

Applications and Interpretation Formulae Sheet (Standard Level and Higher Level)

Pre-Requisites	
Area of Triangle	$\frac{1}{2}$ base x height
Area of Parallelogram	base x height
Area of Rectangle	length x width
Area of Trapezoid	$\frac{1}{2}$ (sum of parallel sides) x height
Circumference & Area: Circle	$c = 2\pi r, A = \pi r^2$
Cuboid Surface area	$SA = 2xy + 2xz + 2yz$ Where $x, y, \text{ and } z$ are side lengths
Cuboid Volume	$V = xyz$ where $x, y, \text{ and } z$ are side lengths
Cylinder Surface Area	$SA = 2\pi rh + 2\pi r^2$ Note: Curved part: $2\pi rh$
Cylinder Volume	$V = \pi r^2 h$
Prism Volume	$V = \text{Area of cross section} \times \text{height}$
Distance between 2 points $(x_1, y_1), (x_2, y_2)$	$\sqrt{(x_2 - x_1)^2 + (y_2 - y_1)^2}$
Coordinates of midpoint of $(x_1, y_1), (x_2, y_2)$	$(\frac{x_1 + x_2}{2}, \frac{y_1 + y_2}{2})$
Solutions of a Quadratic Equation $ax^2 + bx + c = 0$	$x = \frac{-b \pm \sqrt{b^2 - 4ac}}{2a}, a \neq 0$

Topic 1: Number and Algebra	
Arithmetic sequence: n th term	$u_n = a + (n - 1)d$ where a = first term, d = common diff
Arithmetic sequence: sum of n terms	$S_n = \frac{n}{2}[2a + (n - 1)d] = \frac{n}{2}(a + l)$ where a = first term, d = common diff, l = last term
Geometric sequence: n th term	$u_n = ar^{n-1}$ where a = first term, r = common ratio
Geometric sequence: sum of n terms	$S_n = \frac{a(1-r^n)}{1-r} = \frac{a(r^n-1)}{r-1}, r \neq 1$ where a = first term, r = common ratio
Geometric sequence: Sum to infinity	$S_\infty = \frac{a}{1-r}, r < 1$ where a = first term, r = common ratio
Compound Interest	$FV = PV(1 + \frac{r}{100})^{kt}$ FV=future value PV=present value t=no. of years r=nominal annual interest rate k=no. of compounding periods per year
Exponential & Logarithms	$\log_a b = c \Leftrightarrow a^c = b, a, b, > 0, a \neq 1$
Exponential & Logarithms Rules	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> $c \log_a b \Leftrightarrow \log_a b^c$ $\log_a b + \log_a c \Leftrightarrow \log_a bc$ $\log_a b - \log_a c \Leftrightarrow \log_a \frac{b}{c}$ $\log_a b \Leftrightarrow \frac{\log_c b}{\log_c a}$
Percentage Error	$\epsilon = \frac{ v_a - v_e }{v_e} \times 100\%$ v_a = approximate value, v_e = exact value
Quadratic Function: Discriminant	$\Delta = b^2 - 4ac$ <ul style="list-style-type: none"> > 0 (2 real distinct roots) $= 0$ (2 real repeated/double roots) < 0 (no real roots)
Complex Numbers: Cartesian Form	$z = a + bi$
Complex Numbers: Modulus/Argument Form	$z = r(\cos \theta + i \sin \theta) = r \text{ cis } \theta$
Complex Numbers: Euler's Form	$z = re^{i\theta}$
Determinant of a 2 x 2 matrix	$A = \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix} \Rightarrow \det A = A = ad - bc$
Inverse of a 2 x 2 matrix	$A = \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix} \Rightarrow A^{-1} = \frac{1}{\det A} \begin{pmatrix} d & -b \\ -c & a \end{pmatrix}$
Power formula for a matrix	$M^n = P D^n P^{-1}$, where P is the matrix of eigenvectors and D is the diagonal matrix of eigenvalues

Topic 2: Functions	
Straight Line: Equation (gradient means slope)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Slope intercept $y = mx + c$ General $ax + by + d = 0$ Point slope form $y - y_1 = m(x - x_1)$
Straight Line: Gradient	$m = \frac{y_2 - y_1}{x_2 - x_1}$
Quadratic Function: Solutions to $ax^2 + bx + c = 0$	$x = \frac{-b \pm \sqrt{b^2 - 4ac}}{2a}, a \neq 0$
Quadratic Function: Axis of Symmetry	$f(x) = x^2 + bx + c \Rightarrow x = -\frac{b}{2a}$
Inverse	Replace $f(x)$ with y , swap x & y , solve for y
Composite	$fg(x)$ means plug $g(x)$ into $f(x)$
Transformations:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> a = vertical stretch of a, b = horizontal stretch of $\frac{1}{b}$ c = translation c units x direc, d = translation d units in y direction $f(-x)$ = reflc in y axis, $-f(x)$ = reflc in x axis

Linear: $y = mx + c$ Domain: $x \in \mathbb{R}$ Range: $y \in \mathbb{R}$	Trigonometry: $y = a \sin(bx + c) + d$ $y = a \cos(bx + c) + d$ Domain: $x \in \mathbb{R}$ Range: $-a + d \leq y \leq a + d$ Note: If asked to find values of a, b, c, d a = amplitude = $\frac{\text{max } y - \text{min } y}{2}$ $b = \frac{2\pi}{\text{period}}$ or $\frac{360}{\text{period}}$ d = principal axis = $\frac{\text{max } y + \text{min } y}{2}$ c = phase shift (plug in point to find) Logarithm: $y = a \ln(bx + c) + d$ Asymptote: $x = -\frac{c}{b}$
Quadratic: $y = \pm a(bx + c)^2 + d$ Domain: $x \in \mathbb{R}$ Range: $y \geq d$ if $a > 0, y \leq d$ if $a < 0$	
Exponential: $y = ae^{bx+c} + d$ Domain: $x \in \mathbb{R}$ (Hint: power of exp can be anything, so no restriction) Range: $y > d$ if $a > 0, y < d$ if $a < 0$	
Logarithm: $y = a \ln(bx + c) + d$ Domain: $x > -\frac{c}{b}$ Range: $y \in \mathbb{R}$ Asymptote: $x = -\frac{c}{b}$	
Root: $a\sqrt{bx+c} + d$ Domain: $x \geq -\frac{c}{b}$ Range: $y \geq d$ if $a > 0$ and $y \leq d$ if $a < 0$	
Rational: $\frac{ax+b}{cx+d}$ Domain: $x \in \mathbb{R}, x \neq -\frac{d}{c}$ Range: $y \in \mathbb{R}, y \neq \frac{a}{c} + d$ Asymptotes: $x = -\frac{d}{c}, y = \frac{a}{c} + d$	
Logistic Function	$f(x) = \frac{L}{1 + Ce^{-kx}}, L, k, C > 0$

Topic 3: Geometry and Trigonometry	
Distance between (x_1, y_1, z_1) and (x_2, y_2, z_2)	$\sqrt{(x_2 - x_1)^2 + (y_2 - y_1)^2 + (z_2 - z_1)^2}$
Coordinates of midpoint of (x_1, y_1, z_1) and (x_2, y_2, z_2)	$(\frac{x_1 + x_2}{2}, \frac{y_1 + y_2}{2}, \frac{z_1 + z_2}{2})$
Cone Surface Area	$SA = \pi rl + \pi r^2$ Note: Curved part: πrl where l is slant length
Cone Volume	$V = \frac{1}{3}\pi r^2 h$
Sphere Surface Area	$SA = 4\pi r^2$ Note: Hemisphere = $2\pi r^2 + \pi r^2 = 3\pi r^2$
Sphere Volume	$v = \frac{4}{3}\pi r^3$ Note: Hemisphere = $\frac{2}{3}\pi r^3$
Pyramid Volume	$V = \frac{1}{3} \times \text{base area} \times h$
Sine Rule	Finding a side: $\frac{a}{\sin A} = \frac{b}{\sin B} = \frac{c}{\sin C}$ Finding an angle: $\frac{a}{\sin A} = \frac{b}{\sin B} = \frac{c}{\sin C}$
Cosine Rule	inding a side: $a^2 = b^2 + c^2 - 2bc \cos A$ Finding an angle: $A = \cos^{-1}(\frac{b^2 + c^2 - a^2}{2bc})$
Area of Triangle	$\frac{1}{2} ab \sin C$
Degrees to radians and vice versa	D to R: $x \times \frac{\pi}{180}$ R to D: $x \times \frac{180}{\pi}$
Length of an arc	$\frac{\theta}{360} \times 2\pi r$
Area of a Sector	$\frac{\theta}{360} \times \pi r^2$
Trig Identities	$\sin^2 x + \cos^2 x = 1$ $\tan x = \frac{\sin x}{\cos x}$
Transformation Matrices	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> $\begin{pmatrix} \cos 2\theta & \sin 2\theta \\ \sin 2\theta & -\cos 2\theta \end{pmatrix}$ Reflection in the line $y = (\tan \theta)x$ $\begin{pmatrix} k & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$ Horizontal stretch by scale factor k $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & k \end{pmatrix}$ Vertical stretch by scale factor k $\begin{pmatrix} k & 0 \\ 0 & k \end{pmatrix}$ Enlargement by scale factor k, centre $(0,0)$ $\begin{pmatrix} \cos \theta & -\sin \theta \\ \sin \theta & \cos \theta \end{pmatrix}$ Anti-clockwise rotation of angle θ about the origin ($\theta > 0$) $\begin{pmatrix} -\cos \theta & \sin \theta \\ \sin \theta & \cos \theta \end{pmatrix}$ clockwise rotation of angle θ about the origin ($\theta > 0$)
Vector Form	$at + bf + ck \equiv \begin{pmatrix} a \\ b \\ c \end{pmatrix}$
Properties (addition/ subtraction, multiplication and scalar product)	$\begin{pmatrix} a \\ b \\ c \end{pmatrix} \pm \begin{pmatrix} d \\ e \\ f \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} a \pm d \\ b \pm e \\ c \pm f \end{pmatrix}$ $\lambda \begin{pmatrix} a \\ b \\ c \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \lambda a \\ \lambda b \\ \lambda c \end{pmatrix}$ $\begin{pmatrix} a \\ b \\ c \end{pmatrix} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} d \\ e \\ f \end{pmatrix} = ad + be + cf$
Magnitude of a vector	$ \begin{pmatrix} a \\ b \\ c \end{pmatrix} = \sqrt{a^2 + b^2 + c^2}$
Unit Vector	Unit vector of $\begin{pmatrix} a \\ b \\ c \end{pmatrix} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{a^2 + b^2 + c^2}} \begin{pmatrix} a \\ b \\ c \end{pmatrix}$
Angle Between 2 vectors	$\theta = \cos^{-1} \left(\frac{\begin{pmatrix} a \\ b \\ c \end{pmatrix} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} d \\ e \\ f \end{pmatrix}}{ \begin{pmatrix} a \\ b \\ c \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} d \\ e \\ f \end{pmatrix} } \right)$
Vector Equation of a line	$r = \begin{pmatrix} a \\ b \\ c \end{pmatrix} + \lambda \begin{pmatrix} d \\ e \\ f \end{pmatrix}$
Parametric Form of a line	$x = a + \lambda d, y = b + \lambda e, z = c + \lambda f$
Scalar Product	$\begin{pmatrix} a \\ b \\ c \end{pmatrix} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} d \\ e \\ f \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} a \\ b \\ c \end{pmatrix} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} d \\ e \\ f \end{pmatrix} \cos \theta$ where, θ is the angle between $\begin{pmatrix} a \\ b \\ c \end{pmatrix}$ and $\begin{pmatrix} d \\ e \\ f \end{pmatrix}$
Vector Product	$\begin{pmatrix} a \\ b \\ c \end{pmatrix} \times \begin{pmatrix} d \\ e \\ f \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} bf - ec \\ -(af - cd) \\ ae - bd \end{pmatrix}$ or $\begin{pmatrix} a \\ b \\ c \end{pmatrix} \times \begin{pmatrix} d \\ e \\ f \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} a \\ b \\ c \end{pmatrix} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} d \\ e \\ f \end{pmatrix} \sin \theta$ where, θ is the angle between $\begin{pmatrix} a \\ b \\ c \end{pmatrix}$ and $\begin{pmatrix} d \\ e \\ f \end{pmatrix}$
Area of a Parallelogram	$A = \left \begin{pmatrix} a \\ b \\ c \end{pmatrix} \times \begin{pmatrix} d \\ e \\ f \end{pmatrix} \right $ where, $\begin{pmatrix} a \\ b \\ c \end{pmatrix}$ and $\begin{pmatrix} d \\ e \\ f \end{pmatrix}$ form 2 adjacent sides of a parallelogram

Topic 4: Statistics & Probability	
Interquartile Range	$IQR = Q_3 - Q_1$
Mean	$\bar{x} = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n f_i x_i}{n}$ where $n = \sum_{i=1}^n f_i$
Probability of event A	$P(A) = \frac{n(A)}{n(U)}$
Complementary Events	$P(A') = 1 - P(A)$
Combined Events	$P(A \cup B) = P(A) + P(B) - P(A \cap B)$
Mutually Exclusive Events	$P(A \cap B) = 0$
Conditional	$P(A B) = \frac{P(A \cap B)}{P(B)}$
Independent Events	$P(A \cap B) = P(A)P(B)$
Expected Value - discrete random variable	$E(X) = \sum xP(X = x)$
Binomial Distribution	$x \sim B(n, p)$ $E(X) = np, \text{Var}(X) = np(1 - p)$

Topic 4: Statistics & Probability Continued	
Linear Transformations of a random variable	$E(ax \pm b) = aE(X) \pm b$ $\text{Var}(ax \pm b) = a^2 \text{Var}(X)$
Linear Combinations of n independent random variables X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n	$E(a_1 X_1 \pm a_2 X_2 \pm \dots \pm a_n X_n) = a_1 E(X_1) \pm a_2 E(X_2) \pm \dots \pm a_n E(X_n)$ $\text{Var}(a_1 X_1 \pm a_2 X_2 \pm \dots \pm a_n X_n) = a_1^2 \text{Var}(X_1) + a_2^2 \text{Var}(X_2) + \dots + a_n^2 \text{Var}(X_n)$
Unbiased estimate of a population variance	$s_{n-1}^2 = \frac{n}{n-1} s_n^2$
Poisson Distribution	$x \sim P_0(m)$ $E(X) = m, \text{Var}(X) = m$
Transition Matrices	$T^n S_0 = S_n$, where S_0 is the initial state

Topic 5: Calculus	
Turning/Stationary Points (Max/Min)	Solve $\frac{dy}{dx} = 0$, if $\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} > 0$ min and $\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} < 0$ max
Points of Inflection	solve $\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} = 0$
Increasing/Decreasing	Increasing: solve $\frac{dy}{dx} > 0$, decreasing: solve $\frac{dy}{dx} < 0$
Convex/Concave	concave up: solve $\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} > 0$ concave down: solve $\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} < 0$
Chain Rule	$y = g(u), u = f(x) \Rightarrow \frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{dy}{du} \times \frac{du}{dx}$
Product Rule	$y = uv \Rightarrow \frac{dy}{dx} = u \frac{dv}{dx} + v \frac{du}{dx}$
Quotient rule	$y = \frac{u}{v} \Rightarrow \frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{v \frac{du}{dx} - u \frac{dv}{dx}}{v^2}$
Area between	curve & x axis: $\int_{x=a}^{x=b} y \, dx$ curve & y axis: $\int_{y=a}^{y=b} x \, dy$ (take + answer if neg) Between 2 curves: $\int_{x=a}^{x=b} (\text{top curve} - \text{bottom curve}) \, dx$ Remember to split up if separate areas
Trapezoidal Rule	$\int_a^b y \, dx \approx \frac{1}{2} h (y_0 + y_n) + 2(y_1 + y_2 + \dots + y_{n-1})$ Where $h = \frac{b-a}{n}$
Kinematics:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Distances: $\int_{t_1}^{t_2} v(t) \, dt$ Displacement: $\int_{t_1}^{t_2} v(t) \, dt$ Velocity: $\int_{t_1}^{t_2} a(t) \, dt$ or $\frac{ds}{dt}$ Acceleration: $\frac{dv}{dt} = \frac{d^2s}{dt^2}$
Derivatives	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> $x^n \Rightarrow nx^{n-1}$ $(f(x))^n \Rightarrow n(f(x))^{n-1} f'(x)$ $\ln(f(x)) \Rightarrow \frac{f'(x)}{f(x)}$ $\sin f(x) \Rightarrow f'(x) \cos f(x)$ $\cos f(x) \Rightarrow -f'(x) \sin f(x)$ $e^{f(x)} \Rightarrow e^{f(x)} f'(x) = e^{f(x)} f'(x)$
Integrals	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> $\int x^n \, dx = \frac{x^{n+1}}{n+1} + c, n \neq -1$ $\int \frac{1}{x} \, dx = \ln x + c$ $\int \sin x \, dx = -\cos x + c$ $\int \cos x \, dx = \sin x + c$ $\int \frac{1}{\cos^2 x} \, dx = \tan x + c$ $\int e^x \, dx = e^x + c$
Volume of Revolution	About x axis: $V = \int_a^b \pi y^2 \, dx$ About y axis: $V = \int_a^b \pi x^2 \, dy$
Euler's method	$y_{n+1} = y_n + h \times f(x_n, y_n); x_{n+1} = x_n + h$ where h is a constant (step length)
Euler's Method for Coupled Systems	$x_{n+1} = x_n + h \times f_1(x_n, y_n, t_n)$ $y_{n+1} = y_n + h \times f_2(x_n, y_n, t_n)$ $t_{n+1} = t_n + h$ where h is a constant (step length)
Exact solution for coupled linear differential equations	$x = A e^{k_1 t} p_1 + B e^{k_2 t} p_2$