

MACHAKOS UNIVERSITY  
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SCHOOL OF PURE AND APPLIED SCIENCES  
DEPARTMENT OF MATHEMATICS, STATISTICS AND ACTUARIAL SCIENCE  
FIRST SEMESTER FIRST YEAR FOR  
CRAFT CERTIFICATE IN MECHANICA/AUTOMOTIVE ENGINEERING TECHNOLOGY  
1920/104- MATHEMATICS;

1 a) Using the graphical method, solve the quadratic equation  $y=2x^2-12x+16$ , for  $0 \leq x \leq 5$ .  
(4mks)

b) Determine the equation of the line passing through point (18,6) and has a gradient of -12  
(4mks)

c) The ages of 6 students in a class are:

17,15,18,21,14,19

Determine the median age  
(2mks)

d) Make U subject of the formula:

$$y = \frac{UV}{U+2w} \quad (4mks)$$

e) What is the simple interest earned on sh.35,000 at 14.5% per annum for 3 years.(6mks)

f) The length L cm of a wire varies directly as the temperature T°C. The length of the wire is 5cm when the temperature is 65°C.calculate the length of the wire when temperature is 69°C  
(4mks)

g) Plot the graph for  $y = \sin 2x$  for  $0 \leq x \leq 360^\circ$  (6mks)

2 a) Given the arithmetic sequence 4,11,18 ... ..write down the first term and the 6<sup>th</sup> term of the sequence (4mks)

b) The sum of the first three terms of a geometric sequence is 26.if the common ratio is 3, find the sum of the first six terms of these sequence  
(6mks)

c) Given the following matrix:  $B = \begin{pmatrix} 7 & -3 \\ -2 & 4 \end{pmatrix}$

Determine the value of  $B^{-1}$  and the determinant of B  
(4mks)

d) Given the matrix

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} -4 & 3 \\ 5 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{and} \quad B = \begin{pmatrix} 7 & -3 \\ -2 & 4 \end{pmatrix}$$

Determine (i)  $(A^T)^{-1}$  (4mks)

(ii)  $2A+3B$  (4mks)

3 a) The following is a distribution table of profits of companies in the same industry

Profit(ksh 000's)	Number of companies
0-10	5
10-20	15
20-30	40
30-40	20
40-50	16
50-60	4

Calculate the:

- i) Mean
- ii) Median

(8mks)

(b) Solve the following inequality

$$(5x + 5)/-10 \leq 2x - 1 \quad (2mks)$$

4. The sum of the first 6 terms of an arithmetic series is 46 and the 10<sup>th</sup> term of the same series is 102.

Determine i) the first term

- iii) the common difference
- iv) The 12<sup>th</sup> term of the series

(10mks)