



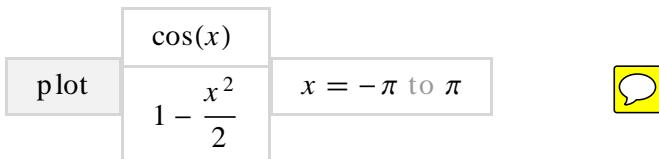
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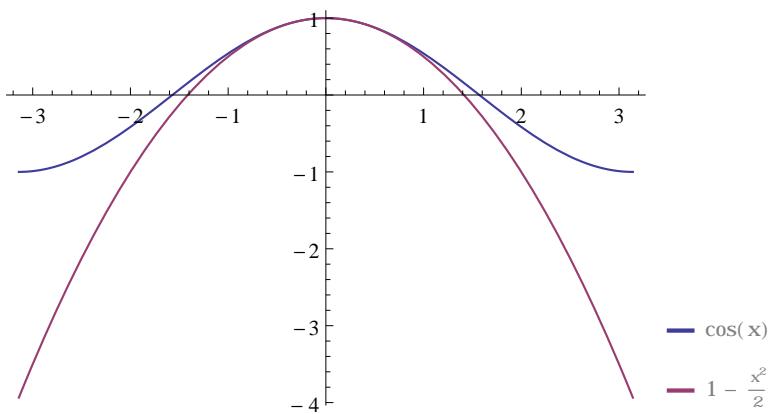
plot $\cos(x)$, $1 - \frac{x^2}{2}$, $x = -\pi.. \pi$



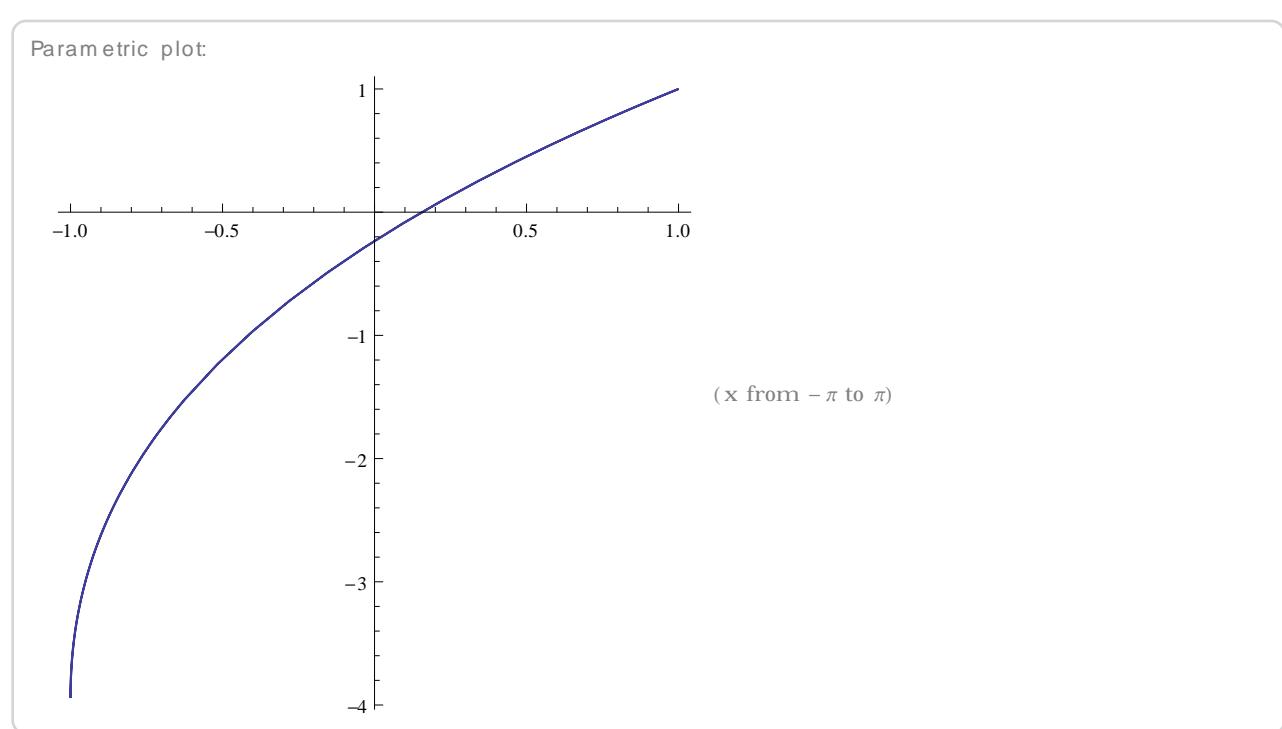
Input interpretation:



Plot:



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max cos(x) - (1 - x^2/2), when -pi <= x <= pi



Input interpretation:

maximize

function

$$\cos(x) - \left(1 - \frac{x^2}{2}\right)$$



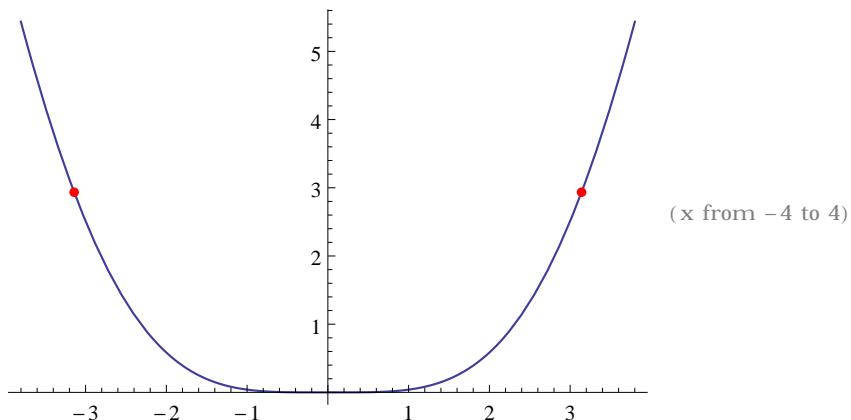
domain

$$-\pi \leq x \leq \pi$$

Global maxima:

$$\max\left\{\cos(x) - \left(1 - \frac{x^2}{2}\right) \mid -\pi \leq x \leq \pi\right\} = \frac{1}{2}(\pi^2 - 4) \text{ at } x = -\pi$$

Plot:



max cos(x)-(1-x^2/2), when -pi<=x<=pi

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Input interpretation:

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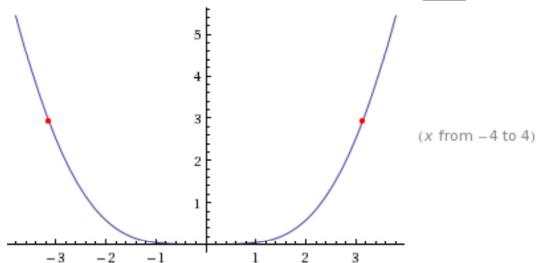
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[Approximate form](#)

$$\max\left\{\cos(x) - \left(1 - \frac{x^2}{2}\right) \mid -\pi \leq x \leq \pi\right\} = \frac{1}{2}(\pi^2 - 4) \text{ at } x = \pi$$

Plot:



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int cos(x)-(1-x^2/2),x=-pi..pi

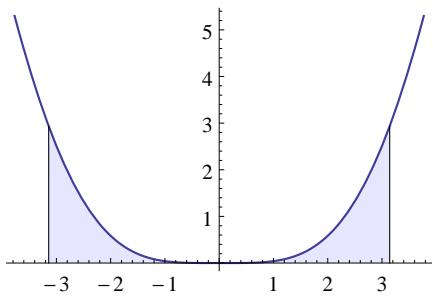


Definite integral:

$$\int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \left(\cos(x) - \left(1 - \frac{x^2}{2} \right) \right) dx = \frac{1}{3} \pi (\pi^2 - 6) \approx 4.05224$$



Visual representation of the integral:



Riemann sums:

left sum	$\frac{1}{3} \pi \left(\pi^2 \left(\frac{2}{n^2} + 1 \right) - 6 \right) = \left(\frac{\pi^3}{3} - 2\pi \right) + \frac{2\pi^3}{3n^2} + O\left(\left(\frac{1}{n}\right)^4\right)$
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(assuming n subintervals of equal length)