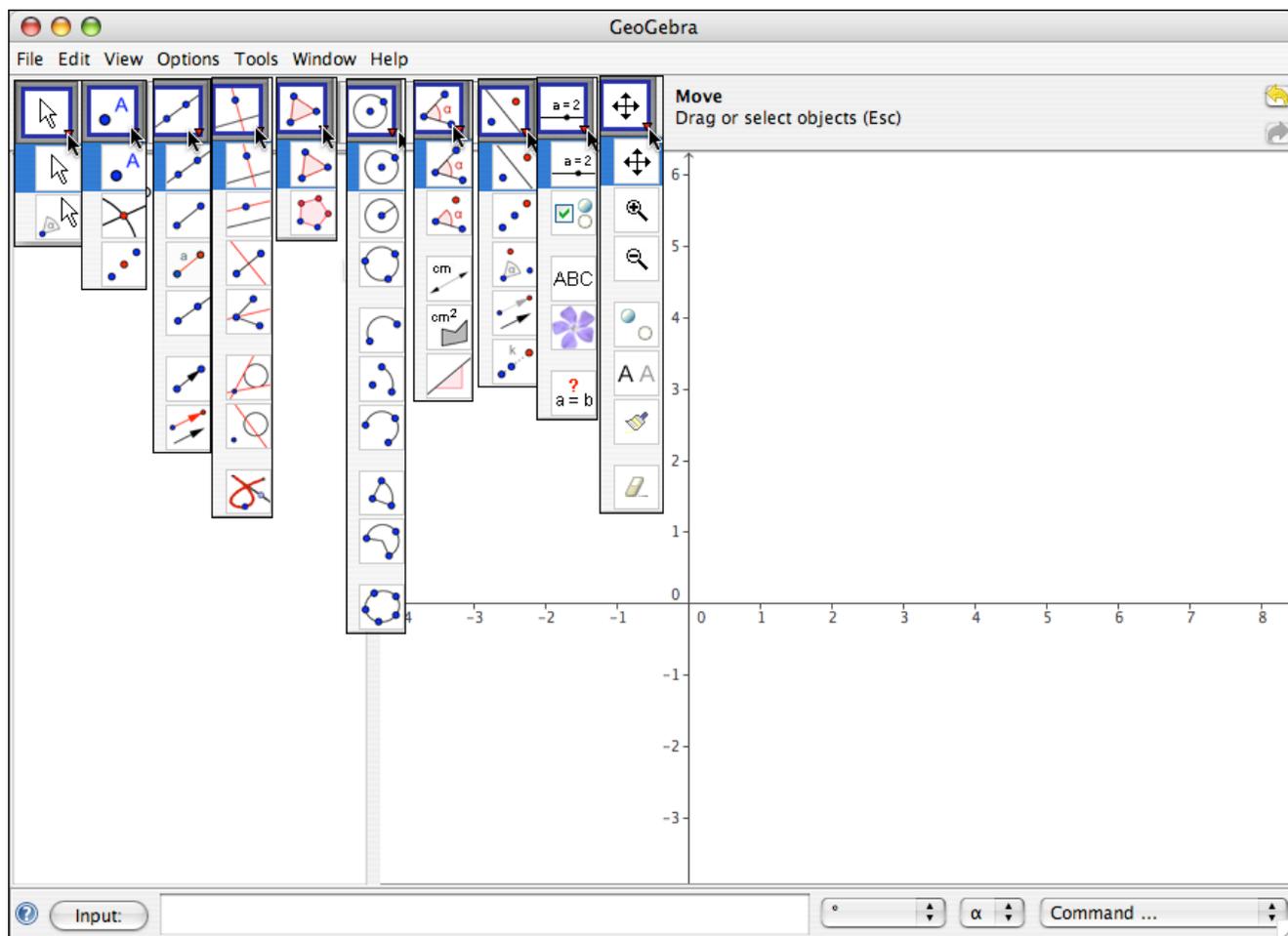


## An overview of the functionality of GeoGebra



Many of the geometric object can be created using the icon menus. The composite picture above shows the icons in the pictures. Most are clear enough to understand from the icon. The next page shows each menu along with the text descriptions that accompany the icons.

GeoGebra also has more algebraic commands available from the input line. (The commands invoked by the icons each have text based versions.) I have organized some of those common courses in the pages that follow.

 Move

 Rotate around point

 New Point

 Intersect two objects

 Midpoint or center

 Polygon

 Regular polygon

 Angle

 Angle with given size

 Distance or length

 Area

 Slope

 Perpendicular line

 Parallel line

 Line bisector

 Angular bisector

 Tangents

 Polar or diameter line

 Locus

 Move drawing pad

 Zoom in

 Zoom out

 Show / hide object

 Show / hide label

 Copy visual style

 Delete object

 Line through two points

 Segment between two points

 Segment with given length from point

 Ray through two points

 Vector between two points

 Vector from point

 Mirror object at line

 Mirror object at point

 Rotate object around point by angle

 Translate object by vector

 Dilate object from point by factor

 Slider

 Check box to show and hide objects

 Insert text

 Insert image

 Relation between two objects

 Circle with center through point

 Circle with center and radius

 Circle through three points

 Semicircle through two points

 Circular arc with center through two points

 Circumcircular arc through three points

 Circular sector with center through two points

 Circumcircular sector through three points

 Conic through five points

## GeoGebra Commands of interest for conic sections

### General

$x(P)$ ,  $y(P)$

### Parametric curves

Curve[expression e1, expression e2, parameter t, number a, number b]:

### Conics - construction

Conic[point A, point B, point C, point D, point E]: Conic section through five points *A*, *B*, *C*, *D*, and *E*. **Note:** No four of the points lie on one line.

Circle[point M, number r]: Circle with midpoint *M* and radius *r*

Circle[point M, segment s]: Circle with midpoint *M* and radius equal to *Length[s]*

Circle[point M, point A]: Circle with midpoint *M* through point *A*

Circle[point A, point B, point C]: Circle through three points *A*, *B* and *C*

Ellipse[point F, point G, number a]: Ellipse with focal points *F* and *G* and principal axis length *a*. **Note:** Condition:  $2a > \text{Distance}[F, G]$

Ellipse[point F, point G, segment s]: Ellipse with focal points *F* and *G* where the length of the principal axis equals the length of segment *s* ( $a = \text{Length}[s]$ ).

Hyperbola[point F, point G, number a]: Hyperbola with focal points *F* and *G* and principal axis length *a*. **Note:** Condition:  $0 < 2a < \text{Distance}[F, G]$

Hyperbola[point F, point G, segment s]: Hyperbola with focal points *F* and *G* where the length of the principal axis equals the length of segment *s* ( $a = \text{Length}[s]$ )

Parabola[point F, line g]: Parabola with focal point *F* and directrix *g*

### Conics – Related information

Asymptote[hyperbola h]: Both asymptotes of a hyperbola *h*

Tangent[point A, conic c]: (All) tangents through point *A* to conic section *c*

Tangent[line g, conic c]: (All) tangents to conic section *c* that are parallel to line *g*

Directrix[parabola p]: Directrix of a parabola *p*

Excentricity[conic c]: Excentricity of a conic section *c*

FirstAxis[conic c]: Principal axis of a conic section *c*

FirstAxisLength[conic c]: Length of a conic section *c*'s principal axis

SecondAxis[conic c]: Second axis of a conic section *c*

SecondAxisLength[conic c]: Length of a conic section *c*'s second axis

Vertex[conic c]: (All) vertices of a conic section *c*

Diameter[line g, conic c]: Diameter conjugate to line *g* relative to conic section *c*

Diameter[vector v, conic c]: Diameter with direction vector *v* relative to conic section

*c*

## GeoGebra Commands of interest for college algebra/pre-calculus

### General

$x(P)$ ,  $y(P)$

### Polynomial investigation

$$f(x) = x^3 - 3x^2 + 1$$

$R = \text{Root}[\text{polynomial } f]$ : All roots of polynomial  $f$  (as points)

### Parametric curves

$\text{Curve}[\text{expression } e1, \text{expression } e2, \text{parameter } t, \text{number } a, \text{number } b]$ :

$\text{Asymptote}[\text{hyperbola } h]$ : Both asymptotes of a hyperbola  $h$

$\text{Centroid}[\text{polygon } poly]$ : Centroid of a polygon  $poly$

$\text{Circle}[\text{point } M, \text{number } r]$ : Circle with midpoint  $M$  and radius  $r$

$\text{Circle}[\text{point } M, \text{segment } s]$ : Circle with midpoint  $M$  and radius equal to  $\text{Length}[s]$

$\text{Circle}[\text{point } M, \text{point } A]$ : Circle with midpoint  $M$  through point  $A$

$\text{Circle}[\text{point } A, \text{point } B, \text{point } C]$ : Circle through three points  $A$ ,  $B$  and  $C$

$\text{Direction}[\text{line } g]$ : Direction vector of line  $g$ . Note: A line with equation  $ax + by = c$  has the direction vector  $(b, -a)$ .

$\text{Directrix}[\text{parabola } p]$ : Directrix of a parabola  $p$

$\text{Ellipse}[\text{point } F, \text{point } G, \text{number } a]$ : Ellipse with focal points  $F$  and  $G$  and principal axis length  $a$ . Note: Condition:  $2a > \text{Distance}[F, G]$

$\text{Ellipse}[\text{point } F, \text{point } G, \text{segment } s]$ : Ellipse with focal points  $F$  and  $G$  where the length of the principal axis equals the length of segment  $s$  ( $a = \text{Length}[s]$ ).

$\text{Excentricity}[\text{conic } c]$ : Excentricity of a conic section  $c$

$\text{FirstAxis}[\text{conic } c]$ : Principal axis of a conic section  $c$

$\text{FirstAxisLength}[\text{conic } c]$ : Length of a conic section  $c$ 's principal axis

$\text{Hyperbola}[\text{point } F, \text{point } G, \text{number } a]$ : Hyperbola with focal points  $F$  and  $G$  and principal axis length  $a$ . Note: Condition:  $0 < 2a < \text{Distance}[F, G]$

$\text{Hyperbola}[\text{point } F, \text{point } G, \text{segment } s]$ : Hyperbola with focal points  $F$  and  $G$  where the length of the principal axis equals the length of segment  $s$  ( $a = \text{Length}[s]$ )

$\text{Div}[\text{number } a, \text{number } b]$ : Integer quotient when number  $a$  is divided by number  $b$

$\text{Line}[\text{point } A, \text{point } B]$ : Line through two points  $A$  and  $B$

$\text{Line}[\text{point } A, \text{line } g]$ : Line through point  $A$  parallel to line  $g$

$\text{Line}[\text{point } A, \text{vector } v]$ : Line through point  $A$  with direction vector  $v$

$\text{Mod}[\text{number } a, \text{number } b]$ : Remainder when number  $a$  is divided by number  $b$

$\text{Parabola}[\text{point } F, \text{line } g]$ : Parabola with focal point  $F$  and directrix  $g$

$\text{SecondAxis}[\text{conic } c]$ : Second axis of a conic section  $c$

$\text{SecondAxisLength}[\text{conic } c]$ : Length of a conic section  $c$ 's second axis

$\text{Vertex}[\text{conic } c]$ : (All) vertices of a conic section  $c$

## GeoGebra Commands of interest for calculus

### General

$x(P)$ ,  $y(P)$

### Polynomial investigation

$$f(x) = x^3 - 3x^2 + 1$$

$R = \text{Root}[\text{polynomial } f]$ : All roots of polynomial  $f$  (as points)

$E = \text{Extremum}[f]$

$I = \text{InflectionPoint}[f]$

$\text{Derivative}[f]$

$\text{Derivative}[f, 2]$

### Standard Calculus

$\text{Derivative}[\text{function } f]$ : Derivative of function  $f(x)$

$\text{Derivative}[\text{function } f, \text{number } n]$ :  $n^{\text{th}}$  derivative of function  $f(x)$

$\text{Root}[\text{function } f, \text{number } a]$ : One root of function  $f$  with initial value  $a$  (Newton's method)

$\text{Root}[\text{function } f, \text{number } a, \text{number } b]$ : One root of function  $f$  on interval  $[a, b]$  (regula falsi)

$\text{Tangent}[\text{number } a, \text{function } f]$ : Tangent to function  $f(x)$  at  $x = a$

$\text{Tangent}[\text{point } A, \text{function } f]$ : Tangent to function  $f(x)$  at  $x = x(A)$

$\text{TaylorPolynomial}[\text{function } f, \text{number } a, \text{number } n]$

$\text{Curvature}[\text{point } A, \text{function } f]$ : Curvature of function  $f$  in point  $A$

$\text{CurvatureVector}[\text{point } A, \text{function } f]$ : Curvature vector of function  $f$  in point  $A$

$\text{OsculatingCircle}[\text{point } A, \text{function } f]$ : Osculating circle of function  $f$  in point  $A$

$\text{Integral}[\text{function } f]$ : Indefinite integral for function  $f(x)$

$\text{Integral}[\text{function } f, \text{number } a, \text{number } b]$ : Definite integral of function  $f(x)$  from number  $a$  to  $b$ . **Note:** This command also draws the area between the function graph of  $f$  and the  $x$ -axis.

$\text{Integral}[\text{function } f, \text{function } g, \text{number } a, \text{number } b]$ : Definite integral of the difference of the functions  $f(x) - g(x)$  from number  $a$  to number  $b$ . **Note:** This command also draws the area between the function graphs of  $f$  and  $g$ .

$\text{LowerSum}[\text{function } f, \text{number } a, \text{number } b, \text{number } n]$ : Lower sum of function  $f$  on the interval  $[a, b]$  with  $n$  rectangles. **Note:** This command draws the rectangles of the lower sum too.

$\text{UpperSum}[\text{function } f, \text{number } a, \text{number } b, \text{number } n]$ : Upper sum of function  $f$  on the interval  $[a, b]$  with  $n$  rectangles. **Note:** This command draws the rectangles of the upper sum too.

### Parametric curves

$\text{Curve}[\text{expression } e1, \text{expression } e2, \text{parameter } t, \text{number } a, \text{number } b]$ :

$\text{Derivative}[\text{curve } c]$ :

$\text{Tangent}[\text{point } A, \text{curve } c]$ : Tangent to curve  $c$  in point  $A$

$\text{Curvature}[\text{point } A, \text{curve } c]$ : Curvature of curve  $c$  in point  $A$

$\text{CurvatureVector}[\text{point } A, \text{curve } c]$ : Curvature vector of curve  $c$  in point  $A$

$\text{OsculatingCircle}[\text{point } A, \text{curve } c]$ : Osculating circle of curve  $c$  in point  $A$