

SC223 - Linear Algebra

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Lecture 5



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- Idea is to use row operations to get an **upper triangular** AM:

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- The * positions are called **leading entries**, and are the left-most non-zero entry of each row.

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