

## Math 1090 ~ Business Algebra

Section 2.3 Gauss-Jordan Elimination

Objectives:

- Set up an Augmented Matrix to represent a set of linear equations.
- Perform elementary row operations to a matrix.
- Manipulate the matrix to provide a solution to the set of linear equations.
- Recognize when there is more than one solution or none at all.


## Vocabulary

Augmented Matrix: A matrix that represents a system of linear equations.

## Elementary Row Operations:

1. Switch two rows.
2. Multiply a row by a nonzero constant.
3. Replace one row with the result of adding it to a nonzero multiple of another row.

Gauss-Jordan Elimination: A process for solving a system of linear equations, using elementary row operations until we have a triangular matrix like this:

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\left[\begin{array}{ccc:c}
1 & 3 & 4 & : \\
0 & 1 & 2 & : \\
0 & 0 & 1 & : \\
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\end{array}\right]
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## Ex 1: Solve. $3 x-y=3$ <br> $x+z=3$

$2 x-y+z=2$

Ex 2: Solve. $\begin{aligned}-2 x+y & =1 \\ 2 x-y & =7\end{aligned}$

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\text { Ex 5: Solve. } \begin{aligned}
& x+y+z=1 \\
& x-y-z=1 \\
& \\
& -x+y-z=1
\end{aligned}
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