

M20580 L.A. and D.E. Tutorial
Quiz 1

1. Find the general solution of the linear system whose augmented matrix is

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & -3 & -5 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \sim \begin{bmatrix} \textcircled{1} & 0 & -8 & -3 \\ 0 & \textcircled{1} & -1 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

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 x_1 x_2 x_3

Basic variables: x_1, x_2 Free variable: x_3

Then

$$\begin{cases} x_1 = -3 + 8x_3 \\ x_2 = -1 + x_3 \\ x_3 \text{ is free} \end{cases}$$

general solution of the system

2. Find the echelon form of the matrix

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 0 & 3 \\ 2 & 4 & 2 & 4 \\ 3 & 6 & 2 & 7 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{\substack{R_2 = R_2 - 2R_1 \\ R_3 = R_3 - 3R_1}} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 0 & 3 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 & -2 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 & -2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\xrightarrow{R_3 = R_3 - R_2} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 0 & 3 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 & -2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

echelon form

$$\left(\text{or } \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 0 & 3 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \right)$$