

# REQUIRED FORMULAE

Roots of polynomials		
Formula	Comment	Papers
$ax^2 + bx + c = 0$ has roots $x = \frac{-b \pm \sqrt{b^2 - 4ac}}{2a}$		2, 3
For $ax^2 + bx + c = 0$ with roots $\alpha$ and $\beta$ : $\alpha + \beta = -b/a$ , $\alpha\beta = c/a$		2, 3
For $ax^3 + bx^2 + cx + d = 0$ with roots $\alpha$ , $\beta$ and $\gamma$ : $\alpha + \beta + \gamma = -b/a$ , $\alpha\beta + \beta\gamma + \gamma\alpha = c/a$ , $\alpha\beta\gamma = -d/a$	The pattern is the same for polynomial equations of higher degree	2, 3
Laws of indices		
Formula	Comment	Papers
$a^x a^y = a^{x+y}$		2, 3
$a^0 = 1$	$a \neq 0$	2, 3
$(a^x)^y = a^{xy}$		2, 3
$a^x = e^{x \ln a}$	defines $a^x$ when $x$ is not an integer	2, 3 •
Laws of logarithms		
Formula	Comment	Papers
$x = a^n \Leftrightarrow n = \log_a x$	$x > 0$ , $a > 0$ ( $a \neq 1$ )	2, 3
$\log_a x + \log_a y = \log_a(xy)$		2, 3
$\log_a x - \log_a y = \log_a(x/y)$		2, 3
$k \log_a x = \log_a x^k$	for $x > 0$	2, 3

Sequences and series		
Formula	Comment	Papers
General ( $n$ th) term of an arithmetic progression: $u_n = a + (n - 1)d$	$d$ is the common difference	2, 3
General ( $n$ th) term of a geometric progression: $u_n = ar^{n-1}$	$r$ is the common ratio	2, 3
Sum of an arithmetic progression: $S_n = \frac{1}{2}n\{2a + (n - 1)d\}$	or: $S_n = an + \frac{1}{2}n(n - 1)d$	2, 3 •
Sum of a geometric progression: $S_n = \frac{a(1 - r^n)}{1 - r}$		2, 3 •
Sum to infinity of a geometric progression: $S_\infty = \frac{a}{1 - r}$	$ r  < 1$	2, 3 •
${}^nC_r = \frac{n!}{(n - r)!r!}$		2, 3 •
$(a + b)^n = \sum_{r=0}^n {}^nC_r a^{n-r} b^r$	Binomial expansion, $n \in \mathbb{N}$	2, 3 •
$(1 + x)^k = 1 + kx + \frac{k(k-1)}{2!}x^2 + \dots + \frac{k(k-1)\dots(k-r+1)}{r!}x^r + \dots$	$ x  < 1, k \in \mathbb{Q}$	2, 3 •
$\sum_{r=1}^n r = \frac{1}{2}n(n + 1)$		2, 3 •
$f(x) = \sum_{r=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{r!} f^{(r)}(0) x^r$	Maclaurin series	3 •
$e^x = \sum_{r=0}^{\infty} \frac{x^r}{r!}$	converges for all $x$	2, 3 •
$\ln(1 + x) = \sum_{r=1}^{\infty} (-1)^{r+1} \frac{x^r}{r}$	converges for $-1 < x \leq 1$	3 •
$\sin x = \sum_{r=0}^{\infty} (-1)^r \frac{x^{2r+1}}{(2r + 1)!}$	converges for all $x$	3 •
$\cos x = \sum_{r=0}^{\infty} (-1)^r \frac{x^{2r}}{(2r)!}$	converges for all $x$	3 •

<b>Coordinate geometry</b>		
<b>Formula</b>	<b>Comment</b>	<b>Papers</b>
The straight line graph with gradient $m$ passing through the point $(x_1, y_1)$ has equation $y - y_1 = m(x - x_1)$		2, 3
Straight lines with non-zero gradients $m_1$ and $m_2$ are perpendicular if and only if $m_1 m_2 = -1$		2, 3
<b>Trigonometry</b>		
<b>Formula</b>	<b>Comment</b>	<b>Papers</b>
Sine rule for the triangle $ABC$ : $\frac{a}{\sin A} = \frac{b}{\sin B} = \frac{c}{\sin C}$		2, 3
Cosine rule in the triangle $ABC$ : $a^2 = b^2 + c^2 - 2bc \cos A$		2, 3
Area of triangle $ABC$ : $\frac{1}{2}ab \sin C$		2, 3
$\cos^2 A + \sin^2 A = 1$		2, 3
$\sec^2 A = 1 + \tan^2 A$		2, 3
$\operatorname{cosec}^2 A = 1 + \cot^2 A$		2, 3
$\sin 2A = 2 \sin A \cos A$		2, 3
$\cos 2A = \cos^2 A - \sin^2 A$		2, 3
$\tan 2A = \frac{2 \tan A}{1 - \tan^2 A}$	$A \neq (k + \frac{1}{2})\frac{\pi}{2}, k \in \mathbb{Z}$	2, 3
$\sin(A \pm B) = \sin A \cos B \pm \cos A \sin B$		2, 3
$\cos(A \pm B) = \cos A \cos B \mp \sin A \sin B$		2, 3
$\tan(A \pm B) = \frac{\tan A \pm \tan B}{1 \mp \tan A \tan B}$	$A \pm B \neq (k + \frac{1}{2})\pi, k \in \mathbb{Z}$	2, 3 •
$\sin \theta \approx \theta, \cos \theta \approx 1 - \frac{1}{2}\theta^2, \tan \theta \approx \theta$	$\theta$ small (compared with 1); $\theta$ in radians	2, 3 •

<b>Hyperbolic functions</b>		
<b>Formula</b>	<b>Comment</b>	<b>Papers</b>
$\sinh x = \frac{e^x - e^{-x}}{2}$	by definition	3
$\cosh x = \frac{e^x + e^{-x}}{2}$	by definition	3
$\tanh x = \frac{\sinh x}{\cosh x}$	by definition	3
$\cosh^2 A - \sinh^2 A = 1$		3 •
$\operatorname{sech}^2 A = 1 - \tanh^2 A$		3 •
$\operatorname{cosech}^2 A = \coth^2 A - 1$		3 •
$\sinh 2A = 2 \sinh A \cosh A$		3 •
$\cosh 2A = \cosh^2 A + \sinh^2 A$		3 •
$\tanh 2A = \frac{2 \tanh A}{1 + \tanh^2 A}$		3 •
$\sinh(A \pm B) = \sinh A \cosh B \pm \cosh A \sinh B$		3 •
$\cosh(A \pm B) = \cosh A \cosh B \pm \sinh A \sinh B$		3 •
$\tanh(A \pm B) = \frac{\tanh A \pm \tanh B}{1 \pm \tanh A \tanh B}$		3 •

Derivatives			
Function	Derivative	Comment	Papers
$\sin x$	$\cos x$		2, 3
$\cos x$	$-\sin x$		2, 3
$\tan x$	$\sec^2 x$		2, 3 •
$\cot x$	$-\operatorname{cosec}^2 x$		2, 3 •
$\sec x$	$\sec x \tan x$		2, 3 •
$\operatorname{cosec} x$	$-\operatorname{cosec} x \cot x$		2, 3 •
$\sin^{-1} x$	$\frac{1}{\sqrt{1-x^2}}$		2, 3 •
$\tan^{-1} x$	$\frac{1}{1+x^2}$		2, 3 •
$\sinh x$	$\cosh x$		3
$\cosh x$	$\sinh x$		3
$\tanh x$	$\operatorname{sech}^2 x$		3 •
$\operatorname{coth} x$	$-\operatorname{cosech}^2 x$		3 •
$\operatorname{sech} x$	$-\operatorname{sech} x \tanh x$		3 •
$\sinh^{-1} x$	$\frac{1}{\sqrt{1+x^2}}$		3 •
$\tanh^{-1} x$	$\frac{1}{1-x^2}$		3 •
$e^x$	$e^x$		2, 3
$\ln x$	$\frac{1}{x}$		2, 3
$f(x) + g(x)$	$f'(x) + g'(x)$		2, 3
$f(x)g(x)$	$f'(x)g(x) + f(x)g'(x)$	product rule	2, 3
$\frac{f(x)}{g(x)}$	$\frac{f'(x)g(x) - f(x)g'(x)}{(g(x))^2}$	quotient rule	2, 3 •
$f(g(x))$	$f'(g(x))g'(x)$	chain rule	2, 3

<b>Integrals</b>			
<b>Function</b>	<b>Integral</b>	<b>Comment</b>	<b>Papers</b>
$x^n$	$\frac{1}{n+1} x^{n+1} + c$	$n \neq -1$	2, 3
$x^{-1}$	$\ln  x  + c$		2, 3
$\cos x$	$\sin x + c$		2, 3
$\sin x$	$-\cos x + c$		2, 3
$\sinh x$	$\cosh x + c$		3
$\cosh x$	$\sinh x + c$		3
$\frac{1}{\sqrt{1-x^2}}$	$\sin^{-1} x + c$	$-1 < x < 1$	2, 3 •
$\frac{1}{1+x^2}$	$\tan^{-1} x + c$		2, 3 •
$e^x$	$e^x + c$		2, 3
$f'(x) + g'(x)$	$f(x) + g(x) + c$		2, 3
$f'(g(x)) g'(x)$	$f(g(x)) + c$		2, 3
$\frac{f'(x)}{f(x)}$	$\ln  f(x)  + c$		2, 3 •
$(f(x))^n f'(x)$	$\frac{1}{n+1} (f(x))^{n+1} + c$	$n \neq -1$	2, 3 •
$u \frac{dv}{dx}$	$uv - \int v \frac{du}{dx} dx$	integration by parts	2, 3 •

General calculus		
Formula	Comment	Papers
$f'(x) = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(x+h) - f(x)}{h}$	first principles definition	2, 3 •
$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{dy}{dt} \bigg/ \frac{dx}{dt}$	for the parameterised curve $y = y(t), x = x(t)$	2, 3 •
Area under the curve $y = f(x)$ and above the $x$ -axis: $\int_a^b f(x) dx$		2, 3
Volume of revolution about the $x$ -axis: $\pi \int_a^b (f(x))^2 dx$		3
$\int_a^b y dx \approx \frac{1}{2}h(y_0 + y_n) + h(y_1 + y_2 + \dots + y_{n-1})$	$h = \frac{b-a}{n}, y_r = y(a+rh),$ trapezium rule	2, 3 •
$\ddot{x} = -\omega^2 x \Rightarrow x = R \sin(\omega t + \alpha)$ or $x = R \cos(\omega t + \beta)$ or $x = A \cos \omega t + B \sin \omega t$	simple harmonic motion	3 •

Circles		
Formula	Comment	Papers
Length of an arc of a circle of radius $r$ : $r\theta$	$\theta$ is angle subtended in radians	2, 3
Area of a sector of a circle of radius $r$ : $\frac{1}{2}r^2\theta$	$\theta$ is angle subtended in radians	2, 3
Complex numbers		
Formula	Comment	Papers
$e^{i\theta} = \cos \theta + i \sin \theta$		3
$z = r(\cos \theta + i \sin \theta) \Rightarrow z^n = r^n(\cos n\theta + i \sin n\theta)$	de Moivre's theorem	3 •
$z^n = 1$ has roots $z = e^{2\pi ki/n}$ where $k = 0, 1, \dots, (n - 1)$	Roots of unity	3 •
Half line with end-point $a$ : $\arg(z - a) = \theta$	$\theta$ is the angle between the line and a line parallel to the positive real axis	2, 3
Circle, centre $a$ and radius $r$ : $ z - a  = r$		2, 3
Vectors		
Formula	Comment	Papers
$ xi + yj + zk  = \sqrt{x^2 + y^2 + z^2}$		2, 3
$\mathbf{a} \cdot \mathbf{b} = a_1b_1 + a_2b_2 + a_3b_3 =  \mathbf{a}   \mathbf{b}  \cos \theta$	scalar product, $\mathbf{a} = a_1\mathbf{i} + a_2\mathbf{j} + a_3\mathbf{k}$	2, 3
$\mathbf{a} \times \mathbf{b} = (a_2b_3 - a_3b_2)\mathbf{i} + (a_3b_1 - a_1b_3)\mathbf{j} + (a_1b_2 - a_2b_1)\mathbf{k}$	vector product	3 •
$ \mathbf{a} \times \mathbf{b}  =  \mathbf{a}   \mathbf{b}  \sin \theta$	$\theta$ is the acute angle between the vectors	3 •
Equation of the line through the point with position vector $\mathbf{a}$ parallel to $\mathbf{b}$ : $\mathbf{r} = \mathbf{a} + t\mathbf{b}$		2, 3
Equation of the plane containing the point with position vector $\mathbf{a}$ and with normal $\mathbf{n}$ : $(\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{a}) \cdot \mathbf{n} = 0$		3



<b>Matrices</b>		
<b>Formula</b>	<b>Comment</b>	<b>Papers</b>
For $\mathbf{A} = \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix}$ , $\det \mathbf{A} = ad - bc$		2, 3
For $\mathbf{A} = \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix}$ , $\mathbf{A}^{-1} = \frac{1}{\det \mathbf{A}} \begin{pmatrix} d & -b \\ -c & a \end{pmatrix}$	$\det \mathbf{A} \neq 0$	2, 3
$\mathbf{AB}$ is equivalent to $\mathbf{B}$ then $\mathbf{A}$	for transformations represented by these matrices	2, 3
$(\mathbf{AB})^{-1} = \mathbf{B}^{-1}\mathbf{A}^{-1}$	$\det \mathbf{AB} \neq 0$	2, 3
$\begin{pmatrix} 0 & \pm 1 \\ \pm 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$	reflection in the line $y = \pm x$	2, 3 •
$\begin{pmatrix} \cos \theta & -\sin \theta & 0 \\ \sin \theta & \cos \theta & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$	rotation by $\theta$ about the $z$ -axis; the direction of positive rotation is taken to be anticlockwise when looking towards the origin from the positive side of the axis of rotation	2, 3 •
$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$	reflection in the plane $z = 0$	2, 3 •

<b>Mechanics</b>		
<b>Formula</b>	<b>Comment</b>	<b>Papers</b>
$mg$	weight	2, 3
$F \leq \mu R$	frictional force related to normal reaction $R$	2, 3
$F = ma$	scalar version of Newton's second law; constant mass	2, 3
$\mathbf{F} = m\mathbf{a}$	vector version of Newton's second law; constant mass	2, 3
$\frac{1}{2}mv^2$	kinetic energy	2, 3 •
$mgh$	change in gravitational potential energy; $h$ is vertical height	2, 3 •
$mv$	momentum	2, 3 •
$mv - mu$	impulse	2, 3 •
$T = \frac{\lambda x}{l} = kx$	Hooke's law	2, 3 •
$E = \frac{\lambda x^2}{2l} = \frac{1}{2}kx^2$	elastic potential energy	2, 3 •
$v = \frac{dr}{dt}, a = \frac{dv}{dt} = \frac{d^2r}{dt^2}$	motion in a straight line (where acceleration, $a$ , may not be constant)	2, 3 •
$v = u + at, s = ut + \frac{1}{2}at^2, s = \frac{1}{2}(u + v)t, v^2 - u^2 = 2as$	motion in a straight line with constant acceleration, $a$	2, 3 •
$\mathbf{v} = \frac{d\mathbf{r}}{dt}, \mathbf{a} = \frac{d\mathbf{v}}{dt}$	motion in two (STEP 2) or three (STEP 3) dimensions where acceleration, $\mathbf{a}$ , may not be constant	2, 3 •
$\mathbf{v} = \mathbf{u} + \mathbf{a}t, \mathbf{s} = \mathbf{u}t + \frac{1}{2}\mathbf{a}t^2, \mathbf{s} = \frac{1}{2}(\mathbf{u} + \mathbf{v})t, \mathbf{v} \cdot \mathbf{v} - \mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{u} = 2\mathbf{a} \cdot \mathbf{s}$	motion in two or three dimensions with constant acceleration, $\mathbf{a}$	2, 3 •
$v_1 - v_2 = -e(u_1 - u_2)$ or relative speed of separation = $e \times$ relative speed of approach	Newton's experimental law	2, 3 •
speed = $r\dot{\theta}$ , radial acceleration = $\frac{v^2}{r} = r\dot{\theta}^2$ towards the centre, tangential acceleration = $r\ddot{\theta}$	motion in a circle of radius $r$	3 •

<b>Probability/Statistics</b>		
<b>Formula</b>	<b>Comment</b>	<b>Papers</b>
$P(A \cup B) = P(A) + P(B) - P(A \cap B)$	probability of the union of two events	2, 3 •
$P(A \cap B) = P(A B)P(B)$	probability of the intersection of two events	2, 3 •
$E(aX + bY + c) = aE(X) + bE(Y) + c$	algebra of expectation	3 •
$\text{Var}(aX + bY + c) = a^2 \text{Var}(X) + b^2 \text{Var}(Y)$	algebra of variances for independent variables	3 •
$\mu = E(X) = \sum_i x_i P(X = x_i)$	expectation of a discrete random variable $X$	2, 3 •
$\mu = E(X) = \int xf(x) dx$	expectation of a continuous random variable $X$ with p.d.f. $f$	2, 3 •
$\sigma^2 = \text{Var}(X) = \sum_i (x_i - \mu)^2 P(X = x_i)$ $= \sum_i x_i^2 P(X = x_i) - \mu^2$	variance of a discrete random variable $X$	2, 3 •
$\sigma^2 = \text{Var}(X) = \int (x - \mu)^2 f(x) dx = \int x^2 f(x) dx - \mu^2$	variance of a continuous random variable $X$ with p.d.f. $f$	2, 3 •
$F(x) = P(X \leq x) = \int_{-\infty}^x f(x) dx$	cumulative distribution function (c.d.f.)	2, 3 •

Random variables				
Distribution	$P(X = x)$	$E(X)$	$\text{Var}(X)$	Papers
Binomial $B(n, p)$	$\binom{n}{x} p^x (1-p)^{n-x}$	$np$	$np(1-p)$	2, 3 •
Uniform distribution over $1, 2, \dots, n$	$\frac{1}{n}$	$\frac{1}{2}(n+1)$	$\frac{1}{12}(n^2-1)$ (included for completeness; memorisation not required)	2, 3 •
Poisson $Po(\lambda)$	$\frac{\lambda^x e^{-\lambda}}{x!}$	$\lambda$	$\lambda$	2, 3 •
Distribution	p.d.f.	$E(X)$	$\text{Var}(X)$	Papers
Uniform distribution over $[a, b]$	$\frac{1}{b-a}$	$\frac{1}{2}(a+b)$	$\frac{1}{12}(b-a)^2$ (included for completeness; memorisation not required)	2, 3 •
Normal $N(\mu, \sigma^2)$	$\frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma^2}} e^{-\frac{1}{2}\left(\frac{x-\mu}{\sigma}\right)^2}$ (included for completeness; memorisation not required)	$\mu$	$\sigma^2$	2, 3 •