

MATH 1151 QUIZ-1 (15 minutes)

1. (3 points) Establish the identity $\frac{\tan \alpha + \tan \beta}{\cot \alpha + \cot \beta} = \tan \alpha \tan \beta$.

Solution: Since $\cot \alpha = \frac{1}{\tan \alpha}$ and $\cot \beta = \frac{1}{\tan \beta}$ left side of the equation is equal to $\frac{\tan \alpha + \tan \beta}{\frac{1}{\tan \alpha} + \frac{1}{\tan \beta}}$ which is then equal to $\tan \alpha \tan \beta$ after summing the denominator and flipping it over. **Q.E.D.**

2.(3 points) Establish the identity $\frac{\sin(\alpha+\beta)}{\cos \alpha \cos \beta} = \tan \alpha + \tan \beta$.

Solution: $\sin(\alpha + \beta) = \sin \alpha \cos \beta + \sin \beta \cos \alpha$. So if you use this identity then left side turns to $\frac{\sin \alpha \cos \beta}{\cos \alpha \cos \beta} + \frac{\sin \beta \cos \alpha}{\cos \alpha \cos \beta}$. After cancellations in each fraction we get $\tan \alpha + \tan \beta$. **Q.E.D**

3.(4 points) Find the value of the number C: $\frac{1}{2}(\cos x)^2 + C = \frac{1}{4} \cos 2x$.

Solution: $\cos 2x = 2(\cos x)^2 - 1$, so if you use this identity on the right side we get $\frac{1}{2}(\cos x)^2 - \frac{1}{4}$ on the right. Making this equal to the left side we easily see that $C = -\frac{1}{4}$. **Q.E.D.**