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**SPECIALIST MATHEMATICS**

**Trial Written Examination 1**

Reading time: 15 minutes  
Total writing time: 1 hour

**QUESTION AND ANSWER BOOK**

**Structure of book**

<i>Number of questions</i>	<i>Number of questions to be answered</i>	<i>Number of marks</i>
10	10	40

- Students are permitted to bring into the examination room: pens, pencils, highlighters, erasers, sharpeners, rulers.
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**Materials supplied**

- Question and answer book of 18 pages with a detachable sheet of miscellaneous formulas at the end of this booklet.
- Working space is provided throughout the booklet.

**Instructions**

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- Write your **student number** in the space provided above on this page.
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**Instructions**

Answer **all** questions in the spaces provided.  
Unless otherwise specified an **exact** answer is required to a question.  
In questions where more than one mark is available, appropriate working **must** be shown.  
Unless otherwise indicated, the diagrams in this book are **not** drawn to scale.  
Take the **acceleration due to gravity** to have magnitude  $g \text{ m/s}^2$ , where  $g = 9.8$ .

**Question 1** (3 marks)

Find an antiderivative of  $\frac{2x-5}{x^2-25}$ ,  $x \in \mathbb{R} \setminus \{-5, 5\}$ .

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**Question 2** (4 marks)

Let  $f(z) = z^3 + (2 - 2\sqrt{3})z^2 + cz + 8$ , where  $c$  is a real constant and  $z \in C$ .

- a.** Given that  $z = 2 \operatorname{cis}\left(-\frac{\pi}{6}\right)$  is a solution of  $f(z) = 0$ , find a quadratic factor of  $f(z)$ . 2 marks

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- b.** Hence find all the roots of  $f(z) = 0$  and the value of  $c$ . 2 marks

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**Question 3** (6 marks)

The position vector of a particle at a time  $t$  is given by  $\underline{r}(t) = 2\left(t + \frac{1}{t}\right)\underline{i} + \left(t - \frac{1}{t}\right)\underline{j}$ ,  $t > 0$

- a. Show that the particle moves on the hyperbola  $\frac{x^2}{16} - \frac{y^2}{b^2} = 1$  and find the value of the positive real constant  $b$ .

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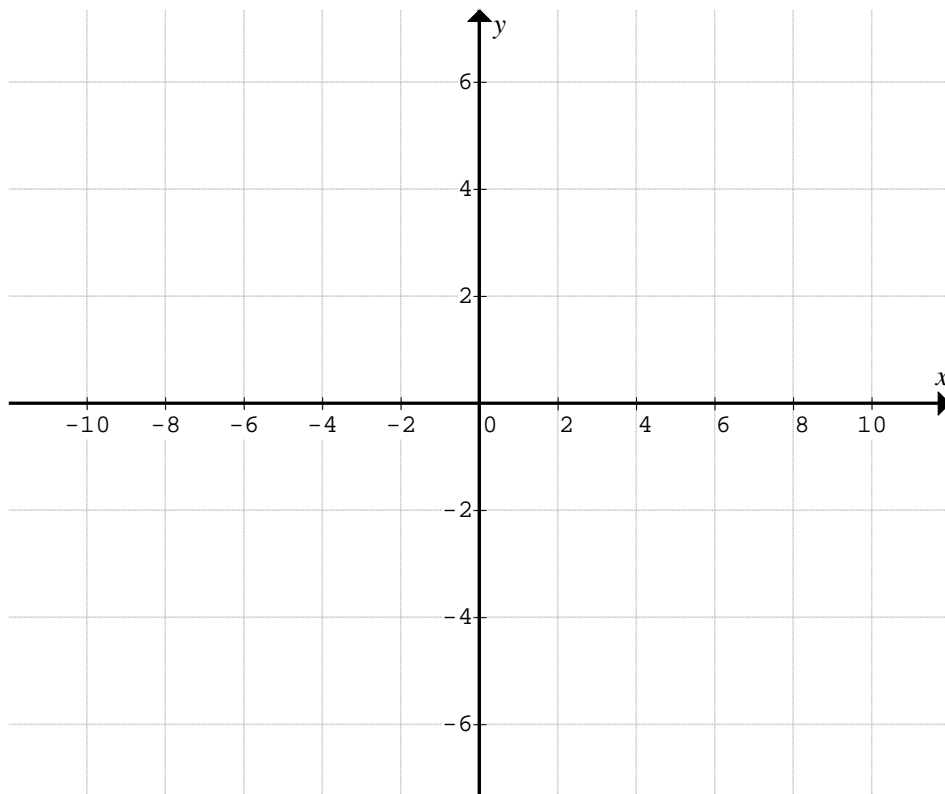
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- b. Sketch the path of the particle on the axes below, showing all important features.

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- c. Find the time when the particle is moving parallel to the  $y$ -axis.

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**Question 4** (3 marks)

Let  $y = \log_e \left( x + \sqrt{x^2 + 4} \right)$ . Find the value of  $b$  given that  $(x^2 + 4) \frac{d^2y}{dx^2} - b x \frac{dy}{dx} = 0$ , where  $b$  is a real constant.

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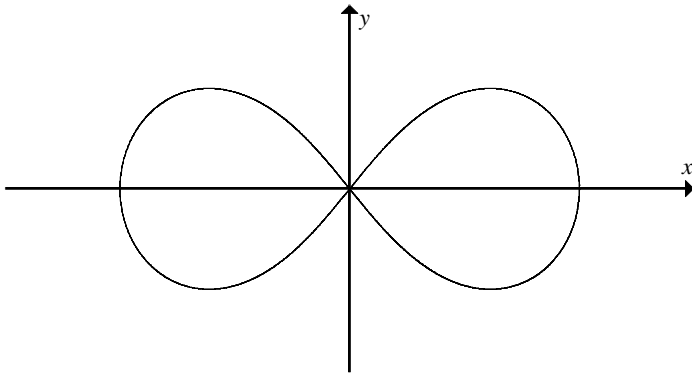
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**Question 5** (3 marks)

The relation shown has the equation  $(x^2 + y^2)^2 = 4(x^2 - y^2)$ .



- a. Find an expression for  $\frac{dy}{dx}$  in terms of both  $x$  and  $y$ . 2 marks

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- b. The tangent line is horizontal when  $x = \pm \frac{\sqrt{c}}{2}$ . Determine the value of  $c$ . 1 mark

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**Question 6** (3 marks)

A tank contains  $V_0$  litres of pure water. A salt solution of concentration  $b$  grams per litre is poured into the tank at a rate of  $g$  litres per minute, and the well-stirred mixture flows out at a rate of  $f$  litres per minute. The amount of salt in the tank at a time  $t$  minutes,

where  $t \geq 0$  is  $Q$  grams and satisfies the differential equation  $\frac{dQ}{dt} = 12 - \frac{4Q}{5 + 2t}$ .

- a. State the values of  $V_0, b, g$  and  $f$ . 1 mark

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- b. Use Euler's method with a step size of 0.5, to find the value of  $Q$  when  $t = 1$ . 2 marks

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**Question 7** (5 marks)

Consider the vectors  $\underline{a} = 3\underline{i} - 2\underline{j} - 4\underline{k}$  and  $\underline{b} = -2\underline{i} + \underline{j} + t\underline{k}$ .

- a. Find the value of the scalar  $t$  if the vectors  $\underline{a}$  and  $\underline{b}$  are perpendicular.

1 mark

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- b. Find the value of the scalar  $t$  if the vectors  $\underline{a}$  and  $\underline{b}$  are equal in length.

2 marks

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- c. Find the value of the scalar  $t$  if the vector  $\underline{b}$  makes an angle of  $150^\circ$  with the  $z$ -axis.

2 marks

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**Question 8** (4 marks)

Sketch the graph of  $y = \frac{x^2 + 9}{3x}$  on the axes below. Give the coordinates of any turning points and axial intercepts and state the equations of all straight line asymptotes.

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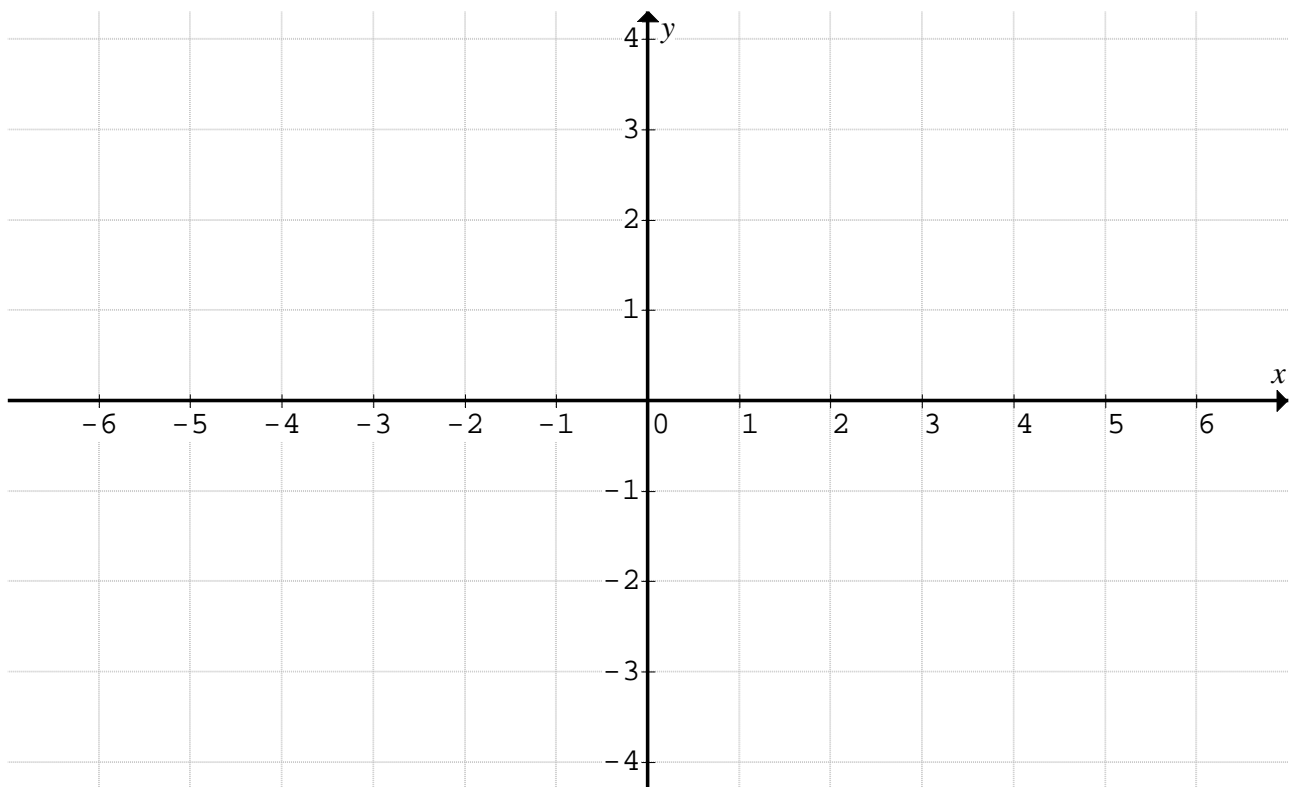
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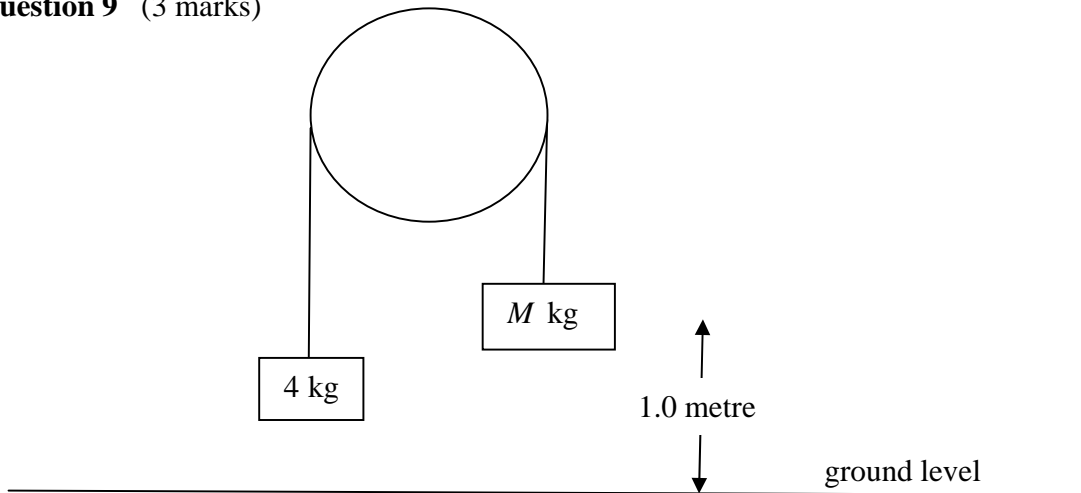
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**Question 9** (3 marks)



A block of mass 4 kg is connected by a light string which passes around a smooth pulley to another mass of  $M$  kg where  $M > 4$ . The mass  $M$  kg is initially one metre above ground level as shown in the diagram above. When the system is released from rest, the mass  $M$  hits the ground with a speed of  $\sqrt{g}$  m/s. Find the value of  $M$ .

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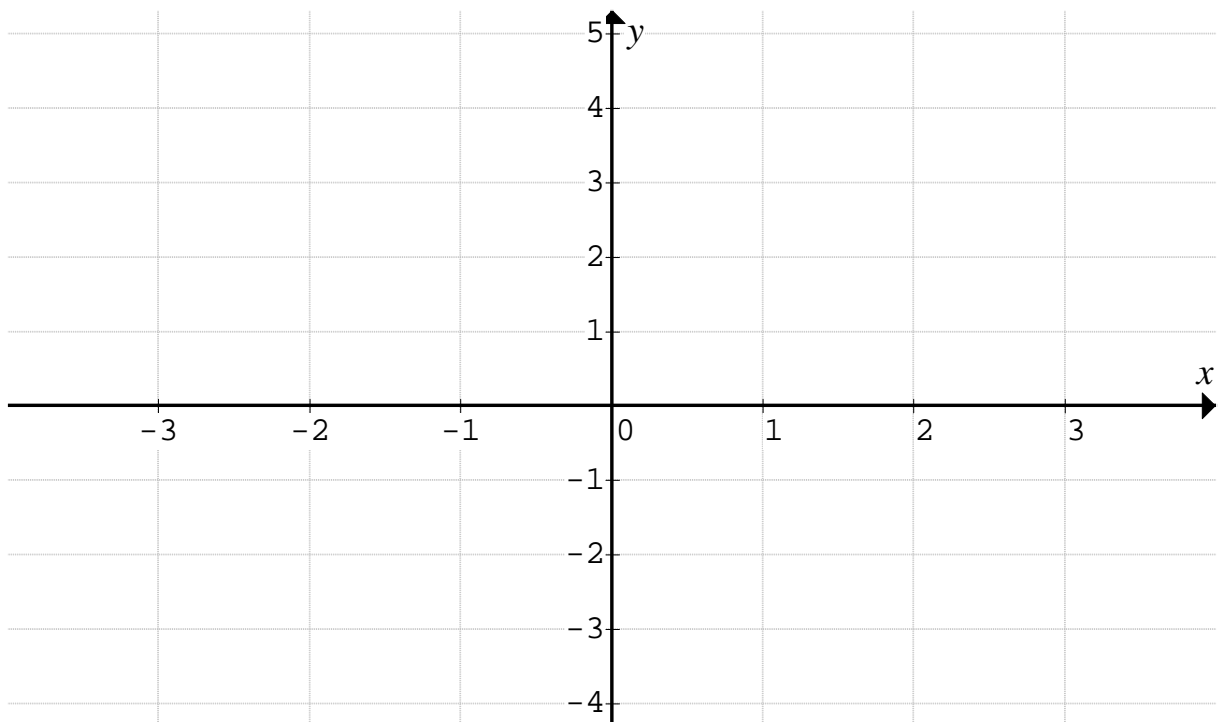
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**Question 10** (6 marks)

- a. Sketch the graph of the function  $f(x) = \frac{4}{\pi} \arccos\left(\frac{x}{3}\right)$  on the axes below, stating the coordinates of all axial intercepts and the endpoints.

2 marks



- b.** Differentiate  $x \arccos\left(\frac{x}{3}\right)$  with respect to  $x$  and hence find the area bounded by the graph of  $f(x) = \frac{4}{\pi} \arccos\left(\frac{x}{3}\right)$  and the coordinate axes.

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**END OF EXAMINATION**

# **SPECIALIST MATHEMATICS**

## **Written examination 1**

### **FORMULA SHEET**

#### **Directions to students**

Detach this formula sheet during reading time.

This formula sheet is provided for your reference.

## Specialist Mathematics Formulas

### Mensuration

area of a trapezium:  $\frac{1}{2}(a+b)h$

curved surface area of a cylinder:  $2\pi rh$

volume of a cylinder:  $\pi r^2 h$

volume of a cone:  $\frac{1}{3}\pi r^2 h$

volume of a pyramid:  $\frac{1}{3}Ah$

volume of a sphere:  $\frac{4}{3}\pi r^3$

area of 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	$\left[-\frac{\pi}{2}, \frac{\pi}{2}\right]$	$[0, \pi]$	$\left(-\frac{\pi}{2}, \frac{\pi}{2}\right)$

## Algebra ( Complex Numbers )

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

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

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

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

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

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

## 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:  $\underline{R} = m\underline{a}$

sliding friction:  $F \leq \mu N$

constant ( uniform ) acceleration:

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

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

## Calculus

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

$$\int \frac{dx}{\sqrt{a^2-x^2}} = \sin^{-1}\left(\frac{x}{a}\right) + c, \quad a > 0$$

$$\int \frac{-1}{\sqrt{a^2-x^2}} dx = \cos^{-1}\left(\frac{x}{a}\right) + c, \quad a > 0$$

$$\int \frac{a}{a^2+x^2} dx = \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{x}{a}\right) + c$$

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

quotient rule:  $\frac{d}{dx}\left(\frac{u}{v}\right) = \frac{v \frac{du}{dx} - u \frac{dv}{dx}}{v^2}$

chain rule:  $\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{dy}{du} \frac{du}{dx}$

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

**END OF FORMULA SHEET**