AM Syllabus (2017): Pure Mathematics

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PURE MATHEMATICS	AM 27
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Pure Mathematics AM 27	(Available in September)
Syllabus	Paper I(3hrs)+Paper II(3hrs)

1. AIMS

- To prepare students for further studies in Mathematics and related subjects.
- To extend the students' range of mathematical techniques so as to apply them in more difficult and unstructured problems.
- To develop in students the ability to read and understand a wider range of mathematical articles and arguments.
- To enable students to formulate a mathematical representation of a real life situation.
- To use appropriate technology such as computers and calculators as a mathematical tool.
- To encourage confidence, enjoyment and satisfaction through the development and use of Mathematics.

The syllabus assumes a good knowledge of the subject at SEC level and coverage of the extension topics in Paper 2A. It aims at consolidating this knowledge and to extend it to include more advanced concepts.

2. ASSESSMENT OBJECTIVES

Candidates are required to:

- demonstrate their knowledge of mathematical facts, concepts, theories and techniques in different contexts.
- construct mathematical arguments and proofs by means of precise statements, logical deduction and inference.
- recognise standard models and be able to apply them.

3. SCHEME OF ASSESSMENT

The examination will consist of 2 papers of 3 hours each. Any examination question can test material from more than one topic. Questions may be set on topics which are not explicitly mentioned in the syllabus but such questions will contain suitable guidance so that candidates will be able to tackle them with the mathematical knowledge they would have acquired during their studies of the material in the syllabus. Knowledge of topics in Paper 1 is assumed and may be tested in Paper 2.

Graphical calculators will not be allowed however scientific calculators could be used but all necessary working must be shown. A booklet with mathematical formulae will be provided.

Paper 1 will contain 10 questions, possibly of varying difficulty. Marks allotted to each question will be shown. The total number of marks available in the paper is 100 and candidates will have to answer all the questions.

Paper 2 will contain 10 questions and candidates will be asked to choose 7 questions. Each question will carry 15 marks.

4. GRADE DESCRIPTION

Grade A:

- Candidates who are able to recall and select almost all concepts, techniques and theories required in different contexts.
- Candidates who use diagrams and sketches with a high level of accuracy and who are able to proceed logically in their proofs.
- Candidates who derive results to a high degree of accuracy.

Grade C:

- Candidates who are able to recall and select most concepts, techniques and theories required in different contexts.
- Candidates who use diagrams and sketches with a reasonable level of accuracy and who are able to proceed logically in their proofs.
- Candidates who derive results to an appropriate degree of accuracy.

Grade E:

- Candidates who are able to recall and select some concepts, techniques and theories required in different contexts.
- Candidates who use diagrams and sketches with some accuracy and who are able to proceed logically in their proofs.
- Candidates who derive results to a fair degree of accuracy.

5. SUBJECT CONTENT

The topics are not arranged in teaching order. The syllabus is not meant as a teaching scheme and teachers are free to adopt any teaching sequence that they deem to be suitable for their students.

Pure Mathematics Paper 1

	Topics	Notes
1.	Surds, Indices, Logarithms, Partial Fractions and Quadratics	
		Classification of numbers: \mathbb{R} , \mathbb{C} , \mathbb{N} , \mathbb{Q} and \mathbb{Z} .
	Use and manipulation of surds.	To include simplification and rationalisation of the denominator of a fraction e.g. $\sqrt{15} - 4\sqrt{27}$; $\frac{3\sqrt{2} - 2\sqrt{3}}{4\sqrt{2} + 3\sqrt{3}}$
	Positive and negative rational indices	Properties of Indices i.e. Zero, negative and fractional. Applying the laws of indices Powers of products and quotients

	Simplifying expressions $3(1+x)^2+4(1+x)^{-1}$
	Simplifying expressions e.g. $\frac{3(1+x)^2+4(1+x)^{-1}}{2(1+x)}$.
Logarithms	Definition of logarithms, the laws of logarithms. Common and natural logarithms. Change of base formula. Solution of equations involving indices and logarithms
Partial Fractions	Include cases where the denominator is of the form: $- (ax + b)(cx + d)(ex + f)$ $- (ax + b)(cx + d)^{2}$ $- (ax + b)(cx^{2} + dx + e)$ Include improper fractions. In these cases the degree of the denominator must not be greater than <i>three</i> .
Remainder and factor theorem	Finding the remainder and also factorizing cubic or quartic expressions. Sum and difference of two cubes
Pascal's triangle	
Quadratic equations	 Solution of quadratic equations by factorizing or by completing the square. Locating the maximum or minimum value of a quadratic function. Sketching quadratic functions. Nature of roots of a quadratic equation. Knowledge of the relation between the roots α and β and the coefficients of a quadratic equation. Forming new equations with roots related to the original. Calculations of expressions up to the third degree e.g. α³ + β³.
Simple inequalities in one variable	 Graphical or algebraic solution of: Linear inequalities Quadratic inequalities Cubic inequalities, which can be factorized in at least one linear factor Inequalities involving modulus of functions of the above type Rational inequalities reducible to the third degree

2.	Sequences and Series	
	Arithmetic and Geometric series	 Include: Definition of a sequence and a series The general term of an A.P. and a G.P. The sum of an A.P. and a G.P. Arithmetic and Geometric mean Use of ∑ notation Condition for convergence of an infinite geometric series and its sum to infinity
	The binomial expansion for rational indices	Expansion of $(a + bx)^n$ for any rational n in either ascending or descending powers of x and condition for convergence of a binomial series
3.	Enumeration and probability	
	Addition and multiplication principles for counting	Problems about selections, e.g. finding the number of ways in which a committee of 2 men and 3 women can be selected from a group of 10 men and 7 women.
	Simple counting problems involving permutations and combinations.	Problems about arrangements of objects in a line including those in which some objects are repeated and those in which arrangement is restricted, e.g. by requiring that two or more objects must, or must not, stand next to each other.
	Applications to simple problems in probability	The knowledge of probability expected will be limited to the calculation of probabilities arising from simple problems of enumeration of equally likely possibilities, including simple problems involving the probability of complement of an event and of the union and intersection of two events.
4.	Graphic techniques and Coordinate Geometry	
	Simple curve sketching	 Curve sketching will be limited to polynomials up to three stationary points Effect of the simple transformations on the graph of y = f(x) as represented by y = f(x + a), y = f(x) + a, y = f(ax) and y = af(x), and combination of these transformations up to a maximum of three transformations

		The relation of the equation of a graph to its symmetries
	Straight line	Include: • Distance between two points • Mid-point of the line joining two points • Various forms of equation of a line • Condition for parallel and perpendicular lines • Intersection and angle between two lines • Perpendicular distance from a point to a line
	Loci	Finding the equation of the locus of a point from a given description of the locus
	Circle	Include: • The two forms of the general equation of a circle • Parametric coordinates of any point on a circle • Equations of tangents to a circle
		 External and internal contact of two circles Orthogonal circles
5.	Functions Functions, inverse functions and composite functions	 Include: Concepts of function, domain and range One – one and onto functions Use of notations e.g. f(x) ≡ x² + 3, f:x → x² + 3, f⁻¹(x), fg(x) or f ∘ g Domain restricted to obtain an inverse function Finding inverse functions for one – one functions Composition of two functions Condition for the existence of an inverse function and composite function The relationship between a function and its inverse as the reflection in the line y = x
	Modulus of a function	 Exclude finding the domain and range of the inverse of composite functions Use of the definition x = x, if x ≥ 0 and x = -x, if x < 0

		Sketching a modulus graph
		Exclude the modulus of a function involving a modulus function e.g. $ x - 3 $
	Rational functions	The definition of a rational function and how to perform long division on rational functions
	Types of functions	Definition of odd, even and periodic functions
	The exponential and logarithmic functions	An exponential function of the form $f(x) = a^x$, where $a > 0$ and x is real. The graphs of $f(x) = e^x$ and $g(x) = \ln x$ The idea that f and g are the inverse of each other.
6.	Trigonometry	
	The six trigonometric functions	 Include: Angles can be expressed in either degree or radian measure The inverse of these functions and identify the domain for their existence. Their graphs The CAST Rule
	Arc length, area of sector and area of a segment	
	Trigonometric Identities	Include: • Fundamental identities • Pythagorean identities • Compound angle Identities • Double and half angle identities • Factor formulae Exclude on how to prove the compound angle identities. Also manipulative skills are expected but questions requiring lengthy manipulations will not be set.
	Solutions of simple trigonometric equations	The general solution Knowledge of the values of cosine, sine and tangent of $\frac{\pi}{k}$, where $k = 1, 2, 3, 4, 6$ in surd or rational form
	Transformation of the expression $a \cos \theta + b \sin \theta$ into the forms such as $R \cos(\theta \pm \alpha)$	Solution of equations of the form $a \cos \theta + b \sin \theta = c$

	Small Angles	The use of the approximations $\sin x \approx x \approx \tan x$, and $\cos x \approx 1 - \frac{x^2}{2}$
7.	Complex Numbers	
	Definition and basic properties of Complex numbers	Add, subtract, multiply, divide and find the square root of complex numbers Conjugate complex numbers and solving quadratic equations Simple examples of conjugate roots of polynomials, up to order 3, with real coefficients Equating real and imaginary parts
	The Argand diagram	Complex number is in the form of either $a+ib$ or $r(\cos\theta+i\sin\theta)$, where the argument θ satisfies $-\pi<\theta\leq\pi$ and the modulus $r>0$ Properties of products and quotients of moduli and arguments
8.	Differentiation	
	Definition of the derivative as a limit	A rigorous treatment is not expected
	Differentiation of simple functions defined implicitly or parametrically	Differentiation of algebraic, trigonometric, exponential and logarithmic functions Implicit and parametric differentiation Logarithmic differentiation Exclude differentiation of inverse trigonometric functions
	Differentiation Rules	Differentiation of sums, products, quotients and composition of functions
	Applications of Differentiation	 Include: Finding the equations of tangents and normal Finding stationary points and curve sketching Application of maximum or minimum to simple practical problems Rates of change
9.	Integration	
	Integration as the limit of a sum and as the inverse of	A rigorous treatment is not expected

	differentiation	
	Integration of simple functions	Integration of algebraic, trigonometric, exponential and logarithmic functions
	Integration Rules	 The evaluation of integrals by means of: Standard forms Substitution or by sight Parts (A single integral cannot contain more than 2 integration by parts) Partial Fractions Using trigonometric Identities
	Applications of Integration	Definite integrals Calculating the area and the mean values of functions
10.	Differential Equations	First order differential equations of the separable type
11.	Vectors	
	Vectors in two and three dimensions	 Include: Addition and subtraction of vectors, multiplication of a vector by a scalar and their geometric interpretation Use of the unit vectors i, j and k Use of notations such as ai + bj + ck, (ab), a, AB Position vectors Unit vector and magnitude of a vector Distance between two points
	Three-dimensional geometry	Vector, Cartesian and parametric equations of lines Intersection of two lines Intuitive understanding of skew lines in three dimensions
	Scalar product	Angle between two vectors Angle between two lines Condition for perpendicular lines
12.	Matrices	
	The algebra of matrices	Include:

 and diagonal matrices Addition, subtraction and multiplication Condition for equal matrices Inverse of 2×2 matrices
Exclude finding the inverse of 3×3 matrices, but students should be able to verify that two given 3×3 matrices are inverses of each other.
Non commutativity of multiplication Distributivity of multiplication over addition Associativity
Finding the matrix associated with a linear transformation and vice-versa. Rotation through an angle θ about the origin, reflection in the line $y = x \tan \theta$, magnification or stretching. Derivations are expected. Compound transformations in two dimensions. Exclude shear transformation

Pure Mathematics Paper 2

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	Topics	Notes
1.	Summation of Series	
	Maclaurin's Series	Finding Maclaurin's series of simple functions. Also include the general term in simple cases.
	Summation of simple finite series	Include • Using method of differences • Using partial fractions • Using standard results i.e. $\sum_{r=1}^{n} r, \sum_{r=1}^{n} r^2 \text{ and } \sum_{r=1}^{n} r^3$
	Summation of simple infinite series	If $S_n = \text{sum up to } n \text{ terms, find}$ $\lim_{n \to \infty} S_n$

		 Methods one can use are Method of differences Partial fractions Comparison with standard power series i.e. binomial, logarithmic, exponential and trigonometric series. One is expected to know their region of convergence.
2.	Method of Mathematical Induction	Mathematical induction is a method of mathematical proof typically used to establish a given statement for all natural numbers. It is expected that the knowledge of mathematical induction can be applied to <i>simple</i> problems using tools within the syllabus such as: • De Moivre's theorem (for positive integer only) • Summation of series • Inequalities • Equations involving matrices • Expressions involving a multiplicity or divisibility property • Differentiation
3.	Complex Numbers De Moivre's Theorem for any rational index	Include: • Deriving trigonometric identities • Finding the n^{th} roots of a complex number - ○ The sum of these roots = 0 ○ All the n n^{th} roots of any complex number z lie on a circle of radius $ z ^{\frac{1}{n}}$ ○ Successive arguments differ by $\frac{2\pi}{n}$ from each other
	Exponential form of a complex number Loci of complex numbers	 Euler's formula i.e. e^{iθ} ≡ cos θ + i sin θ The exponential form for sin θ and cos θ Limited to Loci of the form z - a = c; z - a = k z - b , where a and b are complex numbers, c and k are positive real numbers Loci involving the Real or Imaginary part of an expression

	Inequalities involving the	
	modulus sign	Sketching on the Argand diagram the regions defined by $ z - a \le c$, $ z - a \le k z - b $
4.	Vectors	
	Vector product	Definition of a vector product and how it is expressed in determinant form Its properties i.e. Non-commutativity, its Distributivity over addition and non-associativity
	Applications of vectors	 Include: Equation of a plane in vector and Cartesian form Area of a triangle and a parallelogram Use of triple scalar product to find the volume of a parallelepiped and volume of a tetrahedron
		Exclude the knowledge of the triple vector product
	Geometry of lines and planes	 Include: Direction ratios and Direction vectors Angle between two planes, a line and a plane Intersection of two planes, a line and a plane Perpendicular distance from a point to a plane
5.	Further curve sketching	
	Curve Sketching	Sketching rational functions of the form $\frac{ax^2+bx+c}{px^2+qx+r}$
		Finding the range of values of $y = f(x)$ so as to deduce the coordinates of the turning point(s) Relating the graphs of $y = f(x) $, $y = \frac{1}{f(x)}$ and $y^2 = f(x)$ to the graph of $y = f(x)$
	Linear asymptotes	Include horizontal, vertical and oblique asymptotes
6.	Further integration	
	Applications of integration	 Volume of revolution for Cartesian or parametric coordinates Arc length and area of surface of revolution for Cartesian or parametric coordinates
	1	Exclude derivation of any formulae

	Inverse trigonometric functions	Differentiation and integration of inverse trigonometric functions Use of trigonometric substitutions in integration
	Reduction formulae	Finding the reduction formulae for definite and indefinite integral. Exclude finding reduction formulae that involves more than one variable
7.	Polar Coordinates	
, ,		Include:
		 Plotting of points in polar coordinates Converting between polar and rectangular coordinates Polar curve sketching, including the symmetry for r being a function of cos θ only or of sin θ only. Curve sketching is limited to the form r = f(θ) Intersection of polar curves Area enclosed by a polar curve Location of points at which tangents are either parallel to, or perpendicular to, the initial line.
8.	Further Matrices	
	Inverse of 3×3 matrices	 Include: Definition of singular and non-singular matrices Definition of the determinant of a matrix Inverse of a 3×3 matrix using the adjoint method and ERO method
	System of three linear equations	Solving a system of linear equations using the inverse or the ERO method Condition for a system of equations to be consistent i.e. have a unique solution or infinite solution or inconsistent i.e. no solution at all. Also the geometric interpretation of each case
	Linear transformations in three dimensions	 Finding the matrix associated with a linear transformation for a Rotation through an angle θ about a coordinate axis, Reflection in the planes x = 0, y = 0 or z = 0, Enlargement (or reduction) in which the origin is the centre of the enlargement (or reduction)

		Finding the image of a point, line or plane under any of the above linear transformations Compound transformations in three dimensions Definition of an invariant point, line or plane
9.	Further Differential Equations	
	First order	Solving differential equations of the form $\frac{dy}{dx} + Py = Q$, where P and Q are functions of x .
	Second order	Solving differential equations of the form $a\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} + b\frac{dy}{dx} + cy = f(x),$ where a , b and c are constants and $f(x)$ is $p + qx + rx^2$, λe^{kx} or $p\cos nx + q\sin nx$. The particular integral can be found by trial.
		Note that the trial solution will be given in problems involving the failure case.
10.	Numerical Methods	
	Location of roots	Location of roots by considering changes in sign The Newton-Raphson method. This is limited to <i>two</i> iterations
	Approximate Integration	The trapezium and Simpson's Rule Integrating functions by using the first few terms of the corresponding Maclaurin's series
	Other series expansions	The use of the logarithmic, exponential, binomial or trigonometric series in finding an approximate value e.g. $e^{0.3}$, ln1.2 etc.
11.	Further Probability	
	Elementary probability. Calculation of probabilities of equally likely events	Permutations and combinations
	Addition and multiplication of probabilities.	Use of Venn diagrams and tree diagrams to calculate probabilities. Sampling with and without replacement.
	Mutually exclusive events.	Understanding and use of $P(A') = 1 - P(A)$;

Independent events. Conditional probability. Sum and product laws.	$P(A \cup B) = P(A) + P(B) - P(A \cap B)$ and conditional probability defined as $P(A B) = \frac{P(A \cap B)}{P(B)}$.
Addition Rule	Two events A, B are independent if $P(A \cap B) = P(A)P(B)$ Independence of a maximum of three events defined as follows: $P(A \cup B \cup C) = P(A)P(B)P(C)$ and any two events of A, B, C are independent.