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EXAMINATION RULES

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2. No aids are allowed for this examination.
3. Answer Part A on the scantron sheet and Part B on the examination paper.
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Part A: Mark your answers on the scantron sheet provided.

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Each question is worth 2 points.

1. Which of the following options constitute the general solution of the following system of linear equations:

$$\begin{aligned} x + y - z &= 0 \\ x + y + z &= 4 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & -1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$$

- (a) $x = s, y = s, z = 4$
- (b) $x = -s, y = -s, z = 2$
- (c) $x = 4 - s, y = s, z = 2$
- (d) $x = 2 - s, y = s, z = 2$
- (e) None of the above.

$$\begin{aligned} x &= 2 - s \\ y &= s \\ z &= +2 \end{aligned}$$

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

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 & +2 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

2. If a homogeneous system of m linear equations in n variables $AX = 0$ has infinitely many solutions, then what can we generally say about the $m \times n$ coefficient matrix A ?

- (a) It always has a row of zeros.
- (b) It cannot be a square matrix.
- (c) Its reduced row echelon form must have a row of zeros.
- (d) Its reduced row echelon form certainly is not the identity matrix.
- (e) None of the above statements are always true.

3. Let $A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 & 3 & 0 \\ 7 & 0 & 1 & 4 \\ 4 & 0 & 3 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$. Which of the following statements is **incorrect**?

- (a) The reduced row-echelon form of A is the identity matrix I_4 .
- (b) $\text{rank } A = 4$.
- (c) $\det A = -9$.
- (d) A is invertible.
- (e) All the statements above are correct.

$$\begin{aligned} \det A &= (\text{along column 2}) \\ &= 0 - 1 \begin{vmatrix} 2 & 1 & 1 \\ 7 & 1 & 4 \\ 4 & 3 & 0 \end{vmatrix} + 0 + 0 \\ &= -1 [4(4-1) - 3(8-7) + 0] = \\ &= -(12-3) = -9 \end{aligned}$$

this implies all above statements are correct. \leftarrow

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4. Consider an $n \times n$ matrix A satisfying the equation:

$$A^3 = (I - A)(I + A)$$

Which of the following is a correct expression for its inverse A^{-1} ?

- (a) A^2 .
- (b) $A^2 + A$.
- (c) $A^2 - A$.
- (d) $A + I$.
- (e) None of the above.

$$A^3 = I + A - A - A^2$$

$$A^3 + A^2 = I$$

$$A(A^2 + A) = I$$

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 A^{-1}

5. Consider the matrix $A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 & 2 \\ 1 & 0 & 2 \\ 2 & 2 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$. Which statement is correct?

$$\det A = -1(0-4) - 2(4-2) = 4 - 4 = 0$$

- (a) There exists a matrix C such that $AC = I$.
- (b) A is invertible.
- (c) The system of linear equations $AX = B$ has a unique solution for any B .
- (d) The system of linear equations $AX = B$ has no solution for some B .
- (e) None of the above.

6. Let A , B , and C be 3×3 matrices with $\det(A^{-1}) = -1$, $\det(B) = -2$, and $\det(C) = \frac{1}{2}$. Then

is equal to:

- (a) 8.
- (b) $-\frac{1}{2}$.
- (c) $\frac{1}{4}$.
- (d) $-\frac{1}{8}$.
- (e) None of the above.

$$\det \left(\frac{1}{2} A^3 \text{adj}(B)(C^T)^2 \right)$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \times \frac{1}{2} \times \frac{1}{2} \times (-1) \times (-2) \times (-2) \times \frac{1}{2} \times \frac{1}{2}$$

$$= -\frac{1}{8}$$

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7. Consider the matrix $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & c & 0 \\ 2 & 0 & c \\ c & 1 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$. If A is not invertible, then:

- (a) $c = 0$.
- (b) c is 0 or 3 or 1.
- (c) c is 0 or -3 or -1 .
- (d) c is 0 or 3 or -3 .
- (e) c is 1 or -1 .

$$\begin{aligned} \det A &= 1(0-c) - c(8-c^2) + 0 \\ &= -c - c(8-c^2) \\ &= c(-1 - (8-c^2)) \\ &= c(c^2 - 9) = c(c+3)(c-3) \end{aligned}$$

$$A \text{ not invertible} \Leftrightarrow \det A = 0 \\ \Leftrightarrow c = 0, 3, -3$$

8. Find A if

- (a) $A = \begin{bmatrix} 3/2 & 2 \\ 1 & 3/2 \end{bmatrix}$.
- (b) $A = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 2 \\ 1 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$.
- (c) $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$.
- (d) $A = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 2 \\ 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$.
- (e) None of the above.

$$(A^{-1} - 2I)^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$A^{-1} - 2I = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & +2 \\ +1 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$A^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 2 \\ +1 & -1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & +2 \\ +1 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

9. Which of the following statements is always true?

- (a) The sum of two invertible $n \times n$ matrices is invertible.
- (b) The difference of two invertible $n \times n$ matrices is invertible.
- (c) A scalar multiple of an invertible $n \times n$ matrix is invertible.
- (d) The product of two invertible $n \times n$ matrices is invertible.
- (e) None of the above.

$$(AB)^{-1} = B^{-1}A^{-1}$$

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10. Let $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 3 & 0 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$ and let R be the reduced row-echelon form of the matrix A .

Find a matrix U such that $R = UA$.

(a) $U = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1/3 \\ 1/3 & -1/3 \end{bmatrix}$.

(b) $U = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1/3 \\ 1 & -1/3 \end{bmatrix}$.

(c) $U = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1/3 \\ -1/3 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$.

(d) $U = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 3 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$.

(e) None of the above.

$$-3R_1 + R_2 \quad \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -3 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \quad E_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ -3 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$R_2 / -3 \quad \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \quad E_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1/3 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$-R_2 + R_1 \quad \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \quad E_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$R = UA$$

$$U = E_3 E_2 E_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1/3 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ -3 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1/3 \\ 0 & -1/3 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ -3 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1/3 \\ 1 & -1/3 \end{bmatrix}$$

11. Which of the following point does not lie on the line through $A(2, 3, -1)$ and $B(5, 1, -1)$?

(a) $P(8, -1, -1)$.

(b) $P(2, 3, -1)$.

(c) $P(3, -2, -1)$.

(d) $P(-1, 5, -1)$.

(e) None of the above.

$$\begin{cases} x = 2 + 3s \\ y = 3 - 2s \\ z = -1 \end{cases}$$

$x = 3 \Rightarrow s = 1/3 \Rightarrow y \neq -2$

12. Let A be a 3×3 matrix. The reduced row echelon form of A is the identity matrix, and is obtained by performing the following three elementary row operations in order:

(i) First multiply row 1 by $1/3$.

(ii) Then add -2 times row 1 to row 2.

(iii) Then finally interchange rows 2 and 3.

Then what is $\det(A)$?

(a) $\det(A) = 3$.

(b) $\det(A) = -3$.

(c) $\det(A) = 1/3$.

(d) $\det(A) = -1/3$.

(e) None of the above.

$$I = E_3 E_2 E_1 A$$

$$\det I = \det E_3 \det E_2 \det E_1 \det A$$

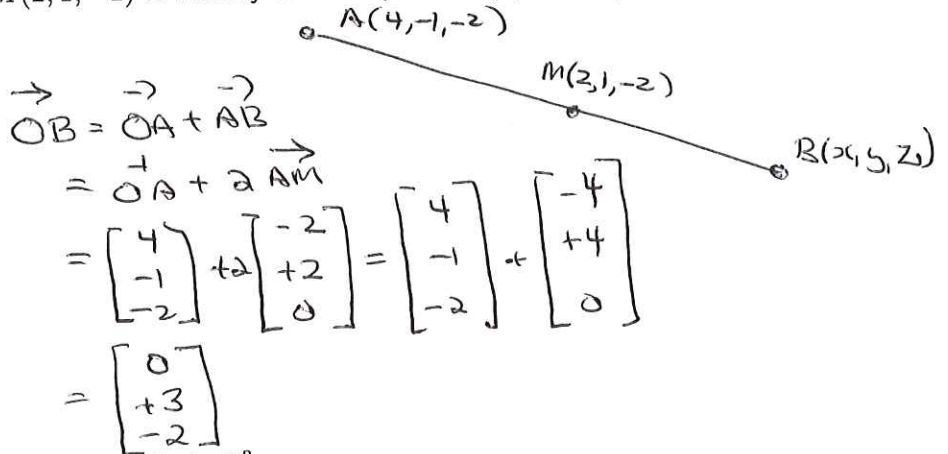
$$1 = (-1)(1)(\frac{1}{3}) \det A$$

$$\therefore \det A = -3$$

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13. Find the point B such that $M(2, 1, -2)$ is midway between points $A(4, -1, -2)$ and B .

- (a) $B(3, 0, -2)$.
- (b) $B(0, 3, -2)$.**
- (c) $B(0, 3, 0)$.
- (d) $B(0, 0, -2)$.
- (e) None of the above.



14. Consider the following two lines L_1 and L_2 in \mathbb{R}^3 :

$$L_1: \begin{cases} x = -3 - 2t \\ y = 7 + 4t \\ z = 1 + t \end{cases}$$

$$L_2: \begin{cases} x = 1 + s \\ y = -1 - 2s \\ z = 2 + s \end{cases}$$

Which of the following statements is true?

- (a) L_1 and L_2 are the same line.
- (b) L_1 and L_2 are parallel but do not intersect.
- (c) L_1 and L_2 are not parallel and do not intersect.
- (d) L_1 and L_2 are not parallel and do intersect.**
- (e) None of the above.

$$\begin{cases} -3 - 2t = 1 + s \\ 7 + 4t = -1 - 2s \\ 1 + t = 2 + s \end{cases}$$

$$\begin{cases} s + 2t = -4 \\ 2s + 4t = -8 \\ s - t = -1 \end{cases}$$

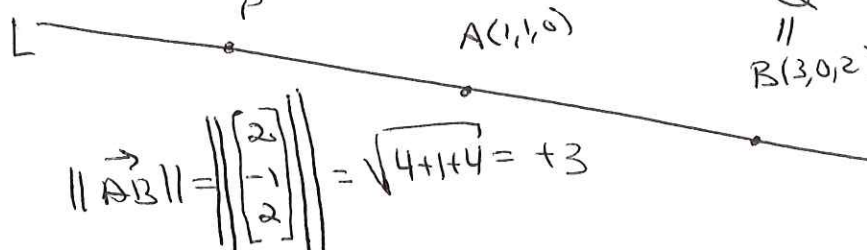
$$\Rightarrow 3t = -3 \Rightarrow t = -1$$

$$s = -2$$

Unique point of intersection, so they intersect but cannot be parallel.

15. Find the two points P and Q on the line through $A(1, 1, 0)$ and $B(3, 0, 2)$ at distance 3 from A .

- (a) $P(-1, 0, 2)$ and $Q(3, 0, -2)$.
- (b) $P(-1, 2, -2)$ and $Q(3, 0, -2)$.**
- (c) $P(-1, 2, 2)$ and $Q(-1, 0, 2)$.
- (d) $P(-1, 2, 2)$ and $Q(-1, 2, -2)$.
- (e) None of the above.**



so $\vec{OQ} = \vec{OA} + \vec{AB} = \vec{OB}$ ie $Q = B$

$\vec{OP} = \vec{OA} - \vec{AB} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ -1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 2 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix}$ ie $P(-1, 2, -2)$

(Type) Both answers accepted

Part B: Provide your full solution on these pages.

Question 1 (5 points) With full explanation, determine the quadratic $y = ax^2 + bx + c$ whose graph contains the points (0, 1), (1, 2) and (2, 4).

Write a clear and complete solution, and provide your final answer in the box.

3 eqns

$$\begin{cases} 0a + 0b + c = 1 \\ a + b + c = 2 \\ 4a + 2b + c = 4 \end{cases}$$

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

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

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

$$\left[\begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 0 & 0 & 1/2 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 1/2 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 \end{array} \right]$$

$a = 1/2$
 $b = 1/2$
 $c = 1$

ANSWER: $y = \frac{x^2}{2} + \frac{x}{2} + 1$

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Question 2 (5 points) Consider the following augmented matrix of a system of linear equations, where a can be any real number:

$$\left[\begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 0 & 3 & 1 \\ 1 & a^2 - 1 & 5 & 2 \\ 1 & 0 & a + 2 & a + 1 \end{array} \right]$$

Find all values of a such that the system of linear equations has either no solution, a unique solution, or infinitely many solutions.

Write a clear and complete solution, and provide your final answer in the box below.

$- R_1 + R_2$
 $- R_1 + R_3$

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

① If

$a = +1$

\Rightarrow

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

No solution

② If

$a = -1$

\Rightarrow

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

$$\rightarrow \left[\begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 0 & 3 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 1/2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right]$$

Infinitely many solutions

$$\begin{cases} x = -1/2 \\ y = 5 \\ z = 1/2 \end{cases}$$

③ $a \neq \pm 1$, unique solution

ANSWER: {	No solution:	$a = +1$
	Unique solution:	$a \neq \pm 1$
	Infinitely many solutions:	$a = -1$

Part B: Provide your full solution on these pages.

Question 1 (5 points) With full explanation, determine the quadratic $y = ax^2 + bx + c$ whose graph contains the points $(0, -2)$, $(1, 0)$ and $(2, 4)$.

Write a clear and complete solution, and provide your final answer in the box below.

We obtain 3 linear equations in variables a, b, c

$$\begin{cases} 0a + 0b + c = -2 \\ a + b + c = 0 \\ 4a + 2b + c = 4 \end{cases}$$

Augmented matrix

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

-Row 3 + Row 1, -Row 3 + Row 2

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 & 2 \\ 4 & 2 & 0 & 6 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -2 \end{bmatrix}$$

-4Row 1 + Row 2

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 & 2 \\ 0 & -2 & 0 & -2 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$-\frac{1}{2}$ Row 2

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -2 \end{bmatrix}$$

-Row 2 + Row 1

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -2 \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow$$

$$\begin{aligned} a &= 1 \\ b &= 1 \\ c &= -2 \end{aligned}$$

ANSWER: $y = x^2 + x - 2$

Question 2 (5 points) Consider the following augmented matrix of a system of linear equations, where a can be any real number:

$$\left[\begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 0 & 2 & 1 \\ 1 & a^2 - 4 & 4 & 2 \\ 1 & 0 & a & a + 1 \end{array} \right]$$

Find all values of a such that the system of linear equations has either no solution, a unique solution, or infinitely many solutions.

Write a clear and complete solution, and provide your final answer in the box below.

$-R_{w1} + R_{w2}, -R_{w1} + R_{w3}$

$$\left[\begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 0 & 2 & 1 \\ 0 & a^2 - 4 & 2 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & a - 2 & a \end{array} \right]$$

① If $a = +2 \Rightarrow \left[\begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 0 & 2 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 2 \end{array} \right] \Rightarrow$ NO SOLUTION

② If $a = -2 \Rightarrow \left[\begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 0 & 2 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & -4 & -2 \end{array} \right] \rightarrow \left[\begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 0 & 2 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right]$

Infinitely many solutions $\begin{cases} x = 0 \\ y = 5 \\ z = 1/2 \end{cases}$

③ If $a \neq \pm 2$, unique solution

ANSWER:	No solution:	$a = +2$
	Unique solution:	$a \neq \pm 2$
	Infinitely many solutions:	$a = -2$

Part B: Provide your full solution on these pages.

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Question 1 (5 points) With full explanation, determine the quadratic $y = ax^2 + bx + c$ whose graph contains the points $(0, -2)$, $(1, -2)$ and $(2, 0)$.

Write a clear and complete solution, and provide your final answer in the box below.

We obtain 3 linear equations in variables a, b, c :

$$\begin{cases} 0a + 0b + 0c = -2 \\ a + b + c = -2 \\ 4a + 2b + c = 0 \end{cases}$$

Augmented matrix

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

$-R_{\text{row } 3} + R_{\text{row } 1}, -R_{\text{row } 3} + R_{\text{row } 2}$

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

$-4R_{\text{row } 1} + R_{\text{row } 2}$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -2 & 0 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\frac{-1}{2}R_{\text{row } 2}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$-R_{\text{row } 2} + R_{\text{row } 1}$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -2 \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow$$

$$\begin{aligned} a &= 1 \\ b &= -1 \\ c &= -2 \end{aligned}$$

ANSWER:

$$y = x^2 - x - 2$$

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$$\left[\begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 0 & 2 & -1 \\ 1 & a^2 - 4 & 4 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & a + 4 & a - 1 \end{array} \right]$$

Find all values of a such that the system of linear equations has either no solution, a unique solution, or infinitely many solutions.

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— Row 1 + Row 2, — Row 1 + Row 3

$$\left[\begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 0 & 2 & -1 \\ 0 & a^2 - 4 & 2 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & a + 2 & a \end{array} \right]$$

① if $a = -2 \Rightarrow \left[\begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 0 & 2 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & -2 \end{array} \right]$ No solution

② if $a = +2 \Rightarrow \left[\begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 0 & 2 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 4 & 2 \end{array} \right] \Rightarrow \left[\begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 0 & 2 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right]$

— Infinitely many solutions $\begin{cases} x = -2 \\ y = 5 \\ z = 1/2 \end{cases}$

③ if $a \neq \pm 2$, Unique solution

ANSWER: {	No solution:	$a = -2$
	Unique solution:	$a \neq \pm 2$
	Infinitely many solutions:	$a = +2$