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LARSON—MATH 601—CLASSROOM WORKSHEET 06
Review.

Concepts & Notation

- (Sec. 1.5) *column matrix* B_j , *elementary matrix*.
- (Sec. 1.6) *left inverse*, *right inverse*, *invertible matrix*, *inverse* A^{-1} .
- (Sec. 2.1) *vector*, *vector space*.

Elementary Matrices

An elementary matrix E is one where left multiplication by E has the same effect as some row operation.

1. Suppose a matrix A can be row-reduced to a matrix R (in row-reduced echelon form) by row operations $\epsilon_1, \dots, \epsilon_k$, corresponding to elementary matrices E_1, \dots, E_k . Write R in terms of these matrices.

2. We argued that elementary matrices E_i are invertible (and thus have inverses E_i^{-1}). Write A in terms of these matrices.

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

3. Show
 - (a) That the reduced matrix R is the (3×3) identity matrix.
 - (b) That A is a product of elementary matrices.
 - (c) That A is invertible. Find A^{-1} .

$$B = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 & 0 \\ 4 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

4. Show

- (a) That the reduced matrix R is *not* the (3×3) identity matrix.
- (b) That B is *not* a product of elementary matrices.
- (c) That B is *not* invertible.

5. A is a square $(n \times n)$ matrix. Argue that the following statements are equivalent:

- (a) That A is invertible.
- (b) That the reduced matrix R is the $(n \times n)$ identity matrix.
- (c) That A is a product of elementary matrices.

Vector Spaces

6. What is the prototypical example of a *vector space*?

7. What is the *formal* definition of a vector space?

8. What is a *vector*?

9. What are some examples of vector spaces?