

## Gaussian Elimination - Exercise Set

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Are the following matrices in row-echelon form (REF)?

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

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

$$3) \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

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

Are the following matrices in reduced row-echelon form (RREF)?

$$5) \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$6) \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$7) \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 3 & 0 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 8 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$8) \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 & 2 & 4 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 3 & 5 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 2 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

Using elementary row operations, reduce the following matrices to REF.

$$9) \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 4 \\ 2 & 12 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$10) \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 5 \\ 1 & 3 & 4 \\ 2 & 7 & 13 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$11) \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 0 & 6 & -6 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & -3 \\ 2 & -3 & 4 & 5 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$12) \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 & -1 \\ 1 & 2 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 4 & 1 & 4 \\ -4 & 1 & 3 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$$

Using elementary row operations, reduce the following matrices to RREF.

$$13) \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 6 & 9 \\ 2 & 4 & 5 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$14) \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 2 \\ 2 & 1 & 3 \\ 7 & 7 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$$

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

$$16) \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 2 & -2 \\ 0 & 1 & 3 & -4 \\ 1 & 2 & 5 & -6 \\ 2 & 1 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Solve the following systems of equations using Gaussian elimination:  
(if possible)

**17)** 
$$\begin{aligned} 2x + 3y &= -6 \\ x - 2y &= 11 \end{aligned}$$

**18)** 
$$\begin{aligned} 2x + 6y &= 24 \\ -x - 3y &= -6 \end{aligned}$$

**19)** 
$$\begin{aligned} 4x + 5y &= -2 \\ -8x - 10y &= 4 \end{aligned}$$

**20)** 
$$\begin{aligned} 3x + 5y &= 0 \\ x + 5y &= -10 \end{aligned}$$

**21)** 
$$\begin{aligned} 5x + 2y &= 4 \\ 3x - y &= 20 \end{aligned}$$

**22)** 
$$\begin{aligned} -x + 3y &= 0 \\ 20x + 10y &= 7 \end{aligned}$$

**23)** 
$$\begin{aligned} x - y &= -4 \\ 10x - 4y &= 2 \end{aligned}$$

**24)** 
$$\begin{aligned} x + 3y &= -15 \\ 3x - y &= 15 \end{aligned}$$

**25)** 
$$\begin{aligned} 4x - 8y &= 10 \\ 12x - 24y &= 20 \end{aligned}$$

**26)** 
$$\begin{aligned} x + 5y &= 8 \\ 4x + 20y &= 32 \end{aligned}$$

**27)** 
$$\begin{aligned} 2x_1 + 6x_2 &= 13 \\ -x_1 + 4x_2 &= 11 \end{aligned}$$

**28)** 
$$\begin{aligned} x_1 - 20x_2 &= 8 \\ 5x_1 - x_2 &= 7 \end{aligned}$$

Solve the following systems of equations using Gaussian elimination: (if possible)

**29)** 
$$\begin{aligned} x_1 + 2x_2 - x_3 &= 6 \\ 2x_1 + x_2 + 4x_3 &= 9 \\ -x_1 - 3x_2 + 5x_3 &= -5 \end{aligned}$$

**30)** 
$$\begin{aligned} x_1 + 2x_2 + 2x_3 &= 11 \\ x_1 + 3x_2 + 13x_3 &= 10 \\ -x_1 + 2x_2 + 12x_3 &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

**31)** 
$$\begin{aligned} x_1 + 4x_2 + 2x_3 &= -3 \\ x_1 + x_2 - x_3 &= 3 \\ -2x_1 - 4x_3 &= 6 \end{aligned}$$

**32)** 
$$\begin{aligned} x_1 + 2x_2 - x_3 + x_4 &= 3 \\ 2x_1 + x_2 + x_3 + x_4 &= 4 \\ x_1 - x_2 + 2x_3 &= 1 \end{aligned}$$

**33)** 
$$\begin{aligned} x_1 + 4x_3 &= 1 \\ 2x_1 + x_2 + 3x_3 &= 5 \\ 3x_1 + 2x_2 + 2x_3 &= 9 \end{aligned}$$

**34)** 
$$\begin{aligned} x_1 + 2x_2 - 5x_3 &= -1 \\ x_1 + 3x_2 - 7x_3 &= 0 \\ -x_1 + x_2 - 2x_3 &= 3 \end{aligned}$$

**35)** 
$$\begin{aligned} x_1 - x_3 &= 3 \\ -x_1 + 2x_2 - x_3 + 2x_4 &= -6 \\ 2x_1 + 3x_2 + x_3 &= 9 \\ 4x_1 + 4x_3 + 10x_4 &= 15 \end{aligned}$$

**36)** 
$$\begin{aligned} x_1 + x_2 + 3x_3 - x_4 &= 3 \\ -x_1 + 2x_2 - 3x_3 + x_4 &= 0 \\ 5x_1 + 4x_2 + 10x_4 &= -1 \\ 7x_1 + 4x_2 + 6x_3 + 8x_4 &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

Solve the following homogeneous systems of equations:

**37)** 
$$\begin{aligned} 3x_1 + 2x_2 &= 0 \\ x_1 - 4x_2 &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

**38)** 
$$\begin{aligned} 2x_1 - 5x_2 &= 0 \\ -6x_1 + 15x_2 &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

**39)** 
$$\begin{aligned} x_1 - 3x_2 &= 0 \\ 4x_1 + 7x_2 &= 0 \\ 2x_1 + 8x_2 &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

**40)** 
$$\begin{aligned} x_1 - 4x_2 - 7x_3 &= 0 \\ -x_1 + 2x_2 + 5x_3 &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

**41)** 
$$\begin{aligned} x_1 - x_2 - x_3 &= 0 \\ 4x_1 + 2x_2 - 13x_3 &= 0 \\ 2x_1 + 4x_2 - 11x_3 &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

**42)** 
$$\begin{aligned} -x_1 + 2x_2 + 3x_3 &= 0 \\ x_1 + 2x_2 - 6x_3 &= 0 \\ 2x_1 + x_2 + 7x_3 &= 0 \\ x_1 + x_2 + x_3 &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

**43)** 
$$\begin{aligned} 2x_1 + 3x_2 - 7x_3 - 7x_4 &= 0 \\ 3x_1 - 6x_2 + 21x_4 &= 0 \\ -x_1 - 5x_2 + 7x_3 + 14x_4 &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

**44)** 
$$\begin{aligned} x_1 + x_2 - x_3 &= 0 \\ 2x_1 - 3x_2 - 9x_4 &= 0 \\ x_1 + 4x_2 + x_3 - x_4 &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

## Answers

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1) Yes

2) Yes

3) No

4) No

5) Yes

6) Yes

7) Yes

8) No

**9)**  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 4 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$

**10)**  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 5 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$

**11)**  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 2 & -2 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & -3 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$

**12)**  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 5 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$

**13)**  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$

**14)**  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$

**15)**  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 5 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$

**16)**  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & -1 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 & 3 & -4 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$

**17)**  $x = 3, \quad y = -4.$

**18)** There's no solution.

**19)** There are infinitely many solutions.  $y$  is arbitrary parameter and  $x = -\frac{1}{2} - \frac{5}{4}y$ .

**20)**  $x = 5, \quad y = -3.$

**21)**  $x = 4, \quad y = -8.$

**22)**  $x = 0.3, \quad y = 0.1.$

**23)**  $x = 3, \quad y = 7.$

**24)**  $x = 3, \quad y = -6.$

**25)** There's no solution.

**26)** There are infinitely many solutions.  $y$  is arbitrary parameter and  $x = 8 - 5y$ .

**27)**  $x_1 = -1, \quad x_2 = 2.5.$

**28)**  $x_1 = \frac{4}{3}, \quad x_2 = -\frac{1}{3}.$

**29)**  $x_1 = 1, \quad x_2 = 3, \quad x_3 = 1.$

**37)** Trivial solution.

**30)**  $x_1 = 3, \quad x_2 = 4.5, \quad x_3 = -0.5.$

**38)**  $x_1 = 5r, \quad x_2 = 2r.$

**31)**  $x_1 = 1, \quad x_2 = 0, \quad x_3 = -2.$

**39)** Trivial solution.

**32)** There are infinitely many solutions given by:

$$x_1 = \frac{5}{3} - s - r, \quad x_2 = \frac{2}{3} - s + r, \quad x_3 = r, \quad x_4 = 3s.$$

**40)**  $x_1 = 3r, \quad x_2 = -r, \quad x_3 = r.$

**33)** There are infinitely many solutions.  $z$  is arbitrary parameter and  $x = 1 - 4r, \quad y = 3 + 5r.$

**41)**  $x_1 = 5r, \quad x_2 = 3r, \quad x_3 = 2r.$

**34)**  $x_1 = -2, \quad x_2 = 3, \quad x_3 = 1.$

**42)** Trivial solution.

**35)**  $x_1 = 4, \quad x_2 = 0, \quad x_3 = 1, \quad x_4 = -0.5.$

**43)**  $x_1 = 2r - s, \quad x_2 = r + 3s, \quad x_3 = r, \quad x_4 = s.$

**36)** There's no solution.

**44)**  $x_1 = 3r, \quad x_2 = -r, \quad x_3 = 2r, \quad x_4 = r.$