

# COMPUTER SCIENCE CHEAT SHEET

## Greek Alphabet

$A$	$\alpha$	Alpha	$I$	$\iota$	Iota	$P$	$\rho$	Rho
$B$	$\beta$	Beta	$K$	$\kappa$	Kappa	$\Sigma$	$\sigma$	Sigma
$\Gamma$	$\gamma$	Gamma	$\Lambda$	$\lambda$	Lambda	$T$	$\tau$	Tau
$\Delta$	$\delta$	Delta	$M$	$\mu$	mu	$Y$	$\upsilon$	Upsilon
$E$	$\epsilon$	Epsilon	$N$	$\nu$	nu	$\Phi$	$\phi$	Phi
$Z$	$\zeta$	Zeta	$\Xi$	$\xi$	Xi	$X$	$\chi$	Chi
$H$	$\eta$	Eta	$O$	$o$	Omicron	$\Psi$	$\psi$	Psi
$\Theta$	$\theta$	Theta	$\Pi$	$\pi$	Pi	$\Omega$	$\omega$	Omega

## e

$$e = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(1 + \frac{1}{n}\right)^n$$
$$\frac{1}{e} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(1 - \frac{1}{n}\right)^n$$
$$e = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n!}$$
$$e = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} (1+x)^{\frac{1}{x}}$$

## Inequalities

$$\binom{n}{k}^k \leq \binom{n}{k} < \left(\frac{en}{k}\right)^k$$
$$\forall x > 0 \qquad \left(1 + \frac{1}{x}\right)^x < e < \left(1 + \frac{a}{x}\right)^{x+1}$$
$$\forall x > 1 \qquad \left(1 - \frac{1}{x}\right)^x < \frac{1}{e} < \left(1 - \frac{1}{x}\right)^{x-1}$$
$$1 + x \leq e^x$$
$$\left(\prod_{i=1}^n a_i\right)^{\frac{1}{n}} \leq \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n a_i$$

## Approximation Formulas

Stirling’s formula

$$n! \approx \sqrt{2\pi n} \left(\frac{n}{e}\right)^n$$

## Abstract Algebra

### Field

- A set  $F$  with two binary operations  $+$  and  $\cdot$  ia a *field* if:
- $+$  and  $\cdot$  are commutative
  - $+$  and  $\cdot$  are associative
  - $+$  and  $\cdot$  have identities, 0 and 1 respectively,  $0 \neq 1$
  - every element  $a \in F$  has inverse for  $+$ , written  $-a$
  - every element  $a \in F$  has inverse for  $\cdot$ , written  $a^{-1}$
  - $\forall a, b, c \in F, \ a \cdot (b + c) = a \cdot b + a \cdot c$

### Vector Space

- A set  $V$  over a field  $F$  with a binary operation  $+$  is a vector space if:
- $+$  is commutative
  - $+$  is associative
  - $+$  has identity  $\vec{0}$
  - every  $\vec{x} \in V$  has inverse for  $+$ , written  $-\vec{x}$
  - $\alpha(\vec{x} + \vec{y}) = \alpha\vec{x} + \alpha\vec{y}$
  - $(\alpha + \beta)\vec{x} = \alpha\vec{x} + \beta\vec{x}$
  - $(\alpha\beta)\vec{x} = (\alpha)(\beta\vec{x})$
  - $1\vec{x} = \vec{x}$

## Linear Algebra

### Linear Map

- Let  $\mathbf{V}$  and  $\mathbf{W}$  be vector spaces over the same field  $\mathbf{K}$ . A function  $f : \mathbf{V} \rightarrow \mathbf{W}$  is a linear map if for any two vectors  $\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v} \in \mathbf{V}$  and any scalar  $c \in \mathbf{K}$ :
- $f(\mathbf{u} + \mathbf{v}) = f(\mathbf{u}) + f(\mathbf{v})$
  - $f(c\mathbf{u}) = cf(\mathbf{u})$

## Probability

**Jensen’s Inequality:** for any convex function  $f$

$$E[f(X)] \geq f(E[X])$$

## Complexity

## Misc

### Geometric Series

$$\sum_{i=1}^n aq^i = \frac{a(1 - q^n)}{1 - q}$$