

# MATH 215

## Homework # 1

- Determine which equations are linear equations in the variables  $x$ ,  $y$  and  $z$ . If any equation is not linear, explain why not.

1.  $x^2 + y^2 + z^2 = 1$

2.  $2x - 3y - 5z = 0$

- Find the solution set of each equation.

3.  $3x - 6y = 0$

4.  $x + 2y + 3z = 4$ .

- 5. Solve the given system by back substitution

$$2u - 3v = 5$$

$$2v = 6$$

- 6. Find the augmented matrix of the following linear system

$$2x_1 + 3x_2 - x_3 = 1$$

$$x_1 + \quad \quad x_3 = 0$$

$$-x_1 + 2x_2 - 2x_3 = 0$$

- 7. Find a system of linear equations that has the given matrix as its augmented matrix

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

Solve this system of equations.

- 8. Determine whether the given matrix is in row echelon form. If it is, state whether it is also in reduced row echelon form.

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

- 9. Use elementary row operations to reduce the given matrix to (a) row echelon form and (b) reduced row echelon form.

$$\begin{bmatrix} -2 & -4 & 7 \\ -3 & -6 & 10 \\ 1 & 2 & -3 \end{bmatrix}$$

- **10.** Show that the given matrices are row equivalent and find a sequence of elementary row operations that will convert  $A$  into  $B$ .

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 4 \end{bmatrix}, \quad B = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & -1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

- **11.** What is wrong with the following “proof” that every matrix with at least two rows is row equivalent to a matrix with a zero row?

Perform  $R_2 + R_1$  and  $R_1 + R_2$ . Now rows 1 and 2 are identical. Now perform  $R_2 - R_1$  to obtain a row of zeros in the second row.

- **12.** For what value(s) of  $k$ , if any, will the system have (a) no solutions, (b) a unique solution, and (c) infinitely many solutions?

$$\begin{aligned} x + ky &= 1 \\ kx + y &= 1 \end{aligned}$$