# **Matrix Algebra and Determinants – More Practice Exercises (Optional)**

# 1. Given the matrices

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} -2 & 1 \\ 0 & 5 \\ 3 & 4 \end{pmatrix}, \quad B = \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 3 \\ 5 & -5 \\ 2 & 6 \end{pmatrix}, \quad C = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 4 \\ 11 & -5 \\ 7 & 6 \end{pmatrix}$$

find (a) 
$$3A + 2B$$
; (b)  $A - 3B + 2C$ .

**2.** Find 
$$\mathbf{A} + \mathbf{A}^{T}$$
, given  $A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 6 \\ 4 & -2 & 0 \\ -5 & 7 & 3 \end{pmatrix}$ 

3. The matrix 
$$A = \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 0 \\ 2 & 3 \end{pmatrix}$$
.

## Find a matrix X such that it satisfies the equation

(a) 
$$5\mathbf{A} + \frac{1}{2}\mathbf{X} = \mathbf{0}$$
; (b)  $3\mathbf{A} + 2\mathbf{X} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$ .

## 4. Multiply:

(a) 
$$\begin{pmatrix} 6 & 3 \\ 4 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 3 \\ 2 & -6 \end{pmatrix}$$
 (b)  $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 4 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 2 \\ 4 & 5 \\ 6 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$ 

(c) 
$$\begin{pmatrix} 3 & 1 & 2 & -1 \\ 2 & 0 & -1 & 1 \\ 1 & -3 & 0 & 4 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 4 \\ 2 & 0 \\ 1 & -3 \\ 4 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$$
 (d)  $\begin{pmatrix} 2 & 3 & 1 & 2 \\ 1 & 4 & -1 & 3 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 3 & 4 \\ 1 & -1 \\ 2 & 3 \end{pmatrix}$ 

5. Find 
$$C = AB - BA$$
 if  $A = \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 2 & 1 \\ 2 & 0 & 4 \\ 4 & 1 & 3 \end{pmatrix}$  and  $B = \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 4 & 2 \\ 1 & 2 & 5 \end{pmatrix}$ .

#### 6. Find the determinants:

(a) 
$$\begin{vmatrix} 2 & 5 & 0 & 4 \\ 1 & 7 & 0 & 2 \\ 3 & 8 & 1 & 6 \\ 4 & 9 & 3 & 8 \end{vmatrix}$$
 (b)  $\begin{vmatrix} 7 & 6 & 3 & 7 \\ 3 & 5 & 7 & 2 \\ 5 & 4 & 3 & 5 \\ 5 & 6 & 5 & 4 \end{vmatrix}$  (c)  $\begin{vmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 \\ -2 & 1 & -4 & 3 \\ 3 & -4 & -1 & 2 \\ 4 & 3 & -2 & -1 \end{vmatrix}$  (d)  $\begin{vmatrix} 2 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 3 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 5 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 6 \end{vmatrix}$ 

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### Answers:

- 1. (a)  $\begin{pmatrix} -8 & 9 \\ 10 & 5 \\ 13 & 24 \end{pmatrix}$  (b)  $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 7 & 10 \\ 11 & -2 \end{pmatrix}$
- $\begin{pmatrix}
  2 & 4 & 1 \\
  4 & -4 & 7 \\
  1 & 7 & 6
  \end{pmatrix}$
- 3. (a)  $\begin{pmatrix} 10 & 0 \\ -20 & -30 \end{pmatrix}$  (b)  $\begin{pmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ -3 & -4 \end{pmatrix}$
- 4. (a)  $\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$  (b)  $\begin{pmatrix} 9 & 6 \\ 0 & 13 \end{pmatrix}$ 
  - (c)  $\begin{pmatrix} 3 & 7 \\ 5 & 10 \\ 11 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$  (d)  $\begin{pmatrix} 18 & 19 \\ 19 & 27 \end{pmatrix}$
- 5.  $\begin{pmatrix} -3 & 3 & 2 \\ -6 & 6 & 0 \\ -8 & 3 & -3 \end{pmatrix}$
- 6. (a) 0 (b) -10 (c) 900 (d) 394