





EXAMINATION IN MATHEMATICS







I. REQUIREMENTS FOR THE MATURITA EXAMINATION

Logic and Proofs

The student should be able to:

- ✓ express a sentence in ordinary English in symbols
- ✓ explain the mathematical meaning of words at most, at least, just one, each and none
- ✓ explain the term "statement"
- ✓ construct and use truth tables
- ✓ define and use logical operations and quantifiers, simplification of compound statements
- ✓ explain and construct direct and indirect proof, proof by induction.

Sets and Number Sets

The student should be able to:

- ✓ explain the term "set" and list the ways of defining sets
- ✓ use set notation (including symbols for union and intersection) to define intervals
- ✓ recognise types of intervals and express intervals by means of inequalities
- ✓ explain the basic set operations and use Venn's diagrams
- ✓ explain the difference between a digit and a number
- ✓ define the different number sets (Natural, Integer, Rational, Irrational and Real numbers) and appreciate how they fit on a number line
- ✓ explain the relationships between these number sets (eg.Natural numbers are a subset of Integers)
- ✓ define a binary operation
- ✓ list four basic binary operations
- ✓ determine if a given binary operation is associative, distributive and commutative, what its identity element is, and how the inverse of an element may be found
- ✓ explain the statement a is divisible by b and express it in a symbolic language
- ✓ explain the term "prime number"
- ✓ use the rules for divisibility and write proofs
- ✓ find the modulus of a real number, and state its geometrical significance.
- explain the basic properties of modulus of a real number

Algebraic Expressions

- ✓ define a polynomial and perform four basic operations on polynomials
- ✓ define the domain of an algebraic expression
- ✓ find the value of a polynomial for a given value of x
- ✓ expand brackets
- \checkmark expand the expressions (a + b)ⁿ and (a b)ⁿ for n = 2, 3
- ✓ factorise
- ✓ factorise $a^n b^n$ for n = 2, 3
- ✓ factorise x²+ px + q, ax²+bx+c (Viete's Formulae)





- ✓ collect like terms
- ✓ write an algebraic expression as a single fraction
- ✓ simplify algebraic expressions using any of the above methods
- ✓ change the subject of a formula
- ✓ simplify algebraic expressions using laws of indices and laws of log
- ✓ manipulate algebraic expressions involving a modulus
- ✓ explain the basic differences between a polynomial and an equation

Indices and Logarithms

The student should be able to:

- ✓ explain the meaning of a zero index, natural, rational indices and negative indices
- ✓ simplify, evaluate algebraic and numerical expressions using the laws of indices and state conditions under which expressions are valid
- ✓ define a^n for $n \in N$
- ✓ define the n-th root of a non-negative number a and state its basic properties (simplifying surds eg. $\sqrt{ab} = \sqrt{a} * \sqrt{b}$)
- ✓ rationalise fractions involving surds
- ✓ convert expressions from index form to surd form and vice versa
- ✓ define a logarithm and the domain of a logarithmic function
- ✓ explain the basic properties of logarithms
- ✓ simplify algebraic and numerical expressions using the laws of logarithms.

Complex Numbers

- ✓ define i as the square root of -1
- ✓ solve quadratic equations with complex roots
- ✓ define the real and imaginary parts of a complex number
- ✓ explain what is meant by equal complex numbers
- ✓ explain what is meant by a complex conjugate number and recognise the notation
- ✓ add, subtract, multiply, divide complex numbers in Cartesian form
- ✓ represent complex numbers on Gaussian plane (an Argand diagram)
- ✓ convert complex numbers from Cartesian form to a modulus-argument form and vice versa
- ✓ multiply and divide complex numbers in a modulus-argument form
- ✓ find the roots of a complex number
- ✓ use de Moivre's Theorem for integer exponents
- \checkmark solve equations with complex numbers(z^n = a).
- ✓ represent equations and inequalities including complex numbers on Gaussian plane (an Argand diagram)





Functions and Graphs

The student should be able to:

- ✓ define a function and list different ways of describing functions
- ✓ describe the relationship between functions, mappings, binary relations and Cartesian products
- ✓ use function notation correctly
- ✓ find the domain and range of a function
- classify functions(odd, even, monotonic, one to one, many to one, periodic, asymptotic, having a maximum and a minimum)
- ✓ find the points of intersection of f(x) with the axes
- ✓ define and explain the inverse of a function and its properties
- ✓ determine if a function has an inverse
- ✓ find inverse functions algebraically and geometrically.
- ✓ combine functions to make a composite function
- ✓ recognise the graphs of basic functions (f(x)=c, f(x)=xⁿ, where n ∈ N,Z)
- ✓ sketch the graphs of the above basic functions
- ✓ recognise and sketch graphs of simple transformations (f(x) + a, f(x + a), af(x), f(ax), -f(x), f(-x)) and combinations of these
- ✓ define and explain the continuity of f(x) at a given point and interval, basic properties of continuity
- ✓ define and explain the limit of f(x) and its properties for $x \to c, x \to \pm \infty$
- ✓ find the limit of a function

Constant And Linear Functions, Equations and Inequalities

The student should be able to:

- ✓ define a constant and a linear function and describe their properties
- ✓ recognise a constant and a linear function from its equation and from its graph
- ✓ draw the graph of a constant and linear function, given their equations and explain geometrical meaning of a and b in y= ax +b
- ✓ solve linear equations with one unknown
- \checkmark solve systems of linear equations simultaneously, with up to three unknown
- ✓ solve linear inequalities both algebraically and graphically
- \checkmark solve problems which lead to linear equations.
- ✓ solve parametric linear equations and their systems graphically and numerically

<u>Quadratic Functions, Equations and</u> <u>Inequalities</u>

- ✓ define a quadratic function and describe its properties
- ✓ recognise a quadratic function from its equation and from its graph
- ✓ draw the graph of a quadratic function, given its equation(3 methods)
- \checkmark explain geometrical meaning of a and c in y= ax²+ bx + c





- ✓ solve a quadratic equation with one unknown by factorising, completing the square, using the formula or graphically
- ✓ use the discriminant to determine the nature of roots of a quadratic equation
- ✓ use Viete's formulae
- ✓ solve systems of quadratic and linear equations simultaneously(graphical and numerical solution)
- ✓ solve quadratic inequalities both algebraically and graphically
- ✓ solve problems leading to quadratic equations.
- ✓ solve parametric quadratic equations and their systems graphically and numerically

Quotient Functions, Equations and Inequali-

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The student should be able to:

- ✓ define a quotient function and explain its properties
- ✓ recognise a quotient function from its equation and from its graph
- \checkmark explain relation between indirect proportionality and this function
- ✓ draw the graph of a quotient function
- ✓ solve quotient equations and inequalities numerically and graphically
- ✓ solve simultaneous equations containing this type of equations
- ✓ solve problems leading to quotient equations

Modulus Functions, Equations and Inequalities

The student should be able to:

- ✓ define a modulus function and describe its properties
- ✓ recognise a modulus function from its equation and from its graph
- ✓ draw the graph of a given modulus function (including functions containing two moduli)
- ✓ solve equations involving linear or quadratic modulus functions
- ✓ solve inequalities involving linear or quadratic modulus functions

Exponential and Logarithmic Functions and Equations

- \checkmark define an exponential function, including y = e^{χ}
- ✓ explain its basic properties
- ✓ recognise an exponential function from its graph
- ✓ draw the graph of a given exponential function
- ✓ solve different types of exponential equations
- ✓ define a logarithmic function and describe its properties
- \checkmark define y = ln x as the inverse of y = e^X
- ✓ recognise a logarithmic function from its graph
- ✓ draw the graph of a given logarithmic function
- ✓ solve different types of logarithmic equations
- ✓ solve simultaneous equations involving exponential and logarithmic equations





Trigonometric Functions, Expressions and Equations

The student should be able to:

- ✓ define and use measurement in degrees and radian measure
- \checkmark define the basic trigonometric ratios using the unit circle (sin x, cos x, tan x, cotan x)
- ✓ describe basic properties of trigonometric functions
- ✓ find the values of all basic trigonometric functions for 0° , 30° , 45° , 60° and 90° and their multiples for k∈Z
- recognise and sketch the graphs of y = sin x, y = cos x, y = tan x, y = cotan x, y = sec x, y
 = cosec x
- ✓ sketch the graphs of simple transformations of trigonometric functions
- ✓ define the Pythagorean identities, the addition formulae, the double angle identities, the factor formulae, the half angle formulae realise that tan x = sinx/cosx etc.
- ✓ select and use appropriate trig identities to simplify trigonometric expressions and to prove that a given identity is true
- ✓ select and use appropriate trigonometric identities to solve trigonometric equations
- ✓ write solutions to a trigonometric equation both within a specified range and in general
- ✓ find limits of simple trigonometric functions eg. $\lim_{x \to 0} \frac{\sin x}{x}$, $\lim_{x \to 0} \frac{\tan x}{x}$.

Sequences and Series

- ✓ define a sequence and a series
- ✓ describe differences between a function and a sequence
- ✓ list different ways of describing sequences
- ✓ recognise the pattern of a sequence and express the nth term algebraically both independently and as a recurrence formula
- ✓ generate consecutive terms of a sequence, given its recurrence formula
- ✓ generate consecutive terms of a sequence, given an independent algebraic expression for the nth term
- ✓ describe basic properties of a given sequence (eg. graph, monotonic sequence, bounded sequences)
- ✓ define an AP and explain its basic properties
- ✓ recognise an arithmetic progression and find its common difference
- \checkmark solve problems using the formulae for the nth term and the sum of an A.P.
- ✓ define a GP and explain its basic properties
- ✓ recognise a geometric progression and find its common ratio
- ✓ solve problems using the formulae for the nth term and the sum of a G.P. including interest rates
- ✓ calculate the sum to infinity of a G.P.
- ✓ define convergence and divergence of series
- ✓ explain how to use the formula for the sum of infinite geometrical series for different values of q
- ✓ solve problems based on properties of an AP, a GP and a geo series





- ✓ define and explain the limit of a sequence
- ✓ describe properties of limits
- ✓ find the limit of a convergent sequence.
- ✓ use sigma notation for series

Differentiation

The student should be able to:

- ✓ explain what is meant by the derived function/derivative:
 - its definition from the first principle as a limiting value
 - its geometrical meaning as the gradient function
 - its physical meaning as a rate of change
- ✓ recognise and use the different forms of notation for differentiation
- ✓ differentiate basic functions and prove the results from the first principle
- ✓ describe the relationship between continuity and the first derivative of f(x) at a given point
- ✓ find the second derivative of a function and use it to identify stationary points
- ✓ differentiate products and quotients
- ✓ use differentiation to find the equation of a tangent and normal to a curve
- ✓ use the gradient function to determine if a given function is increasing or decreasing over a given interval
- ✓ find and identify stationary points as maxima/minima/points of inflexion (necessary and sufficient conditions)
- ✓ apply differentiation to problems in velocity and acceleration
- ✓ find and identify points of inflexion (necessary and sufficient conditions) and intervals in which a function is concave up/down
- ✓ use the above in sketching curves and in solving problems about optimisation
- ✓ use the chain rule in solving practical problems
- ✓ differentiate implicit functions

Curve Sketching

The student should be able to:

 \checkmark sketch the graphs of basic functions and simple transformations of these eg.

 $f(x) = (x-2)^2 + 4$, labelling clearly any points of intersection with the axes

- ✓ sketch curves of more complicated functions by:
 - finding the domain and the range of a given function
 - investigating the basic properties of f(x)(eg.odd, even, periodicity, continuity)
 - investigating behavior of f(x) at points of discontinuity
 - finding points of intersection with the axes
 - finding stationary points and determining their nature
 - finding intervals in which f(x) is increasing(decreasing)
 - finding points of inflexion
 - finding intervals in which f(x) is concave up/down/
 - investigating asymptotes without gradient and asymptotes with gradient
 - ✓ label sketches of curves correctly.





Integration

The student should be able to:

- \checkmark recognise integration as the reverse process of differentiation
- ✓ use Leibnitz notation
- ✓ explain primitive/antiderivative/ of f(x)
- ✓ explain properties of non-definite intergral
- ✓ recognise integration as a process of summation
- ✓ integrate a given function by means of formulae
- ✓ integrate a given function by parts and by substitution
- ✓ evaluate definite integral
- ✓ use integration to find the area under the curve and the volume of the solids

Combinatorics

The student should be able to:

- ✓ use factorial notation
- ✓ solve problems based on combinations without/with repetition
- ✓ solve problems based on permutations without/with repetition
- \checkmark describe the difference between a permutation and a combination
- ✓ use the notation
- ✓ explain basic properties of binomial coefficients
- ✓ solve more difficult problems involving permutations and combinations (with and without repetition of objects)
- ✓ recognise the connection between Pascal's Triangle and the Binomial coefficients
- ✓ state the Binomial Theorem
- ✓ use the Binomial Theorem to expand (a+bx)ⁿ for positive integer n and solve other exercises concerning it
- ✓ solve equations and simplify expressions containing binomial coefficients

<u>Probability</u>

- \checkmark explain the mathematical meaning of an event
- ✓ define the probability of an event taking place
- ✓ find the probability of an event based on random selection
- ✓ recognise mutually exclusive events A, B and use the addition rule to calculate the probability of (A or B)
- ✓ recognise independent events C, D and use the multiplication rule to calculate the probability of (C and D)
- ✓ draw and use space diagrams and tree diagrams
- ✓ recognise dependent events and calculate the associated conditional probabilities
- ✓ solve problems based on binomial probabilities





Statistics

The student should be able to:

- \checkmark explain the aims of statistics and their applications
- ✓ organise collected data in frequency tables
- ✓ calculate the mean, median, mode, standard deviation and quartiles of a set of data
- ✓ represent data graphically using bar charts, pie charts, histograms, frequency polygons, cumulative frequency graphs
- ✓ interpret and compare statistical data

Constructive Geometry in the Plane

The student should be able to:

- ✓ explain what is meant by a point, a line, a half-line a line segment and a plane
- ✓ use the notation for the above
- ✓ find the locus of a point by means of construction
- ✓ express geometric ideas by means of symbolic language
- ✓ define an angle and classify angles
- ✓ define a circle and the parts of a circle
- ✓ explain basic properties of circles
- ✓ solve problems leading to construction of cirles
- ✓ calculate angles using the circle angle theorems
- ✓ calculate areas of parts of a circle
- ✓ define a triangle and a quadrilateral, their basic elements and their basic properties
- ✓ classify triangles and quadrilaterals
- ✓ construct a triangle given by three elements of the triangle, and produce an analysis, a description and a discussion of the construction
- ✓ prove if two triangles are congruent or similar
- ✓ use the Pythagorean and Euclidean theorems for triangles
- ✓ define the different types of transformation and their basic properties (translation, reflection, rotation and dilatation)
- ✓ use the above transformations in construction problems
- ✓ calculate the area and circumference of a circle.
- ✓ calculate the areas and perimeters of polygons, segments and sectors of circles

Trigonometry

- ✓ define the basic trigonometric ratios
- ✓ find the missing sides/angles in a right-angled triangle, using the trig ratios
- ✓ define and write the proof of the sine and cosine rules
- \checkmark find the missing sides/angles in any triangle, using the sine and cosine rules
- ✓ solve topographic problems leading to the sine and cosine rules
- ✓ solve three-dimensional trig problems.
- ✓ Solve topographical tasks concerninng bearngs, the angles of depression and elevation





Constructive Geometry in Space

The student should be able to:

- ✓ describe the different configurations in space of:
 - a point and a line
 - a point and a plane
 - two lines
 - a line and a plane
 - three planes
- ✓ explain theorems concerning different configurations points, lines and planes in space
- \checkmark list the conditions for lines and planes to be parallel or perpendicular
- ✓ define the angle between 2 intersecting lines, a line and a plane, 2 planes and skew lines
- ✓ calculate the angle between:
 - two intersecting lines
 - a line and a plane
 - two planes
 - two skew lines
- ✓ construct and calculate the perpendicular distance of a point from a line and the perpendicular distance of a point from a plane
- ✓ construct and calculate the perpendicular distance of a line /a plane/ from a parallel plane
- ✓ define a solid and explain its basic properties
- ✓ classify solids and describe their basic properties
- ✓ construct solids using the parallel projection
- ✓ construct sections through solids and explain basic principles of used mappings
- ✓ explain Cavallieri´s principle
- ✓ calculate the volumes and surface areas of solids and their parts
- ✓ solve three-dimensional problems using trigonometry or vectors.

Vector Geometry

- ✓ explain what is meant by a vector
- ✓ add, subtract and find scalar multiples of vectors in two-dimensions (numerically and graphically) and in three-dimensions (numerically)
- ✓ find the magnitude of a vector
- ✓ recognise and write vector equations of lines, half-lines and line segments in two- and three- dimensions
- ✓ determine if two given vectors are intersecting, parallel or skew
- ✓ define the scalar product and list its main properties
- ✓ use the scalar product in solving problems
- ✓ explain difference between the direction vector and the normal vector of a line in the plane
- ✓ understand the significance of normal vectors
- ✓ calculate angles in two- or three-dimensional situations involving vectors





- ✓ define the vector product and list ist geometrical properties
- ✓ use the vector product in solving problems.

<u>Coordinate Geometry in the Plane –</u> <u>the Straight Line</u>

The student should be able to:

- ✓ define 3 types of equations of a line
- ✓ change from one form of the equation of a line to the other
- ✓ find the mid-point and length of a line, given the coordinates of its end-points
- ✓ find the gradient of a line, given the coordinates of two points on the line
- ✓ recognise the equation of a straight line, y = kx + q, and explain the geometrical significance of k and q
- ✓ determine if two given lines are parallel or intersecting especially if they are perpendicular
- ✓ write the equation of a line given the coordinates of two points on the line or given its gradient and the coordinates of one point on the line
- ✓ find the equations of lines going through a given point and having a certain angle to a given line
- ✓ find the coordinates of the point of intersection of two lines
- ✓ find the angle between two lines
- ✓ find the perpendicular distance of a given point from a given line
- ✓ find the perpendicular distance between 2 parallel lines
- ✓ find the locus of a point using co-ordinate geometry.

<u>The Circle</u>

- ✓ define a circle as the locus of points and find its equation
- ✓ define a circle as the locus of points and derive its equation from its definition
- ✓ recognise the equation of a circle in the form $(x-m)^2+(y-n)^2=r^2$ and in the form $x^2+y^2+2Ax+2By+C=0$, and be able to convert one form in to the other
- ✓ write the equation of a circle , given the coordinates of its centre and the length of its radius
- ✓ find the centre and radius of a circle, given its equation
- ✓ find the equation of a circle/ the coordinates of the centre and radius given by three points
- ✓ find the equation of a tangent to a circle:
 - at a given point
 - parallel to a given line
 - perpendicular to a given line
- ✓ find the length of a tangent to a circle from a given point
- ✓ find the angle between tangents





- ✓ describe configurations of a circle and a line or two circles
- ✓ determine if two circles intersect or touch internally or externally, given their equations
- ✓ solve a variety of circle problems with the aid of basic geometric facts: eg. the perpendicular bisector of a chord goes through the centre of the circle.
- ✓ define a sphere and describe the basic properties of a sphere, the plane of tangency
- ✓ solve problems involving spheres

Conic Sections

The student should be able to:

- ✓ define the parabola, the ellipse and the hyperbola as the locus of a point
- ✓ describe the construction of the parabola, the hyperbola and the ellipse
- ✓ give the equations and describe the basic properties of the parabola, ellipse and hyperbola
- ✓ describe configurations of a line with each one of: the parabola, the hyperbola and the ellipse
- \checkmark find the tangent to these curves at a given point of tangency and at a point
- ✓ find the angle between tangents
- ✓ find the equation of a tangent to a given curve being parallel/perpendicular to a given line

Co-ordinate Geometry in Space

- ✓ define the vector equation of a line, a half-line and a lines segment
- ✓ explain a collinear/ non-collinear point
- ✓ explain the basic configuration of lines in space
- ✓ find the vector equation of a line going through a given point parallel/perpendicular to a given line
- ✓ the angle between 2 lines in space
- ✓ define the vector equation and the Cartesian equation of a plane, the half-plane
- ✓ explain the basic configrations of a point, a line and a plane and 2 planes
- ✓ find the angle between a line, a plane and 2 planes
- ✓ find a perpendicular plane to given 2 planes going through a given point
- ✓ find the perpendicular distance of a point from a line/a plane
- ✓ find the perpendicular distance of a parallel line/plane from a plane







II. THE DESCRIPTION OF THE MATURITA EXAMINATION

In Mathematics the Maturita Examination consists of two parts :

• WRITTEN EXAMINATION (April). There are two parts.

In part A students are asked to solve 15 simple examples in the form of a multiple choice test. They can use <u>only non-graphical calculators</u>. The time limit is 60 minutes. In part B students are asked to choose and solve four out out of six complex examples. Tables and non-graphical calculators can be used. Time limit is 180 minutes. The maximum mark is 60 points.

 ORAL EXAMINATION (May). Students are asked to choose a question dealing with a particular area of Mathematics. Students should demonstrate complex understanding of problems (<u>based mainly on the theoretical principles</u> proved on the particular examples). Time limit is 15 minutes.

The maximum assessment is 40 points.

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