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This formula sheet should be given to all candidates taking Systems (092013/01 or 092063/02)

**NUMERICAL METHODS**

**1. Taylor's theorem**

$$f(x) = f(a) + (x-a)f'(a) + \frac{(x-a)^2}{2!} f''(a) + \cdots + \frac{(x-a)^n}{n!} f^{(n)}(a) + R(x)$$

$$R(x) = \frac{(x-a)^{n+1}}{(n+1)!} f^{(n+1)}(\zeta) \text{ for some } \zeta \text{ between } a \text{ and } x.$$

**2. Polynomial interpolation**

$$\text{Newton form: } p_n(x) = f_0 + (x-x_0)f[x_0, x_1] + (x-x_0)(x-x_1)f[x_0, x_1, x_2] + \cdots$$

$$\dots + (x-x_0)(x-x_1)\dots(x-x_{n-1})f[x_0, x_1, \dots, x_n]$$

$$\text{Truncation error: } \frac{(x-x_0)(x-x_1)\dots(x-x_n)}{(n+1)!} f^{(n+1)}(\zeta)$$

Newton's forward difference formula:

$$p_n(x_0 + sh) = f(x_0) + s \Delta f(x_0) + \frac{s(s-1)}{2!} \Delta^2 f(x_0) + \cdots + \frac{s(s-1)\dots(s-n+1)}{n!} \Delta^n f(x_0)$$

**3. Spline functions**

Let  $S(x)$  be a cubic spline function which takes the same values as  $f(x)$  at evenly spaced knots  $x_j = a + jh$ , for  $j = 0, 1, \dots, n$ , and let  $f(x_j) = f_j$ . On the interval  $[x_j, x_{j+1}]$  the function  $S(x)$  takes the form

$$S_j(x) = f_j + k_j(x - x_j) + a_{j2}(x - x_j)^2 + a_{j3}(x - x_j)^3,$$

where

$$a_{j2} = \frac{3(f_{j+1} - f_j)}{h^2} - \frac{2k_j + k_{j+1}}{h}, \quad a_{j3} = \frac{2(f_j - f_{j+1})}{h^3} + \frac{k_j + k_{j+1}}{h^2}$$

and  $S'(x_j) = k_j$  for  $j = 0, 1, \dots, n$ . The continuity equations are

$$k_{j-1} + 4k_j + k_{j+1} = 3(f_{j+1} - f_{j-1})/h,$$

for  $j = 1, 2, \dots, n-1$ .

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#### 4. Integration formulae

$$\int_{x_0}^{x_1} f(x) dx \approx \frac{h}{2} (f_0 + f_1); \quad \text{Local truncation error} = -\frac{h^3}{12} f''(\zeta)$$

$$\int_{x_0}^{x_2} f(x) dx \approx \frac{h}{3} (f_0 + 4f_1 + f_2); \quad \text{Local truncation error} = -\frac{h^5}{90} f'''(\zeta)$$

$$\int_{x_0}^{x_3} f(x) dx \approx \frac{3h}{8} (f_0 + 3f_1 + 3f_2 + f_3); \quad \text{Local truncation error} = -\frac{3h^5}{80} f'''(\zeta)$$

#### The Euler-MacLaurin formula

$$\int_a^b f(x) dx = T(h) - \frac{h^2}{12} [f'(b) - f'(a)] + \frac{h^4}{720} [f'''(b) - f'''(a)] - \dots$$

#### 5. Approximations for derivatives

$$f'(x) \approx \frac{f(x+h) - f(x)}{h}; \quad \text{truncation error} = -\frac{h}{2} f''(\zeta)$$

$$f'(x) \approx \frac{f(x) - f(x-h)}{h}; \quad \text{truncation error} = \frac{h}{2} f''(\zeta)$$

$$f'(x) \approx \frac{f(x+h) - f(x-h)}{2h}; \quad \text{truncation error} = -\frac{h^2}{6} f'''(\zeta)$$

$$f''(x) \approx \frac{f(x+h) - 2f(x) + f(x-h)}{h^2}; \quad \text{truncation error} = -\frac{h^2}{12} f''''(\zeta)$$

#### 6. Least-squares polynomial approximation

$$p_n(x) = \sum_{i=0}^n a_i x^i$$

$$\left. \begin{array}{lcl} s_0 a_0 + s_1 a_1 + \dots & + s_n a_n & = \rho_0 \\ s_1 a_0 + s_2 a_1 + \dots & + s_{n+1} a_n & = \rho_1 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \\ s_n a_0 + s_{n+1} a_1 + \dots & + s_{2n} a_n & = \rho_n \end{array} \right\} \quad \begin{array}{l} s_j = \sum_{k=1}^N x_k^j \\ \rho_j = \sum_{k=1}^N y_k x_k^j \end{array}$$

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7. **Runge-Kutta formulae** for  $y' = f(x, y)$

First order (Euler's method) :  $y_{n+1} = y_n + hf(x_n, y_n)$

Second order (Heun's method) :  $y_{n+1} = y_n + \frac{h}{2}(k_1 + k_2)$

$$k_1 = f(x_n, y_n), \quad k_2 = f(x_{n+1}, y_n + hk_1)$$

Fourth order :  $y_{n+1} = y_n + \frac{h}{6}(k_1 + 2k_2 + 2k_3 + k_4)$

$$k_1 = f(x_n, y_n), \quad k_2 = f(x_n + \frac{1}{2}h, y_n + \frac{1}{2}hk_1)$$

$$k_3 = f(x_n + \frac{1}{2}h, y_n + \frac{1}{2}hk_2), \quad k_4 = f(x_{n+1}, y_n + hk_3)$$

8. **Other formulae**

Newton-Raphson formula:  $x_{n+1} = x_n - \frac{f(x_n)}{f'(x_n)}$

Richardson extrapolation  $L(h_2) + \frac{h_2^q}{h_1^q - h_2^q} [L(h_2) - L(h_1)]$

Some infinite series  $e^x = 1 + x + \frac{x^2}{2!} + \frac{x^3}{3!} + \dots$

$$\sin x = x - \frac{x^3}{3!} + \frac{x^5}{5!} - \frac{x^7}{7!} + \dots$$

$$\cos x = 1 - \frac{x^2}{2!} + \frac{x^4}{4!} - \frac{x^6}{6!} + \dots$$

$$\cosh x = 1 + \frac{x^2}{2!} + \frac{x^4}{4!} + \frac{x^6}{6!} + \dots$$

$$\sinh x = x + \frac{x^3}{3!} + \frac{x^5}{5!} + \frac{x^7}{7!} + \dots$$

$$\log(1+x) = x - \frac{x^2}{2} + \frac{x^3}{3} - \frac{x^4}{4} + \dots$$

$$(1-x)^{-1} = 1 + x + x^2 + x^3 + \dots$$

## TRIGONOMETRIC FUNCTIONS

$$\begin{aligned}\sin(A+B) &= \sin A \cos B + \cos A \sin B \\ \cos(A+B) &= \cos A \cos B - \sin A \sin B \\ \tan(A+B) &= \frac{\tan A + \tan B}{1 - \tan A \tan B} \\ \cos^2 A + \sin^2 A &= 1 \\ 1 + \tan^2 A &= \sec^2 A \\ 1 + \cot^2 A &= \operatorname{cosec}^2 A \\ \sin A \cos B &= \frac{1}{2}(\sin(A+B) + \sin(A-B)) \\ \cos A \cos B &= \frac{1}{2}(\cos(A+B) + \cos(A-B)) \\ \sin A \sin B &= \frac{1}{2}(\cos(A-B) - \cos(A+B)) \\ \cos C + \cos D &= 2 \cos \frac{1}{2}(C+D) \cos \frac{1}{2}(C-D) \\ \sin C + \sin D &= 2 \sin \frac{1}{2}(C+D) \cos \frac{1}{2}(C-D) \\ \cos C - \cos D &= -2 \sin \frac{1}{2}(C+D) \sin \frac{1}{2}(C-D) \\ \sin C - \sin D &= 2 \cos \frac{1}{2}(C+D) \sin \frac{1}{2}(C-D)\end{aligned}$$

TABLE OF DERIVATIVES

$y(x)$	$dy/dx$
$x^n$	$nx^{n-1}$
$\ln x$	$x^{-1}$
$e^x$	$e^x$
$\sin x$	$\cos x$
$\cos x$	$-\sin x$
$\tan x$	$\sec^2 x$
$\operatorname{cosec} x$	$-\operatorname{cosec} x \cot x$
$\sec x$	$\sec x \tan x$
$\cot x$	$-\operatorname{cosec}^2 x$
$\sinh x$	$\cosh x$
$\cosh x$	$\sinh x$
$\tanh x$	$\operatorname{sech}^2 x$
$\sin^{-1} x$	$\frac{1}{\sqrt{1-x^2}}$
$\cos^{-1} x$	$\frac{-1}{\sqrt{1-x^2}}$
$\tan^{-1} x$	$\frac{1}{1+x^2}$
$\sinh^{-1} x$	$\frac{1}{\sqrt{1+x^2}}$
$\cosh^{-1} x$	$\frac{1}{\sqrt{x^2-1}}$

## 4. HYPERBOLIC FUNCTIONS

$$\begin{aligned}\cosh x &= \frac{1}{2}(e^x + e^{-x}) \\ \sinh x &= \frac{1}{2}(e^x - e^{-x}) \\ \cosh^{-1} x &= \ln(x \pm \sqrt{x^2 - 1}) \\ \sinh^{-1} x &= \ln(x + \sqrt{x^2 + 1}) \\ \cosh(iA) &= \cos A \\ \sinh(iA) &= i \sin A \\ \cosh^2 A - \sinh^2 A &= 1 \\ \cosh(A+B) &= \cosh A \cosh B + \sinh A \sinh B \\ \sinh(A+B) &= \sinh A \cosh B + \cosh A \sinh B \\ \tanh(A+B) &= \frac{\tanh A + \tanh B}{1 + \tanh A \tanh B}\end{aligned}$$

TABLE OF INTEGRALS

$f(x)$	$\int f(x) dx$
$x^n$	$\frac{x^{n+1}}{n+1} \quad (n \neq -1)$
$x^{-1}$	$\ln x $
$e^x$	$e^x$
$\sin x$	$-\cos x$
$\cos x$	$\sin x$
$\tan x$	$-\ln \cos x $
$\operatorname{cosec} x$	$-\ln(\operatorname{cosec} x + \cot x)$
$\sec x$	$\ln(\sec x + \tan x)$
$\cot x$	$\ln \sin x $
$\sinh x$	$\cosh x$
$\cosh x$	$\sinh x$
$\tanh x$	$\ln \cosh x $
$\sin^{-1} x$	$\frac{1}{a} \sin^{-1} \frac{x}{a} \quad (a > x)$
$\cos^{-1} x$	$\frac{1}{a} \cos^{-1} \frac{x}{a}$
$\tan^{-1} x$	$\frac{1}{a} \tan^{-1} \frac{x}{a}$
$\sinh^{-1} x$	$\frac{1}{a} \sinh^{-1} \frac{x}{a}$
$\cosh^{-1} x$	$\frac{1}{a} \cosh^{-1} \frac{x}{a} \quad (x > a)$