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## **ADVANCED LEVEL SYLLABUS**

### **Further Mathematics 9187**

**EXAMINATION SYLLABUS FOR 2013 - 2017**

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## FURTHER MATHEMATICS (9187)

This paper may not be taken in the same examination session as Paper 3 and 4 of the A-Level Mathematics syllabus (9164).

### Syllabus Aims

See A-Level Mathematics syllabus

### Assessment Objectives

See A-Level Mathematics syllabus

### Scheme of Assessment

The marks in the examination will be allocated in equal proportions to Pure Mathematics and Applications. The examination will consist of two, equally weighted, 3-hour papers. Knowledge of the A-Level Mathematics syllabus for Paper 1 and 2 will be assumed.

Paper	Type Of Paper And Topics	Marks	Duration
1	Pure Mathematics 1 – 8	120	3 hours
2	Mechanics 1 – 9 Statistics 1 – 7	120	3 hours

#### **Paper 1 (120 marks)**

*Pure Mathematics* – this is a paper containing about 14 questions chosen from topics 1 – 8.

and

#### **Paper 2 (120 marks)**

*Mechanical and Statistics* – this is a paper containing about 14 questions chosen from topics 1 – 9 of the mechanics list and the topics 1 – 7 of the Statistics list.

#### **Specification Grid**

Component Skills	Paper 1	Paper 2
Skill 1 Knowledge Comprehension	Pure Mathematics = 55%	Mechanics = 18% Statistics = 18%
Skill 2 Application Analysis	Pure Mathematics = 40%	Mechanics = 18% Statistics = 18%
Skill 3 Synthesis Evaluation	Pure Mathematics = 5%	Mechanics = 14% Statistics = 14%

## **SUMMARY OF CONTENT FOR EACH PAPER**

**Paper 1**                      *Pure Mathematics*                      *3 Hours*                      *120 Marks*

- 1 Rational Functions
- 2 Summation of Series
- 3 Vectors (3)
- 4 Hyperbolic Functions
- 5 Differentiation And Integration
- 6 Differential Equations
- 7 Matrices
- 8 Groups

**Paper 2**                      *Mechanics and Statistics*                      *3 Hours*                      *120 Marks*

- 1 Momentum
- 2 Equilibrium of a rigid body under coplanar forces
- 3 Centre of mass
- 4 Energy, work and power
- 5 Uniform motion in a horizontal circle
- 6 Linear motion under a variable force
- 7 Motion in a vertical circle
- 8 Simple harmonic motion
- 9 Hooke's Law

### *Statistics*

- 1 The Poisson distribution
- 2 Samples
- 3 Statistical inference
- 4  $\chi^2$  tests
- 5 Bivariate data
- 6 Linear combinations of random variables
- 7 Probability generating functions

## **Curriculum Objectives**

The curriculum objectives for each of the three broad areas, Pure Mathematics, Mechanics and Statistics are shown below.

It should be noted that topics may be tested in the context of solving problems and in the application of Mathematics, and that individual questions may involve ideas from more than one section of the following list. In addition, the curriculum objectives relating to Papers 1 and 2, of A-Level Mathematics syllabus are assumed.

**PAPER 1 – PURE MATHEMATICS**

*Pure Mathematics List*

<b>THEME OR TOPIC</b>	<b>CURRICULUM OBJECTIVES</b>
	Candidates should be able to:
1 Rational functions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– recall an appropriate form for expressing rational functions in partial fractions, and carry out the decomposition, in cases where the denominator is no more complicated than                  <math>(ax + b)(cx + d)(ex + f)</math>    <math>(ax + b)(cx + d)^2</math>    <math>(ax + b)(x^2 + c^2)</math>                  including cases in which the degrees of the numerator exceeds that of the denominator;             </li> <li>– determine the salient features of the graph of a rational function including oblique asymptotes, for cases where the numerator and denominator are of degree at most 2.</li> </ul>
2 Summation of series	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– use of standard results for <math>\Sigma r</math>, <math>\Sigma r^2</math>, <math>\Sigma r^3</math>, to find related sums;</li> <li>– use the method of differences to obtain the sum of a finite series, e.g. by expressing the general terms in partial fractions;</li> <li>– recognise, by direct consideration of a sum to <math>n</math> terms, when a series is convergent, and find the sum to infinity in such cases.</li> </ul>
3 Vectors (3)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– recall the definition, in geometrical terms, of the vector product of two vectors, and, in cases where <b>a</b> and <b>b</b> are expressed in component form, calculate <b>a</b> <math>\times</math> <b>b</b> in component form;</li> <li>– recall, the definition in geometrical terms of the vector triple scalar product of three vectors and in case where <b>a</b>, <b>b</b>, and <b>c</b> are expressed in component form calculate their triple scalar product.</li> </ul>

THEME OR TOPIC	CURRICULUM OBJECTIVES <i>Candidates should be able to:</i>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li data-bbox="760 258 1317 352">– use equations of lines and planes to solve problems concerning distances, angles and intersections and in particular <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li data-bbox="889 394 1365 457">find the line of intersection of two non-parallel planes;</li> <li data-bbox="889 499 1349 594">find the perpendicular distance from a point to a plane, and from a point to a line;</li> <li data-bbox="889 636 1349 699">find the shortest distance between two skew lines.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
4 Hyperbolic functions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li data-bbox="760 777 1357 871">– recall definitions of the six hyperbolic functions in terms of exponentials, and sketch the graphs of simple hyperbolic functions;</li> <li data-bbox="760 913 1295 976">– derive and use identities such as <math>\cosh^2 x - \sinh^2 x \equiv 1</math> and <math>\sinh 2x \equiv 2 \sinh x \cosh x</math>;</li> <li data-bbox="760 1018 1336 1155">– use the notations <math>\sinh^{-1} x</math>, <math>\cosh^{-1} x</math>; <math>\tanh^{-1} x</math> to denote the principal values of the inverse hyperbolic relations, and derive and use expressions in terms of logarithms for these;</li> </ul>
5 Differentiation and integration	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li data-bbox="760 1192 1365 1329">– obtain an expression for <math>\frac{d^2 y}{dx^2}</math> in cases where the relation between <math>y</math> and <math>x</math> is defined implicitly or parametrically;</li> <li data-bbox="760 1371 1373 1528">– understand the relationship between the sign of <math>\frac{d^2 y}{dx^2}</math> and concavity, and locate points of inflexion as points at which <math>\frac{d^2 y}{dx^2}</math> changes signs;</li> <li data-bbox="760 1570 1357 1665">– derive and use the derivatives of <math>\sin^{-1} x</math>, <math>\cos^{-1} x</math>, <math>\tan^{-1} x</math>, <math>\sinh x</math>, <math>\cosh x</math>, <math>\tanh x</math>, <math>\sinh^{-1} x</math>, <math>\cosh^{-1} x</math>, <math>\tanh^{-1} x</math>;</li> <li data-bbox="760 1707 1365 1864">– integrate <math>\frac{1}{\sqrt{(a^2 - x^2)}}</math>, <math>\frac{1}{(a^2 + x^2)}</math>, <math>\frac{1}{\sqrt{x^2 - a^2}}</math>, <math>\frac{1}{\sqrt{x^2 + a^2}}</math>, and use appropriate trigonometric or hyperbolic substitutions for the evaluation of definite or indefinite integrals;</li> </ul>

THEME OR TOPIC	CURRICULUM OBJECTIVES
	<p><i>Candidates should be able to:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– integrate rational functions by means of decomposition into partial fractions;</li> <li>– derive and use reduction formulae for the evaluation of definite integrals in simple cases;</li> <li>– use integration to find the areas of the surface of revolution when an arc of a curve whose equation is expressed in cartesian coordinates or in terms of a parameter, is rotated about one of the coordinate axes.</li> </ul>
6 Differential equations	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– find the general solution of a first order linear differential equation by means of an integrating factor;</li> <li>– recall the meaning of the terms ‘complementary function’ and ‘particular integral’ in the context of linear differential equations, and recall that the general solution is the sum of the complementary functions and a particular integral;</li> <li>– find the complementary function of a first or a second order linear differential equation with constant coefficients;</li> <li>– recall the form of, and find, a particular integral for a first or second order linear differential equation in the case where <math>ax+b</math> or <math>ae^{bx}</math> or <math>a\cos(px) + b\sin(px)</math> is suitable form, and in other cases find the appropriate coefficient(s) given a suitable form of particular integral;</li> <li>– use initial conditions to find a particular solution to a differential equation, and interpret the solution in the context of a problem modelled by a differential equation.</li> </ul>

THEME OR TOPIC	CURRICULUM OBJECTIVES
7 Matrices	<p data-bbox="803 220 1383 254"><i>Candidates should be able to:</i></p> <ul data-bbox="803 262 1383 562" style="list-style-type: none"> <li data-bbox="803 262 1383 562">– Understand the cases that may arise concerning the consistency or inconsistency of 2 or 3 simultaneous equations, interpret the cases geometrically in terms of lines or planes, relate them to the singularity or otherwise of the corresponding square matrix, and solve consistent systems.</li> </ul>
8 Groups	<ul data-bbox="803 569 1383 1879" style="list-style-type: none"> <li data-bbox="803 569 1383 745">– recall that a group consists of a set of elements, together with a binary operation which is closed and associative, for which an identity exists in the set, and for which every element has an inverse in the set;</li> <li data-bbox="803 779 1383 955">– use the basic group properties to show that a given structure is, or is not, a group (questions may be set on, for example, groups of matrices, transformations, integers modulo <math>n</math>);</li> <li data-bbox="803 989 1383 1123">– use algebraic methods to establish properties in abstract groups in easy cases, e.g. to show that any group in which every element is self inverse is commutative;</li> <li data-bbox="803 1157 1383 1291">– recall the meaning of the term ‘order’, as applied both to groups and to elements of a group, and determine the order of elements in a given group;</li> <li data-bbox="803 1325 1383 1459">– understand the idea of a subgroup of a group, find subgroups in simple cases, and show that given subsets are, or are not, (proper) subgroups;</li> <li data-bbox="803 1493 1383 1627">– recall and apply LaGrange’s theorem concerning the order of a subgroup of a finite group (the proof of the theorem is not required);</li> <li data-bbox="803 1661 1383 1795">– recall the meaning of the term ‘cyclic’ as applied to groups, and show familiarity with the structure of finite groups up to order 7;</li> </ul>

<b>THEME OR TOPIC</b>	<b>CURRICULUM OBJECTIVES</b>
	<i>Candidates should be able to:</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li data-bbox="850 260 1373 394">• understand the idea of isomorphism between groups, and determine whether given finite groups are, or are not, isomorphic.</li></ul>

## PAPER 2 – MECHANICS AND STATISTICS

### *Mechanics List*

In addition to testing the Assessment Objectives listed in the A-Level Mathematics syllabus (Mechanic section), the assessment of the following section will test candidates' abilities to:

- select the appropriate mechanical principles to apply in a given situation
- understand the assumptions or simplifications which have to be made in order to apply the mechanical principles and comment upon them, in particular, the modelling of a body as a particle;
- use appropriate units throughout.

<b>THEME OR TOPIC</b>	<b>CURRICULUM OBJECTIVES</b>
	Candidates should be able to:
1 Momentum	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Recall and use the definition of linear momentum and show an understanding of its vector nature;</li> <li>– understand and use conservation of linear momentum in simple application involving the direct collision of two bodies moving in the same straight line before and after impact, including the case where the bodies coalesce (knowledge of impulse and of the coefficient of restitution is required).</li> </ul>
2 Equilibrium of a rigid body under coplanar forces	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– calculate the moment of a force about a point in 2 dimensional situations only (understanding of a vector nature of moments is not required);</li> <li>– recall that if a rigid body is in equilibrium under the action of coplanar forces then the vector sum of the forces is zero and the sum of the moments of the forces about any point is zero, and the converse of this;</li> <li>– solve problems involving the equilibrium of a single rigid body under the action of coplanar forces (problems set will not involve complicated trigonometry).</li> </ul>
3 Centre of mass	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– understand and use the result that the effect of gravity on the rigid body is equivalent to a single force acting at the centre of mass of the body;</li> </ul>

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	<p data-bbox="764 216 1127 247"><i>Candidates should be able to:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li data-bbox="808 258 1373 499">– recall the position of the centre of mass of a uniform straight rod or circular hoop, of a uniform lamina in the shape of a rectangle or a circular disc, and of a uniform solid or hollow cylinder or sphere (no integration or summation will be required);</li> <li data-bbox="808 531 1373 667">– solve problems such as those involving a body suspended from a point and the toppling or sliding of a body on an inclined plane.</li> </ul>
4 Energy, work and power	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li data-bbox="808 703 1373 913">– understand the concept of the work done by a constant force, and calculate the work done by a constant force when its point of application undergoes a displacement not necessarily parallel to the force (use of the scalar product is required);</li> <li data-bbox="808 945 1373 1081">– understand the concept of gravitational potential energy, elastic potential energy and kinetic energy, and recall and use appropriate formulae;</li> <li data-bbox="808 1113 1373 1228">– understand and use the relationship between the change in energy of a system and the work done by external forces;</li> <li data-bbox="808 1260 1373 1333">– use appropriately the principle of conservation of energy;</li> <li data-bbox="808 1365 1373 1543">– recall and use the definition of power as the rate at which a force does work, and use the relationship between power, force and velocity for a force acting in the direction of a motion;</li> <li data-bbox="808 1575 1373 1680">– solve problems involving, for example, the instantaneous acceleration of a car moving on a hill with resistance.</li> </ul>
5 Uniform motion in a horizontal circle	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li data-bbox="808 1715 1373 1858">– understand the concept of angular speed for a particle moving in a circle with constant speed, and recall and use the relation <math>v = r\omega</math> (no proof required);</li> </ul>

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	<p data-bbox="764 218 1125 247"><i>Candidates should be able to:</i></p> <ul data-bbox="808 258 1373 569" style="list-style-type: none"> <li data-bbox="808 258 1373 394">– under that the acceleration of a particle in a circle with constant speed is directed towards the centre of the circle, and has magnitude <math>rw^2</math> or <math>v^2/r</math> (no proof required);</li> <li data-bbox="808 432 1373 569">– use Newton’s second law to solve problems which can be modelled as the motion of a particle moving in a horizontal circle with constant speed.</li> </ul>
6 Linear motion under a variable force	<ul data-bbox="808 604 1373 1035" style="list-style-type: none"> <li data-bbox="808 604 1373 688">– recall an use <math>\frac{dx}{dt}</math> for velocity, and <math>\frac{dv}{dt}</math> or <math>v\frac{dv}{dx}</math> for acceleration, as appropriate;</li> <li data-bbox="808 726 1373 1035">– solve problems which can be modelled by the linear motion of a particle moving under the action of a variable force, by setting up and solving an appropriate differential equation (problems set will require only the solution of those types of differential equations which are specified in the section of the Pure Mathematics list of the A-Level Mathematics syllabus).</li> </ul>
7 Motion in a vertical circle	<ul data-bbox="808 1073 1373 1451" style="list-style-type: none"> <li data-bbox="808 1073 1373 1178">– recall and use the radial and transverse components of acceleration of a particle moving in a circle;</li> <li data-bbox="808 1215 1373 1451">– solve problems which can be modelled by the motion of a particle in a vertical circle without loss of energy (including finding the tension in a string or the normal contact force, and when these are zero, and conditions for complete circular motion).</li> </ul>
8 Simple harmonic motion (SHM)	<ul data-bbox="808 1493 1373 1766" style="list-style-type: none"> <li data-bbox="808 1493 1373 1598">– recall a definition of SHM and understand the concepts of period and amplitude; use standard SHM formulae;</li> <li data-bbox="808 1635 1373 1766">– set up the differential equation of motion in problem leading to SHM, recall and use appropriate forms of solution, and identify the period and amplitude of the motion;</li> </ul>

THEME OR TOPIC	CURRICULUM OBJECTIVES
	<i>Candidates should be able to:</i>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– recognise situations where an exact equation of motion may be approximated by an SHM equation, carry out necessary approximations (e.g. small-angle approximations or binomial expansions) and appreciate the conditions necessary for such approximations to be useful (including the simple pendulum).</li> </ul>
9 Hooke's Law	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– recall and use Hooke's Law as a model relating to the force in an elastic string or spring to the extension or compression, and understand and use the term "modulus of elasticity".</li> </ul>

#### Statistics List

In addition to the Assessment Objectives listed in the A-Level Mathematics syllabus (Statistics Section), the assessment of the following section will test candidates' abilities to:

- select an appropriate statistical technique to apply in a given situation.
- comment on and interpret statistical results.

THEME OR TOPIC	CURRICULUM OBJECTIVES
	<i>Candidates should be able to:</i>
1 The Poisson distribution	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– recall and use the formula for the probability that <math>r</math> events occur for a Poisson distribution with parameter <math>\mu</math> (and also the notation <math>X \sim \text{Po}(\mu)</math>);</li> <li>– recall and use the mean and variance of a Poisson distribution with parameter <math>\mu</math>;</li> <li>– understand the relevance of the Poisson distribution to the distribution of random events and use the Poisson distribution as a model;</li> <li>– use the Poisson distribution as an approximation to the Binomial distribution, where appropriate (approximately <math>n &gt; 50</math> and <math>np &lt; 5</math>).</li> </ul>
2 Samples	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Understand the distinction between a sample and a population and appreciate the necessity for randomness in choosing samples;</li> </ul>

THEME OR TOPIC	CURRICULUM OBJECTIVES
	<p data-bbox="763 220 1388 252"><i>Candidates should be able to:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li data-bbox="803 262 1388 388">– explain in simple terms why a given sampling method may be unsatisfactory (a detailed knowledge of sampling and survey method is not required);</li> <li data-bbox="803 430 1388 556">– recognise that the sample can be regarded as a random variable and recall and use the fact that <math>E(\bar{X}) = \mu</math> and that <math>\text{Var}(\bar{X}) = \frac{\sigma^2}{n}</math>;</li> <li data-bbox="803 598 1388 661">– use the fact that <math>(\bar{X})</math> is Normal if <math>X</math> is Normal;</li> <li data-bbox="803 703 1388 766">– use (without proof) the Central Limit Theorem where appropriate;</li> <li data-bbox="803 808 1388 934">– calculate unbiased estimates of the population mean and variance from a sample (only a simple understanding of the term ‘unbiased’ is required);</li> <li data-bbox="803 976 1388 1113">– determine, from a sample from a Normal distribution of known variance, or from a large sample, a confidence interval of the population mean.</li> </ul>
3 Statistical inference	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li data-bbox="803 1155 1388 1249">– understand and use the concepts of hypothesis (null and alternative), significance level, and hypothesis test (1-tail and 2-tail);</li> <li data-bbox="803 1291 1388 1491">– formulate hypotheses and apply a hypothesis test in the context of a single observation from a population which has a Binomial distribution, using either the Binomial distribution or the Normal approximation to the Binomial distribution;</li> <li data-bbox="803 1533 1388 1879">– formulate hypotheses and apply a hypothesis test concerning the population mean using: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li data-bbox="885 1638 1388 1732">i. a sample drawn from a Normal distribution of known variance using the Normal distribution,</li> <li data-bbox="885 1774 1388 1879">ii. a small sample drawn from a Normal distribution of unknown variance using a <math>t</math>-test,</li> </ul> </li> </ul>

THEME OR TOPIC	CURRICULUM OBJECTIVES
	<p><i>Candidates should be able to:</i></p> <p>iii. a large sample drawn from any distribution of unknown variance using the Central Limit Theorem.</p>
4 $\chi^2$ tests	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– fit a theoretical distribution, as prescribed by a given hypothesis, to given data (questions will not involve lengthy calculations);</li> <li>– use a <math>\chi^2</math> test with the appropriate number of degrees of freedom to carry out the corresponding goodness of fit analysis (classes should be combined so that each expected frequency is at least 5)</li> <li>– use a <math>\chi^2</math> test with the appropriate number of degrees of freedom for independence in a contingency table (Yates' correction is not required but classes should be combined so that the expected frequency in each cell is at least 5).</li> </ul>
5 Bivariate data	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– understand the concepts of least squares, regression lines and correlation in the context of a scatter diagram;</li> <li>– calculate, both from simple raw data and from summarised data, the equation of regression lines and the product moment correlation coefficient and appreciate the distinction between the regression line of <math>y</math> on <math>x</math> and that of <math>x</math> on <math>y</math>;</li> <li>– select and use, in the context of a problem, the appropriate regression line to estimate a value and understand the uncertainties associated with such estimations;</li> <li>– relate, in simple terms, the value of the product moment correlation coefficient to the appearance of the scatter diagrams with particular reference to the interpretation of cases when the value of the product moment correlation coefficient is close to 1, -1 or 0.</li> </ul>

THEME OR TOPIC	CURRICULUM OBJECTIVES
<p>6 Linear combinations of random variable</p>	<p><i>Candidates should be able to:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– recall and use the results in the course of problem solving that, for either discrete or continuous random variables:           <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) <math>E(aX + b) = aE(X) + b</math> and <math>Var(aX + b) = a^2Var(X)</math>,</li> <li>(ii) <math>E(aX + bY) = aE(X) + bE(Y)</math>,</li> <li>(iii) <math>Var(aX + bY) = a^2Var(X) + b^2Var(Y)</math> for independence <math>X</math> and <math>Y</math>,</li> </ul> </li> <li>– recall and use the results that:           <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>i. if <math>X</math> has a Normal distribution, then so does <math>aX + b</math>,</li> <li>ii. if <math>X</math> and <math>Y</math> have independent Normal distributions, then <math>aX + bY</math> has a Normal distribution,</li> <li>iii. if <math>X</math> and <math>Y</math> have independent Poisson distributions, then <math>X + Y</math> has a Poisson distribution.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
<p>7 Probability generating functions</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– understand the concepts of a probability generating function and construct the probability generating function for probability distributions such as the Uniform (discrete), Binomial, Geometric and Poisson;</li> <li>– recall and use the formulae for the mean and variance of a random variable, in terms of its probability generation function, and use these formulae to calculate the mean and variance of probability distributions such as a the Uniform (discrete), Binomial, Geometric and Poisson;</li> <li>– use the result that the probability generating function of the sum of independent random variables is a product of the probability generating functions of those random variables.</li> </ul>

## MATHEMATICAL NOTATION

The list which follows summarizes the notation used in the Council's Mathematics examinations. Although primarily directed towards Advanced Level, the list also applies, where relevant, to examinations at all other levels.

### Mathematics Notation

#### 1. Set Notation

$\in$	is an element of
$\notin$	is not an element of
$\{x_1, x_2, \dots\}$	the set with elements $x_1, x_2 \dots$
$\{x: \dots\}$	the set of all $x$ such that ...
$n(A)$	the number of elements in set $A$
$\emptyset$	the empty set
$\xi$	universal set
$A'$	the complement of the set $A$
$\mathbb{N}$	the set of positive integers and zero $\{0, 1, 2, 3, \dots\}$
$\mathbb{Z}$	the set of integers, $\{1, \pm 1, \pm 2, \pm 3, \dots\}$
$\mathbb{Z}^+$	the set of positive integers, $\{1, 2, 3, \dots\}$
$\mathbb{Z}_n$	the set of integers modula $n$ , $\{0, 1, 2, \dots, n - 1\}$
$\mathbb{Q}$	the set of rational numbers
$\mathbb{Q}^+$	the set of positive rational numbers, $\{x \in \mathbb{Q}: x > 0\}$
$\mathbb{Q}^+_{\geq 0}$	the set of positive rational numbers and zero, $\{x, \in \mathbb{Q}: x \geq 0\}$
$\mathbb{R}$	the set of real numbers
$\mathbb{R}^+$	the set of positive real numbers, $\{x \in \mathbb{Q}: x > 0\}$
$\mathbb{R}^+_{\geq 0}$	the set of positive real numbers and zero, $\{x, \in \mathbb{Q}: x \geq 0\}$
$\mathbb{R}^n$	the real $n$ tuples
$\mathbb{C}$	the set of complex number
$\subseteq$	is a subset of
$\subset$	is a proper subset of
$\not\subseteq$	is not a subset of
$\not\subset$	is not a proper subset of
$\cup$	union
$\cap$	intersection
$[a, b]$	the closed interval $\{x \in \mathbb{R}: a \leq x \leq b\}$
$[a, b)$	the interval $\{x \in \mathbb{R}: a \leq x < b\}$
$(a, b]$	the interval $\{x \in \mathbb{R}: a < x \leq b\}$
$(a, b)$	the open interval $\{x \in \mathbb{R}: a < x < b\}$
$yRx$	$y$ is related to $x$ by the relation $R$
$y \sim x$	$y$ is equivalent to $x$ , in the context of some equivalence relation

#### 2. Miscellaneous Symbols

$=$	is equal to
$\neq$	is not equal to
$\equiv$	is identical to or is congruent to
$\approx$	is approximately equal to
$\cong$	is isomorphic to
$\propto$	is proportional to
$<; \ll$	is less than; is much less than
$\leq; \lesssim$	is less than or equal to or is not greater than
$>; \gg$	is greater than ; is much greater than
$\geq; \gtrsim$	is greater than or equal to or is not less than
$\infty$	infinity

## MATHEMATICAL NOTATION

3. *Operations*

$a + b$	$a$ plus $b$
$a - b$	$a$ minus $b$
$a \times b, ab, a.b$	$a$ multiplied by $b$
$a \div b, \quad , a/b$	$a$ divided by $b$
$a : b$	the ratio of $a$ to $b$
$\sum_{i=1}^n a_i$	$a_1 + a_2 + \dots + a_n$
$\sqrt{a}$	the positive square root of the real number $a$
$ a $	the modulus of the real number $a$
$n!$	$n$ factorial for $n \in \mathbb{N}$ ( $0! = 1$ )
$\binom{n}{r}$	the binomial coefficient $\frac{n!}{r!(n-r)!}$ for $n, r, \varepsilon, \mathbb{N}$ . $0 \leq r \leq n$
	$\frac{n(n-1) \dots (n-r+1)}{r!}$ for $n \in \mathbb{Q}, r, \varepsilon \in \mathbb{N}$

4. *Functions*

$f$	function $f$
$f(x)$	the value of the function $f$ at $x$
$f: A \rightarrow B$	is a function under which each element of set $A$ has an image in set $B$
$f: x \leftarrow y$	the function $f$ maps the element $x$ to the element $y$
$f^{-1}$	the inverse of the function $f$
$g \circ f, gf$	the composite function of $f$ and $g$ which is defined by $(g \circ f)(x) = gf(x) = g(f(x))$
$\lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x)$	the limit of $f(x)$ as $x$ tends to $a$
$\Delta x; \delta x$	an increment of $x$
$\frac{dy}{dx}$	the derivative of $y$ with respect to $x$
$\frac{d^2 y}{dx^2}$	the $n$ th derivative of $y$ with respect to $x$
$f'(x), f''(x), \dots, f^{(n)}(x)$	the first, the second, ..., $n$ th derivatives of $f(x)$ with respect to $x$
$\int y dx$	indefinite integral of $y$ with respect to $x$
$\int_a^b y dx$	definite integral of $y$ with respect to $x$ for values of $x$ between $a$ and $b$
$\frac{\partial y}{\partial x}$	the partial derivative of $y$ with respect to $x$
$\dots$	
$\frac{\partial^2 y}{\partial x^2}$	the first, second, ....., derivatives of $x$ with respect to time.

5. *Exponential and Logarithmic Functions*

$e$	base of natural logarithms
$e^x, \exp x$	exponential functions of $x$
$\log_a x$	logarithm to the base $a$ of $x$
$\ln x$	natural logarithm of $x$
$\lg x$	logarithm of $x$ to base 10

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6. *Circular and Hyperbolic Functions and Relations*

sin, cos, tan cosec, sec, cot	}	the circular functions
$\sin^{-1}$ , $\cos^{-1}$ , $\tan^{-1}$ $\operatorname{cosec}^{-1}$ , $\sec^{-1}$ , $\cot^{-1}$	}	the inverse circular relations
sinh, cosh, tanh cosech, sech, coth	}	the hyperbolic functions
$\sinh^{-1}$ , $\cosh^{-1}$ , $\tanh^{-1}$ $\operatorname{cosech}^{-1}$ , $\operatorname{sech}^{-1}$ , $\operatorname{coth}^{-1}$	}	the inverse hyperbolic relations

7. *Complex Numbers*

i	square root of -1
z	a complex number, $z = x + iy$ $= r(\cos \theta + i \sin \theta)$ , $r \in \mathbb{R}^+$ $= re^{i\theta}$ , $r \in \mathbb{R}^+$
Re z	the real part of z, $\operatorname{Re}(x + iy) = x$
Im z	the imaginary part of z, $\operatorname{Im}(x + iy) = y$
z	the modulus of z, $ x + iy  = \sqrt{x^2 + y^2}$ , $ r(\cos \theta + i \sin \theta)  = r$
arg z	the argument of z, $\arg(r(\cos \theta + i \sin \theta)) = \theta$ , $-\pi < \theta \leq \pi$
$z^*$	the complex conjugate of z, $(x + iy)^* = x - iy$

8. *Matrices*

<b>M</b>	a matrix <b>M</b>
<b>M</b> <sup>-1</sup>	the inverse of the square matrix <b>M</b>
<b>M</b> <sup>T</sup>	the transpose of the matrix <b>M</b>
det <b>M</b>	the determinant of the square matrix <b>M</b>

9. *Vectors*

<b>a</b>	the vector <b>a</b>
$\rightarrow$	
<b>AB</b>	the vector represented in magnitude and direction by the directed line segment <b>AB</b>
$\hat{a}$	a unit vector in the direction of the vector <b>a</b>
i, j, k	unit vectors in the directions of the Cartesian coordinate axes
<b>a</b>	the magnitude of <b>a</b>
$\rightarrow$	$\rightarrow$
<b>AB</b>	the magnitude of <b>AB</b>
<b>a.b</b>	the scalar product of <b>a</b> and <b>b</b>
<b>a x b</b>	the vector product of <b>a</b> and <b>b</b>

10. *Probability and Statistics*

A, B, C, etc	events
$A \cup B$	union of the events A and B
$A \cap B$	intersection of the events A and B
P(A)	probability of the event A
A'	complement of the event A, the event 'not A'
P(A/B)	probability of the events A given the event B
$\chi$ , Y, R, etc	random variables
x, y, r, etc	values of the random variables X, Y, R, etc
$x_1, x_2, \dots$	observations
$f_1, f_2, \dots$	frequencies with which the observations $x_1, x_2, \dots$ occur
p(x)	the value of the probability function $P(X = x)$
$p_1, p_2, \dots$	probabilities of the values $x_1, x_2, \dots$ of the discrete random variable X
F(x), G(x), ...	the value of the (cumulative) distribution function $P(X \leq x)$
E( $\chi$ )	expectation of the random variable X

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$E[g(X)]$	expectation of $g(X)$
$\text{Var}(X)$	variance of the random variable $X$
$G(t)$	the value of the probability generating function for a random variable which takes integer values
$B(n, p)$	binomial distribution, parameters $n$ and $p$
$N(\mu, \sigma^2)$	normal distribution, mean $\mu$ and variance $\sigma^2$
$\mu$	population means
$\sigma^2$	population variance
$\sigma$	population standard deviation
$\bar{x}$	sample means
$s^2$	unbiased estimate of population variance from a sample, $s^2 = \frac{\sum(x - \bar{x})^2}{n - 1}$
$\phi$	probability density function of the standardised normal variable with distribution $N(0,1)$
$\Phi$	corresponding cumulative distribution function
$\rho$	linear product-moment correlation coefficient for a population
$r$	linear product-moment correlation coefficient for a sample
$\text{Cov}(X, Y)$	covariance of $X$ and $Y$