

is invertible modulo 10. Working with the first two columns modulo 3 gives  $A^{-1} \bmod 3 = \begin{pmatrix} 10 & 17 \\ 0 & 11 \end{pmatrix} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} 10 & 11 \\ 20 & 27 \end{pmatrix}^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 2 & 0 \end{pmatrix}^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$ . Similarly, working with the last two columns modulo 10 gives  $A^{-1} \equiv \begin{pmatrix} 4 & 9 \\ 5 & 8 \end{pmatrix}$ . By the Chinese Remainder Theorem there is a unique matrix  $A^{-1}$  modulo 30 that satisfies these two congruences:  $A^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} 4 & 9 \\ 25 & 28 \end{pmatrix}$ . The plaintext is "GIVE THE PLANS TO KARLA."

15. Here the ciphertext is  $\begin{pmatrix} 10 & 22 & 26 & 0 & 10 & 1 & 5 & 17 \\ 21 & 27 & 19 & 28 & 9 & 27 & 21 & 26 \end{pmatrix}$  and the first three columns of plaintext are  $\begin{pmatrix} 2 & 8 & 0 \\ 29 & 29 & 29 \end{pmatrix}$ . In attempting to use  $A^{-1} = PC^{-1}$ , note that the matrix formed from the first two digraphs of  $C$  has determinant whose *g.c.d.* with 30 is 6. Using the 1st and 3rd digraphs improves the situation:  $\det \begin{pmatrix} 10 & 26 \\ 21 & 19 \end{pmatrix} = 4$ , and  $\text{g.c.d.}(4, 30) = 2$ . Use this matrix for  $C$  and work modulo 15 to find that  $A^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 2 \\ 8 & 4 \end{pmatrix} + 15A_1$ , where  $A_1 \in M_2(\mathbf{Z}/2\mathbf{Z})$ . Use the fact that  $A^{-1} \begin{pmatrix} 10 & 22 & 26 \\ 21 & 27 & 19 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 8 & 0 \\ 29 & 29 & 29 \end{pmatrix}$  and the fact that  $\det(A^{-1})$  is odd to show that either  $A^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} 17 & 2 \\ 8 & 19 \end{pmatrix}$  or  $\begin{pmatrix} 17 & 2 \\ 23 & 19 \end{pmatrix}$ . The first possibility gives the plaintext message "C.I.A. WILLHTLA;" the second possibility gives "C.I.A. WILL HELP."
16. Use the Chinese Remainder Theorem.
17.  $(p^2 - 1)(p^2 - p)$ .
18. The determinant has no common factor with  $p^\alpha$  if and only if it has no common factor with  $p$ ;  $p^{4\alpha-3}(p^2 - 1)(p - 1)$ .
19.  $N^4 \prod_{p|N} (1 - \frac{1}{p})(1 - \frac{1}{p^2})$ ; 157248, 682080, 138240.
20.  $N^{(k^2)} \prod_{p|N} \left( (1 - \frac{1}{p})(1 - \frac{1}{p^2}) \cdots (1 - \frac{1}{p^k}) \right)$ .
21.  $N^6 \prod_{p|N} (1 - \frac{1}{p})(1 - \frac{1}{p^2})$ ; 106,299,648; 573,629,280; 124,416,000.
22. (a)  $(p^2 - 1)(p^2 - p)$ ; (b)  $p^2 - p$ .
23. (a)  $A_0 = \begin{pmatrix} 21 & 27 \\ 18 & 27 \end{pmatrix}$ ; (b)  $\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$ ; (c) six (this agrees with Exercise 22(b), where  $p = 3$ ); they are:  $A = \begin{pmatrix} a & 7 \\ c & 7 \end{pmatrix}$ , where  $\begin{pmatrix} a \\ c \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 21 \\ 28 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 21 \\ 8 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 18 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 8 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 11 \\ 18 \end{pmatrix}$ , or  $\begin{pmatrix} 11 \\ 28 \end{pmatrix}$ .
24. (a)  $\text{g.c.d.}(\det(A - I), N) = 1$ , where  $\det(A - I) = (a - 1)(d - 1) - bc$  (apply the (a)  $\iff$  (c) part of Proposition 3.2.1 with  $A$  replaced by  $A - I = \begin{pmatrix} a-1 & b \\ c & d-1 \end{pmatrix}$ ). (b) Let  $\mathbf{F}_N$  be the field  $\mathbf{Z}/N\mathbf{Z}$ . The digraphs are a 2-dimensional vector space, of which the fixed digraphs form a subspace. Any subspace that contains more than the zero-vector must either be 1-dimensional, in which case it has  $N$  elements, or else contain all digraphs, in which case  $A = I$ .
25. (a)  $P = A'C + B'$ ,  $A' = \begin{pmatrix} 14 & 781 \\ 821 & 206 \end{pmatrix}$ ,  $B' = \begin{pmatrix} 322 \\ 202 \end{pmatrix}$ ; "HIT ARMY"