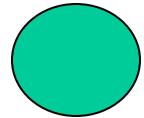


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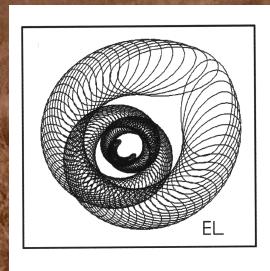


A random-module in action

Kollision-M.pl2

# The power of modules ("building stones") in teaching mathematics

Dresden, ACDCA 2006



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Used Software:  
- Voyage 200 -  
- Animato -  
- Derive -

Dr. Eberhard Lehmann, Berlin

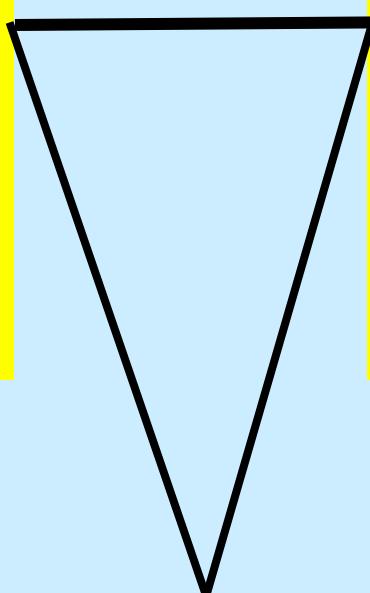
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**The starting point of the reflections is the module-triangle**

The module-triangle  
and it's application in teaching

Define modules  
by your own -  
by the teacher  
by the students

Use modules  
(modules of your own  
or of the CAS-System)  
**Use modules of modules**



Analyse modules  
(with experiments)

Some special  
examples →

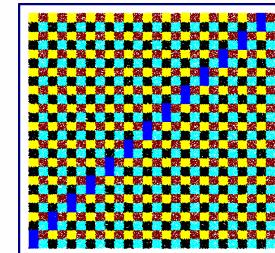
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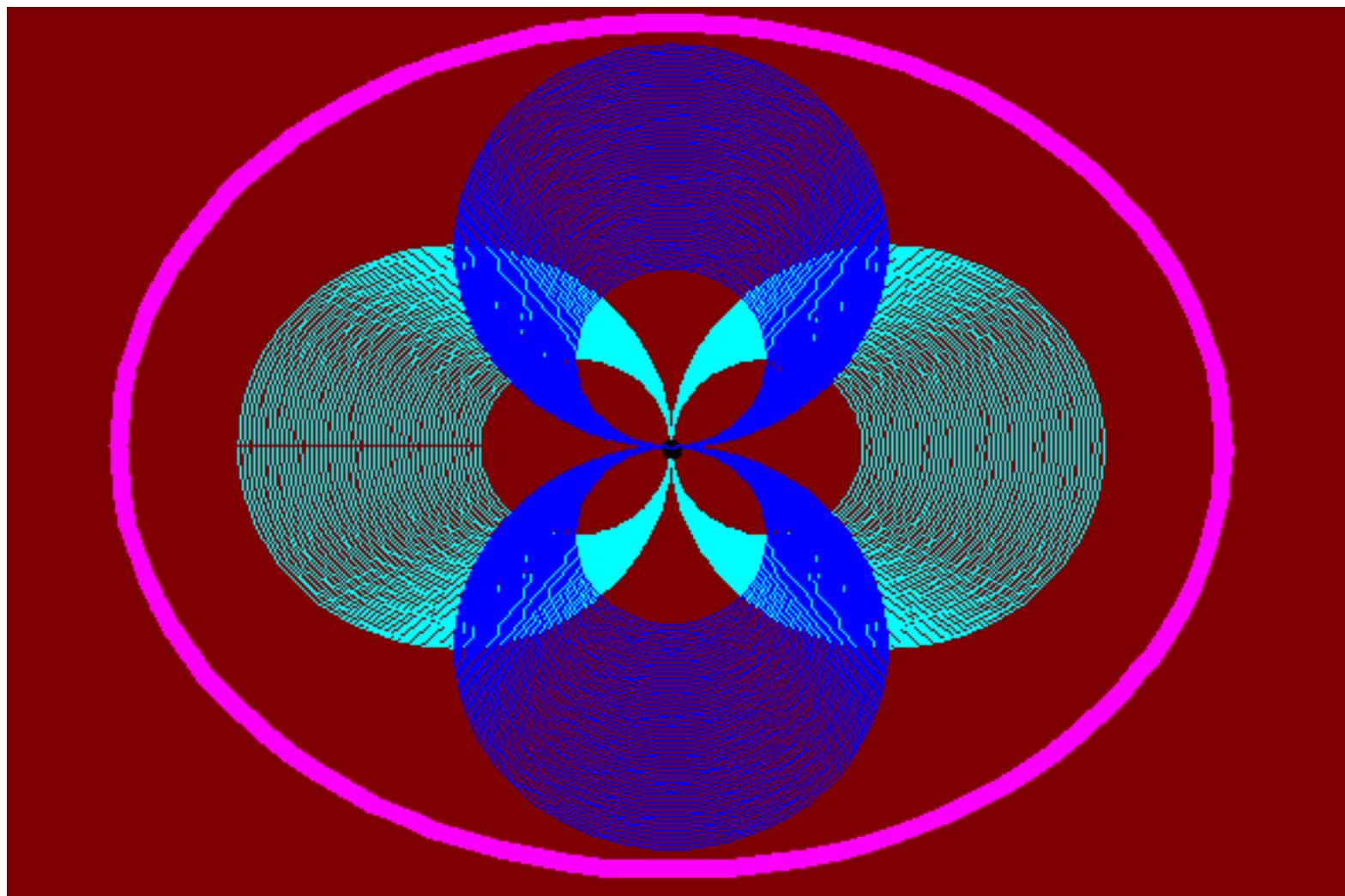
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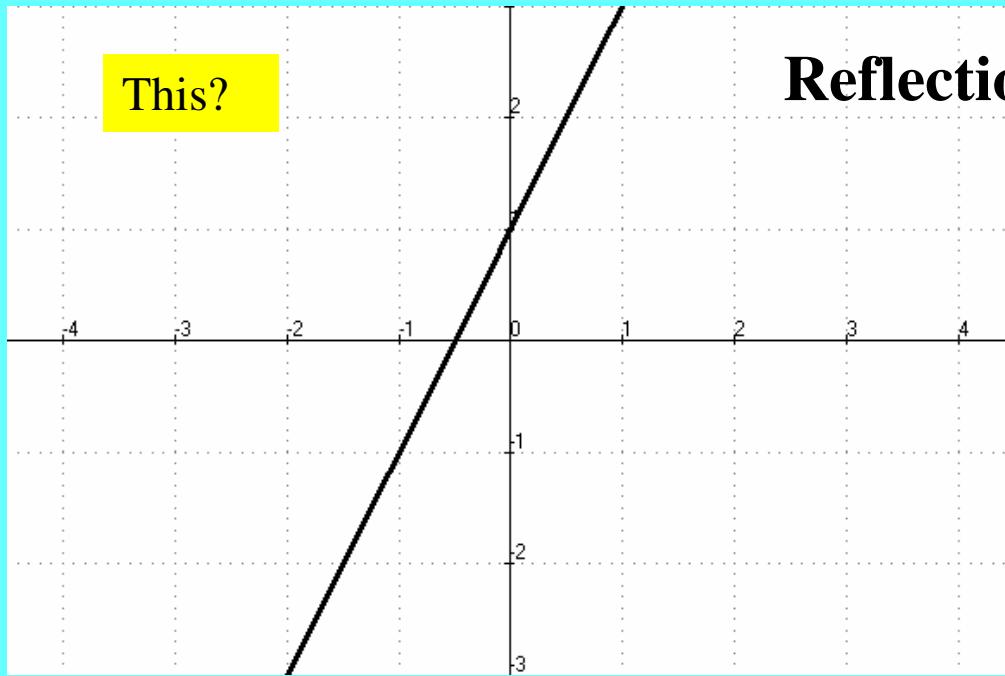
**A random-square-field**





Using a circle-module: Many circles through one point!

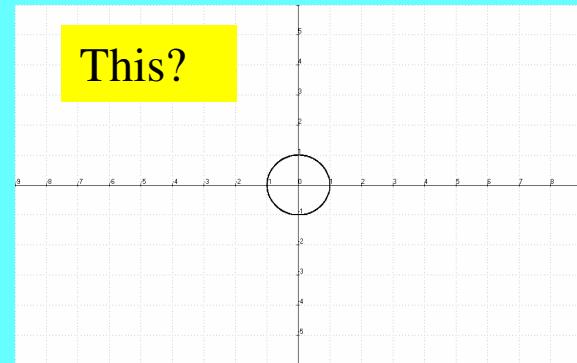
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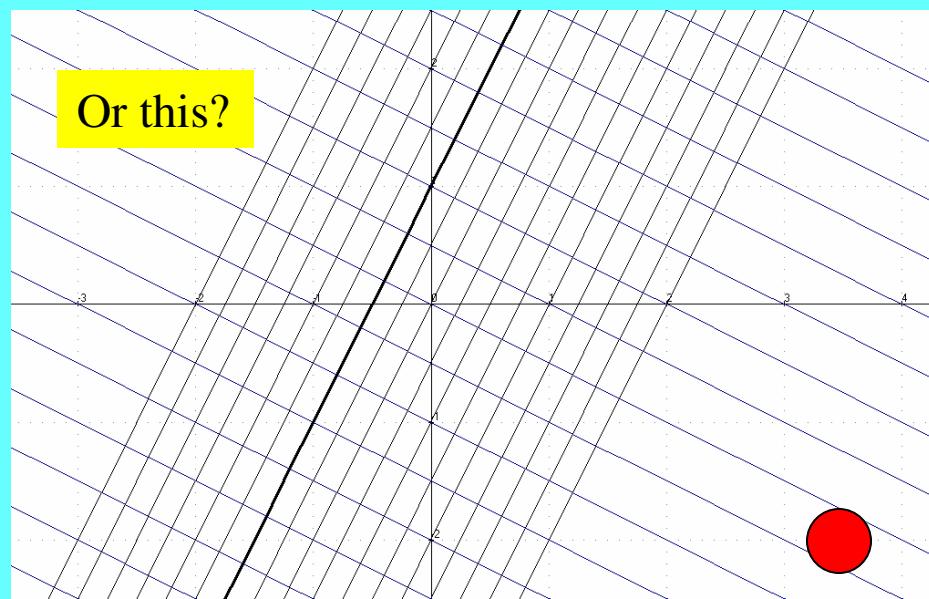
## Reflections

Which picture is more provoking for questions of the students?

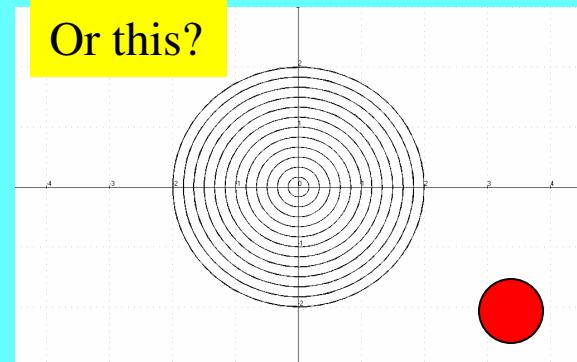
This?



Or this?



Or this?



## Why?

**Because there are many objects** - the students can

- compare the objects
- find relations between the objects
- formulate questions about the objects

**Such pictures are opened questions**, they

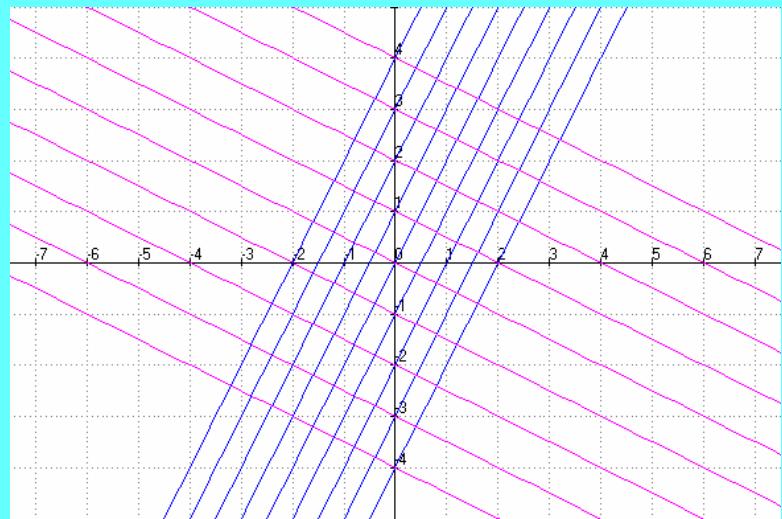
- can initiate longer projects or essays about them
- are suitable for new forms of teaching
- **initiate the use of parameters and modules**

Im Koordinatensystem wird ein Gitternetz abgebildet. Es besteht aus neun parallel zueinander verlaufenden Geraden die jeweils den gleichen Abstand voneinander haben (Abstand = 0,7 cm) und die gleiche Steigung besitzen ( $y = 2x + t$ ). Auf diesen neun Geraden liegen andere neun Geraden um  $90^\circ$  Winkel. Auch diese besitzen die gleiche Steigung ( $\frac{-0,5}{1}x + t = y$ ) und den gleichen Abstand voneinander (Abstand = 1,4 cm). Jede Gerade  $y = 2x + t$  schneidet alle Geraden  $y = \frac{-0,5}{1}x + t$  und umgekehrt. Zusammen ergeben sie ein Gitternetz.  
Etc.

An essay (one hour)

Geraden-parallele-senkrechte.pl2

The picture is given. Write a composition on it! (age of the students: 15)

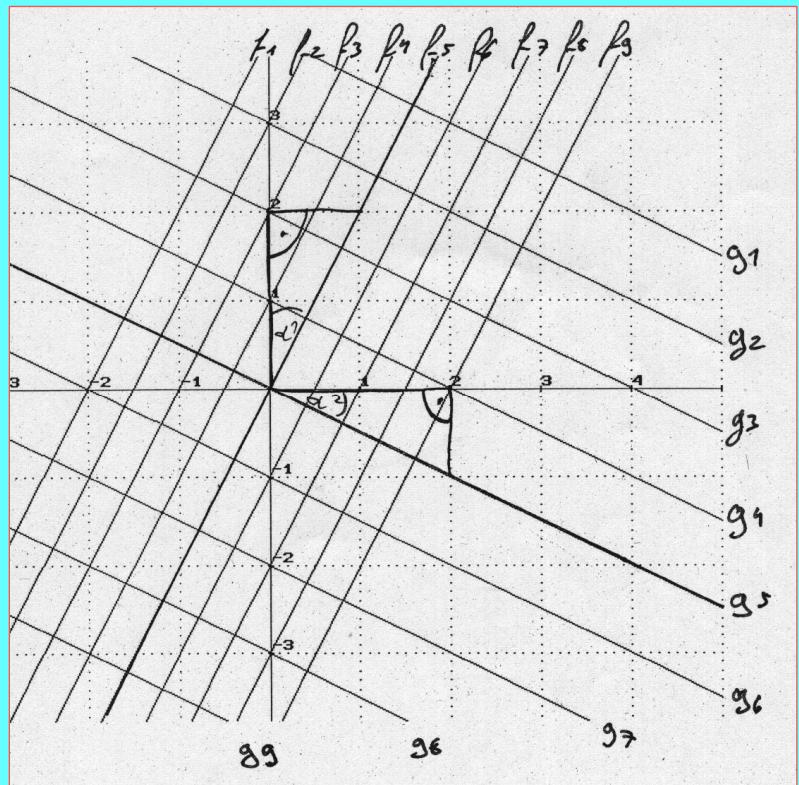


A line-module

$$f_1: a^*x + b$$

$$f_2: f_1(2, u)$$

$$f_3: f_1(-1/2, u)$$



## The modular competence

A quotation by

Helmut Heugl (Austria)

Dr. Helmut Heugl, Anaheim, April 2005

### Technology – Standards – Assessment

The influence of the use of Technology in Standards and Assessment

In this lecture he sayed about

#### Modular competence

Using modules is not new for the learners. Every formula used by the pupils can be seen as a module. While the modules of traditional math education mostly are the starting point for calculations, the CAS-modules often also do the calculations.

W. Dörfler [Dörfler, 1991, pp71] calls any module

*"knowledge-unit"*

*in which knowledge is compressed and  
in which operations can be recalled as a whole package.*

## An important statement: Formulas are modules!

Look at the parameters!

Bino(a,b,n)=

$$(a+b)^2 = a^2 + 2ab + b^2$$

$$(a - b)^3 = a^3 - 3a^2b + 3ab^2 - b^3$$



f(x,m,n)=

$$f(x) = m \cdot x + n$$

g(x,a,b,c)=

$$g(x) = a \cdot x^2 + b \cdot x + c$$

Pytha(a,b,c)=

$$a^2 + b^2 = c^2$$

V(r,h)=

$$V = 2\pi r \cdot (r+h)$$
 Zylindervolumen

Abst(ax,ay,bx,by)

$$|AB| = \sqrt{(ax-bx)^2 + (ay-by)^2}$$

usw.

The use of modules is't new for teaching mathematics!

## Examples for modules (Voyage 200)

straight line-module    define gerade(x,a,b,m) = b+m\*(x-a)

(own definition)

*Animato: Geraden-durch-3-1.pl2*

[Plot2.exe](#)

*Animato: Geraden-durch-a-b.pl2*

difference-quotient

define diffqt(x,h)= ((f(x+h)-f(x)) / h

(own definition)

*Animato: DifferQuot-Animation.pl2*

Sum and Sequence

sum(seq( i^3-i^2,i,1,5))                  170

(definition by system)

expand(seq((a+b)^n,n,1,3))

{ a+b, a^2+2ab+b^2,a^3+3a^2b+3ab^2+b^3 }

binomic formulas

define binomi(a,b,n) = (a+b)^n

(own definition)

What is new? - It is

- (1) **the focus** looking at the parameters in the well known formulas!
- (2) the use of the **special possibilities of CAS** to work with modules (with parameters) – in Algebra and Geometry.
- (3) **a new method** for problem-solving
- (4) **a new kind of teaching**

The modul-  
triangle



- take system-modules or define modules by your own
  - solve problems with modules
  - analyse modules

## Line-module

**Zeichne (an einem Computer)  
möglichst viele Geraden durch den  
Punkt P(3, 1)!**

Lösung: Die Schüler zeichnen in der Regel zunächst einige sich sofort anbietende Geraden, etwa mit den Gleichungen  $y = 1$ ,  $y = x - 2$  (Parallele zu  $y = x$ ). Es dauert nicht lange bis weitere Geraden eingetragen werden und die Frage nach einer Formel entsteht.

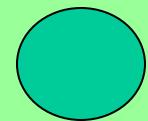
Diese wird dann als Baustein definiert:

**Punkt (3,1), Steigung m**

$$y - 3 = m * (x - 1)$$
$$y = 3 + m * (x - 1)$$

**Als Baustein im Voyage-Taschencomputer:**  
 $3 + m * (x - 1) \rightarrow \text{ger1}(x, m, 3, 1)$

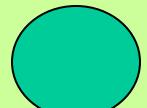
[Plot2.exe Geraden-Eingangsbild.pl2](#)



**General:  $b + m * (x - a) \rightarrow \text{ggl}(x, m, a, b)$**

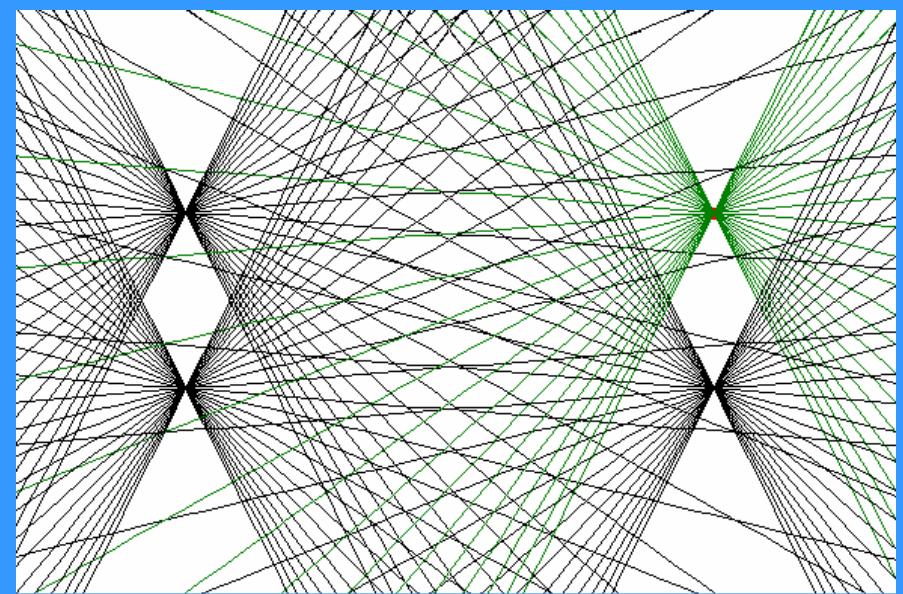
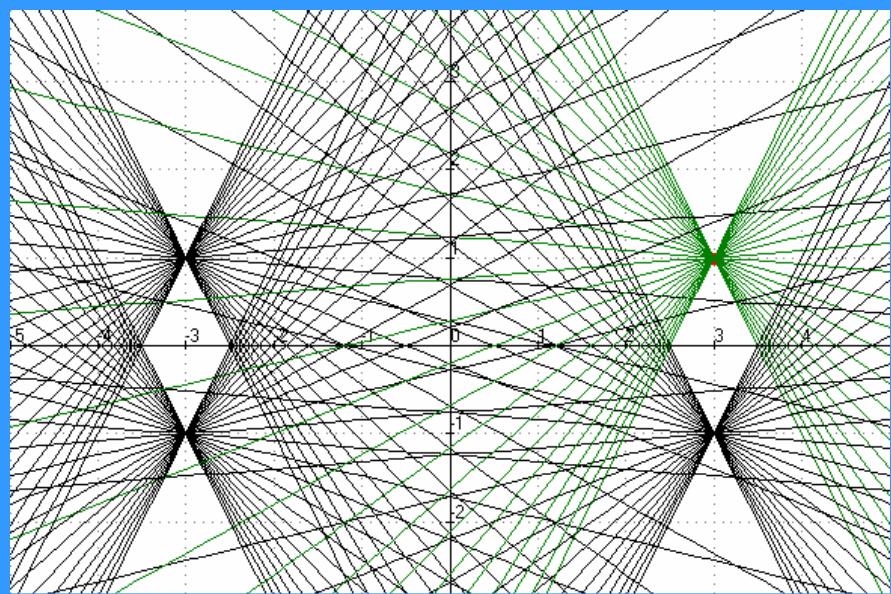
**Example for a call:  $y1(x) = \text{gl}(x, m, 3, 1)$**

**Therefore you can draw a bunch of straight lines at every point in the coordinate-system.**



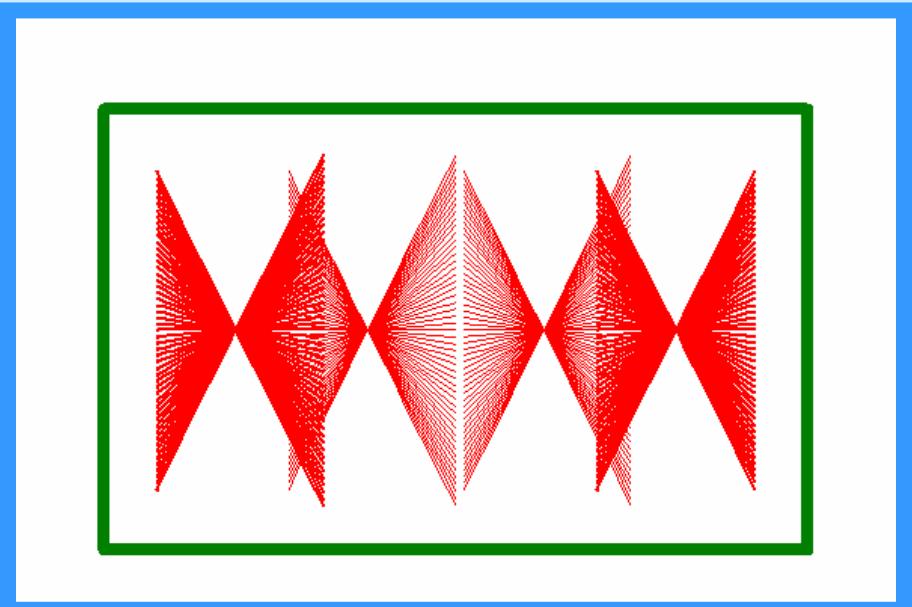
## **Variationen: Viele Fragestellungen zu Geradenbüscheln**

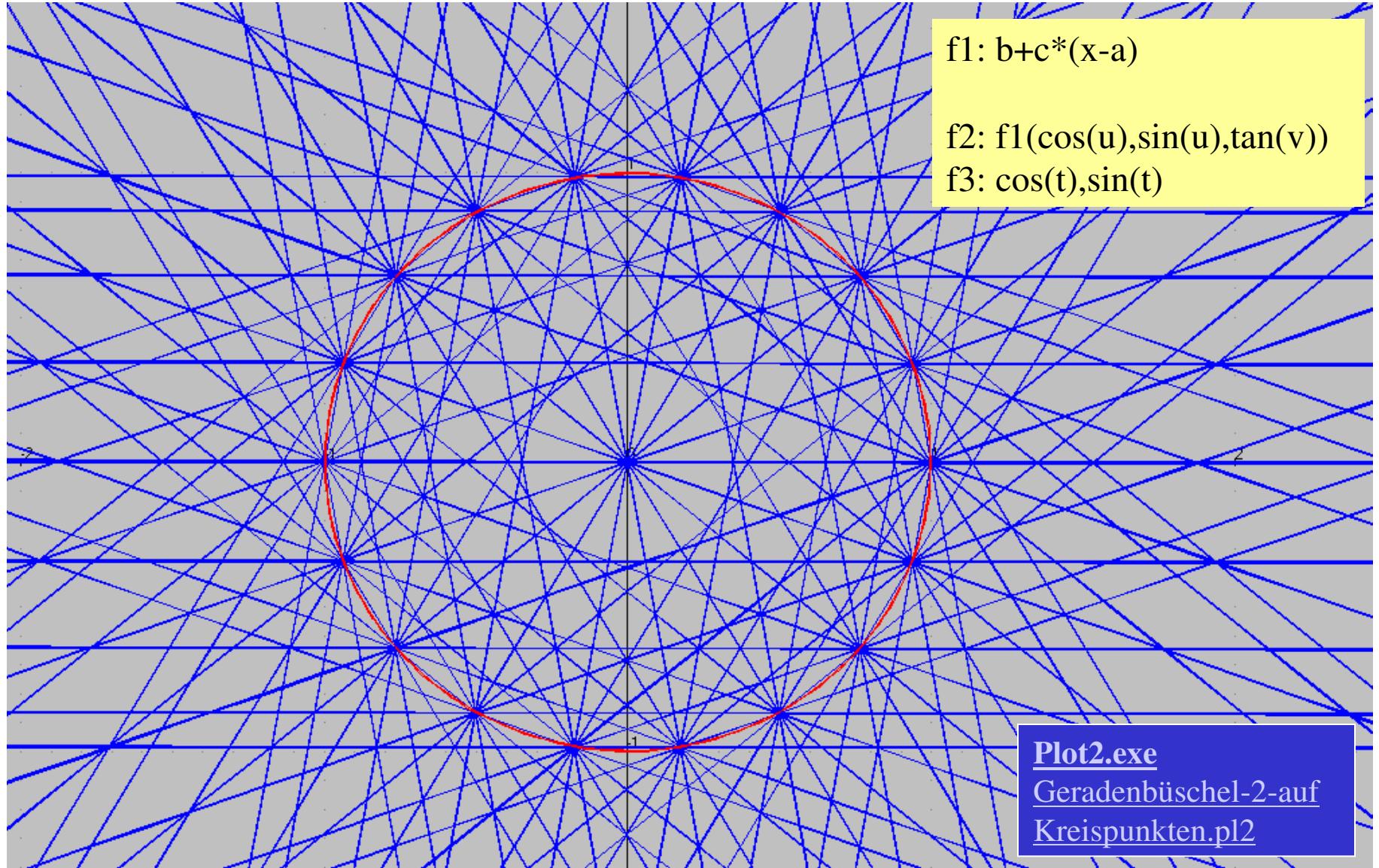
- a) Many lines through the point  $P(3,4)$ .
- b) Many lines through the point  $P(a,b)$ .
- c) A bunch of straight lines through 18 points on a circle.
- d) Vergrößere dein Bild zu c.
- e) Rekonstruiere Bild xxx und wähle andere Positionen der Büschelzentren.
- f) Formuliere ähnliche Fragenstellungen für Büschelzentren auf einer Parabel.
- g) Formuliere ähnliche Fragenstellungen für Büschelzentren auf selbstgewählten Kurven.
- h) Erstelle ein kunstvolles Bild aus Geradenbüscheln.



Plot2.exe

Geraden-durch-a-b-Kunst.pl2



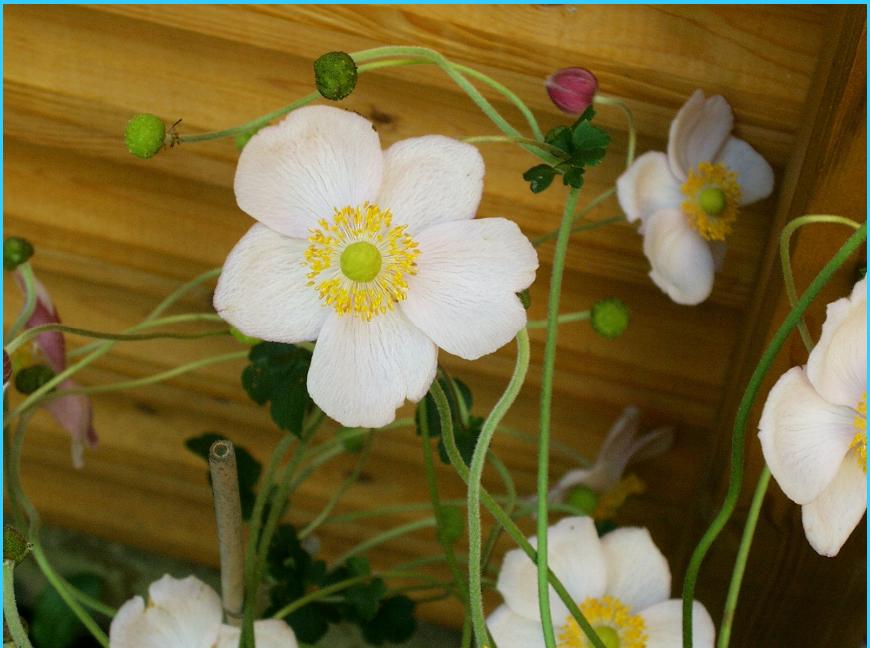


The bunch-centers are lying on a circle

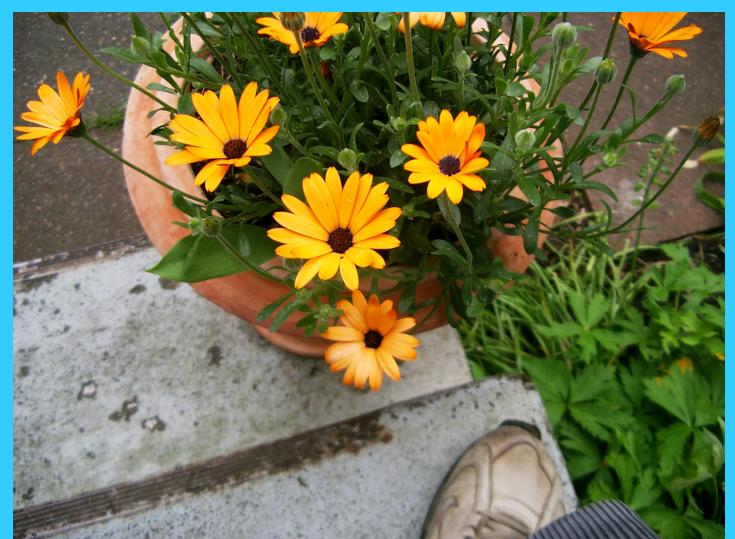
# Further examples A

Modelling in the garden –  
a flower-module

## Mathematics in the garden – with modules



The same  
structure!



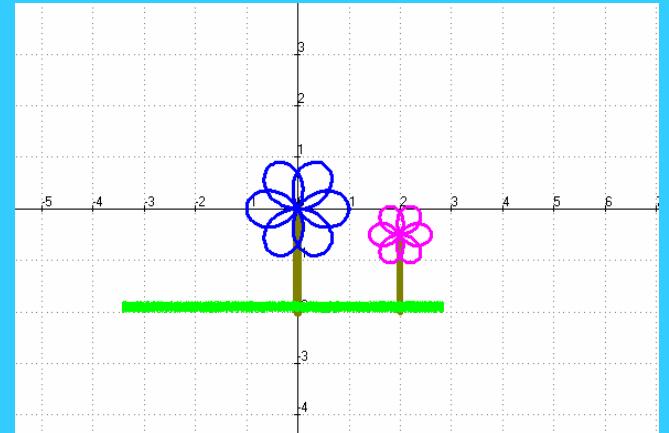
reality



the first modell



the second modell



Film

Our way to a flower-module

### The flower-module

$$f2: a * (\cos(b*t) + \cos(t)) / 2 + c$$

$$x(t)$$

$$f3: a * (\sin(b*t) - \sin(t)) / 2 + c$$

$$y(t)$$

Module-calls

$$f4: f2(1,5,0), f3(1,5,0)$$

a special flower

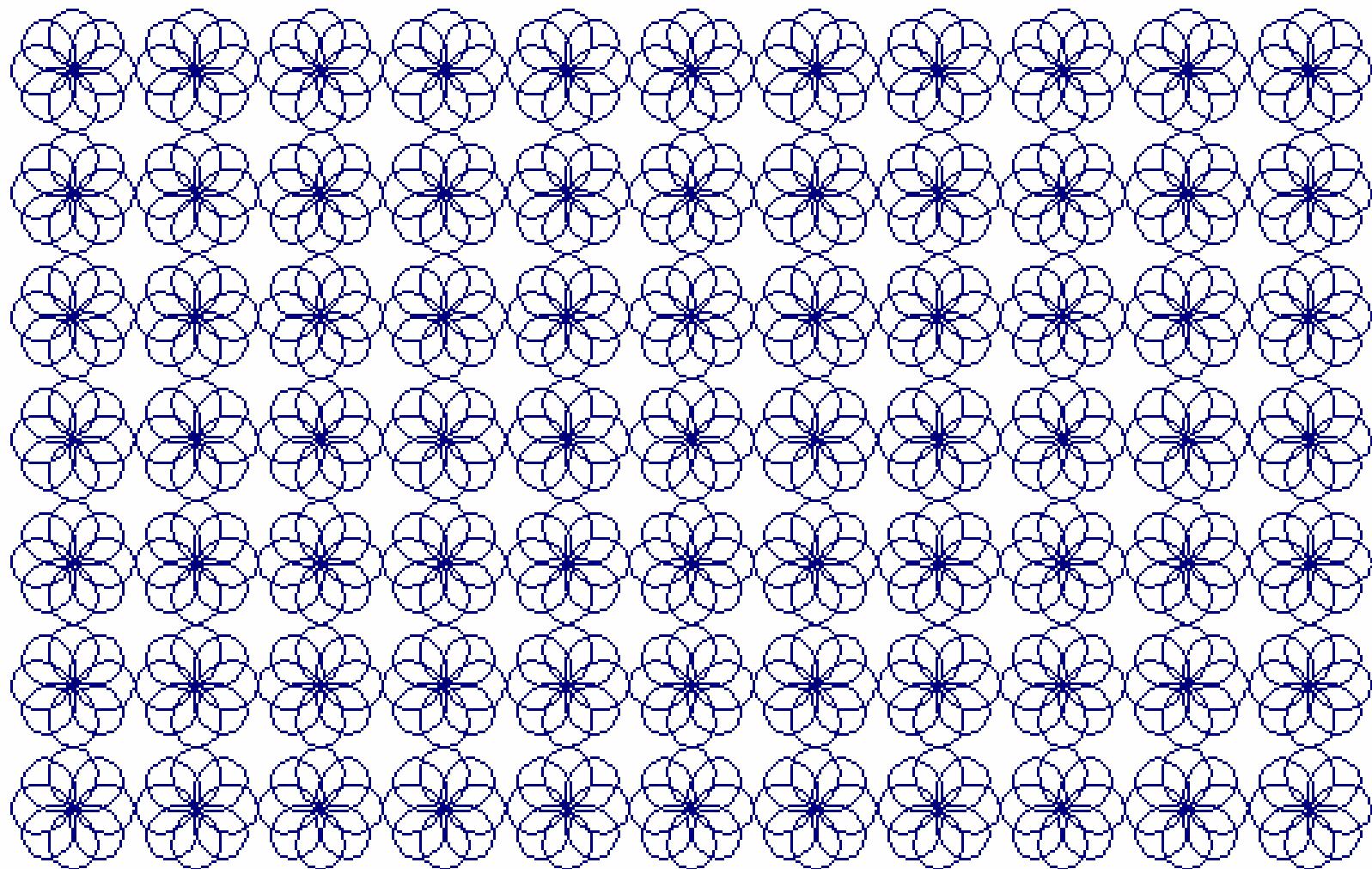
$$f5: f2(0.6,5,2), f3(0.6,5,-0.5)$$

another special flower

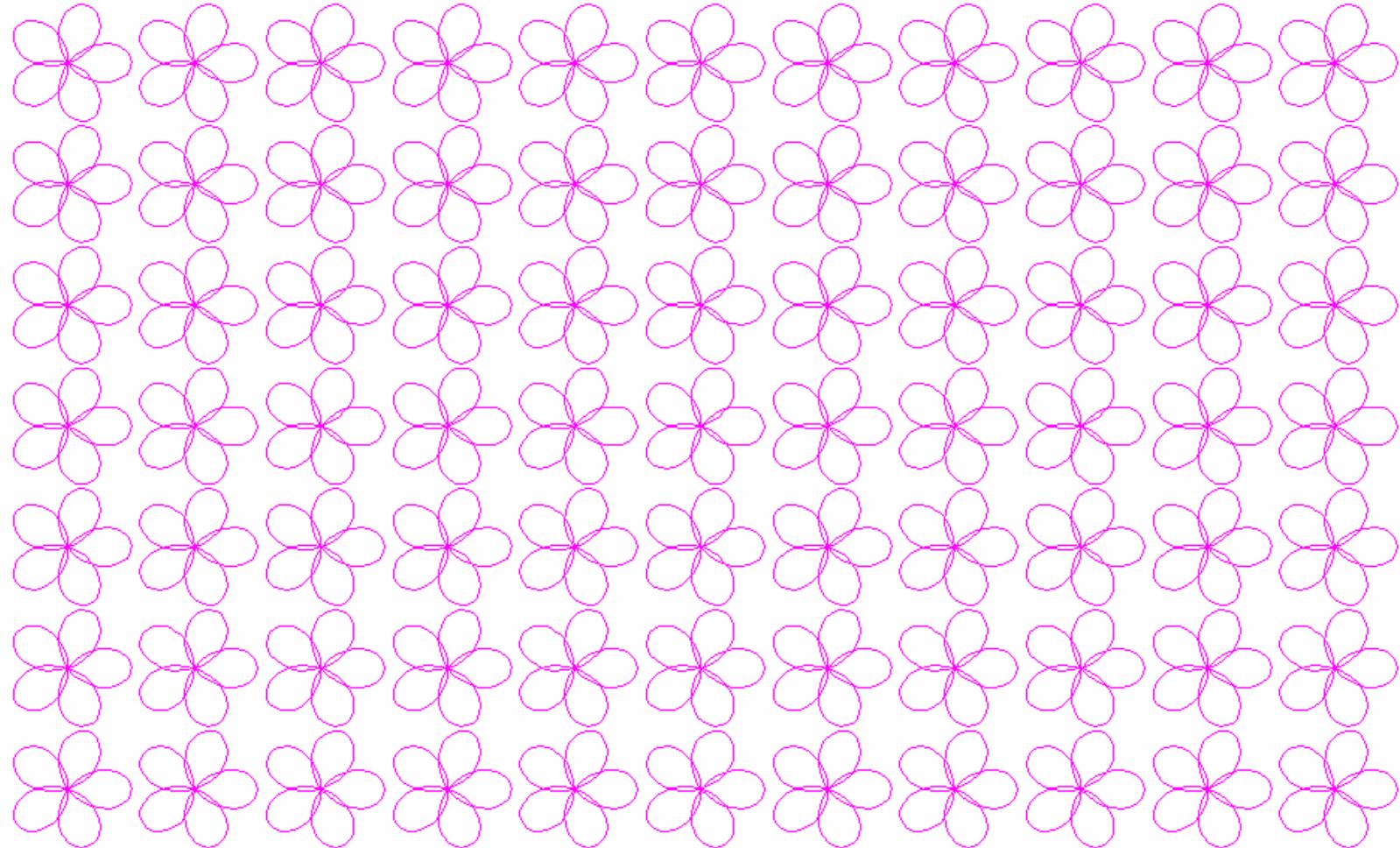
$$f6: f2(0.5,4,u), f3(0.5,4,v)$$

the first flower-field

## Application 1 of our module



## Application 2 of our module



and so on → a look to my flower-field

[Animato-Datei: Blütenmeer.pl2](#)

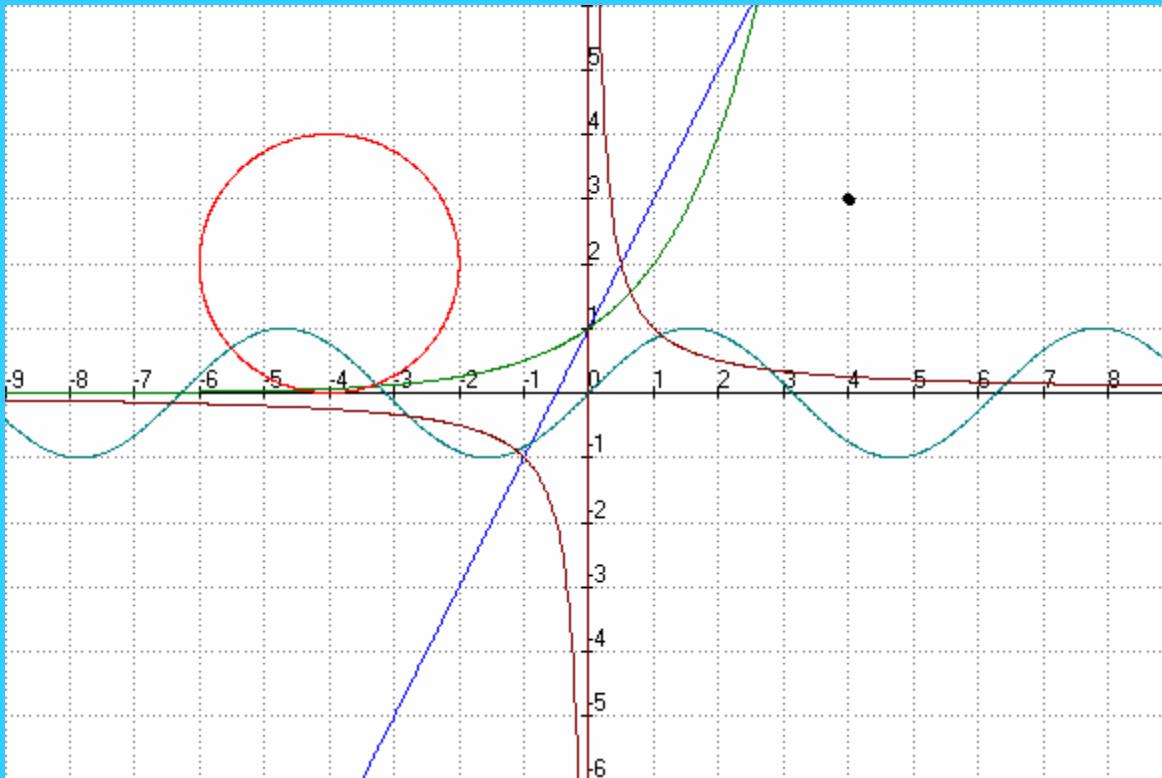
Application:

A pattern of flowers on tile in Portugal



# A distance-module

What's the shortest distance of the point  $P(4,3)$  to the graphs?



Abstandsberechnung.pl2

**These functions are given**

$$f_1(x) = \sin(x),$$

$$f_2(x) = 2^x,$$

$$f_3(x) = (x + 1)/(x + 4),$$

$$f_4: x(t) = 2 * \cos(t) + 9,$$

$$y(t) = 2 * \sin(t) + 6,$$

The given point is P(4, 3).

(5 groups with 4 students)

**The distance-module**

**f15: sqrt((a-c)^2+(b-d)^2), Abstandsbaustein**

F1 F2 F3 F4 F5 F6  
 Algebra Calc Other PrgmIO Clear: Up

- Define abstand(a, b, c, d) =  $\sqrt{(a - c)^2 + (b - d)^2}$  Done
- abstand(5, 3, 5, 7) 4
- $x^2 \rightarrow f(x)$  Done
- solve( $\frac{d}{dx}(\text{abstand}(5, 3, x, f(x))) = 0, x$ )  
x = 1.94551

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MAIN RAD AUTO FUNC 11/12

Solution of the  
 $x^2$ -group

F1 F2 F3 F4 F5 F6  
 Algebra Calc Other PrgmIO Clear: Up

- $\sqrt{(a - c)^2 + (b - d)^2} \rightarrow \text{abstand}(a, b, c, d)$  Done
- $\sin(x) \rightarrow f(x)$  Done
- solve( $\frac{d}{dx}(\text{abstand}(5, 3, x, f(x))) = 0, x$ )  
↳ = 5 or  $(\sin(x))^2 - 6 \cdot \sin(x) + x \cdot (x - 10) = 0$
- $\text{abstand}(5, 3, x, f(x)), x = 0, x$

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MAIN RAD APPROX FUNC ???

Solution of the  
 $\sin(x)$ -group (first trial)

The calculator screen shows the following steps:

- F1**: Algebra **F2**: Calc **F3**: Other **F4**: PrgmIO **F5**: Clean Up
- $\blacksquare \sqrt{4 - (x - 9)^2} + 6 \rightarrow f(x)$  Done
- $\blacksquare \text{solve}\left(\frac{d}{dx}(\text{abstand}(5, 3, x, f(x))) = 0, x\right)$   $x = 10.6$
- $\blacksquare -\sqrt{4 - (x - 9)^2} + 6 \rightarrow f(x)$  Done
- $\blacksquare \text{solve}\left(\frac{d}{dx}(\text{abstand}(5, 3, x, f(x))) = 0, x\right)$
- $\text{abstand}(5, 3, x, f(x)), x = 0, x$

MAIN RAD APPROX FUNC 4/7

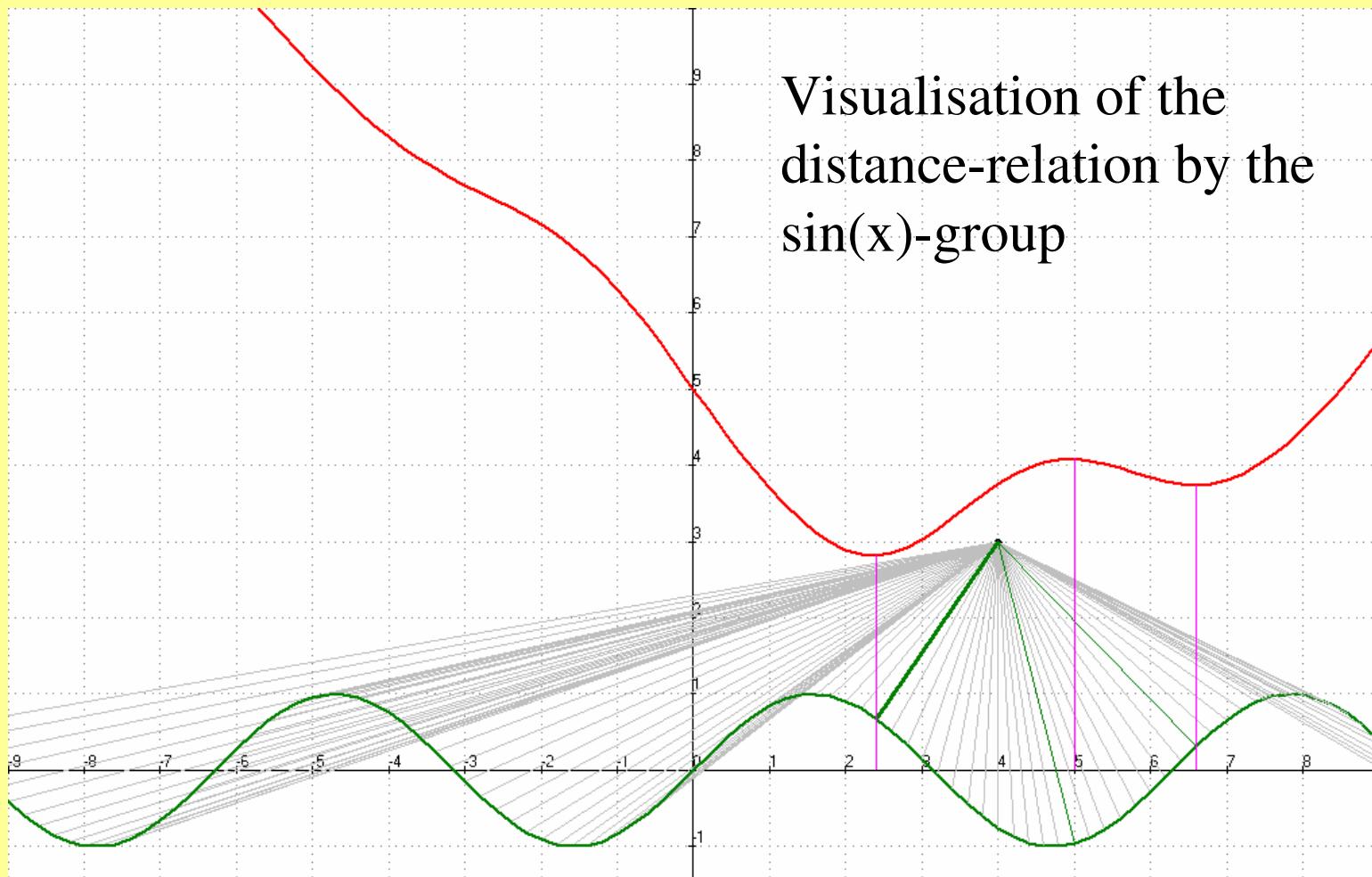
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- $\blacksquare \text{solve}\left(\frac{d}{dx}(\text{abstand}(5, 3, x, f(x))) = 0, x\right)$   $x = 7.4$
- $\blacksquare \text{solve}\left(\frac{d}{dx}\left((5 - x)^2 + (3 - \sin(x))^2\right) = 0, x\right)$
- $x = 6.92452 \text{ or } x = 4.61617 \text{ or } x = 2.69116$

MAIN RAD APPROX FUNC 8/30

## Solution of the circle-group

Hinweis: Die Kreisgruppe hatte sofort erkannt, dass sie ihre Aufgabe ohne Differentialrechnung auf elementare Weise lösen konnte. Eine solche Lösung wurde von der Gruppe auch vorgetragen. Die erhaltenen Ergebnisse wurden erst später durch die hier dokumentierte Bausteinlösung bestätigt.



[Abstandsberechnung-sin-mit-Baustein.pl2](#)

## A summary of the results

Funktion	D(min) minimaler Abstand	x(min)	y(min)
$\sin(x)$ Trigonometrische Funktion	3.077	6.92452 (4.61617), (2.69116) diese Werte kommen nicht in Frage	0.598
$2^x$ Exponentialfunktion	3.161	2.02	4.059
$x = 2\cos(x) + 9$ $y = 2\sin(x) + 6$ Kreis	3	7.4 (10.6)	4.8
$(x+1)/(x+4)$ Gebrochen-rationale Funktion	2.332	5.0847, rechter Ast, (-4.76662), x-Wert für den kürzesten Abstand zum linken Ast	0.6698

## The general way of solution

Prinzipiell können alle Abstandsaufgaben der Art “kürzester Abstand Punkt  $P(a,b)$  zum Graphen von  $y = f(x)$ ” mit den folgenden Bausteinen bearbeitet werden:

- (1)  $\text{SQRT}((a-c)^2 + (b-d)^2) \rightarrow \text{abstand}(a,b,c,d)$
- (2) Funktionsterm  $\rightarrow f(x)$
- (3)  $\text{SOLVE}(d/dx(\text{abstand}(a,b,x,f(x))), x = 0, x)$

Dabei müssen Sonderfälle beachtet werden.

Diese Sonderfälle betreffen z. B. die Lage des Punktes  $P(a,b)$  und die Art der Funktionen bzw. Relationen. Auch lässt sich die Lösung manchmal auch elementarer finden.

# Das Bausteindreieck

## grundlegende Informationen über das Bausteinprinzip

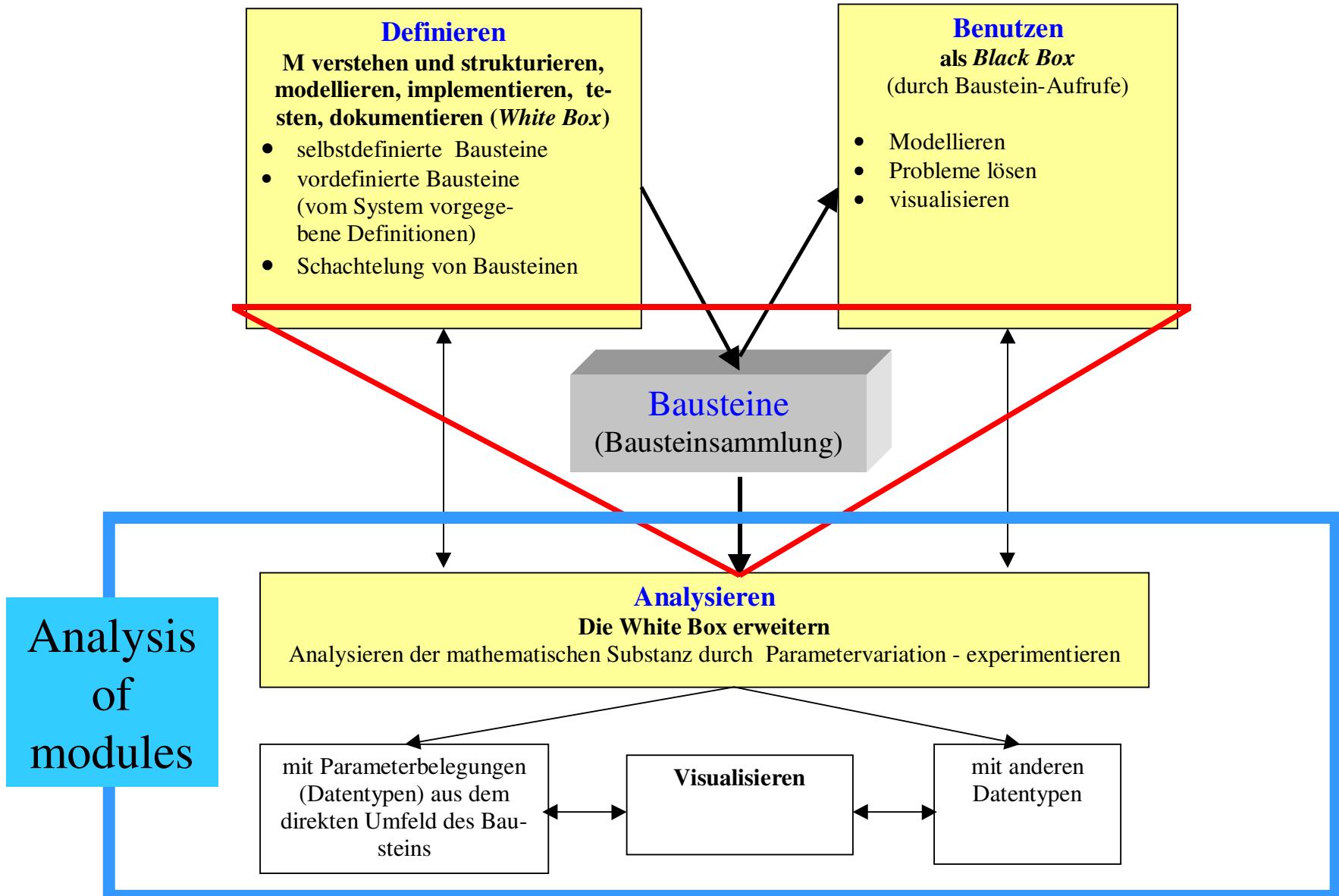


Abb. Das Bausteindreieck: Definieren, Benutzen, Analysieren

# Analysis of the distance-module!

$$\sqrt{(x_a - x_b)^2 + (y_a - y_b)^2} \rightarrow \text{abstand}(x_a, y_a, x_b, y_b)$$

abstand(1,4,3,7)

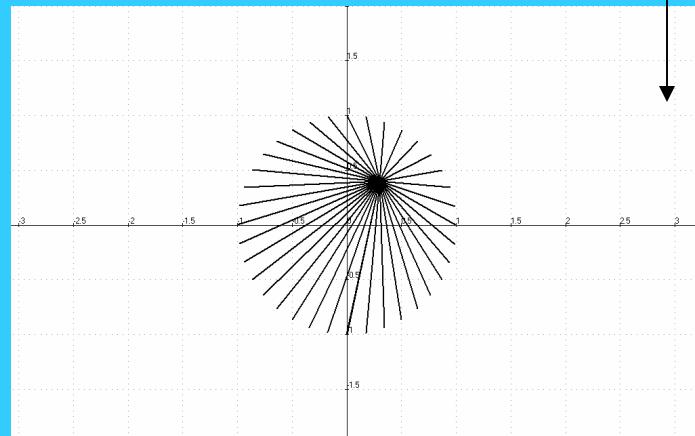
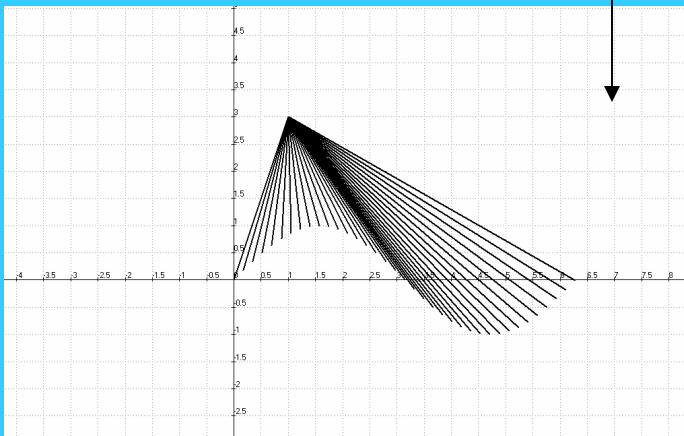
abstand(x, 2x+1, x, sin(x))

abstand(1,3, x, 2x+1)

abstand(x, cos(x), x, sin(x))

abstand(1,3, x, sin(x))

abstand(0.3, 0.4, sin(x),cos(x))



**Solve problems by module-link-up**

SOLVE(d/dx(abstand(a,b,x,f(x))), x) = 0, x)

**Define binobau(a,b,n) =  $(a+b)^n$**

Binobau(1,1,10)  
Zahlenrechnen  
Potenzrechnung

Expand(binobau(a,b,2))  
Expand(binobau(a,-b,2))  
1. und 2. binomische  
Formel

Expand(binobau(a,b,n) | n=/2,3,4,5}  
binomische Formeln / Pascalsches  
Dreieck

binobau(x,1,2)  
Funktionen im R2

binobau(x, sin(x), 2)

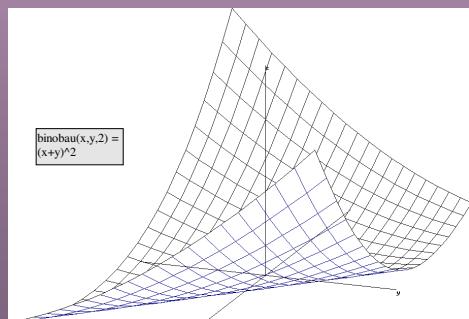
binobau(x,y,2)  
Flächen im Raum

binobau(c+di,0,2)  
binobau(2+i, i, 2)  
Rechnen mit  
komplexen Zahlen

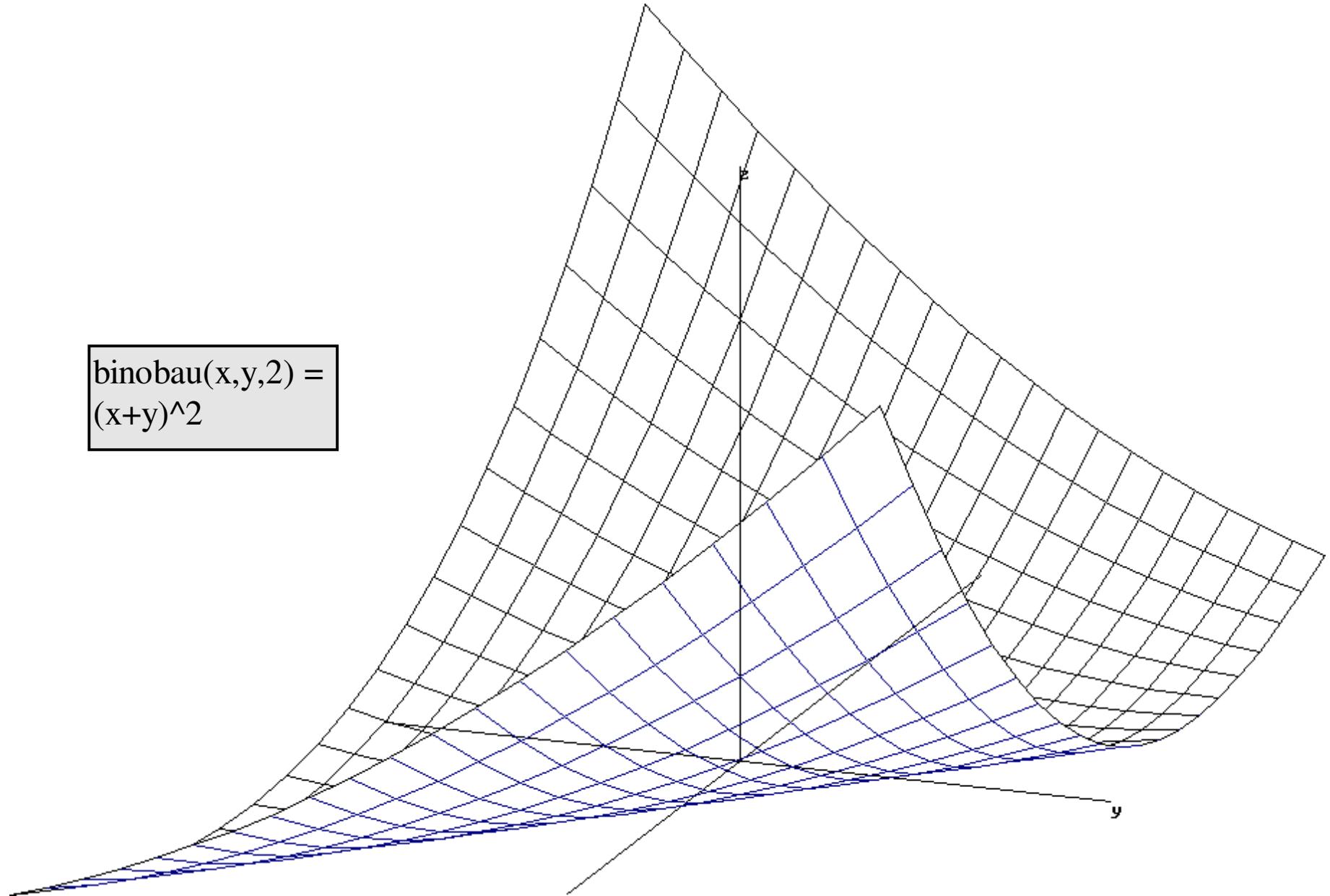
binobau(mata,matb,2)  
Rechnen mit quadrat.  
Matrizen

binobau (binobau (a,1,2),b, 3)  
Schachteln von Bausteinen  
 $((a+1)^2+b)^3$

## Analysis of the binom-module



$$\text{binobau}(x,y,2) = (x+y)^2$$



# Analysis of the module

,,Difference quotient“

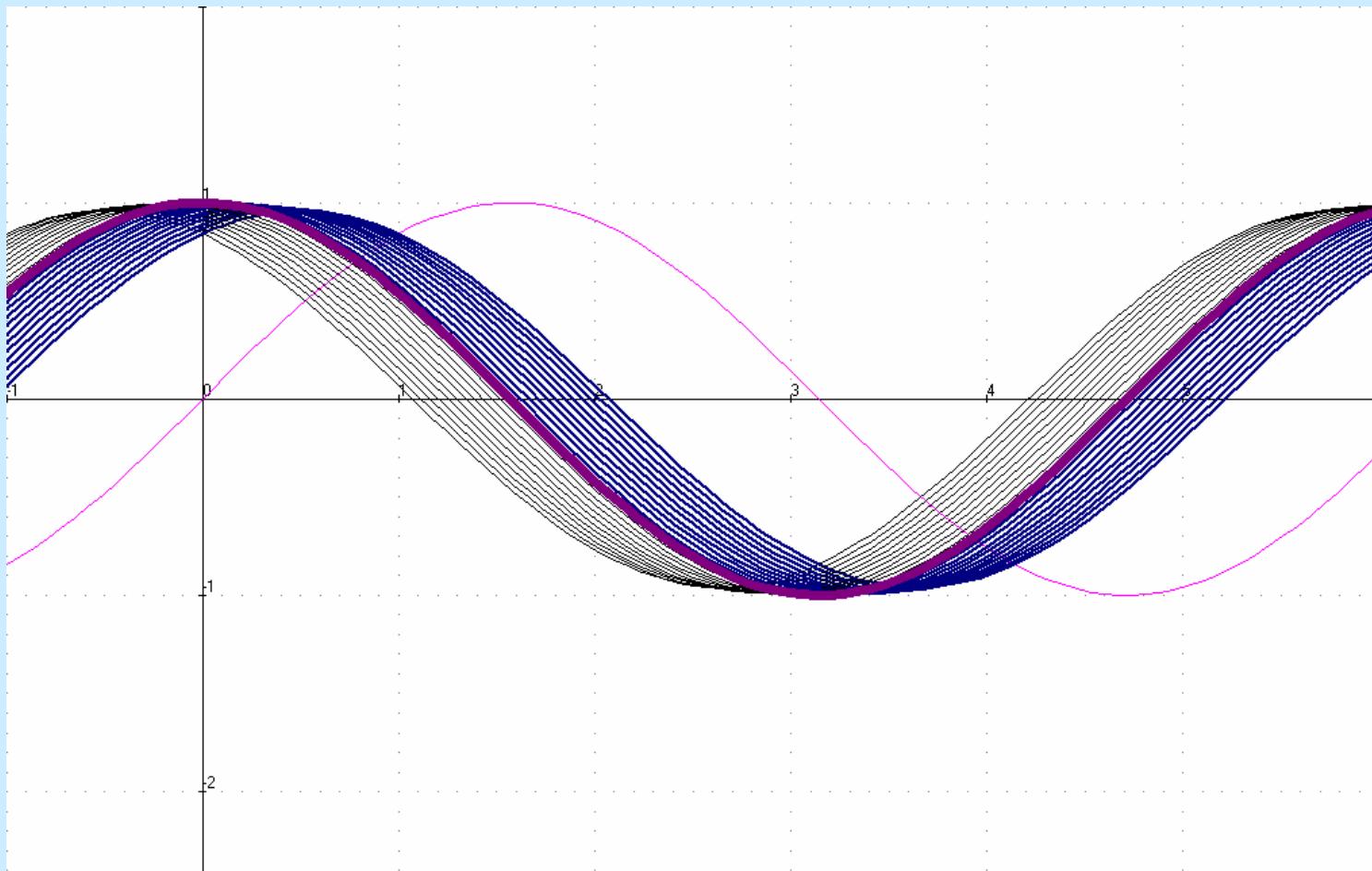
$$(f(x+h)-f(x)) / h \rightarrow dq(x,h)$$

for example  $\sin(x) \rightarrow f(x)$

**dq(x,h)**

this is the function

$$dq(x,h) = (\sin(x+h)-\sin(x)) / h$$



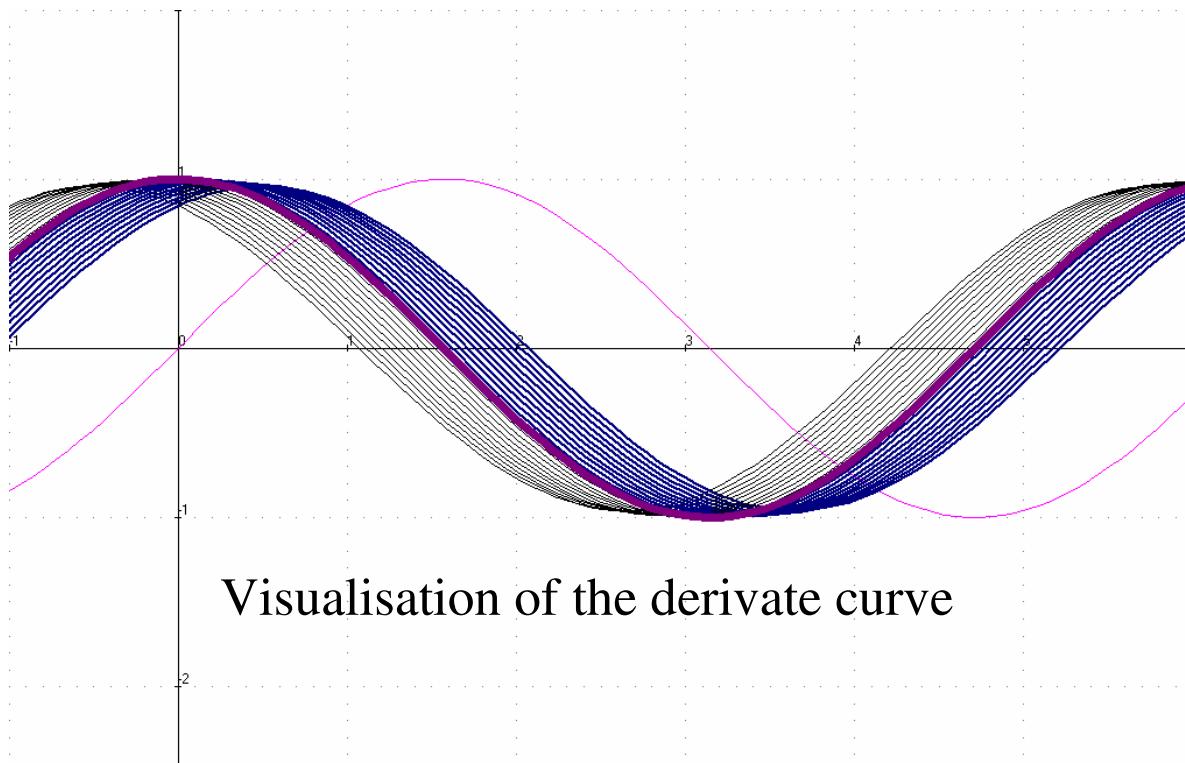
[ANIMATO: Diffq-sin-links-rechts.pl2](#)

# Analysis of the module

$$(f(x+h)-f(x)) / h \rightarrow dq(x,h)$$

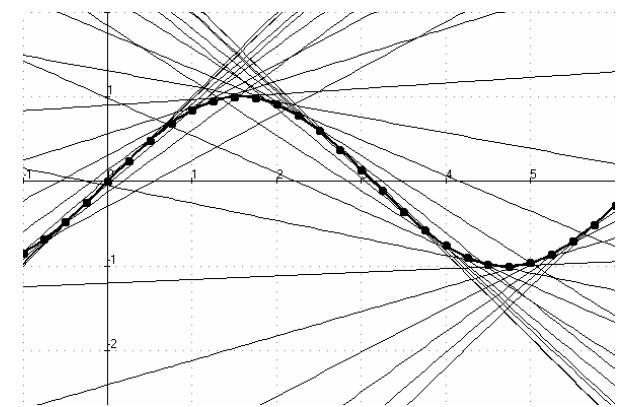
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Visualisation of the derivate curve

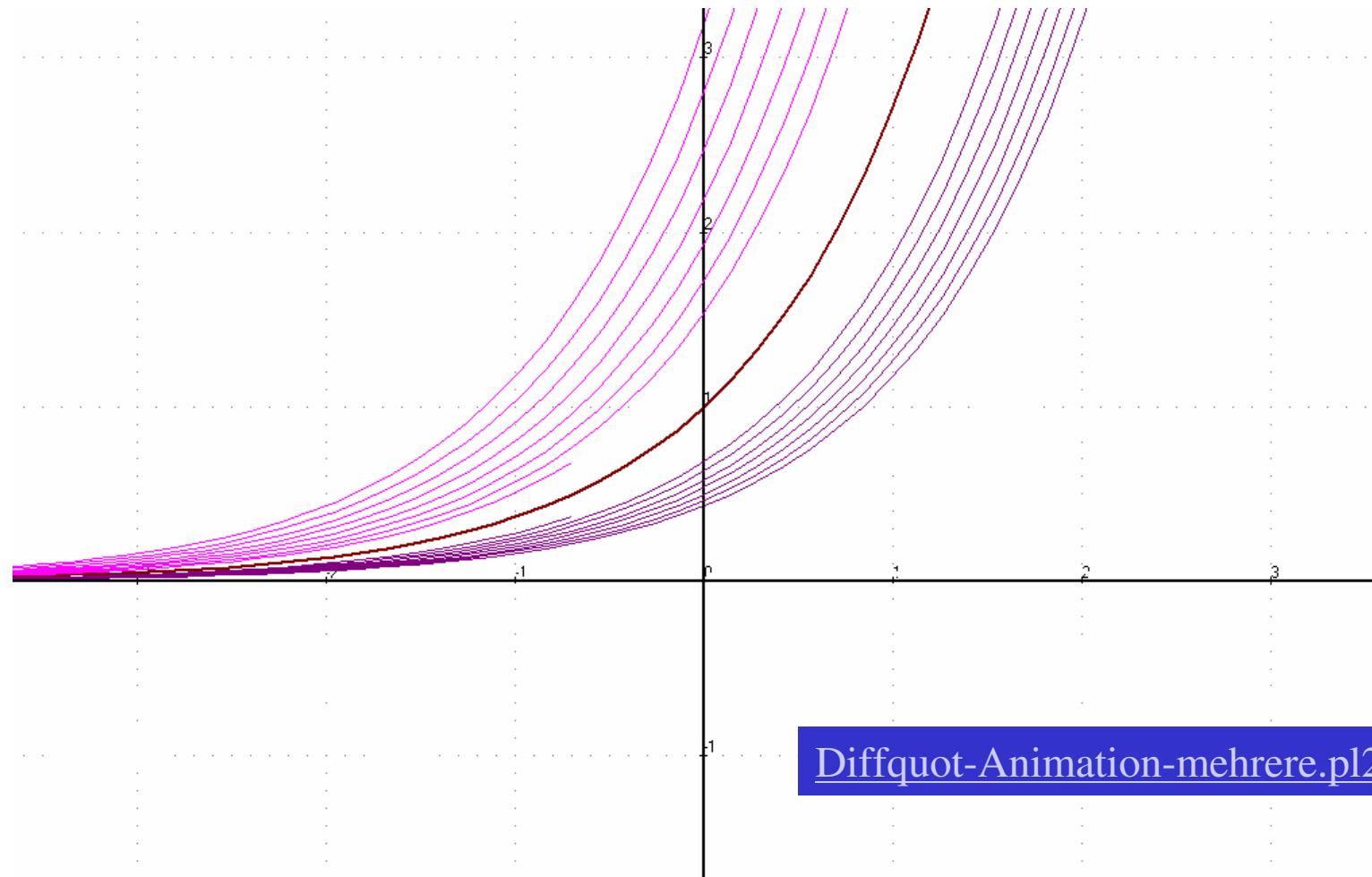
## Two main applications



wrapped curve

`line(x,dq(u,0.01),u,sin(u))`  
Lines between the points  
( $u, \sin(u)$ ) and ( $u+1, \sin(u+1)$ )  
step  $h=1$       **many tangents**

# Animation des Übergangs vom Differenzenquotienten zur Ableitung



[Diffquot-Animation-mehrere.pl2](#)

## Differenzen-Quotient-Demo

Es wird für mehrere Funktion die Annäherung an die Ableitungsfunktion demonstriert

f2:  $\sin(a)$

f3:  $(f2(t+u)-f2(t))/u$

f4:  $(f2(t-u)-f2(t))/(-u)$

f5:  $\cos(t)$

f7:  $e^a$

f8:  $(f7(t+u)-f7(t))/u$

f9:  $(f7(t-u)-f7(t))/(-u)$

f10:  $e^t$

f12:  $a^3$

f13:  $(f12(t+u)-f12(t))/u$

f14:  $(f12(t-u)-f12(t))/(-u)$

f15:  $3t^2$

f17:  $\text{int}(x), 0$  Nachziehen der Achsen

f18:  $0, \text{int}(x)$

Die dahinter stehende  
Mathematik

## Further examples B (short)



## Modules of modules

**VECTOR(dif(SIN(x)^n, x), n, 1, 6, 1)**

[COS(x), 2·SIN(x)·COS(x), 3·SIN(x)^2·COS(x),  
4·SIN(x)^3·COS(x), 5·SIN(x)^4·COS(x), 6·SIN(x)^5·COS(x)]

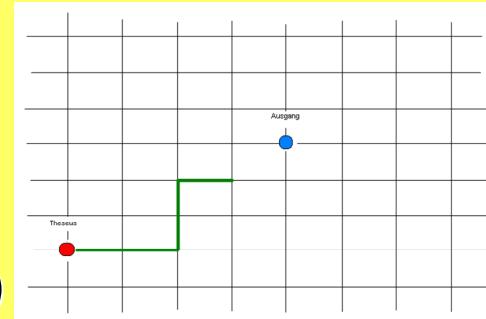
# Modules of modules (modules link up)

## Eine Folge von TI- Befehlen (statt eines Programms)

*E.Lehmann, aus einem Schülerreferat , LK von Cordula Kollotschek*

„Damit die Flucht gelingen kann, muss Theseus insgesamt 4 Mal nach rechts und 3 Mal nach oben abbiegen. - Statt „ Kopf “ und „ Zahl “ werden wir mit dem TI die Zahlen 0 und 1 als mögliche Ergebnisse eines Münzwurfs benutzen. Für unser Beispiel soll 1 bedeuten, dass in x-Richtung und 0, dass in y-Richtung gegangen wird.“

- Rand(2)-1
  - Seq(rand(2)-1,i,1,7)
  - Sum(Seq(rand(2)-1,i,1,7))
  - Sum(Seq(rand(2)-1,i,1,7)) → einsen(i)
  - When(einsen(i)=4,1,0) → erfolg (i)
  - Sum(Seq(erfolg (i),i,1,100))
- 
- Sum(Seq(when(sum(Seq(rand(2)-1,i,1,7)) = 4,1,0), i, 1, 100))
- „Wer schreibfaul ist und alles in einem Schritt eingeben möchte, braucht nur diesen Befehl einzugeben und es werden alle Befehle auf einmal ausgeführt!“



# A magic-square-module

Let  $a, b, c$  independent variables, then

the algebraic for a magic square becomes

$$\text{mat } (a,b,c) := \begin{bmatrix} c-b & c+a+b & c-a \\ c-a+b & c & c+a-b \\ c+a & c-a-b & c+b \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{array}{ccc} 3 & 8 & 1 \\ 2 & 4 & 6 \\ 7 & 0 & 5 \end{array}$$

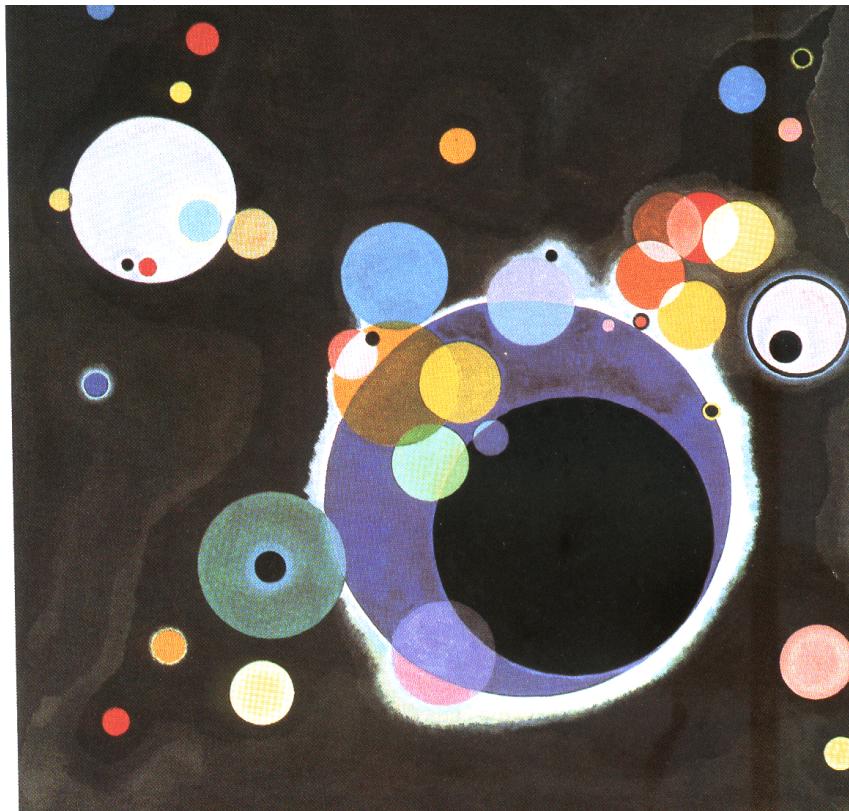
## Experiences with the magic-square-module

`mat(a, b, c) := [c - b, a + b + c, c - a; -a + b + c, c, a - b + c; a + c, -a - b + c, b + c]`

**VECTOR(mat(a, b, c)<sup>k</sup>, k, 1, 5)·[1; 1; 1]** What's about the matrice-powers?  
Are they magic too?

<code>mat<sup>1</sup></code>	<code>[[3·c, 3·c, 3·c];</code>	sums of the rows of matrice-power
<code>mat<sup>2</sup></code>	<code>[9·c<sup>2</sup>, 9·c<sup>2</sup>, 9·c<sup>2</sup>];</code>	do the same for the columns
<code>mat<sup>3</sup></code>	<code>[27·c<sup>3</sup>, 27·c<sup>3</sup>, 27·c<sup>3</sup>];</code>	do the same for the diagonales
<code>mat<sup>4</sup></code>	<code>[81·c<sup>4</sup>, 81·c<sup>4</sup>, 81·c<sup>4</sup>];</code>	
<code>mat<sup>5</sup></code>	<code>[243·c<sup>5</sup>, 243·c<sup>5</sup>, 243·c<sup>5</sup>]]</code>	

## Kandinskybild als Hintergrund



Kandinsky-Kreise-  
Bausteine.pl2

## Die dahinter stehende Mathematik

f1: t

f2:  $\sin(t)+3.5, \cos(t)-3$

f3:  $3.4*\sin(t)+3.5, 3.4*\cos(t)-3$

f4:  $v*\sin(t)+3.5, v*\cos(t)-3$

ein Kreis

noch ein Kreis

Kreisscheibe

**f6:  $a*\cos(b*t)+c$**

**circle-module**

**f7:  $a*\sin(b*t)+c$**

f8: f6(3.4,1,3.5),f7(3.4,1,-3)

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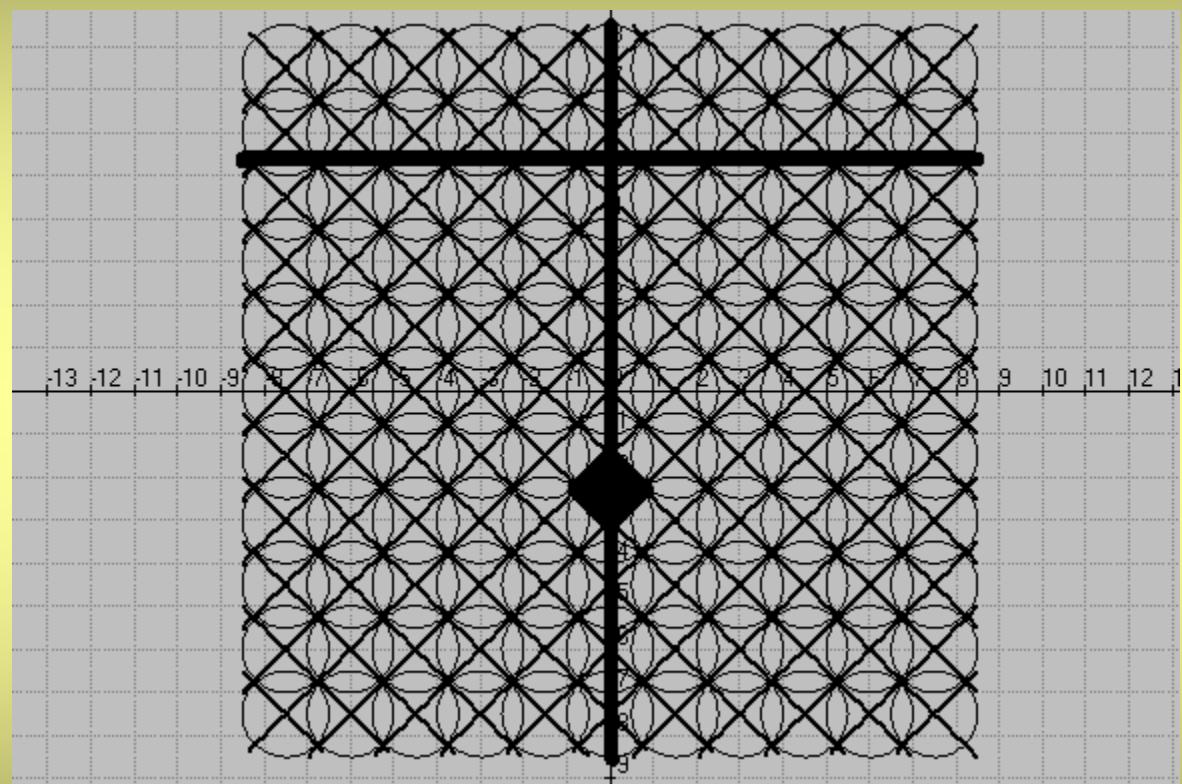
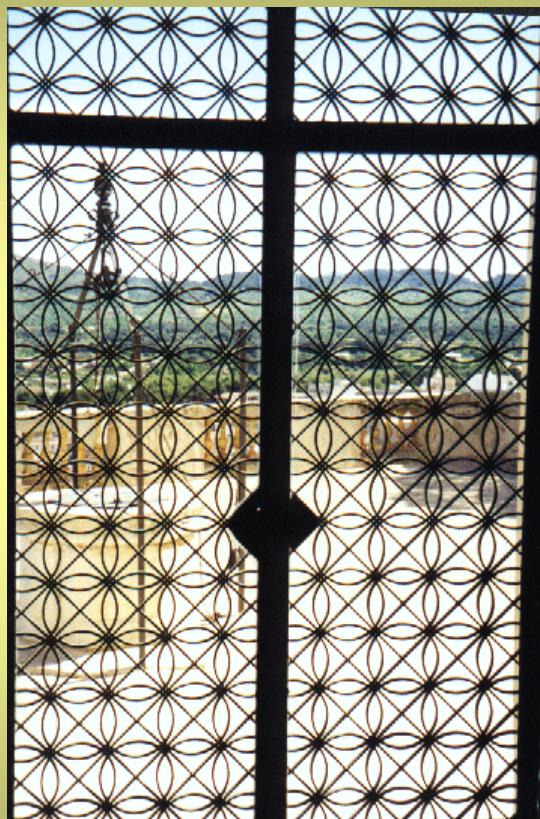
f9: -6.2,5.2

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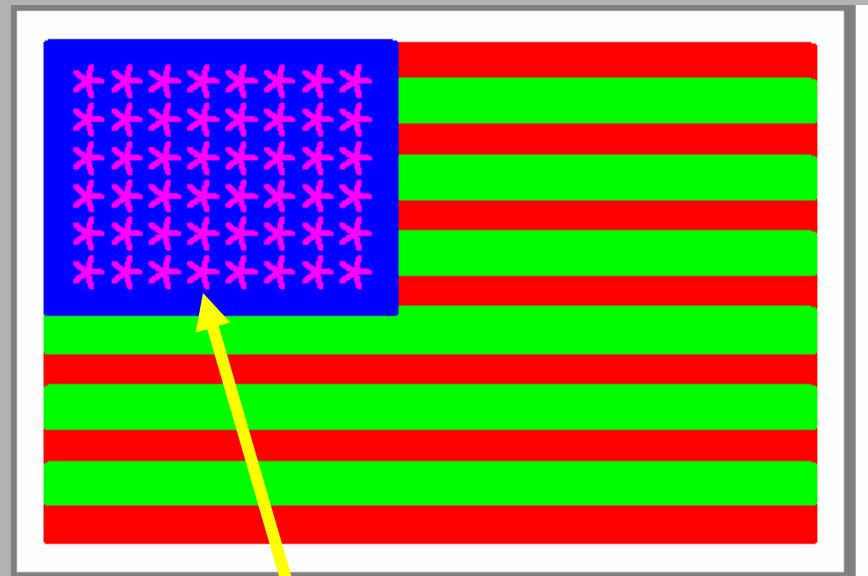
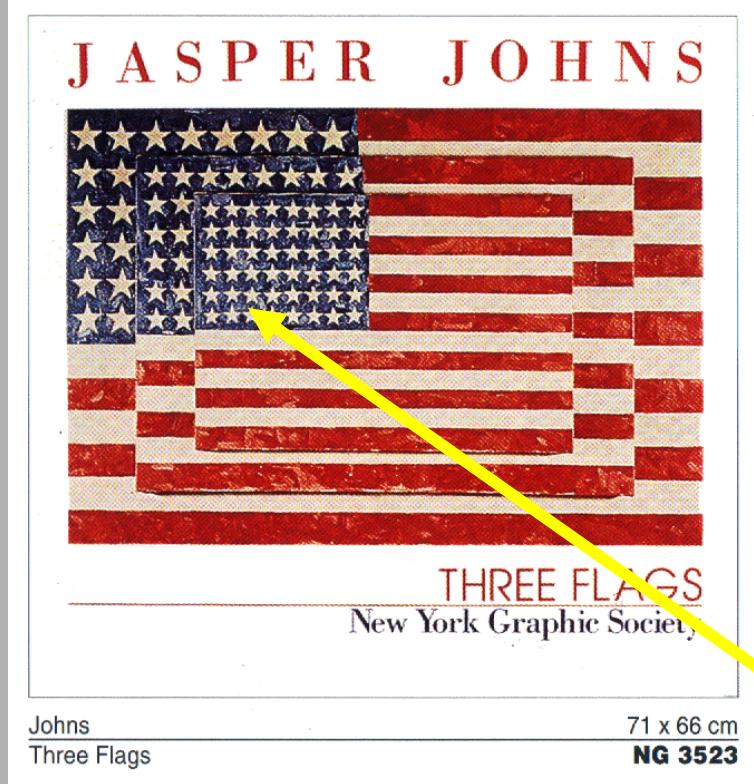
f10: f6(v,1,-6.2),f7(v,1,5.2)

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Some problems – solved with modules:



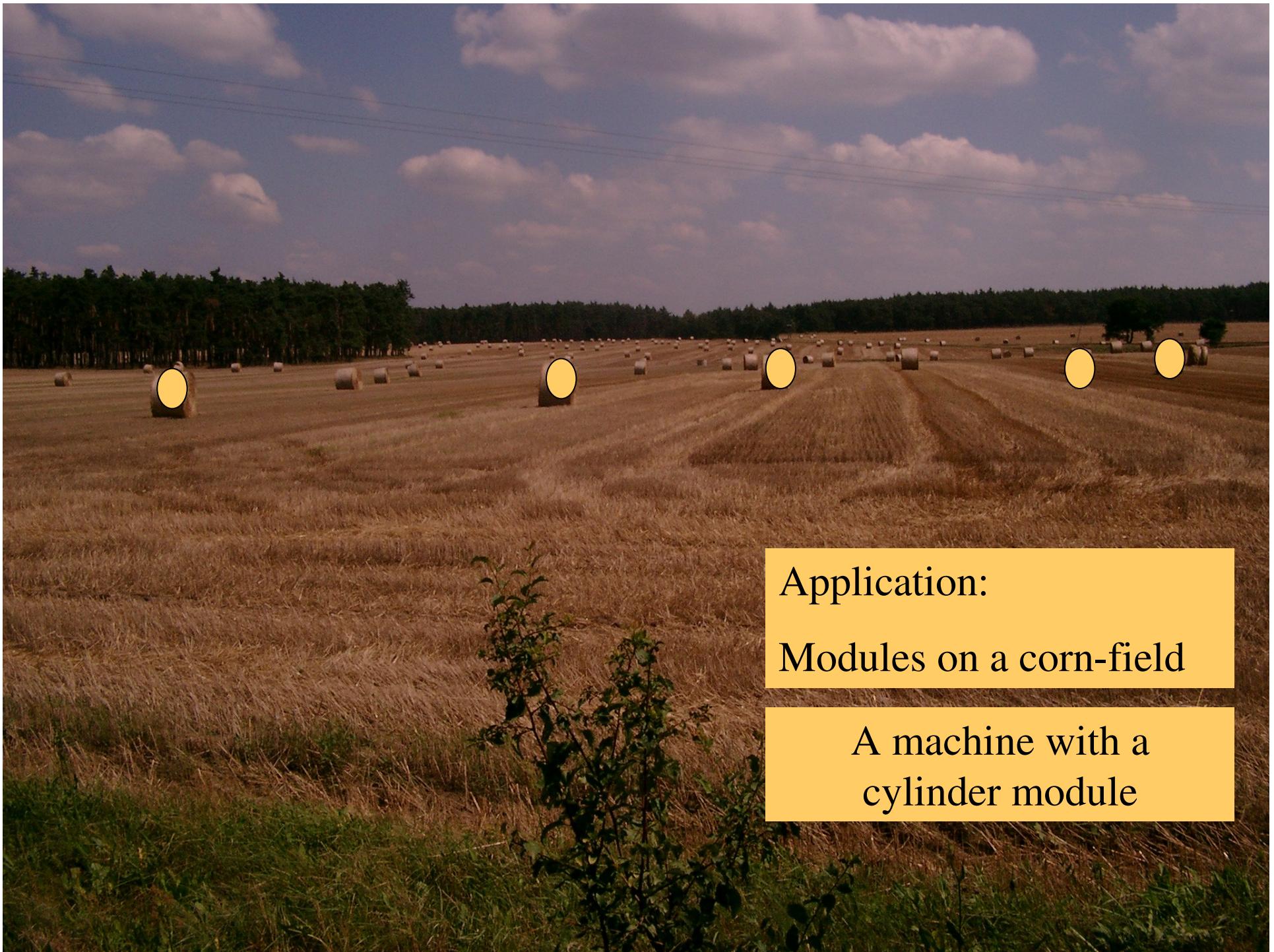
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Das ruft nach  
Parametern!

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Application:  
Modules on a corn-field

A machine with a  
cylinder module

2002

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# Mathematik- unterricht mit Parametern

in der Sekundarstufe I

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Mit zahlreiche U-Beispielen

And some essays in magazines PM, MNU, MU

## Opinions of my students concerning the use of modules

With a module you can solve a wide field of problems much faster.

Solve problems by changing the values.

Modules are tools to compress a mathematical field.

There are many software-systems where you can work with tools like procedures and modules and their parameters. This is important to find economic and elegant solutions for your problems.

Using modules you have a look at all variables.

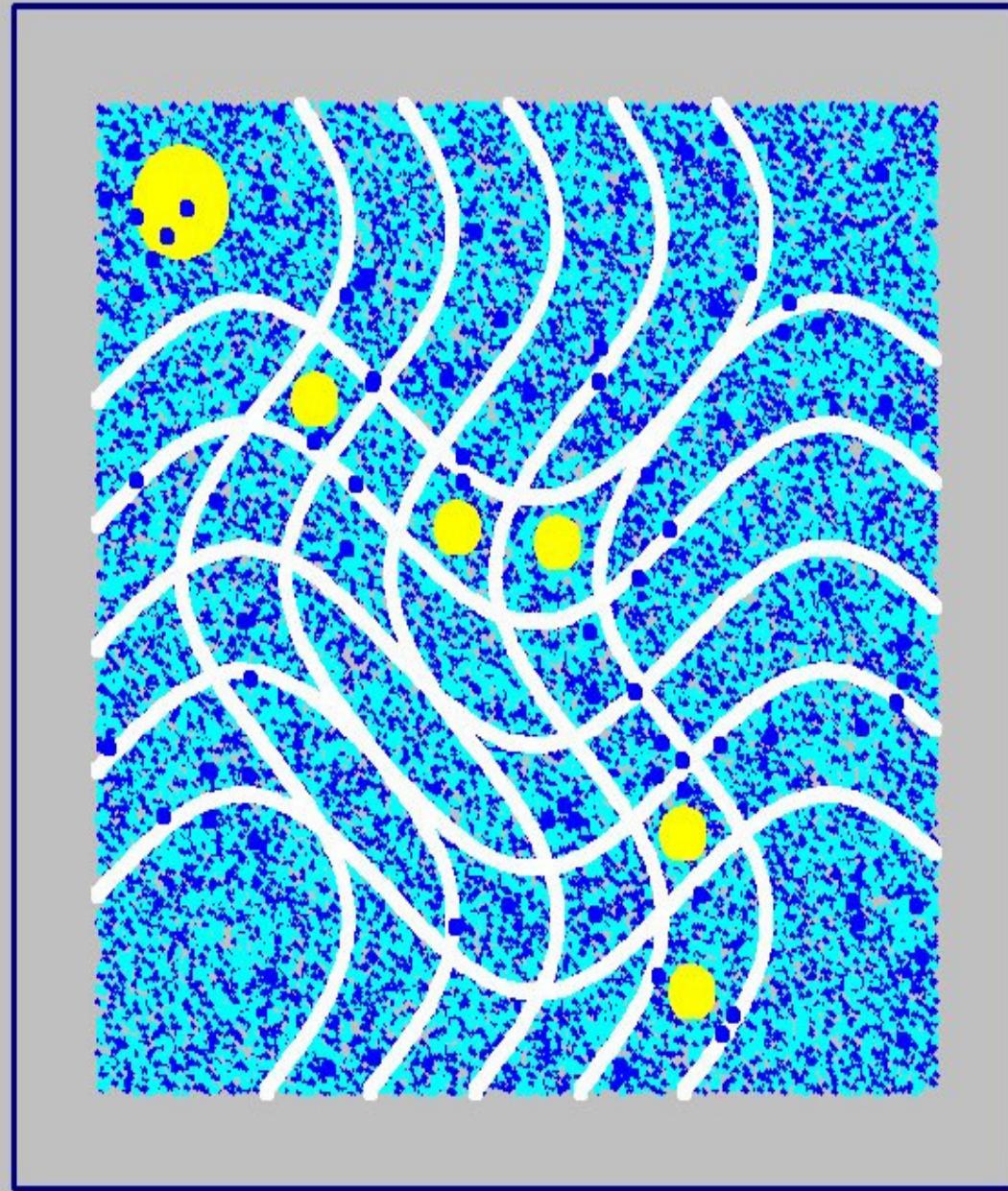
Investigate the effect of a parameter!

With modules we can explore in a wonderful way.

The module-principle favors the generalisation of calculations and solutions.

**Warning! Don't lose the look on the mathematical term.**

**STOP**



I hope you are convinced from

**the power of modules**

**Use the system-modules or your own  
modules to simplify your work!**

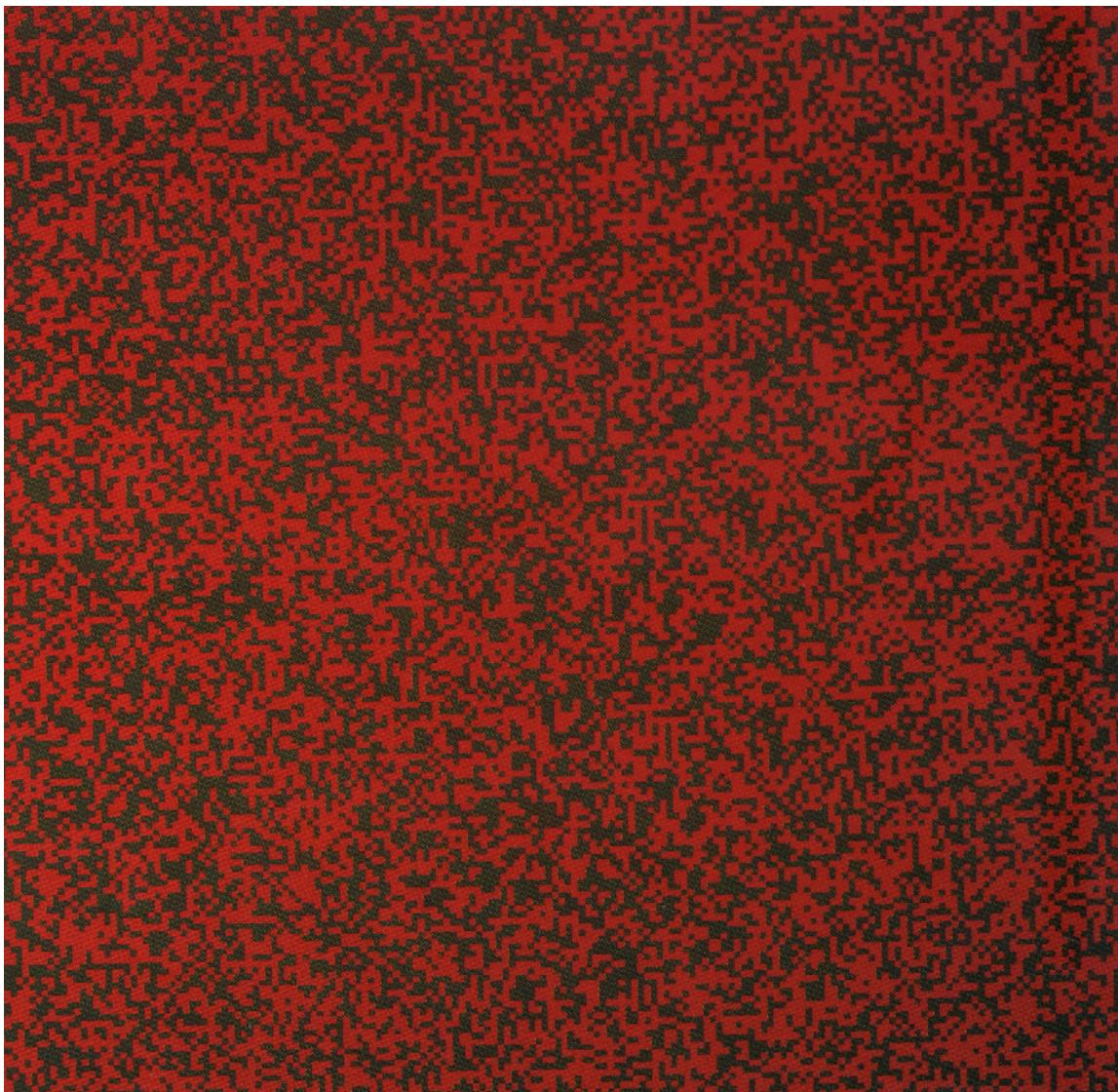
**Analyse modules for better understanding  
of mathematic!**

**Use modules to find general solutions!**

**The users of computers need modular  
competence!**

**Thank you! – Dr. Eberhard Lehmann, Berlin 2006**

# Francois Morellet: A square of random-numbers



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