

Business Analysis – Functions' graphical calculator

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Abstract

The aim of this project is to design and implement graphical calculator of one variable functions. It will perform complex mathematical calculations. In the business analysis we will limit ourselves to the modelling of dynamic behavior. We will make use of user stories to present main functionalities and priorities of the project. In the supplementary specification we will describe how the application should work. In the last section we will describe GUI design.

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1. Summary for management

In this document we will focus on describing the goals of the project. Program aims at providing a user with especially designed tools to solve complex mathematical equations of one variable functions and to plot graphs of that functions.

We will describe main functionalities and requirements of the application in the supplementary specification. We will also propose a GUI design for the application.

2. User stories

Functionalities
As a user I want to perform algebraic calculations (+, -, *, /, ^, floor, ceiling, truncate, round, min, max) by clicking a proper button so that I can obtain complex desired mathematical result
As a user I want to be able to use relational operators (<, <=, >=, >, ==, !=) by clicking a proper button so that I can compose equations
As a user I want to calculate polynomials, logarithms, trigonometric and hyperbolic functions so that I can obtain complex desired mathematical result
As a user I want to be able to assemble functions by choosing them from a list of provided elements so that I can compose equations
As a user I want to be able to choose constant values (such as Pi) by pressing a proper button so that I can compose equations
As a user I want to define domain and codomain by clicking on them so that I have more control over the calculation procedure (by default it will be automatically computed)
As a user I want to control colors and width of functions by clicking on graphs so that I can have more control over the output
As a user I want to control description of axes by clicking on them so that I can change their name
As a user I want to be able to plot graphs so that I can visualize the result
As a user I want to be able to save output graphs to an image file

3. Supplementary specification

3.1. Requirements

List of functional requirements

Function	Description
Calculating procedures	Provide facilities for calculating functions of one variable
Composing functions	Provide tools for assembling functions
Inputting data	Provide facilities for entering input by the user
Plotting graphs	Provide facilities for plotting the result as 2D graphs
Saving graphs	Provide facilities for saving graphs as image file
Showing message boxes	Provide facilities for informing the user about the procedures with message boxes
Validating input	Provide warnings about input data by the user
Personalizing interface	Provide facilities for changing user interface

3.2. GUI for functions' graphical calculator

It will enable entering input by user from the console which will be situated at the bottom of the screen. The console will be simple and very straightforward to use, however it will preserve all important functionalities. It will consist of a set of buttons and a list of trigonometric and hyperbolic functions to choose from. Buttons will have constant values. Pressing them will print proper value in the screen. If input data is incorrect suitable warning and message box will appear in the screen. In the center of the screen there will be a place to show plotted graphs. User will be enabled to change its colour. It will be also possible to save graphs as an image file with a proper png or jpg format. There will be a possibility to personalize user interface by changing its colours, size and some descriptions.

4. Conclusions

The program is designed to be a simple and straightforward to use application. It will provide a user with a set of tools to solve equations of one variable functions. It will also enable a user to plot graphs and to save it to an image file. The application should be easy to learn and use by users. By definition application is designed to be portable.