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1. Solve the systems for the variables  $x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4,$  and  $x_5$ :

(a)

$$\begin{aligned}x_2 + 2x_4 + 3x_5 &= 0, \\4x_4 + 8x_5 &= 0.\end{aligned}$$

(b)

$$\begin{aligned}x_1 + 2x_2 + 2x_4 + 3x_5 &= 0, \\x_3 + 3x_4 + 2x_5 &= 0, \\x_3 + 4x_4 - x_5 &= 0, \\x_5 &= 0.\end{aligned}$$

2. For which values of  $a, b, c, d,$  and  $e$  is the following matrix in reduced row-echelon form?

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & a & b & 3 & 0 & -2 \\ 0 & 0 & c & 1 & d & 3 \\ 0 & e & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

3. Solve the following system using Gauss Jordan elimination method:

$$\begin{aligned}4x_1 + 3x_2 + 2x_3 - x_4 &= 4, \\5x_1 + 4x_2 + 3x_3 - x_4 &= 4, \\-2x_1 - 2x_2 - x_3 + 2x_4 &= -3, \\11x_1 + 6x_2 + 4x_3 + x_4 &= 11.\end{aligned}$$

4. Consider the system of equations:

$$\begin{aligned}x + 2y + 3z &= 4, \\x + ky + 4z &= 6, \\x + 2y + (k + 2)z &= 6,\end{aligned}$$

where  $k$  is an arbitrary constant.

- (a) For which values of the constant  $k$  does this system have a unique solution?
- (b) When is there no solution?
- (c) When are there infinitely many solutions?