

# Ch1 Definitions

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Definition 1.6 : Augmented matrix, coefficient matrix

$$x + 2y + 3z = 7$$

$$4x + 5y + 6z = 8$$

Coefficient matrix is  $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 4 & 5 & 6 \end{pmatrix}$

Augmented matrix is  $\left( \begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 2 & 3 & 7 \\ 4 & 5 & 6 & 8 \end{array} \right)$

Definition 1.9 Equivalent systems of linear equations

- Equivalent if same solution sets.

Definition 1.13 Pivot of row in matrix

- The leftmost nonzero entry

Definition 1.22 Pivot column, basic variables, free variables

- Pivot column: if it has a pivot
- Basic variable:  $x_i$  if  $i$ th column is pivot column
- Free variable:  $x_i$  if  $i$ th column is NOT pivot column

Definition 1.25 Consistent and Inconsistent Systems

Consistent: at least one solution

Inconsistent: no solution

