

Criterion B

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Text-based user interface (TUI) – proposed design

Console
Type number of Equations
2
Type the number of Variables
2
What is the coefficient of variable 1 in equation 1
2
What is the coefficient of variable 2 in equation 1
1
What is the constant of equation 1
3
What is the coefficient of variable 1 in equation 2
3
What is the coefficient of variable 2 in equation 2
1
What is the constant of equation 2
3

// The user input 2 equations with 2 unknowns .
The user is reading and typing this system

$$2x_1 + 1x_2 = 3$$

$$3x_1 + 1x_2 = 3 \leftarrow \text{Equation 2 constant}$$

Coefficients for
Equation 2

Figure 1: Input format

Console
x1=0
x2=3
Enter the number 1 to display the RREF
1
$\left[\begin{array}{cc c} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 3 \end{array} \right]$

// Displays

$$x_1 = 0$$

$$x_2 = 3$$

// Through Gaussian manipulations, the RREF looks like this in a non-augmented form

$$x_1 + 0x_2 = 0$$

$$0x_1 + x_2 = 3$$

// Augmentation Just means we remove the variables for display purposes

$$\left[\begin{array}{cc|c} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 3 \end{array} \right] \rightarrow \text{constant}$$

x_1 x_2

Figure 2: Output Format

Although the client's consulted that the program's purpose should be handling large systems. The example above is just a mock illustration for the purpose of understanding the program.

Console

x1=0

x2=3

Type 1 for RREF

$$\left[\begin{array}{cc|c} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 3 \end{array} \right]$$

Figure 3: Output Format amended

Data Structure

I discussed with my client about the size of the system. The client requested the product to handle 3 cases which is if the system has more equations than variables and constants, more variables and constants than equations, and equal number of equations and variables. Through, this request, I used a 2d array where the rows represent the equations, and the columns represent the variables and the constant. However, as there is no specified number of rows and columns, the 2d array would need to be a data structure as the rows and columns are independent from each other.

I told my client that he would need to augment his system first, meaning that the constants would need to be and put in the right-hand side of the equations.

Step 1: Problem \rightarrow 3 variables, 2 equations

$$\begin{array}{l} 3x_1 + 2x_2 + 6x_3 = 2 \\ 2x_1 + 6x_2 + 7x_3 = 7 \end{array}$$

\Downarrow Step 2: Augmentation

$$\left[\begin{array}{ccc|c} 3 & 2 & 6 & 2 \\ 2 & 6 & 7 & 7 \end{array} \right]$$

Variables Constants

\Rightarrow

Step 3: Abstraction

\uparrow
processed in Algorithm

Stored as data[][] in program
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$$\begin{array}{l} ((3, 2, 6, 2), \\ (2, 6, 7, 7)) \end{array}$$

Figure 4: Steps on abstraction

Flowchart

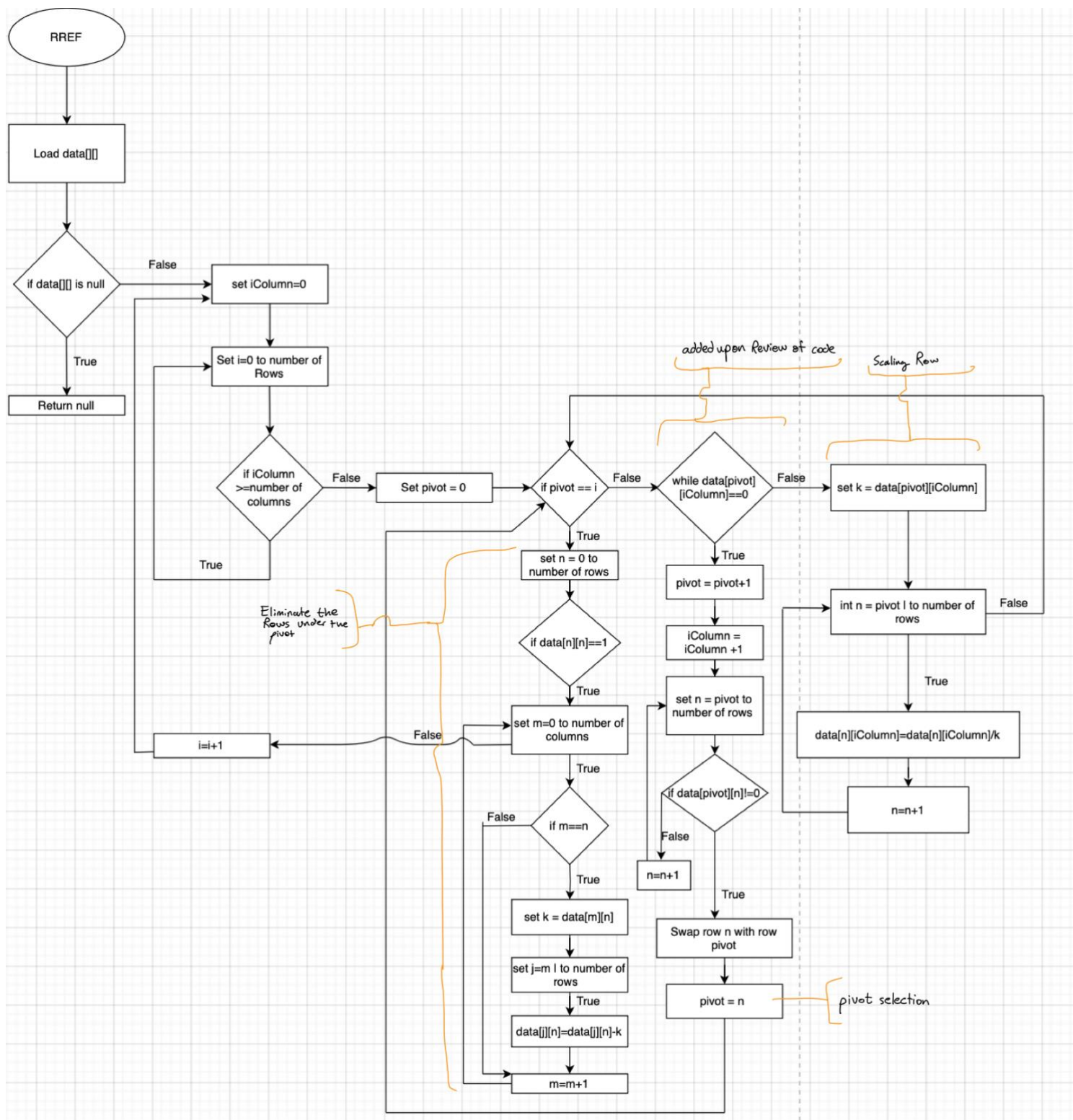


Figure 5: Finding the RREF:

The flowchart above is an algorithmic method to find the Reduced Row Echelon Form of a system. When creating the flow chart, I tested it out with a 2d array but I realized that there was an error if the pivot value was a 0. This meant that k would be made to 0 in the scaling part which would cause an error as an integer

divided by 0 is undefined. As a result, I created a while loop that increments the pivot and iColumn when a 0 is detected.

Pseudocodes ReadSolution method

This method relies on traversal patterns to display the solutions once the RREF form is calculated

a. Number of equations equals the number of variables

If numRows = numVariables THEN

//First we need to check if all of the diagonal is non zero

UniqueSolution = true

infiniteSolution = true

For iRow from 0 to numRows-1 DO *pivot is just the initial diagonal entries.*

IF RREF[iRow][iRow]=0 Then *Check if the pivot elements are non zero*

uniqueSolution = false

Break out of loop

END IF

END FOR

→ A zero pivot means it is impossible for a unique solution to exist

If UniqueSolution is True THEN *⇒ if all pivots are non zero then output the Unique Solution*
 //if all pivots are non zero then a unique Solution may exist

FOR iRow 0 to numRows-1 DO

Output("x" + (iRow+1) + "=" + RREF[iRow][numCols-1])

END FOR

infiniteSolution = false *⇒ No free Variables*

ELSE

// If a pivot is zero, check if the row represents an infinite or no solution

FOR iRow from 0 to numRows-1 DO

IF RREF[iRow][iRow]=0 AND RREF[iRow][numCols] != 0 THEN

no solution = true

→ Check if pivot is zero and the constant term is non-zero

FOR iCols FROM 0 to numCols-2 DO

IF RREF[iRow][iCols] != 0 THEN

noSolution = false

BREAK out of loop

→ Verify that all coefficient entries are zero except constant term

END IF

END FOR

IF noSolution == TRUE THEN

Output("The System has no Solutions")

EXIT method

→ When inconsistent rows found. All variable coefficients are zero and constant term is not zero

END IF

END FOR

END IF

IF infiniteSolution == true THEN

//Will print in parametric form

FOR iRow FROM 0 to numRows-1 DO

IF RREF[iRow][iRow] != 0 THEN

equation = "x" + (iRow+1) + "=" + RREF[iRow][numCols-1]

FOR iCols FROM iRow+1 to numCols-2 DO

IF RREF[iRow][iCols] != 0 THEN

equation = equation + "(" + (-RREF[iRow][iCols]) + "x" + (iCols+1) + ")"

END IF

END FOR

Output(equation)

END IF

END FOR

END IF

*Ex: $2x_1 = 2 + 3x_3$
 $x_2 = 1 + 6x_3$
 $x_3 = x_3$*

Figure 6: Pseudocode algorithm when equal number of equations and variables

b. More Variables Than Equations

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ELSE IF numVariables > numRows THEN
  IF (RREF[numRows-1][numVariables-1]=0) AND (RREF[numRows-1][numVariables] != 0) THEN
    Output "System has no Solution"
    EXIT method
  END IF
  Process the rows for printing
  FOR iRow FROM 0 to numRows-1 DO
    IF RREF[iRow][iRow] == 1 THEN
      equation = "x" + (iRow+1)
      firstOutput = false
      FOR iCols FROM iRow+1 To numVariables DO
        IF iCols = numVariables THEN
          constant term = RREF[iRow][iCols]
          IF firstOutput == false THEN
            equation = equation + "=" + constantTerm
            firstOutput = true
          ELSE
            equation = equation + "+" + constantTerm
          END IF
        ELSE IF RREF[iRow][iCols] != 0 THEN
          coefficient = -1 * RREF[iRow][iCols]
          IF firstOutput == false THEN
            equation = equation + "=" + coefficient + "x" + (iCols+1)
            firstOutput = true
          ELSE
            equation = equation + "+" + coefficient + "x" + (iCols+1)
          END IF
        END IF
      END FOR
      Output(equation)
    END IF
  END FOR
END IF
END FOR

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Check for inconsistency in the last Row.
As if a zero coefficient variable equal zero then this is a error, as $0 \neq k$
↑
constant

Only when pivot is 1.

collects free variables for infinite solution.

If no free variables

One variable is equal in terms of another variable

Process the coefficient as a free variable

Figure 7: Pseudocode algorithm when more variables than equations

c. More equations than variables

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ELSE IF numVariables < numRows THEN
  FOR iRow = 0 TO numRows - 1 DO  $\Rightarrow$  check for inconsistent rows
    allZeros = true
    FOR iCols = 0 TO numCols - 2 DO
      IF RREF[iRow][iCols] != 0 THEN
        allZeros = false
        BREAK
      END IF
    END FOR
     $\Rightarrow$  Case when inconsistent row is verified
    IF allZeros == true AND RREF[iRow][numCols - 1] != 0 THEN
      PRINT "System has no solution"
      EXIT Procedure
    END IF
  END FOR

  uniqueSolution = true  $\rightarrow$  check if unique solution exist by checking non-zero pivot
  FOR iRow = 0 TO numRows - 1 DO
    IF iRow < numVariables AND RREF[iRow][iRow] == 0 THEN
      uniqueSolution = false
      BREAK
    END IF
  END FOR

   $\rightarrow$  if unique solution exist then output each variable value
  IF uniqueSolution == true THEN
    FOR iRow = 0 TO MIN(numRows, numVariables) - 1 DO
      OUTPUT( "x" + (iRow+1) + " = " + RREF[iRow][numCols - 1])
    END FOR
  ELSE
    FOR iRow = 0 TO numVariables - 1 DO  $\Rightarrow$  otherwise print in parametric form
      IF RREF[iRow][iRow] != 0 THEN
        equation = "x" + (iRow+1) + " = " + RREF[iRow][numCols - 1]
        FOR iCols = iRow + 1 TO numVariables - 1 DO
          IF RREF[iRow][iCols] != 0 THEN
            equation = equation + " + (" + (-RREF[iRow][iCols]) + "x" + (iCols+1) + ")"
          END IF
        END FOR
        OUTPUT(equation)
      END IF
    END FOR
  END IF

   $\rightarrow$  Additional consistency check
  FOR iRow = 0 TO numRows - 1 DO
    FOR iCols = 0 TO numCols - 2 DO
      IF RREF[iRow][iCols] == 0 AND RREF[iRow][iCols+1] != 0 THEN
        OUTPUT( "System has no solution")
        EXIT Procedure
      END IF
    END FOR
  END FOR
END IF

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Figure 8: Pseudocode algorithm when equal number of equations and variables

UML diagram

Figure 6: UML diagram in program

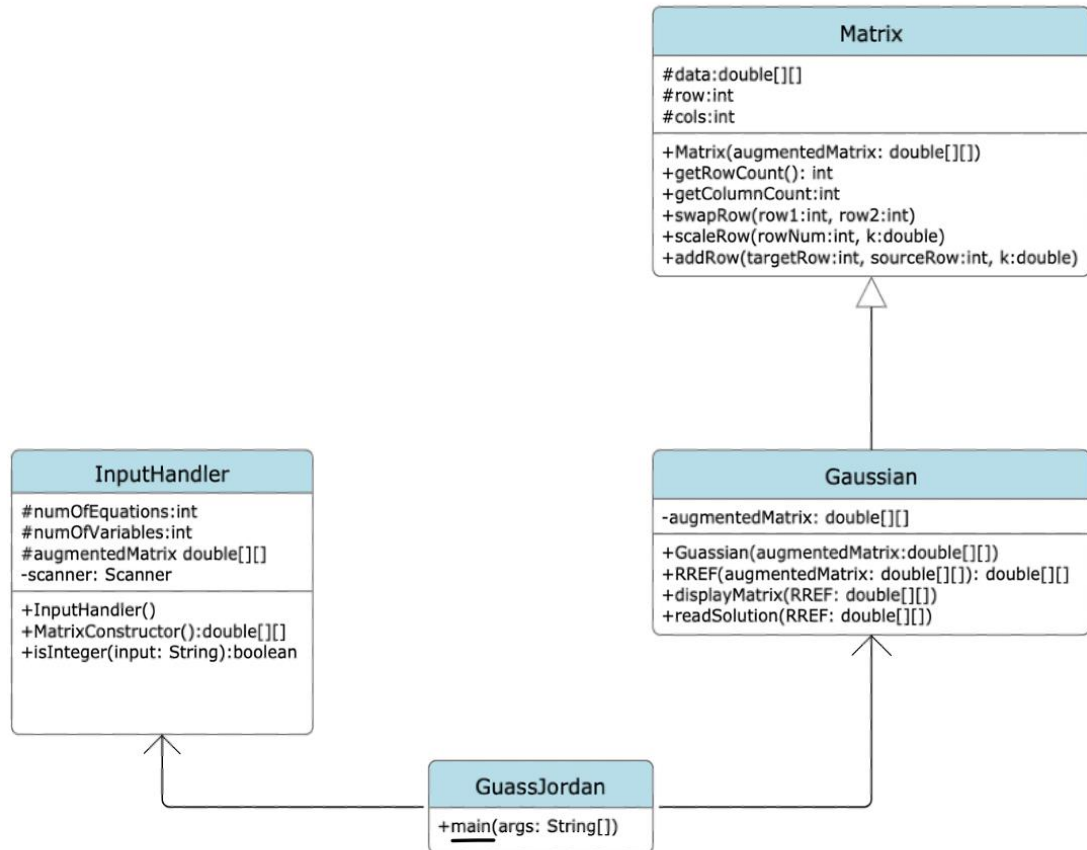


Figure 9: UML diagram

Test Plan

Test number	Success Criteria	Description of test	Test method/ Expected outcome
1	Client can specify number of equations and variables for the system	The client is prompted to enter the number of equations and number of variables. The program must accept valid integer inputs (minimum of 2 for each as required by the algorithm)	Run the MatrixConstructor via the InputHandler Class. The system accepts the input and initialized a 2d augmented matrix of size $equation \times variable + 1$
2	Enter Coefficients and constants	The client enters each coefficient and constant for every equation. The order should be intuitive.	Use the MatrixConstructor method to input each number which valid numeric outcomes.
3	Exception handling when there are invalid inputs	The program must detect and handle invalid input types (e.g., decimal when an integer is expected or a string when a number is expected)	Manually enter invalid data when prompted. The program catches the InputMismatchException and prompts the client to re-enter the value without crashing.
4	MatrixConstruction Accuracy	Verify that all inputs are stored correctly.	After entering the test values use a nested for loop to print the matrix. This will give me confidence that the client's provided data was accurately captured.
5	Matrix operations (swap, scale, and add) work correctly on their own	Independently test the basic matrix operations using small 2d arrays.	Perform the matrix operation individually on a test array and print them using a nested for loop.
6	Correct RREF Calculation	Test the Gaussian elimination algorithm with pre-solved system of linear equations. This includes cases with unique, infinite, or no solution.	Supply predetermined matrices to RREF method. The outcome should exactly match the RREF.

7	Accurate solution interpretation	After the RREF is computed, the program interprets the augmented matrix to display the solutions using the readSolution method.	Use known test cases. The output should correctly show each variable's value, provide parametrized answers for infinite solution, clearly indicate when there is no solution.
8	Display the RREF form	After processing, the client should have the option to display the RREF from. There should be a visual divider between the coefficient and constant in each equation.	Run the main method, choose to display option and observe the formatted output from displayMatrix. The outcome should be the RREF in a augmented form.
9	Test the algorithm for edge cases	Test the system that have more equations than variables or more variables than equations.	Provide specific input cases for each scenario and observe the RREF and the output solution.
10	Handling negative and decimal numbers	Verify that the program can correctly compute the RREF and final solution when coefficients are constants and negative numbers	Input a test system that has negative coefficients and decimal values. The RREF should be interpreted accurately.

The test table above provides a structured roadmap that benefits development and testing whilst building clarity for the clients need.