

Buffon’s Needle

Buffon[NumberOfNeedles, NeedleSize, SurfaceDimension, GridWidth, Show → True/ Parallelize]
e.g: Buffon[35,2,20,3,Show→True]

Options:
Show→...
True: Everything
Parallelize: Pi Estimation using Parallelization (fastest)

Kernels: Optional for even better parallelization
Launch amount of Logical CPU Cores (usually twice the physical cores/check in task manager)

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Launch[LogicalCores_] := Quiet@Which[LogicalCores > 8, Print["Input Maximum of 8"],
  $KernelCount == 8, Print["Done"], $KernelCount ≠ 0, LaunchKernels[LogicalCores - $KernelCount];
Print["Done"], N[$KernelCount == 0], LaunchKernels[LogicalCores];
Print["Done"]]
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In[ ]:= Launch[8]
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Done

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In[ ]:= ClearAll@Buffon;
Options[Buffon] = {Show → True};
Buffon::usage = "Buffon[NumberOfNeedles,NeedleSize,SurfaceDimension,GridWidth,Options_Show_True_Parallelize]";
FE`CacheTemplateAndUsage["Buffon"];
Buffon[iterate_, linesize_, plotrange_, width_, OptionsPattern[]] :=

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  (*LOCAL VARIABLES*)

  Quiet@Module[
    {a, b, h, bound, randomised, rules, equation, Plotting, FirstCoList, contour, endpoint, SecondCo, intersections, x, y,
      GridPlot, SecondPlot, SecondPlotCircle, SecondEndPlot, FirstPlot, NeedlePlot, calculate,
      ColourList = RandomColor[iterate]} (*List of Random Colours*),

    Catch[Check[
      (*****)
      (*PI ESTIMATE FOR PI ESTIMATION ONLY*)
      calculate := ParallelTable[

        ClearAll[a, b, h, equation, randomised] (*Clear variables every new iteration*);

        a = RandomReal[{0, N[plotrange]}] (*random x coordinate*);
        b = RandomReal[{0, N[plotrange]}] (*random y coordinate*);

        h = Part[First[Part[Quiet[NSolve[
          linesize^2 == (x - a)^2 + (y - b)^2, RandomChoice[{x, y}],
          Reals]], RandomInteger[{1, 2}]]], 2];

        randomised = RandomReal[Flatten[
          RegionBounds@(*Transform region to bounds*)
          ImplicitRegion[#, x] & /@ (*Transform inequality to region *)
          ({Quiet@Reduce[ReplaceAll[Part[h, 2], y → x], x, Reals]} (*Extract Domain of Semicircle Equation*)
          ]]];

        (*Intersections*)
        MemberQ[(*Give True if "True" is present in list*)
          IntervalMemberQ[(*generate list for True where gridline<domain of line and false otherwise *)

            (*Domain of line*)
            Interval[
              If[Variables[h[[1]]] === {y}, (*if semicircle is in terms of y*)
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Sort[{a, ReplaceAll[h[[1]], y → randomised]}],
Sort[{a, randomised}]]],

(*Interval of Gridlines*)
Interval /@ Table[{a, a}, {a, 0, plotrange + width, width}]],
True],

iterate];

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(*PARALLELIZE*)

If[OptionValue[Show] === Parallelize, Throw@
  N[linesize * ((2 * iterate) / (Count[Quiet[calculate], True] * width))]];

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(*DATA*)

If[OptionValue[Show] === Data,
  Throw@N[calculate]];

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(*CALCULATIONS FOR PLOTTING*)
If[OptionValue[Show] === True,
  rules = Dispatch[Part[(*Extract rules of Reap*)
    Reap[
      Quiet@Do[(*Reiterate for different random values a,b*)

        ClearAll[a, b, h, equation, randomised, bound] (*Clear variables every new iteration*);

        a = RandomReal[{0, N[plotrange]}] (*random x coordinate*);
        b = RandomReal[{0, N[plotrange]}] (*random y coordinate*);

        (*Random Coordinates*)
        Sow[{a, b}, FirstCoList] (*Append coordinate to FirstCoList*);

        (*Semicircle conditional expression*)
        equation = NSolve[
          Sow[linesize2 == (x - a) ^ 2 + (y - b) ^ 2, Plotting], RandomChoice[{x, y}], (*solve for either x or y*)
          Reals][[RandomInteger[{1, 2}]]]; (*choose top or bottom/left or right of semicircle*)

        (*Semicircle equation "="*)
        Sow[
          ReplaceAll[First[Normal[equation]], Rule → Equal], (*extract equation and transform → to = *)
          contour];

        (*Semicircle conditional expression Values only*)
        h = Part[First[equation], 2];

        ((*Semicircle Equations "→"*)
        Sow[h[[1]], EquationList] (*Extract semicircle equation and append to "EquationList"*)];

        (*Domain {Xmin, Xmax }*)
        bound =
          Flatten[
            RegionBounds@(*Transform region to bounds*)
              ImplicitRegion[#, x] & /@ (*Transform inequality to region *)
                ({Quiet@Reduce[ReplaceAll[Part[h, 2], y → x], x, Reals]}) (*Extract Domain of Semicircle Equation*)
          ];

        (*Random x or y coordinate of second point to connect with midpoint*)
        randomised = RandomReal[bound];
        (*Generate random number with a domain of semicircle equation*)

        (*{x,y} Coordinate of second point connecting line*)
        Sow[
          If[Variables[h[[1]]] === {y}, (*if equation is in terms of Y*)
            {ReplaceAll[h[[1]], y → randomised], randomised}, (*substitute random y to find x*)
            {randomised, ReplaceAll[h[[1]], x → randomised]}], (*substitute random x to find y*)
          SecondCo];

        (*Endpoints of semicircle*)
        Sow[
          If[Variables[h[[1]]] === {y}, (*if equation is in terms of Y*)

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Table[{a, y}, {y, bound}], (* {midpointx , rangey} *)
Table[{x, b}, {x, bound}] (* {Domainx , midpointy} *)
], endpoint];

(*Intersections*)
 Sow[MemberQ[(*Give True if "True" is present in list*)
  IntervalMemberQ[(*generate list for True where gridline∈domain of line and false otherwise *)

    (*Domain of line*)
    Interval[
      If[Variables[h[[1]]] === {y}, (*if semicircle is in terms of y*)
        Sort[{a, ReplaceAll[h[[1]], y → randomised]}],
        Sort[{a, randomised}]]],

    (*Interval of Gridlines*)
    Interval /@ Table[{a, a}, {a, 0, plotrange + width, width}]],
    True],
    intersections];,

    iterate] (*Reiterate "iterate" times*)
, _, Rule] (*Reap as rules*)
, 2]];

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(*DEFINING PLOTS*)

(*Grid Lines*)
GridPlot = ContourPlot[(*##1 & [] (*Empty Plot*)
, {x, 0 - linesize, plotrange + linesize}, {y, 0 - linesize, plotrange + linesize}, GridLines →
{Range[0, plotrange + width, width], None}, GridLinesStyle → Directive[Black, Dotted], AspectRatio → Automatic];

(*Define Plot Circle of possible second points*)
SecondPlotCircle = ContourPlot[Evaluate@ReplaceAll[Plotting, rules], {x, - linesize, plotrange + linesize},
{y, - linesize, plotrange + linesize}, AspectRatio → Automatic, ContourStyle → ColourList];

(*Define Plot Semicircle of possible second points*)
SecondPlot = ContourPlot[Evaluate@ReplaceAll[contour, rules], {x, - linesize, plotrange + linesize},
{y, - linesize, plotrange + linesize}, AspectRatio → Automatic, ContourStyle → ColourList];

(*Define Plot of predefined Random Coordinates*)
FirstPlot = ListPlot[
  Tooltip[{#} & /@ ReplaceAll[FirstCoList, rules] (*wrap {} around each coordinate to allow for different colours*)
], PlotStyle → ColourList, AspectRatio → Automatic, Axes → False, Frame → True];

(*Define Plot of Semicircle Endpoints*)
SecondEndPlot = ListPlot[Tooltip[{#} & /@ (*wrap {} around each coordinate to allow for different colours*)
  Flatten[ReplaceAll[endpoint, rules], 1]],
(*Create {x,y} coordinates by tranposing a list of X and Y coordinates*)
PlotStyle → Map[Sequence @@ ConstantArray[#, 2] &, ColourList],
(*Double every colour in list as semicircles have 2 endpoints*)
Axes → False, Frame → True, AspectRatio → Automatic];

(*Define Plot of Needle*)
NeedlePlot = ListLinePlot[Tooltip@Transpose[{FirstCoList /. rules, SecondCo /. rules}],
(*Create {x,y} by transposing a list of x and y coordinates*)
Axes → False, Frame → True, AspectRatio → Automatic, PlotStyle → ColourList];

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(*DISPLAY*)
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(*Text*)

Manipulate[
  TableForm[
    Style[Column[
      Row[{"N: Number of Needles ", iterate}],
      Row[{"L: Needle Length: ", linesize}],
      Row[{"W : Grid width: ", width}],
      Row[{"I: Intersections: ", Count[ReplaceAll[intersections, rules], True]}],

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Row[{"Estimating Pi:  $\frac{2 L N}{I W} \rightarrow$ ", Row[{2, " x ", linesize, " x ", iterate}] / Row[
  {Count[ReplaceAll[intersections, rules], True], " x ", width]], " → ", Style[N[
    linesize * ((2 * iterate) / (Count[ReplaceAll[intersections, rules], True] * width))], FontSize → 13, Bold]}]
}], FontSize → 14],
(* ***** *)
(* SHOW PLOTS *)

Show[
  {(*GridLines*)
    If[lines == 1, GridPlot, ## &[]],

    (*Blank*)
    ContourPlot[(##1 &)[],
      {x, 0 - linesize, plotrange + linesize}, {y, 0 - linesize, plotrange + linesize}, AspectRatio → Automatic],

    (*Circle*)
    If[circle == 1, SecondPlotCircle, ## &[]],

    (*Semicircle*)
    If[Semicircle == 1, SecondPlot, ## &[]],

    (*Random Coordinates*)
    If[RandomCo == 1, FirstPlot, ## &[]],

    (*Semicircle Endpoints*)
    If[Endpoint == 1, SecondEndPlot, ## &[]],

    (*Needle Line*)
    If[Needle == 1, NeedlePlot, ## &[]]],

  ImageSize → {400, 400}
],
(* ***** *)
(* CHECKBOXES *)

(*GridLines*)
{{lines, 1, Style["GridLines", FontSize → 14]}}, {1, 0}},

(*Random Coordinates*)
{{RandomCo, 0, Style["Random First Points", FontSize → 14]}}, {1, 0}},

(*Circle*)
{{circle, 0, Style["Possible Second Points Circle", FontSize → 14]}}, {1, 0}},

(*Semicircle*)
{{Semicircle, 0, Style["Possible Second Points SemiCircle", FontSize → 14]}}, {1, 0}},

(*Endpoint*)
{{Endpoint, 0, Style["Semicircle Endpoints", FontSize → 14]}}, {1, 0}},

(*Needle*)
{{Needle, 0, Style["Needle", FontSize → 14]}}, {1, 0}},
ControlPlacement → {Top} (*CheckBox Position*)

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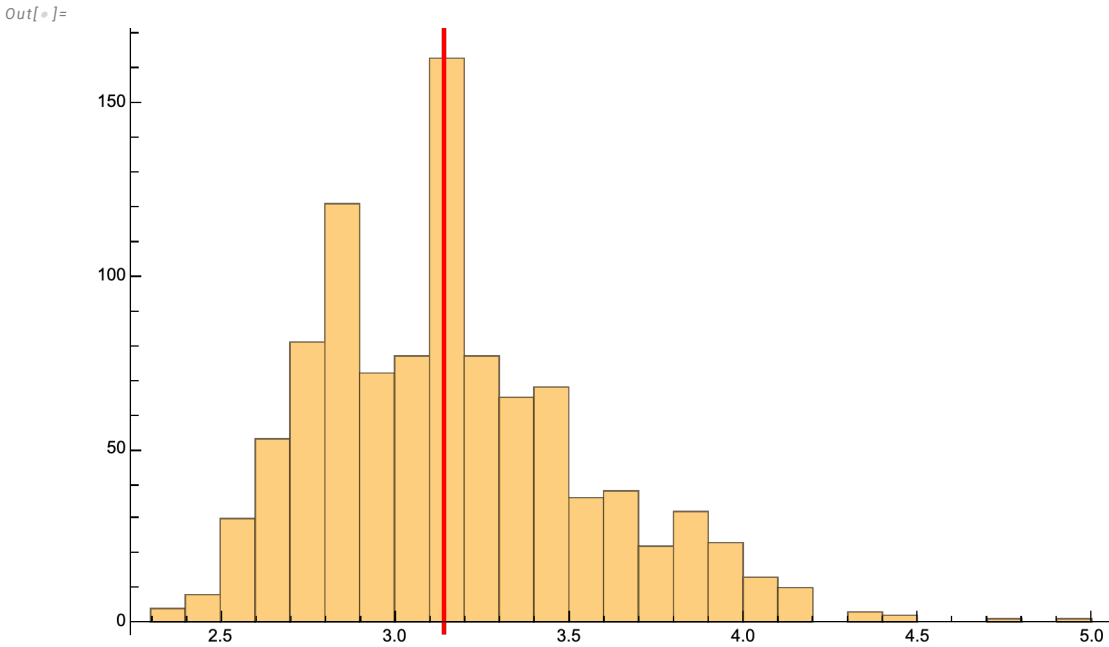
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(* ***** *)
, Throw[0]]] (*give 0 if no intersections*)

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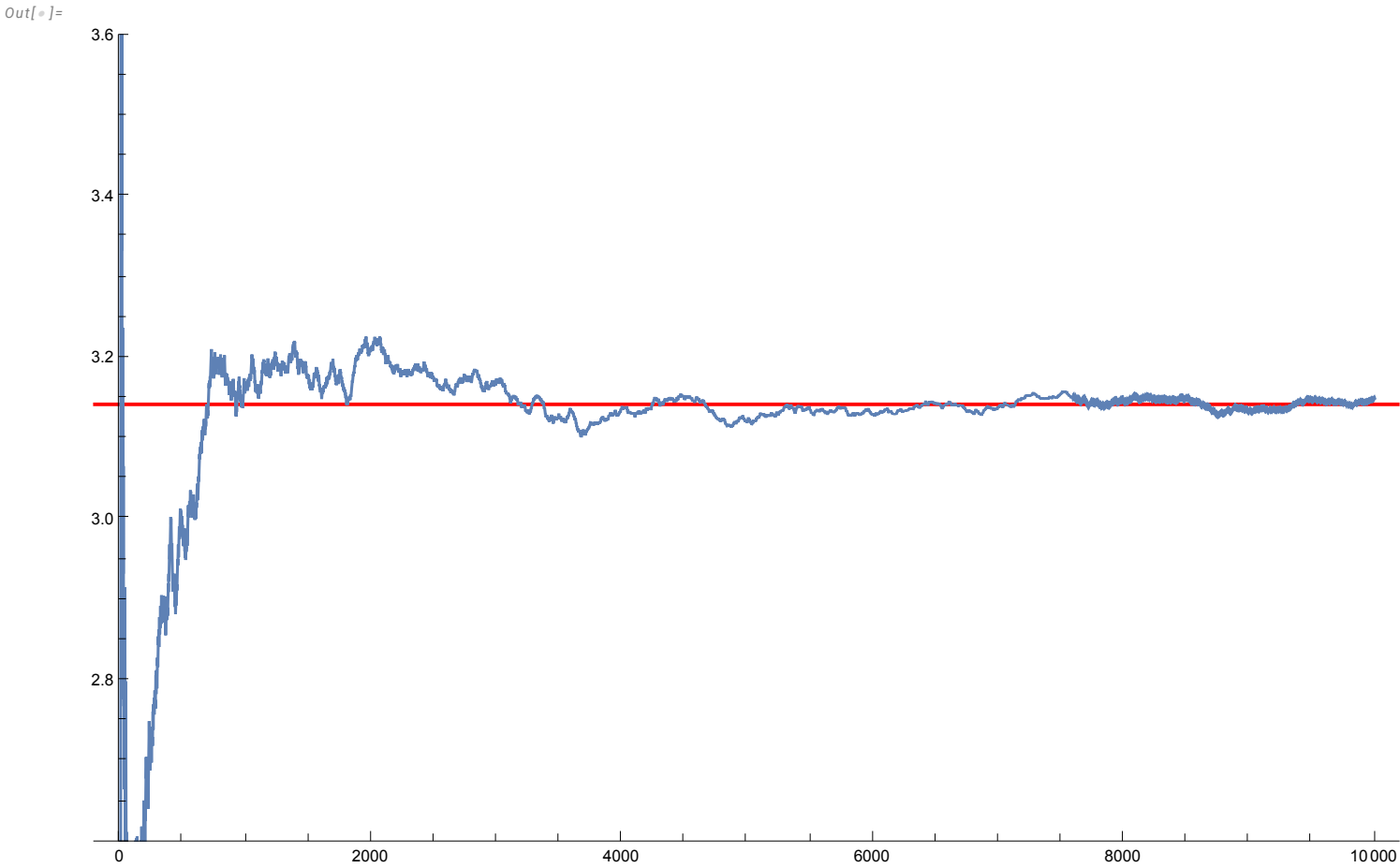
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In[ ]:= Histogram[ParallelTable[Buffon[100, 2, 100, 3, Show → Parallelize], 1000], {0.1},
GridLines → {{ $\pi$ }, None}, Method → {"GridLinesInFront" → True}, GridLinesStyle → Directive[Red, Thick]]
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BuffonData[iterate_, linesize_, plorange_, width_] := Module[{a = 0},
ListLinePlot[Transpose[{Range[iterate_], N[MapThread[Quiet@Catch[Check[(2 linesize_ * #2) / (#1 width_), Throw[0]]] &,
{Accumulate@Boole@Buffon[iterate_, linesize_, plorange_, width_, Show → Data], Range[iterate_]}]}]],
GridLines → {None, { $\pi$ }}, GridLinesStyle → Directive[Red, Thick], PlotRange → {2, 4}]]
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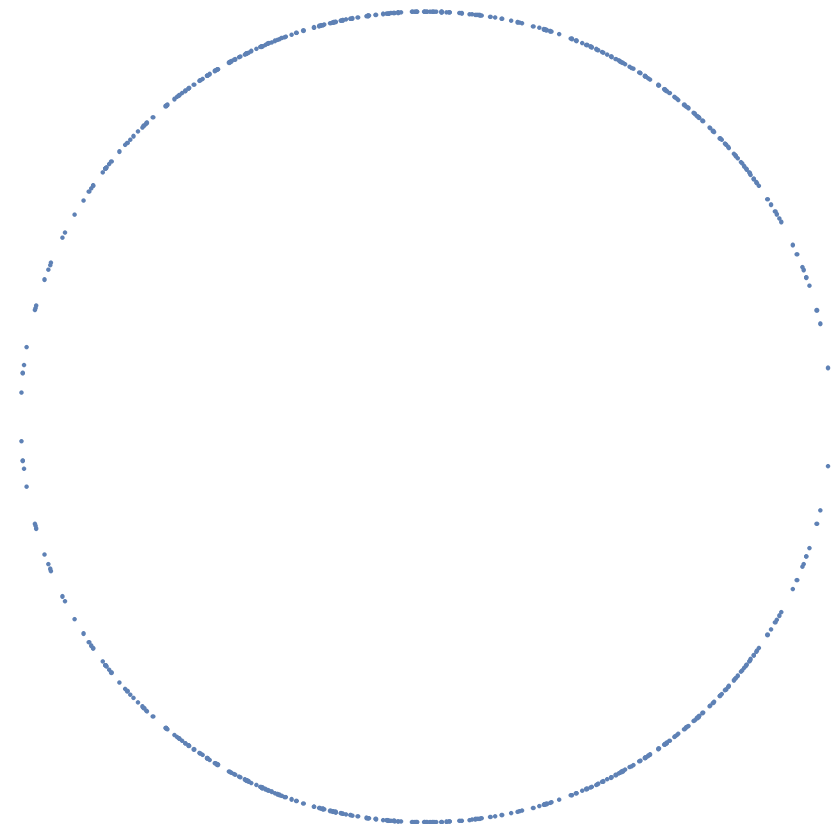
BuffonData[10 000, 2, 100, 3]



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In[ ]:= ListPlot[Flatten[Table[{x, #} & /@ SolveValues[x^2 + y^2 == 1, y] /. x -> RandomReal[{-1, 1}], 300], 1],
  Axes -> False, AspectRatio -> Automatic]
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Out[]=



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In[ ]:= Assuming[{L > 0, w > 0, 0 < theta < Pi / 2},
  Integrate[Integrate[Piecewise[{ { 4 / (w Pi), 0 <= x <= w / 2 } }], {x, 0, (L * Sin[theta]) / 2}], {theta, 0, Pi / 2}] // FullSimplify]
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Out[]=

$$\begin{cases} \frac{2 L}{\pi w} & L \leq w \\ \frac{2 \left(L - \sqrt{(L-w) (L+w)} + w \operatorname{ArcCos}\left[\frac{w}{L}\right] \right)}{\pi w} & \text{True} \end{cases}$$

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FullSimplify[ReplaceAll[ { 2 l / (pi w), {w -> l / z}], z > 1]
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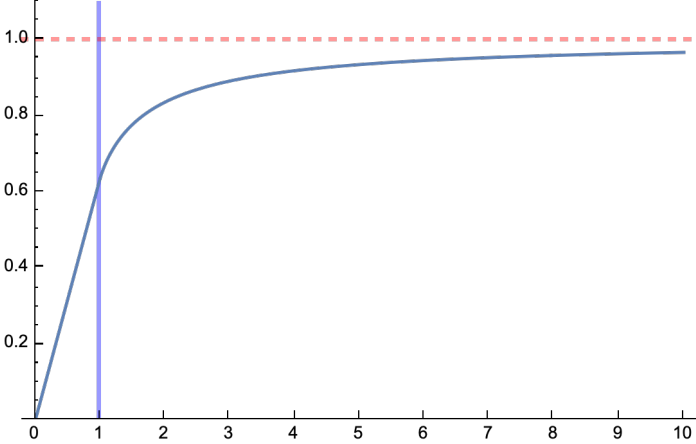
Out[]=

$$\begin{cases} \frac{2 z}{\pi} & z \leq 1 \\ \frac{2 \left(z - \sqrt{-1 + z^2} + \operatorname{ArcSec}[z] \right)}{\pi} & z > 1 \end{cases}$$

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In[ ]:= Plot[ { 2 z / (pi), {z, 0, 10}, GridLines -> {{1, Directive[Blue, Thick]}}, {{1, Directive[Dashed, Red, Thick]}},
  PlotRange -> {0, 1.1}, Ticks -> {Range[0, 14], Automatic}]
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Out[]=



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In[ ]:= Buffon[30, 2, 25, 3, Show -> True]
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In[ ]:= Buffon[10 000, 2, 25, 3, Show -> Parallelize]
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