## Complete Solutions to Miscellaneous Exercise 1

1. (i) How do we find 
$$(\mathbf{A} - \mathbf{B})(\mathbf{A} + \mathbf{B})$$
 given  $\mathbf{A} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 4 \end{pmatrix}$  and  $\mathbf{B} = \begin{pmatrix} 5 & 6 \\ 7 & 8 \end{pmatrix}$ ?

Evaluate A - B, A + B and then multiply them together.

$$\mathbf{A} - \mathbf{B} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 4 \end{pmatrix} - \begin{pmatrix} 5 & 6 \\ 7 & 8 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -4 & -4 \\ -4 & -4 \end{pmatrix} = -4 \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$
$$\mathbf{A} + \mathbf{B} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 4 \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} 5 & 6 \\ 7 & 8 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 6 & 8 \\ 10 & 12 \end{pmatrix} = 2 \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 4 \\ 5 & 6 \end{pmatrix}$$

Multiplying these together gives

$$(\mathbf{A} - \mathbf{B})(\mathbf{A} + \mathbf{B}) = -4 \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} 2 \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 4 \\ 5 & 6 \end{pmatrix}$$
$$= -8 \begin{pmatrix} 8 & 10 \\ 8 & 10 \end{pmatrix} = -16 \begin{pmatrix} 4 & 5 \\ 4 & 5 \end{pmatrix}$$

(ii) How do we determine  $\mathbf{A}^2 - \mathbf{B}^2$ ?

$$\mathbf{A}^{2} - \mathbf{B}^{2} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 4 \end{pmatrix}^{2} - \begin{pmatrix} 5 & 6 \\ 7 & 8 \end{pmatrix}^{2}$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 4 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 4 \end{pmatrix} - \begin{pmatrix} 5 & 6 \\ 7 & 8 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 5 & 6 \\ 7 & 8 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} 7 & 10 \\ 15 & 22 \end{pmatrix} - \begin{pmatrix} 67 & 78 \\ 91 & 106 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} -60 & -68 \\ -76 & -84 \end{pmatrix} = -4 \begin{pmatrix} 15 & 17 \\ 19 & 21 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\mathbf{A}^2 - \mathbf{B}^2 \neq (\mathbf{A} - \mathbf{B})(\mathbf{A} + \mathbf{B})$$
 because

$$(\mathbf{A} - \mathbf{B})(\mathbf{A} + \mathbf{B}) = \mathbf{A}^2 + \underbrace{\mathbf{A}\mathbf{B} - \mathbf{B}\mathbf{A}}_{\neq \mathbf{O} \text{ because } \mathbf{A}\mathbf{B} \neq \mathbf{B}\mathbf{A}} - \mathbf{B}^2$$

Remember matrix multiplication is **not** commutative, that is

$$AB \neq BA$$

so we cannot have  $\mathbf{A}^2 - \mathbf{B}^2 = (\mathbf{A} - \mathbf{B})(\mathbf{A} + \mathbf{B})$ .

2. We have an error in the first line:

$$\mathbf{AB}(\mathbf{AB})^{-1} = \mathbf{ABA}^{-1}\mathbf{B}^{-1}$$

because  $(\mathbf{A}\mathbf{B})^{-1} = \mathbf{B}^{-1}\mathbf{A}^{-1} \neq \mathbf{A}^{-1}\mathbf{B}^{-1}$  so the above are **not** equal. Again there is an error in the second line of the derivation:

$$\mathbf{A}\mathbf{B}\mathbf{A}^{-1}\mathbf{B}^{-1} = \mathbf{A}\mathbf{A}^{-1}\mathbf{B}\mathbf{B}^{-1}$$

because  $\mathbf{B}\mathbf{A}^{-1} \neq \mathbf{A}^{-1}\mathbf{B}$  [Not Equal]. Matrix multiplication is **not** commutative.

- 3. We are given the matrix  $\mathbf{A} = \frac{1}{7} \begin{pmatrix} 3 & -2 & -6 \\ -2 & 6 & -3 \\ -6 & -3 & -2 \end{pmatrix}$ .
- (a) The matrix  $\mathbf{A}^2$  is evaluated by

$$\mathbf{A}^{2} = \frac{1}{7} \begin{pmatrix} 3 & -2 & -6 \\ -2 & 6 & -3 \\ -6 & -3 & -2 \end{pmatrix} \frac{1}{7} \begin{pmatrix} 3 & -2 & -6 \\ -2 & 6 & -3 \\ -6 & -3 & -2 \end{pmatrix}$$
$$= \frac{1}{7} \times \frac{1}{7} \begin{pmatrix} 3 & -2 & -6 \\ -2 & 6 & -3 \\ -6 & -3 & -2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 3 & -2 & -6 \\ -2 & 6 & -3 \\ -6 & -3 & -2 \end{pmatrix}$$
$$= \frac{1}{49} \begin{pmatrix} 49 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 49 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 49 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = \mathbf{I}$$

Hence  $\mathbf{A}^2 = \mathbf{I}$ . What is  $\mathbf{A}^3$  equal to?

$$\mathbf{A}^{3} = \mathbf{A}^{2}\mathbf{A} = \mathbf{I}\mathbf{A} = \mathbf{A} = \frac{1}{7} \begin{pmatrix} 3 & -2 & -6 \\ -2 & 6 & -3 \\ -6 & -3 & -2 \end{pmatrix}$$

(b) Since we have  $\mathbf{A}^2 = \mathbf{I}$  therefore  $\mathbf{A}^{-1} = \mathbf{A}$  and

$$\mathbf{A}^{2004} = \left(\mathbf{A}^2\right)^{1002} = \mathbf{I}^{1002} = \mathbf{I}$$

where **I** is the identity 3 by 3 matrix.

4. We have the following:

$$\mathbf{A}^{t} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & -1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 & 3 \end{pmatrix}^{t} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 \\ -1 & 1 & 3 \end{pmatrix}$$

The matrix multiplication AB is **not** valid because the number of columns (3) of matrix A does **not** equal the number of rows (4) of matrix B.

The matrix addition  $\mathbf{B} + \mathbf{C}$  is **not** valid because matrices  $\mathbf{B}$  and  $\mathbf{C}$  are different sizes.

The matrix subtraction A - B is **not** valid because matrices A and B are different sizes.

The matrix multiplication **CB** is given by

$$\mathbf{CB} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 & 1 & 0 \\ -2 & 1 & 2 & 3 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 \\ 0 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -2 \\ -1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

The matrix multiplication  $\mathbf{BC}^t$  is **not** valid because

$$\mathbf{BC}^{t} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 \\ 0 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 & 1 & 0 \\ -2 & 1 & 2 & 3 \end{pmatrix}^{t} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 \\ 0 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -2 \\ -1 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 3 \end{pmatrix}$$

This matrix multiplication is impossible because the number of columns (2) of the matrix **B** does **not** equal the number of rows (4) of the matrix  $\mathbf{C}^t$ .

The matrix multiplication  $A^2$  is given by

$$\mathbf{A}^2 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & -1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 & 3 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & -1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 & 3 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -2 & -4 \\ 3 & 3 & 3 \\ 6 & 8 & 10 \end{pmatrix}$$

5. We need to show that  $\mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{A}$  is symmetric for all matrices  $\mathbf{A}$ . *Proof.* 

First we need to establish that  $\mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{A}$  is a valid multiplication operation. Let matrix  $\mathbf{A}$  be of size  $m \times n$ . Then  $\mathbf{A}^T$  is of size  $n \times m$ . The multiplication operation  $\mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{A}$  is valid provided the number of columns of the left hand matrix is equal to the number of rows of the right hand matrix. *How many columns does*  $\mathbf{A}^T$  *have?* 

m. How many rows does A have?

m. Hence the matrix multiplication  $\mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{A}$  is valid.

How do we show that  $\mathbf{A}^{\mathsf{T}}\mathbf{A}$  is symmetric?

We need to prove that  $(\mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{A})^T = \mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{A}$ . We have

$$(\mathbf{A}^{T} \mathbf{A})^{T} = \mathbf{A}^{T} (\mathbf{A}^{T})^{T}$$
 Because  $(\mathbf{X}\mathbf{Y})^{T} = \mathbf{Y}^{T} \mathbf{X}^{T}$  Because  $(\mathbf{X}^{T})^{T} = \mathbf{X}^{T}$ 

Hence  $\mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{A}$  is symmetric.

6. We need to find conditions on a, b, c and d so that

$$\begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix}$$

Expanding both of these separately we have

$$\begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} a+3b & 2a \\ c+3d & 2c \end{bmatrix}$$
$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} a+2c & b+2d \\ 3a & 3b \end{bmatrix}$$

Equating each corresponding entry of the matrices on the right hand side gives:

$$a+3b=a+2c$$

$$2a=b+2d$$

$$c+3d=3a$$

$$2c=3b$$
gives  $a=c$  and  $b=d=\frac{2}{3}c$ 

7. We can find (many) example(s) such that  $2 \times 2$  matrix **A** and  $2 \times 1$  nonzero vectors **u** and **v** such that  $\mathbf{A}\mathbf{u} = \mathbf{A}\mathbf{v}$  yet  $\mathbf{u} \neq \mathbf{v}$ .

Let 
$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 2 & 4 \end{pmatrix}$$
,  $\mathbf{u} = \begin{pmatrix} -2 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$  and  $\mathbf{v} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}$  then
$$\mathbf{A}\mathbf{u} = \mathbf{A}\mathbf{v} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = \mathbf{O} \text{ but } \mathbf{u} = \begin{pmatrix} -2 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \neq \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix} = \mathbf{v}$$

8. (a) We are given the matrices 
$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 4 \end{pmatrix}$$
 and  $\mathbf{B} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$ :
$$\mathbf{A}^{2} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 4 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 4 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 7 & 10 \\ 15 & 22 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\mathbf{B}^{2} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\mathbf{A}\mathbf{B} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 4 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -2 & 1 \\ -4 & 3 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\mathbf{B}\mathbf{A} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 4 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 4 \\ -1 & -2 \end{pmatrix}$$

(b) We are given 
$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix}$$
 and  $\mathbf{B} = \begin{pmatrix} e & f \\ g & h \end{pmatrix}$ :
$$\mathbf{AB} = \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} e & f \\ g & h \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} ae + bg & af + bh \\ ce + dg & cf + dh \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\mathbf{BA} = \begin{pmatrix} e & f \\ g & h \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} ae + cf & be + df \\ ag + ch & bg + dh \end{pmatrix}$$

Subtracting each corresponding entry gives

$$\mathbf{AB} - \mathbf{BA} = \begin{pmatrix} ae + bg & af + bh \\ ce + dg & cf + dh \end{pmatrix} - \begin{pmatrix} ae + cf & be + df \\ ag + ch & bg + dh \end{pmatrix}$$
$$= \begin{pmatrix} bg - cf & af + bh - be - df \\ ce + dg - ag - ch & cf - bg \end{pmatrix}$$

9. We need to evaluate the first four indices of the given matrix  $\mathbf{M} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$ :

$$\mathbf{M}^{2} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 2 \\ 2 & 2 \end{pmatrix} = 2 \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = 2\mathbf{M}$$

$$\mathbf{M}^{3} = \mathbf{M}^{2}\mathbf{M} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 2 \\ 2 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} 4 & 4 \\ 4 & 4 \end{pmatrix} = 4 \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = 4\mathbf{M}$$

$$\mathbf{M}^{4} = \mathbf{M}^{3}\mathbf{M} = \begin{pmatrix} 4 & 4 \\ 4 & 4 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} 8 & 8 \\ 8 & 8 \end{pmatrix} = 8 \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = 8\mathbf{M}$$

We need to predict a formula for  $\mathbf{M}^n = c(n)\mathbf{M}$ . What do you notice about the above results?

$$M^2 = 2M$$
,  $M^3 = 4M$  and  $M^4 = 8M$ 

The predicted formula is  $\mathbf{M}^n = 2^{n-1}\mathbf{M}$ . Thus  $c(n) = 2^{n-1}$ .

10. We are given 
$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{3} & \frac{1}{3} \\ \frac{1}{3} & \frac{1}{3} \end{pmatrix}$$
 which we can rewrite as  $\mathbf{A} = \frac{1}{3} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$ .

(i) We have

$$\mathbf{A}^{2} = \frac{1}{3} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \frac{1}{3} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$
$$= \frac{1}{3^{2}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = \frac{1}{3^{2}} \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 2 \\ 2 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$$
$$= \frac{2}{3^{2}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

(ii) Similarly, we have

$$\mathbf{A}^{3} = \mathbf{A}^{2} \mathbf{A} = \frac{1}{3^{2}} \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 2 \\ 2 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \frac{1}{3} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$
$$= \frac{1}{3^{3}} \begin{pmatrix} 4 & 4 \\ 4 & 4 \end{pmatrix} = \frac{2^{2}}{3^{3}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = \frac{1}{2} \frac{2^{3}}{3^{3}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = \frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{2}{3} \right)^{3} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

To prove  $\mathbf{A}^n = \frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{2}{3} \right)^n \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$  we use mathematical induction.

Proof.

Clearly the result is true for n = 1 because we have

$$\mathbf{A} = \frac{1}{2} \begin{pmatrix} 2\\3 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1\\1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = \frac{1}{3} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1\\1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

We assume the given result is true for n = k, that is

$$\mathbf{A}^k = \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^k \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \tag{*}$$

Required to prove this for n = k + 1:

$$\mathbf{A}^{k+1} = \mathbf{A}^{k} \mathbf{A} = \underbrace{\frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^{k} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}}_{\mathbf{By}(*)} \underbrace{\frac{1}{3} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}}_{\mathbf{By}(*)} = \underbrace{\frac{1}{2} \frac{1}{3} \left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^{k} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}}_{\mathbf{By}(*)} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = \underbrace{\frac{1}{2} \frac{1}{3} \left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^{k} \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 2 \\ 2 & 2 \end{pmatrix}}_{\mathbf{2}} = \underbrace{\frac{1}{2} \frac{2}{3} \left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^{k} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}}_{\mathbf{1}} = \underbrace{\frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^{k+1} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}}_{\mathbf{1}} = \underbrace{\frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^{k+1} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}}_{\mathbf{1}} = \underbrace{\frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^{k+1} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}}_{\mathbf{1}} = \underbrace{\frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^{k+1} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}}_{\mathbf{1}} = \underbrace{\frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^{k+1} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}}_{\mathbf{1}} = \underbrace{\frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^{k+1} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}}_{\mathbf{1}} = \underbrace{\frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^{k+1} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}}_{\mathbf{1}} = \underbrace{\frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^{k+1} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}}_{\mathbf{1}} = \underbrace{\frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^{k+1} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}}_{\mathbf{1}} = \underbrace{\frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^{k+1} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}}_{\mathbf{1}} = \underbrace{\frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^{k+1} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}}_{\mathbf{1}} = \underbrace{\frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^{k+1} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}}_{\mathbf{1}} = \underbrace{\frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^{k+1} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}}_{\mathbf{1}} = \underbrace{\frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^{k+1} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}}_{\mathbf{1}} = \underbrace{\frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^{k+1} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}}_{\mathbf{1}} = \underbrace{\frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^{k+1} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}}_{\mathbf{1}} = \underbrace{\frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^{k+1} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}}_{\mathbf{1}} = \underbrace{\frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^{k+1} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}}_{\mathbf{1}} = \underbrace{\frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^{k+1} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}}_{\mathbf{1}} = \underbrace{\frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^{k+1} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}}_{\mathbf{1}} = \underbrace{\frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^{k+1} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}}_{\mathbf{1}} = \underbrace{\frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^{k+1} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}}_{\mathbf{1}} = \underbrace{\frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^{k+1} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}}_{\mathbf{1}} = \underbrace{\frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^{k+1} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}}_{\mathbf{1}} = \underbrace{\frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^{k+1} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}}_{\mathbf{1}} = \underbrace{\frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^{k+1} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}}_{\mathbf{1}} = \underbrace{\frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^{k+1} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}}_{\mathbf{1}} = \underbrace{\frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^{k+1} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}}_{\mathbf{1}} = \underbrace{\frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^{k+1} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}}_{\mathbf{1}} = \underbrace{\frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^{k+1} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}}_{\mathbf{1}} = \underbrace{\frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^{k+1} \begin{pmatrix}$$

Hence by mathematical induction we have our result  $\mathbf{A}^n = \frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{2}{3} \right)^n \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$ .

11. In general if **B** is a  $m \times p$  matrix and **C** is a  $p \times n$  matrix then **BC** is a  $m \times n$  matrix. Since we are told that **BC** is a  $4 \times 6$  matrix therefore the matrix **B** has 4 rows.

12. (a) We are given the matrix  $\mathbf{A} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -1 & -1 \\ -1 & 2 & -1 \\ -1 & -1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$ . How can we check that this is invertible

or not?

By carrying out row operations:

$$\begin{array}{c|cccc}
R_1 & 2 & -1 & -1 \\
R_2 & -1 & 2 & -1 \\
R_3 & -1 & -1 & 2
\end{array}$$

Execute the following row operations  $2R_2 + R_1$  and  $2R_3 + R_1$ :

$$R_{1} R'_{2} = 2R_{2} + R_{1} R'_{3} = 2R_{3} + R_{1} \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -1 & -1 \\ 0 & 3 & -3 \\ 0 & -3 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

Adding the bottom two rows  $R'_3 + R'_2$  gives

$$R_{1} R_{2} = R_{3} + R_{2} \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -1 & -1 \\ 0 & 3 & -3 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Since we have a row of zeros therefore we conclude that the matrix **A** is **non-invertible** (**singular**).

(b) We are given that  $\mathbf{ABC} = \mathbf{I}_n$ . Pre-multiplying this by  $\mathbf{A}^{-1}$  and post multiplying by  $\mathbf{C}^{-1}$  gives

$$\mathbf{A}^{-1} \left( \mathbf{A} \mathbf{B} \mathbf{C} \right) \mathbf{C}^{-1} = \mathbf{A}^{-1} \mathbf{I}_{n} \mathbf{C}^{-1}$$

$$\underbrace{\left( \mathbf{A}^{-1} \mathbf{A} \right)}_{=\mathbf{I}} \mathbf{B} \underbrace{\left( \mathbf{C} \mathbf{C}^{-1} \right)}_{=\mathbf{I}} = \mathbf{A}^{-1} \mathbf{C}^{-1} = \left( \mathbf{C} \mathbf{A} \right)^{-1}$$

$$\mathbf{B} = \left( \mathbf{C} \mathbf{A} \right)^{-1}$$

Since  $\mathbf{B} = (\mathbf{C}\mathbf{A})^{-1}$  and we are given that  $\mathbf{C}$  and  $\mathbf{A}$  are invertible, so  $\mathbf{C}\mathbf{A}$  is invertible and

$$\mathbf{B}^{-1} = \left( \left( \mathbf{C} \mathbf{A} \right)^{-1} \right)^{-1} = \mathbf{C} \mathbf{A}$$
 Because  $\left[ \mathbf{X}^{-1} \right]^{-1} = \mathbf{X} \right]$ 

Hence matrix **B** is invertible.

13. (a) An  $n \times n$  matrix **A** is invertible if and only if there exists a  $n \times n$  matrix **B** such that  $\mathbf{AB} = \mathbf{BA} = \mathbf{I}$ 

The matrix  ${\bf B}$  is normally denoted by  ${\bf A}^{-1}$ .

(b) To find the inverse of the given matrix  $\mathbf{A} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 6 & 6 \\ 2 & 7 & 6 \\ 2 & 7 & 7 \end{bmatrix}$  we use the Gaussian process

given by:

Step 1: Formulate the augmented matrix  $[A \mid I]$ .

Step 2: Use row operations to convert this  $\begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{A} & \mathbf{I} \end{bmatrix}$  to  $\begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{I} & \mathbf{B} \end{bmatrix}$ . If this is possible then **B** is the inverse of the matrix **A**.

We have  $\begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{A} \mid \mathbf{I} \end{bmatrix}$  is given by

$$\begin{array}{c|ccccc}
R_1 & 2 & 6 & 6 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\
R_2 & 7 & 6 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\
R_3 & 2 & 7 & 7 & 0 & 0 & 1
\end{array}$$

Carrying out the row operations  $R_2 - R_1$  and  $R_3 - R_1$ :

$$R_{1} = R_{2} - R_{1} \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 6 & 6 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & -1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & -1 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$R'_{3} = R_{3} - R_{1} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 & -1 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Executing the row operation  $R'_3 - R'_2$ :

Executing the row operation  $R_1 - 6R'_2$ :

$$R_{1}^{*} = R_{1} - 6R'_{2} \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 & 6 & 7 & -6 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & -1 & 1 & 0 \\ R''_{3} & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Executing the row operation  $R_1 * -6R_3$ :

$$R_{1} ** = R *_{1} - 6R "_{3} \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 & 0 & 7 & 0 & -6 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & -1 & 1 & 0 \\ R "_{3} & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Dividing the top row by 2 gives us our result of  $[I \mid B]$ :

$$\begin{bmatrix}
1 & 0 & 0 & | & 7/2 & 0 & -3 \\
0 & 1 & 0 & | & -1 & 1 & 0 \\
0 & 0 & 1 & | & 0 & -1 & 1
\end{bmatrix}$$

Hence  $\mathbf{A}^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} 7/2 & 0 & -3 \\ -1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ . We can check this is indeed the inverse of  $\mathbf{A}$  by carrying out

the matrix multiplication:

$$\mathbf{A}\mathbf{A}^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 6 & 6 \\ 2 & 7 & 6 \\ 2 & 7 & 7 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 7/2 & 0 & -3 \\ -1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \mathbf{I}$$

14. We are given the linear equations

$$x + y + 2z = 8$$
  
 $-x - 2y + 3z = 1$   
 $3x - 7y + 4z = 10$ 

We can write these in matrix form as

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 2 \\ -1 & -2 & 3 \\ 3 & -7 & 4 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 8 \\ 1 \\ 10 \end{pmatrix}$$

We write this as an augmented matrix and then carry out row operations.

Executing  $R_2 + R_1$  and  $R_3 - 3R_1$ :

$$R_{1} R_{2} = R_{2} + R_{1} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 2 & 8 \\ 0 & -1 & 5 & 9 \\ 0 & -10 & -2 & -14 \end{pmatrix}$$

Carrying out the row operation  $R_3 * -10R_2 *$ :

$$R_{1} R_{2} * \begin{cases} 1 & 1 & 2 & 8 \\ 0 & -1 & 5 & 9 \\ 0 & 0 & -52 & -104 \end{cases}$$

Dividing the bottom row by -52 and the middle row by -1 gives

$$\begin{array}{c|ccccc}
R_1 & 1 & 1 & 2 & 8 \\
R_2^{\dagger} & 0 & 1 & -5 & -9 \\
R_3^{\dagger} & 0 & 0 & 1 & 2
\end{array}$$

Executing  $R_2^{\dagger} + 5R_3^{\dagger}$  gives

$$R_{2}^{\dagger\dagger} = R_{2}^{\dagger} + 5R_{3}^{\dagger} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 2 & 8 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 \\ R_{3}^{\dagger} & 0 & 0 & 1 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$$

Carrying out the row operation  $R_1 - R_2^{\dagger\dagger}$ :

$$\begin{array}{c|cccc} R_1 * = R_1 - R_2^{\dagger\dagger} & \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 2 & 7 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 \\ R_3^{\dagger\dagger} & \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \end{array}$$

Carrying out the row operation  $R_1 * -2R_3^{\dagger}$ 

$$R_{1} ** = R_{1} * -2R_{3}^{\dagger} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 3 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 \\ R_{3}^{\dagger} & 0 & 0 & 1 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$$

Hence we have the solution x = 3, y = 1 and z = 2.

Check by substituting these into the given equations:

$$3+1+2(2)=8$$

$$-3-2(1)+3(2)=1$$

$$3(3)-7(1)+4(2)=10$$

15. (a) The linear system 
$$\mathbf{A}\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}$$
 where  $\mathbf{A} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 7 \\ -2 & 5 & 4 \\ -5 & 6 & -3 \end{bmatrix}$ ,  $\mathbf{x} = \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix}$  and  $\mathbf{b} = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 3 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$  has it's

augmented matrix given by:

$$\begin{array}{c|ccccc}
R_1 & 1 & 2 & 7 & 3 \\
R_2 & -2 & 5 & 4 & 3 \\
R_3 & -5 & 6 & -3 & 1
\end{array}$$

Carrying out the row operations  $R_2 + 2R_1$  and  $R_3 + 5R_1$ :

$$R_{1}$$

$$R_{2}^{*} = R_{2} + 2R_{1}$$

$$R_{3}^{*} = R_{3} + 5R_{1}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 7 & 3 \\ 0 & 9 & 18 & 9 \\ 0 & 16 & 32 & 16 \end{bmatrix}$$

Dividing the middle row by 9 and the bottom row by 16 gives

Subtracting the bottom two rows  $R_3^{**} - R_2^{**}$  gives

$$\begin{array}{c|cccc}
R_1 \\
R_2^{**} \\
R_3^{\dagger}
\end{array}
\begin{bmatrix}
1 & 2 & 7 & 3 \\
0 & 1 & 2 & 1 \\
0 & 0 & 0 & 0
\end{bmatrix}$$

This is **not** in reduced row echelon form. Why not?

Because of the 2 in the top row. Remember any non-zero entry in a column containing a leading 1 is the leading 1. *How can we remove the 2?* 

By executing the row operation  $R_1 - 2R_2^{**}$ :

$$\begin{array}{c|ccccc} & x & y & z \\ R_1 - 2R_2^{**} & \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 3 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 & 1 \\ R_3^{\dagger} & \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \end{array}$$

This is now in reduced row echelon form.

(b) We have 2 non-zero rows and 3 unknowns so there is 3-2=1 free variable. Which one is the free variable?

z. Let z = t then from the middle row  $R_2^{**}$  we have

$$y + 2z = 1$$
  $\Rightarrow$   $y = 1 - 2z = 1 - 2t$ 

From the top row we have

$$x+3z=1 \implies x=1-3z=1-3t$$

Hence our solution set is x = 1 - 3t, y = 1 - 2t and z = t. In parametric vector form we have

$$\begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 - 3t \\ 1 - 2t \\ t \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + t \begin{bmatrix} -3 \\ -2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

16. We are given the linear system:

$$x_1 - x_2 - 2x_3 - 8x_4 = -3$$

$$-2x_1 + x_2 + 2x_3 + 9x_4 = 5$$

$$3x_1 - 2x_2 - 3x_3 - 15x_4 = -9$$

The augmented matrix is given by

Executing the row operations  $R_2 + 2R_1$  and  $R_3 - 3R_1$ :

$$R_{1}$$

$$R_{2}' = R_{2} + 2R_{1}$$

$$R_{3}' = R_{3} - 3R_{1}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 & -2 & -8 & | & -3 \\ 0 & -1 & -2 & -7 & | & -1 \\ 0 & 1 & 3 & 9 & | & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

Adding the bottom 2 rows  $R_3' + R_2'$ :

$$R_{1}$$

$$R_{2}'$$

$$R_{3}'' = R_{3}' + R_{2}'$$

$$0 \quad -1 \quad -2 \quad -8 \quad -3$$

$$0 \quad -1 \quad -2 \quad -7 \quad -1$$

$$0 \quad 0 \quad 1 \quad 2 \quad -1$$

Carrying out the row operation  $R_1 - R_2$ ':

Multiplying the middle row by -1 gives

It is **not** in reduced row echelon form but we can find a solution set from this. Since we have 4 unknowns and 3 non-zero rows therefore there is 4-3=1 free variable. Which variable is free?

 $x_4$  because it **does not** appear at the beginning of any row. Let  $x_4 = t$ . From the bottom row  $R_3$  " we have

$$x_3 + 2x_4 = -1$$
 implies  $x_3 = -1 - 2x_4 = -1 - 2t$ 

From the middle row we have

$$x_2 + 2x_3 + 7x_4 = 1$$
 gives  $x_2 = 1 - 2x_3 - 7x_4$   
=  $1 - 2(-1 - 2t) - 7t = 3 - 3t$ 

From the top row we have

$$x_1 - x_4 = -2$$
  $\Rightarrow$   $x_1 = -2 + x_4 = -2 + t$ 

Our solution set is  $x_1 = -2 + t$ ,  $x_2 = 3 - 3t$ ,  $x_3 = -1 - 2t$  and  $x_4 = t$ . We can write this in vector form as

$$\begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \\ x_4 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -2+t \\ 3-3t \\ -1-2t \\ t \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 3 \\ -1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + t \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -3 \\ -2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

17. The question says solve the given linear system by using Gauss-Jordan Elimination. *What does this mean?* 

Means you have to place the augmented matrix in **reduced** row echelon form. We are given the linear system:

$$x_1 + 2x_2 + x_3 - 4x_4 = 1$$
  

$$x_1 + 3x_2 + 7x_3 + 2x_4 = 2$$
  

$$x_1 - 11x_3 - 16x_4 = -1$$

The augmented matrix is

Exchange rows  $R_1$  and  $R_3$ :

$$R^*_{1} = R_{3} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & -11 & -16 & -1 \\ R_{2} & 1 & 3 & 7 & 2 & 2 \\ R^*_{3} = R_{1} & 1 & 2 & 1 & -4 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

Executing the row operations  $R_2 - R_1^*$  and  $R_3^* - R_1^*$ :

$$R *_{1} R *_{2} = R_{2} - R *_{1} R **_{3} = R *_{3} - R *_{1} 0 2 12 12 2$$

Dividing the middle row by 3 and the bottom row by 2 gives

Carrying out the row operation  $R_3^{\dagger} - R_2^{\dagger}$ :

$$R^*_{1} \qquad X_{1} \quad X_{2} \quad X_{3} \quad X_{4}$$

$$R^*_{1} \qquad \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & -11 & -16 & | & -1 \\ 0 & 1 & 6 & 6 & | & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & | & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$R^{\dagger\dagger}_{3} = R^{\dagger}_{3} - R^{\dagger}_{2} \qquad \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & | & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

We have 2 free variables. Which of these variables are free?

 $x_3$  and  $x_4$ . Let  $x_3 = s$  and  $x_4 = t$ . From the middle row  $R_2^{\dagger}$  we have

$$x_2 + 6x_3 + 6x_4 = 1 \implies x_2 = 1 - 6x_3 - 6x_4 = 1 - 6s - 6t$$

From the top row we have

$$x_1 - 11x_3 - 16x_4 = -1$$
  $\Rightarrow$   $x_1 = -1 + 11x_3 + 16x_4 = -1 + 11s + 16t$ 

Our solution set is  $x_1 = -1 + 11s + 16t$ ,  $x_2 = 1 - 6s - 6t$ ,  $x_3 = s$  and  $x_4 = t$ . In vector

form we have

$$\begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \\ x_4 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -1+11s+16t \\ 1-6s-6t \\ s \\ t \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + s \begin{bmatrix} 11 \\ -6 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + t \begin{bmatrix} 16 \\ -6 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

18. We are given

$$\begin{array}{c|cccc}
R_1 & 1 & 2 & 5 & 6 \\
R_2 & 3 & 7 & 3 & 2 \\
R_3 & 2 & 5 & 11 & 22
\end{array}$$

(i) Carrying out the row operations  $R_2 - 3R_1$  and  $R_3 - 2R_1$ :

$$\begin{array}{c|ccccc}
R_1 & & 1 & 2 & 5 & 6 \\
R_2^* = R_2 - 3R_1 & 0 & 1 & -12 & -16 \\
R_3^* = R_3 - 2R_1 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 10
\end{array}$$

Executing the row operation  $R_3 * -R_2 *$  gives

$$R_{1}$$

$$R_{2} *$$

$$R_{3} ** = R_{3} * - R_{2} *$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 5 & 6 \\ 0 & 1 & -12 & -16 \\ 0 & 0 & 13 & 26 \end{bmatrix}$$

This is now in echelon form.

(ii) What do we need to do in order to place the above matrix into row echelon form? Divide the bottom row  $R_3$ \*\* by 13:

$$R_{1}$$

$$R_{2} *$$

$$R_{3} *** = R_{3} **/13 \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 5 & 6 \\ 0 & 1 & -12 & -16 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

(iii) For reduced row echelon form we need to ensure that the only non-zero entry containing a leading zero is that leading zero. What does this mean in this case? Need to convert the 2, 5 and -12 to zero.

Carrying out the row operation  $R_2 *+12R_3 ***$ :

$$R_{1}$$

$$R_{2} ** = R_{2} *+12R_{3} *** \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 5 & 6 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 8 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

Executing the row operations  $R_1 - 2R_2 **$ :

$$R_1^* = R_1 - 2R_2^{**} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 5 & -10 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 8 \\ R_3^{***} & 0 & 0 & 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

The last row operation is  $R_1 * -5R_3 * * *$ :

$$R_1 ** = R_1 *-5R_3 *** \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & -20 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 8 \\ R_3 *** & 0 & 0 & 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

This final matrix is in reduced row echelon form.

19. The given linear system written in augmented matrix form is

Interchange top and bottom rows because it is easier to deal with the numbers on the bottom row:

$$R_{1}^{*} = R_{4} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 2 & 2 & 0 \\ 3 & 1 & 4 & -4 & 5 \\ 2 & -2 & 3 & -10 & 7 \\ R_{4}^{*} = R_{1} & 1 & 2 & -3 & -5 & -13 \end{pmatrix}$$

Carrying out the row operations  $R_2 - 3R_1^*$ ,  $R_3 - 2R_1^*$  and  $R_4^* - R_1^*$ :

$$R_{1}^{*}$$

$$R_{2}^{*} = R_{2} - 3R_{1}^{*}$$

$$R_{3}^{*} = R_{3} - 2R_{1}^{*}$$

$$R_{4}^{**} = R_{4}^{*} - R_{1}^{*}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 2 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & -2 & -2 & -10 & 5 \\ 0 & -4 & -1 & -14 & 7 \\ 0 & 1 & -5 & -7 & -13 \end{pmatrix}$$

Execute the row operation  $R_3^* - 2R_2^*$ :

$$R_{1}^{*}$$

$$R_{2}^{**} = R_{3}^{*} - 2R_{2}^{*}$$

$$R_{4}^{**} = R_{3}^{*} - 2R_{2}^{*}$$

$$0 \quad -2 \quad -2 \quad -10 \quad 5$$

$$0 \quad 0 \quad 3 \quad 6 \quad -3$$

$$0 \quad 1 \quad -5 \quad -7 \quad -13$$

Carrying out the row operation  $2R_4^{**} + R_2^*$ :

$$R_{1}^{*} \qquad R_{2}^{*} \qquad \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 2 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & -2 & -2 & -10 & 5 \\ R_{3}^{**} & 0 & 0 & 3 & 6 & -3 \\ R_{4}^{\dagger} = 2R_{4}^{*} + R_{2}^{*} & 0 & 0 & -12 & -24 & -21 \end{pmatrix}$$

Executing  $R_4^{\dagger} + 4R_3^{**}$ :

$$R_{1}^{*} \qquad X_{1} \qquad X_{2} \qquad X_{3} \qquad X_{4}$$
 
$$R_{1}^{*} \qquad \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 2 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & -2 & -2 & -10 & 5 \\ 0 & 0 & 3 & 6 & -3 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & -33 \end{pmatrix}$$
 
$$R_{4}^{*\dagger} = R_{4}^{*} + 4R_{3}^{**} \qquad \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & -33 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & -33 \end{pmatrix}$$

From the last row we have

$$0x_1 + 0x_2 + 0x_3 + 0x_4 = -33$$
 which means that  $0 = -33$ 

This is impossible so the linear system is inconsistent.

20. Let 
$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{pmatrix} a & b & c \\ d & e & f \\ g & h & i \end{pmatrix}$$
 then we have 
$$\begin{pmatrix} a & b & c \\ d & e & f \\ g & h & i \end{pmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 0 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \begin{pmatrix} a & b & c \\ d & e & f \\ g & h & i \end{pmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ -1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \begin{pmatrix} a & b & c \\ d & e & f \\ g & h & i \end{pmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

Expanding each of these out

$$\begin{pmatrix} a & b & c \\ d & e & f \\ g & h & i \end{pmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 0 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} \text{ gives } \begin{aligned} b+c &= -1 \\ e+f &= 0 \\ h+i &= 2 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} a & b & c \\ d & e & f \\ g & h & i \end{pmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ -1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} \text{ gives } \begin{aligned} d+f &= -1 \\ g+i &= 2 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} a & b & c \\ d & e & f \\ d & e & f \\ g & h & i \end{pmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} \text{ gives } \begin{aligned} d+b &= 1 \\ g+h &= 2 \end{aligned}$$

Solving these gives

$$a = 1$$
,  $b = 0$ ,  $c = -1$ ,  $d = 0$ ,  $e = 1$ ,  $f = -1$ ,  $g = 1$ ,  $h = 1$  and  $i = 1$ 

Putting these values into the matrix **A** and checking:

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 0 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ -1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

Thus 
$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$
.

21. We need to find the reduced row echelon form, rref, of

$$\begin{array}{c|cccc}
R_1 & 2 & 2 & 0 & 2 \\
R_2 & -1 & -1 & 2 & 1 \\
R_3 & 2 & 2 & -1 & 1 \\
R_4 & -1 & -1 & 1 & 0
\end{array}$$

Interchanging rows and multiplying by -1 gives:

$$R_1' = -R_4 \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & -1 & 0 \\ R_2' = R_1 & 2 & 2 & 0 & 2 \\ R_3 & 2 & 2 & -1 & 1 \\ R_4' = -R_2 & 1 & 1 & -2 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$$

Executing the row operations  $R_2'-2R_1'$ ,  $R_3-2R_1'$  and  $R_4'-R_1'$ :

$$R_{1}' \\ R_{2}" = R_{2}' - 2R_{1}' \\ R_{3}' = R_{3} - 2R_{1}' \\ R_{4}" = R_{4}' - R_{1}' \\ \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$$

Carrying out the row operations  $R_2 "/ 2$  and  $-R_4 "$  gives

$$\begin{array}{c} R_1 \text{ '} \\ R_2 \text{ "'} = R_2 \text{ "}/2 \\ R_3 \text{ '} = R_3 - 2R_1 \text{ '} \\ R_4 \text{ "'} = -R_4 \text{ "} \end{array} \left( \begin{array}{cccc} 1 & 1 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 \end{array} \right)$$

Executing the row operations  $R_3' - R_2'''$  and  $R_4''' - R_2'''$  gives:

Executing the row operation  $R_1' + R_2'''$  gives

$$R_{1}' + R_{2}''' = R_{2}''/2 \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$R_{4} *$$

This is now in reduced row echelon form (rref).

22. Writing the augmented matrix for the given linear system:

Interchanging rows 1 and 2 gives

$$R_1^* = R_2 \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & -3 & 6 \\ R_2^* = R_1 & 2 & 3 & 1 & 4 & -9 & 17 \\ R_3 & 1 & 1 & 2 & -5 & 8 \\ R_4 & 2 & 2 & 2 & 3 & -8 & 14 \end{pmatrix}$$

Carrying out the row operations  $R_2 * -2R_1 *$ ,  $R_3 - R_1 *$  and  $R_4 - 2R_1 *$ :

$$R_{1} * R_{2} ** = R_{2} * -2R_{1} * \begin{cases} 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & -3 & | & 6 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 & 2 & -3 & | & 5 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & -2 & | & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & -2 & | & 2 \end{cases}$$

$$R_{4} *= R_{4} - 2R_{1} * \begin{cases} 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & -2 & | & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & -2 & | & 2 \end{cases}$$

Subtracting the bottom two rows,  $R_4 *-R_3 *$ :

$$R_{1} * \begin{cases} R_{2} * * & \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & -3 & | & 6 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 & 2 & -3 & | & 5 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & -2 & | & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & | & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$R_{4} * * = R_{4} * - R_{3} * \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & | & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & | & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

Executing the row operation  $R_2 **-2R_3 *$ :

$$R_{1} * R_{2} *** = R_{2} ** - 2R_{3} * \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & -3 & | & 6 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 & 0 & 1 & | & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & -2 & | & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & | & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

Carrying out the row operation  $R_1 * -R_3 *$  gives

$$R_{1} ** = R_{1} * - R_{3} * \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 & -1 & | & 4 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 & 0 & 1 & | & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & -2 & | & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & | & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

Carrying out the row operation  $R_1^{**}-R_2^{***}$ :

This is now in reduced row echelon form. We have 5 unknowns and only 3 non-zero equations so there are 5-3=2 free variables. Which of the above are free variables?  $x_3$  and  $x_5$ . Let  $x_3 = s$  and  $x_5 = t$ . From the third row  $R_3$ \* we have

$$x_4 - 2x_5 = 2 \implies x_4 = 2x_5 + 2 = 2t + 2$$

From the second row  $R_2^{***}$  we have

$$x_2 - x_3 + x_5 = 1$$
  $\Rightarrow$   $x_2 = 1 + x_3 - x_5 = 1 + s - t$ 

From the top row we have

$$x_1 + 2x_3 - 2x_5 = 3 \implies x_1 = 3 + 2x_5 - 2x_3 = 3 + 2t - 2s$$

Hence our solution in vector form is given by

$$\begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \\ x_4 \\ x_5 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 3+2t-2s \\ 1+s-t \\ s \\ 2t+2 \\ t \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 2 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} + s \begin{pmatrix} -2 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 2 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} + t \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ -1 \\ 0 \\ 2 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

23. (a) We need to find the inverse of the given matrix  $\mathbf{A}$  by applying elementary row operations on  $\begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{A} & \mathbf{I} \end{bmatrix}$ . Need to convert (if possible) this to  $\begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{I} & \mathbf{B} \end{bmatrix}$  then  $\mathbf{B}$  is the inverse of matrix  $\mathbf{A}$ .

$$\begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{A} \mid \mathbf{I} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{matrix} R_1 \\ R_2 \end{matrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ -5 & 2 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Carrying out the row operation  $R_2 + 5R_1$  gives

$$\begin{array}{c|cccc} R_1 & & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ R_2 & = R_2 + 5R_1 & 0 & 2 & 5 & 1 \end{array}$$

Divide the bottom row by 2, that is  $R_2 */2$  gives

Hence the inverse of the matrix **A** is  $\mathbf{A}^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 5/2 & 1/2 \end{bmatrix}$ . The elementary matrices are given

by examining the stated row operations above. The matrix  $\mathbf{E}_1$  is given by  $R_2 + 5R_1$  which is

$$\mathbf{E}_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 5 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

The elementary matrix  $\mathbf{E}_2$  is defined by the above row operation  $R_2/2$ :

$$\mathbf{E}_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1/2 \end{pmatrix}$$

Hence the matrix  $A^{-1} = E_2 E_1$ . You may like to check that this is indeed the case:

$$\mathbf{E}_{2}\mathbf{E}_{1} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1/2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 5 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 5/2 & 1/2 \end{pmatrix} = \mathbf{A}^{-1}$$

(b) How can we write the matrix **A** as a product of elementary matrices? From part (a) we have  $\mathbf{A}^{-1} = \mathbf{E}_2 \mathbf{E}_1$ . Therefore

$$\mathbf{A} = \left(\mathbf{A}^{-1}\right)^{-1} = \left(\mathbf{E}_{2}\mathbf{E}_{1}\right)^{-1} = \mathbf{E}_{1}^{-1}\mathbf{E}_{2}^{-1}$$

$$\mathbf{E}_{1} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 5 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \text{ therefore } \mathbf{E}_{1}^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ -5 & 1 \end{pmatrix}. \text{ Similarly}$$

$$\mathbf{E}_{2} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1/2 \end{pmatrix} \text{ gives } \mathbf{E}_{2}^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$$

Hence 
$$\mathbf{E}_{1}^{-1}\mathbf{E}_{2}^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ -5 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ -5 & 2 \end{pmatrix} = \mathbf{A}$$
.

24. What do you notice about the given matrices?

$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{bmatrix} 5 & 1 & 9 \\ 2 & 4 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 \\ -1 & 3 & -2 \end{bmatrix} \text{ and } \mathbf{B} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 2 & 4 & 0 \\ 5 & 1 & 9 \\ -1 & 3 & -2 \end{bmatrix}$$

Matrix **B** is matrix **A** with the first and third rows swapped over. *How do we write this as an elementary matrix?* 

The elementary matrix is the 4 by 4 identity matrix with a single row operation of swapping the first and third rows which is given by:

$$\mathbf{E} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

25. We are given

$$\left(\mathbf{A}^T - 3 \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ -1 & 3 \end{bmatrix}\right)^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

How do we find the matrix A?

First by taking the inverse of both sides:

$$\begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{A}^T - 3 \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ -1 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}^{-1} \qquad \begin{bmatrix} \text{Because } (\mathbf{X}^{-1})^{-1} = \mathbf{X} \end{bmatrix}$$
$$\mathbf{A}^T = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}^{-1} + 3 \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ -1 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

In order to find **A** we need to take the transpose of both sides because  $(\mathbf{A}^T)^T = \mathbf{A}$ .

We have

$$\mathbf{A}^{T} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}^{-1} + 3 \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ -1 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ -1 & 2 \end{bmatrix} + 3 \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ -1 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ -1 & 2 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 6 \\ -3 & 9 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 5 \\ -4 & 11 \end{bmatrix}$$

Therefore  $\mathbf{A} = \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{A}^T \end{pmatrix}^T = \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 5 \\ -4 & 11 \end{bmatrix}^T = \begin{bmatrix} 4 & -4 \\ 5 & 11 \end{bmatrix}$ . This is option D.

26. How can we find the matrix X from the given formula

$$\mathbf{B}(\mathbf{X}+\mathbf{C})=\mathbf{D}?$$

By transposing this formula:

$$(X + C) = B^{-1}D$$
$$X = B^{-1}D - C$$

We need to find the inverse matrix  $\mathbf{B}^{-1}$ . How?

By converting the augmented matrix  $[B \mid I]$  to  $[I \mid A]$ . The matrix **A** is the inverse of **B**.

We have  $\begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{B} \mid \mathbf{I} \end{bmatrix}$  is equal to

Carrying out the row operation  $R_3 - R_1$  gives:

$$\begin{array}{c|ccccc} R_1 & \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 & 5 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ R_2 & 0 & 1 & 2 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ R_3' = R_3 - R_1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & -1 & 0 & 1 \end{array}$$

Carrying out the row operation  $R_2 - 2R_3$ ':

$$R_{2}' = R_{2} - 2R_{3}' \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 & 5 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 2 & 1 & -2 \\ R_{3}' & 0 & 0 & 1 & -1 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Executing the row operation  $R_1 - 3R_2$ :

The last row operation is  $R_1' - 5R_3'$ :

$$R_1 = R_1 - 5R_3$$

$$R_2$$

$$R_3$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & -3 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 2 & 1 & -2 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -1 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Thus 
$$\mathbf{B}^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -3 & 1 \\ 2 & 1 & -2 \\ -1 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$
. Substituting this  $\mathbf{B}^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -3 & 1 \\ 2 & 1 & -2 \\ -1 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$  and

$$\mathbf{C} = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 2 & 0 \\ 5 & 0 & -2 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{D} = \begin{bmatrix} -3 & 1 & 2 \\ 1 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & -2 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \text{ into } \mathbf{X} = \mathbf{B}^{-1}\mathbf{D} - \mathbf{C} \text{ gives}$$

$$\mathbf{X} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -3 & 1 \\ 2 & 1 & -2 \\ -1 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} -3 & 1 & 2 \\ 1 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & -2 & 0 \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 2 & 0 \\ 5 & 0 & -2 \end{bmatrix}$$
$$= \begin{bmatrix} -3 & -2 & 3 \\ -5 & 6 & 3 \\ 3 & -3 & -2 \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 2 & 0 \\ 5 & 0 & -2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -6 & -2 & 2 \\ -5 & 4 & 3 \\ -2 & -3 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

27. a. The augmented matrix for the given linear system is

$$\begin{array}{c|ccccc}
R_1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 5 \\
R_2 & -1 & 3 & 2 & -2 \\
R_3 & 2 & 1 & 1 & 1
\end{array}$$

Executing the row operations  $R_2 + R_1$  and  $R_3 - 2R_1$ :

$$R_{1} R_{2} = R_{2} + R_{1} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 & 5 \\ 0 & 4 & 3 & 3 \\ 0 & -1 & -1 & -9 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$R_{3}' = R_{3} - 2R_{1} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 & 5 \\ 0 & 4 & 3 & -9 \\ 0 & -1 & -1 & -9 \end{pmatrix}$$

Carrying out the row operation  $4R_3' + R_2'$ :

$$R_{1} \\ R_{2}' \\ R_{3}" = 4R_{3}' + R_{2}' \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 & 5 \\ 0 & 4 & 3 & 3 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 & -33 \end{pmatrix}$$

From the bottom row we have z = 33. Substituting this into the expansion of the middle row  $4y + 3z = 3 \implies 4y + 99 = 3 \implies y = -24$ 

Substituting these two results y = -24 and z = 33 into the expansion of the first row gives

$$x + y + z = 5$$
  $\Rightarrow$   $x - 24 + 33 = 5$   $\Rightarrow$   $x = -4$ 

Thus our solution to the given linear system is x = -4, y = -24 and z = 33.

b. Writing the given linear system in matrix form is

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ -1 & 3 & 2 \\ 2 & 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 5 \\ -2 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

The inverse of the 3 by 3 matrix is (use row operations to find the inverse):

$$\begin{pmatrix}
-1 & 0 & 1 \\
-5 & 1 & 3 \\
7 & -1 & -4
\end{pmatrix}$$

Hence we have

$$\begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 0 & 1 \\ -5 & 1 & 3 \\ 7 & -1 & -4 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 5 \\ -2 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -4 \\ -24 \\ 33 \end{pmatrix} \text{ gives } x = -4, y = -24 \text{ and } z = 33$$

c. The given system will have **no** solution if in the above row operations the -1 in the bottom row is zero but the right hand side of the vertical bar is non-zero.

$$R_1$$
 $R_2$ 
 $R_3$  " =  $4R_3$  '+  $R_2$  '
 $R_3$  " =  $4R_3$  '+  $R_2$  '

We use the row operations stated above in the opposite direction. In order to achieve a 0 in this position we need to nominate  $c_1$  the coefficient of the z variable in the operation before, that is

$$\begin{array}{c|cccc} R_1 & & 1 & 1 & 5 \\ R_2' = R_2 + R_1 & 0 & 4 & 3 & 3 \\ R_3' = R_3 - 2R_1 & 0 & -1 & c_1 & -9 \end{array}$$

The row operation was  $R_3$  " =  $4R_3$  '+  $R_2$ ' so we have  $4c_1 + 3 = 0$  which gives  $c_1 = -3/4$ . In order to get  $c_1 = -3/4$  in this position we let  $c_2$  be the z coefficient in the previous row operation, that is

$$\begin{array}{c|ccccc}
R_1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 5 \\
R_2 & -1 & 3 & 2 & -2 \\
R_3 & 2 & 1 & c_2 & 1
\end{array}$$

The row operation was  $R_3' = R_3 - 2R_2$  so we have  $c_2 - 2 = -3/4$  which gives  $c_2 = 5/4$ .

Thus our z coefficient is 5/4 in order for the linear system to be **inconsistent** which means that it has **no** solution.

28. We need to prove that  $A^{-1}$  is symmetric provided A is symmetric. How do we prove this?

Required to show that  $\left(\mathbf{A}^{-1}\right)^T = \mathbf{A}^{-1}$ 

Proof. We have

$$\left(\mathbf{A}^{-1}\right)^{T} = \left(\mathbf{A}^{T}\right)^{-1}$$
 Because  $\left(\mathbf{X}^{-1}\right)^{T} = \left(\mathbf{X}^{T}\right)^{-1}$  Because  $\mathbf{A}$  is symmetric Because  $\mathbf{A}$  is symmetric

This is our required result.

29. We are given  $A^2 - A + I = O$  and need to show that the inverse of the matrix **A** is given by I - A.

Proof.

We pre-multiply **A** be I - A:

$$(\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{A})\mathbf{A} = \mathbf{I}\mathbf{A} - \mathbf{A}^{2}$$
  
=  $\mathbf{A} - \mathbf{A}^{2} = \mathbf{A} - (\mathbf{A} - \mathbf{I})$  Because we are given  $\mathbf{A}^{2} - \mathbf{A} + \mathbf{I} = \mathbf{O}$ ]  
=  $\mathbf{I}$ 

We have (I - A)A = I. Next we post-multiply A be I - A:

$$\mathbf{A}(\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{A}) = \mathbf{A}\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{A}^2 = \mathbf{A} - (\mathbf{A} - \mathbf{I}) = \mathbf{I}$$

Thus we have A(I-A) = I. Combining these results shows that the matrix I-A is the inverse of the matrix A.

30. (a) A square matrix **A** is invertible if and only if there exists a square matrix **B** such that  $\mathbf{AB} = \mathbf{BA} = \mathbf{I}$  where **I** is the identity matrix

Need to prove that this **B** is unique.

Proof.

Suppose there exists a square matrix C such that

$$AC = CA = I$$

What do we need to prove?

Required to prove that  $\mathbf{B} = \mathbf{C}$ .

We have AB = AC = I. Pre-multiply both sides by B:

$$B(AB) = B(AC)$$
  
 $(BA)B = (BA)C$   
 $IB = IC$  [Because from above  $BA = I$ ]  
 $B = C$ 

Hence the inverse matrix  $\mathbf{B}$  is unique.

(b) We need to prove that the product of any finite number of invertible matrices is invertible.

Proof.

Let  $A_1$ ,  $A_2$ ,  $A_3$ , ...,  $A_n$  be a sequence of invertible matrices. Consider the product  $A_1A_2A_3\cdots A_n$ . We use mathematical induction to show

$$\left(\mathbf{A}_{1}\mathbf{A}_{2}\mathbf{A}_{3}\cdots\mathbf{A}_{n}\right)^{-1}=\mathbf{A}_{n}^{-1}\mathbf{A}_{n-1}^{-1}\cdots\mathbf{A}_{2}^{-1}\mathbf{A}_{1}^{-1}$$

Consider the result for n = 2:

$$(\mathbf{A}_{1}\mathbf{A}_{2})^{-1} = \mathbf{A}_{2}^{-1}\mathbf{A}_{1}^{-1}$$
 because  $(\mathbf{A}\mathbf{B})^{-1} = \mathbf{B}^{-1}\mathbf{A}^{-1}$ 

Assume the result is true for n = k, that is

$$(\mathbf{A}_{1}\mathbf{A}_{2}\mathbf{A}_{3}\cdots\mathbf{A}_{k})^{-1} = \mathbf{A}_{k}^{-1}\mathbf{A}_{k-1}^{-1}\cdots\mathbf{A}_{2}^{-1}\mathbf{A}_{1}^{-1}$$
 (\*)

We apply these two to show the result for n = k + 1. What do we need to prove? Required to prove

$$(\mathbf{A}_{1}\mathbf{A}_{2}\mathbf{A}_{3}\cdots\mathbf{A}_{k}\mathbf{A}_{k+1})^{-1} = \mathbf{A}_{k+1}^{-1}\mathbf{A}_{k}^{-1}\cdots\mathbf{A}_{2}^{-1}\mathbf{A}_{1}^{-1}$$

Starting with the Left Hand Side we have

$$(\mathbf{A}_{1}\mathbf{A}_{2}\mathbf{A}_{3}\cdots\mathbf{A}_{k}\mathbf{A}_{k+1})^{-1} = \mathbf{A}_{k+1}^{-1}(\mathbf{A}_{1}\mathbf{A}_{2}\mathbf{A}_{3}\cdots\mathbf{A}_{k})^{-1} \qquad \qquad \left[ \text{Because } (\mathbf{A}\mathbf{B})^{-1} = \mathbf{B}^{-1}\mathbf{A}^{-1} \right]$$

$$= \mathbf{A}_{k+1}^{-1}\mathbf{A}_{k}^{-1}\cdots\mathbf{A}_{2}^{-1}\mathbf{A}_{1}^{-1} \qquad \qquad \left[ \text{By (*)} \right]$$

Hence we have our result. Therefore by mathematical induction we conclude that the product of a finite number of invertible matrices is invertible.

(c) The inverse of the given matrix is obtained by converting  $\begin{bmatrix} A & I \end{bmatrix}$  to  $\begin{bmatrix} I & B \end{bmatrix}$  and B would be the inverse matrix of A:

Interchanging middle and bottom rows,  $R_2$  and  $R_3$ , gives

$$R_1 \\ R_2 ' = R_3 \\ R_3 ' = R_2$$
 
$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ -1 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Executing the row operation  $R_3' + R_1$  gives

$$R_{1} R_{2}' \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 & 1 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$R_{3}* = R_{3}' + R_{1} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 & 1 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

What are we trying to achieve?

The identity matrix on the Left Hand Side. How?

Carry out the row operation  $R_3 * -R_2$ ':

$$R_{1}$$

$$R_{2}'$$

$$R_{3}** = R_{3}* - R_{2}'$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 & 1 & 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Carrying out the row operation  $2R_1 - R_3 **$ :

$$R_{1}' = 2R_{1} - R_{3} ** \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 & 0 & 1 & -1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ R_{3} ** & 0 & 0 & 2 & 1 & 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Divide the top and bottom row by 2:

The inverse of the matrix A is the matrix on the Right Hand Side:

$$\mathbf{A}^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} 1/2 & -1/2 & 1/2 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 1/2 & 1/2 & -1/2 \end{bmatrix} = \frac{1}{2} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 \\ 1 & 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

You may check that  $\mathbf{A}\mathbf{A}^{-1} = \mathbf{I}$ .

31. We are given  $\mathbf{AXA}^{-1} = \mathbf{B}$  and  $\mathbf{A}$ ,  $\mathbf{B}$  are invertible (non-singular) matrices. We have

$$\mathbf{AXA}^{-1} = \mathbf{B}$$

$$\mathbf{A}^{-1} \left( \mathbf{AXA}^{-1} \right) = \mathbf{A}^{-1} \mathbf{B}$$

$$\left( \mathbf{A}^{-1} \mathbf{A} \right) \mathbf{XA}^{-1} = \mathbf{A}^{-1} \mathbf{B}$$

$$\mathbf{XA}^{-1} = \mathbf{A}^{-1} \mathbf{B}$$

$$\left( \mathbf{XA}^{-1} \right) \mathbf{A} = \mathbf{A}^{-1} \mathbf{BA}$$

$$\mathbf{X} \left( \mathbf{A}^{-1} \mathbf{A} \right) = \mathbf{A}^{-1} \mathbf{BA}$$

$$\mathbf{X} \left( \mathbf{A}^{-1} \mathbf{A} \right) = \mathbf{A}^{-1} \mathbf{BA}$$

$$\mathbf{X} = \mathbf{A}^{-1} \mathbf{BA}$$
[Post multiplying both sides by A]
$$\mathbf{X} \left( \mathbf{A}^{-1} \mathbf{A} \right) = \mathbf{A}^{-1} \mathbf{BA}$$

Since  $X = A^{-1}BA$  and matrices A, B and  $A^{-1}$  are invertible therefore  $A^{-1}BA$  and X are invertible.

What is  $\mathbf{X}^{-1}$  equal to?

$$\mathbf{X}^{-1} = (\mathbf{A}^{-1}\mathbf{B}\mathbf{A})^{-1}$$

$$= (\mathbf{B}\mathbf{A})^{-1}(\mathbf{A}^{-1})^{-1}$$

$$= \mathbf{A}^{-1}\mathbf{B}^{-1}\mathbf{A} \qquad \left[ \text{Because } (\mathbf{B}\mathbf{A})^{-1} = \mathbf{A}^{-1}\mathbf{B}^{-1} \text{ and } (\mathbf{A}^{-1})^{-1} = \mathbf{A} \right]$$

Hence  $\mathbf{X}^{-1} = \mathbf{A}^{-1}\mathbf{B}^{-1}\mathbf{A}$ .

32. We are given the linear system

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 2 & 0 & 4 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 3 & 0 & 5 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 2 & 1 & 10 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} a \\ b \\ c \\ d \\ e \\ f \\ g \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 7 \\ 8 \\ 16 \end{bmatrix}$$

The augmented matrix is given by

Carrying out the row operation  $R_3 - R_1$  gives

How many free variables do we have in this case?

7-3=4. Which of these variables are free?

a, c, e and g because corresponding columns do **not** contain a leading 1. Let a = p, c = q, e = r and g = t. From the bottom row  $R_3$  we have

$$f + 6g = 9$$
 which gives  $f = 9 - 6g = 9 - 6t$ 

From the middle row  $R_2$  we have

$$d + 3e + 5g = 8$$
 which gives  $d = 8 - 3e - 5g = 8 - 3r - 5t$ 

From the top row  $R_1$  we have

$$b+c+2e+4g=7$$
 implies that  $b=7-c-2e-4g=7-q-2r-4t$ 

Thus our solution set is given by

$$\begin{bmatrix} a \\ b \\ c \\ d \\ e \\ f \\ g \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} p \\ 7 - q - 2r - 4t \\ q \\ 8 - 3r - 5t \\ r \\ 9 - 6t \\ t \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 7 \\ 0 \\ 8 \\ 0 \\ 9 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ -1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ -2 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ -3 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ -6 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

33. We need to prove that  $AB = I \Leftrightarrow BA = I$ .

*Proof.* ( $\Rightarrow$ ). Assume that  $\mathbf{AB} = \mathbf{I}$ . This means that matrix  $\mathbf{B}$  is the right inverse of the matrix  $\mathbf{A}$ . Using this

$$\mathbf{B} = \mathbf{BI}$$
$$= \mathbf{B}(\mathbf{AB})$$
$$= (\mathbf{BA})\mathbf{B}$$

Post-multiply this  $\mathbf{B} = (\mathbf{B}\mathbf{A})\mathbf{B}$  by  $\mathbf{B}^{-1}$ :

$$\mathbf{B}\mathbf{B}^{-1} = (\mathbf{B}\mathbf{A})\mathbf{B}\mathbf{B}^{-1}$$
$$\mathbf{I} = \mathbf{B}\mathbf{A}\mathbf{I} = \mathbf{B}\mathbf{A}$$

We have BA = I.

 $(\Leftarrow)$ . Similarly we go the other way, that is we assume BA = I and deduce AB = I.

$$\mathbf{A} = \mathbf{AI}$$
$$= \mathbf{A} (\mathbf{BA})$$
$$= (\mathbf{AB}) \mathbf{A}$$

Post-multiply this  $\mathbf{A} = (\mathbf{A}\mathbf{B})\mathbf{A}$  by  $\mathbf{A}^{-1}$ :

$$\mathbf{A}\mathbf{A}^{-1} = (\mathbf{A}\mathbf{B})\mathbf{A}\mathbf{A}^{-1}$$
$$\mathbf{I} = \mathbf{A}\mathbf{B}\mathbf{I} = \mathbf{A}\mathbf{B}$$

We have AB = I.

34. We need to prove if  $\mathbf{AB}$  are square matrices and  $\mathbf{AB}$  is invertible (non-singular) then both  $\mathbf{A}$  and  $\mathbf{B}$  are invertible with  $(\mathbf{AB})^{-1} = \mathbf{B}^{-1}\mathbf{A}^{-1}$ .

What do we need to show?

It is enough to prove that  $(\mathbf{A}\mathbf{B})(\mathbf{B}^{-1}\mathbf{A}^{-1}) = \mathbf{I}$  because by result of question 33 we have  $(\mathbf{B}^{-1}\mathbf{A}^{-1})(\mathbf{A}\mathbf{B}) = \mathbf{I}$ .

Proof.

Proving the first result:

$$(\mathbf{A}\mathbf{B})(\mathbf{B}^{-1}\mathbf{A}^{-1}) = \mathbf{A}\underbrace{(\mathbf{B}\mathbf{B}^{-1})}_{=\mathbf{I}}\mathbf{A}^{-1}$$
$$= \mathbf{A}\mathbf{I}\mathbf{A}^{-1} = \mathbf{A}\mathbf{A}^{-1} = \mathbf{I}$$

By the result of question 33  $(\mathbf{A}\mathbf{B})(\mathbf{B}^{-1}\mathbf{A}^{-1}) = \mathbf{I} \iff (\mathbf{B}^{-1}\mathbf{A}^{-1})(\mathbf{A}\mathbf{B}) = \mathbf{I}$ 

Thus  $\mathbf{B}^{-1}\mathbf{A}^{-1}$  is the inverse of the matrix multiplication  $\mathbf{AB}$ . Hence

$$\left(\mathbf{A}\mathbf{B}\right)^{-1} = \mathbf{B}^{-1}\mathbf{A}^{-1}$$

We have proven our required result.

35. (i) We are given the diagonal matrix  $\mathbf{D} = \begin{pmatrix} a_{11} & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ 0 & a_{22} & 0 & \vdots \\ \vdots & 0 & \ddots & 0 \\ 0 & \vdots & 0 & a_{nn} \end{pmatrix}$  and need to prove that  $\mathbf{D}^{p} = \begin{pmatrix} a_{11}^{p} & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ 0 & a_{22}^{p} & 0 & \vdots \\ \vdots & 0 & \ddots & 0 \\ 0 & \vdots & 0 & p \end{pmatrix}$ 

How?

Using mathematical induction. Clearly the result is true for p = 1. Assume the result is true for p = k:

$$\mathbf{D}^{k} = \begin{pmatrix} a_{11}^{k} & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ 0 & a_{22}^{k} & 0 & \vdots \\ \vdots & 0 & \ddots & 0 \\ 0 & \vdots & 0 & a_{nn}^{k} \end{pmatrix}$$

Required to prove the result for p = k + 1. We have

$$\mathbf{D}^{k+1} = \mathbf{D}^{k} \mathbf{D} = \begin{pmatrix} a_{11}^{k} & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ 0 & a_{2k}^{k} & 0 & \vdots \\ \vdots & 0 & \ddots & 0 \\ 0 & \vdots & 0 & a_{nn}^{k} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} a_{11} & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ 0 & a_{22} & 0 & \vdots \\ \vdots & 0 & \ddots & 0 \\ 0 & \vdots & 0 & a_{nn} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} a_{11}^{k} a_{11} & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ 0 & a_{2k}^{k} a_{2k} & 0 & \vdots \\ \vdots & 0 & \ddots & 0 \\ 0 & \vdots & 0 & a_{nn}^{k} a_{nn} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} a_{11}^{k+1} & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ 0 & a_{2k}^{k+1} & 0 & \vdots \\ \vdots & 0 & \ddots & 0 \\ 0 & \vdots & 0 & a_{nn}^{k+1} \end{pmatrix}$$

Hence by mathematical induction we have our result.

(ii) Multiplying out the matrices  $\mathbf{D}$  and  $\mathbf{D}^{-1}$ :

$$\mathbf{D}\mathbf{D}^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} a_{11} & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ 0 & a_{22} & 0 & \vdots \\ \vdots & 0 & \ddots & 0 \\ 0 & \vdots & 0 & a_{nn} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} a_{11}^{-1} & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ 0 & a_{22}^{-1} & 0 & \vdots \\ \vdots & 0 & \ddots & 0 \\ 0 & \vdots & 0 & a_{nn}^{-1} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & \vdots \\ \vdots & 0 & \ddots & 0 \\ 0 & \vdots & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = \mathbf{I}$$

We have  $\mathbf{D}\mathbf{D}^{-1} = \mathbf{I}$ . By the result of question 33 we have  $\mathbf{D}\mathbf{D}^{-1} = \mathbf{I} \iff \mathbf{D}^{-1}\mathbf{D} = \mathbf{I}$ . Hence the

inverse matrix is given by 
$$\mathbf{D}^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} a_{11}^{-1} & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ 0 & a_{22}^{-1} & 0 & \vdots \\ \vdots & 0 & \ddots & 0 \\ 0 & \vdots & 0 & a_{nn}^{-1} \end{pmatrix}$$
.