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There are 9 problems on 4 pages. Problem 1 is worth 12 points. Each of the other problems is worth 11 points. SHOW your work. **CIRCLE** your answer. **CHECK** your answer whenever possible.

1. Solve the following system of equations:

$$\begin{aligned} x_1 + x_2 - x_5 &= 1 \\ x_2 + 2x_3 + x_4 + 3x_5 &= 1 \\ x_1 - x_3 + x_4 + x_5 &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

$$\left[\begin{array}{ccccc|c} 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & -1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 & 1 & 3 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & -1 & 1 & 1 & 0 \end{array} \right]$$

$R_3 \rightarrow R_3 - R_1$
 $R_1 \rightarrow R_1 - R_2$

$$\left[\begin{array}{ccccc|c} 1 & 0 & -2 & -1 & -4 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 & 1 & 3 & 1 \\ 0 & -1 & -1 & 1 & 2 & -1 \end{array} \right]$$

$R_3 \rightarrow R_3 + R_2$

$$\left[\begin{array}{ccccc|c} 1 & 0 & -2 & -1 & -4 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 & 1 & 3 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 2 & 5 & 0 \end{array} \right]$$

$R_2 \rightarrow R_2 - 2R_3$
 $R_1 \rightarrow R_1 + 2R_3$

$$\left[\begin{array}{ccccc|c} 1 & 0 & 0 & 3 & 6 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & -3 & -7 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 2 & 5 & 0 \end{array} \right]$$

$$\begin{aligned} x_1 &= -3x_4 - 6x_5 \\ x_2 &= 1 + 3x_4 + 7x_5 \\ x_3 &= -2x_4 - 5x_5 \\ x_4 &= x_4 \\ x_5 &= x_5 \end{aligned}$$

2. Find all values of a for which the following system has no solution:

$$\begin{aligned} x_1 + 2x_2 &= -3 \\ ax_1 - 2x_2 &= 5 \end{aligned}$$

$$\left[\begin{array}{cc|c} 1 & 2 & -3 \\ a & -2 & 5 \end{array} \right] \quad R_2 \rightarrow R_2 - aR_1 \quad \left[\begin{array}{cc|c} 1 & 2 & -3 \\ 0 & -2-2a & 5+3a \end{array} \right]$$

If $-2-2a \neq 0$ then the system of equations has a unique solution.
If $-2-2a=0$, then $-2=2a$ $a=-1$ and the bottom row is $[0 \ 0 \ | \ 2]$. The corresponding equation has no solution.

The system of equations has no solution for $a=-1$. It has a unique solution for all other a .