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# 1. Solving linear systems

## Objectives

- Think of an  $m$  by  $n$  matrix as a function from  $\mathbb{R}^n$  to  $\mathbb{R}^m$ .
- Find matrix representations of linear functions from  $\mathbb{R}^n$  to  $\mathbb{R}^n$ .
- Create **augmented matrices**.
- Solve systems of linear equations in matrix form using **row operations** instead of **equation operations** on the system.
- Find the **pivots** of a matrix and put a matrix into **row echelon form**.
- Use **back substitution** to obtain a solution to a linear system from a row echelon form of the augmented matrix.
- Use **Gauss-Jordan elimination** to find the **reduced row echelon form** **rref** form of a matrix.

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