

Recall that problems which are not underlined are good for seeing if you can work with the underlying concepts; that the underlined problems are to be handed in; and that the Friday quiz will be drawn from all of these concepts and from these or related problems.

3.1-3.3: linear systems of (algebraic) equations; augmented matrices and Gaussian elimination to compute reduced row-echelon form. Explicitly specifying the solution space by backsolving the reduced row echelon form of the augmented matrix. Depending on your previous experience and background, you may need to practice this algebra a lot, or just a little. So, I've included a fairly large number of good practice problems in addition to the ones you'll hand in.

3.1: 1, 4, 6, 11, 16, 17, 19, 23, 24, 27, 28, 29, 32, 33, 34

3.2: 7, 8, 9, 13, 17, 20 (backsolve from row echelon form), 29, 30;

3.3: 13, 17, 20, 33, 34;

w5.1 Find the equation of the parabolic graph that passes through the points (1, 0), (2, 3), (4, 3).

Exhibit and solve the system of three equations in the three unknowns a , b , c for the unknown parabola $y = ax^2 + bx + c$. Use Gaussian elimination to compute the reduced row echelon form of the augmented matrix, in order to find a , b , c . Sketch the resulting parabola by hand, together with the three points it passes through.

3.4: matrix operations and algebra

3.4: 3, 5, 7, 10, 13, 16, 19, 27, 31, 32, 34, 39, 40, 44.

The section 3.4 homework is to be handed in later, as part of next week's homework, due at the start of class on Wednesday February 12.

This problem is NOT postponed - it's from 3.2-3.3:

w5.2 Consider the augmented matrix for 3.2.20 above:

$$\left[\begin{array}{ccccc|c} 2 & 4 & -1 & -2 & 2 & 6 \\ 1 & 3 & 2 & -7 & 3 & 9 \\ 5 & 8 & -7 & 6 & 1 & 4 \end{array} \right].$$

Continue your work from **3.2.20** to compute the reduced row echelon form of this augmented matrix, and verify that you recover the same explicit solutions as you did in that problem, when you backsolved from a row echelon form.