

1.) ALGEBRA

⇒ Laws of Indices

$$a^m \times a^n = a^{m+n}$$

$$(a^m)^n = a^{mn}$$

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

$$a^{\frac{1}{m}} = \sqrt[m]{a}$$

$$a^{\frac{m}{n}} = \sqrt[n]{a^m} = (\sqrt[n]{a})^m$$

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

$$a^0 = 1$$

$$\left(\frac{a}{b}\right)^n = \frac{a^n}{b^n}$$

$$(ab)^n = a^n \cdot b^n$$

Eg. Solve for x

$$2^{x+1} = 8$$

* make sure the base is the same

$$\therefore 8 = 2^3 \Rightarrow 2^{x+1} = 2^3 \quad \therefore x+1=3 \Rightarrow \underline{\underline{x=2}}$$

⇒ Surds

$$\sqrt{ab} = \sqrt{a} \cdot \sqrt{b}$$

$$\sqrt{\frac{a}{b}} = \frac{\sqrt{a}}{\sqrt{b}}$$

$$a = (\sqrt{a})^2 = \sqrt{a} \sqrt{a}$$

● Rationalising

* Remember: $(x+a)(x-a) = x^2 - a^2$

Eg $\frac{1}{1+\sqrt{2}}$

* multiply the top & bottom by the DENOMINATOR, but change the sign

$$\frac{1}{1+\sqrt{2}} \times \frac{1-\sqrt{2}}{1-\sqrt{2}} \rightarrow \frac{1-\sqrt{2}}{(1+\sqrt{2})(1-\sqrt{2})} \rightarrow \frac{1-\sqrt{2}}{1-2} = \frac{1-\sqrt{2}}{-1} = \underline{\underline{-1+\sqrt{2}}}$$

Eg 2 $\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}$

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} \times \frac{\sqrt{3}}{\sqrt{3}} = \underline{\underline{\frac{\sqrt{3}}{3}}}$$

⇒ Algebraic Fractions & Simplifying Expressions

Eg. $4x + \frac{4x}{x+1} - 4(x+1)$

* Find the common denominator, by taking All denominators and multiplying. In this case it would be $1 \times (x+1) \times 1 = x+1$

$$= \frac{4x(x+1)}{x+1} + \frac{4x}{x+1} - \frac{4(x+1)(x+1)}{x+1} \rightarrow 4(x+1)^2 = 4(x^2+2x+1) = 4x^2+8x+4$$

* Always remember negative signs

$$= \frac{4x^2+4x + 4x - 4x^2 - 8x - 4}{x+1}$$

$$= \underline{\underline{-\frac{4}{x+1}}}$$

* To Simplify, Combine into one fraction first, if possible

2.) Quadratics & Polynomials

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⇒ Sketching Quadratic graphs

- * They are always U-shaped or \cap -shaped. → $(+ve) \rightarrow (-ve)$
- * find where they cross the axes → $y=0$ & $x=0 \rightarrow (x,y)$
- * Find minimum or maximum points → this is the turning point

Eg. $y = 2x^2 - 4x + 3$

* This is U shaped because (x^2) is $+ve$ - positive

* $x=0$

$$y = 2(0) - 4(0) + 3$$

$$\therefore y = 3 \rightarrow (0, 3)$$

* $y=0$

$$2x^2 - 4x + 3 = 0$$

* Use $b^2 - 4ac$ to see if it has any roots (ie. if it actually crosses the x-axis)

$$b^2 - 4ac = (-4)^2 - 4(2)(3) = -8$$

\therefore since $b^2 - 4ac < 0$ there are no roots.

* Vertex (or turning point)

$$y = 2x^2 - 4x + 3$$

$$y = 2(x-1)^2 + 1$$

→ Complete the Square

* take the ~~coefficient~~ of x^2 out factor

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

* change to one bracket squared

$$2(x-1)^2 + d \rightarrow d \text{ is what is needed to equate the equations}$$

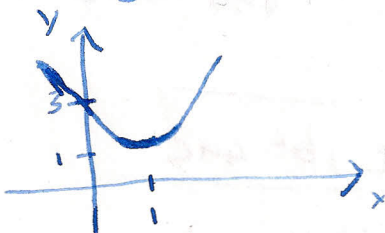
$$* \therefore 2(x-1)^2 + d = 2x^2 - 4x + 3$$

$$2/x^2 - 4/x + 2 + d = 2/x^2 - 4/x + 3$$

$$\therefore d = 1$$

\therefore min value is where $y=1$, this is where $x=1$

$$y = 2(1-1)^2 + 1$$



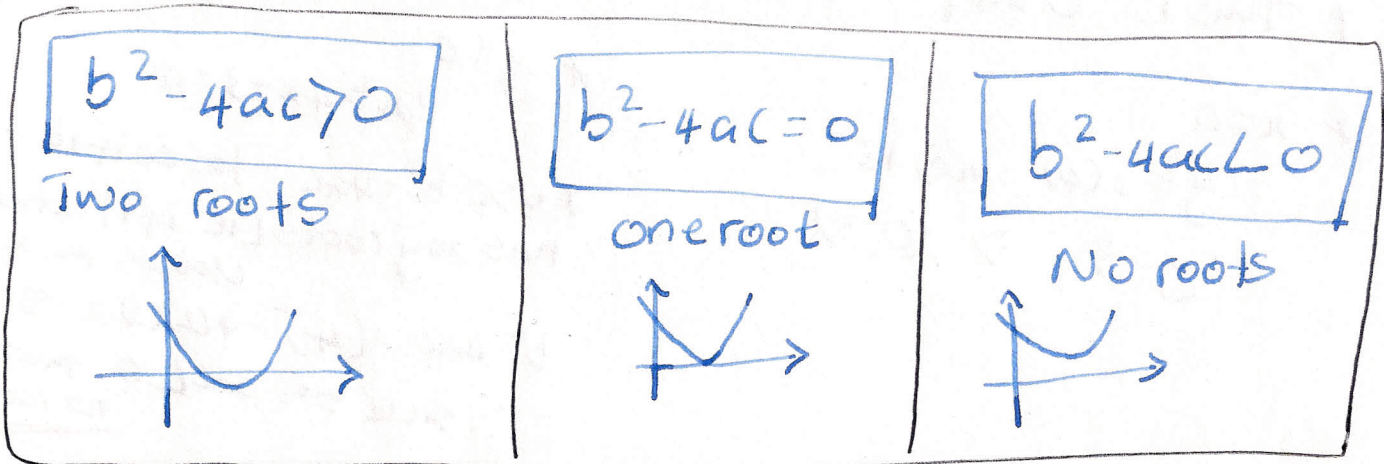
⇒ Completing the Square formula

$$ax^2 + bx + c = a \left(x + \frac{b}{2a} \right)^2 + d$$

⇒ Quadratic formula

$$x = \frac{-b \pm \sqrt{b^2 - 4ac}}{2a}$$

⇒ Roots.



⇒ Proved!

$$ax^2 + bx + c = 0$$

→ Complete the square

→ Aim is to get x on one side

$$\rightarrow a \left(x^2 + \frac{b}{a}x \right) + c = 0$$

$$\rightarrow a \left(x + \frac{b}{2a} \right)^2 - \frac{b^2}{4a} + c = 0$$

$$\rightarrow \left(x + \frac{b}{2a} \right)^2 = \frac{b^2 - 4ac}{4a^2}$$

$$\rightarrow x + \frac{b}{2a} = \sqrt{\frac{b^2 - 4ac}{4a^2}} \rightarrow \sqrt{4a^2} = 2a$$

$$\therefore x = \frac{-b}{2a} \pm \frac{\sqrt{b^2 - 4ac}}{2a} = \frac{-b \pm \sqrt{b^2 - 4ac}}{2a}$$

3.) Simultaneous Equations & Inequalities (3)

E.g. $x-3 < -1+2x$
 $x-2 < 2x$
 $-2 < x$ or $x > -2$

* $<$ - less than
 $>$ - greater than
 \leq - less than or equal to
 \geq - greater than or equal to

* Direction of inequality changes by dividing/multiplying both sides with a Negative Number

eg. $4-3x \leq 16$
 $-3x \leq 12$
 $= \underline{x \geq -4}$ [OR $-4 \leq x$]

\Rightarrow Quadratic Inequality

$$-x^2 + 2x + 4 \geq 1$$

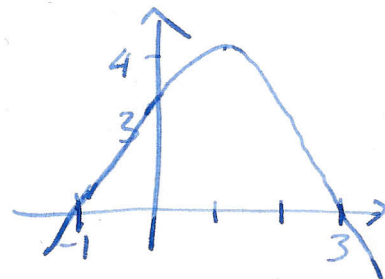
* make ~~zero~~ '0' on one side

$$-x^2 + 2x + 3 \geq 0$$

* Draw $y = -x^2 + 2x + 3$
 $= x^2 - 2x - 3$

* You need $\geq 0 \Rightarrow$ positive or zero
i.e. when it's above
the x-axis.

$$= (x+1)(x-3) = 0$$
$$\Rightarrow x = -1 \text{ or } x = 3$$



* This is when x is between -1 & 3

$\therefore -x^2 + 2x + 4 \geq 1$ when $x \leq 3$
 $x \geq -1$ or $\underline{-1 \leq x \leq 3}$

⇒ Simultaneous Equations with Quadratics

Eg. $-x + 2y = 5$
 $x^2 + y^2 = 25$

* make x or y on their own
eg. $2y - 5 = x$ or $y = \frac{x+5}{2}$

* Substitute into quadratic

$$(2y-5)^2 + y^2 = 25$$

$$4y^2 - 20y + 25 + y^2 = 25$$

$$5y^2 - 20y = 0$$

$$5y(y-4) = 0 \quad \therefore \underline{\underline{y=0}} \text{ or } \underline{\underline{y=4}}$$

* Solve for the other variable

$$2(0) - 5 = x$$

$$\underline{\underline{x = -5}}$$

or

$$2(4) - 5 = x$$

$$\underline{\underline{x = 3}}$$

4.) Coordinate Geometry & Graphs

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⇒ Equation of a line through two points

$$y - y_1 = m(x - x_1)$$

$$y = mx + c$$

$$ax + by + c = 0$$

$$m = \frac{y_2 - y_1}{x_2 - x_1}$$

E.g. $(-3, 10)$; $(1, 4)$
 (x_1, y_1) ; (x_2, y_2)

* Label points

$$\text{Gradient} = m = \frac{y_2 - y_1}{x_2 - x_1} = \frac{4 - 10}{1 - (-3)} = \frac{-6}{4} = -\frac{3}{2} \quad * \text{Find gradient}$$

$$* \quad y - y_1 = m(x - x_1) \quad * \text{Write equation always.}$$

$$\Rightarrow y - 10 = -\frac{3}{2}(x - (-3))$$

$$\Rightarrow 2y - 20 = -3x - 9$$

$$* \quad ax + by + c = 0 \quad \text{OR as } y = mx + c$$

$$\underline{\underline{2y + 3x - 11 = 0}} \quad \text{OR} \quad \underline{\underline{3x + 2y - 11 = 0}}$$

⇒ Parallel lines have Equal Gradients

eg. $3x - 4y - 7 = 0$

Find the parallel passing through $A(3, -1)$

* $y = mx + c$

$$y = \frac{3}{4}x - \frac{7}{4}$$

∴ new equation is $y = \frac{3}{4}x + c$ → same gradient

* Insert $A(3, -1)$

$$\Rightarrow -1 = \frac{3}{4}(3) + c$$

$$-4 = 9 + 4c \quad \therefore c = -\frac{13}{4}$$

$$\Rightarrow \therefore y = \frac{3}{4}x - \frac{13}{4}$$

→ Perpendicular lines ^{→ also known as 'normals'} $-1 \div$ other gradient
gradient

$$\boxed{\text{Original gradient } m_1 \times \text{Perpendicular gradient } m_2 = -1}$$

Eg. $3x - 4y - 7 = 0$ $B(-2, 4)$

$$y = \frac{3}{4}x - \frac{7}{4} \quad \therefore \text{Perpendicular gradient} = \frac{-1}{\frac{3}{4}} = \frac{-4}{3}$$

$$y = \frac{-4}{3}x + c \quad \# \text{Insert } B$$

$$4 = \frac{-4}{3}(-2) + c$$

$$12 = 8 + 3c$$

$$\therefore c = \frac{4}{3}$$

$$\therefore \Rightarrow \underline{\underline{y = \frac{-4}{3}x + \frac{4}{3}}}$$

5.) Sequences & Series

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$$n^{\text{th}} \text{ term} = a + (n-1)d$$

1st term
Common difference
position of any term

Eg. 2, 5, 8, 11... 20th term

$$a=2 \quad ; \quad d=(5-2)=3$$

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore 20^{\text{th}} \text{ term} &= a + (n-1)d \\ &= 2 + (20-1)3 \\ &= \underline{\underline{59}} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{General term} &= 2 + (n-1)3 \\ &= 2 + 3n - 3 \\ &= \underline{\underline{3n-1}} \end{aligned}$$

$$S_n = n \times \left(\frac{a+l}{2} \right)$$

total of the first n terms
last value $l = a + (n-1)d$

Eg. Sum of 1st term = 3, last = 87; d = 4

* a = 3, l = 87, d = 4 but what is n?

$$l = a + (n-1)d$$

$$87 = 3 + (n-1)4$$

$$\therefore n = 22$$

$$\therefore S_{22} = 22 \times \left(\frac{3+87}{2} \right) = \underline{\underline{990}}$$

* make sure you have a, l, d, & n.

$$\rightarrow l = a + (n-1)d$$

$$S_n = n \times \left(\frac{a+l}{2} \right)$$

$$\therefore S_n = n \times \frac{a + (a + (n-1)d)}{2}$$

$$S_n = \frac{2an + (n-1)dn}{2}$$

* $\frac{n}{2}$ is Common

$$S_n = \frac{n}{2} [2a + (n-1)d]$$

$$S_n = \frac{1}{2} n(n+1)$$

↓
For Natural numbers
↳ Positive whole numbers e.g., 1, 2, 3, ...

15 \rightarrow last, $n=15$

$$\rightarrow \sum_{n=1} (2n+3)$$

$n=1 \rightarrow$ beginning, $n=1$

\Rightarrow find the sum of the first 15 terms of the series with n^{th} term $2n+3$

$$S_n = \frac{n}{2} [2a + (n-1)d]$$

$$n = 15$$

$$a = 2(1) + 3 = 5$$

$$d = \underbrace{(2(2) + 3)}_{2^{\text{nd}} \text{ term}} - \underbrace{(2(1) + 3)}_{1^{\text{st}} \text{ term}} = 2$$

$$\therefore S_{15} = \frac{15}{2} [2(5) + (15-1) \cdot 2]$$

$$S_{15} = \underline{\underline{285}}$$

\rightarrow sum of whole numbers between 1 to 100

$$S_n = \frac{1}{2} n(n+1)$$

$$S_{100} = \frac{1}{2} (100)(100+1)$$

$$\therefore S_{100} = \underline{\underline{5050}}$$

6.) Differentiation

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$$\frac{d}{dx} (x^n) = nx^{n-1}$$

- * multiply power
- * minus 1 from power ~~and divide~~

$$\text{Eg. } \frac{d}{dx} \frac{x^3}{5} = \frac{3x^2}{10}$$

$$\text{Eg. } y = 6x^2 + \frac{4}{\sqrt[3]{x}} - \frac{2}{x^2} + 1$$

- * Rationalise powers eg $\sqrt{2} = 2^{1/2}$

$$\frac{d}{dx} 6x^2 + 4x^{-1/3} - 2x^{-2}$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = 12x - \frac{4}{3\sqrt[3]{x^4}} + \frac{4}{x^3}$$

→ Gradient of a curve (or gradient of a tangent) at that point

$$\text{Eg } y = x^2 \text{ at } x=1 \text{ \& } x=-2$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} x^2 = 2x$$

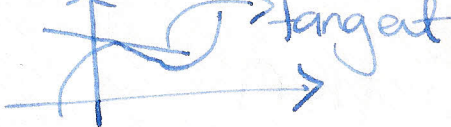
$$\text{when } x=1 \frac{dy}{dx} = 2(1)$$

$$\therefore \text{gradient} = 2 \text{ when } x=1$$

* differentiate ONCE
and add the x value
to get the gradient

$$\text{when } x=-2 \frac{dy}{dx} = 2(-2)$$

$$\therefore \text{gradient} = -4 \text{ when } x=-2$$

→ Tangents 

* gradient of Curve = gradient of tangent

Eg. $y = (4-x)(x+2)$ @ point $(2,8)$

find the tangent of the curve

→ * differentiate & find gradient

$$\frac{dy}{dx} \quad 8 + 2x - x^2 = 2 - 2x$$

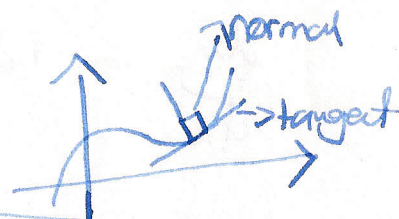
$$\text{at } x=2, \frac{dy}{dx} = 2 - (2) = \underline{\underline{-2}}$$

→ * Find the equation of the line (tangent)

$$y - y_1 = -2(x - x_1)$$

$$y - 8 = -2(x - 2) \Rightarrow y = -2x + 12$$

→ Normals = Right angles to a Curve.



∇ Gradient of Normal \times Gradient of Curve = -1

Normal to $y = (4-x)(x+2)$ @ point $(2,8)$

* find gradient of curve $\frac{dy}{dx} = 2 - (2) = -2$

\therefore gradient of Normal = $\frac{-1}{-2} = \frac{1}{2}$

* find equation of Normal

$$y - 8 = \frac{1}{2}(x - 2)$$

$$2y - 16 = x - 2$$

$$\underline{\underline{2y = x + 14}}$$

