

Application Problems with Matrices

Ex 1: (Encryption)

Use M =
$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & -2 & 3 \\ -4 & 5 & -6 \\ 3 & -2 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$
 to encrypt "JOYFUL" where A = 1, B = 2, etc

Ex 2: A grocer is going to mix three kinds of nuts to make 40 lb. of a mixture that will be priced at \$5.95/lb. The three kinds of nuts are peanuts priced at \$4.00/lb., cashews at \$6.60/lb., and pistachios at \$8.20/lb. The mixture will contain twice as much in peanuts as cashews by weight. How many pounds of each nut are in the mix?

Ex 3: A company needs to borrow \$150,000. For tax and related reasons, the company wants to pay 7.3% interest on this loan. There are three lenders for this money. the first charges 6%, the second charges 7% and the third charges 10%. The company is going to borrow twice as much from the first lender as from the third. How much should the company borrow from each lender?