Reference Sheet

Fraction Arithmetic

- $\frac{a}{b} \cdot \frac{c}{d} = \frac{ac}{bd}$ $\frac{a}{b} \div \frac{c}{d} = \frac{a}{b} \cdot \frac{d}{c}$
- To add and subtract fractions, you need a common denominator.

a	b_{-}	a + b	and	a	<i>b</i> _	<u>a</u> – b
c^{-}	\overline{c}	\overline{c}	anu	\overline{c}	c^{-}	c

Miscellaneous

- To convert from a percentage to a decimal, divide the number by 100. This is equivalent to moving the decimal two places to the left. Do the opposite to convert from a decimal to a percentage.
- Distance between two points (x_1, y_1) , (x_2, y_2) is $\sqrt{(x_2 x_1)^2 + (y_2 y_1)^2}$
- Midpoint between two points $(x_1, y_1), (x_2, y_2)$ is $\left(\frac{x_1+x_2}{2}, \frac{y_1+y_2}{2}\right)$
- Distance = Rate \cdot Time (i.e. d = rt)

Relations and Functions

- The domain of a relation/function is the set of all *x*-values
- The range of a relation/function is the set of all *y*-values
- To find x-intercepts, set y = 0 and solve. To find a y-intercept, set x = 0 and solve.
- Average rate of change of a function f from x = a to x = b is $\frac{f(b)-f(a)}{b-a}$
- Difference quotient of f is $\frac{f(x+h)-f(x)}{h}$
- Equation of a circle: $(x-h)^2 + (y-k)^2 = r^2$, where the center is (h,k) and the radius is r

Inequalities



Reference Sheet Continued

Lines/Linear Functions

- Standard/General Form: Ax + By + C = 0, where A and B aren't both 0
- Slope-Intercept Form: y = mx + b, where m is the slope and b is the y-intercept
- Point-Slope Form: $y y_1 = m(x x_1)$, where m is the slope and the point (x_1, y_1) is on the line
- $m = \frac{\text{rise}}{\text{run}} = \frac{y_2 y_1}{x_2 x_1}$
- Parallel lines have the same slope. Perpendicular lines have slopes that are opposite reciprocals of each other.

Quadratic Functions

- Equation of a parabola: $f(x) = a(x-h)^2 + k$, where (h,k) is the vertex.
- The vertex of a parabola $f(x) = ax^2 + bx + c$ is located at $\left(\frac{-b}{2a}, f\left(\frac{-b}{2a}\right)\right)$
- To complete the square for $x^2 + bx$: add $\left(\frac{b}{2}\right)^2$. If there is a number in front of your x^2 , factor that out before completing the square.
- To factor $ax^2 + bx + c$ by grouping, find two numbers that multiply to $a \cdot c$ and add to b. Use these two numbers to split up the middle term bx.
- Difference of squares formula: $a^2 b^2 = (a b)(a + b)$

• Quadratic formula:
$$x = \frac{-b \pm \sqrt{b^2 - 4aa}}{2a}$$

• $b^2 - 4ac$ is called the discriminant of a quadratic function.