

**Question 6****(6 marks)**

(a) Solve the system of equations:

(3 marks)

$$x + y + z = 4$$

$$x - y - z = 2$$

$$2x - 3y + z = 11.$$

The third equation in part (a) on page 8 is changed to  $2x - ky + z = 11$  where  $k$  is a real constant. The first two equations remain unchanged.

Ryan decided to solve this changed system of equations and obtained correctly the statement  $(k + 1)y = -4$ .

- (b) Determine the value of the constant  $k$  so that the changed system of equations does not have a unique solution. (1 mark)

- (c) For the value of  $k$  determined from part (b), state the geometric interpretation of the solution of the three simultaneous equations. (2 marks)