

12 Specialist Mathematics Summarised Notes  
(Unofficial)

Functions

Composite Functions

Given  $f : x \mapsto f(x)$  and  $g : x \mapsto g(x)$ , the composite function of  $f$  and  $g$  is:

$(f \circ g)(x) = f(g(x))$   
or  
 $f \circ g : x \mapsto f(g(x))$

In general,  $(f \circ g)(x) \neq (g \circ f)(x)$ .

Inverse Functions

An inverse function returns the original value from the output of a function.  $f(x)$  has an inverse if it is injective (one-to-one), if  $f(a) = f(b)$  only when  $a = b$ ,  $\therefore$  passes the horizontal line test.

For  $f^{-1}(x)$ , the inverse of  $f(x)$ :

- Is a reflection of  $y = f(x)$  over  $y = x$ .
- $(f \circ f^{-1})(x) = (f^{-1} \circ f)(x) = x$
- Domain of  $f^{-1}$  = range of  $f$ .
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Self-Inverse Functions

An invertible function that is symmetrical about  $y = x$ .

$f^{-1}(x) = f(x)$

Reciprocal Functions

A function of the form  $f(x) = \frac{k}{x}$ , where  $k \neq 0$  is a constant.

Reciprocal of Other Functions

The reciprocal of a function  $f(x)$  is  $\frac{1}{f(x)}$ . Graphing  $y = \frac{1}{f(x)}$  from  $y = f(x)$ :

- Zero  $f(x) \rightarrow$  vertical asymp  $\frac{1}{f(x)}$
- Vertical asymp  $f(x) \rightarrow$  zero  $\frac{1}{f(x)}$
- Local max  $f(x) \rightarrow$  local min  $\frac{1}{f(x)}$
- Local min  $f(x) \rightarrow$  local max  $\frac{1}{f(x)}$
- When  $f(x) > 0$ ,  $\frac{1}{f(x)} > 0$
- When  $f(x) < 0$ ,  $\frac{1}{f(x)} < 0$
- When  $f(x) \rightarrow 0$ ,  $\frac{1}{f(x)} \rightarrow \pm\infty$
- When  $f(x) \rightarrow \pm\infty$ ,  $\frac{1}{f(x)} \rightarrow 0$

Invariant Points:

Points that do not move under a transformation occurring at  $y = \pm 1$ .

Rational Functions

Results from the division of one polynomial by another. Vertical asymptote occurs when denominator is zero. Horizontal asymptote ascertained from behaviour of graph as  $|x| \rightarrow \infty$ .

- If the degree of denominator > numerator, horizontal asymptote at  $y = 0$ .
- If the degree of denominator < numerator, function has slanted asymptote found through polynomial division.
- If the degree of denominator = numerator horizontal asymptote at  $y = \frac{a}{b}$  where  $a$  and  $b$  are the leading coefficients.

Absolute Value Functions

The absolute value or modulus  $|x|$  of a real number  $x$  is its distance from 0 on the number line.

$|x| = \begin{cases} x & \text{if } x \geq 0 \\ -x & \text{if } x < 0 \end{cases}$

Alternatively,

$|x| = \sqrt{x^2}$

Properties:

- $|x| \geq 0$
- $|x|^2 = x^2$
- $\left|\frac{x}{y}\right| = \frac{|x|}{|y|}$
- $|-x| = |x|$
- $|xy| = |x||y|$
- $|x - y| = |y - x|$

If  $|x| = a$  where  $a > 0$ , then  $x = \pm a$ . If  $|x| = |b|$  then  $x = \pm b$ .

Graphs Involving the Absolute Value Function

Graphing  $y = f(|x|)$  from  $y = f(x)$ :

- Discard the graph for  $x < 0$
- Reflect the graph for  $x \geq 0$  in the  $y$ -axis
- Points on the  $y$ -axis are invariant

Graphing  $y = |f(x)|$  from  $y = f(x)$ :

- Keep the graph for  $f(x) \geq 0$
- Reflect the graph for  $f(x) < 0$  in the  $x$ -axis
- Points on the  $x$ -axis are invariant

Trigonometric Identities

Angle Relationships

$\sin(-\theta) = -\sin \theta$        $\cos(-\theta) = \cos \theta$   
 $\sin(\pi - \theta) = \sin \theta$        $\cos(\pi - \theta) = -\cos \theta$   
 $\sin\left(\frac{\pi}{2} - \theta\right) = \cos \theta$        $\cos\left(\frac{\pi}{2} - \theta\right) = \sin \theta$

Pythagorean Theorem

$\sin^2 \theta + \cos^2 \theta = 1$   
 $\tan^2 \theta + 1 = \sec^2 \theta$   
 $\cot^2 \theta + 1 = \csc^2 \theta$

Double Angle Identities

$\sin 2\theta = 2 \sin \theta \cos \theta$   
 $\cos 2\theta = \cos^2 \theta - \sin^2 \theta$   
 $\phantom{\cos 2\theta} = 1 - 2 \sin^2 \theta$   
 $\phantom{\cos 2\theta} = 2 \cos^2 \theta - 1$   
 $\tan 2\theta = \frac{2 \tan \theta}{1 - \tan^2 \theta}$

Angle Sum and Difference

$\sin(A \pm B) = \sin A \cos B \pm \cos A \sin B$   
 $\cos(A \pm B) = \cos A \cos B \mp \sin A \sin B$   
 $\tan(A \pm B) = \frac{\tan A \pm \tan B}{1 \mp \tan A \tan B}$

Sum to Product

$\sin A \pm \sin B = 2 \sin\left(\frac{A \pm B}{2}\right) \cos\left(\frac{A \mp B}{2}\right)$   
 $\cos A + \cos B = 2 \cos\left(\frac{A + B}{2}\right) \cos\left(\frac{A - B}{2}\right)$   
 $\cos A - \cos B = -2 \sin\left(\frac{A + B}{2}\right) \sin\left(\frac{A - B}{2}\right)$

Product to Sum

$2 \sin A \cos B = \sin(A + B) + \sin(A - B)$   
 $2 \sin A \sin B = \cos(A - B) - \cos(A + B)$   
 $2 \cos A \cos B = \cos(A + B) + \cos(A - B)$

Mathematical Induction

The Principle of Mathematical Induction

Suppose  $P_n$  is a proposition which is defined for every integer  $n \geq a$ ,  $a \in \mathbb{Z}$ . If  $P_a$  is true, and if  $P_{k+1}$  is true whenever  $P_k$  is true, then  $P_n$  is true for all  $n \geq a$ .

Complex Numbers

Imaginary Numbers

A number which cannot be placed on a real number line in the form  $ai$  where  $a \in \mathbb{R}$  and  $i = \sqrt{-1}$ .

Complex Numbers

Any number in the form  $a + bi$  where  $a, b \in \mathbb{R}$  and  $i = \sqrt{-1}$ .

If  $z = a + bi$   
 $\Re(z) = a \quad \Im(z) = b$

The Complex Plane

Complex numbers can be plotted on the complex plane or Argand plane as a vector where the  $x$ -axis is the real axis and the  $y$ -axis is the imaginary axis.

$\vec{OP} = \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix}$  represents  $x + yi$

Complex Conjugates

The complex conjugate of

$z = a + bi$  is  $z^* = a - bi$

In the complex plane,  $z^*$  is the reflection of  $z$  in the real axis.

Modulus and Argument

The modulus of the complex number  $z = a + bi$  is the length of the vector  $\begin{pmatrix} a \\ b \end{pmatrix}$ , which is the real number:

$|z| = \sqrt{a^2 + b^2}$

The argument of  $z$ ,  $\arg(z)$  is the angle  $\theta$  between the positive real axis and  $\begin{pmatrix} a \\ b \end{pmatrix}$ . Real numbers have an argument of 0 or  $\pi$ . Purely imaginary numbers have argument of  $\frac{\pi}{2}$  or  $-\frac{\pi}{2}$ .

Properties of Modulus:

- $|z^*| = |z|$

- $|z^*|^2 = zz^*$
- $|z_1 z_2| = |z_1| |z_2|$
- $\left| \frac{z_1}{z_2} \right| = \frac{|z_1|}{|z_2|}, z_2 \neq 0$
- $|z_1 z_2 z_3 \dots z_n| = |z_1| |z_2| |z_3| \dots |z_n|$
- $|z^n| = |z|^n, n \in \mathbb{Z}^+$

Polar Form

$$\text{cis } \theta = \cos \theta + i \sin \theta$$

A complex number  $z$  has the polar form

$$z = |z| \text{cis } \theta$$

where  $\theta = \arg(z)$ .  
The conjugate of  $z$  is:

$$z^* = |z| \text{cis } (-\theta)$$

Properties of cis  $\theta$ :

- $\text{cis } \theta \times \text{cis } \phi = \text{cis } (\theta + \phi)$
- $\frac{\text{cis } \theta}{\text{cis } \phi} = \text{cis } (\theta - \phi)$
- $\text{cis } (\theta - 2k\pi) = \text{cis } \theta, k \in \mathbb{Z}$

De Moivre's Theorem

$$(|z| \text{cis } \theta)^n = |z|^n \text{cis } n\theta, \text{ for all } n \in \mathbb{Q}$$

Roots of Complex Numbers

The  $n^{\text{th}}$  roots of the complex number  $c$  are the solutions of  $z^n = c$ .

The  $n^{\text{th}}$  Roots of Unity

The  $n^{\text{th}}$  roots of unity are the solutions of  $z^n = 1$ .

Distances in the Complex Plane

If  $z_1 \equiv \vec{OP_1}$  and  $z_2 \equiv \vec{OP_2}$  then  $|z_1 - z_2|$  is the distance between points  $P_1$  and  $P_2$ .

Real Polynomials

Zeros and Roots

A zero of a polynomial is a value of the variable which makes the polynomial equal to zero.  
 $\alpha$  is a zero of polynomial

$$P(x) \iff P(\alpha) = 0$$

The roots of a polynomial equation are the solutions to the equation.  
 $\alpha$  is a root (or solution) of

$$P(x) \iff P(\alpha) = 0$$

The roots of  $P(x) = 0$  are the zeros of  $P(x)$  and the  $x$ -intercepts of the graph  $y = P(x)$

Factors

$(x - \alpha)$  is a factor of the polynomial  $P(x) \iff$  there exists a polynomial  $Q(x)$  such that  $P(x) = (x - \alpha)Q(x)$ .

Polynomial Equality

Two polynomials are equal if and only if they have the same degree (order) and corresponding terms have equal coefficients.

Polynomial Division by Linears

If  $P(x)$  is divided by  $D(x) = ax + b$  until a quotient  $Q(x)$  and constant remainder  $R$  is obtained, then

$$\frac{P(x)}{ax + b} = Q(x) + \frac{R}{ax + b}$$

Notice that  $P(x) = Q(x) \times (ax + b) + R$ .

Polynomial Division by Quadratics

If  $P(x)$  is divided by  $D(x) = ax^2 + bx + c$ , then

$$\frac{P(x)}{ax^2 + bx + c} = Q(x) + \frac{ex + f}{ax^2 + bx + c}$$

where  $ex + f$  is the remainder.

The Remainder Theorem

When a polynomial  $P(x)$  is divided by  $x - k$  until a constant remainder  $R$  is obtained, then  $R = P(k)$ .

The Factor Theorem

For any polynomial  $P(x)$ ,  $k$  is a zero of  $P(x) \iff (x - k)$  is a factor of  $P(x)$ .

The Fundamental Theorem of Algebra

If  $P(x)$  is a polynomial of degree  $n$ , then  $P(x)$  has  $n$  zeros, each in the form  $a + bi$  where  $a, b \in \mathbb{R}$ , some of which may be repeated.

Vectors

Vectors in Space

Any point  $P$  in space can be specified  $(x, y, z)$  corresponding to steps in the  $X$ ,  $Y$  and  $Z$  direction from the origin  $O$ .  
The position vector of  $P$  is

$$\overrightarrow{OP} = \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{pmatrix} = x\mathbf{i} + y\mathbf{j} + z\mathbf{k}$$

where  $\mathbf{i} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$ ,  $\mathbf{j} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$ , and  $\mathbf{k} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$ ,  
the base unit vectors.

The Magnitude of a Vector

The magnitude or length of the vector  $\mathbf{a} = \begin{pmatrix} a_1 \\ a_2 \\ a_3 \end{pmatrix}$  is

$$|\mathbf{a}| = \sqrt{a_1^2 + a_2^2 + a_3^2}$$

Operations with Vectors

If  $\mathbf{a} = \begin{pmatrix} a_1 \\ a_2 \\ a_3 \end{pmatrix}$  and  $\mathbf{b} = \begin{pmatrix} b_1 \\ b_2 \\ b_3 \end{pmatrix}$  then:

$$-\mathbf{a} = \begin{pmatrix} -a_1 \\ -a_2 \\ -a_3 \end{pmatrix} \qquad \mathbf{a} + \mathbf{b} = \begin{pmatrix} a_1 + b_1 \\ a_2 + b_2 \\ a_3 + b_3 \end{pmatrix}$$
  
$$\mathbf{a} - \mathbf{b} = \begin{pmatrix} a_1 - b_1 \\ a_2 - b_2 \\ a_3 - b_3 \end{pmatrix} \qquad k\mathbf{a} = \begin{pmatrix} ka_1 \\ ka_2 \\ ka_3 \end{pmatrix}$$

Vector Algebra

- $\mathbf{a} + \mathbf{b} = \mathbf{b} + \mathbf{a}$
- $(\mathbf{a} + \mathbf{b}) + \mathbf{c} = \mathbf{a} + (\mathbf{b} + \mathbf{c})$
- $\mathbf{a} + \mathbf{0} = \mathbf{0} + \mathbf{a} = \mathbf{a}$
- $\mathbf{a} + (-\mathbf{a}) = (-\mathbf{a}) + \mathbf{a} = \mathbf{0}$
- $k(\mathbf{a} + \mathbf{b}) = k\mathbf{a} + k\mathbf{b}$
- $|k\mathbf{a}| = |k||\mathbf{a}|$
- If  $\mathbf{a} + \mathbf{b} = \mathbf{c}$ , then  $\mathbf{a} = \mathbf{c} - \mathbf{b}$
- If  $k\mathbf{a} = \mathbf{b}$ ,  $k \neq 0$ , then  $\mathbf{a} = \frac{1}{k}\mathbf{b}$

Vector Between Two Points

If  $A(a_1, a_2, a_3)$  and  $B(b_1, b_2, b_3)$  then the position vector of  $B$  relative to  $A$  is

$$\overrightarrow{AB} = \overrightarrow{OB} - \overrightarrow{OA} = \begin{pmatrix} b_1 - a_1 \\ b_2 - a_2 \\ b_3 - a_3 \end{pmatrix}$$

The distance from  $A$  to  $B$  is  
$$|\overrightarrow{AB}| = \sqrt{(b_1 - a_1)^2 + (b_2 - a_2)^2 + (b_3 - a_3)^2}$$

Parallelism

$\mathbf{a} = k\mathbf{b} \iff \mathbf{a}$  and  $\mathbf{b}$  are non-zero parallel vectors.

Collinear Points

$A, B$  and  $C$  are collinear if  $\overrightarrow{AB} = k\overrightarrow{BC}$ .

Unit Vectors

The unit vector  $\hat{\mathbf{v}}$ , a vector of length 1 in the direction of  $\mathbf{v}$  is

$$\hat{\mathbf{v}} = \frac{1}{|\mathbf{v}|}\mathbf{v}$$

Dot Product (Scalar Product)

If  $\mathbf{a} = \begin{pmatrix} a_1 \\ a_2 \\ a_3 \end{pmatrix}$  and  $\mathbf{b} = \begin{pmatrix} b_1 \\ b_2 \\ b_3 \end{pmatrix}$ , then the scalar dot product is defined as

$$\mathbf{a} \cdot \mathbf{b} = a_1b_1 + a_2b_2 + a_3b_3$$

Properties

- $\mathbf{a} \cdot \mathbf{b} = \mathbf{b} \cdot \mathbf{a}$
- $\mathbf{a} \cdot \mathbf{a} = |\mathbf{a}|^2$
- $\mathbf{a} \cdot (\mathbf{b} + \mathbf{c}) = \mathbf{a} \cdot \mathbf{b} + \mathbf{a} \cdot \mathbf{c}$
- $(\mathbf{a} + \mathbf{b}) \cdot (\mathbf{c} + \mathbf{d}) = \mathbf{a} \cdot \mathbf{c} + \mathbf{a} \cdot \mathbf{d} + \mathbf{b} \cdot \mathbf{c} + \mathbf{b} \cdot \mathbf{d}$
- $k(\mathbf{a} \cdot \mathbf{b}) = (k\mathbf{a}) \cdot \mathbf{b} = \mathbf{a} \cdot (k\mathbf{b})$ ,  $k \in \mathbb{R}$

The Angle Between Two Vectors

The angle  $\theta$  between two vectors  $\mathbf{a}$  and  $\mathbf{b}$  can be found using

$$\cos \theta = \frac{\mathbf{a} \cdot \mathbf{b}}{|\mathbf{a}||\mathbf{b}|}$$

Scalar Product Geometric Properties

- For non-zero vectors  $\mathbf{a}$  and  $\mathbf{b}$ :  
 $\mathbf{a} \cdot \mathbf{b} = 0 \iff \mathbf{a}$  and  $\mathbf{b}$  are perpendicular.
- $|\mathbf{a} \cdot \mathbf{b}| = |\mathbf{a}||\mathbf{b}| \iff \mathbf{a}$  and  $\mathbf{b}$  are non-zero parallel vectors.
- Given  $\mathbf{a} \cdot \mathbf{b} = |\mathbf{a}||\mathbf{b}| \cos \theta$   
If  $\theta$  is acute,  $\cos \theta > 0$  and so  $\mathbf{a} \cdot \mathbf{b} > 0$   
If  $\theta$  is obtuse,  $\cos \theta < 0$  and so  $\mathbf{a} \cdot \mathbf{b} < 0$

Cross Product (Vector Product)

The vector cross product of  $\mathbf{a} = \begin{pmatrix} a_1 \\ a_2 \\ a_3 \end{pmatrix}$  and  $\mathbf{b} = \begin{pmatrix} b_1 \\ b_2 \\ b_3 \end{pmatrix}$  is

$$\mathbf{a} \times \mathbf{b} = \begin{pmatrix} a_2b_3 - a_3b_2 \\ a_3b_1 - a_1b_3 \\ a_1b_2 - a_2b_1 \end{pmatrix}$$

Alternatively,

$$\mathbf{a} \times \mathbf{b} = \begin{vmatrix} \mathbf{i} & \mathbf{j} & \mathbf{k} \\ a_1 & a_2 & a_3 \\ b_1 & b_2 & b_3 \end{vmatrix}$$
  
$$= \begin{vmatrix} a_2 & a_3 \\ b_2 & b_3 \end{vmatrix} \mathbf{i} - \begin{vmatrix} a_1 & a_3 \\ b_1 & b_3 \end{vmatrix} \mathbf{j} + \begin{vmatrix} a_1 & a_2 \\ b_1 & b_2 \end{vmatrix} \mathbf{k}$$

Properties

- $\mathbf{a} \times \mathbf{b}$  is a vector perpendicular to both  $\mathbf{a}$  and  $\mathbf{b}$ .
- $\mathbf{a} \times \mathbf{a} = \mathbf{0}$  for all  $\mathbf{a}$ .
- $\mathbf{a} \times \mathbf{b} = -\mathbf{b} \times \mathbf{a}$ ,  $\therefore \mathbf{a} \times \mathbf{b}$  and  $\mathbf{b} \times \mathbf{a}$  have equal length but opposite direction.
- $\mathbf{a} \cdot (\mathbf{b} \times \mathbf{c})$  is called the scalar triple product.
- $\mathbf{a} \times (\mathbf{b} \times \mathbf{c}) = \mathbf{a} \times \mathbf{b} + \mathbf{a} \times \mathbf{c}$
- $(\mathbf{a} + \mathbf{b}) \times (\mathbf{c} + \mathbf{d}) = \mathbf{a} \times \mathbf{c} + \mathbf{a} \times \mathbf{d} + \mathbf{b} \times \mathbf{c} + \mathbf{b} \times \mathbf{d}$

Direction of  $\mathbf{a} \times \mathbf{b}$

$$|\mathbf{a} \times \mathbf{b}| = |\mathbf{a}||\mathbf{b}| \sin \theta$$

where  $\theta$  is the angle between  $\mathbf{a}$  and  $\mathbf{b}$ .

Area

If a triangle has defining vectors  $\mathbf{a}$  and  $\mathbf{b}$  then its area is  $\frac{1}{2}|\mathbf{a} \times \mathbf{b}|$  units<sup>2</sup>.  
If a parallelogram has defining vectors  $\mathbf{a}$  and  $\mathbf{b}$  then its area is  $|\mathbf{a} \times \mathbf{b}|$  units<sup>2</sup>.

Lines in 2 and 3 Dimensions

$\mathbf{r} = \mathbf{a} + \lambda\mathbf{b}$ ,  $\lambda \in \mathbb{R}$  is the vector equation of the line.

The Shortest Distance From a Point to a Line

A point  $P$  is closest to a point  $R$  on a line in direction  $\mathbf{b}$  when  $\overrightarrow{PR}$  is perpendicular to  $\mathbf{b}$ .

$$\overrightarrow{PR} \cdot \mathbf{b} = 0$$

Relationships Between Lines

Line Classification in 2 Dimensions

- Intersecting: Unique solution
- Parallel: No solutions
- Coincident: Infinite Solutions

Line Classification in 3 Dimensions

- Lines are coplanar if they lie in the same plane. In this case, they may be intersecting, parallel or coincident.
- Otherwise, they are skew.

Shortest Distance Between Skew Lines

For two skew lines with vector equations  $\mathbf{r}_1 = \mathbf{a}_1 + \lambda \mathbf{b}_1$  and  $\mathbf{r}_2 = \mathbf{a}_2 + \mu \mathbf{b}_2$ , the shortest distance  $d$  between them is

d = (a1 - a2) · (b1 × b2) / |b1 × b2|

Planes

A plane is a flat surface that extends forever and has zero thickness. The Vector Equation of a Plane

r = a + sv + tw

- r is the position vector of any point on the plane.
- a is the position vector of a known point on the plane.
- v and w are any two non-parallel vectors that are parallel to the plane.
- s, t ∈ ℝ are two independent parameters.

The Normal of a Plane

A vector is normal to a plane if it is perpendicular to all vectors which are parallel to the plane. If n is a normal to a plane such as n = v × w, an equivalent vector equation of a plane is

n · (r - a) or r · n = a · n

The Cartesian Equation of a Plane

If a plane has normal vector n = (a, b, c) and passes through P(X, Y, Z) then it has equation

ax + by + cz = aX + bY + cZ = d

where d is a constant.

Distance Between a Point and a Plane

The distance between a point P(x1, y1, z1) and the plane Ax + By + Cz + D = 0 is

d = |Ax1 + Bx1 + Cx1 + D| / sqrt(A^2 + B^2 + C^2)

Angles in Space

The Angle Between a Line and a Plane The acute angle φ between a line with direction vector d and a plane with normal vector n is

φ = sin^-1 (|n · d| / (|n||d|))

The Angle Between Two Planes

If two planes have normal vectors n1 and n2 and θ is the acute angle between them then

θ = cos^-1 (|n1 · n2| / (|n1||n2|))

Row Reduction

Linear systems of equations can be solved using augmented matrices. A general 3 × 3 system has the form:

{ a1x + b1y + c1z = d1, a2x + b2y + c2z = d2, a3x + b3y + c3z = d3 }

In augmented matrix form, the system is:

[ a1 b1 c1 | d1, a2 b2 c2 | d2, a3 b3 c3 | d3 ]

Using row operations it is reduced to the echelon form.

[ a b c | d, 0 e f | g, 0 0 h | i ]

∴ hz = i ⇒ z = i/h, ey + fz = g and ax + by + cz = d

Intersecting Planes

Two planes in space could have the following arrangements:

- Intersecting
- Parallel
- Coincident

Three planes in space could have the following arrangements:

- All coincident
- Two coincident and one intersecting
- Two coincident and one parallel
- Two parallel and one intersecting
- All parallel
- All meet at one point
- All meet in a common line
- The line of intersection of any two planes is parallel to the third plane.

Integration

Indefinite Integrals

∫ k dx = kx + c, ∫ x^n dx = 1/(n+1) x^(n+1) + c, n ≠ -1, ∫ e^x dx = e^x + c, ∫ 1/x dx = ln|x| + c, ∫ cos x dx = sin x + c, ∫ sin x dx = -cos x + c

Integrating f(ax + b)

∫ (ax + b)^n dx = (ax + b)^(n+1) / (a(n+1)) + c, n ≠ -1, ∫ e^(ax+b) dx = 1/a e^(ax+b) + c, ∫ 1/(ax + b) dx = 1/a ln|ax + b| + c, ∫ cos(ax + b) dx = 1/a sin(ax + b) + c, ∫ sin(ax + b) dx = -1/a cos(ax + b) + c

Inverse Trigonometric Functions

∫ 1/sqrt(1-x^2) dx = arcsin x + c, ∫ -1/sqrt(1-x^2) dx = arccos x + c, ∫ 1/(1+x^2) dx = arctan x + c, ∫ 1/sqrt(a^2-x^2) dx = arcsin(x/a) + c, ∫ -1/sqrt(a^2-x^2) dx = arccos(x/a) + c, ∫ a/(a^2+x^2) dx = arctan(x/a) + c

Integrating sin² x and cos² x

Use double-angle identities when integrating.

sin² x = 1/2 - 1/2 cos 2x  
cos² x = 1/2 + 1/2 cos 2x

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Definite Integrals

If F(x) is the antiderivative of f(x) where f(x) is continuous over a ≤ x ≤ b, the definite integral is:

∫\_a^b f(x) dx = F(b) - F(a)

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Properties of Definite Integrals

∫\_a^a f(x) dx = 0  
∫\_a^b k dx = k(b - a)  
∫\_a^b f(x) dx = - ∫\_b^a f(x) dx  
∫\_a^b kf(x) dx = k ∫\_a^b f(x) dx  
∫\_a^b f(x) dx + ∫\_b^c f(x) dx = ∫\_a^c f(x) dx  
∫\_a^b [f(x) ± g(x)] dx = ∫\_a^b f(x) dx ± ∫\_a^b g(x) dx

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Integration by Substitution

∫ f(u) du/dx dx = ∫ f(u) du

When solving definite integrals with bounds a and b, adjust as u(a) and u(b).

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Integration by Parts

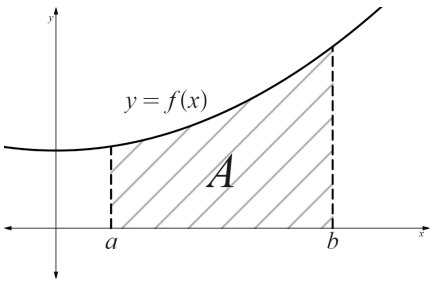
∫ uv' dx = uv - ∫ u'v dx

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Area Under a Curve

If f(x) is positive and continuous for a ≤ x ≤ b, the area bound by y = f(x), the x-axis, x = a and x = b is:

A = ∫\_a^b f(x) dx or A = ∫\_a^b y dx



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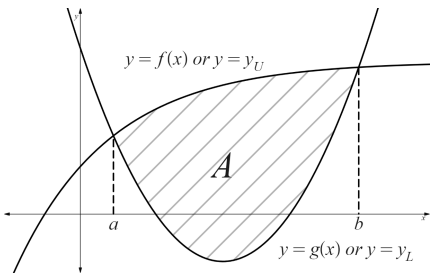
Area Between Two Curves

Upper function: f(x) or y\_U  
Lower function: g(x) or y\_L

A = ∫\_a^b [f(x) - g(x)] dx

or

A = ∫\_a^b [y\_U - y\_L] dx



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Solids of Revolution

When the region enclosed by y = f(x), the x-axis, x = a and x = b is revolved through 2π about the x-axis, the volume is:

V = π ∫\_a^b y² dx

When the region enclosed by y = f(x), the y-axis, y = f(a) = c and y = f(b) = d is revolved through 2π about the y-axis, the volume is:

V = π ∫\_c^d x² dy

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Volumes for Two Defining Functions

Upper function: f(x) or y\_U  
Lower function: g(x) or y\_L

V = ∫\_a^b ([f(x)]² - [g(x)]²) dx

or

V = ∫\_a^b (y\_U² - y\_L²) dx

Rates of Change and Differential Equations

Implicit Differentiation

To find dy/dx for an implicit relationship between x and y. A useful property is

d/dx [x^n] = nx^{n-1} and

d/dx [y^n] = ny^{n-1} dy/dx

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Related Rates

Two variables x and y may be related to each other and defined using an equation.

Eg: x² + y² = 5²

The equation can be differentiated in respect to a third parameter t resulting in a related rates equation.

Eg: 2x dx/dt + 2y dy/dt = 0

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Differential Equations

A differential equation is an equation that describes the relationship between a function and its derivatives.

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Differential Equations of the Form dy/dx = f(x)

Differential equations of the form dy/dx = f(x) can be solved using integration.

dy/dx = f(x)  
dy = f(x) dx  
∫ dy = ∫ f(x) dx  
∴ y = ∫ f(x) dx

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Seperable Differential Equations

Differential equations of the form dy/dx = f(x)g(y) can be solved as follows:

dy/dx = f(x)g(y)  
1/g(y) dy = f(x) dx  
∫ 1/g(y) dy = ∫ f(x) dx

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Slope Fields

For a differential equation  $\frac{dy}{dx} = f(x, y)$ , any point  $(x, y)$  on the cartesian plane will have a gradient which can be graphically represented using a slope field.

Logistic Growth

Logistic growth is defined by the differential equation

$$\frac{dP}{dt} = kP \left(1 - \frac{P}{A}\right)$$

The differential equation is solved with partial fractions using the identity:

$$\frac{A}{P(A - P)} = \frac{1}{P} + \frac{1}{A - P}$$

Vector Calculus

Parametric Equations

Cartesian equation can be expressed in terms of a parameter such as  $t$ , defining  $x$  and  $y$  independently such that  $x = x(t)$  and  $y = y(t)$ .

Pairs of Uniformly Varying Quantities

An object initially at  $(x_0, y_0)$  and moving with velocity vector  $\mathbf{v} = \begin{pmatrix} a \\ b \end{pmatrix}$  has parametric equations

$$x(t) = x_0 + at, \quad y(t) = y_0 + bt, \quad t \geq 0$$

The speed of the object is

$$|\mathbf{v}| = \sqrt{a^2 + b^2}$$

Pairs of Non-Uniformly Varying Quantities

For the moving object  $P(x(t), y(t))$ , the velocity vector is:

$$\mathbf{v} = \begin{pmatrix} x'(t) \\ y'(t) \end{pmatrix}$$

and the speed is:

$$\text{speed} = |\mathbf{v}| = \sqrt{\mathbf{v} \cdot \mathbf{v}} = \sqrt{[x'(t)]^2 + [y'(t)]^2}$$

The gradient of the velocity vector at any point is:

$$\frac{y'(t)}{x'(t)} = \frac{\left(\frac{dy}{dt}\right)}{\left(\frac{dx}{dt}\right)} = \frac{dy}{dx} \frac{dt}{dx} = \frac{dy}{dx}$$

The velocity vector is tangential to the curve, therefore the direction of motion is the gradient.

Bézier Curves

Given the starting point  $(x_0, y_0)$  and the finishing point  $(x_3, y_3)$ , and control points  $(x_1, y_1)$  and  $(x_2, y_2)$ , the Bézier curve has parametric equations:

$$\begin{aligned} x(t) &= a_x t^3 + b_x t^2 + c_x t + d_x \\ y(t) &= a_y t^3 + b_y t^2 + c_y t + d_y, \\ 0 \leq t &\leq 1 \end{aligned}$$

where

$$\begin{cases} a_x = x_3 - 3x_2 + 3x_1 - x_0 \\ b_x = 3x_2 - 6x_1 + 3x_0 \\ c_x = 3x_1 - 3x_0 \\ d_x = x_0 \end{cases}$$

and

$$\begin{cases} a_y = y_3 - 3y_2 + 3y_1 - y_0 \\ b_y = 3y_2 - 6y_1 + 3y_0 \\ c_y = 3y_1 - 3y_0 \\ d_y = y_0 \end{cases}$$

Trigonometric Parameterisation

For an object  $P$  moving with parametric equations

$$x(t) = R \cos \omega t, \quad y(t) = R \sin \omega t, \quad t \geq 0$$

where  $R > 0, \omega > 0$ :

- $R$  controls the radius of the path.
- $\omega$  controls the rate of revolutions. The duration of a revolution is  $\frac{2\pi}{\omega}$ .
- The speed of  $P$  is  $R\omega$ .

Arc Lengths of Parametric Curves

The length of the arc traced out by  $P(x(t), y(t))$  from time  $t = a$  to  $t = b$  is:

$$\begin{aligned} \int_a^b |\mathbf{v}| \, dt &= \int_a^b \sqrt{\mathbf{v} \cdot \mathbf{v}} \, dt \\ &= \int_a^b \sqrt{[x'(t)]^2 + [y'(t)]^2} \, dt \end{aligned}$$