 10⁻⁹], [75, -1.1 10⁻⁹], [76, -3.4 10⁻⁹], [77, -4.0 10⁻⁹], [78, -2.1 10⁻⁹], [79, 2.3 10⁻⁹], [80, -2.3 10⁻⁹], [81, -1. 10⁻¹⁰], [82, 1.8 10⁻⁹], [83, 2.0 10⁻⁹], [84, -2. 10⁻¹⁰], [85, -3.6 10⁻⁹], [86, -5.9 10⁻⁹], [87, -5.3 10⁻⁹], [88, -2.2 10⁻⁹], [89, -2.5 10⁻⁹], [90, -1.1 10⁻⁹], [91, 1.0 10⁻⁹], [92, 2.1 10⁻⁹], [93, 1.0 10⁻⁹], [94, -2.3 10⁻⁹], [95, -5.6 10⁻⁹], [96, 1.8 10⁻⁹], [97, -8. 10⁻¹⁰], [98, -2.1 10⁻⁹], [99, -1.5 10⁻⁹], [100, 7.8 10⁻¹⁰]

Approximation using Chebyshev polynomials

So how could we have used the Chebyshev approximation for our function with this method of evaluating the polynomials?

It would be more efficient to get the coefficients in a table.

```
> for nn from 0 to 32 do
    CC[nn]:= coeff(ChebApp1,T(nn,x))
end do;
```

Now to make a procedure that takes x , evaluates the $T(i, x)$ and evaluates **ChebApp2**.

The results will be accumulated in a variable R .

Each time we produce one of the $T(i, x)$ we add the appropriate contribution to R .

```
> ChebAppProc:= proc(x::numeric)
    local i, R, T;
    R:= CC[0] + x*CC[1];
    T[0]:= 1; T[1]:= x;
    for i from 2 to 32 do
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    T[i]:= 2*x*T[i-1]-T[i-2];
    R:= R + T[i]*CC[i];
end do;
R
end;
ChebAppProc := proc(x::numeric)
    local i, R, T;
    R := CC[0] + x* CC[1];
    T[0] := 1;
    T[1] := x;
    for i from 2 to 32 do
        T[i] := 2 * x * T[i - 1] - T[i - 2]; R := R + T[i] * CC[i]
    end do;
    R
end proc

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> ChebAppProc(0.8); f0(0.8);
                                1.20362249250701
                                1.203622493

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(3.1)

This will be more useful than the previous way of doing it only if we make sure to call **ChebAppProc** with numeric arguments, rather than the symbolic variable x . That's why I put in the type specification **x::numeric**.

For example, this would be wrong:

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> plot(f0(x)-ChebAppProc(x),x=-1..1);
Error, invalid input: ChebAppProc expects its 1st argument, x,
to be of type numeric, but received x

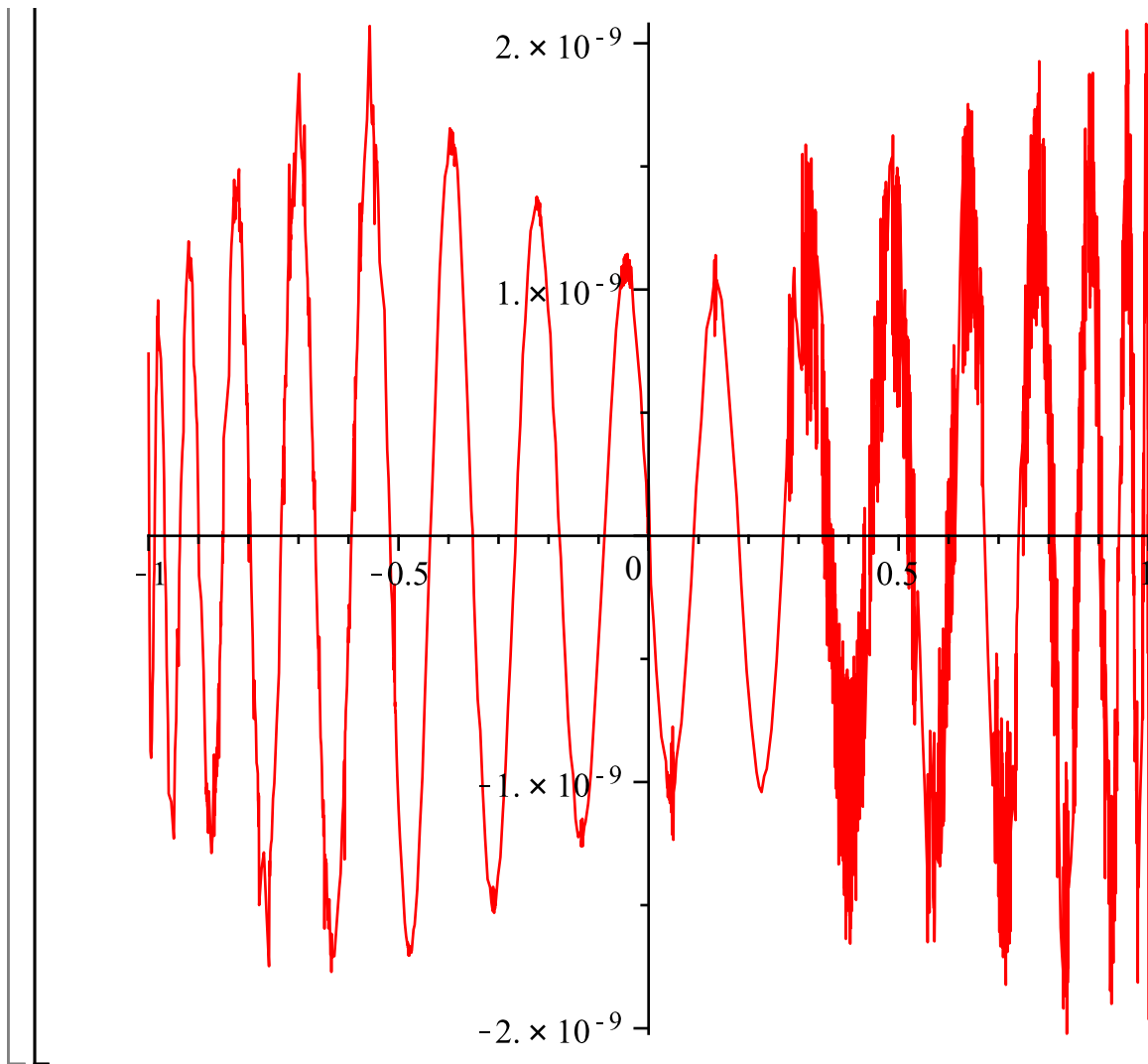
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What we can do instead is plot a function (or the difference of two functions) rather than an expression.

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> plot(f0 - ChebAppProc, -1 .. 1);

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Padé Approximation

Instead of using a polynomial approximation, it's sometimes better to use a rational function, i.e. the quotient of two polynomials. Consider a power series $f(x) = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} c_k x^k$. A Padé approximant of type (m, n) is a rational function $\frac{p(x)}{q(x)}$ where p and q are polynomials of degrees at most m and n respectively, $q(0) \neq 0$, and the Maclaurin series of $\frac{p(x)}{q(x)}$ agrees with $f(x)$ for as many terms as possible, say the coefficient of x^j in $f(x) - \frac{p(x)}{q(x)}$ is 0 for $j \leq r$.

Multiplying by $q(x)$, this says the coefficient of x^j in $f(x)q(x) - p(x)$ is 0 for $j \leq r$. That would give us $r + 1$ linear equations in $m + n + 2$ unknowns, the coefficients of $q(x)$ and $p(x)$. But multiplying both p and q by a nonzero constant won't change $\frac{p(x)}{q(x)}$, so we can assume that $q(0) = 1$. Now we just have $m + n + 1$ unknowns. So we might hope that we can take $r = m + n$. Usually (but not always) this works. Sometimes it must be smaller.

```
> ft := convert(taylor(f0(x), x, 11), polynom);
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$$ft := \frac{1}{4} \pi + x - x^2 + \frac{2}{3} x^3 - \frac{4}{5} x^5 + \frac{4}{3} x^6 - \frac{8}{7} x^7 + \frac{16}{9} x^9 - \frac{16}{5} x^{10} \quad (4.1)$$

> p5 := add(a[j]*x^j, j=0..5);

$$p5 := a_0 + a_1 x + a_2 x^2 + a_3 x^3 + a_4 x^4 + a_5 x^5 \quad (4.2)$$

> q5 := 1 + add(b[j]*x^j, j=1..5);

$$q5 := 1 + b_1 x + b_2 x^2 + b_3 x^3 + b_4 x^4 + b_5 x^5 \quad (4.3)$$

> eqs := [seq(coeff(ft*q5-p5,x,j)=0, j=0..10)];

$$\begin{aligned} eqs := & \left[\frac{1}{4} \pi - a_0 = 0, \frac{1}{4} \pi b_1 + 1 - a_1 = 0, \frac{1}{4} \pi b_2 + b_1 - 1 - a_2 = 0, \frac{1}{4} \pi b_3 + \frac{2}{3} + b_2 \right. \\ & - b_1 - a_3 = 0, -b_2 + \frac{2}{3} b_1 + \frac{1}{4} \pi b_4 + b_3 - a_4 = 0, b_4 - \frac{4}{5} + \frac{2}{3} b_2 + \frac{1}{4} \pi b_5 - b_3 \\ & - a_5 = 0, \frac{2}{3} b_3 - b_4 - \frac{4}{5} b_1 + b_5 + \frac{4}{3} = 0, \frac{2}{3} b_4 - \frac{8}{7} - b_5 - \frac{4}{5} b_2 + \frac{4}{3} b_1 = 0, \\ & \frac{4}{3} b_2 - \frac{8}{7} b_1 - \frac{4}{5} b_3 + \frac{2}{3} b_5 = 0, \frac{16}{9} - \frac{8}{7} b_2 - \frac{4}{5} b_4 + \frac{4}{3} b_3 = 0, -\frac{16}{5} + \frac{4}{3} b_4 \\ & \left. - \frac{8}{7} b_3 - \frac{4}{5} b_5 + \frac{16}{9} b_1 = 0 \right] \end{aligned} \quad (4.4)$$

> solve(eqs);

$$\left\{ a_0 = \frac{1}{4} \pi, a_1 = \frac{5}{4} \pi + 1, a_2 = \frac{25}{9} \pi + 4, a_3 = \frac{61}{9} + \frac{10}{3} \pi, a_4 = \frac{50}{9} + \frac{15}{7} \pi, a_5 = \frac{1744}{945} \right. \\ \left. + \frac{37}{63} \pi, b_1 = 5, b_2 = \frac{100}{9}, b_3 = \frac{40}{3}, b_4 = \frac{60}{7}, b_5 = \frac{148}{63} \right\} \quad (4.5)$$

> f55 := eval(p5/q5,%);

$$\begin{aligned} f55 := & \left(\frac{1}{4} \pi + \left(\frac{5}{4} \pi + 1 \right) x + \left(\frac{25}{9} \pi + 4 \right) x^2 + \left(\frac{61}{9} + \frac{10}{3} \pi \right) x^3 + \left(\frac{50}{9} \right. \right. \\ & \left. \left. + \frac{15}{7} \pi \right) x^4 + \left(\frac{1744}{945} + \frac{37}{63} \pi \right) x^5 \right) / \left(1 + 5x + \frac{100}{9} x^2 + \frac{40}{3} x^3 + \frac{60}{7} x^4 \right. \\ & \left. + \frac{148}{63} x^5 \right) \end{aligned} \quad (4.6)$$

Similarly, for a (4,5) approximant:

> p4 := add(a[j]*x^j, j=0..4);

$$p4 := a_0 + a_1 x + a_2 x^2 + a_3 x^3 + a_4 x^4 \quad (4.7)$$

> eqs := [seq(coeff(ft*q5-p4,x,j)=0, j=0..9)];

$$\begin{aligned} eqs := & \left[\frac{1}{4} \pi - a_0 = 0, \frac{1}{4} \pi b_1 + 1 - a_1 = 0, \frac{1}{4} \pi b_2 + b_1 - 1 - a_2 = 0, \frac{1}{4} \pi b_3 + \frac{2}{3} + b_2 \right. \\ & - b_1 - a_3 = 0, -b_2 + \frac{2}{3} b_1 + \frac{1}{4} \pi b_4 + b_3 - a_4 = 0, b_4 - \frac{4}{5} + \frac{2}{3} b_2 + \frac{1}{4} \pi b_5 - b_3 \\ & = 0, \frac{2}{3} b_3 - b_4 - \frac{4}{5} b_1 + b_5 + \frac{4}{3} = 0, \frac{2}{3} b_4 - \frac{8}{7} - b_5 - \frac{4}{5} b_2 + \frac{4}{3} b_1 = 0, \frac{4}{3} b_2 \\ & \left. - \frac{8}{7} b_1 - \frac{4}{5} b_3 + \frac{2}{3} b_5 = 0, \frac{16}{9} - \frac{8}{7} b_2 - \frac{4}{5} b_4 + \frac{4}{3} b_3 = 0 \right] \end{aligned} \quad (4.8)$$

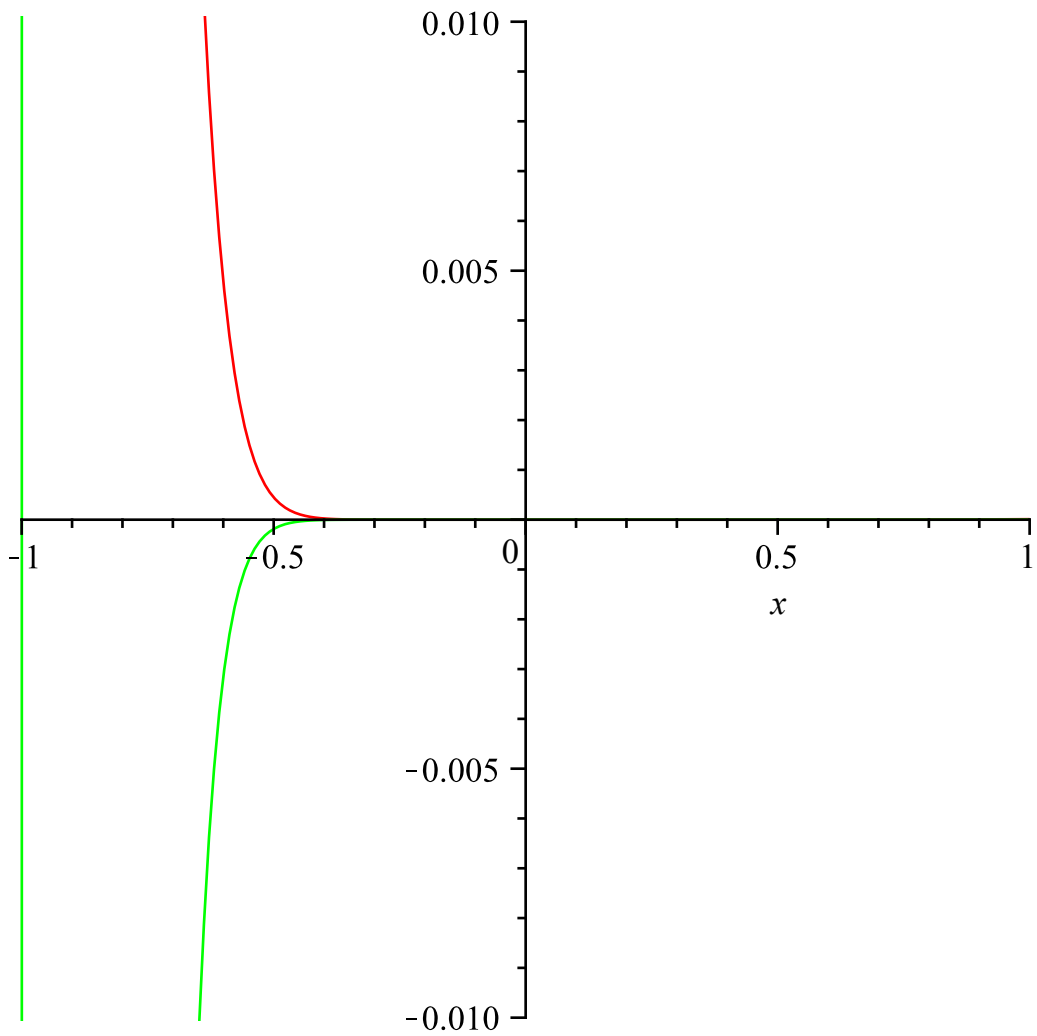
> solve(eqs);

$$\left\{ \begin{aligned} a_0 &= \frac{1}{4} \pi, a_1 = \frac{1}{9} \frac{1823 \pi + 435 \pi^2 + 1440}{160 + 51 \pi}, a_2 = \frac{1}{9} \frac{3537 \pi + 720 \pi^2 + 4016}{160 + 51 \pi}, a_3 \\ &= \frac{2}{63} \frac{15848 + 11397 \pi + 2025 \pi^2}{160 + 51 \pi}, a_4 = \frac{1}{189} \frac{38944 + 24960 \pi + 4005 \pi^2}{160 + 51 \pi}, b_1 \\ &= \frac{4}{9} \frac{1364 + 435 \pi}{160 + 51 \pi}, b_2 = \frac{64}{3} \frac{47 + 15 \pi}{160 + 51 \pi}, b_3 = \frac{8}{7} \frac{704 + 225 \pi}{160 + 51 \pi}, b_4 \\ &= \frac{20}{63} \frac{832 + 267 \pi}{160 + 51 \pi}, b_5 = -\frac{64}{105 (160 + 51 \pi)} \end{aligned} \right\} \quad (4.9)$$

> f45:= eval(p4/q5,%);

$$\begin{aligned} f_{45} := & \left(\frac{1}{4} \pi + \frac{1}{9} \frac{(1823 \pi + 435 \pi^2 + 1440) x}{160 + 51 \pi} + \frac{1}{9} \frac{(3537 \pi + 720 \pi^2 + 4016) x^2}{160 + 51 \pi} \right. \\ & + \frac{2}{63} \frac{(15848 + 11397 \pi + 2025 \pi^2) x^3}{160 + 51 \pi} \\ & \left. + \frac{1}{189} \frac{(38944 + 24960 \pi + 4005 \pi^2) x^4}{160 + 51 \pi} \right) / \left(1 + \frac{4}{9} \frac{(1364 + 435 \pi) x}{160 + 51 \pi} \right. \\ & + \frac{64}{3} \frac{(47 + 15 \pi) x^2}{160 + 51 \pi} + \frac{8}{7} \frac{(704 + 225 \pi) x^3}{160 + 51 \pi} + \frac{20}{63} \frac{(832 + 267 \pi) x^4}{160 + 51 \pi} \\ & \left. - \frac{64}{105} \frac{x^5}{160 + 51 \pi} \right) \quad (4.10) \end{aligned}$$

> plot([f45-f0(x),f55-f0(x)],x=-1..1,-0.01..0.01,colour=[red,green]);



The (5,5) approximant actually has a vertical asymptote at $x = -1$.

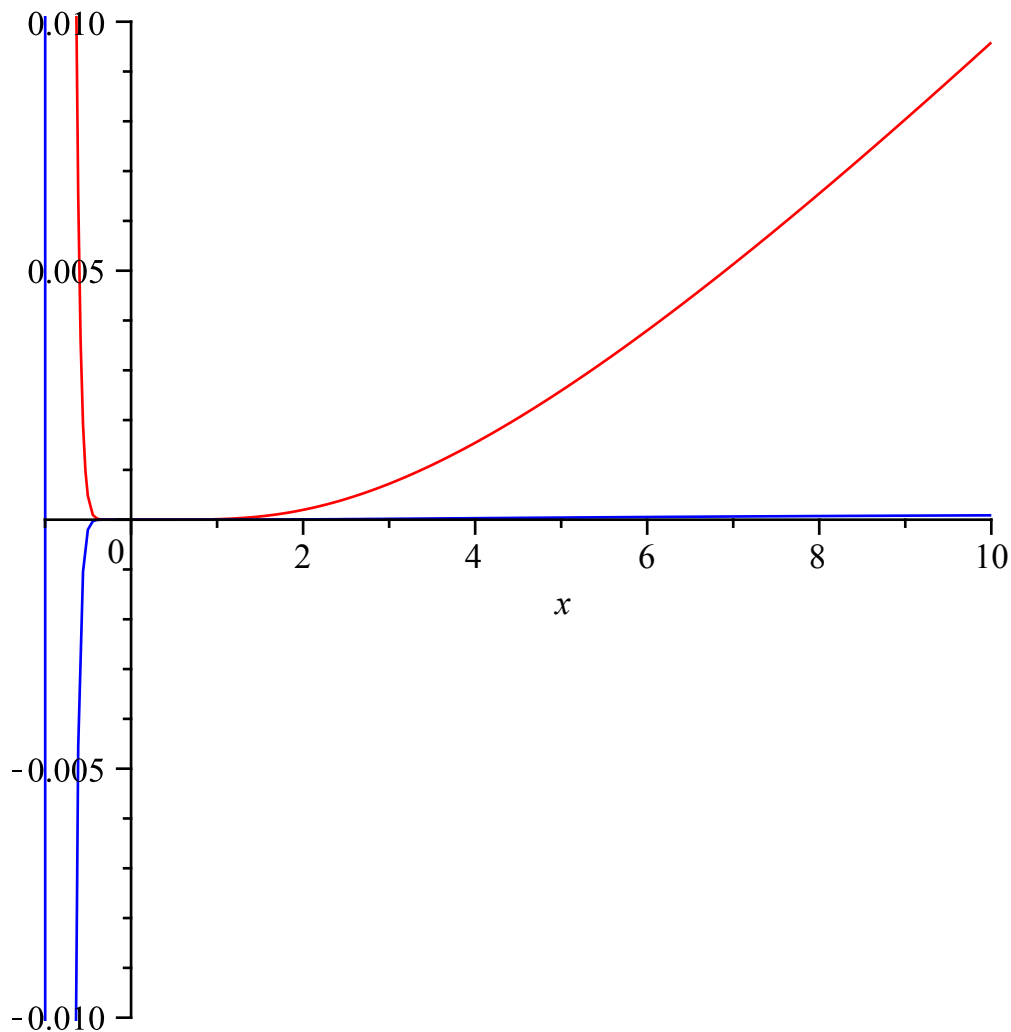
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> factor(f55);
1/60 (945 pi + 4725 x pi + 3780 x + 10500 x^2 pi + 15120 x^2 + 25620 x^3 + 12600 x^3 pi
+ 21000 x^4 + 8100 x^4 pi + 6976 x^5 + 2220 x^5 pi) / ((x + 1) (148 x^4 + 392 x^3 + 448 x^2
+ 252 x + 63))
(4.11)

> fsolve(denom(f45));
873.2447298
(4.12)

> plot([f45-f0(x),f55-f0(x)], x=-1..10, -0.01 .. 0.01, colour=
[red,blue]);

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The Padé approximant might approximate the function well over a much larger interval than the Maclaurin series approximation. Often some experimentation is needed to tell what are the best m and n to use.

Maple computes Padé approximants with the **pade** command in the **numapprox** package.

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> f45 - pade(f0(x), x=0, [4, 5]); normal(%);
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$$\left(\frac{1}{4} \pi + \frac{1}{9} \frac{(1823 \pi + 435 \pi^2 + 1440) x}{160 + 51 \pi} + \frac{1}{9} \frac{(3537 \pi + 720 \pi^2 + 4016) x^2}{160 + 51 \pi} \right. \\ \left. + \frac{2}{63} \frac{(15848 + 11397 \pi + 2025 \pi^2) x^3}{160 + 51 \pi} \right. \\ \left. + \frac{1}{189} \frac{(38944 + 24960 \pi + 4005 \pi^2) x^4}{160 + 51 \pi} \right) / \left(1 + \frac{4}{9} \frac{(1364 + 435 \pi) x}{160 + 51 \pi} \right. \\ \left. + \frac{64}{3} \frac{(47 + 15 \pi) x^2}{160 + 51 \pi} + \frac{8}{7} \frac{(704 + 225 \pi) x^3}{160 + 51 \pi} + \frac{20}{63} \frac{(832 + 267 \pi) x^4}{160 + 51 \pi} \right. \\ \left. - \frac{64}{105} \frac{x^5}{160 + 51 \pi} \right) - \left(105 \left(640 \pi + 204 \pi^2 + \left(2560 + \frac{29168}{9} \pi \right) \right. \right.$$

$$\begin{aligned}
& + \frac{2320}{3} \pi^2) x + \left(\frac{64256}{9} + 6288 \pi + 1280 \pi^2 \right) x^2 + \left(\frac{72448}{9} + \frac{121568}{21} \pi \right. \\
& + \left. \frac{7200}{7} \pi^2 \right) x^3 + \left(\frac{623104}{189} + \frac{133120}{63} \pi + \frac{7120}{21} \pi^2 \right) x^4 \Big) / \left(268800 + 85680 \pi \right. \\
& + \left. \left(324800 \pi + \frac{3055360}{3} \right) x + (537600 \pi + 1684480) x^2 + (432000 \pi \right. \\
& + \left. 1351680) x^3 + \left(142400 \pi + \frac{1331200}{3} \right) x^4 - 1024 x^5 \right) \\
& \qquad \qquad \qquad 0
\end{aligned}$$

The Padé approximant is usually even faster to compute than the corresponding polynomial, if done using a continued fraction form.

> hornerform(evalf(ft));

$$0.7853981635 + (1 + (-1. + (0.6666666667 + (-0.8000000000 + (1.3333333333 + (-1.142857143 + (1.7777777778 - 3.2000000000 x) x^2) x) x) x^2) x) x) x^2) x) x) x^3$$

> codegen[cost](%);

8 additions + 10 multiplications

> evalf(f45);

$$\begin{aligned}
& (0.7853981635 + 3.976556903 x + 7.714780569 x^2 + 7.102102055 x^3 + 2.592221119 x^4) / \quad (4.13) \\
& (1. + 3.789869957 x + 6.270590943 x^2 + 5.035298762 x^3 + 1.656399762 x^4 \\
& - 0.001903445996 x^5)
\end{aligned}$$

> codegen[cost](evalf(f45));

9 additions + 25 multiplications + divisions

(4.14)

> convert(evalf(f45),confrac,x);

$$\begin{aligned}
& -1361.856929 \Big/ \left(x - 872.9508369 \right. \\
& \qquad \qquad \qquad \left. -256.6468394 \Big/ \left(x + 0.02064064193 \right. \right. \\
& \qquad \qquad \qquad \left. \left. + \frac{0.3786762167}{x + 1.490883027} - \frac{0.03455720024}{x - 1.486021057} + \frac{4.778170673}{x + 2.714272171} \right) \right)
\end{aligned}$$

> codegen[cost](%);

5 divisions + 9 additions

This gives me an excuse to say something about continued fractions.

▼ Continued fractions

A **continued fraction** is an expression of the form

```
> b[0]+a[1]/(b[1]+a[2]/(b[2]+a[3]/(b[3]+a[4]/`...`)));
```

$$b_0 + \frac{a_1}{b_1 + \frac{a_2}{b_2 + \frac{a_3}{b_3 + \frac{a_4}{\dots}}}}$$
(5.1)

where the ... might continue forever (an infinite continued fraction) or might stop at some point (a terminating continued fraction). It is a **simple continued fraction** if all $a_n = 1$. If you delete everything with a subscript $> n$, you get a finite expression which is called the n th convergent of the continued fraction. Thus the zeroth, first and second convergents are

```
> [b[0], b[0] + a[1]/b[1], b[0]+a[1]/(b[1]+a[2]/(b[2]))];
```

$$\left[b_0, b_0 + \frac{a_1}{b_1}, b_0 + \frac{a_1}{b_1 + \frac{a_2}{b_2}} \right]$$
(5.2)

Of course, these could be simplified to ordinary quotients:

```
> normal(%);
```

$$\left[b_0, \frac{b_0 b_1 + a_1}{b_1}, \frac{b_0 b_1 b_2 + b_0 a_2 + a_1 b_2}{b_1 b_2 + a_2} \right]$$
(5.3)

The **numtheory** package contains several commands for dealing with continued fractions.

```
> with(numtheory):
```

The main one is **cffrac**. For a general continued fraction:

```
> cffrac([b[0],[a[1],b[1]],[a[2],b[2]]]);
```

$$\frac{b_0 b_1 b_2 + b_0 a_2 + a_1 b_2}{b_1 b_2 + a_2}$$
(5.4)

Or for a simple continued fraction:

```
> cffrac([b[0],b[1],b[2],b[3],b[4]]) = normal(b[0]+1/(b[1]+1/(b[2]+1/(b[3]+1/b[4]))));
```

$$\frac{b_0 b_1 b_2 b_3 b_4 + b_0 b_1 b_2 + b_0 b_1 b_4 + b_0 b_3 b_4 + b_0 + b_2 b_3 b_4 + b_2 + b_4}{b_1 b_2 b_3 b_4 + b_1 b_2 + b_1 b_4 + b_3 b_4 + 1}$$

$$= \frac{b_0 b_1 b_2 b_3 b_4 + b_0 b_1 b_2 + b_0 b_1 b_4 + b_0 b_3 b_4 + b_0 + b_2 b_3 b_4 + b_2 + b_4}{b_1 b_2 b_3 b_4 + b_1 b_2 + b_1 b_4 + b_3 b_4 + 1}$$
(5.5)

The convergents may also be obtained with the **nthconver** command.

```
> seq(nthconver([b[0],[a[1],b[1]],[a[2],b[2]],[a[3],b[3]]],j),j=0..3);
```

$$b_0, \frac{b_0 b_1 + a_1}{b_1}, \frac{b_0 b_1 b_2 + a_1 b_2 + a_2 b_0}{b_1 b_2 + a_2}, \frac{b_0 b_1 b_2 b_3 + a_1 b_2 b_3 + a_2 b_0 b_3 + a_3 b_0 b_1 + a_1 a_3}{b_1 b_2 b_3 + a_2 b_3 + a_3 b_1}$$
(5.6)

Or for a simple continued fraction:

```
> seq(nthconver([b[0],b[1],b[2],b[3],b[4]],j),j=0..4);
```

$$b_0, \frac{b_0 b_1 + 1}{b_1}, \frac{b_0 b_1 b_2 + b_0 + b_2}{b_1 b_2 + 1}, \frac{b_0 b_1 b_2 b_3 + b_0 b_1 + b_0 b_3 + b_2 b_3 + 1}{b_1 b_2 b_3 + b_1 + b_3},$$

$$\frac{b_0 b_1 b_2 b_3 b_4 + b_0 b_1 b_2 + b_0 b_1 b_4 + b_0 b_3 b_4 + b_2 b_3 b_4 + b_0 + b_2 + b_4}{b_1 b_2 b_3 b_4 + b_1 b_2 + b_1 b_4 + b_3 b_4 + 1}$$
(5.7)

To see the continued fraction typeset as a continued fraction:

```
> CFRAC([b[0],[a[1],b[1]],[a[2],b[2]],[a[3],b[3]]]);
```

$$b_0 + \frac{a_1}{b_1 + \frac{a_2}{b_2 + \frac{a_3}{b_3}}}$$
(5.8)

The numerators and denominators satisfy a recurrence relation. If the n th convergent is $\frac{P_n}{Q_n}$, then

- $P_n = b_n P_{n-1} + a_n P_{n-2}$ with $P_0 = b_0, P_{-1} = 1$
- $Q_n = b_n Q_{n-1} + a_n Q_{n-2}$ with $Q_0 = 1, Q_{-1} = 0$

```
> p[0]:= b[0]; p[-1]:= 1; q[0]:= 1; q[-1]:= 0;
for nn from 1 to 5 do
  p[nn]:= expand(b[nn]*p[nn-1] + a[nn]*p[nn-2]);
  q[nn]:= expand(b[nn]*q[nn-1] + a[nn]*q[nn-2]);
end do;
```

$$p_0 := b_0$$

$$p_{-1} := 1$$

$$q_0 := 1$$

$$q_{-1} := 0$$

$$p_1 := b_1 b_0 + a_1$$

$$q_1 := b_1$$

$$p_2 := b_2 b_1 b_0 + b_2 a_1 + a_2 b_0$$

$$q_2 := b_2 b_1 + a_2$$

$$p_3 := b_3 b_2 b_1 b_0 + b_3 b_2 a_1 + b_3 a_2 b_0 + a_3 b_1 b_0 + a_3 a_1$$

$$q_3 := b_3 b_2 b_1 + b_3 a_2 + a_3 b_1$$

$$p_4 := b_4 b_3 b_2 b_1 b_0 + b_4 b_3 b_2 a_1 + b_4 b_3 a_2 b_0 + b_4 a_3 b_1 b_0 + b_4 a_3 a_1 + a_4 b_2 b_1 b_0 + a_4 b_2 a_1 + a_4 a_2 b_0$$

$$q_4 := b_4 b_3 b_2 b_1 + b_4 b_3 a_2 + b_4 a_3 b_1 + a_4 b_2 b_1 + a_4 a_2$$

$$p_5 := b_5 b_4 b_3 b_2 b_1 b_0 + b_5 b_4 b_3 b_2 a_1 + b_5 b_4 b_3 a_2 b_0 + b_5 b_4 a_3 b_1 b_0 + b_5 b_4 a_3 a_1$$

$$\begin{aligned}
& + b_5 a_4 b_2 b_1 b_0 + b_5 a_4 b_2 a_1 + b_5 a_4 a_2 b_0 + a_5 b_3 b_2 b_1 b_0 + a_5 b_3 b_2 a_1 + a_5 b_3 a_2 b_0 \\
& + a_5 a_3 b_1 b_0 + a_5 a_3 a_1 \\
q_5 := & b_5 b_4 b_3 b_2 b_1 + b_5 b_4 b_3 a_2 + b_5 b_4 a_3 b_1 + b_5 a_4 b_2 b_1 + b_5 a_4 a_2 + a_5 b_3 b_2 b_1 + a_5 b_3 a_2 \\
& + a_5 a_3 b_1
\end{aligned} \tag{5.9}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
> \text{nthconver}([b[0],[a[1],b[1]],[a[2],b[2]],[a[3],b[3]]],3) - p \\
[3]/q[3];
\end{aligned} \tag{5.10}$$

Continued fractions for numbers

Consider any positive number x . We can represent it by a simple continued fraction with integer elements as follows. Let $b_0 = \text{floor}(x)$, so $0 \leq x - b_0 < 1$. If that is 0, then $x = b_0$. Otherwise

$x = b_0 + \frac{1}{x_1}$ with $x_1 > 1$. Let $b_1 = \text{floor}(x_1) \geq 1$. Again, if $b_1 = x_1$, then $x = b_0 + \frac{1}{b_1}$, otherwise

$x = b_0 + \frac{1}{b_1 + \frac{1}{x_2}}$ etc.

The continued fraction for x terminates if and only if x is a rational number. For example:

$$\begin{aligned}
> \text{cffrac}([3,7,110,3]); \text{CFRAC}([3,7,110,3]); \\
\frac{7291}{2320} \\
3 + \frac{1}{7 + \frac{1}{110 + \frac{1}{3}}}
\end{aligned} \tag{6.1}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
> \text{cffrac}(7291/2320); \\
3 + \frac{1}{7 + \frac{1}{110 + \frac{1}{3}}}
\end{aligned} \tag{6.2}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
> \text{x1} := 1/(7+1/(110+1/3)); \\
x1 := \frac{331}{2320}
\end{aligned} \tag{6.3}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
> 7291/2320 - 3 ; \\
\frac{331}{2320}
\end{aligned} \tag{6.4}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
> \text{floor}(2320/331); \\
7
\end{aligned} \tag{6.5}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
> 2320/331 - 7; \\
\frac{3}{331}
\end{aligned} \tag{6.6}$$

$$> 331/3 - 110;$$



▼ Maple commands introduced in this lesson:

pade in **numapprox** package
hornerform in **numapprox** package
cost in **codegen** package
convert(..., confrac)
numtheory package
cfrac in **numtheory** package
nthconver in **numtheory** package
CFRAC