

Specialist Mathematics Formulas

Mensuration

area of a trapezium:	$\frac{1}{2} (a + b)h$
curved surface area of a cylinder:	$2 rh$
volume of a cylinder:	r^2h
volume of a cone:	$\frac{1}{3} r^2h$
volume of a pyramid:	$\frac{1}{3} Ah$
volume of a sphere:	$\frac{4}{3} r^3$
area of a triangle:	$\frac{1}{2} bc \sin A$
sine rule:	$\frac{a}{\sin A} = \frac{b}{\sin B} = \frac{c}{\sin C}$
cosine rule:	$c^2 = a^2 + b^2 - 2ab \cos C$

Coordinate geometry

ellipse:	$\frac{(x - h)^2}{a^2} + \frac{(y - k)^2}{b^2} = 1$
hyperbola:	$\frac{(x - h)^2}{a^2} - \frac{(y - k)^2}{b^2} = 1$

Circular (trigonometric) functions

$$\cos^2 x + \sin^2 x = 1$$

$$1 + \tan^2 x = \sec^2 x$$

$$\sin(x + y) = \sin x \cos y + \cos x \sin y$$

$$\cos(x + y) = \cos x \cos y - \sin x \sin y$$

$$\tan(x + y) = \frac{\tan x + \tan y}{1 - \tan x \tan y}$$

$$\cos 2x = \cos^2 x - \sin^2 x = 2 \cos^2 x - 1 = 1 - 2 \sin^2 x$$

$$\sin 2x = 2 \sin x \cos x$$

$$\cot^2 x + 1 = \operatorname{cosec}^2 x$$

$$\sin(x - y) = \sin x \cos y - \cos x \sin y$$

$$\cos(x - y) = \cos x \cos y + \sin x \sin y$$

$$\tan(x - y) = \frac{\tan x - \tan y}{1 + \tan x \tan y}$$

$$\tan 2x = \frac{2 \tan x}{1 - \tan^2 x}$$

function	Sin^{-1}	Cos^{-1}	Tan^{-1}
domain	[-1, 1]	[-1, 1]	R
range	$-\frac{\pi}{2}, \frac{\pi}{2}$	[0, π]	$-\frac{\pi}{2}, \frac{\pi}{2}$

Algebra (Complex numbers)

$$z = x + yi = r(\cos \theta + i \sin \theta) = r \operatorname{cis} \theta$$

$$|z| = \sqrt{x^2 + y^2} = r$$

$$-\pi < \operatorname{Arg} z \leq \pi$$

$$z_1 z_2 = r_1 r_2 \operatorname{cis}(\theta_1 + \theta_2)$$

$$\frac{z_1}{z_2} = \frac{r_1}{r_2} \operatorname{cis}(\theta_1 - \theta_2)$$

$$z^n = r^n \operatorname{cis} n\theta \quad (\text{de Moivre's theorem})$$

Calculus

$$\frac{d}{dx} (x^n) = nx^{n-1}$$

$$x^n dx = \frac{1}{n+1} x^{n+1} + c, n \neq -1$$

$$\frac{d}{dx} (e^{ax}) = ae^{ax}$$

$$e^{ax} dx = \frac{1}{a} e^{ax} + c$$

$$\frac{d}{dx} (\log_e x) = \frac{1}{x}$$

$$\frac{1}{x} dx = \log_e x + c, \text{ for } x > 0$$

$$\frac{d}{dx} (\sin ax) = a \cos ax$$

$$\sin ax dx = -\frac{1}{a} \cos ax + c$$

$$\frac{d}{dx} (\cos ax) = -a \sin ax$$

$$\cos ax dx = \frac{1}{a} \sin ax + c$$

$$\frac{d}{dx} (\tan ax) = a \sec^2 ax$$

$$\sec^2 ax dx = \frac{1}{a} \tan ax + c$$

$$\frac{d}{dx} (\sin^{-1} x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1-x^2}}$$

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{a^2-x^2}} dx = \sin^{-1} \frac{x}{a} + c, a > 0$$

$$\frac{d}{dx} (\cos^{-1} x) = \frac{-1}{\sqrt{1-x^2}}$$

$$\frac{-1}{\sqrt{a^2-x^2}} dx = \cos^{-1} \frac{x}{a} + c, a > 0$$

$$\frac{d}{dx} (\tan^{-1} x) = \frac{1}{1+x^2}$$

$$\frac{a}{a^2+x^2} dx = \tan^{-1} \frac{x}{a} + c$$

product rule:

$$\frac{d}{dx} (uv) = u \frac{dv}{dx} + v \frac{du}{dx}$$

quotient rule:

$$\frac{d}{dx} \frac{u}{v} = \frac{v \frac{du}{dx} - u \frac{dv}{dx}}{v^2}$$

chain rule:

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{dy}{du} \frac{du}{dx}$$

mid-point rule:

$$\int_a^b f(x) dx \approx (b-a) f \left(\frac{a+b}{2} \right)$$

trapezoidal rule:

$$\int_a^b f(x) dx \approx \frac{1}{2} (b-a) (f(a) + f(b))$$

Euler's method:

$$\text{If } \frac{dy}{dx} = f(x), x_0 = a \text{ and } y_0 = b, \text{ then } x_{n+1} = x_n + h \text{ and } y_{n+1} = y_n + h f(x_n)$$

acceleration:

$$a = \frac{d^2x}{dt^2} = \frac{dv}{dt} = v \frac{dv}{dx} = \frac{d}{dx} \left(\frac{1}{2} v^2 \right)$$

constant (uniform) acceleration:

$$v = u + at \quad s = ut + \frac{1}{2} at^2 \quad v^2 = u^2 + 2as \quad s = \frac{1}{2} (u+v)t$$

Vectors in two and three dimensions

$$\underline{r} = x\underline{i} + y\underline{j} + z\underline{k}$$

$$|\underline{r}| = \sqrt{x^2 + y^2 + z^2} = r$$

$$\underline{r}_1 \cdot \underline{r}_2 = r_1 r_2 \cos \theta = x_1 x_2 + y_1 y_2 + z_1 z_2$$

$$\dot{\underline{r}} = \frac{d\underline{r}}{dt} = \frac{dx}{dt} \underline{i} + \frac{dy}{dt} \underline{j} + \frac{dz}{dt} \underline{k}$$

Mechanics

momentum: $\underline{p} = m \underline{v}$

equation of motion: $\underline{R} = m \underline{a}$

friction: $F = \mu N$