

## Siena Lecture - Calculus, Plotting & Interact

# Calculus, plotting & interact

## Symbolic Variables

To define a new variable, use the **var** command.

```
var('y t')
(y, t)
y, t
(y, t)
type(y)
<class 'sage.calculus.calculus.SymbolicVariable'>
```

By default, **x** is defined to be a variable when Sage starts.

```
x
x
type(x)
<class 'sage.calculus.calculus.SymbolicVariable'>
```

We can form *symbolic arithmetic expressions* using variables. For example:

```
x^2 + 2*sqrt(y)
2*sqrt(y) + x^2
type(x^2 + 2*sqrt(y))
<class 'sage.calculus.calculus.SymbolicArithmetric'>
```

## Symbolic Functions

To define a *symbolic function*, use the **function** command.

```
function('f, g')
(f, g)
```

```

type(f)
<class 'sage.calculus.calculus.SymbolicFunction'>
f(x) + g(x,y)
g(x, y) + f(x)
type(f(x) + g(x,y))
<class 'sage.calculus.calculus.SymbolicArithmetical'>
diff(f(x)*g(x),x)
f(x)*diff(g(x), x, 1) + g(x)*diff(f(x), x, 1)
diff(f(x)/g(x),x)
diff(f(x), x, 1)/g(x) - f(x)*diff(g(x), x, 1)/g(x)^2

```

## Symbolic expressions

```
f(x,y) = e^y * sin(x)
```

```

f(y=3)
e^3*sin(x)
f(x=3,y=5)
e^5*sin(3)
f(x=y, y=g(t))
e^g(t)*sin(y)

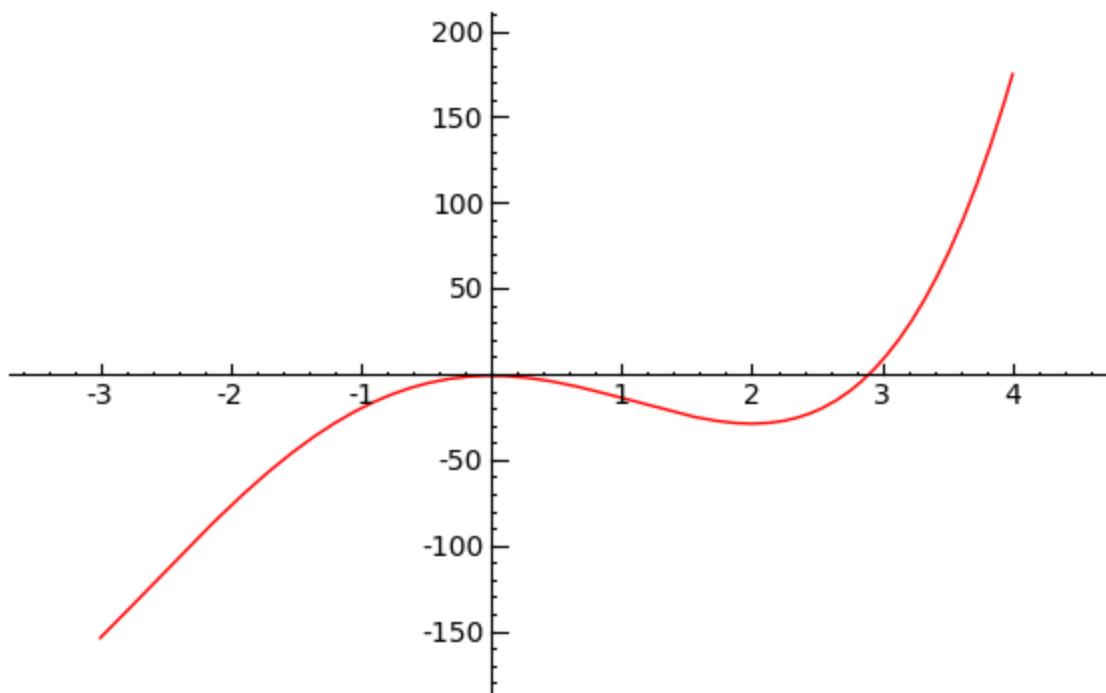
```

## Plotting functions

To plot a function, use the **plot** command. It has the same syntax as *Mathematica*'s plot command.

```
f(x) = x^4 + 3*x^3 - 17*x^2 - 1
```

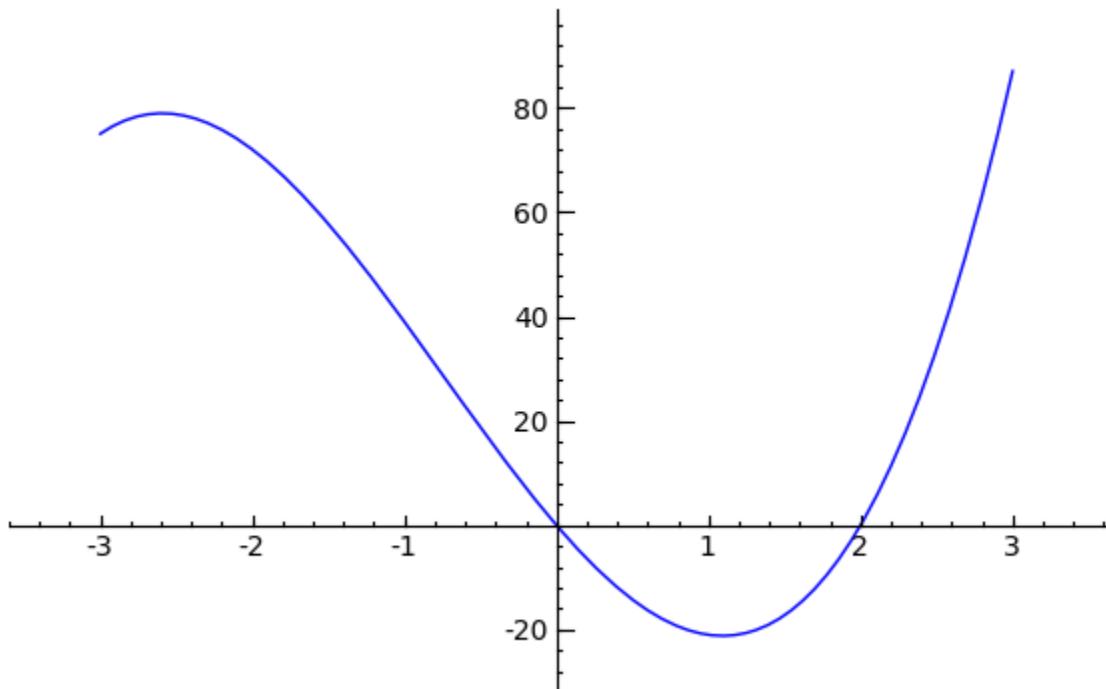
```
plot(f(x), -3, 4, color='red')
```



```
g(x) = diff(f, x)
g(x)
```

$$4*x^3 + 9*x^2 - 34*x$$

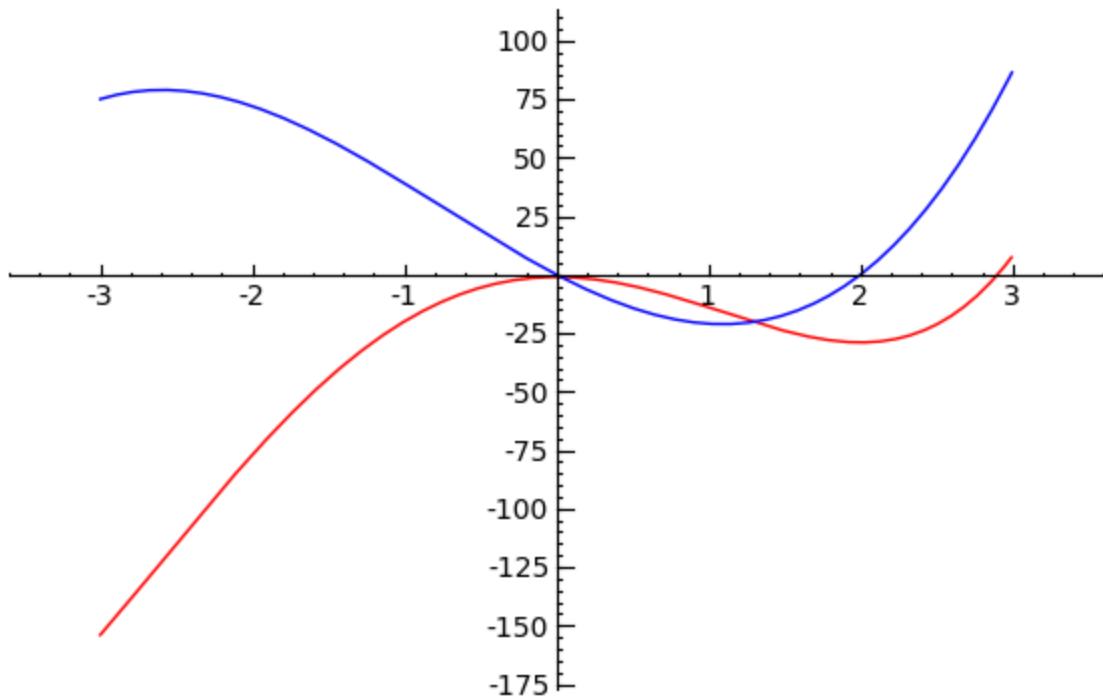
```
plot(g(x), -3, 3, color='blue')
```



## Combining plots

To combine two plots objects together into one plot, *add* (+) the plots together!

```
P1 = plot(f(x), -3, 3, color='red')
P2 = plot(g(x), -3, 3, color='blue')
P1 + P2
```



## Interactive Mathematics

Here is a Sage function that plots  $f(x) = x^2 + \sin(4x)$  and the Taylor series of  $f$  up to the given **order**.

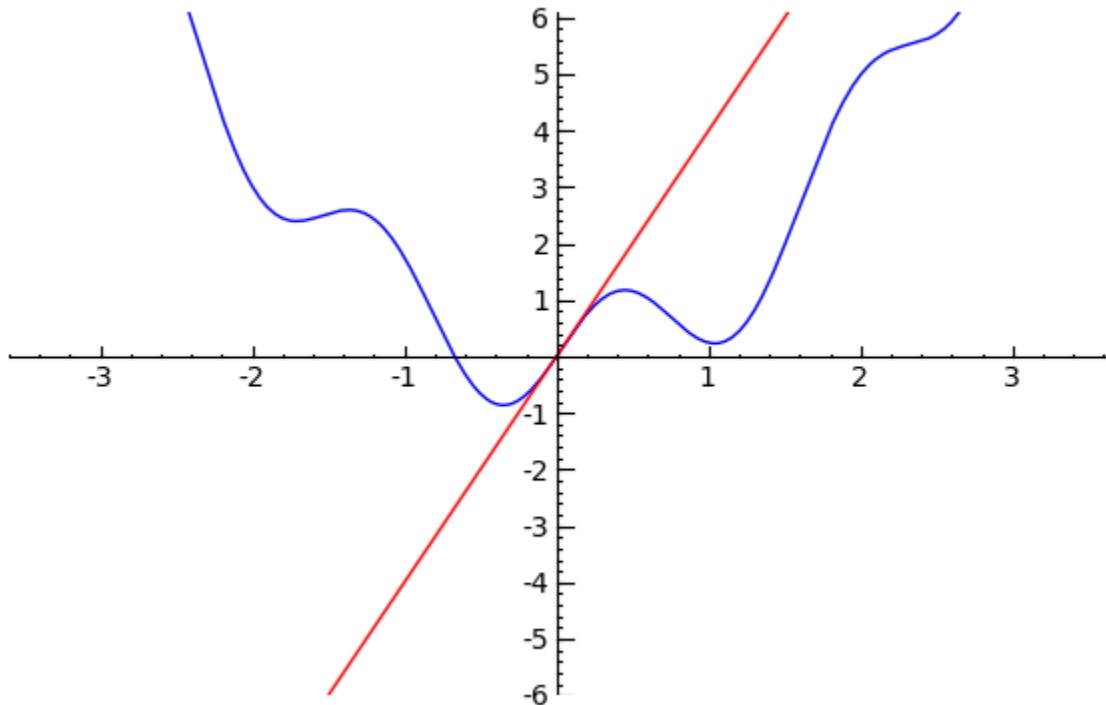
```
def taylor_plot(order):
    var('x')

    f(x) = x^2 + sin(4*x)
    f_plot = plot(f, -3, 3)
```

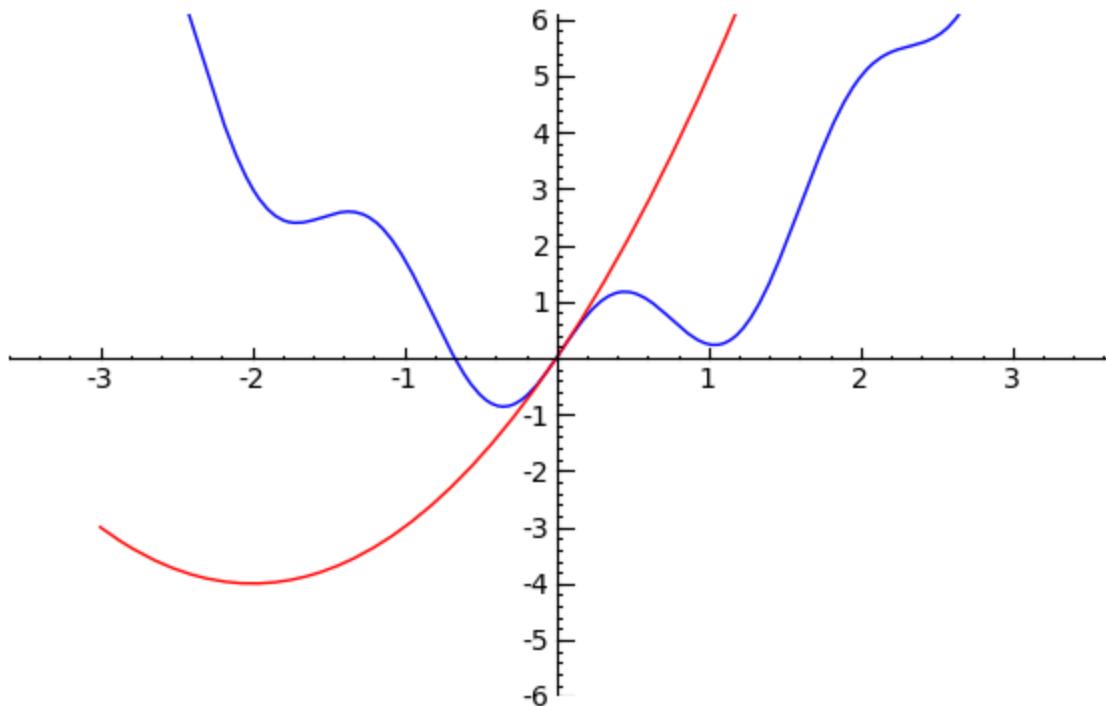
```
g = f.taylor(x, 0, order)
g_plot = plot(g, -3, 3, color='red')

show(f_plot + g_plot, ymin = -5, ymax = 5)
```

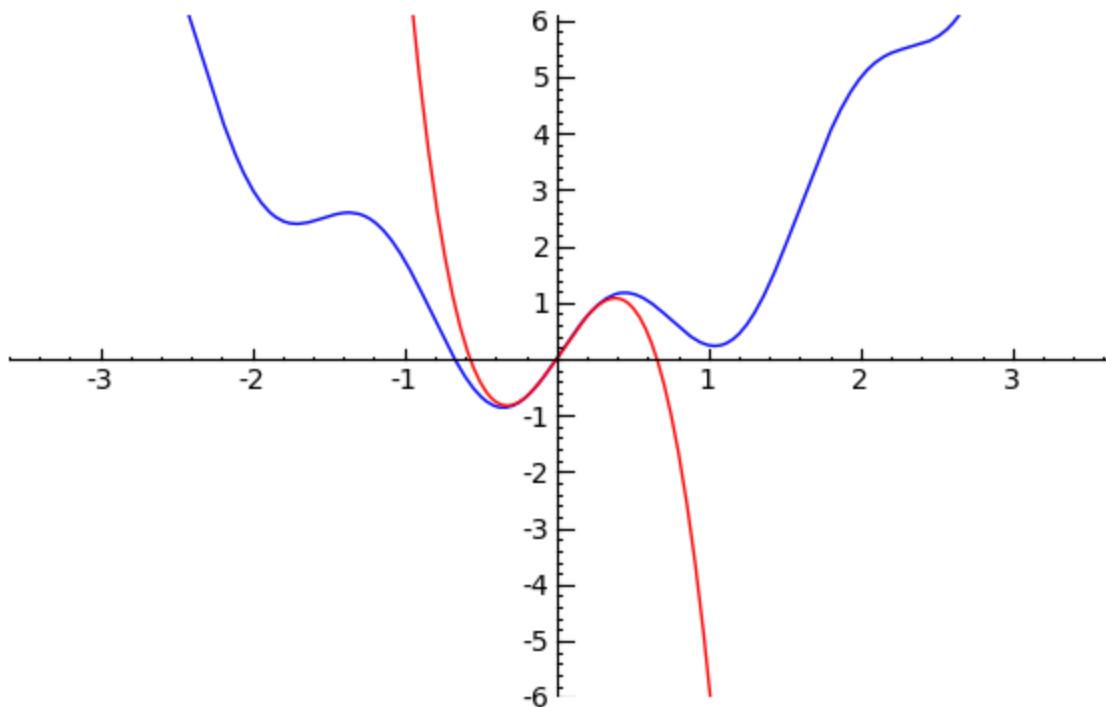
```
taylor_plot(1)
```



```
taylor_plot(2)
```



```
taylor_plot(3)
```



**@interact**

In order to easily *interact* with this function, we can use the **@interact** decorator. Just place **@interact** before the function and define a default for the arguments.

```
@interact
def taylor_plot(order=2):
    var('x')

    f(x) = x^2 + sin(4*x)
    f_plot = plot(f, -3, 3)

    g = f.taylor(x, 0, order)
    g_plot = plot(g, -3, 3, color='red')

    show(f_plot + g_plot, ymin = -5, ymax = 5)
```

**@interact** supports several very nice controllers to change the arguments. In the example below, we turn the argument **order** into a slider.

```
@interact
def taylor_plot(order=slider(0, 20, 2, default=2)):
    var('x')

    f(x) = x^2 + sin(4*x)
    f_plot = plot(f, -3, 3)

    g = f.taylor(x, 0, order)
    g_plot = plot(g, -3, 3, color='red')

    show(f_plot + g_plot, ymin = -5, ymax = 5)
```

```
@interact
def taylor_plot(order=slider(0, 20, 2, default=2),
x0=slider(-3,3,1,0), xrange=range_slider(-3,3,1,default=(-3,3))):
    var('x')

    xmin, xmax = xrange

    f(x) = x^2 + sin(4*x)
    f_plot = plot(f, xmin, xmax)
```

```
g = f.taylor(x, x0, order)
g_plot = plot(g, xmin, xmax, color='red')

show(f_plot + g_plot, ymin = -5, ymax = 5)
```

