

Ideas in Mathematics

1. Find the operator.

Given 2 numbers (a,b) and their solution. Can I tell the operator without the trivial trial and error?

$$a \circ b = c$$

Given a more complex equation:

$$\{(a \circ_1 b) \circ_2 c\} \circ_3 d = x$$

(where $\circ_1, \circ_2, \circ_3$ represent 3 different operators)

I can try increasing the numbers and operators involved, are there any minimum number of equations required to uniquely identify operators is another question?

I have tried approaching the problem with different methods.

2. Integrals for elliptic functions can't be solved, hence we have approximate solutions for the perimeter of ellipse.

One approach I tried was an experimental one, a sphere made out of clay, compressed so as to form a geometrical shape that has the cross-section of an ellipse.

On interpolating values and a few trials, I was able to exactly deduce an analytical equation:

$$\text{Perimeter of Ellipse} = \pi(a+b), \quad \text{where } a \text{ and } b \text{ are major and minor axis respectively.}$$

This formula was introduced by mathematician Naïve and has a substantial amount of error.

3) Naive approximation

$$(K3) \quad S'(a, b) = 2\pi \frac{a+b}{2} = \pi(a+b), \quad E'(x) = \frac{\pi}{4}(1+y)$$

Interestingly, it turns out that simple **arithmetic mean** of the two semi-axes is a much better estimate for the equivalent circle radius than the geometric mean. Hence this approximation, referred to as *naive* by G.P.Michon and P.Bourke, even though it is more accurate and computationally more effective than Kepler's.

I'm curious if I can increase the accuracy with an experimental but better approach.

3. Number Matrix: My interest grew in solving while solving a simple array of numbers, where

$$a \quad b$$

$$x_1$$

$$a+x_1 \quad b+x_1$$

$$x_2$$

and so on

In this array, a and b are added to get x_1 , which is then again added to (a,b) to get 3rd row of numbers. The centre points give me a geometrical progression while side columns follow an arithmetic progression.

I have sufficient equations describing the nature of this matrix.

I like working on the Riemann hypothesis and Collatz conjecture and recently have been curious to approach some of the prime number problems from a complex network approach.

