

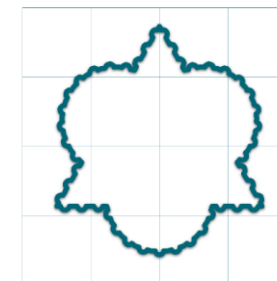
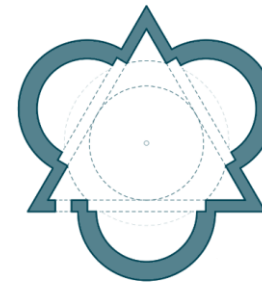
Digital Representation

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➤ Plotting Functions

➤ Data Management, Visualization

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Application

- Word Processor's Table
 - More sophisticated formatting – but formulas can be used in a very limited way
- Spreadsheet
 - Setting, searching, filtering and grouping of data.
 - Formulas and illustration of changes in functions or data.
 - What-If-Analysis
- Database
 - Storing and processing large amounts of structured data and tracking its changes.
 - Sophisticated authorization management.
 - Data management is possible through a pre-written program (Netpur) or requires programming knowledge (SQL).

Plotting Function Types

	2D	3D
Explicit	$y=f(x)$	$z=f(x,y)$
Parametric	$\begin{cases} x=f(t) \\ y=g(t) \end{cases}$	$\begin{cases} x=f_1(t) \\ y=f_2(t) \\ z=f_3(t) \end{cases}$
Implicit	$f(x,y)=0$	$f(x,y,z)=0$

It is advisable to treat the input data as parameters and refer to them by name. The scale of the horizontal and vertical axes is not guaranteed to be the same.

Data Validation

Data entry can be facilitated, or restricted.

- e.g. list of elements: `Month={Jan;Feb;Mar}`
- or elements of a range: `>=0`
- Validation
 - the reaction for invalid entry ranges from refusal, to warning, or nothing.

Fractals - Coastline Paradox

A coastline does not have a clearly defined length. More like architectural plans! Need to abstract spatial information at a high level of detail.

- the measured length of the depicted coastline depends on the level of [map zoom/abstraction \(Lecture 20\)](#).
- The more accurate the measurement (the shorter the scale), the greater the measured length.
- surprisingly, the length increases infinitely, it does not converge to a limit ([Lecture 20](#)).

Macro

A macro is a sequence of actions that the user can perform if necessary.

- can be recorded or created by the user – or a combination of the two methods, you don't need to know the syntax of the commands if you use the program snippets recorded by Excel.

Intersection

$$\rightarrow \phi(A \cap B) = (1 + (-1) \cdot \ln|b|) \cdot (1 - (-1) \cdot \ln|a|) \cdot b$$
$$\rightarrow \phi(A \cap B) = (1 + \ln|b|) \cdot (1 - \ln|a|) \cdot b$$

Reference Styles

- A formula that contains an arithmetic operation or a function always begins with an operator and can refer to the results of other cells.
- Reference style types:
- All style columns are represented by letters and rows are represented by numbers.
 - 3D style both columns and rows are represented by numbers.
- Math functions:
- range of cells: `=B1:C2` or `=B1:C2`
 - range of cells: `=B1:C2` or `=B1:C2`
 - one column: `=B:B` or `=B:B`
 - multiple columns: `=B1:D1` or `=B1:D1`
 - one row: `=2:2` or `=2:2`
 - multiple rows: `=2:4` or `=2:4`

Line Segment Approximation

Approximate (but arbitrarily accurate) calculation of the length of a curve using the Pythagorean theorem:

$$\text{polygon length} = \sum_{i=1}^n \sqrt{\Delta x_i^2 + \Delta y_i^2}$$
$$\text{segment length } \Delta l, \Delta x_i = x_i - x_{i-1}, \Delta y_i = y_i - y_{i-1}$$

Text File Import

Almost every program can save data in textual format.

- records are usually lines, that are separated:
 - CR – Carriage Return – CRLF
 - LF – Line Feed – CRLF
- fields are usually columns, that are separated:
 - after a given number of characters,
 - or a specific character: e.g. Tab, Separator, Comma

Dynamic Data Import

- from file: text (txt), table (csv, tsv), database (Access, Oracle, ...) network
- from a database server: e.g. MS SQL
- update at given interval or on opening.

Fractal Dimension

If the length of the line is divided into equal parts, the ratio of the parts is $\epsilon = 1/n$, their number is $N = n^n$.

- If the sides of a square are divided into equal parts, the ratio of the parts is $\epsilon = 1/2$, their number is $N = 4$.
- If the edges of a cube are divided into equal parts, the ratio of the parts is $\epsilon = 1/3$, their number is $N = 27$.
- In general: $N = \epsilon^{-D}$, where D is constant, and $\epsilon = 1/2^k$, where D is the measure of dimension: $D = \log(N) / \log(1/\epsilon)$.

For one side of the polygon $D = 1$

- $N = 1/(\epsilon^D) \rightarrow D = \log(N)$
- $D = \log(N) / \log(1/\epsilon) = \log(27) / (\log(2) - \log(2)) = 3/2$
- The fractal dimension of this curve: $D = 1.5$

Formulas, Functions

- Operations can be performed with the contents of other cells: e.g. `=B1+B2`, `=C1/D1`, `=B1^2`
- By default, execution is from left to right, with the following priority:
- reference operators (range, space (section)), (combination operator)
 - mathematical operators – exponentiation, %, *, and /, + and - (subtraction)
 - concatenation operator &
 - comparison operators: =, <, >, <=, >=
- Functions can be used for more complex tasks.
- Parentheses is required, even if the function has no arguments, e.g. `=IF()`.
 - After entering a recognized function name, it changes to uppercase.
 - Functions can be nested.
 - The Insert Function panel (Shift+F3) can be used to find functions and enter their arguments.
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3D Parametric Function

Plotting a 3D projection of a 3D parametric curve (sphere).

- angle of the base plane
- spherical projection
- coordinate
- coordinate
- coordinate

Projection coordinates

- angle from the base plane
- rotation angle at the base plane
- $x = r \cdot \cos(\theta) \cdot \cos(\phi)$
- $y = r \cdot \sin(\theta) \cdot \cos(\phi)$
- $z = r \cdot \sin(\theta) \cdot \sin(\phi)$

Tables

Defining a contiguous range of data as a table can make it easier to manage it.

- standing inside the area of the created table, a new ribbon menu appears, that allows the automatic formatting of the table to be set.
- it is highly worth giving the table a meaningful name.

L-systems

L-systems were introduced in 1968 by Aristo Lindenmayer, a Hungarian theoretical biologist and botanist.

- it is used to model the growth processes of plants.
- can model the morphology of a variety of organisms,
- can be used to generate self-similar fractals also.

It is a parallel rewriting system and a formal grammar:

- contains an alphabet of symbols,
- an initial "axiom" string,
- a set of production rules that expand the symbols into larger strings of symbols,
- and a mechanism for translating the generated strings into geometric structures.

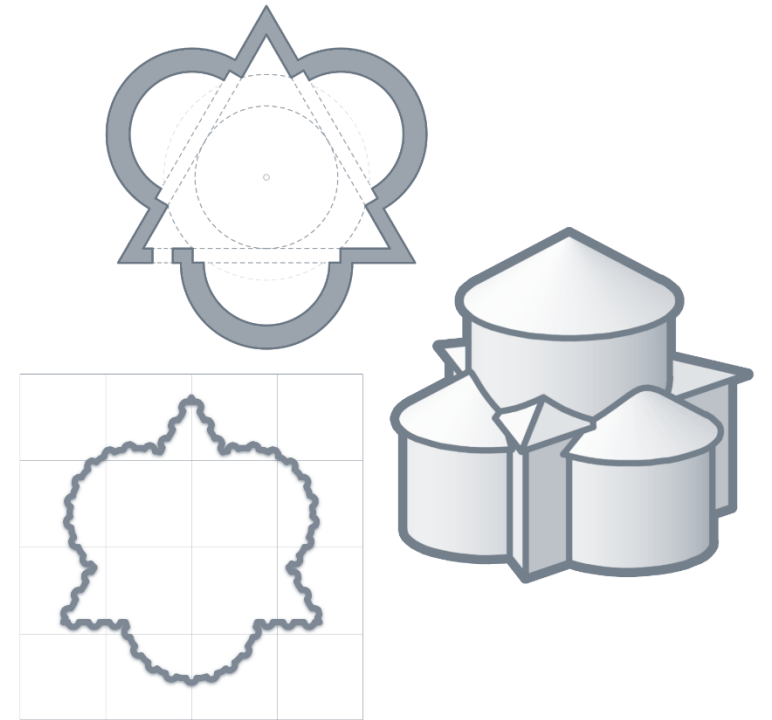
Spreadsheet

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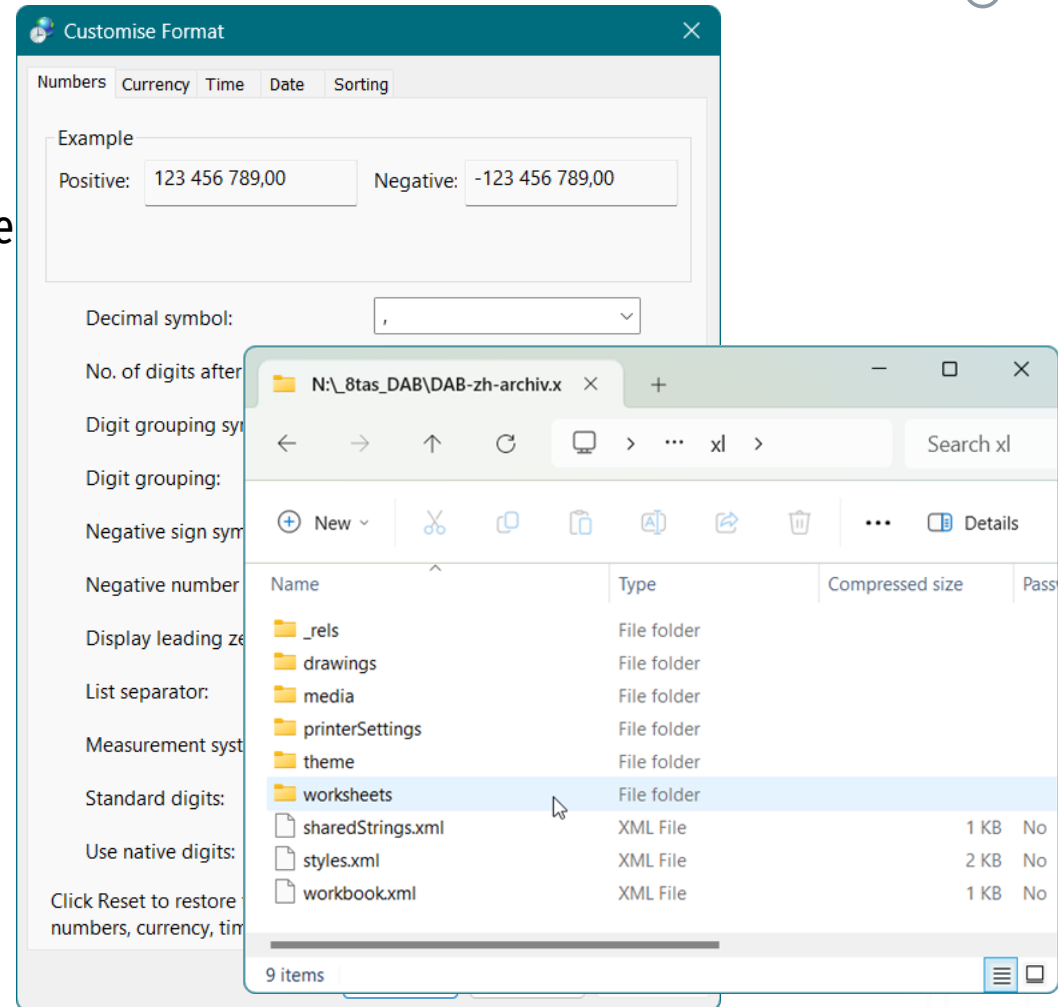
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Excel workbook

In Excel...

- If the operating system is set to Hungarian, then the decimal symbol is comma, and the list separator is semicolon.
- The names of the functions and their options change with the language, but the saved file can be used in all languages
- Former `xls/xlm` format...
 - 256 columns, 65 536 rows
- Current `xlsx/xlsm` format...
 - 16 384 columns, 1 048 576 rows (compatibility!)
 - It's basically a compressed file that contains the worksheets (`SheetN`), and the drawings and images used in them.



Program window

The image shows the Microsoft Excel program window with several key components labeled:

- Name Box:** Located at the top left, showing the active cell address "H8".
- Quick Access Toolbar:** Located at the top left, containing icons for Save, Undo, and Redo.
- Formula Bar:** Located at the top center, showing the active cell's content, which is empty.
- Ribbon:** Located at the top, containing tabs for File, ALL-IN, Home, Insert, Page Layout, Formulas, Data, Review, View, Automate, Developer, Help, and Acrobat.
- Worksheet Grid:** The main area showing columns A through S and rows 1 through 12. A range of cells (E8:H8) is selected, and cell H8 is the active cell.
- Sheet Change:** A dropdown menu is open at the bottom left, showing "Sheet1" and a "+" icon for adding a new sheet.
- Right Click List:** A context menu is visible over the selected range, with arrows pointing to it from the label "sheet change right click list".
- Other Labels:** "selected row, column, range" and "Active Cell" are also labeled with arrows pointing to the selected area and the active cell.

Customization

The language of the program and the functions can be set.

The ribbon can be customized, the customizations saved, imported.

The image displays the Microsoft Excel interface with several customization windows open. The main window shows the ribbon with a custom ribbon named 'ALL-IN' selected. The 'Excel Options' dialog is open to the 'Customize Ribbon' tab, showing a list of commands to be added to the ribbon. The 'Excel Options' dialog is also open to the 'Language' tab, showing the 'Office display language' set to 'English <preferred>'. A 'Customize' context menu is open over the ribbon, listing various options such as 'Automate', 'New', 'Open', 'Save', 'Email', 'Quick F...', 'Print P...', 'Spelling...', 'Undo', 'Redo', 'Sort Ascending', 'Sort Descending', 'Touch/Mouse Mode', 'More Commands...', 'Show Below the Ribbon', and 'Hide Quick Access Toolbar'.

Content · Behavior

Static content

- Text-constant (max. 32 767 character), e.g. Income
- Constant (max. 15 digits), pl. 1234, 1,23, 2005.10.24
- Formula containing action(s) and function(s), e.g. =2^8 or =PI()

Changing content

- a formula whose result depends...
 - from the contents of another cell, e.g. =A1+1,
 - or from another variable, e.g. from the current date: =TODAY().

Dynamic content

- a formula whose content spills into neighboring cells, and if this is not successful (e.g. because the cell is not empty), displays an error message (#SPILL!)

Content · Type

The content of a cell – either static or not – can be one of the following types.

Numerical value

→ Right-aligned in an unformatted cell – by default it cannot extend into another cell (###, if it doesn't fit).

Logical value

→ **TRUE** or **FALSE** (~ 1 v. 0).

→ Centered in an unformatted cell – by default it cannot extend into another cell (###, if it doesn't fit).

Error message

→ Normally only if the formula in the cell results in an error.

Text

→ All content that is not one of the above is stored as text.

→ Left-aligned in an unformatted cell and may extend to the adjacent cell if it is empty (if not, it may be truncated).

Cell Format

Format Cells

→ Alignment:

horizontal and vertical text alignment (e.g. to the center of selected cells),
text orientation, wrap text (line break: `Alt+Enter`),
shrink text to fit, merge cells (preferably: center across selection),

→ Font:

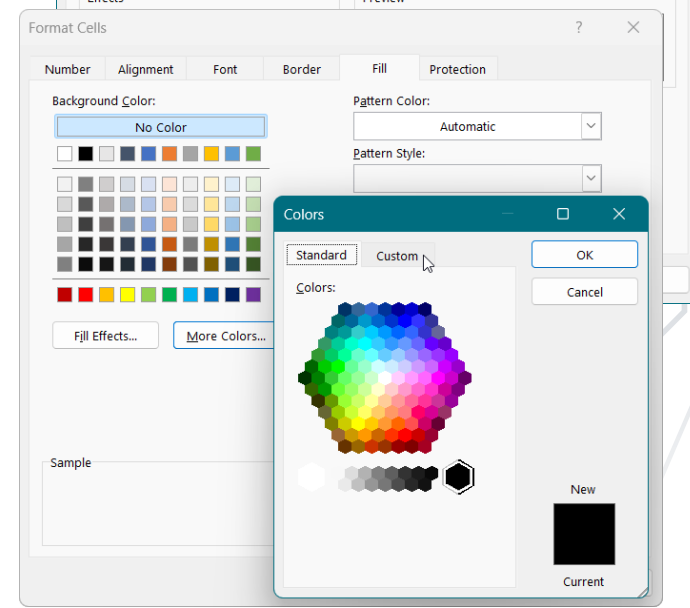
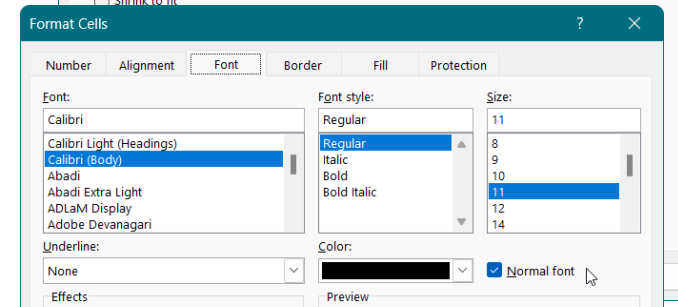
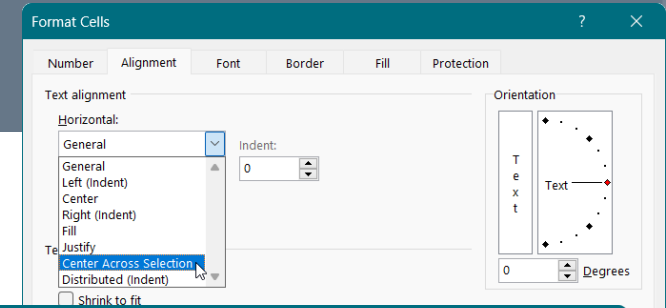
font style, size, color (superscript, subscript),
the Normal style and the theme's default styles can also be set.

→ Border/Fill/Pattern:

border color, line type, thickness, or background color and pattern
can be specified for the selected cell or range of cells.

→ Cell Styles and Templates can be used.

→ There is no style hierarchy and inheritance, but it is possible to control which formatting options the style applies to (e.g. only number format).



Number Format

Format Cells > Number

→ General:

format deemed appropriate by the program

→ Number:

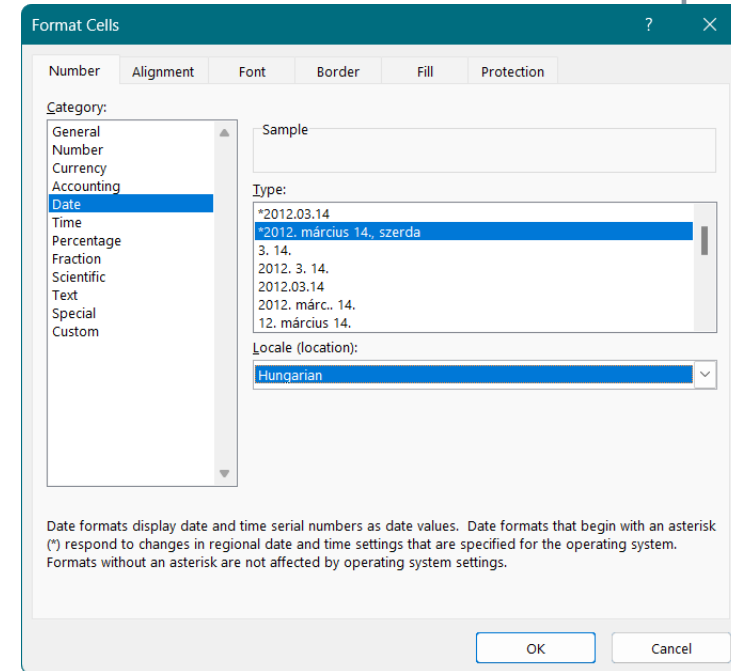
displaying the number with a given precision,
with selectable thousand separator (12 345)

→ Date/Time:

the integer part of the number represents the day (1 = 1900-01-01),
the fractional part represents the time (e.g. 0.5 = 12:00:00)

→ Custom:

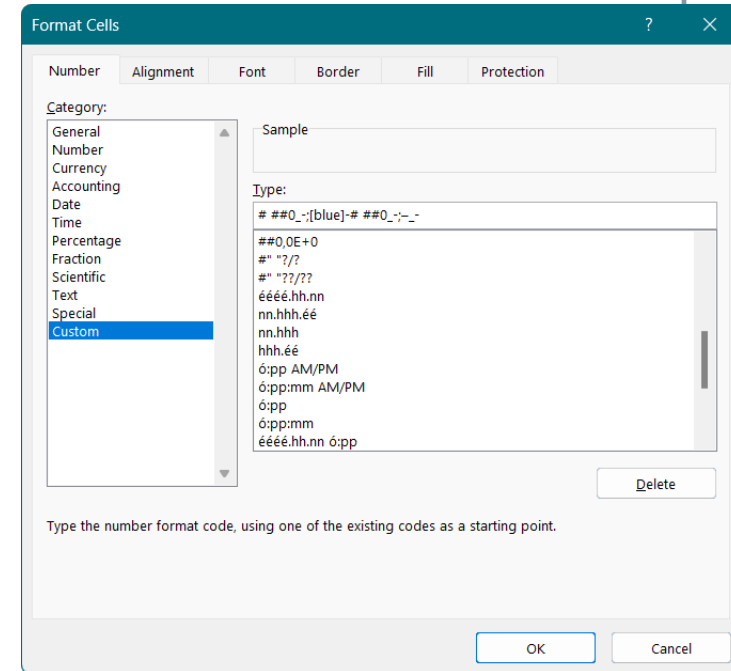
unique format, e.g. with value-dependent formatting



Custom Number Format

Format Cells > Number > Custom:

- unique display format code with maximum four sections
 - by default, its sign-dependent: "+", "-", "0", "text"
 - conditions (limits) can be specified, e.g. [**<2**]
 - basic colors can be specified, e.g. [**Blue**]
 - text that can be added, e.g. the unit of measure, e.g. **# ###.0" m²**
 - **#** → display only non-zero digits (e.g. 0.06 v. 0.15 & **0,#** → 0,1)
 - **0** → always display the given digit (pl. 630 & **00-00** → 06-30)
 - **%** → show the value multiplied by 100 (0.123 & **0%** → 12%)
 - **Space** → displays the number divided by 1000 (12345 & **0,0 " t."** → 12,3 t.)
 - *The display accuracy of the number normally does not affect the further calculation.*
- *Decimal sign ("," or ".") and list separator ("", " or ";") according to Windows settings.*



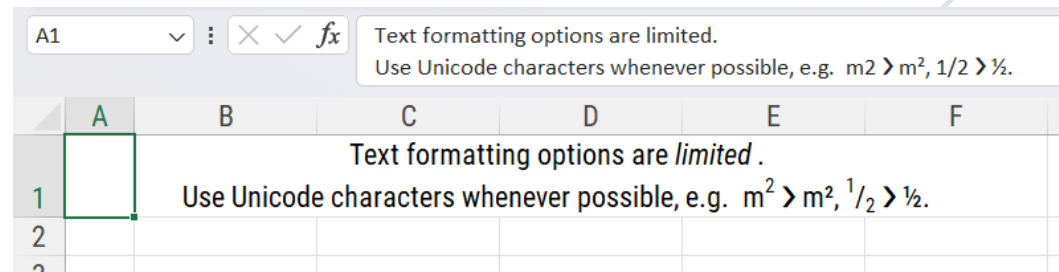
Text Formatting

Spreadsheets are not suitable for managing and formatting long texts...

- formatting options are narrower, their execution is more difficult,
- there is a limit for length of the of text in cells (insert a text box instead),
- text transfer between cells is cumbersome.

It is possible, to display the result of a calculation or a content that depends on a certain condition.

- Character-level formatting is available only for static text, and formatting is visible only on the final result.
- Styles are interpreted at the cell level, but do not necessarily cover all aspects (e.g. number only).
- Alignment: within the cell (either single or merged), centered across the selection.
- Line break within a cell: `Alt+Enter`.



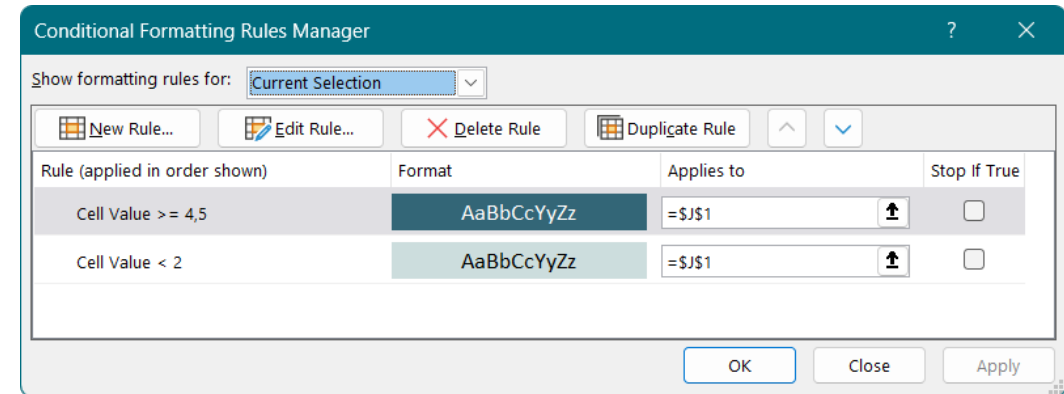
Variable Format / Content

Formatting based on a cell's own result

→ Conditional Formatting

value-dependent settings of font, font style, cell border, fill color and pattern

→ Custom number format



Content depending on the value of another cell

→ Content varies depending on a given condition:

=IF(TestAvg >= 4,5, "Excellent!"; IF(TestAvg < 2, "Failed,,, "Okay"))

→ Combining calculation results or other data

= "still "&TEXT(Deadline - Date;"0")& ",to go"

Reference Styles

A formula that contains an arithmetic operation or a function always begins with an operator and can refer to the results of other cells.

Reference Style types:

- **A1** style: columns are represented by letters and rows are represented by numbers,
- **R1C1** style: both columns and rows are represented by numbers.

References

→ single cell	=B1	=RC[1]
→ range of cells	=B1:C2	=RC[1]:R[1]C[2]
→ one column	=B:B	=C[1]
→ multiple columns	=B:D	=C[1]:C[3]
→ one row	=2:2	=R[1]
→ multiple rows	=2:4	=R[1]:R[3]

Reference Types

Relative Reference

→ the reference is relative to the location of the cell, e.g. **A2** | RC[-1]

Absolute Reference

→ the reference maintains the original cell reference, e.g. **\$C\$2** | R2C3

Mixed Reference

→ the reference is partially absolute and partially relative, e.g. **B\$1*\$A2**

Dynamic Reference

→ refers to a dynamic domain, e.g. **A1#**

Indirect Reference*

→ the referenced cell is formally the cell that contains the formula (RC),
determining the cell or range to be considered in relation to it, e.g. =OFFSET(RC, -1, 0)

* Recommended e.g. to ensure that the formulas always refer to the cell above them even if new lines are inserted.

	A	B	C	D
1	nettó érték	bruttó érték	ÁFA kulcs	27%
2	=A2*(1+\$D\$1)			
3	20 000	25 400		
4	30 000	38 100		
5	40 000	50 800		
6	50 000	63 500		

	A	B	C	D
1		1	2	3
2	1	=A2*B\$1	2	3
3	2	2	4	6
4	3	3	6	9
5	4	4	8	12
6	5	5	10	15
7	6	6	12	18

Reference - Using Names

To make formulas easier to understand, names can be used as references also.

- By default, we simply select the cell or range, then we write the desired name in the **Name Box** (+Enter).
- Using the Name Manager (Ctrl+F3) gives greater control e.g. in case of dynamic range, or page-specific name.
- Name of a cell (e.g. C1 → **ÁFA**) behaves as absolute reference, e.g. =**ÁFA**.
- Name of a named range (e.g. A2:A6 → **Nettó**)
 - behaves as absolute reference for summary functions, e.g. =SUM(**Nettó**),
 - for other operations
 - in earlier versions, it behaves as a mixed reference, e.g. =2***Nettó**,
 - in newer versions, the same behavior requires an @ sign, e.g. =2***@Nettó**,
 - without an @, a dynamic formula spills the range (B2:B6).
- Intersections of named rows and columns can be referred with names separated by spaces, e.g. =January Income.

Formulas



Name Manager

	A	B	C	D
	nettó	bruttó	ÁFA	
1	érték	érték	kulcs	27%
2	=@Nettó*(1+ÁFA)			
3	20 000	ÁFA		
4	30 000			
5	40 000			
6	50 000			

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	nettó	bruttó	ÁFA	
1	érték	érték	kulcs	27%
2	=Nettó*(1+ÁFA)			
3	20 000	ÁFA 00		
4	30 000	38 100		
5	40 000	50 800		
6	50 000	63 500		

Reference - Dynamic Ranges

When using dynamic formulas, the referenced range determines how much space the result requires (if it doesn't fit: **#SPILL!**).

→ In case of a dynamic row (B1: =SEQUENCE(1,3)) and column (A2: =SEQUENCE(6,1)), it is enough to enter the formula in a single cell (B2: =A2# *B1#), it automatically populates the entire range.

→ Using the Name Manager (Ctrl+F3) dynamic ranges can be named (=Sheet!\$A\$2# → **_Szorzó** | =Lap!\$B\$1# → **_Szorzandó**) – then it is enough to refer to these names in dynamic formulas (B2: =**_Szorzó*****_Szorzandó**) (Multiplier and Multiplicand).

→ It is worth noting that the same formula works even if the row and column names point to a non-dynamic range (=Lap!\$A\$2:\$A\$7 → **_Szorzó** | =Lap!\$B\$1:\$D\$1 → **_Szorzandó**).

In this case, changing the formula does not change the area of the resulting range – the workaround is to change the number of rows also.

Formulas



Name Manager

	A	B	C	D
1		1	2	3
2	1	=A2#*B1#	2	3
3	2	2	4	6
4	3	3	6	9
5	4	4	8	12
6	5	5	10	15
7	6	6	12	18

	A	B	C	D
1		1	2	3
2	1	=_Szorzó*_Szorzandó		3
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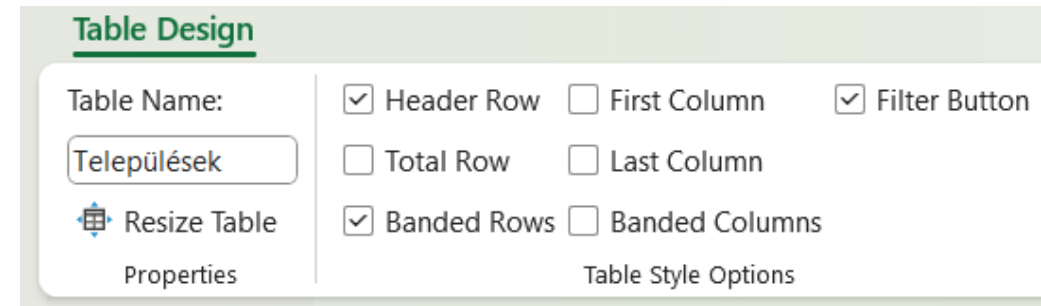
Reference - Tables

Data tables may be easier to use if they are defined as tables.

→ Definition (standing inside the range): **Insert** ▾ **Table**
→ each column in the table must have a unique **Header Row**,
if this is not the case, it will be created or modified automatically.

→ Using the **Table Design** ribbon menu:
→ the **Table Name** can be modified,
→ the **Filter Button** can be activated,
→ the table can be formatted automatically
Banded/First/Last Row/Column.

→ In the table, formulas automatically populate the entire column and usually refer to the column header
=[@Column1]
→ Formulas outside the table insert the table name before the column header
=Table1[@Column1]



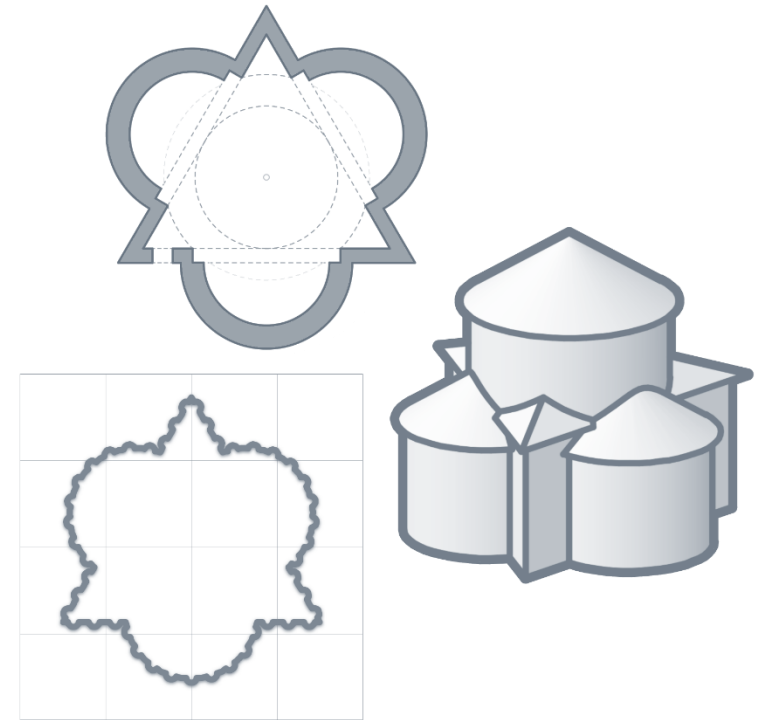
Spreadsheet

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Formulas, Functions

Operations can be performed with the contents of other cells e.g. $=2*A1+B2^2-C3/2&" +VAT"$

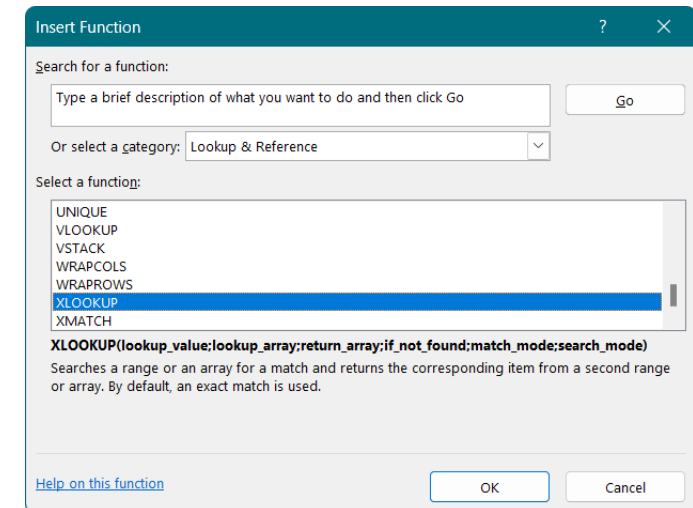
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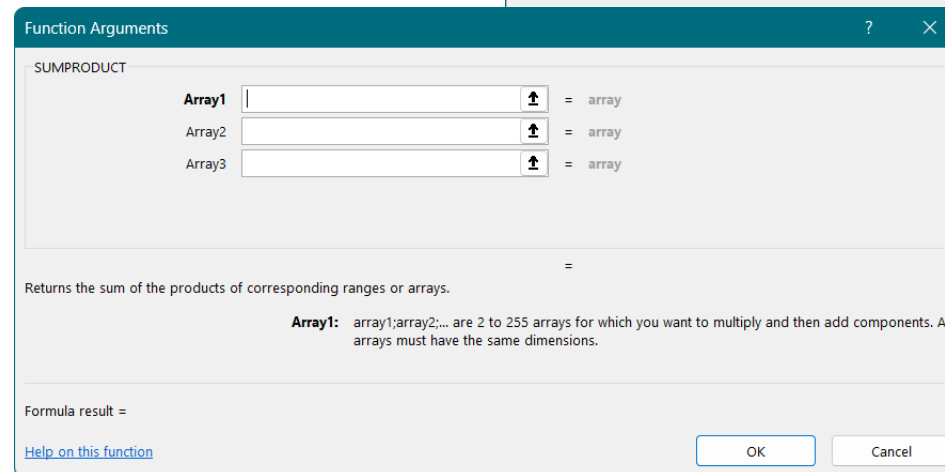
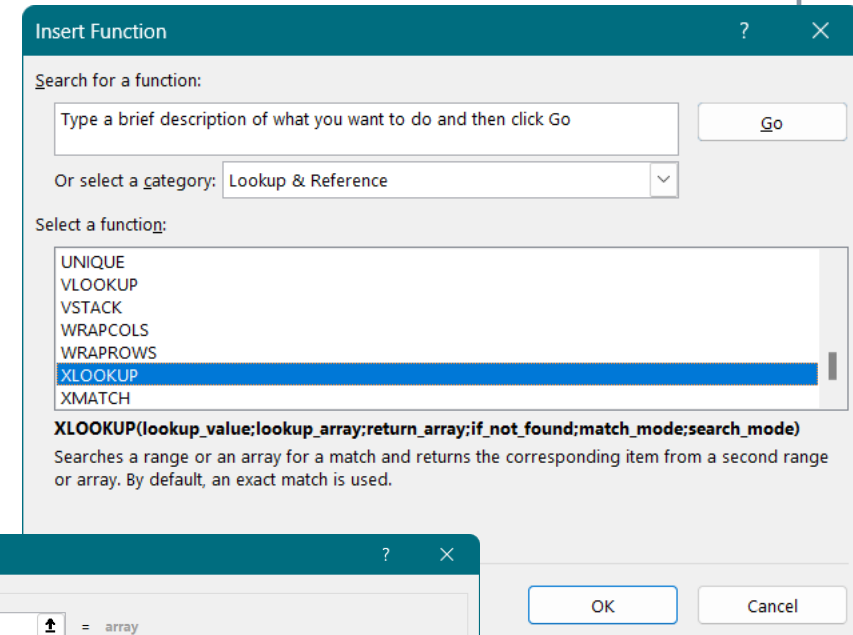
The **Insert Function** panel (**Shift+F3**) can be used to find functions and enter their arguments.



Inserting Functions, Arguments

When inserting a function...

- first the category, then the function can be selected,
- the parameters can be given (or shown) in the boxes of the panel
- the type of arguments depends on the function,
 - can be number, text, logical value or error value,
 - can be a reference,
 - can be another formula, or function.



Text Manipulation

→ VALUE(...)

- converts text that can be interpreted as a number into a number

→ TEXT(..., "0%")

- converts a number into text in the specified number format

→ LEFT(..., n) / RIGHT(..., n)

- returns the first/last n characters of text

→ MID(..., i, n)

- returns n characters taken from the i-th position of the text

→ FIND(..., ..., i)

- returns the starting position of a string in a text (starting from i)

→ LEN(...)

- returns the number of characters in a text

→ TRIM(...) / CLEAN(...)

- removal of unnecessary spaces/characters

→ SUBSTITUTE(...)

- replace a given string in a text

→ UPPER(...) / LOWER(...)

- converts text to upper/lower case

→ PROPER(...)

- converts text into a proper format (begins all words with a capital letter)

Mathematics & Logics

→ **SUMPRODUCT(a, b, ...)**

- multiplies the corresponding elements of ranges of the same dimension, and returns the sum of the results (other operations can be used also)

→ **IF(test, iftrue, iffalse)**

- returns one or another value depending on the evaluation of a comparison

→ **IFS(test1, iftrue1, ...)**

- returns the value that corresponds to the first TRUE condition

→ **IFERROR(..., "?!")**

- returns an alternative result if the formula would result in an error

→ **IFNA(..., "?!")**

- returns an alternative result if the formula would result in an #NA (Not found) error

→ **NOT(...)**

- returns the opposite of a logical value (from false to true and vice versa)

→ **OR(..., ...)**

- true if at least one of the conditions is true

→ **AND(..., ...)**

- true if all conditions are true

→ **RADIANS(...)** / **DEGREES (...)**

- conversion between degrees and radians

→ **SIN(...)** / **COS(...)** / **TAN(...)**

- returns the sine / cosine / tangent of an angle in radians

→ **ABS(...)** / **INT(...)** / **PI(...)**

- absolute value of a number / integer part of a number / the value of pi

Statistics

- **AVERAGE(...)**
 - **AVERAGEIFS(...)**
 - **MIN(...)** / **MAX(...)**
 - **MINIFS(...)** / **MAXIFS(...)**
 - **SUM(...)**
 - **SUMIFS(...)**
 - **COUNT(...)**
 - **COUNTA(...)**
 - **COUNTBLANK(...)**
 - **COUNTIFS(...)**
 - **GEOMEAN(...)**
 - **MEDIAN(...)**
 - **LARGE(..., n)** / **SMALL(..., n)**
- average value in the argument
 - average of cells matching given criteria
 - minimum, maximum of a set of values in the argument
 - minimum and maximum of cells that meet the criteria
 - sum of arguments (cells)
 - sum of cells matching given criteria
 - number of cells containing numbers in the argument
 - number of values (non-empty cells) in the argument
 - number of empty cells in the argument
 - number of cells matching given criteria
 - geometric mean of arguments
 - median value of arguments
 - the n-th smallest/largest number

Lookup & Reference

- XLOOKUP(...)
- MATCH(...)
- XMATCH(...)
- INDEX(..., R, C)
- OFFSET(..., R, C)

- ADDRESS(R, C)
- INDIRECT(...)

- searches a range for a match, returns the corresponding item from another range
- searches for a specified item in a range, and returns its relative position
- searches for a specified item in a range, and returns its relative position
- returns the element in a specified row (and column) of a given range
- returns a reference to a range (a single cell or a range with a given size) that is a specified number of rows and columns from a cell or range of cells
- returns the address of a cell specified by row and column numbers
- returns the reference specified by a text string

Dynamic Functions & Info

→ **UNIQUE(...)**

- returns a list of unique values in a list or range

→ **FILTER(...)**

- allows filtering a range of data based on the specified criteria

→ **SORT(...)**

- returns the contents of a range arranged in order

→ **SORTBY(...)**

- sorts the contents of a range based on the values in a corresponding range

→ **TRANSPOSE(...)**

- returns the the transpose of range

→ **SEQUENCE(...)**

- generate a list of sequential numbers in an array

Displaying information about the file name and location, and/or the date and time of the printing can be useful, e.g. during retrieval and change tracking:

→ **CELL("filename")**

→ **TODAY(), or NOW()**

Plotting Function Types

	2D	3D
Explicit	$y=f(x)$	$z=f(x,y)$
Parametric	$\begin{cases} x=f(t) \\ y=g(t) \end{cases}$	$\begin{cases} x=f(t) \\ y=g(t) \\ z=h(t) \end{cases}$ $\begin{cases} x=f(u,v) \\ y=g(u,v) \\ z=h(u,v) \end{cases}$
Implicit	$f(x,y)=0$	$f(x,y,z)=0$

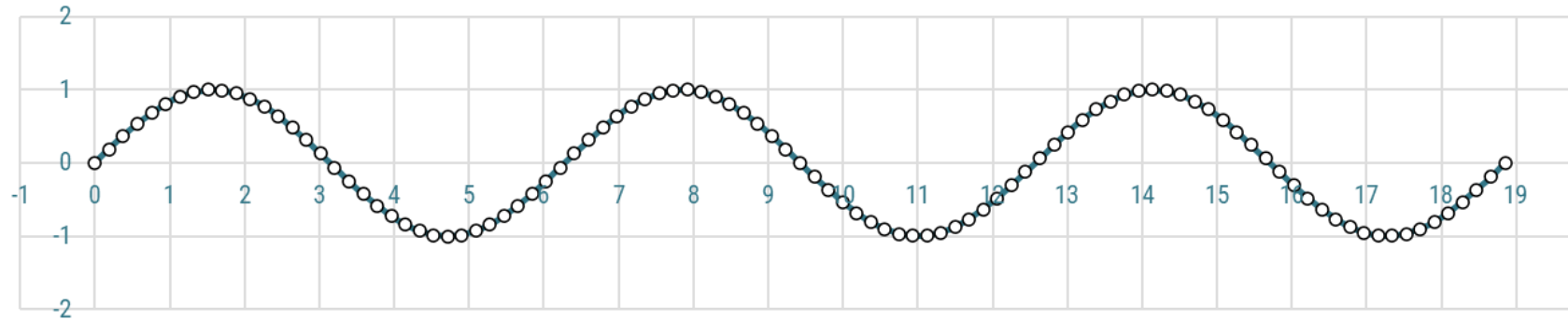
It is advisable to treat the input data as parameters and refer to them by name.

The scale of the horizontal and vertical axes is not guaranteed to be the same.

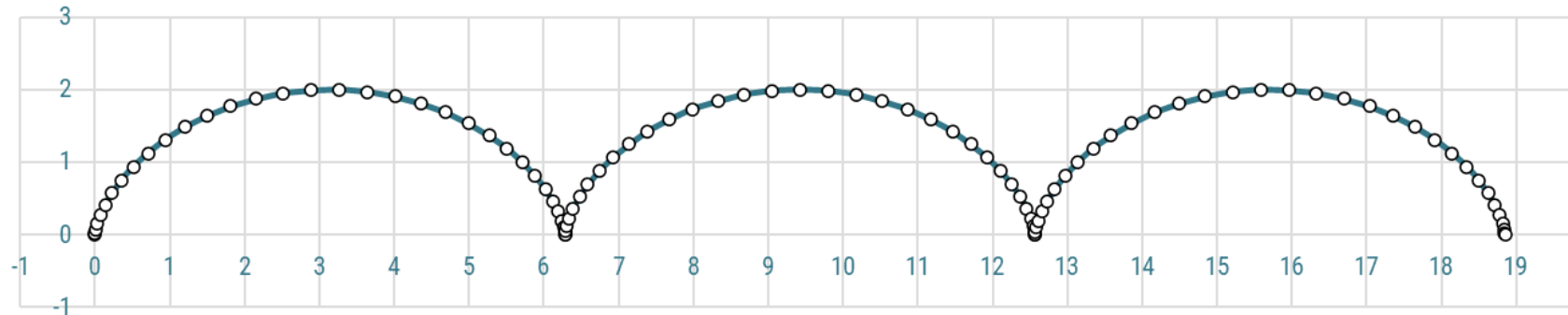
Plotting 2D Functions

The curve can be approximated with its chords – the sections connecting the dividing points. ($a = b = 1$).

Explicit → e.g. $_x = _i/n * w * 2*PI()$ → $_y = a * SIN(_x)$



Parametric → e.g. $_φ = _i/n * w * 2*PI()$ → $_x = a * _φ - b * SIN(_φ)$ /// $_y = a - b * COS(_φ)$



Division Algorithm

Algorithm for setting up the division points of the function (distribution density \rightarrow accuracy).

n number of divisions (sections) \rightarrow a positive integer

s symmetry multiplier $\rightarrow s = 2^a$ for symmetry number a ($s = 1$ when dividing the entire range)

$_i$ node identifier \rightarrow the `SEQUENCE(...)` function can be used for dynamic operation:

\rightarrow number of rows specifies the number of division points \rightarrow typically $s*n+1$,

\rightarrow the number of rows is typically 1, so it can even be omitted,

\rightarrow starting value \rightarrow typically 0 or $-s*n/2$,

\rightarrow step value is typically 1, so it can even be omitted.

$_i/s/n$ a series of normalized ratios indicating the position of each division point within the range:

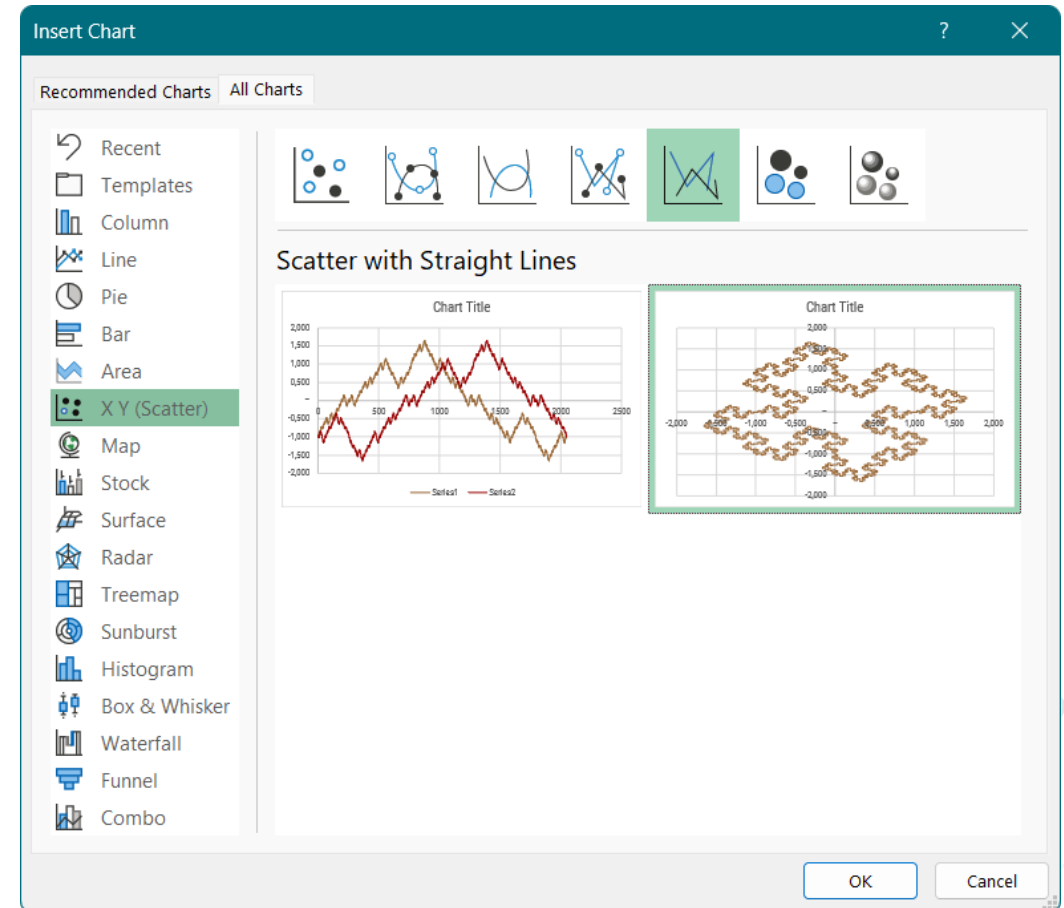
\rightarrow an explicit function is typically divided in the x direction, e.g. $_x = _i/n * w*2*PI()$,

\rightarrow in the case of a parametric function, the independent variable is divided, e.g. $_φ = _i/n * w*2*PI()$.

2D Chart

Steps for plotting the function:

- it is advisable to select the range first,
- **Insert** ▾ **Chart**,
- chart type → usually **XY Scatter**,
- subtype → usually with straight lines,
- function name → usually the cell above the y values,
- additional data lines can be added,
- other parameters can be specified (e.g. chart title),
- the axes can be set up (min., max., step),
- the size (and aspect ratio) can be set,
- formatting can be customized.

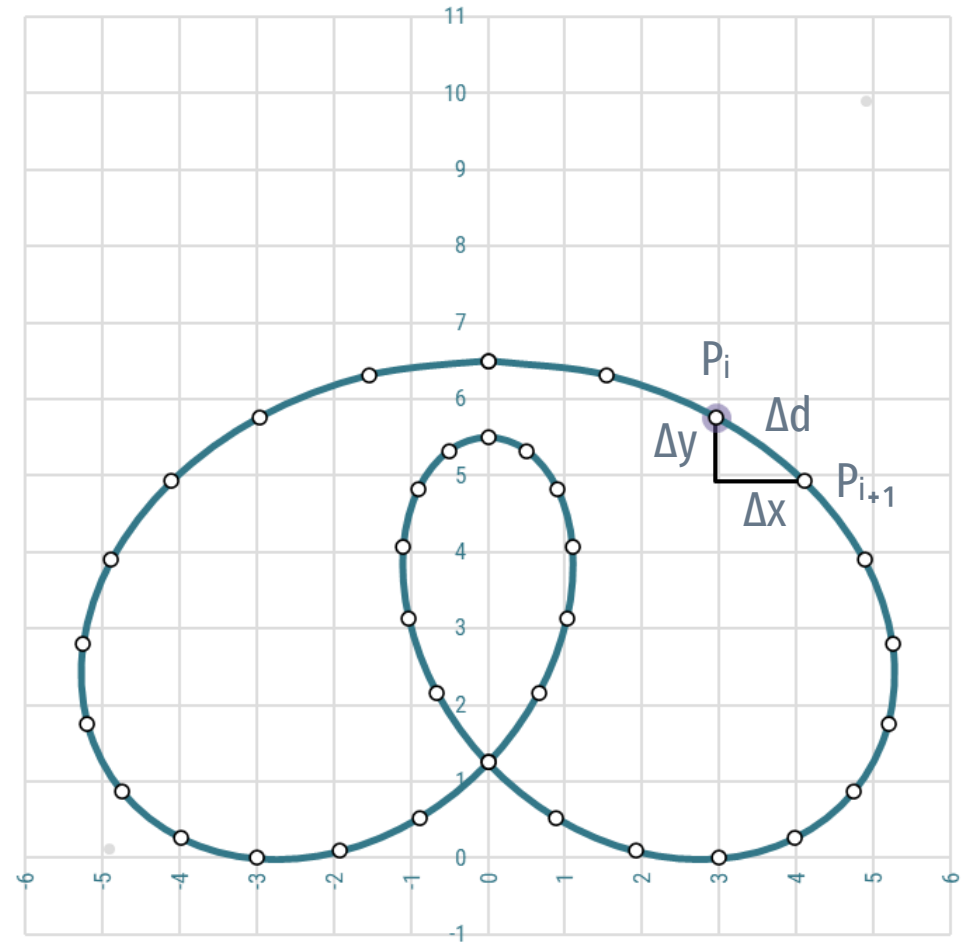


Line Segment Approximation

Approximate (but arbitrarily accurate) calculation of the length of a curve using the Pythagorean theorem:

$$\text{polygon length: } \sum_{i=1}^n \overline{P_i P_{i+1}}$$

$$\text{segment length: } \overline{P_i P_{i+1}} = \sqrt{(x_{i+1} - x_i)^2 + (y_{i+1} - y_i)^2}$$



Numerical Integral

Approximation of the area under a curve
by elementary area units:

→ $s \cdot n + 1$ division points → $s \cdot n$ area units

→ $A = \sum A_i$

Typical methods

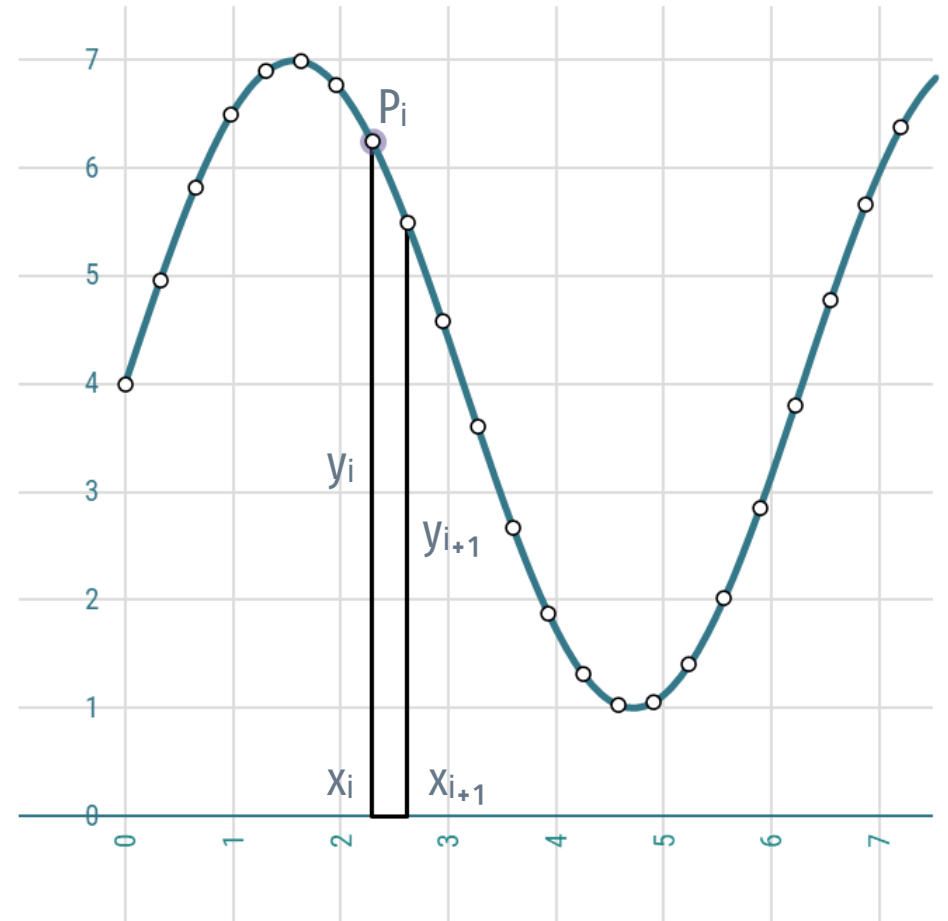
→ Simpson's parabola formula

→ rectangle formula

$$A_i = (x_i - x_{i+1}) \cdot (y_i - y_{i+1})$$

→ trapezoid formula

$$A_i = (x_i - x_{i+1}) \cdot \frac{1}{2} (y_i + y_{i+1})$$



Heron's Formula

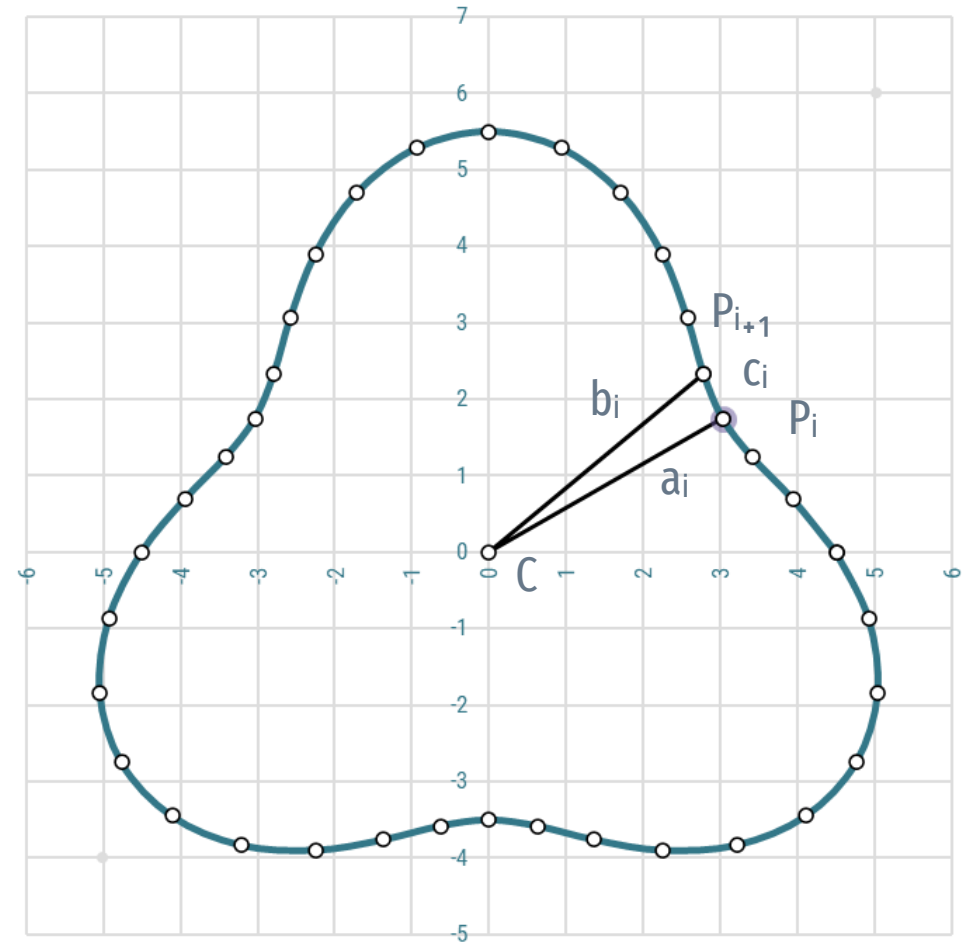
If there is a point within the closed curve that can be connected to all contour points without intersecting the curve itself, then the area can be approximated using Heron's formula.

Approximation of the enclosed area by triangles:

→ $s \cdot n + 1$ division points → $s \cdot n$ triangles

→ $A = \sum A_i$

→ $A_i = \frac{1}{4} [(a_i + b_i + c_i) \cdot (-a_i + b_i + c_i) \cdot (a_i - b_i + c_i) \cdot (a_i + b_i - c_i)]^{1/2}$.



Next Point

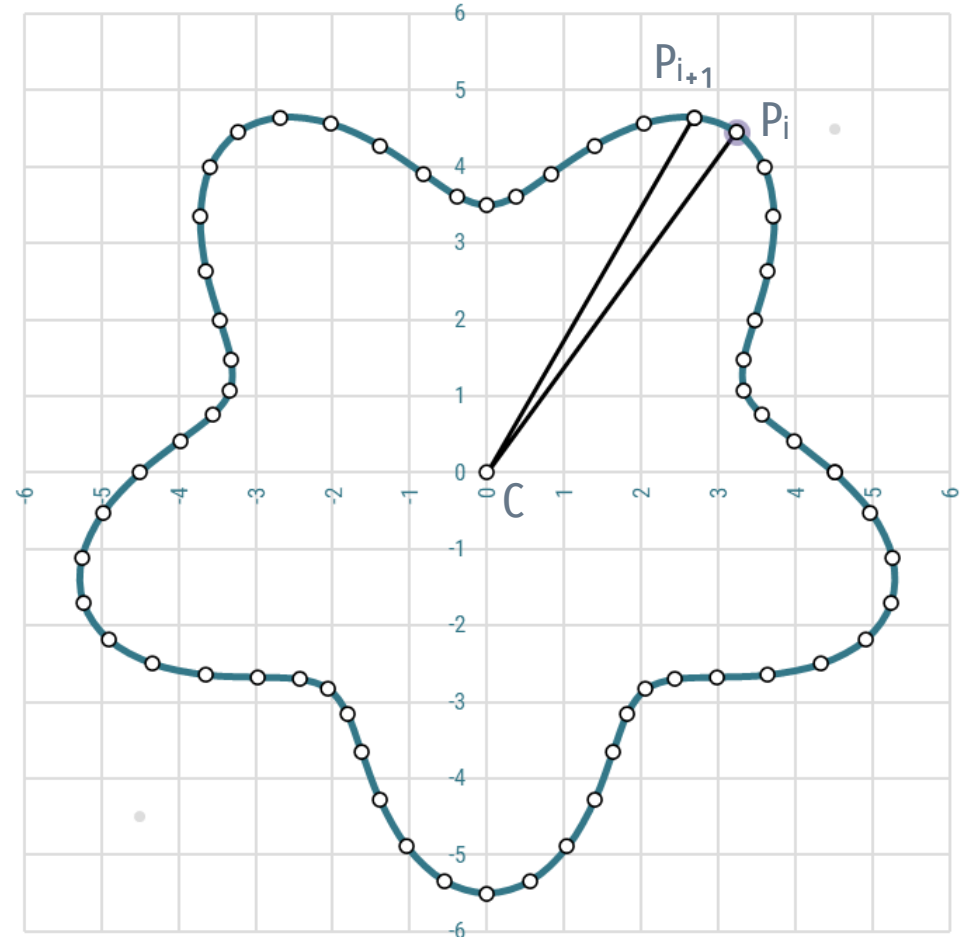
The coordinates of the next point (after the current one) are needed to calculate the length of the curve and the area under or enclosed by the curve...

- the formula can refer to next row,
- a more flexible solution is to handle this dynamically, either as a range of cells or as a definition, e.g.
 - $_x_{i+1} = \text{OFFSET}(_x, 1, 0, \text{ROWS}(_x)-1)$
 - $_y_{i+1} = \text{OFFSET}(_y, 1, 0, \text{ROWS}(_y)-1)$
 - it is important to handle the last missing row, e.g.
 $\Delta l_s = \text{IFERROR}(\text{SQRT}((_x_{i+1}-_x)^2 + (_y_{i+1}-_y)^2); \text{"."})$
- it can be a range of cell,
- or it can be a transcendent range defined with the Name Manager

Formulas



Name Manager



Goal Seek, Solver

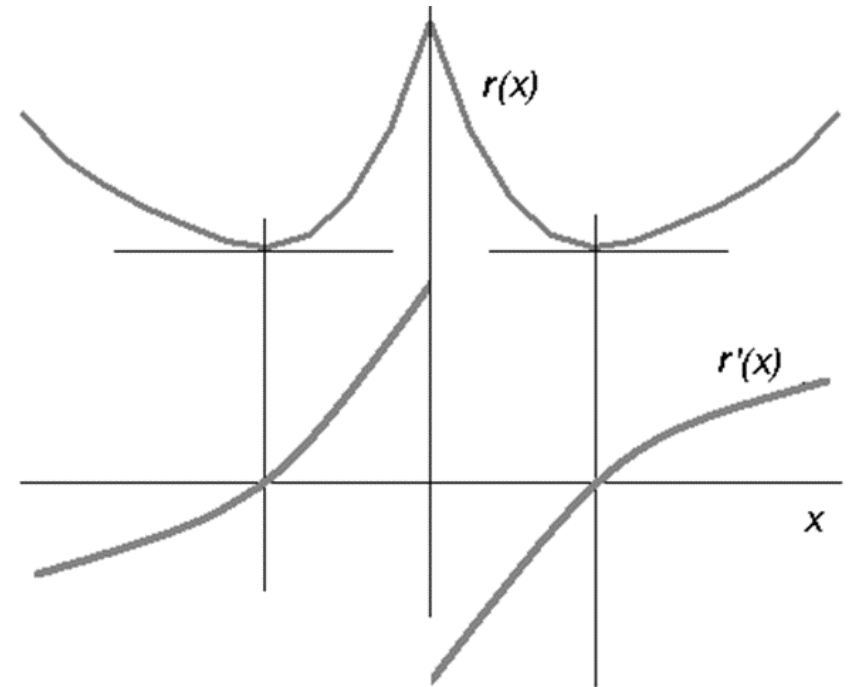
The **Goal Seek** can be used when the desired optimal result is known, but the corresponding input value needs to be found.

Solver is an add-in program that can be used to find the optimal, maximum, or minimum value of a cell by changing the value of another cell or more cells.

Target value → intersection of functions.

Minimum or maximum → extreme value of a function
→ where the derivative function changes sign.

Both methods find a local solution, which can thus depend on the initial value.



Spreadsheet

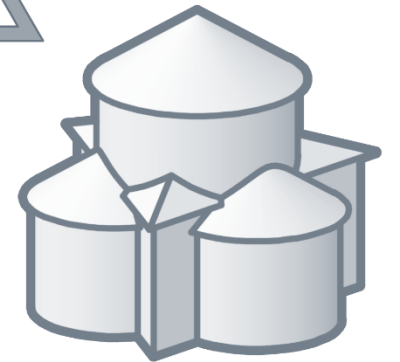
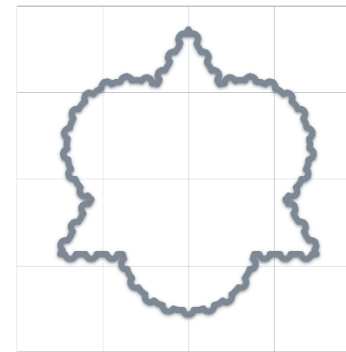
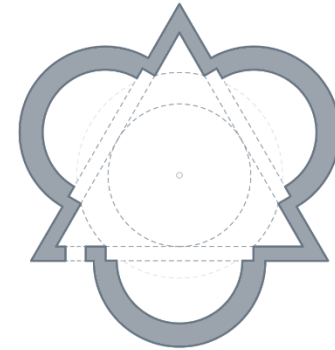
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3D Parametric Function

Plotting a 2D projection of a 3D parametric curve (polar).

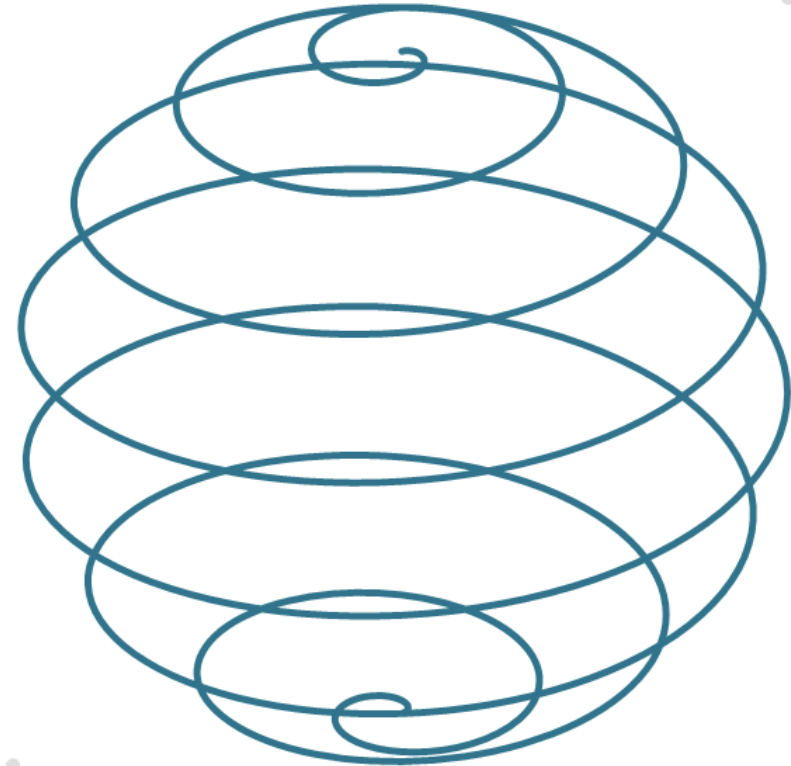
- $_ \varphi$ → *angle in the base plane*
- $_ \rho$ → *angle of spherical projection*
- $_ x = r_o * \text{COS}(_ \varphi) * \text{COS}(_ \rho)$ → *x coordinate*
- $_ y = r_o * \text{SIN}(_ \varphi) * \text{COS}(_ \rho)$ → *y coordinate*
- $_ z = r_o * \text{SIN}(_ \rho)$ → *z coordinate*

Projection coordinates

λ *angle from the base plane*

θ *rotation angle in the base plane:*

- $_ u = r_o * \text{COS}(_ \varphi + \theta) * \text{COS}(_ \rho)$
- $_ v = r_o * \text{SIN}(_ \varphi + \theta) * \text{COS}(_ \rho) * \text{SIN}(\lambda) + _ z * \text{COS}(\lambda)$



2D Parametric Function

Sometimes it makes sense to use multiple parameters.

→ $n = 6$ → *6 sections per quarter*

→ $s = 4$ → *4 quarter*

→ $w = 4$ → *4 rounds*

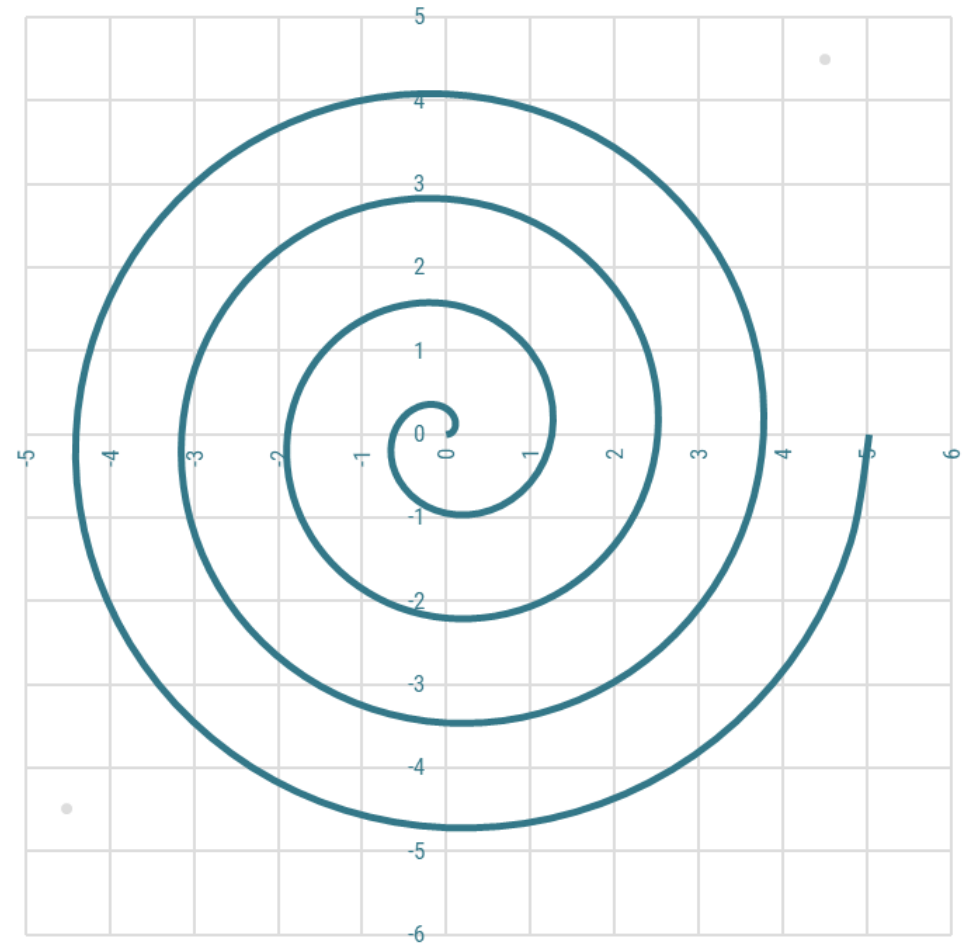
→ $_i = \text{SEQUENCE}(w*s*n+1; ; 0)$

→ $_{\varphi} = _i/s/n * 2*PI()$ → *central angle*

→ $_r = 1/5*_i$ → *current radius*

→ $_x = _r * \text{COS}(_{\varphi})$ → *x coordinate*

→ $_y = _r * \text{SIN}(_{\varphi})$ → *y coordinate*



Freeform Curves

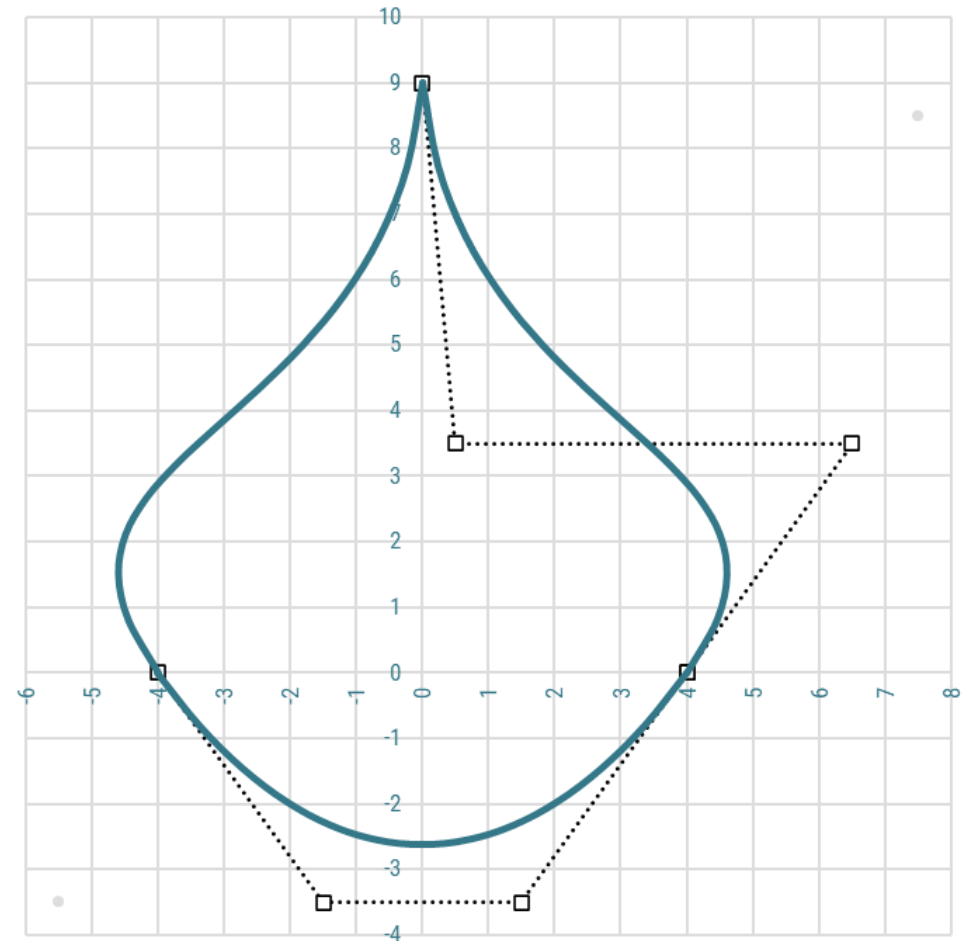
Computer-aided design requires the ability to handle free-form curves and surfaces...

- interactive design → relatively easy modifiability
 - application of grip-points
 - better if the handle points only have a local effect
 - continuity...
 - 0: common endpoint
 - 1: common tangent
 - 2: equal curvature

Spline

Bézier curve

B-spline



3D Parametric Function

Plotting a 2D projection of a 3D parametric curve (Cartesian).

→ $n = 2 \rightarrow _i = \text{SEQUENCE}((n+1)^3; 0) \text{ /// } 0 \rightarrow 26$

Ordinal numbers of spatial points in the ternary number system:

→ $_p = \text{SEQUENCE}(1; 3; 0)$

→ $_pN = \text{MOD}(\text{INT}(_i / (n+1)^{_p}); n+1)$

Coordinates of spatial points (for even n):

→ $_x = \text{IF}(\text{ISEVEN}(_p1+_p2); (_p0/n); 1-(_p0/n))$

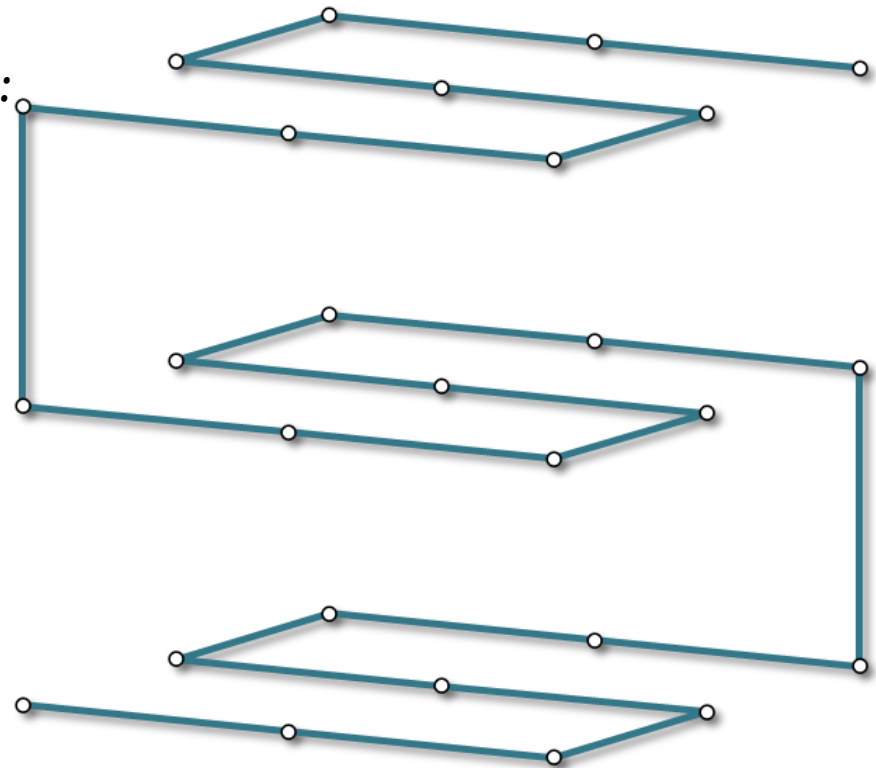
→ $_y = \text{IF}(\text{ISEVEN}(_p2+0); (_p1/n); 1-(_p1/n))$

→ $_z = _p2/n$

*Projection coordinates assuming λ angle from the base plane
and θ rotation in the base plane:*

→ $_u = _x * \text{SIN}(-\theta) + _y * \text{COS}(-\theta)$

→ $_v = _x * -\text{COS}(-\theta) * \text{SIN}(\lambda) + _y * \text{SIN}(-\theta) * \text{SIN}(\lambda) + _z * \text{COS}(\lambda)$



RGB Color Space

Plotting a 2D projection of a 3D parametric curve (Cartesian).

→ $n = 3 \mid 5 \mid 15 \rightarrow _i = \text{SEQUENCE}((n+1)^3; 0)$

Ordinal numbers of points in the ternary number system :

→ $_p = \text{SEQUENCE}(1; 3; 0)$

→ $_pN = \text{MOD}(\text{INT}(_i / (n+1)^{_p}); n+1)$

Coordinates of spatial points (for odd n):

→ $_x = \text{IF}(\text{ISEVEN}(_p1+0); (_p0/n); 1-(_p0/n))$

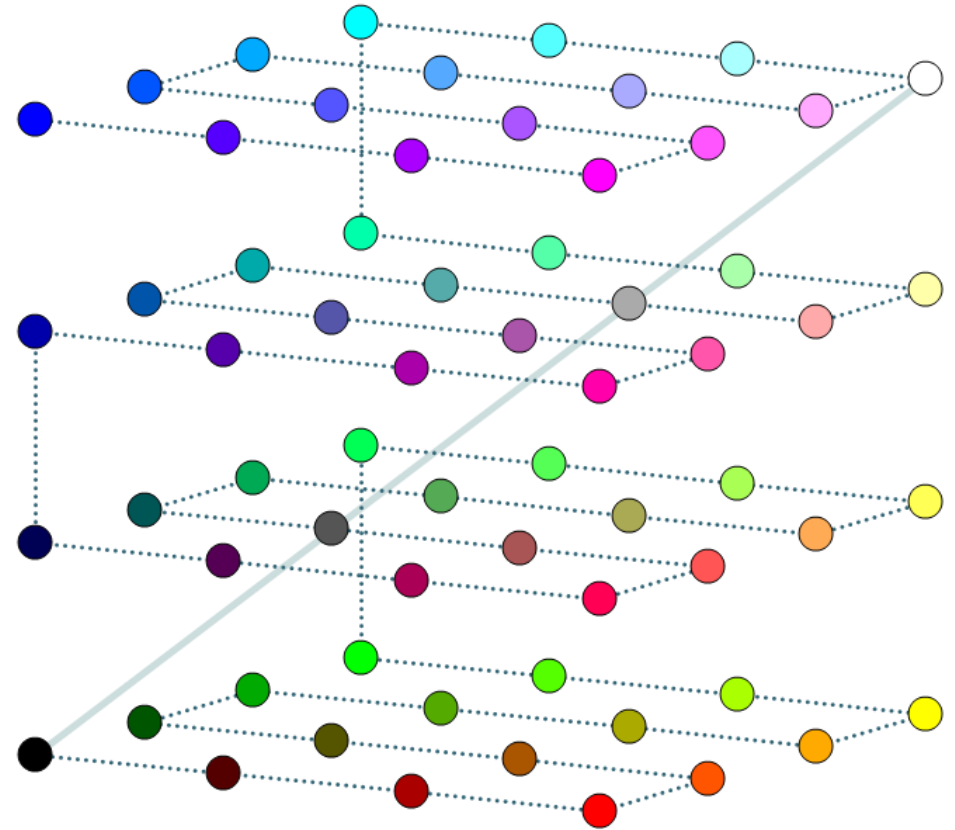
→ $_y = \text{IF}(\text{ISEVEN}(_p2+0); (_p1/n); 1-(_p1/n))$

→ $_z = _p2/n$

Projection coordinates assuming λ angle from the base plane and θ rotation in the base plane:

→ $_u = _x * \text{SIN}(-\theta) + _y * \text{COS}(-\theta)$

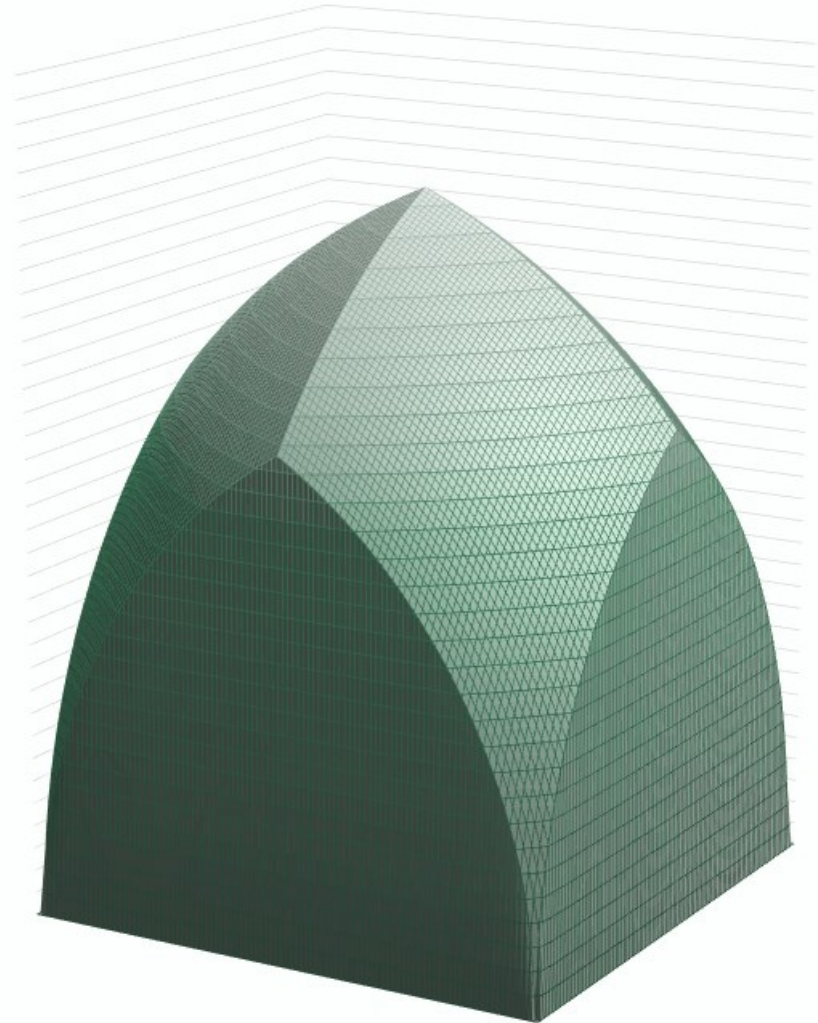
→ $_v = _x * -\text{COS}(-\theta) * \text{SIN}(\lambda) + _y * \text{SIN}(-\theta) * \text{SIN}(\lambda) + _z * \text{COS}(\lambda)$



3D Surface Representation

Plotting a 3D Surface:

- in case of $z=f(x,y)$ explicit form,
- only over a rectangular base.
- The z value corresponding to each division point is displayed – the representation is correct if the division in the x and y directions is even.
- The ratio of the base and height may be distorted.
- Each floor plan point can have only one z value:
 - a full sphere cannot be represented,
 - vertical surfaces cannot be represented, they can only be approximated.



Data Validation

Data entry can be facilitated, or restricted...

→ e.g. list of elements:

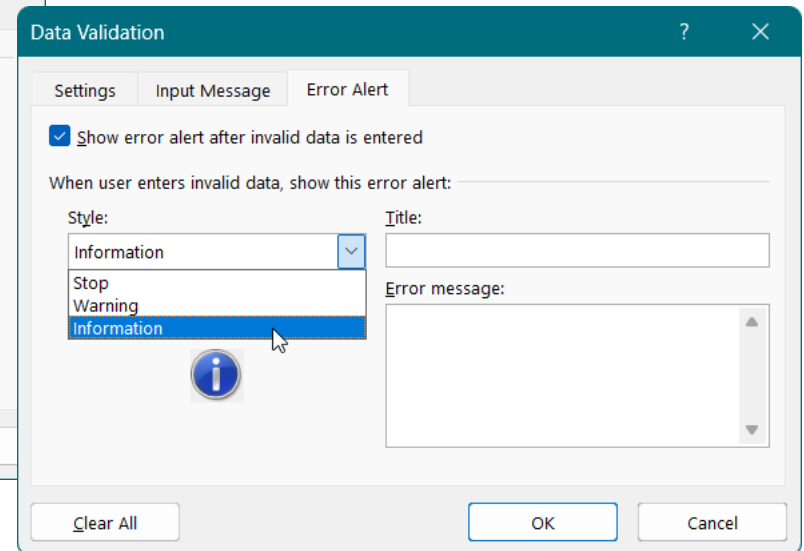
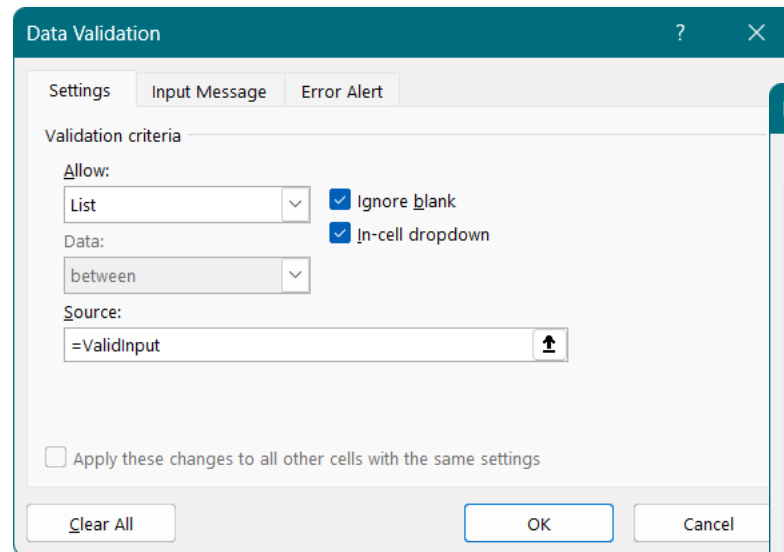
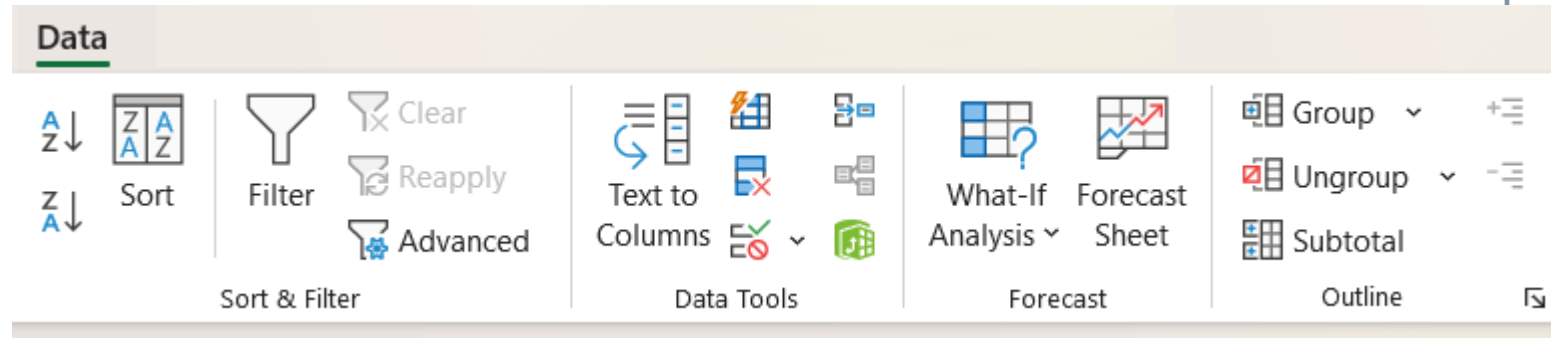
Mon;Tue;Wed;Thu;Fri

→ or elements of a range:

=ValidInput

→ the reaction

for invalid entry ranges from refusal, to warning, or nothing.



Data Entry Assistance

→ Define the input column as a dynamic range:

`_Input` → `=OFFSET(LAP!B3; 0; 0; COUNTA(LAP!B3:B99); 1)`

→ List of unique items based on the input:

`D3` =`SORT(UNIQUE(_Input)`

previously:

`=IFNA(INDEX(Lista1; MATCH(0;INDEX(COUNTIFS(D$2:D2;Lista1);0;0);0));"")`

→ Define the dynamic unique list:

`_SList` → `=LAP!D3#`

→ Validate input data:

Allow: List

Source = `_SList`

Formulas



Name Manager

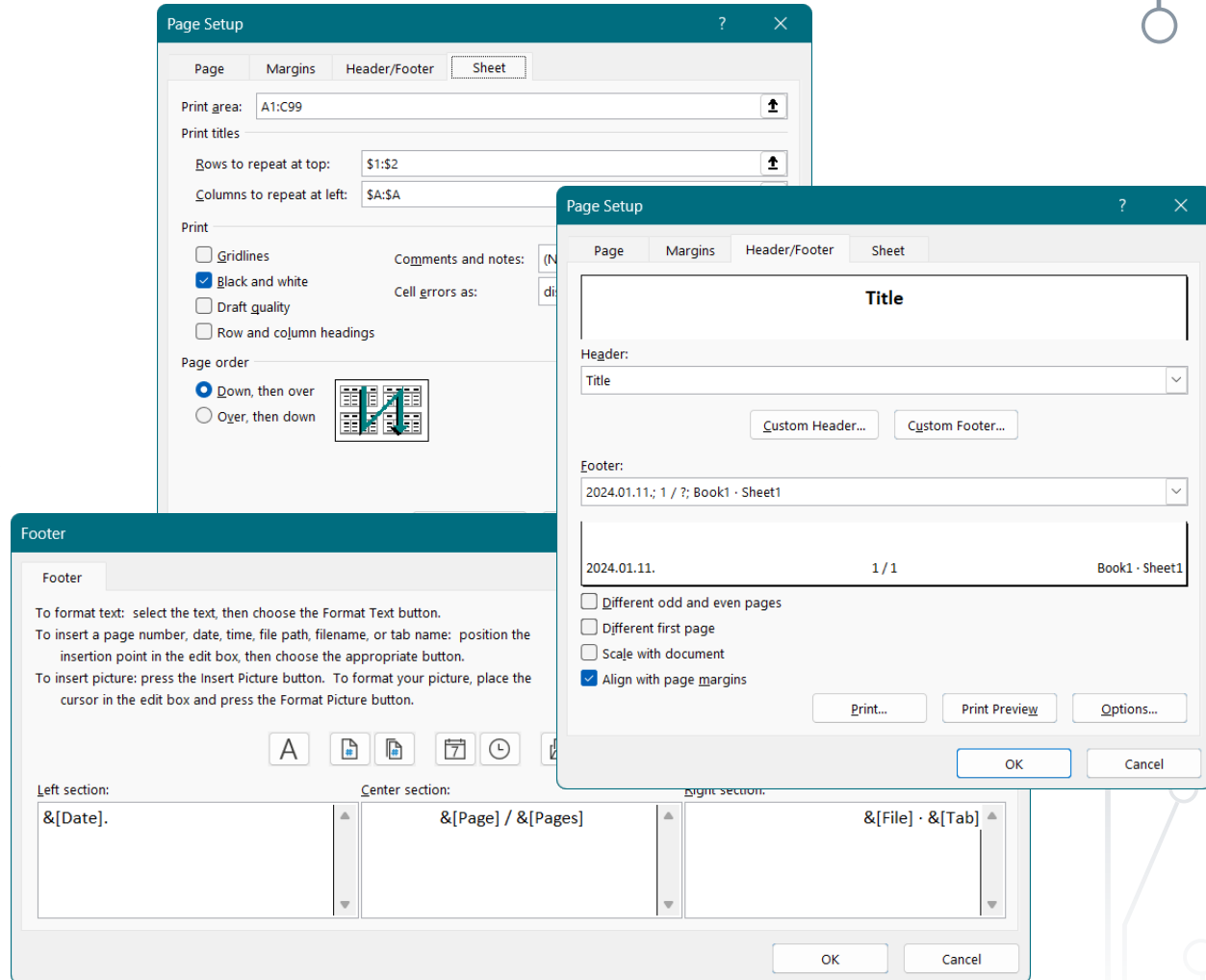
New Name dialog box showing Name: `_Input`, Scope: Workbook, and Refers to: `=OFFSET(LAP!B3; 0; 0; COUNTA(LAP!B3:B99); 1)`

Data Validation dialog box showing Validation criteria: Allow: List, Data: between, Source: `=_SList`, and checkboxes for Ignore blank and In-cell dropdown.

	A	B	C	D	E
1					
2		Beviteli lista		Egyedi elemlista	
3		AA		AA	
4		BB		BB	
5		CC		CC	
6		AA		EE	
7		BB		DD	
8		EE		.	
9		DD		.	
10		AA		.	
11		BB		.	
12				.	
13				.	
14				.	
15				.	
16				.	
17				.	

Perspicuity

- Freeze headers or split screen:
View ∨ **Freeze Panes**, or **View** ∨ **Split**.
- Freeze headers in print:
Page Layout ∨ **Print Titles**.
- Highlighting important elements:
Format Cells/ Fill
In print it can be set to appear in black and white, without background color.
- Outline and group if necessary:
Data ∨ **Outline**.
- Page number, title, file name, date, time...



Text File Import

Almost every program can save data in textual format...

→ records are usually lines, that are separated:

→ CR – Carriage Return – CHAR(13),

→ LF – Line Feed – CHAR(10).

→ fields are usually columns, that are separated:

→ after a given number of characters,

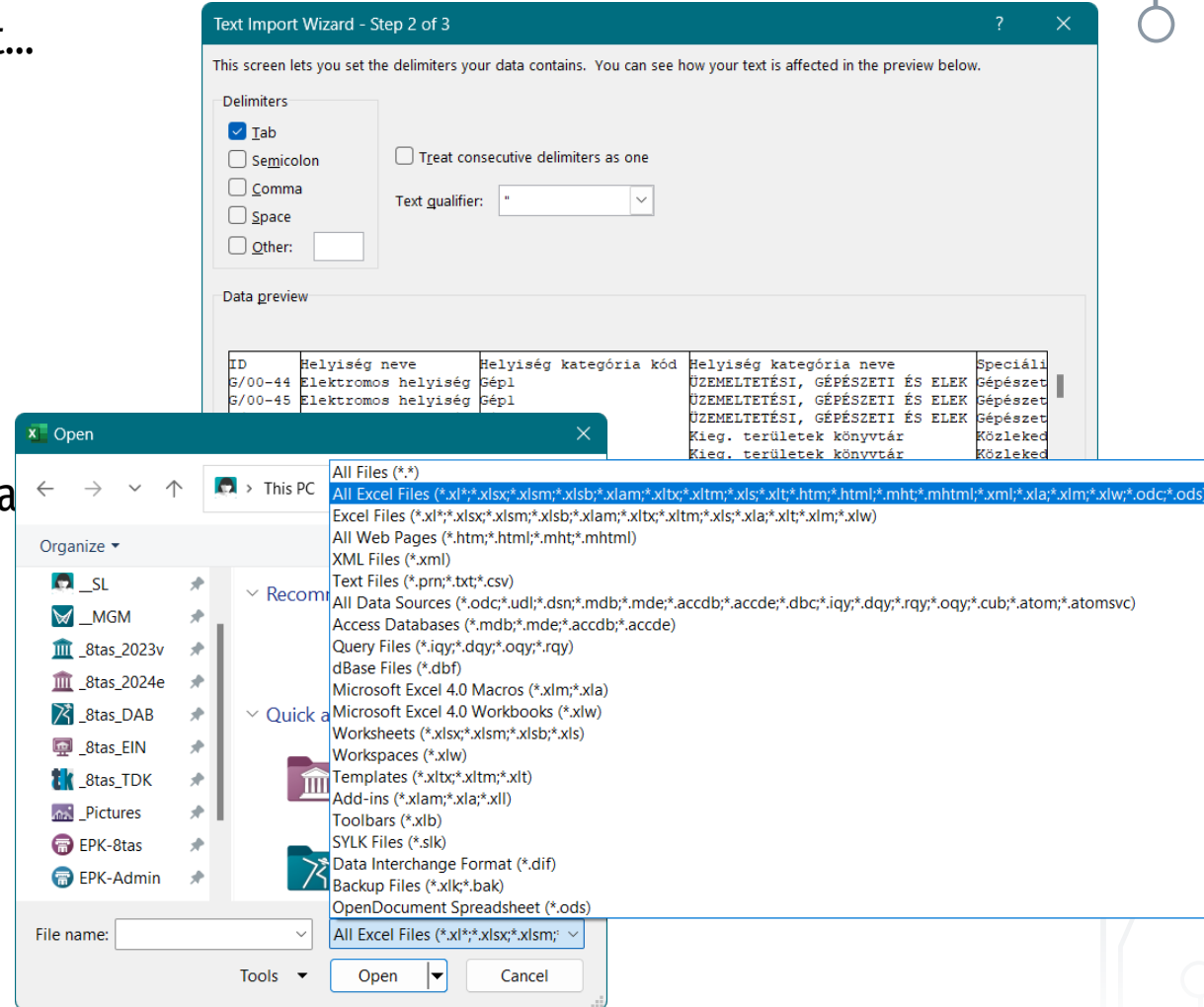
→ a specific character, e.g. Tab, Semicolon, Comma

Dynamic Data Import

→ from file: text (txt), table (Excel, html),
database (Access, Dbase...), Internet

→ from a database server: e.g. MS SQL

→ update at given interval or on opening.



Sort

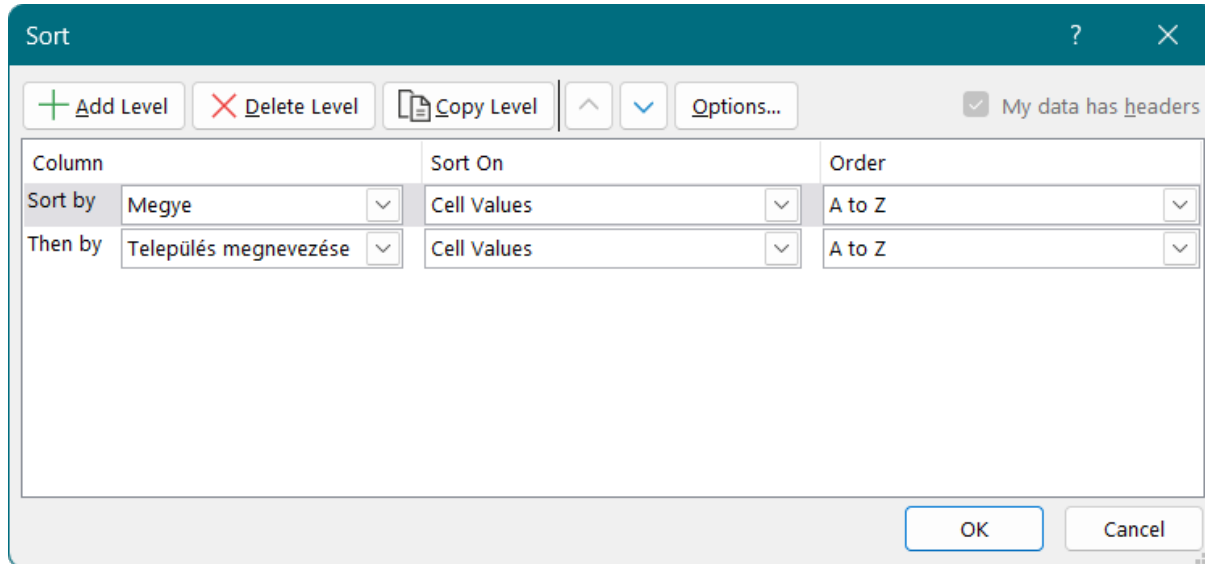
Sorting of data according to several (ranked) aspects [Data](#) ▾ [Sort ...](#)

- the data table should not contain merged cells,
- each column should have a title,
- the area should not contain empty rows and columns should be continuous (selectable by `Ctrl+A`).

Data



Sort



Filter

Data filtering **Data** ▾ **Filter** ...

→ the (contiguous) range below selected cells can be filtered,

→ the filters can be combined

e.g. show the settlements whose name begins with “Tisza”, and whose population is $\geq 10k$, and $< 50k$.

Data



Filter

Custom Autofilter

Show rows where:

Településnév

begins with Tisza

And Or

Use ? to represent any single character
Use * to represent any series of characters

OK Cancel

Custom Autofilter

Show rows where:

Lakónépesség

is greater than or equ... 10000

And Or

is less than 50000

Use ? to represent any single character
Use * to represent any series of characters

OK Cancel

Data Management

A spreadsheet is not a database, it is not suitable for the secure storage of large amounts of data ...

- the table size is a strong limit – it cannot store e.g. the data of all BME students,
- difficult (can only be solved by password protection of the page) to control (authorize) the modification of sensitive data,
- it is practically impossible to log the changes.

It is suitable – especially for smaller amounts of data...

- for quick sorting of data,
- to filter out data sets that meet given conditions,
- to produce derived data,
- to create charts.

Formats

List

- in the first row the headers specify (identify) the categories – there can only be one such row
- in the other rows (records) the items of a given column (fields) belong to that category (e.g. Neptun code), and must be of the same type (text, number, date),
- and there can be no blank rows and columns.

Form

- details of a given record in tabular form (**field name** and **<value>**)

Summary Table

- can contain sums, numbers, averages...

Field & Record

Data Field

→ contains numerical or textual data

Data Record

→ different types of data fields belonging to an object

	Field 01	Field 02	Field 02	Field 02
Record 01	Asimov, Isaac	Alapítvány	Foundation	1951.
Record 02	Herbert, Frank	Dűne	Dune	1965.
Record 03	Pohl, Frederik	Az átjáró	Gateway	1977.
Record 03	Zsoldos Péter	Ellenpont		

Relation

A relation is a table ...

Rows

- logically related data,
- their order is indifferent (if not, then it is not a relation),
- no two can be exactly alike.

Columns

- data of the same type (attributes),
- columns have a unique name (field name),
- should not contain a value that can be derived from another attribute of same row.

Primary Key

A row of the relation is clearly identified...

- a group of attributes that identify only one row (unambiguity),
- no subset of attributes in the key constitutes a key
- the value of the attributes in the key cannot be undefined (NULL).

ID	Room Name
EG_00_44	Electrical room
EG_00_45	Electrical room
EG_00_48	Electrical room
EK_00_01	Ante-room
EK_00_02	Library entrance

Consultation

Teacher	Date	Student
ML	2008.10.01	Hallgató Bálint
LP	2008.10.08	Építész Gábor
LP	2008.10.08	Ábris János
FT	2008.10.03	

Redundancy

Storing a fact multiple times, or storing data that can be derived from other data, should be avoided...

- if the category of a room changes, several fields in the record must be changed,
- for a new room, the name of the room category must be found out from the previous lines of the given category,
- by deleting a room, its category may also disappear, the category code-name association can be lost.

A duplicate is not necessarily a redundancy...

- e.g. LP|2007.10.08.

Teacher	Date	Student
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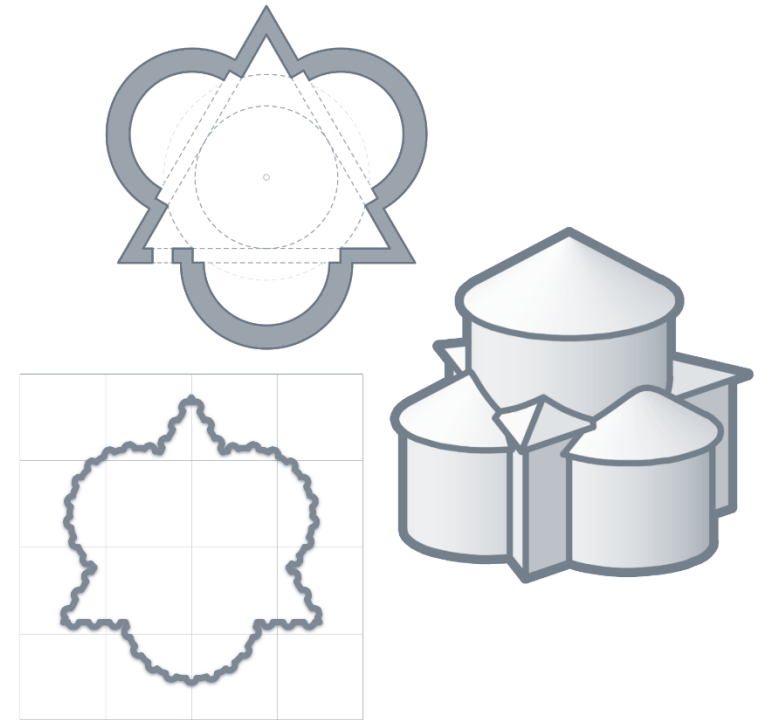
Spreadsheet

➤ Data Tables

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Tables

Defining a contiguous range of data as a table can make it easier to manage it

Insert ↘ **Table**

- standing inside the area of the created table, a new ribbon menu appears,
- this allows the automatic formatting of the table to be set,
- it is always worth giving the table a meaningful name.

Insert



Table

Table Design

Table Name:

Települések

Resize Table

Properties

- Header Row
- First Column
- Filter Button
- Total Row
- Last Column
- Banded Rows
- Banded Columns

Table Style Options

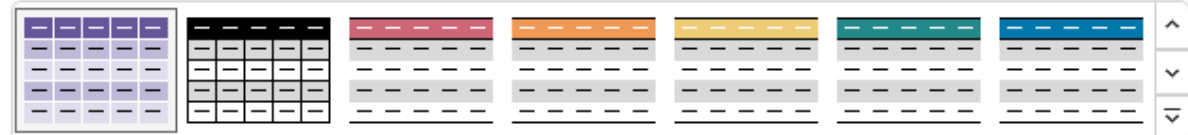


Table Styles

Data management - Aggregation

You can query the range's sum or product (`SUM()` | `PRODUCT()`),
count the number of cells that are numbers, blanks, or not blanks (`COUNT()` | `COUNTBLANKS()` | `COUNTA()`),
calculate their average, median, minimum or maximum (`AVERAGE()` | `MEDIAN()` | `MIN()` | `MAX()`),
search for the k-th largest or smallest value (`LARGE()`, `SMALL()`),
query other statistical characteristics (e.g. geometric mean, mode, standard deviation, variance),
and calculate the sum of the product of corresponding ranges (e.g. for weighted average) (`SUMPRODUCT()`).

The logic of the aggregation is sometimes obvious – but there are more complicated indicators also...

- number of settlements (→ number of records) = `COUNTA(Settlements[Name])`,
- number of apartments (→ sum of an entire column) = `SUM(Settlements[Apartments])`,
- average population of settlements = `AVERAGE(Settlements[Population])`,
- residents live in a settlement with this number of inhabitants on average (→ weighted average):
= `SUMPRODUCT(Settlements[Population]; Settlements[Population]) / SUM(Settlements[Population])`

Conditional Aggregation

A search table can be generated by collecting the unique values of a given column of the data table (**UNIQUE()**), sorting them (**SORT()**) and, if necessary, transposing them horizontally (**TRANSPOSE()**):

=TRANSPOSE(SORT(UNIQUE(Settlements[Region])))

The resulting dynamic range should be given a characteristic name(e.g. `_RegionList`).

The summary table can be uploaded with the calculated data...

→ Count the records that match one or more criteria (**COUNTIFS()**)

→ number of settlements =COUNTIFS(Settlements[Region]; `_RegionList`)

→ Summarize a field of records that match one or more criteria (**SUMIFS()**)

→ number of inhabitants =SUMIFS(Settlements[Population]; Settlements[Region]; `_RegionList`)

→ Similarly, the minimum, maximum, and average can also be queried (e.g. **AVERAGEIFS ()**)

→ average population of settlements =AVERAGEIFS(Settlements[Population]; Settlements[Region]; `_RegionList`)

Classification

Search functions can be used to classify elements according to a given property...

- first, a classification table with the limits must be created ►
- based on this table, the original table can be supplemented with a new column :
 - search vertically or horizontally (**XLOOKUP()**):
=XLOOKUP([@Population]; limit; size; ;-1)
 - in previous versions (**INDEX()** / **XMATCH()**):
=INDEX(size; MATCH([@ Population]; limit;))
 - the task can be solved with nested **IF()** functions, or the **IFS()** function.

size	limit
tiny	0
small	1000
medium	5000
big	25000
mega	75000

The purpose of the classification is obviously to prepare the table for a conditional aggregation...

- number of settlements in each category =COUNTIFS(Settlements[Size]; size)
- number of inhabitants in each category =SUMIFS(Settlements[Population]; Settlements[Size]; size)

Pivot Table

The pivot table can be used to analyze the data table ([Insert](#) ▾ [Pivot Table](#))

→ it can show different aspects horizontally and vertically (+hierarchically),

→ the connection to datasheet can be refreshed.

The data analysis can usually be solved with aggregator functions also...

→ =SUMIFS(Settlements[Population]; Settlements[Region]; _RegionList; Settlements[Size]; size)

→ the pivot table can be altered and rearranged more quickly,

→ the pivot table can be more freely formatted and shaped (e.g. order),
its aspects can be customized (e.g. combining types)

Σlakosság	Column					Grand Total
Row Labels	apró	kis	közepes	mega	nagy	
Dél-Alföld	35 616	353 202	363 584	271 175	331 361	1 354 938
Dél-Dunántúl	192 913	280 908	217 560	156 567	129 517	977 465
Észak-Alföld	80 454	440 464	564 108	396 964	59 828	1 541 818
Észak-Magyarország	159 537	480 533	253 271	175 701	202 069	1 271 111
Közép-Dunántúl	97 724	354 151	280 010	101 465	277 547	1 110 897
Közép-Magyarország	12 349	256 327	647 387	1 161 231	763 678	2 840 972
Nyugat-Dunántúl	198 459	263 268	130 508	207 748	200 365	1 000 348
Grand Total	777 052	2 428 853	2 456 428	2 470 851	1 964 365	10 097 549

Insert



PivotTable

PivotTable from table or range

Select a table or range

Table/Range:

Choose where you want the PivotTable to be placed

New Worksheet

Existing Worksheet

Location:

Choose whether you want to analyze multiple tables

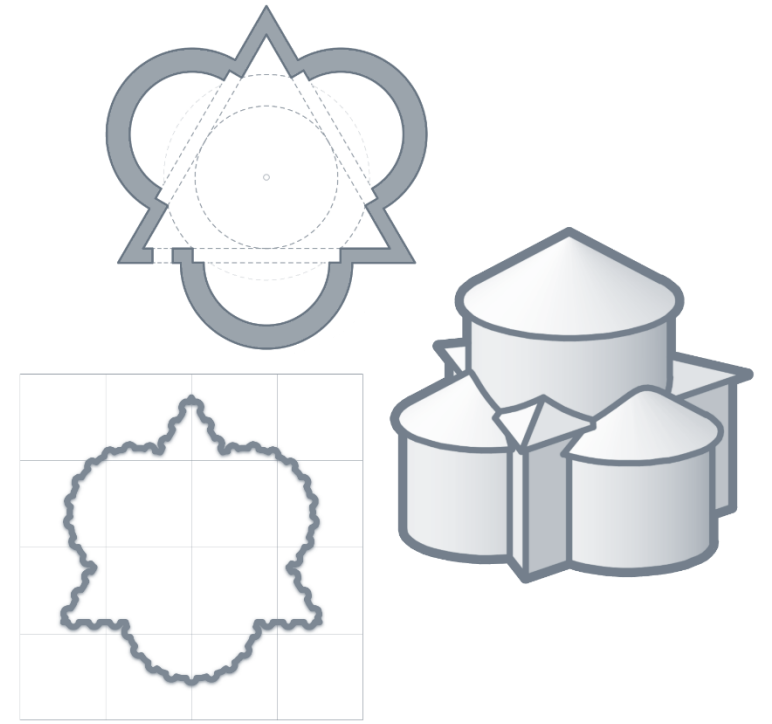
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> Fractals

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Fractals · Coastline Paradox

A coastline does not have a clearly defined length.

Maps (like architectural plans) seek to abstract spatial information at a high [level of detail](#) to information that can be rendered at a lower level of detail...

→ the measured length of the depicted coastline depends on the level of [map generalization](#) ([Steinhaus 1954](#)).

The more accurate the measurement (the shorter the ruler), the greater the measured length...

→ surprisingly, the length increases infinitely, it does not converge to a limit ([Richardson 1951](#)).



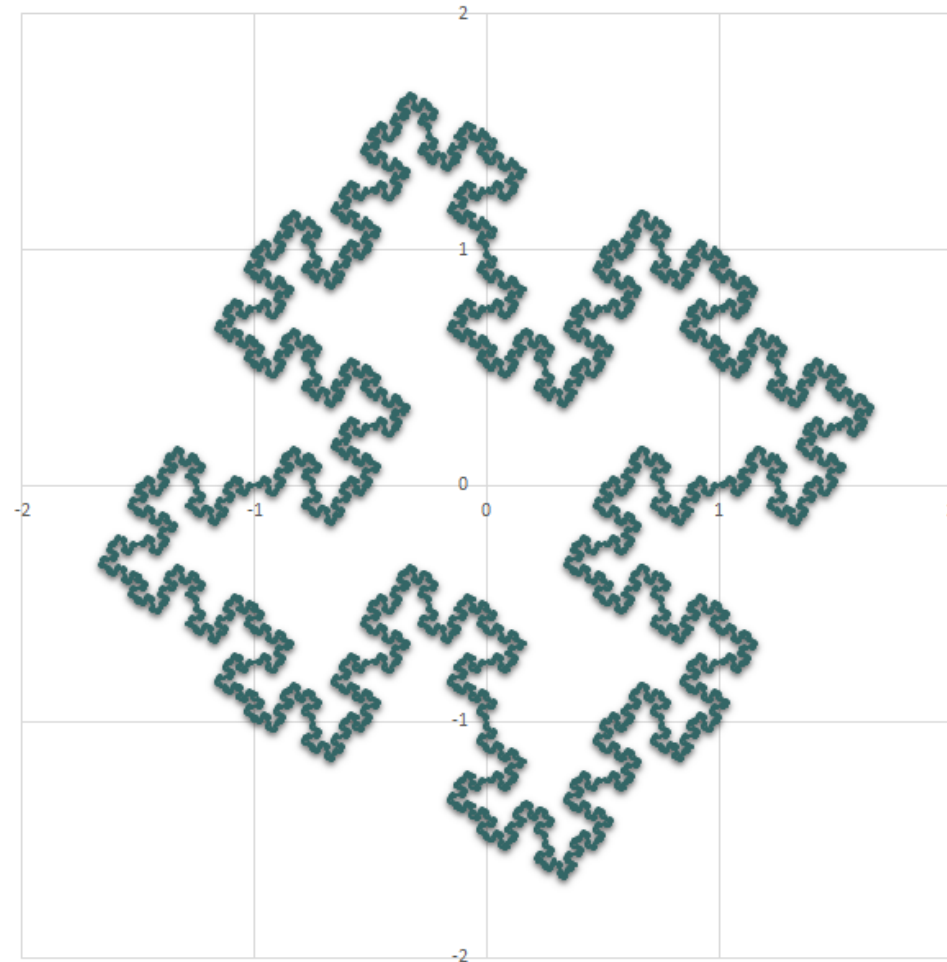
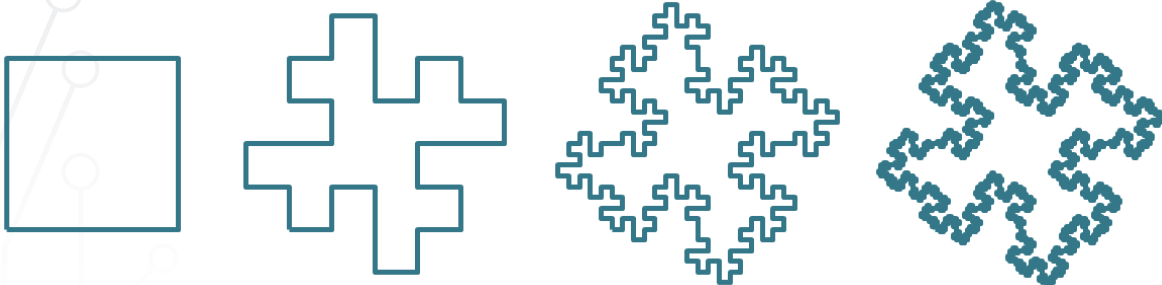
Deterministic Fractals

> Minkowski curve

	N	unit	perim.	N	unit	area
0	s	1a	sa	1	1 ² a	1a ²
1	8s	1/4a	2sa	4 ²	(1/4) ² a	1a ²
2	8 ² s	1/4 ² a	4sa	(4 ²) ²	(1/4 ²) ² a	1a ²
3	8 ³ s	1/4 ³ a	8sa	(4 ³) ²	(1/4 ³) ² a	1a ²
n	8 ⁿ s	1/4 ⁿ a	2 ⁿ sa	(4 ⁿ) ²	(1/4 ⁿ) ² a	1a ²

s number of sides a side length

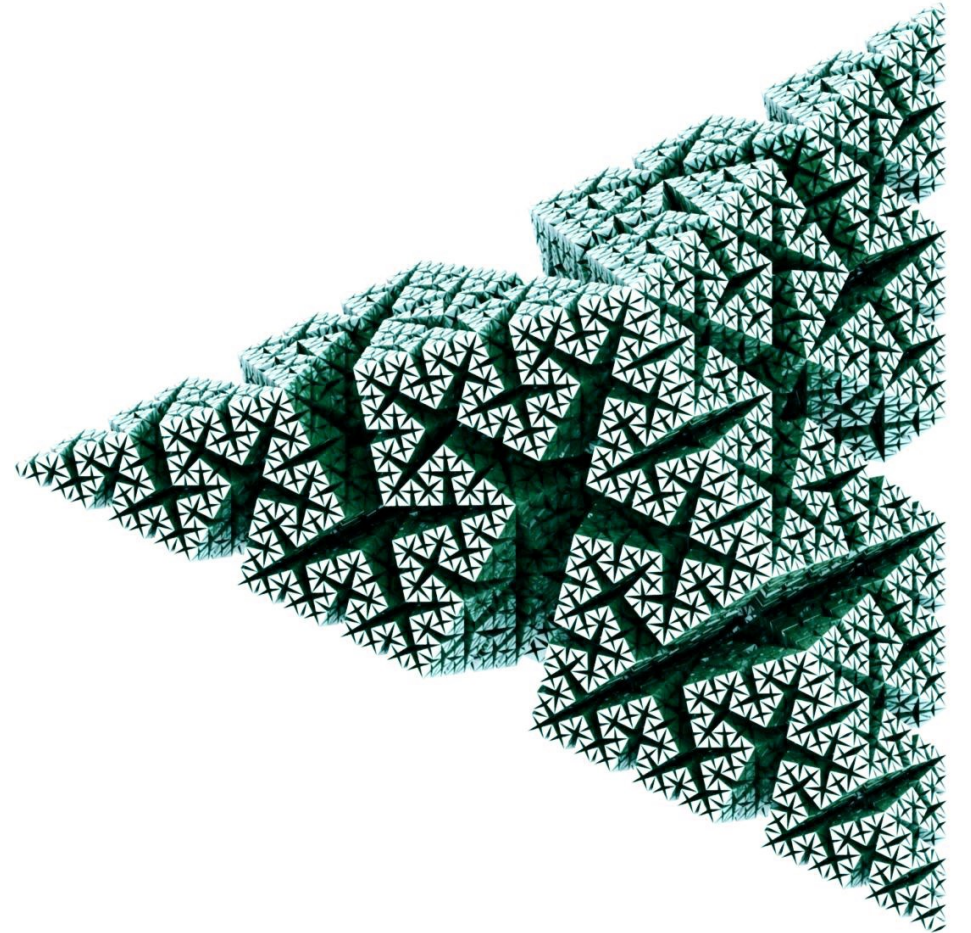
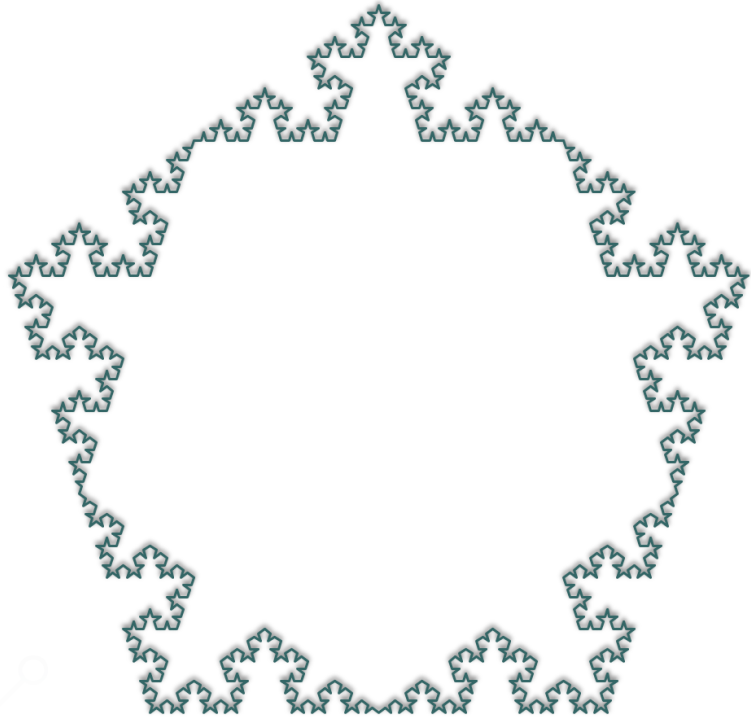
→ After infinite iterations, the curve has an infinite perimeter.



Deterministic Fractals 2D / 3D

After infinite number of iterations any Koch curve variant encloses a finite area but has an infinite perimeter.

- The same logic can be extended to 3D objects also.
- Deterministic fractals follow a strict rewriting rule.



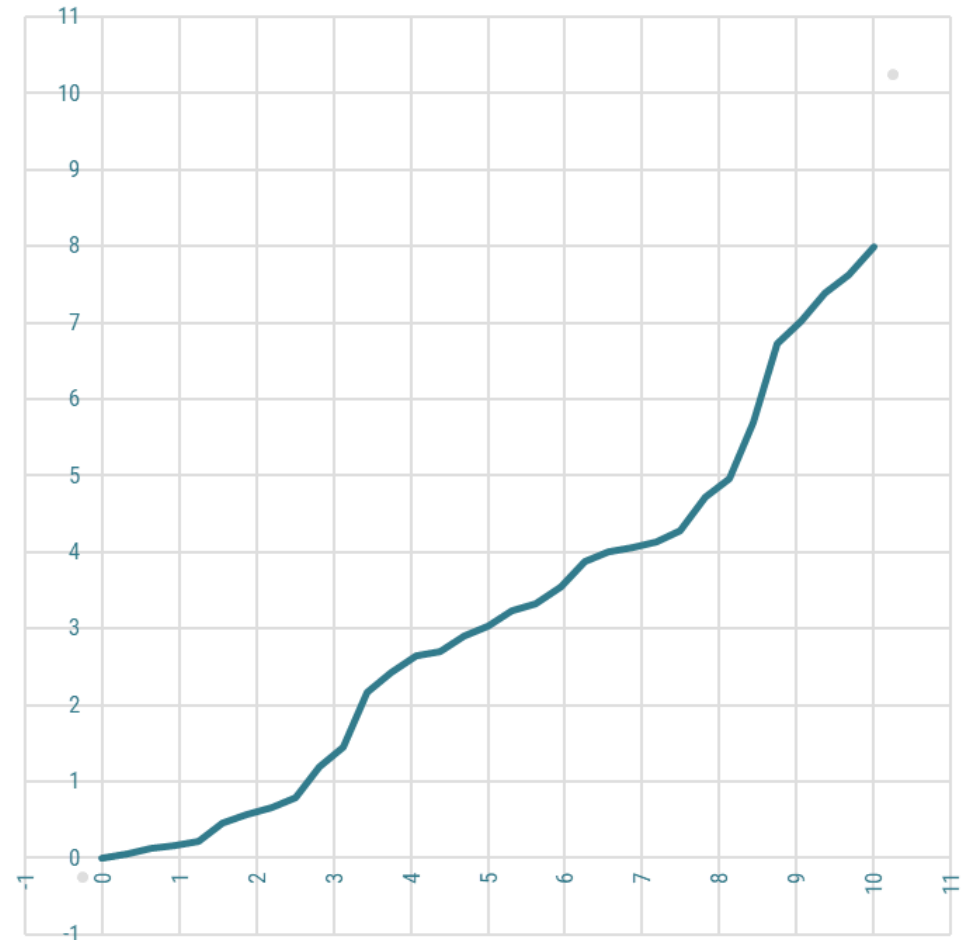
Random Fractals

Natural forms can be more closely approximated if chance also plays a role in the generation of the shape.

Slope

- the two endpoints are given,
- the midpoint of the segment can be moved up or down with a random distance between limits proportional to the height difference,
- the process can be repeated with each newly created segment, for any number of generations.
- $n = 2^g$

$g \rightarrow$	0	1	2	3	4
$n \rightarrow$	1	2	4	8	16
0	00	000	0000	00000	
1	01	001	0001	00001	
	10	010	0010	00010	
		011	0011	00011	
		100	0100	00100	
			0101	00101	
			0110	00110	
			0111	00111	
			1000	01000	
				01001	
				01010	
				01011	
				01100	
				01101	
				01110	
				01111	
				10000	



Fractal Dimension

- If the length of line is divided into n equal parts, the ratio of the parts is $\epsilon = (1/n)$, their number is $N = n$.
- If the sides of a square are divided into n equal parts, the ratio of the parts is $\epsilon = (1/n)^2$, their number is $N = n^2$.
- If the edges of a cube are divided into n equal parts, the ratio of parts $\epsilon = (1/n)^3$, their number is $N = n^3$.

In general: $N \cdot \epsilon$ is constant, and $N = (1/\epsilon)^D$, where D is the measure of dimension: $D = \log(N) / \log(1/\epsilon)$

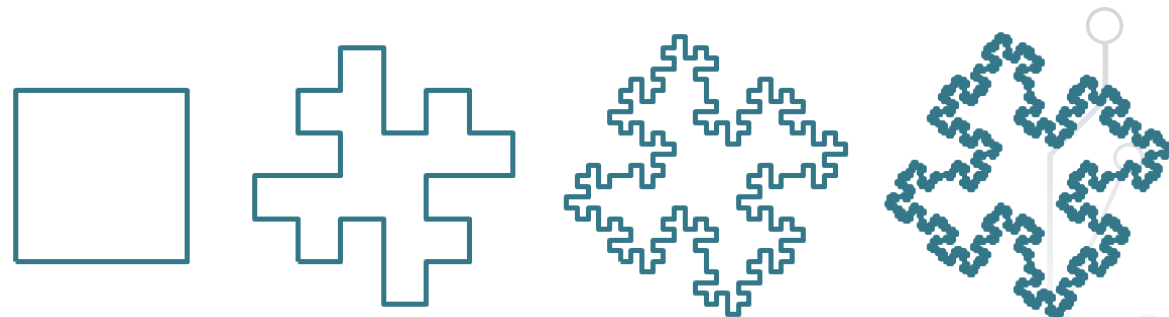
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s number of sides a side length

For one side of the polygon ($s = 1$):

- $N = (1/\epsilon)^D$ → $8^n = (4^n)^D$
 - $D = \log(2^{3n}) / \log(2^{2n}) = (3n \cdot \log 2) / (2n \cdot \log 2) = 3/2$
- The fractal dimension of this curve : $D = 1,5$

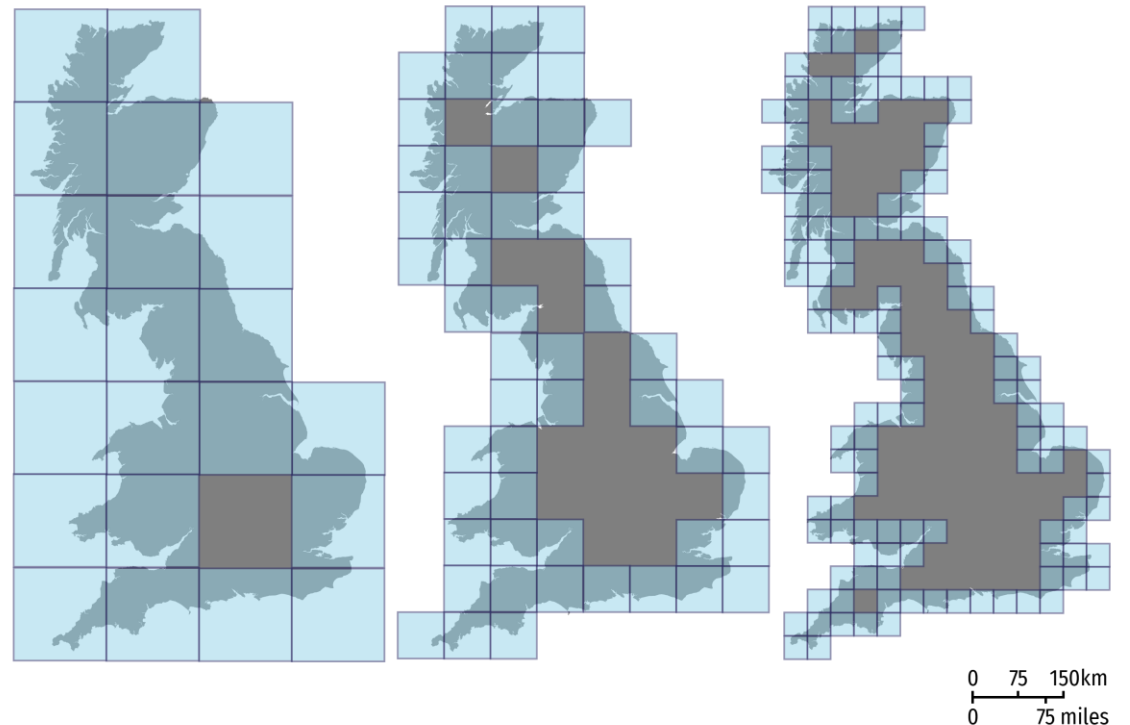


Box-Counting Dimension

Box-counting is a way of determining the fractal dimension.

- Place the fractal over a regular grid and count the number of boxes that are required to cover it.
- The box-counting dimension is calculated by observing how this number changes as the grid gets finer and finer.
- $D = \lim (\log(N) / \log (1/\epsilon)) \quad | \quad \epsilon \rightarrow 0$

Even if this limit does not exist, one may still take the limit superior and limit inferior, which define the upper and lower box dimensions.



L-systems

L-systems were introduced in 1968 by Aristid Lindenmayer, a Hungarian theoretical biologist and botanist

- it illustrated the behavior of plant cells and to model the growth processes of plants,
- can model the morphology of a variety of organisms,
- can be used to generate self-similar fractals also.

It is a parallel rewriting system and a formal grammar:

- it contains an alphabet of symbols,
- an initial “axiom” string,
- a set of production rules that expand the symbols into larger string of symbols,
- and a mechanism for translating the generated strings into geometric structures.



L-systems

Rewriting is a technique for defining complex objects by successively replacing parts of an initial object using a set of production rules.

L-systems employ all possible rules in every iteration – formal grammars apply only one rule per iteration.

Growth of Algae – $(\{a,b\}, a, \{a \rightarrow b, b \rightarrow ab\})$

→ a, b, ab, bab, abbab, bababbab, abbabbababbab

→ lengths of the words → Fibonacci sequence

Koch curve – $(\{f,+,-\}, f+f+f, \{f \rightarrow f-f+f-f\})$

Symbols of the alphabet are represented graphically using the [turtle graphics](#) interpretation of strings:

f = draw forward | + = turn left 120° | - = turn right

60° [The Algorithmic Beauty of Plants · Prusinkiewicz & Lindenmayer](#)

DOL – deterministic context-free L-system

→ there is exactly one production for each symbol,

→ each production rule refers only to a symbol itself.

Stochastic system

→ there are more production rules for a symbol, with their specific probabilities.

Context sensitive system

→ the production rule looks not only at the symbol it modifies, but at its neighbours also.

Parametric system

→ a parameter list is associated with each symbol, that can be used by the drawing functions, and by the production rules also (e.g. age parameter)

<https://encyclopediaofmath.org>

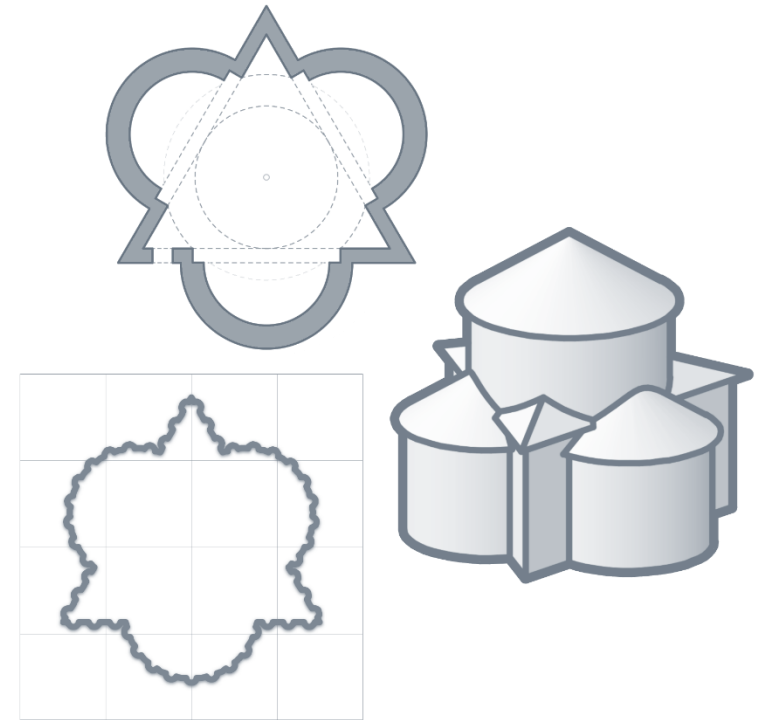
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Macro

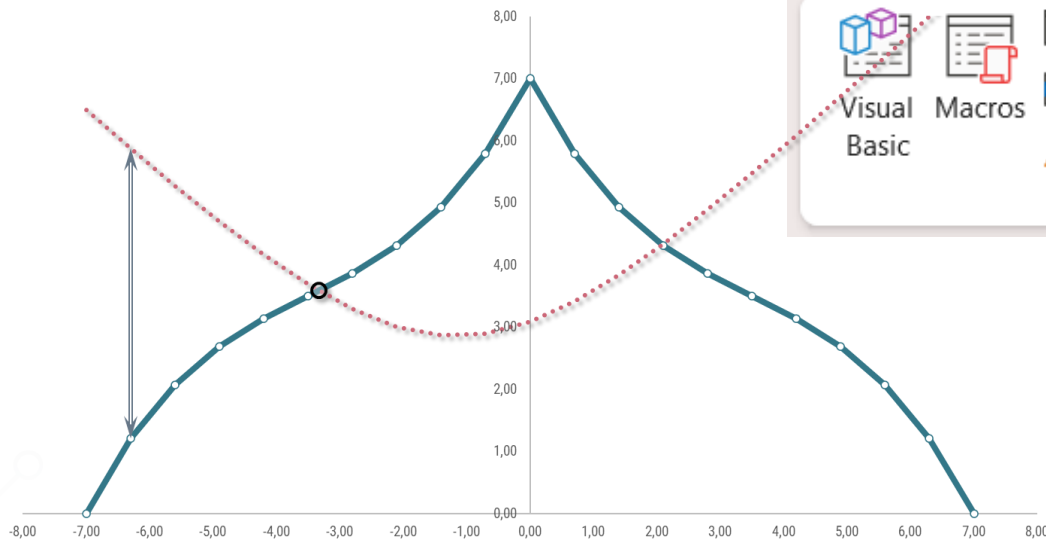
A macro is a sequence of actions that the user can perform if necessary...

→ it can be recorded or created by the user – or a combination of the two methods, you don't need to know the exact syntax of the commands if you use the program snippets recorded by Excel.

Intersection

$$\rightarrow f(x) = h/4 \cdot (2 + (1 - 2 \cdot |x|/b)^3 + (1 - 2 \cdot |x|/b))$$

$$\rightarrow g(x) = b^2/6 + (x + h/6)^2^{1/2}$$



Developer

Visual Basic	Macros	Record Macro	Use Relative References	Add-ins	Excel Add-ins	COM Add-ins	Insert	Design Mode	Properties
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