Fun with Fonts	Name
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In Word Processing, a *Font* is a set of printed characters generally corresponding to the keyboard's characters. More specifically, at the machine level, a Font is a set of instructions that control how a device, such as a monitor or printer, displays each character. A very simple Font might consist of stick figures made of circles and lines.

Suppose we want to cut a message into a plaque with a computer milling machine. What instructions should be fed to the machine to create such a message? Our task is to determine the 10 equations that create <u>FUN</u> and test them with the TI-graphing calculator. To keep things simple, we'll use stick characters and lay them out in a window corresponding to one pixel per grid point.

To plot a line segment, we must restrict the *domain* of the line. That is, the x-values where the line is valid. We do that algebraically by writing y = m x + b,  $c \le x \le d$ . Then the line is only valid from x = c to x = d. On the TI we do this with a logical operator. A logical operator is either *true* (1) or *false* (0). In TI language, the above line would be written as  $Y_1 = (m X + b)/(x \ge c)/(x \le d)$ . When the logical operators are false, we get division by zero and the line is undefined hence it won't plot.



Be Sure To Attach Your Work Neatly Showing How You Obtained Each Equation. Then plot on the TI.



For extra credit, create this 'F' using 7 equations. You will need to use parabolas and circles to make the curves.

