

Mathematical Curves in the Real World:

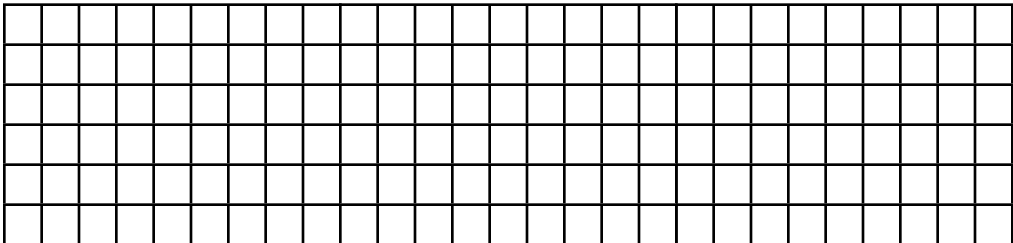
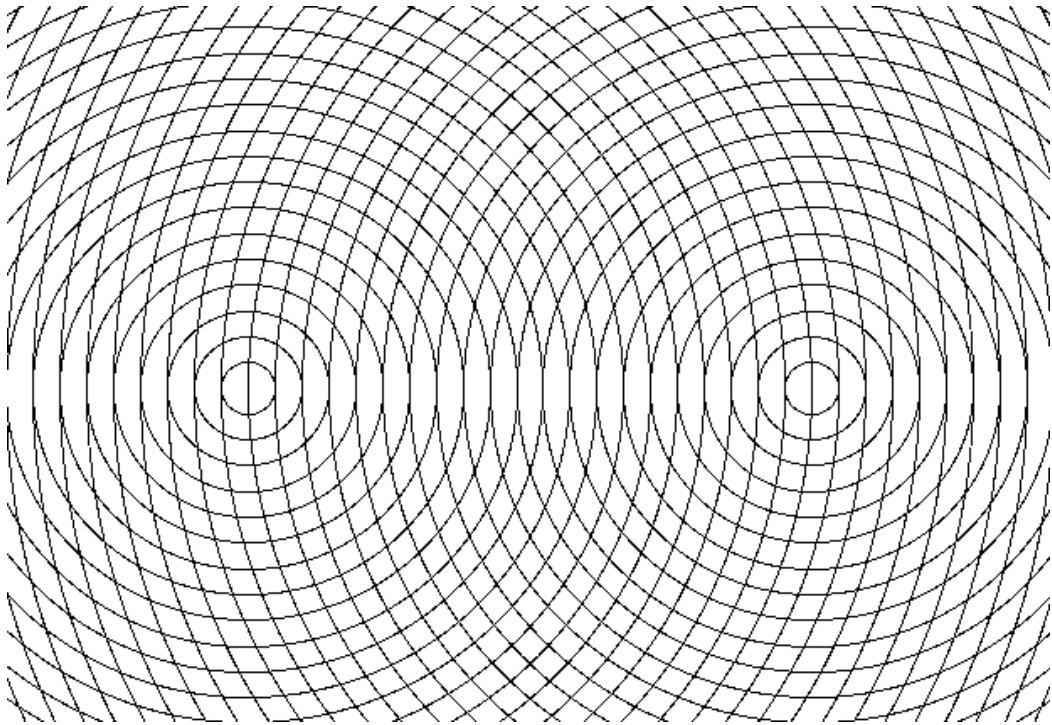
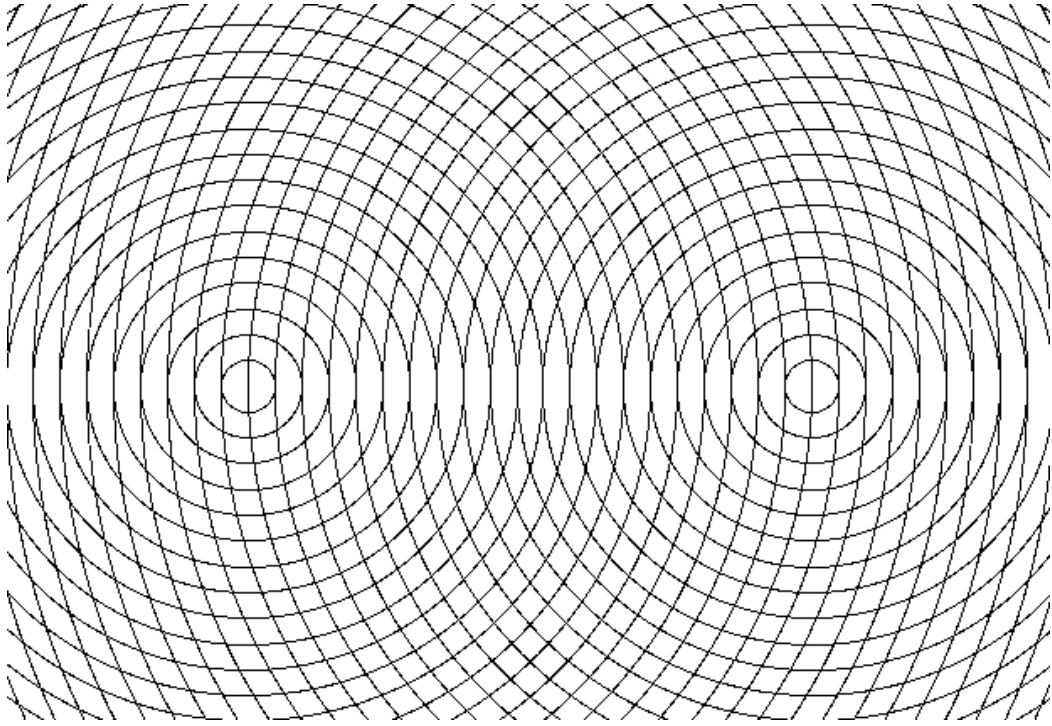
Fun(ctional) Learning

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REM True BASIC program to illustrate planetary movement
REM Modified from JAVA program written by Kelly Brown
SET WINDOW -100,100,-100,100 ! puts graphics origin in center of screen
BOX CIRCLE -3,3,-5,5 ! Draw Sun
OPTION ANGLE degrees ! uses degrees - not radians
LET e=.6 ! eccentricity of ellipse
LET dt=.1 ! delta time
LET ctr =0
DO
  LET radius= (1-e^2)/(1-e*cos(ang)) ! polar form of ellipse
  LET deltaang= 2*pi*sqr(1-e^2)/radius^2*dt ! delta ang to match gravitational effects
  LET tim=tim+dt
  LET ctr=ctr+1
  ! IF ang <360 and mod(ctr,40)=0 then PLOT LINES: 0,0;px,py ! plots equal areas
  LET ang=ang+deltaang
  BOX CLEAR px-2,px+2,py-2,py+2 ! erase old planet
  LET px= 60*radius*cos(ang)
  LET py= 60*radius*sin(ang)
  BOX CIRCLE px-1,px+1,py-1,py+1 ! draw new planet
  PAUSE .001
LOOP until key input ! loops until a key is pushed
END

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! Wallpaper for the Mind variations  
! Original idea from John Connett as described by A. K. Dewdney  
! in "The Armchair Universe", W.H. Freeman and Company, 1988  
! True BASIC program by Scott Oliver

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INPUT prompt "what size (horizontal) for screen?":xsize ! inputs screen dimension
LET ysize = xsize*(460/640) ! screen resolution is 640x460
SET WINDOW -xsize,xsize,-ysize,ysize ! puts graphics origin in center of screen
CLEAR
FOR x = -xsize to 0 step 2*xsize/640 ! 640 is horizontal resolution of screen
  FOR y= -ysize to ysize step 2*ysize/460 ! 460 is vertical resolution of screen
    LET fnval= x^2/4 +y^2/1 ! change this line for different functions
    SET COLOR 30*mod(int(fnval),6) ! # colors set to 256
    PLOT x,y
    PLOT -x,y
  NEXT y
NEXT x
END

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! Draws Hyperboloid by rotating strings

! Written in True BASIC by Scott Oliver

SET WINDOW -20,20,-15,15

OPTION BASE 0

OPTION ANGLE degrees

DIM px(2,60),py(2,60)

LET np =50

SUB init (p)

LET rad =10

LET angx=15

LET ang = 360/np

FOR i = 0 to np

LET x = cos(i\*ang)\*rad

LET y = sin(i\*ang)\*rad

LET px(1,i)= -cos(angx)\*x+y

LET py(1,i)=-sin(angx)\*x-10

LET px(2,i)=-cos(angx)\*x+y

LET py(2,i)=-sin(angx)\*x+10

NEXT i

END SUB

SUB drawc(inc)

PLOT LINES: -20,0;20,0

PLOT LINES: 0,-20;0,20

PLOT LINES: -20\*cos(angx),-20\*sin(angx);20\*cos(angx),20\*sin(angx)

REM draw top and bottom

set color "black"

FOR i = 0 to np-1

PLOT LINES: px(1,i),py(1,i);px(1,i+1),py(1,i+1)

PLOT LINES: px(2,i),py(2,i);px(2,i+1),py(2,i+1)

NEXT i

FOR i = 0 to np-1

set color 20\* mod (i,14)+10

PLOT LINES: px(1,i),py(1,i);px(2,mod(i+inc,np)),py(2,mod(i+inc,np))

NEXT i

END SUB

CALL init(p)

FOR inc = 0 to np

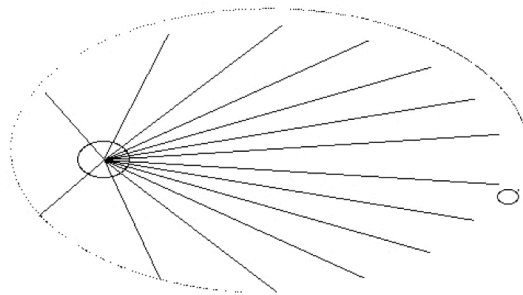
CLEAR

CALL drawc(inc)

PAUSE 1

NEXT inc

END



!Draws concentric circles

!Written in True BASIC

SET WINDOW -20,20,-15,15

FOR r = 1 to 40

BOX CIRCLE -10-r,-10+r,-r,r

BOX CIRCLE 11-r,11+r,-r,r

NEXT r

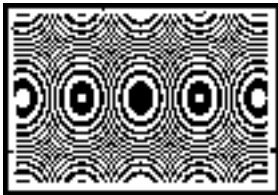
END

### ParabFold

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AxesOff
FnOff
PlotsOff
-10 -> Xmin
10 -> Xmax
FnOff
ClrDraw
Prompt F
-F-1 -> Ymin
F+7 -> Ymax
Circle(0,F,.2)
Line(-20,-F,20,-F)
Pause
For(X,-6,6,1.0)
-F -> Y
If X=0
Then
500 -> M
Else
-F/X -> M
End
-1/M -> N
X/2 -> P
0 -> Q
-150 -> R
N(R-P)+Q -> S
150 -> T
N(T-P)+Q -> U
Line(R,S,T,U)
End
```

### CircleFold

```
AxesOff
FnOff
PlotsOff
ZStandard
ZSquare
ClrDraw
Circle(0,0,8)
Degree
Prompt F
Circle(F,0,.2)
Circle(0,0,.2)
For(D,0,360,10)
cos(D)*8 -> X
sin(D)*8 -> Y
If X=F
Then
500 -> M
Else
Y/(X-F) -> M
End
If M=0
Then
500 -> N
Else
-1/M -> N
End
(X+F)/2 -> P
(Y+0)/2 -> Q
-150 -> R
N(R-P)+Q -> S
150 -> T
N(T-P)+Q -> U
Line(R,S,T,U)
End
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## Planets

Degree

.4 -> E

.5 -> D

-1 -> Xmin

1.5 -> Xmax

-1.5 -> Ymin

1.5 -> Ymax

AxesOff

ClrDraw

0 -> A

0 -> T

0 -> C

Pt-On(0,0)

While (A<720)

$(1-E^2)/(1-E\cos(A))$  -> R

$2\pi\sqrt{(1-E^2)/R^2} \cdot D$  -> G

C+1 -> C

A+G -> A

$R \cdot \cos(A)$  -> X

$R \cdot \sin(A)$  -> Y

Pt-On(X,Y)

If (fPart((C/10)=0)\*(A<360)

Line(0,0,X,Y)

End

## Wallpaper

ClrDraw

AxesOff

FnOff

For(X,Xmin,Xmax, $\Delta X$ )

For(Y,Ymin,Ymax, $\Delta Y$ )

int( $X^2+Y^2/4$ ) -> Z

If int(Z/2)=Z/2

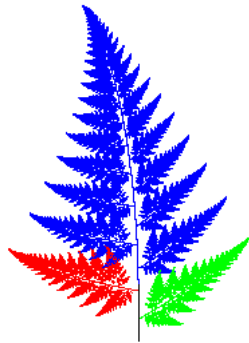
Pt-On(X,Y)

End

End

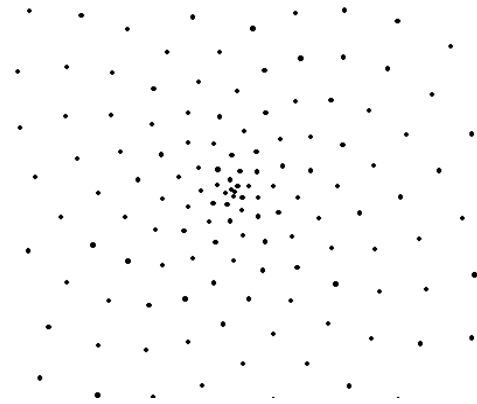
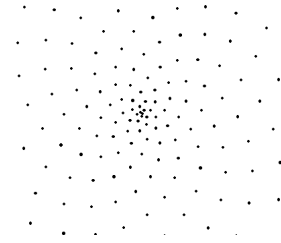
## IFS (FERN)

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ClrDraw
FnOff
PlotsOff
AxesOff
Input "CUSTOM? (USE 0)",D
If D=0
Goto 1
{.01,.075,.84,.075}->L1
-.1->XMin
1.1->XMax
-.1->YMin
1.2->YMax
[[0,0][0,.172]]->[A]
[.076,.312][-.257,.204]]->[B]
[.821,-.028][.03,.845]]->[C]
[[-.024,-.356][-.323,.074]]->[D]
[.496][-.091]]->[E]
[.494][.133]]->[F]
[.088][.176]]->[G]
[.47][.26]]->[H]
[.5][.5]]->[I]
Lbl 1
For(A, 1, 5000)
rand->R
If R ≤ L1(1)
Then
[A]*[I]+[E] ->[I]
Else
If R ≤ L1(1)+L1(2)
Then
[B]*[I]+[F] ->[I]
Else
If R ≤ L1(1)+L1(2)+L1(3)
Then
[C]*[I]+[G] ->[I]
Else
[D]*[I]+[H] ->[I]
End
End
End
End
Pt-On([I](1,1),[I](2,1))
End
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## SUNFLOWR

```
ClrDraw
FnOff
PlotsOff
AxesOff
Degree
ZStandard
ZSquare
ClrHome
Input "ANG INC?",I
Input "RAD INC?",J
0->A
.1->R
For(B,1,450)
Pt-On(Rcos(A),Rsin(A))
A+I->A
R+J->R
End
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