

Higher Topics

Unit 1

1. The straight line

Distance formula

Mid-point formula

Converse of Pythagoras

Angles in a triangle – largest angle opposite longest side

Gradient formula

$m = \tan \theta$

parallel lines have the same gradient

lines with the same gradient are parallel

gradient of line parallel to x-axis is zero

gradient of line parallel to y-axis is undefined

positive and negative gradients

Finding angle between line and positive direction of x-axis

Using gradients to show points are collinear

Perpendicular lines $m_1 = -\frac{1}{m_2}$

Right angled triangles and perpendicular gradients

Does a point lie inside, on or outside of a circle

Equation of a straight line: gradient m and y-intercept c

Linear equation $ax + by + c = 0$

Line with gradient m through the point (a, b) : $y - b = m(x - a)$

Median of a triangle

Altitude of a triangle

Finding equation of a median

Finding equation of an altitude

Intersecting lines – simultaneous equations

Bearings – shortest distance from a line to a point is perpendicular from point to line

2.1 Composite and Inverse Functions

Definition of a function

Notation

Domain and range

Function Definition– For every x in domain there is only 1 value of f in the range

Find formula for $g(2x)$ and $g(x+1)$

For what values is a function undefined

Tricks with $g(x)$ and $g(1/x)$ and $g(x/(1+x))$

Composite functions $f(g(x))$ and $g(f(x))$

Functions and inverses – one to one mapping

Notation for an inverse f^{-1}

Checking if an inverse exists from a graph – the ruler test

Calculating inverse functions – $y = 2x + 5$

Reflection in the line $y = x$

2.2 Algebraic Functions and Graphs

Completing the square – simple, negative x^2 and non unity x^2

Maximum and minimum values

Value of x for which it occurs

Sketching the graph by completing the square

Find max or min and value of x at which it occurs

Find roots (zeros) – (put $y = 0$)

Find y intercept (put $x = 0$)

Can find turning point from axis of symmetry

Sketching graphs of related functions

$$y = f(x) \quad y = -f(x) \quad y = f(-x)$$

$$y = f(x + a) \quad y = f(x - a)$$

$$y = f(x) + a \quad y = f(x) - a$$

$$y = a f(x) \quad y = f(ax)$$

Marking the image points

The exponential function and its graph

$$f(x) = a^x \text{ where } a > 0$$

when $a > 1$ then increasing function

when $0 < a < 1$ then a decreasing function

$y = a^x$ always goes through $(0, 1)$ because $a^0 = 1$

Look for the point $x = 1$ on the graph

$$\text{then } y = a \text{ since } a^1 = a$$

The logarithmic function and its graph

$$y = a^x \Rightarrow x = \log_a y$$

Look at reflection in the line $y = x$

Two special logarithms

$$\log_a 1 = 0 \quad \log 1 \text{ to any base} = 0$$

$$\log_a a = 1 \quad \log \text{ of a number to that base is } 1$$

Sketching graphs of logarithmic functions

Use two special points when $x = 1$ then $y = 0$ and when $x = a$ then $y = 1$

Finding the equation of the graph from points on the graph

Finding the values of a and b in the equation $y = a \log_4(x + b)$ from the graph

Use simultaneous equations

2.3 Trigonometric Functions and Graphs

Radian measure

Changing degrees to radians

Changing radians to degrees

checking your calculator

Exact values Table using surds

Angles of all sizes in radian measure

New definition for \sin , \cos and \tan

ASTC

Expressing π as $4\pi/4$, $6\pi/6$ etc

Sketching trig graphs: $y = a \sin nx$ and $y = a \cos nx$

a gives max and min values

n gives number of cycles in 360°

Period of graph is $2\pi/n$

Finding co-ordinates of max turning point for $y = 3 \sin(x - \pi/3)$

Solving trigonometric equations

$$2 \sin x = 1$$

$$\sqrt{2} \cos \theta + 1 = 0$$

$$\sin 3x = -1$$

$$2 \sin^2 x = 1 \quad (4 \text{ solutions})$$

$$4 \sin^2 x + 11 \sin x + 6 = 0 \quad (\text{quadratic equation in } \sin x)$$

$$\sin^2 x - \cos^2 x = 1 \quad (\text{using } \sin^2 x + \cos^2 x = 1)$$

$$\sin(2x + \pi/4) = 1$$

3.1 Introduction to Differentiation

Definition of the derivative

Meaning of the derivative

The limit formula

First Principles

Rules for differentiation

$$f(x) = x^n \quad f'(x) = nx^{n-1}$$

$$f(x) = x \quad f'(x) = 1$$

$$f(x) = cg(x) \quad f'(x) = cg'(x) \quad \text{where } c \text{ is a constant}$$

$$f(x) = c \quad f'(x) = 0 \quad \text{where } c \text{ is a constant}$$

$$f(x) = g(x) + h(x) \quad f'(x) = g'(x) + h'(x)$$

variables may be denoted by letters other than x, such as u, v, s, t, etc.

Methods (templates)

simple powers of x

$$x^5$$

simple powers of x with a multiplier

$$3x^4$$

powers of x with 2 terms

$$x^2 + x$$

powers of x with 2 terms and multiplier

$$5x^2 + 3x$$

Trinomials with and without multipliers

$$\frac{1}{2}x^2 - x + 3$$

Brackets (multiply out brackets first)

$$(x + 2)^2$$

More involved brackets

$$(2x - 4)^2$$

Pairs of brackets

$$(2x + 3)(x - 1)$$

Polynomial expressions

$$2y^3 - 3t^2 + 5t - 4$$

Vary the variables

$$u, t, v, s \text{ etc.}$$

Evaluating $f'(a)$ given a e.g. $f'(0)$ $f'(-1)$ etc

Reminder of what the derivative is: The gradient function

What does the gradient function mean

The gradient (steepness) of the curve at that point

The gradient of the tangent to the curve at that point.

Find the gradient of the curve $f(x)$ at $x = a$

Linking the rate of change to the gradient

Finding the rate of change of f with respect to x at $x = 2$

or the rate of change of x^2 at $x = 3$

Reminder of rules of indices:

$$a^m \times a^n = a^{m+n} \quad a^m \div a^n = a^{m-n} \quad (a^m)^n = a^{mn}$$

$$a^0 = 1$$

$$a^{-m} = \frac{1}{a^m}$$

$$a^{\frac{1}{n}} = \sqrt[n]{a} \quad \text{in general} \quad a^{\frac{m}{n}} = \sqrt[n]{a^m} = (\sqrt[n]{a})^m$$

Expressing fractions and roots in straight line index form

Writing indices in positive index form

Simplification

Evaluating indexed expressions e.g. $t^{\frac{1}{3}}$ when $t = -8$

Multiplying out brackets with fractions and indices e.g. $y^{\frac{1}{3}}\left(y^{\frac{2}{3}} - y^{\frac{1}{3}}\right)$ or $\left(\sqrt{x} - \frac{1}{\sqrt{x}}\right)^2$

Rules of differentiation for negative and fractional indices

$$f(x) = x^n \qquad f'(x) = nx^{n-1}$$

$$f(x) = cg(x) \qquad f'(x) = cg'(x)$$

$$f(x) = c \qquad f'(x) = 0$$

$$f(x) = g(x) + h(x) \qquad f'(x) = g'(x) + h'(x)$$

Methods (templates)

$$\begin{array}{l} \text{simple negative powers of } x \\ \text{simple fractional powers of } x \\ \text{simple negative fractional powers of } x \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{l} x^{-2} \\ x^{3/2} \\ x^{-1/2} \end{array}$$

$$\text{when in fraction form of a power} \quad \frac{1}{x^3}$$

$$\text{when in fraction form of a root} \quad \frac{1}{\sqrt{x}}$$

$$\text{more involved root/power form} \quad \frac{1}{\sqrt[3]{x^4}}$$

$$\text{Dealing with constants – multipliers} \quad \frac{3}{x}$$

$$\text{Dealing with constants – divisors} \quad \frac{1}{2x}$$

$$\text{Dealing with multipliers and divisors} \quad \frac{3}{2\sqrt{x}} \quad \text{or} \quad \frac{2}{5x^2}$$

$$\text{Sums of expressions} \quad 1 + \frac{1}{\sqrt{x^3}} - x^2$$

$$\text{Dealing with quotients} \quad \frac{x^4 + 2x^2 + 3}{x} \quad \frac{(x+2)^2}{x^2} \quad \text{or} \quad \frac{(x-3)(x+2)}{x^3}$$

$$\text{Dealing with brackets and fractions} \quad \left(\sqrt{x} - \frac{1}{\sqrt{x}}\right)^2$$

$$\text{Brackets with a fractional index multiplier} \quad x^{\frac{3}{2}}\left(x^{\frac{1}{2}} - x^{-\frac{1}{2}}\right) \quad \text{or} \quad \sqrt[3]{x}\left(1 + \frac{1}{\sqrt[3]{x}}\right)$$

Leibniz notation dy/dx

Formal proof

Using dy/dx as the notation for differentiation

The form $\frac{d}{dx}(2x^2 + 1)$ also d/du ds/dt etc.

Sketching graphs of derived functions

Look for turning points

mark as zero on the axes

Look either side of t.p. for gradient – mark above or below axes

join up points to obtain derived function

Given the derived function – sketch a possible function it could have come from.

3.2 Using Differentiation

Increasing functions

stationary points

stationary values

maximum and minimum turning points

points of inflexion

Look at gradient pattern around these points

***If $(a, f(a))$ is a stationary point, then $f'(a) = 0$,
so a is a root of the equation $f'(x) = 0$
and $f(a)$ is a stationary value of a .***

***The nature of a stationary point can be determined by finding the sign
of $f'(x)$ to the left and right of $x = a$.***

Notation SP, SV, TP, PI as acceptable abbreviations.

Finding the stationary point of a parabola and determining its nature

Differentiate

For a SP, $dy/dx = 0$

Solve to find x co-ordinate,

Substitute in y (or f(x) to find y value

Determine its nature with table of signs

Finding the interval on which f(x) is decreasing or increasing

Curve sketching

Determine:

Points of intersection with x and y axes

Stationary points and their natures

Behaviour of y for large positive and negative x

Any other useful points on the graph

Maximum and minimum values on a closed interval

These can occur at end points or at stationary points in the interval

Closed intervals $[4, 3]$ includes end points $4 \leq x \leq 3$

Open Interval $(4, 3)$ does not include the end points $4 < x < 3$

Problem solving – Optimisation

Finding an expression involving 2 variables

Eliminating a variable using a constraint (given)

Forming a single independent variable expression

Differentiation

Find SP

Find SV (if required)

- the y co-ordinate or the value of $f(x)$ from original expression
 Determine its nature using table of signs
 (or second derivative)
 Answer any further requirements of question by calculations
 Some examples here would be useful

Rates of Change

Rate of increase, Rate of decrease
 rate of decrease requires a **negative** sign
 Review direct proportion $y = kx$ and inverse proportion $y = k/x$
 Forming expressions and obtaining the rate of increase/decrease
 Evaluating the rate of change (increase/decrease)

Velocity and acceleration

Velocity = rate of change of displacement wrt time $v = dx/dt$
 Acceleration = rate of change of velocity wrt time $a = dv/dt$
 Calculation of acceleration, velocity by differentiation
 Evaluating at particular values
 Height problems
 Max height is reached when velocity $dh/dt=0$

4. Sequences

Rules for sequences
 Two ways of defining
 Formula for nth term
 One term and a method for finding each of the following terms
 Examples of nth term
 Given formula for nth term calculate terms in sequence
 Finding nth terms
 Look at difference for a linear sequence
 Recurrence Relation
 Given first term and a formula

$$u_{n+1} = u_n + 3 \quad u_1 = 7$$
 Called a recurrence relation because successive terms can be found by recurring use of it.
 Find terms from a recurrence relation
 Find specific terms from recurrence relation e.g. given relation and u_1 find u_0
 Form a recurrence relation from a statement
 Linear recurrence relations
 are of the form $u_{n+1} = mu_n + c$ where m and c are constants
 Arithmetic series: $m = 1$ - difference between successive terms is constant
 Examples: Deposits and simple payments, simple interest,
 pay rises – simple increment
 Geometric Sequences: $c = 0$ - ratio of successive terms is constant
 Examples – appreciation, depreciation, compound interest
 Finite and infinite Sequences
 n tending to infinity notation $n \rightarrow \infty$ and $1/n \rightarrow 0$
 Look for terms of form $1/n$ to see what happens as $n \rightarrow \infty$
 if $1/n \rightarrow 0$ then $1/n^2 \rightarrow 0$ even faster – show example
 both with numbers and graphically
 Convergent – tends to a limit
 Finding limits of sequences – some examples and tricks

$$u_n = \frac{2n+1}{n} \quad \text{and} \quad u_n = \frac{n}{n+1}$$

Finding the sum to infinity of a geometric sequence

Proof

Sum to n terms

Let n tend to infinity

Stipulation $|r| < 1$ i.e. $-1 < r < 1$

The linear recurrence relation $u_{n+1} = mu_n + c$

with $m \neq 1$ and $c \neq 0$

Example of formation

Calculating first few terms

Looking for a trend

Limit

Limit statement if $-1 < m < 1$ then the sequence will tend to a limit L.

Derive the limit formula – numerically

then using letters

Finding whether a limit exists

Forming a recurrence relation

Understanding the question with more complicate examples

Answering the outcome – what happens in the long term

Settles out at around

Do not say drops down to or rises up to unless you know the initial value

Examples of why this is so

Also advisable to check first few terms of sequence to make sure nothing unusual is happening – do this graphically

Working with recurrence relations

A sequence is given: $u_{n+1} = au_n + b$ where a and b are constants

given u_1 and u_2 , find a and b (simultaneous equations)

Can also word it in the form of find m and c

Find limit of sequence

Find difference between a given term and limit.

Unit 2

1.1 Polynomials

Define a polynomial

Define degree

Demonstrate the nested scheme

Proof

Method

Finding the value of the polynomial when $x =$ some value

Division of polynomials

Synthetic division

Divisor, Quotient, remainder

Meaning of quotient as coefficients

Be careful writing down coefficients of polynomial

– watch out for missing powers

Finding the divisor

Divisor is always of the form $x - h$

so, dividing by $x + 3$ means a divisor of $(x - (-3))$

Synthetic division is with -3

Dividing by $(ax + b)$

this is of the form $a(x + b/a) = a(x - (-b/a))$

so, synthetic division is with $-b/a$

Then the quotient also has to be divided by a ,

but not the remainder

– show this with numerical examples first

Remainder Theorem

Extend proof from quadratic to a polynomial of any degree

When a polynomial $f(x)$ is divided by $x - h$ the remainder is $f(h)$

Factor Theorem

If $f(h) = 0$ then $x - h$ is a factor of $f(x)$

Finding factors: look at constant terms what are the factors

if last term is 6 then factors of 6 are $\pm 1, \pm 2, \pm 3, \pm 6$

Try each in turn

Use $f(h)$ if just trying to find a factor

Use synthetic division if you want to find the quotient as well.

Once you have found a factor, you can complete the factorisation

repeat as many times as required, until you have factorised it

or got down to a quadratic term which will factorise.

Given $(x + 1)$ is a factor of $f(x) = \dots + a$ find a or variations

Can have two variables and two factors given

Having got a factor and a quadratic expression factorise fully

Solving polynomial equations

Find a factor

Factorise quotient

Solve equation

Showing equation has only one real root – show only one factor and

remaining quadratic expression will not factorise – or no solution

Solution of the equation $f(x) = 0$ is where the curve cuts the x axis

Solution of the equation $V = f(x)$ and $V = 10$ (say) is solving $f(x) = 10$

or $f(x) - 10 = 0$

Approximate roots – iteration

Taking a guess – trial and error

1.2 Quadratic Theory

Define quadratic function: $f(x) = ax^2 + bx + c$

Define quadratic expression: $ax^2 + bx + c$

Define a quadratic equation: $ax^2 + bx + c = 0$

Putting a quadratic expression into standard form $ax^2 + bx + c$

Solving quadratic equations

graphically

Factorising

when it cannot be factorised

completing the square

The quadratic formula

derivation

Using the quadratic formula

a method

Solving using:

factors

completing the square#

the quadratic formula

The discriminant

$b^2 - 4ac$	> 0	real and distinct root
	$= 0$	equal roots
	< 0	no real roots

graphical illustration

$b^2 - 4ac$ discriminates between the roots

which is why it is called the discriminant

For what value of p does the equation $x^2 - 2x + p = 0$ have equal roots, real and distinct, no real roots

Find m given that the equation $x^2(m+1)x + 9 = 0$ has equal roots

Show that the roots of the equation $(x-2)(x-3) = k^2$ are always real

For what value of t does $tx^2 + 6x + t = 0$ have equal roots

find nature of roots if t lies between these values ($t \neq 0$)

Find range of values of m for which $5x^2 - 3mx + 5 = 0$ has two real and distinct roots

Tangents to curves

At point where they meet, simultaneous equations

There is only one solution – i.e. equal roots

Discriminant must = 0

For tangency the line meets the curve at only one point

Quadratic Inequalities

To solve a quadratic inequality $f(x) > 0$ or $f(x) < 0$

First find the roots of the equation $f(x) = 0$

Sketch the function $y = f(x)$ marking on the roots

if inequality is $f(x) > 0$ then emphasise curve above axis

if inequality is $f(x) < 0$ then emphasise curve below axis

You can then see range of x which is required

With a quadratic inequality – depending on whether x^2 is positive or negative determines which way up the graph is. You will then want either the region between the roots or outside the roots. depending upon the inequality. Also take care as to whether the inequality is greater than or greater than or equal to etc. as to whether to include the root points.

2 Integration

Differential equations

What is a differential equation

Look at $y = 4x^2$ then $dy/dx = 8x$

$dy/dx = 8x$ is a differential equation

$y = 4x^2 + c$ is the general solution of the d.e.

$y = 4x^2 - 6$ is a particular solution

Family of curves (graphical example)

Simple cases of finding general solution and particular solutions

Integration

$3x^2 - 4x + c$ is called the anti-derivative of $6x - 4$

since $d/dx(3x^2 - 4x + c) = 6x - 4$

It comes from $6x - 4$ by undoing the differentiation

Leibnitz invented useful notation for anti-derivatives

$$\int 6x - 4 \, dx = 3x^2 - 4x + c$$

In general $\int f(x) \, dx = F(x) + c$ means $F'(x) = f(x)$

Process of calculating an anti-derivative is called integration

The anti-derivative $F(x)$ is called the integral

c is the constant of integration

$F(x)$ is obtained from $f(x)$ by integrating with respect to x

Useful rules

$$\int x^n \, dx = \frac{x^{n+1}}{n+1} + c \quad (n \neq -1)$$

$$\int f(x) + g(x) \, dx = \int f(x) \, dx + \int g(x) \, dx$$

$$\int k f(x) \, dx = k \int f(x) \, dx \quad \text{where } k \text{ is a constant}$$

Methods (Templates)

simple powers of x	x^2
simple powers of x with multipliers	$3x^2$
Simple sums	$3x^2 - 2$
Simple trinomials (quadratics etc)	$5x^2 - 3x + 4$
Brackets squared	$(2x - 1)^2$
Pair of brackets	$(2x + 1)(x - 3)$
Negative power	x^{-3}
Fractional power	$x^{2/3}$
Negative fractional power	$x^{-1/2}$
Negative power with constant	$2x^{-3}$
Fractional power with constant	$5x^{2/3}$
Negative fractional power with constant	$3x^{-1/2}$
Fraction form with power	$\frac{1}{x^3}$
Constant multipliers	$\frac{6}{x^2}$ or $\frac{1}{2x^3}$

Root and further forms (see further in Ex 2B p. 128/9)

NB constant multipliers should be both + and -

Finding the equation $y = f(x)$ from dy/dx and a point on the curve

Rates of Change

- Solving Differential equations
- Finding general solution
- Finding particular solution
- Using solution to find a value at a particular time.

Area under a curve

Derivation of formula that: $A(x) = \int f(x) dx$

The area between the curve $f(x)$ and the x-axis bounded by lines $x = a$ and $x = b$

is given by $\int_a^b f(x) dx$

Show by sketches areas associated with a definite integral

Writing down an integral to describe a shaded area

Area under a curve - formula – definite integrals

The area under the curve $y = f(x)$ from $x = a$ and $x = b$

is given by $\int_a^b f(x) dx = [F(x)]_a^b = [F(b)] - [F(a)]$

$\int_a^b f(x) dx$ is called a definite integral with lower limit a and upper limit b

Evaluating definite integrals

practice examples

Alternative forms e.g. Find $a > 0$ if $\int_0^a 2x + 2 dx = 8$

Area under a curve – calculations

Looking at areas above and below the x axis

Integration for areas below the axis will give negative values for area
(since $h > 0$ and $f(x) < 0$)

Integration for areas above the axis will give positive values for area

Since area cannot be negative – ignore the negative sign

The sign merely indicates that the area is below the x axis

Cannot find areas that go above and below the x axis in one integration

Need to break it down into separate sections above and below
then add together

Area between two curves

Take area under lower curve from area under larger curve

$\int_a^b f(x) - g(x) dx$

Consider case when part of area is below the x axis

No difference – here the signs take care of themselves

3.1 Calculations in 2D and 3D

Omit this section

3.2 Compound Angle formulae

Related angles

Alternative definitions of $\sin A$, $\cos A$, $\tan A$ in terms of x , y , r

$\sin(-A) = -y/r = -\sin A$ Use also the ASTC diagram

$\sin(90-A) = x/r = \cos A$

$\sin(180 - A) = y/r = \sin A$

$\cos(-A) = x/r = \cos A$

$\cos(90-A) = y/r = \sin A$

$\cos(180-A) = -x/r = -\cos A$

Sin-cos-tan formula

$$\frac{\sin A}{\cos A} = \frac{\frac{y}{r}}{\frac{x}{r}} = \frac{y}{x} = \tan A$$

$$\sin^2 A + \cos^2 A = \frac{y^2}{r^2} + \frac{x^2}{r^2} = \frac{y^2 + x^2}{r^2} = 1 \text{ (Pythagoras Theorem)}$$

also reminder π radians = 180°

Some practice reminders

Reminders of exact value table for radians and degrees sin/cos/tan – 30/45/60
p.153 useful examples to practice

Cos(A + B) and cos (A – B)

Proof of Cos (A + B)

To prove for cos (A – B) replace B with –B

Prove simple identities

Using triangles to find expressions for Cos(A+B) using sin A, sin B, cos A, cos B
finding expressions like cos 75 using 30 + 45

sin(A + B) and sin (A – B)

prove using $\sin(A + B) = \cos(90 - (A+B))$

Hence result, same for $\sin(A - B)$

Examples showing

simplification

$$\sin(\pi + \theta)$$

show that

$$\sin(\theta + \pi/6) = 1/2 (\cos \theta + \sqrt{3} \sin \theta)$$

Proving identities

Sin 2A and cos 2A

Prove by putting B = A

Given sin A find cos A – using a right angled triangle and Pythagoras

Given tan θ find sin 2 θ etc

Simplify 2 sin 15 cos 15

More proofs

Solving equations containing sin 2A and cos 2A terms

Replace sin 2A with 2 sin A cos A

gives common factor solution

Replace cos 2A with $2 \cos^2 A - 1$ if remaining term is cos

Replace cos 2A with $1 - 2 \sin^2 A$ if remaining term is sin
gives a quadratic in sin or cos

Sketching graphs

$$y = a \sin nx$$

a is amplitude – gives max and minimum values

n gives number of cycles (waveforms) in $0 \leq x \leq 2\pi$

period is $2\pi/n$

The graph of $y = \cos(x - \pi/4)$

One cycle of cosine wave has period of 2π

Intersection with x axis when $y = 0$; $\cos(x - \pi/4) = 0$

$$x - \pi/4 = \pi/2 \text{ or } 3\pi/2 \text{ etc}$$

Intersection with y axis when $x = 0$; i.e. $y = \cos \pi/4 = 0.7$ approx

Max and min values: 1 when $x - \pi/4 = 0$ or 2π

$$\text{i.e. } x = \pi/4 \text{ or } x = 9\pi/4$$

Min value = -1 when $x - \pi/4 = \pi, 3\pi$ etc.

$$\text{i.e. when } x = 5\pi/4, \dots$$

Note the graph of $y = \cos(x - \pi/4)$ is the same as $\cos x$

but shifted along $\pi/4$ to the right (Recall related graphs – $f(x - a)$)

This shift is called the phase angle

In this case the phase angle is $\pi/4$

Sketch graphs with different phase angles from equations

Writing down shift and direction from equation

Writing down equation from the graph and noted points

4 The circle

Circle centre (0, 0) and radius r $x^2 + y^2 = r^2$

Write down centre and radius from equation

Write down equation centre (0, 0) and given radius (say 7)

Find the equation of circle, centre O passing through given point (say (3, 4))

Check that a point lies on a circle

Find whether a point lies inside, on or outside a circle (distance formula)

Circle centre (a, b) and radius r $(x - a)^2 + (y - b)^2 = r^2$

Write down centre and radius from equation

Write down equation from given centre (5, 7) say and given radius (say 3)

Find the equation of circle, centre (2, -1) passing through given point (say (3, 4))

Check that a point lies on a circle

Find whether a point lies inside, on or outside a circle (distance formula)

Right angles in circles – lie on a diameter

Showing an angle is a right angle – use perpendicular gradients

Find equation of a circle passing through 3 points

(2 chords) – perpendicular bisector – intersection – centre

find radius, find equation

If three points form a right angled triangle, then hypotenuse is the diameter

so mid point is the centre, calculate radius

write down equation

Finding if two circles touch – distance between centres = sum of radii

Find if two circles intersect – distance between centres < sum of radii

Find if two circles do not touch – distance between centres > sum of radii

Shortest distance from a point to a circle

lies on line from point to centre – find distance to centre then subtract radius

The general equation of a circle $x^2 + y^2 + 2gx + 2fy + c = 0$

work this through from $(x-a)^2 + (y-b)^2 = r^2$

using numbers first and then with letters

completing the square

Centre is $(-g, -f)$ and radius is $\sqrt{g^2 + f^2 - c}$ provided that $g^2 + f^2 - c > 0$

Note coefficients of x^2 and y^2 must be 1

NB to write down centre

halve the x coefficient and change the sign

halve the y coefficient and change the sign

Practice

Does a certain equation represent circle

Coefficients of x^2 and y^2 must be 1

$$g^2 + f^2 - c > 0$$

Given the equation of a circle and a point.

Find the point diametrically opposite

Need centre point

Use triangles

Finding points of intersection of a line and a circle

Simultaneous equations

No real roots – line does not touch circle

Equal roots – line is a tangent to circle

Real and distinct roots – line intersects circle at two points

The shortest distance between two circles (not intersecting)

lies on a line joining their centres

Find distance between two centres and subtract the two radii.

Proving that circles touch externally

Proving that circles touch internally

Finding locus of a point given a condition

Tangents to a circle

Finding equation of a tangent to circle

given equation of circle and point

find centre,

find gradient of line centre to point

find gradient of tangent (perpendicular)

Find equation (point & gradient known)

Find length of the tangent from a point to a given circle

Find centre of circle

Find distance from centre to point

Find radius

Draw a diagram

Use Pythagoras to find length of tangent

Find point of intersection of two tangents to a circle

(equation given and tangency points given)

Find centre

Find gradient of lines joining centre to points

Find gradients of tangents (perpendicular)

Find equations of tangents (point and gradient known)

Find intersection using simultaneous equations

Intersection of lines and circle

Using discriminant

Finding k or c in an equation if a line is a tangent to a circle

Unit 3

1 Vectors

Definition of a vector
magnitude and direction

Definition of a scalar

Examples of each

Directed Line segments

A vector \mathbf{u} can be represented in magnitude and direction

Note printed convention is usually bold type (or underlined or bold italic)

by a directed line segment \overline{AB}

Note that a directed line segment does not indicate position

– only magnitude and direction

Components of a vector in 2 dimensions

displacement in x direction then displacement in y direction

Can be written as a vector $\overline{AB} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix}$ i.e. 2 in x direction and 4 in y direction

Draw directed line segments

Write down in vector notation a drawn directed line segment

Find co-ordinates of Q given point P and vector \overline{PQ}

Magnitude of a vector in 2 dimensions

Define magnitude as length and use notation $|\mathbf{u}|$

Use Pythagoras

$$\underline{\mathbf{u}} = \begin{pmatrix} -9 \\ 12 \end{pmatrix} \quad |\mathbf{u}|^2 = (-9)^2 + (12)^2 \quad |\mathbf{u}|^2 = 225 \quad |\mathbf{u}| = 15$$

Calculating lengths of vectors - using magnitude formula

Vectors in 3 dimensions

Example with cuboid

Components – x, y and z components

In component form $\overrightarrow{AB} = \begin{pmatrix} x - \text{component} \\ y - \text{component} \\ z - \text{component} \end{pmatrix}$

In general $\overrightarrow{AB} = \begin{pmatrix} x_B - x_A \\ y_B - y_A \\ z_B - z_A \end{pmatrix}$ this is called a column vector

Example if P is (6, 2, 0) and Q is (8, -3, -1) then $\overrightarrow{PQ} = \begin{pmatrix} 8-6 \\ -3-2 \\ 1-0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ -5 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$

Magnitude of a 3D vector if $\mathbf{u} = \overrightarrow{AB}$ then

$$|\mathbf{u}| = AB = \sqrt{(x_B - x_A)^2 + (y_B - y_A)^2 + (z_B - z_A)^2}$$

also known as the distance formula for 3 dimensions

Write down components as a column vector

Calculate length of a vector

If two vectors are equal then corresponding components are equal

Addition and subtraction of vectors

Commonsense solution – consider aeroplane and crosswind

Vectors are added nose to tail

Triangle rule for adding vectors

$\overrightarrow{AB} + \overrightarrow{BC} = \overrightarrow{AC}$ this is called the resultant vector

Simply add components

Finding length of resultant vector as previous

The negative of a vector

Subtracting two vectors

add a negative vector

Multiplying by a number – a scalar

$k\mathbf{v}$ has same direction if k positive

$k\mathbf{v}$ has opposite direction if k negative

In component form multiply components

Evaluating simple vector expressions $2\mathbf{p} + \mathbf{q}$ given p and q

Solving simple vector equations or finding the scalar

Position vectors

Definition

A useful result $\overrightarrow{AB} = \underline{b} - \underline{a}$

Collinear points

Prove three points are collinear

Showing that vectors are scalar multiples of each other

Points dividing lines in given ratios

If one vector is a scalar multiple of another then they are parallel

If they share a common point then the points are collinear

Calculating ratio in which a point divides a line

Position vector of midpoint of AB

Prove formula $m = \frac{1}{2}(a+b)$

Write down co-ordinates of mid-points of lines joining A and B

Points dividing lines in given ratios

e.g. P divides line AB in ratio 3:2 A(2, -3, 4) and B(12, 7, -1)

Find co-ordinates of P

$$\frac{AP}{PB} = \frac{3}{2} \quad \overrightarrow{AP} = \frac{3}{2} \overrightarrow{PB} \quad 2\overrightarrow{AP} = 3\overrightarrow{PB}$$

$$2(p-a) = 3(p-b)$$

$$p = \frac{1}{5}(2a+3b) = \begin{pmatrix} 8 \\ 3 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

Deal also with dividing externally

Unit vectors i, j, k

unit vector has magnitude of 1

unit vectors in directions Ox, Oy, Oz denoted by

$$i = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad j = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad k = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

every vector can be expressed in terms of unit vectors

$$P(a, b, c) = a \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} + b \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} + c \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = a\mathbf{i} + b\mathbf{j} + c\mathbf{k}$$

The vectors i, j, k form a basis for 3 dimensional space
 Write down position vectors of a point $A(1, 2, 8)$

$$\text{in form } \begin{pmatrix} a \\ b \\ c \end{pmatrix} \text{ and } ai + bj + ck$$

Write in component form $2i - 2k$

Given $u = 2i + 3j + 7k$ and $v = i - 4j - 2k$
 express $u + v$ and $u - v$ in component form
 and find $|u + v|$ etc

Calculating lengths of vectors

Given a vector $ai + \frac{1}{2}j - \frac{1}{2}k$ is a unit vector – calculate a
 length of vector must be 1

$ai + bj + \frac{1}{2}k$ is a unit vector, find relationship between a and b

Prove two vectors are parallel (given in form $ai + bj + ck$)

Show that they are scalar multiples

Find the resultant of three vectors acting on a point (add them all up)

Find its magnitude

Given vectors p and q in component form $ai + bj + ck$

Find in terms of i, j, k the position vector of the point

which divides PQ in the ratio 2:1

Scalar Product of two vectors

Multiplication of two vectors

Example of occurrence - Force x distance

$$|f| |x| \cos \theta$$

Multiplying two vectors together – product is a real number (scalar)

Hence the name scalar product.

Definition.

The scalar product of two vectors a and b , denoted by $a \cdot b$ is

$$a \cdot b = |a||b| \cos \theta \text{ (providing neither } a \text{ nor } b \text{ is zero)}$$

Component form of $a \cdot b$

Derive using cosine rule

$$a \cdot b = x_1x_2 + y_1y_2 + z_1z_2$$

also we have

$$a \cdot b = |a||b| \cos \theta$$

The sign of $a \cdot b$ is determined by the size of θ

$$0 < \theta < 90 \quad a \cdot b > 0$$

$$\theta = 90 \quad a \cdot b = 0$$

$$90 < \theta < 180 \quad a \cdot b < 0$$

θ is the angle between the vectors when they are pointing out from the vertex.

Calculating $a \cdot b$ (Ex 8 p. 209)

Calculating angle between two vectors

Using

$$a \cdot b = x_1x_2 + y_1y_2 + z_1z_2$$

$$a \cdot b = |a||b| \cos \theta$$

$$\text{then } \cos \theta = \frac{a \cdot b}{|a||b|} = \frac{x_1x_2 + y_1y_2 + z_1z_2}{|a||b|} \text{ providing } a, b \neq 0$$

Note then that $a \cdot b = 0 \leftrightarrow \cos \theta = 0$ i.e. $\theta = 90^\circ$

i.e. a is perpendicular to b since we assumed $a \neq 0$ and $b \neq 0$

Calculating the angle between two vectors

Check the direction of the vectors for θ

Evaluate scalar product

To show that two vectors are perpendicular show that the scalar product is 0

Given two vectors are perpendicular find the value of a coefficient (designated as p)

Some Results using scalar products

$$a \cdot a = a^2$$

$$i^2 = j^2 = k^2 = 1$$

$$i \cdot j = j \cdot k = i \cdot k = 0$$

Distributive Law $a \cdot (b + c) = a \cdot b + a \cdot c$

Results from distributive law

if $a \cdot (b - c) = 0$ then a is perpendicular to $b - c$

2 Further differentiation and Integration

Derivatives of $\sin x$ and $\cos x$

Use the derived function graph to deduce this

Use the definition of the derivative

We must work in radians for this to be true

$$d/dx(\sin x) = \cos x \quad d/dx(\cos x) = -\sin x$$

Differentiate \sin and \cos expressions

Find gradient of tangent to a function involving \sin and \cos

Apply to maximum and minimum values

Stationary points

Stationary values

Differentiation of mixed expressions trig and algebraic (Ex 2B p. 222)

Chain Rule for algebraic functions

Look at patterns – intuitive

Use chain rule notation

$$dy/dx = dy/du \times du/dx$$

Practice using the chain rule

Chain rule for differentiating trig functions

Use the same way

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d}{dx} \sin(\dots) &= \cos(\dots) \frac{d}{dx}(\dots) \\ \frac{d}{dx} \cos(\dots) &= -\sin(\dots) \frac{d}{dx}(\dots) \end{aligned}$$

Methods (Templates) also applies to $\cos x$

$$\begin{aligned} &\sin 2x \\ &\sin(2x - 3) \\ &\sin(x^2 - 1) \\ &\sqrt{\sin x} \\ &\frac{1}{\sin x} \quad \frac{3}{\sin x} \quad \frac{5}{2 \sin x} \\ &\sin^2 x, \quad \sin^4 x \\ &(1 + \sin x)^2 \\ &\sqrt{1 + \sin x} \\ &1 - 2\sin^2 x \quad 2\cos^2 x - 1 \quad 2 \sin x \cos x \\ &\frac{1}{x} - \frac{1}{\sqrt{\sin x}} \end{aligned}$$

Further Integration

Standard Integral

$$\frac{d}{dx}(ax + b)^{n+1} = (n + 1)(ax + b)^n$$

$$\text{so } \int (ax + b)^n dx = \frac{(ax + b)^{n+1}}{(n + 1)a} + c \quad \text{where } a, b, n \text{ are constants, } a \neq 0 \text{ and } n \neq -1$$

Integration practice of standard functions

bracket will only contain linear functions

Integrals of trig functions

$$\int \cos x dx = \sin x + c \quad \int \sin x dx = -\cos x + c$$

$$\int \cos(ax + b) dx = \frac{\sin(ax + b)}{a} + c$$

$$\int \sin(ax + b) dx = \frac{-\cos(ax + b)}{a} + c$$

Definite Trig Integrals

Evaluate showing area – working in radians

Calculate areas of shaded regions

Take care with areas below the x axis

Calculate areas between $y = \cos x$ and $y = \sin x$ between 0 and $5\pi/4$

Split into two sections

3 Exponential and Logarithmic Functions

Growth and decay

Using powers to describe and calculate growth and decay

Writing down growth and decay functions

A special exponential function – the number e

Derivation of where e comes from

$$\text{limit of } \left(1 + \frac{1}{n}\right)^n \text{ as } n \text{ tends to infinity}$$

Show computer simulation

limit exists denoted by letter e and is approx: 2.718 281 828

$f(x) = e^x$ is known as the exponential function base e

often denoted as $\exp(x)$

Can you find a number a such that $f(x) = a^x$

and the derived function $f'(x)$ are the same

The number is in fact $a = e$

Using e on the calculator

Calculating functions involving e to some powers

(some examples on page 240 Ex 3)

Linking exponential to the log function

$$y = a^x \Leftrightarrow x = \log_a y$$

$$\text{or } y = a^x \Leftrightarrow \log_a y = x$$

$$\text{and also } 1 = a^0 \Leftrightarrow \log_a 1 = 0$$

$$\text{and } a = a^1 \Leftrightarrow \log_a a = 1$$

Writing equations with logs in exponential form

Writing equations with exponentials in log form

Solving log equations by expressing in exponential form

$$\log_x 7 = 1 \quad \log_2 x = 3 \quad \log_4 1 = x$$

Finding values of logarithms

$$\log_3 27$$

Using the log key on your calculator

log is log base 10 or \log_{10}

ln is log base e or \log_e known as natural logs

Do not confuse them

$$\text{Solve } \log_{10} x = 2$$

Rules of logarithms

$$\log_a xy = \log_a x + \log_a y$$

$$\log_a \frac{x}{y} = \log_a x - \log_a y$$

$$\log_a x^p = p \log_a x$$

Prove these from rules of indices – see proof on page 242

Simplify logs (all with same base) $\log 7 + \log 2$

Simplify logs with given base and evaluate $\log_4 18 - \log_4 9$

see page 242 for examples of these

Solving log equations page 243

Solving exponential equations

Solve $5^x = 4$ – take log base 10 of both sides

Example with compound interest formula

$$A = PR^n \quad \text{say } 1.08^n = 2.5 \quad n = 11.91 \quad (\text{again using log base 10})$$

When growth or decay base is e

then it is simpler to take logs to the base e of both sides

$$\text{e.g. } e^{1.24t} = 125 \quad 1.24t \log_e e = \log_e 125$$

$$\text{since } \log_e e \text{ is } 1 \text{ then } t = \log_e 125 / 1.24 \quad t = 3.89$$

Experiment & Theory

$y = ax^n$ and $y = a b^x$ could both model similar graphs

Can solve dilemma by taking logs

$$y = ax^n$$

$$\log y = \log ax^n = \log a + \log x^n$$

$$\log y = \log a + n \log x$$

$$\log y = n \log x + \log a$$

This is like $Y = mX + c$ where $Y = \log y$ and $X = \log x$

For $y = a b^x$

$$y = ab^x$$

$$\log y = \log ab^x$$

$$\log y = \log a + \log b^x$$

$$\log y = \log a + x \log b$$

$$\log y = x \log b + \log a$$

This is like $Y = mx + c$ where $Y = \log y$

The graph of each is a straight line, by drawing the line, m and c can be found

A plot of $\log y$ against $\log x$ will result in an equation of the form $y = ax^n$

A plot of $\log y$ against x will result in an equation of the form $y = a b^x$

Some examples with graphs

4. The Wave function $a \cos x + b \sin x$

Investigating the graph $y = \cos x + \sin x$ for $0 \leq x \leq 2\pi$

Use graph program

Graph is like $y = \cos x$ but amplitude is $\sqrt{2}$ and it is displaced $\pi/4$ to the right

$$\text{i.e. } y = \sqrt{2}\cos(x - \pi/4)$$

Check using compound angle formula that

$$\sqrt{2}\cos(x - \pi/4) = \cos x + \sin x$$

Expressing $a \cos x + b \sin x$ in the form $R\cos(x \pm \alpha)$

often the greek letter α is used

Reminder of compound angle formula

$$\sin(A \pm B) \text{ and } \cos(A \pm B)$$

Proof:

$$\text{Let } a \cos x + b \sin x = R(\cos(x - \alpha)) = R \cos x \cos \alpha + R \sin x \sin \alpha$$

Equating coefficients of $\cos x$ and $\sin x$ we find:

$$R \cos \alpha = a$$

$$R \sin \alpha = b$$

Squaring and adding

$$R^2 \cos^2 \alpha + R^2 \sin^2 \alpha = a^2 + b^2$$

$$R^2 (\cos^2 \alpha + \sin^2 \alpha) = a^2 + b^2$$

$$R^2 = a^2 + b^2$$

$$R = \sqrt{a^2 + b^2}$$

Dividing (we want sin divided by cos to get tan)

$$\frac{R \sin \alpha}{R \cos \alpha} = \frac{b}{a}$$

$$\tan \alpha = \frac{b}{a}$$

The quadrant of α is found from the signs of $\cos \alpha$ and $\sin \alpha$

So $a \cos x + b \sin x = R \cos(x - \alpha)$ where $R = \sqrt{a^2 + b^2}$ and $\tan \alpha = \frac{b}{a}$

In practice do not use the formula

since there are 4 possible forms we could use.

$$R \cos(x \pm \alpha) \text{ and } R \sin(x \pm \alpha)$$

Work it out for each one in turn from first principles

Examples of use

Maxima and minima of $a \cos x + b \sin x$

Finding max and min and corresponding value for x

Given in form $y = 2\sin(x + 75)$

Given in form $12 \cos x + 5 \sin x$

More involved form where $f(x) = 1 + \sqrt{2} \cos x - \sqrt{2} \sin x$

Solving Trig equations using the wave function

Solve $\sin 2x + 3 \cos 2x + 1 = 0$ for $0 \leq x \leq 180^\circ$

Express in form $R \cos(2x - \alpha)$

which gives $\sqrt{10} \cos(2x - 18^\circ) = -1$

$x = 63$ or 135 to nearest degree

You will be told which form to use in the question.