Applying Algebraic skills to Matrices and Systems of Equations

Essential knowledge:

- **1.** For matrices: $A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & -1 \\ 3 & 0 & 5 \end{pmatrix}$, $B = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & -1 & 1 \\ 2 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$, $C = \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 1 \\ 1 & 3 \end{pmatrix}$ and $D = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$ Find:
 - (a) 2A 3B (b) CA (c) A'C (d) C^{-1} (e) D^3

2. What value of x makes this matrix singular? $\begin{pmatrix} 2 & x \\ -1 & 3 \end{pmatrix}$

- **3.** Use Gaussian elimination to solve: 2x - y + 2z = 1 x + y - 2z = 2 x + 2y + 4z = -1
- **4.** *A* is the matrix $\begin{pmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ 3 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$. For $A^2 = pA + qI$, find the values of *p* and *q*.
- **5.** Write down the 2×2 matrix that represents an anti-clockwise rotation of 45° about the origin.

<u>Unit level</u>:

- **6.** For matrices: $A = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & -1 \\ -1 & 2 \end{pmatrix}, B = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & p \\ 0 & 3 \end{pmatrix}, C = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 2 \\ 2 & q & 3 \end{pmatrix}$ and $D = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ -3 & 5 \\ 8 & r \end{pmatrix}$ Find: (a) 4A - 3B (b) CD + D
- **7.** Use Gaussian elimination to solve: $\begin{aligned} x + y + z &= 10\\ 2x y + 3z &= 4\\ x + 2z &= 20 \end{aligned}$
- **8.** For matrices: $E = \begin{pmatrix} 4 & -1 \\ -5 & 3 \end{pmatrix}$ and $F = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & -1 \\ 3 & 0 & 2 \\ -1 & k-1 & 6 \end{pmatrix}$
 - (a) Find E^{-1}
 - (b) Determine the value(s) of k for which F is singular.

Assessment level:

- **9.** The matrix A is such that $A^2 = 4A 3I$, find integers p and q such that $A^4 = pA + qI$
- 10. Obtain the 2 × 2 matrix *M* associated with an enlargement, scale factor 2, followed by a <u>clockwise</u> rotation of 60° about O.

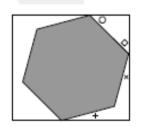
- **11.** (a) Use elementary row operations to reduce the following system of equations to upper triangular form
 - x + y + 3z = 1 3x + ay + z = 1x + y + z = -1
 - (b) Express x and y in terms of the parameter a
 - (c) Explain what happens when a = 3
- **12.** Matrices *A* and *B* are defined by

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \text{ and } B = \begin{pmatrix} x+2 & x-2 & x+3 \\ -4 & 4 & 2 \\ 2 & -2 & 3 \end{pmatrix}$$

- (a) Find the product *AB*
- (b) Obtain the determinants of A and AB
- (c) Hence obtain an expression for det(*B*)

Challenge Questions (optional)

- **1.** The diagram shows an equilateral triangle, a square and a regular pentagon which all share a common vertex. What is the value of θ ?
 - **A** 98 **B** 102 **C** 106 **D** 110 **E** 112
- 2. The diagram shows a regular hexagon inside a rectangle. What is the sum of the four marked angles?



 θ°

