

WORKSHEET

Multiplying matrices

1 If
$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 2 \\ 8 \end{bmatrix}$$
, $\mathbf{B} = \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 0 & 2 \\ 1 & 7 & 9 \end{bmatrix}$, $\mathbf{C} = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 2 & 5 \\ 4 & -2 & 3 \\ 3 & 1 & 7 \end{bmatrix}$, $\mathbf{D} = \begin{bmatrix} 8 & 4 \\ 2 & 9 \\ 6 & 8 \end{bmatrix}$, $\mathbf{E} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 3 & 5 \end{bmatrix}$, $\mathbf{F} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 & 7 \end{bmatrix}$,

state the order of each of the following:

a BA

b CB

c BC

d DE

e BD

f DB

q EB

h FA

i CF

j FD

2 Calculate

$$\mathbf{a} \quad \left[\begin{array}{cccc} 3 & 1 & 7 \end{array} \right] \left[\begin{array}{c} 4 \\ 5 \\ 2 \end{array} \right]$$

b
$$\begin{bmatrix} 6 & 2 \\ 4 & 5 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 3 \\ 8 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

c
$$\begin{bmatrix} 6 & 8 & 3 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 5 \\ 1 \\ -4 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$



$$\mathbf{d} \left[\begin{array}{cc} -3 & 1 \\ 5 & -2 \end{array} \right] \left[\begin{array}{cc} 8 & -2 \\ -1 & 4 \end{array} \right]$$

$$\mathbf{e} \left[\begin{array}{ccc} -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \\ -2 & -1 \end{array} \right] \left[\begin{array}{ccc} 5 & -5 \\ 10 & -5 \end{array} \right]$$

$$\mathbf{f} \quad \left[\begin{array}{ccc} 2 & 3 & 7 \\ 4 & 1 & 5 \end{array} \right] \left[\begin{array}{ccc} 6 & 5 \\ 8 & 2 \\ 1 & 9 \end{array} \right]$$

$$\mathbf{g} \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 8 & 5 \\ 1 & 3 & 9 \\ -2 & 4 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -1 \\ 2 & 8 \\ 6 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\mathbf{h} \left[\begin{array}{ccc} 10 & 5 & 15 \end{array} \right] \left[\begin{array}{c} 3 \\ 20 \\ 4 \end{array} \right]$$

i
$$\begin{bmatrix} 100 & 150 & -100 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ -3 & 5 \\ 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix}
5 & 5 & 8 & 4 \\
7 & 4 & 3 & 2
\end{bmatrix}
\begin{bmatrix}
0.5 & 1 \\
2 & 1 \\
-1 & 3 \\
-2 & 4.5
\end{bmatrix}$$



$$\mathbf{m} \left[\begin{array}{ccc} -3 & 6 \\ 2 & 4 \end{array} \right] \left[\begin{array}{cccc} 1 & 5 & -4 \\ -2 & 3 & 1 \end{array} \right]$$

$$\mathbf{n} \begin{bmatrix} 10 & 30 & -20 & 10 & -10 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ 7 \\ 11 \\ 8 \\ 6 \end{bmatrix}$$

3 Find the value of the pronumeral in each equation:

$$\mathbf{a} \quad \left[\begin{array}{cc} 5 & 3 \end{array} \right] \left[\begin{array}{c} 4 \\ m \end{array} \right] = \left[41 \right]$$

$$\mathbf{b} \begin{bmatrix} 6 & -2 \\ 3 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x & 9 & 4 \\ 3 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -6 & 52 & 22 \\ 6 & 28 & 12 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\mathbf{c} \quad \left[\begin{array}{ccc} 4 & 8 & a \end{array} \right] \left[\begin{array}{c} 2 \\ -3 \\ 5 \end{array} \right] = \left[9 \right]$$

$$\mathbf{d} \left[\begin{array}{cc} x & 1 \\ 2 & -2 \end{array} \right] \left[\begin{array}{cc} 3 & -1 \\ 2 & 1 \end{array} \right] = \left[\begin{array}{cc} 14 & -3 \\ 2 & -4 \end{array} \right]$$

$$\mathbf{e} \quad \left[\begin{array}{cccc} 5 & 3 \end{array} \right] \left[\begin{array}{cccc} 3 & 6 & 7 \\ 2 & p & 1 \end{array} \right] = \left[\begin{array}{cccc} 21 & 21 & 38 \end{array} \right]$$

$$\mathbf{f} \quad \left[\begin{array}{cccc} x & 5 & 3 & -2 \end{array} \right] \left[\begin{array}{c} 5 \\ 4 \\ x \\ 2 \end{array} \right] = \left[20 \right]$$

$$\mathbf{g} \left[\begin{array}{cc} 5 & 3 \\ -1 & 2y \end{array} \right] \left[\begin{array}{c} 6 \\ 8 \end{array} \right] = \left[\begin{array}{c} 54 \\ 42 \end{array} \right]$$



$$\mathbf{h} \begin{bmatrix} 3 & -m \\ -2 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 5 & 1 \\ -5 & 2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 25 & -1 \\ -20 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

i
$$\begin{bmatrix} -1 & 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 2s & 3 \\ 4 & 3 & 1 \\ 3t & 1 & u \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 5 & 4 & -5 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\mathbf{j} \quad \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 3 & 3 \\ 2 & -2 & 2 \\ 5 & 1 & -2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3m & 2 \\ 2 & 1 & -3p \\ 2n & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 22 & 18 & 20 \\ 6 & 6 & 0 \\ -1 & 14 & 11 \end{bmatrix}$$



Answers

- **1 a** 2×1
 - b 3×3
 - c 2×3
 - d 3×2
 - e 2×2
 - f 3×3
 - $g 2 \times 3$
 - h 1×1
 - $i 3 \times 3$
 - $\mathbf{j} \quad 1 \times 2$
- **2** a [31]
 - **b** $\begin{bmatrix} 34 & 20 \\ 52 & 17 \end{bmatrix}$
 - **c** [26]
 - d $\begin{bmatrix} -25 & 10 \\ 42 & -18 \end{bmatrix}$
 - $\mathbf{e} \left[\begin{array}{rrr} -5 & 5 \\ 10 & -5 \\ -20 & 15 \end{array} \right]$
 - f \[\begin{array}{ccc} 43 & 79 \\ 37 & 67 \end{array}

- **h** [190]
- j \begin{bmatrix} 46 & 122 \\ 41 & 52 \\ 3 & 26 \\ 76 & 112 \end{bmatrix}
- **k** $\begin{bmatrix} -6 & -72 & -36 & 12 & -24 \end{bmatrix}$
- $\begin{bmatrix} -3.5 & 52 \\ 4.5 & 29 \end{bmatrix}$
- $\mathbf{m} \begin{bmatrix} -15 & 3 & 18 \\ -6 & 22 & -4 \end{bmatrix}$
- **n** [50]
- 3 a m = 7
 - **b** x = 0
 - **c** a = 5
 - d x=4
 - **e** p = -3
 - **f** x = 0.5
 - **g** y = 3 **h** m = 2
 - i s = -1, t = -1, u = 3
 - j m = 1, n = 2, p = -1