# A "Basic" Mathematics Guide for High Schoolers

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## **Proof**

#### 1.1 Proof

#### Introduction to Proof

In this section we will working with these topics:

- Consequence and Equivalence
- Proof by Exhaustion
- Proof by Deduction
- Disproof by Counter-Example
- Proof by Contradiction

When we look at consequence, we essentially say that "a implies b", or:

$$a \rightarrow b$$

If the arrow points the other way, we say that "b implies a", or:

$$a \leftarrow b$$

Let's say that statement a states that p is a prime number > 2.

Let's say that statement b states that p is an odd number.

For these statements, we see that a does imply b, so we can write that

$$a \rightarrow b$$

The other way however does not work, since because p is an odd number, it does not imply that p is a prime number.

However, if this was true, we can write that a implies b and b implies a, or:

$$a \leftrightarrow b$$

which is sometimes written as "a if and only b" or "a iff b".

Let's show a logical equivalence. Let a be the statement  $n^2$  is odd and b be the statement n is odd.

We know that when  $n^2$  is odd, that n is odd when we list out the odd squared numbers. We can see the converse is true as well in this statement since every time a number n is squared, we are given an odd number, therefore:

$$a \leftrightarrow b$$

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Proof by Exhaustion
Proof by Deduction
Disprove by Counter-Example
Proof by Contradiction

# Algebra & Functions

#### 2.1 Indices

Subsets of Real Numbers

The Laws of Indices

#### 2.2 Surds

Simplifying Surds

Rationalising the Denominator

**Problem Solving** 

## 2.3 Quadratics

The Difference of Two Squares

Factorising Quadratics

Sketching Quadratics from Factorised Form

Completing the Square

Sketching Quadratics from Completed Square Form

Solving Quadratics

Using the Discriminant

Using the Quadratic Formula

Sketching Quadratics Using the Quadratic Formula

Sketching Quadratic Using a Calculator

Using Quadratic Methods for Solving

## 2.4 Simultaneous Equations

The Elimination Method

The Substitution Method

**Further Simultaneous Equations** 

## 2.5 Inequalities

# Coordinate Geometry

### 3.1 Coordinate Geometry

Introduction to Coordinate Geometry

Finding the Midpoint

Finding the Distance between Two Points

Finding the Gradient

The Equation of a Line

Parallel and Perpendicular Lines

**Sketching Linear Graphs** 

Perpendicular Bisectors

Intersections of Lines

An Application of Linear Graphs

#### 3.2 Circles

The Equation of a Circle

**Sketching Circles** 

Circles: Completing the Square

Intersections with Circles

Circle Theorems

Circles: Pependicular Bisectors

Tangents and Normals

### 3.3 Parametric Equations

**Introducing Parametric Equations** 

Cartesian to Parametric

**Graphing Parametric Curves** 

Parametric to Cartesian

Ellipses

# Sequences & Series

## 4.1 Binomial Expansion

The Factorial Function

Pascal's Triangle

Algebra Problems with nCr

**Binomial Expansion** 

Finding a Coefficient

Approximating using Binomial Expansion

Further Binomial Expansion

The Range of Validity

## 4.2 Sequences

**GCSE Sequences Revision** 

**Inductive Definitions and Recurrence Relations** 

**Describing Sequences** 

## 4.3 Sigma Notation

## 4.4 Arithmetic Sequences

**Introducing Arithmetic Sequences** 

**Arithmetic Series** 

Simultaneous Equation Problems

### 4.5 Geometric Sequences

**Introducing Geometry Sequences** 

Geometric Series

Sum to Infinity

Simultaneous Equation Problems

## 4.6 Modelling with Sequences

# Trigonometry

### 5.1 Trigonometry

#### **SOHCAHTOA**

The Sine Rule

The Cosine Rule

The Area of a Triangle

Radians

Arc Length

Area of a Sector

## 5.2 Small Angle Approximation

## 5.3 Trig Graphs

Sketching sin(x), cos(x), and tan(x)

Radians

## 5.4 Further Trigonometry

Cosec(x), Sec(x), Cot(x)

Sketching cosec(x), sec(x), and cot(x)

**Inverse Trigonometric Functions** 

## 5.5 Trigonometric Identities

Trigonometric Identities

Further Trigonometric Identities

## 5.6 Compound Angles & Equivalent Forms

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Double Angle Formulae

**Equivalent Forms** 

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# Exponentials & Logarithms

## 6.1 Exponentials

Introducing  $a^x$ 

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## 6.2 Exponential Models

### 6.3 Logarithms

**Introducing Logarithms** 

Introducing Logarithmic Graphs

Sketching  $y = \log_b(x+a)$ 

**Sketching**  $y = \log_b(x+a) + c$ 

Introducing the Natural Logarithm

**Sketching**  $y = \ln(x + a)$ 

**SKetching**  $y = \ln(x+a) + b$ 

## 6.4 Laws of Logarithms

The Laws of Logarithms

The Natural Logarithm

## 6.5 Exponential & Logarithmic Equations

Solving  $a^x = b$ 

Logging Both Sides

Inequalities

Hidden Quadratics

Solving  $e^x = k$ 

Logarithmic Equations

Solving ln(x)=k

### 6.6 Reduction to Linear Form

## Differentiation

### 7.1 Differentiation from First Principles

Gradient of a Straight Line

Differentiating Polynomials

**Gradients of Gradient Functions** 

Second Derivatives

Differentiation from First Principles

Convex and Concave

#### 7.2 Differentiation

Differentiating  $x^n$ 

**Differentiating Standard Functions** 

#### 7.3 Gradients

**Gradients of Functions** 

Tangents and Normals

**Stationary Points** 

Increasing and Decreasing

The Second Derivative Test

**Types of Stationary Point** 

Convex and Concave

Points of Inflection

Points of Inflection of the Normal Distribution

Optimisation

#### 7.4 Further Differentiation

The Chain Rule

Connected Rates of Change

# Integration

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### 8.2 Indefinite Integrals

Integrating  $ax^n$ 

Finding the Constant of Integration

**Integrating Standard Functions** 

### 8.3 Definite Integrals & Parametric Integration

Finding Areas

**Definite Integrals** 

Areas Between a Curve and a Line

Areas between Two Curves

Parametric Integration

## 8.4 Integration as the Limit of a Sum

## 8.5 Further Integration

Reversing the Chain Rule

Integrating by Substitution

Integration by Parts

Integrating ln(x)

Integration by Parts Twice

The Tabular Method for Integration by Parts

**Further Integration** 

- 8.6 Integration with Partial Fractions
- 8.7 Differential Equations
- 8.8 Differential Equations in Context

# **Numerical Methods**

## 9.1 The Change of Sign Method

The Need for Numerical Methods

The Change of Sign Method

## 9.2 The x=g(x) Method & The Newton-Raphson Method

The x=g(x) Method

The Newton-Raphson Method

### 9.3 Numerical Integration

Estimating Areas with Rectangles

The Trapezium Rule

### 9.4 Numerical Methods in Context

## Vectors

## 10.1 Introducing Vectors

What is a Vector?

Finding the Vector between Two Points

Vectors in 3D

### 10.2 Magnitude & Direction of a Vector

The Magnitude & Direction of a 2D Vector

Finding the Angle Between two Vectors

The Magnitude of a 3D Vector

The Angle between two 3D Vectors

#### 10.3 Resultant & Parallel Vectors

Resultant Vectors

Parallel Vectors

**Collinear Points** 

### 10.4 Position Vectors

#### 10.5 Vector Problems

# **Statistical Sampling**

## 11.1 The Large Data Set & Sampling Methods

The Large Data Set

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