

Worksheet on Mathematical Modeling in Open-Equation Format

1. Rearrange to equation in residual form to:
 - a. Avoid divide by zero
 - b. Minimize use of functions like sqrt, log, exp, etc.
 - b. Have continuous first and second derivatives
 - c. Fit the equation into a linear or quadratic form
2. Bounds
 - a. Include variable bounds to exclude infeasible solutions
 - b. Variable bounds to avoid regions of strong nonlinearity
 - c. Caution: watch for infeasible solutions
2. Scaling:
 - a. Scale absolute value of variables to 1e-3 to 1e3
 - b. Scale absolute value of equation residuals to 1e-3 to 1e3
 - c. Better that 1st derivative values are closer to 1.0
3. Good initial conditions:
 - a. Starting near a solution can improve convergence
 - b. Try multiple initial conditions to verify global solution (non-convex problems)
 - c. Explicitly calculate intermediate values
4. Check iteration summary for improved convergence

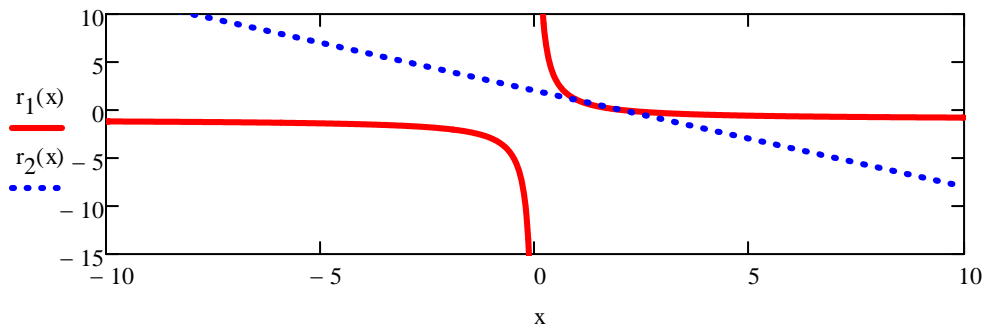
Exercise 1:

Bad

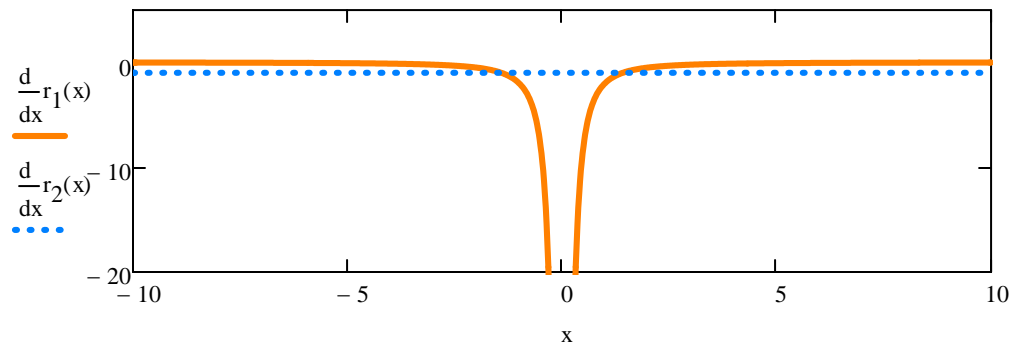
Good

$$x = 2 \quad r_1(x) := \frac{2}{x} - 1 \quad r_2(x) := 2 - x$$

Residuals



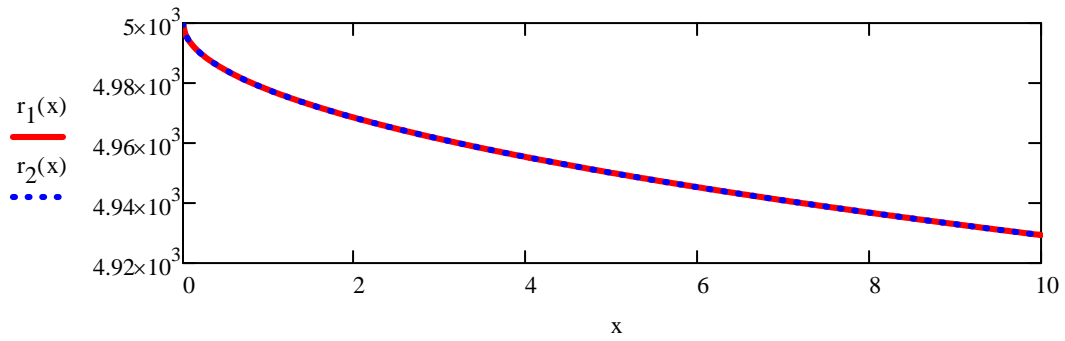
1st Derivative



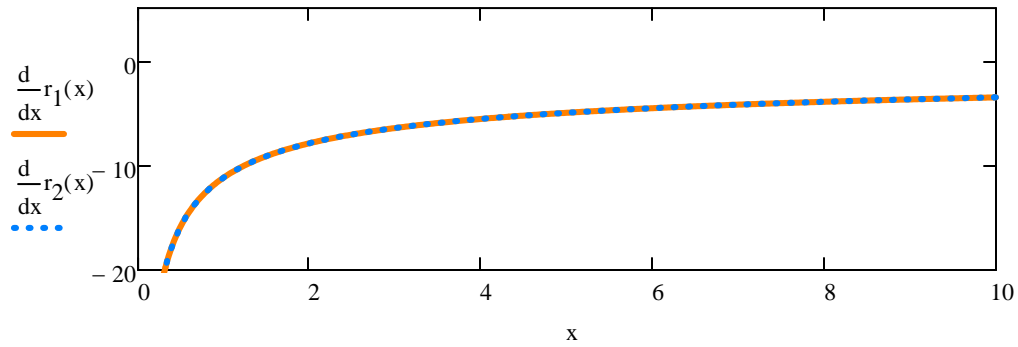
Exercise 2: $5000 = \sqrt{500 \cdot x}$ Rearrange / scale equation for improved performance

$$r_1(x) := 5000 - \sqrt{500 \cdot x} \quad r_2(x) := r_1(x) \quad r_2(x) = \blacksquare$$

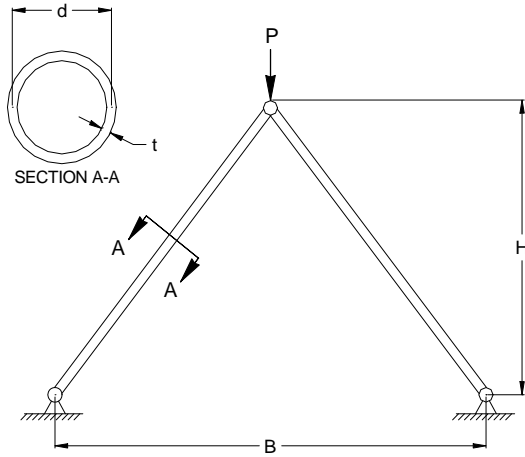
Residuals



1st Derivative



Exercise 3:



Height := 30·in

Diameter := 3.0·in

Thickness := 0.15·in

Separation := 60·in

Modulus := $3 \cdot 10^7 \cdot \frac{\text{lbf}}{\text{in}^2}$

Density := $0.3 \cdot \frac{\text{lbm}}{\text{in}^3}$

Load := $66 \cdot 10^3 \cdot \text{lbf}$

ρ := Density d := Diameter t := Thickness B := Separation H := Height

P := Load E := Modulus

Weight := $\rho \cdot 2 \cdot \pi \cdot d \cdot t \cdot \sqrt{\left(\frac{B}{2}\right)^2 + H^2}$ Weight = 35.987·lb

Stress := $\frac{P \cdot \sqrt{\left(\frac{B}{2}\right)^2 + H^2}}{2 \cdot t \cdot \pi \cdot d \cdot H}$ Stress = 33.012·ksi

Buckling_Stress := $\frac{\pi^2 \cdot E \cdot (d^2 + t^2)}{8 \cdot \left[\left(\frac{B}{2}\right)^2 + H^2\right]}$ Buckling_Stress = 185.518·ksi

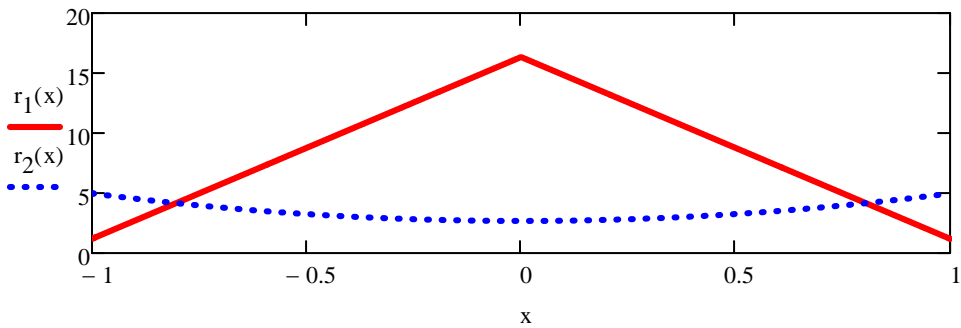
Deflection := $\frac{P \cdot \left[\left(\frac{B}{2}\right)^2 + H^2\right]^{\frac{3}{2}}}{2 \cdot t \cdot \pi \cdot d \cdot H^2 \cdot E}$ Deflection = 0.066·in

$$\underline{B} := 0.1 \cdot \text{in}$$

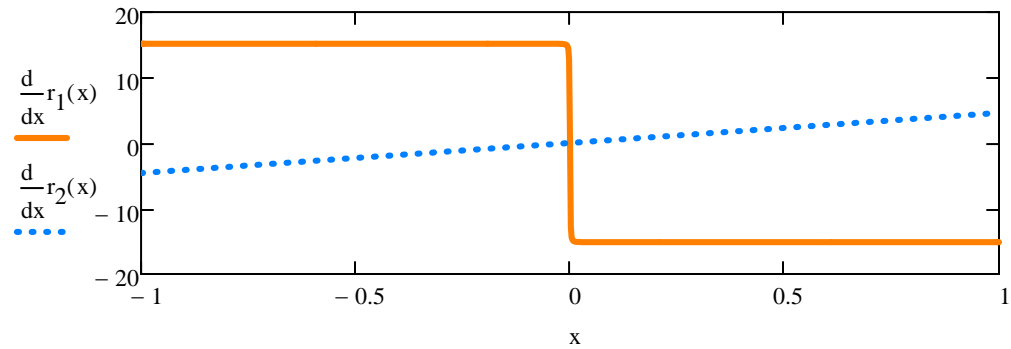
$$r_1(x) := \text{Weight} - \rho \cdot 2 \cdot \pi \cdot d \cdot t \cdot \sqrt{\left(\frac{B}{2}\right)^2 + x^2}$$

$$r_2(x) := \frac{1}{100} \cdot \left[\text{Weight}^2 + (\rho \cdot 2 \cdot \pi \cdot d \cdot t)^2 \cdot \left[\left(\frac{B}{2}\right)^2 + x^2 \right] \right]$$

Residuals



1st Derivative



Use of Constraints?

Weight > 0

Separation > 0

Etc