

## Section 1.2

1. a) RREF  
b) RREF

- c) Neither  
d) REF

$$\underline{3.} \begin{bmatrix} \textcircled{1} & 2 & 3 & 4 \\ 4 & \textcircled{5} & 6 & 7 \\ 6 & 7 & 8 & 9 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$R_2 \rightarrow R_2 + -4R_1$$

$$R_3 \rightarrow R_3 + -6R_1$$

$$\sim \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 \\ 0 & -3 & -6 & -9 \\ 0 & -5 & -10 & -15 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$-\frac{1}{3}R_2$$

$$-\frac{1}{5}R_3$$

$$\sim \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$R_3 \rightarrow R_3 + -R_2$$

$$R_1 \rightarrow R_1 + -2R_2$$

$$\sim \begin{bmatrix} \textcircled{1} & 0 & -1 & -2 \\ 0 & \textcircled{1} & 2 & 3 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

columns 1 and 2  
are pivot columns

$$4. \begin{bmatrix} \textcircled{1} & 3 & 5 & 7 \\ 3 & \textcircled{5} & 7 & 9 \\ 5 & 7 & 9 & \textcircled{1} \end{bmatrix} \sim \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 & 5 & 7 \\ 0 & -4 & -8 & -12 \\ 0 & -8 & -16 & -34 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$R_2 \rightarrow R_2 + -3R_1$$

$$R_3 \rightarrow R_3 + -5R_1$$

$$-\frac{1}{4}R_2$$

$$\sim \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 & 5 & 7 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 0 & -8 & -16 & -34 \end{bmatrix} \sim \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & -1 & -2 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & -10 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$R_1 \rightarrow R_1 + -3R_2$$

$$R_3 \rightarrow R_3 + 8R_2$$

$$-\frac{1}{10}R_3$$

$$\sim \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & -1 & -2 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \sim \begin{bmatrix} \textcircled{1} & 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & \textcircled{1} & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \textcircled{1} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$R_1 \rightarrow R_1 + 2R_3$$

$$R_2 \rightarrow R_2 + -3R_3$$

columns 1, 2, and 4  
are pivot columns

$$115. \begin{bmatrix} \boxed{1} & * \\ 0 & \boxed{1} \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} \boxed{1} & * \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 & \boxed{1} \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$7. \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 & 4 & 7 \\ 3 & 9 & 7 & 6 \end{bmatrix} \sim \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 & 4 & 7 \\ 0 & 0 & -5 & -15 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$R_2 \rightarrow R_2 + -3R_1 \quad -\frac{1}{5}R_2$$

$$\sim \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 & 4 & 7 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \sim \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 & 0 & -5 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$R_1 \rightarrow R_1 + -4R_2$$

The system corresponding to the RREF is

$$x_1 + 3x_2 = -5$$

$$x_3 = 3$$

Solve for basic variables.

$$\boxed{\begin{array}{l} x_1 = -3x_2 - 5 \\ x_2 \text{ is free} \\ x_3 = 3 \end{array}}$$

$$\underline{8.} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 4 & 0 & 7 \\ 2 & 7 & 0 & 10 \end{bmatrix} \sim \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 4 & 0 & 7 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 & -4 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$R_2 \rightarrow R_2 + -2R_1 \quad -R_2$$

$$\sim \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 4 & 0 & 7 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 4 \end{bmatrix} \sim \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & -9 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$R_1 \rightarrow R_1 + -4R_2$$

$$\begin{aligned} x_1 &= -9 \\ x_2 &= 4 \\ x_3 &\text{ is free} \end{aligned}$$

$$\underline{12.} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -7 & 0 & 6 & 5 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -2 & -3 \\ -1 & 7 & -4 & 2 & 7 \end{bmatrix} \sim \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -7 & 0 & 6 & 5 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -2 & -3 \\ 0 & 0 & -4 & 8 & 12 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$R_3 \rightarrow R_3 + R_1$$

$$R_3 \rightarrow R_3 + 4R_2$$

$$\sim \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -7 & 0 & 6 & 5 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -2 & -3 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

New system:

$$x_1 - 7x_2 + 6x_4 = 5$$

$$x_3 - 2x_4 = -3$$

Solution:

$$x_1 = 7x_2 - 6x_4 + 5$$

$x_2$  is free

$$x_3 = 2x_4 - 3$$

$x_4$  is free

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$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & -5 & -6 & 0 & -5 \\ 0 & 1 & -6 & -3 & 0 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$R_1 \rightarrow R_1 + -2R_2$$

$$\sim \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 7 & 0 & 0 & -9 \\ 0 & 1 & -6 & -3 & 0 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

New system:  $x_1 + 7x_3 = -9$

$$x_2 - 6x_3 - 3x_4 = 2$$

$$x_5 = 0$$

Solution:

$$x_1 = -7x_3 - 9$$

$$x_2 = 6x_3 + 3x_4 + 2$$

$x_3$  is free

$x_4$  is free

$$x_5 = 0$$



16. a.  $\begin{bmatrix} * & * & * \\ 0 & * & * \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$  No row of form  $[0 \ 0 \ 0]$   
 so by Theorem 2 the system is consistent.  
 No free variables, so solution is unique.

b.  $\begin{bmatrix} * & * & * & * & * \\ 0 & 0 & * & * & * \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & * & * \end{bmatrix}$  No row of form  $[0 \ 0 \ 0 \ 0 \ 0]$  so  
 by Theorem 2 the system is consistent.  
 Column 2 corresponds to a free variable, so there are an infinite number of solutions.

17.  $\begin{bmatrix} 2 & 3 & h \\ 4 & 6 & 7 \end{bmatrix} \sim \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 3 & h \\ 0 & 0 & 7-2h \end{bmatrix}$

$$R_2 \rightarrow R_2 + -2R_1$$

By Theorem 2, the system is consistent if and only if  $7-2h=0$ .

Thus the system is consistent only when  $h = 7/2$ .

21. a. False - Theorem 1 states that the RREF of a matrix is unique.
- b. False - See second paragraph of this section
- c. True - See definition of basic variable
- d. True - See section "Parametric Descriptions of Solution Sets"
- e. False - Theorem 2 states that for a system to be inconsistent the augmented matrix has a row echelon form with a row  $[0 \ 0 \ 0 \ 0 \ b]$  with  $b$  non zero.

22. a. False - The RREF is unique, but not the REF.
- b. False - See first paragraph in section "Pivot Positions".
- c. True - See definition of forward phase
- d. False - See last paragraph of section "Parametric Descriptions of Solution Sets"

e. True - See paragraph after definition of basic and free variables.

24. If a  $3 \times 5$  augmented matrix has its 5th column as a pivot column, the corresponding system is inconsistent. The matrix would have its 3rd row be of the form  $[0 \ 0 \ 0 \ 0 \ 0 \ 1]$  and so by Theorem 2, the system would be inconsistent.

25. If the coefficient matrix has a pivot in every row, then the last column of the augmented matrix would not be a pivot column. By Theorem 2, the system would be consistent.

29. If a system has fewer equations than variables, then the coefficient matrix for the system has fewer rows than columns. Thus not every column



of the coefficient matrix can be a pivot column. Thus there is at least one free variable. The problem states that the system is consistent. Thus the system has an infinite number of solutions.