

FP1 Matrices Questions

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

(ii) Calculate the matrix product \mathbf{A}^2 . (2 marks)

(b) The matrix \mathbf{B} is defined by

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

(i) Calculate $\mathbf{B}^2 - \mathbf{A}^2$. (3 marks)

(ii) Calculate $(\mathbf{B} + \mathbf{A})(\mathbf{B} - \mathbf{A})$. (3 marks)

5 The matrix \mathbf{M} is defined by

$$\mathbf{M} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} & \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \\ -\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} & \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \end{bmatrix}$$

(a) Find the matrix:

(i) \mathbf{M}^2 ; (3 marks)

(ii) \mathbf{M}^4 . (1 mark)

(c) Find the matrix \mathbf{M}^{2006} . (3 marks)

2 The matrices \mathbf{A} and \mathbf{B} are given by

$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} & -\frac{1}{2} \\ \frac{1}{2} & \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \end{bmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{B} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} & \frac{1}{2} \\ \frac{1}{2} & -\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \end{bmatrix}$$

(a) Calculate:

(i) $\mathbf{A} + \mathbf{B}$; (2 marks)

(ii) \mathbf{BA} . (3 marks)

1 The matrices **A** and **B** are given by

$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 3 & 8 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{B} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$$

The matrix $\mathbf{M} = \mathbf{A} - 2\mathbf{B}$.

(a) Show that $\mathbf{M} = n \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -1 \\ -1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$, where n is a positive integer. *(2 marks)*

(c) Show that

$$\mathbf{M}^2 = q\mathbf{I}$$

where q is an integer and \mathbf{I} is the 2×2 identity matrix. *(2 marks)*
