

O Level Maths

Topic: Matrix Addition, Subtraction, and Multiplication

Instructions

Answer all questions. Show all necessary steps. Use matrix laws to simplify where required.

Practice Problems

Matrix Addition and Subtraction:

1. Given
$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 3 \\ 4 & 5 \end{bmatrix}$$
 and $B = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 6 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$, find:

(a)
$$A + B$$

(b)
$$A - B$$

2. Let
$$C = \begin{bmatrix} -2 & 5 \\ 0 & 7 \end{bmatrix}$$
 and $D = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & -1 \\ 4 & 6 \end{bmatrix}$, compute:

(a)
$$C + D$$

(b)
$$D-C$$

Matrix Multiplication:

3. If
$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$$
 and $B = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 1 \\ 4 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$, find AB .

4. Let
$$P = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$
 and $Q = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 4 \\ 5 \end{bmatrix}$. Compute PQ .

5. Given
$$M = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ -1 & 0 \\ 3 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$
 and $N = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 0 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$, find the product MN .

Multiple-Choice Questions

1. If
$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$$
 and $B = \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 3 \\ 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$, what is $A + B$?

- A. $\begin{bmatrix} 5 & 5 \\ 5 & 5 \end{bmatrix}$
- B. $\begin{bmatrix} 3 & 5 \\ 5 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$
- C. $\begin{bmatrix} 2 & 5 \\ 6 & 5 \end{bmatrix}$
- D. $\begin{bmatrix} 4 & 4 \\ 4 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$

2. Which matrix multiplication is possible?

- A. 2×3 multiplied by 3×2
- B. 3×2 multiplied by 3×2
- C. 2×2 multiplied by 3×1
- D. 1×3 multiplied by 1×3

3. Which of the following is the result of:

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix}$$

- A. Zero matrix
- B. Identity matrix
- C. The second matrix unchanged
- D. Transpose of second matrix

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