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Closed Book Test (CBT) 2006/2007
MAF 2301/MAE 2301 - Pure Mathematics



Duration :- One and Half Hours.

Date :- 11-12-2006.

Time:- 1.30 p.m. – 3.00 p.m.

Answer All Questions. ✓

01. $A = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 2 \\ 1 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$ and $B = \begin{pmatrix} -2 & 3 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$

Find (i) $(A + B)^2$ (ii) $A^2 + AB + BA + B^2$

Hence show that $(A + B)^2 = A^2 + AB + BA + B^2$.

02. Prove that

(i)

$$\begin{vmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ a & b & c \\ bc & ca & ab \end{vmatrix} = (a-b)(b-c)(c-a).$$

(ii) Solve the equations by Cramers's rule

$$2x + y - z = -1$$

$$3x - 2y + z = 7$$

$$x + 2y + 2z = 3$$

03. (i) Prove that the point $(at^2, 2at)$ lies on the parabola $y^2 = 4ax$ and hence find the equation to the normal at that point.

(ii) $P(t^2, 2t)$ is any point on the parabola $y^2 = 4x$. If the normal at P meets the x axis at Q , find the co-ordinate of the midpoint of PQ .