## Scheme of Learning: Year 11 Higher Autumn Term

## Topic Sequence: Graphs

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| Gradients and Lines | Non-Linear Graphs | Using Graphs | 4 |

## Topic Overview: Non-Linear Graphs

Students revise conversion grpahs and reflection in straight lines and also study other real-life graphs, including speed/distance/time, constructing and interpreting these and also investigate the area under a curve and its relationship to rates of change graphs. Content includes plotting and interpreting graphs of non-standard functions in real-life contexts, to find approximate solutions to problems such as simple kinematic problems involving distance, speed and acceleration. Students also interpret the gradient at a point on a curve as the instantaneous rate of change; apply the concepts of instantaneous and average rate of change (gradients of tangents and chords) in different contexts. Students calculate or estimate gradients of graphs and areas under graphs (including quadratic and other non-linear) and interpret results in cases such as distance-time graphs, velocity-time graphs and graphs in financial contexts.

## Learning Sequence:

## Interpret and construct distance/time graphs

Students discover how the gradient of a distance/time graph represents the speed of travel and read, interpret and construct distance/time graphs.

## Speed/Time graphs

Students discover how the gradient on a speed/time graph represents the acceleration and that a negative gradient now represents deceleration. The area under a graph is the distance travelled

Calculate the area under a graph
Students calculate areas under graphs consisting of straight lines, by creating shapes under the graph such as rectangles, triangles and trapezia. Students should know that the area under a speed-time graph represents distance.

## Estimate the gradient at a point on a curve

Students estimate the gradient at a point on a curve by drawing a tangent at that point and working out its gradient. Students also interpre the meaning of the gradient given the concept of the graph. Students should know that if the vertical axis represents distance on a distance-time graph, then the gradient will represent speed. Also that if the vertical axis represents veolocity on a velocity-time graph, then the gradient will represent acceleration. Student investigate that the rate of change at a particular instant in time is represented by the gradient of the tangent to the curve at that point

Estimate the area under a curve
Students use the area of trapezia, triangles and rectangles to estimate the area under a curve and interpret the meaning of the area in relation to the graph itself

Calculate the average rate of change
Students construct chords between two points on a curve to calculate the average rate of change over time which is represented by the gradient of the chord.

## Sequence of Learning:

Interpret and construct distance/time graphs

Speed/time graphs

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Area under a graph

Gradient at a point on a curve

Estimate the area under a curve
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| Assessment: |  |
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| Knowledge: | End of Topic test |
| Application of <br> Knowledge: | Termly summative assessment |


| Supportive Reading: |  |
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| Any supported <br> reading listed here | Sparx Maths www.sparxmaths.co.uk |
|  | Corbett Maths : www.corbettmaths.com |
|  | AQA Revision Guide |

