

## MORE EXAMPLES OF SECTIONS 1.1

**Question 1.** Solve the linear system:

$$\begin{cases} x + 3y + 2z = 2 \\ 2x + 7y + 7z = -1 \\ 2x + 5y + 2z = 7 \end{cases}$$

**SOLUTIONS.**

1. Subtract twice the first equation from the second one and replace the second equation by the result to get

$$\begin{cases} x + 3y + 2z = 2 \\ y + 3z = -5 \\ 2x + 5y + 2z = 7 \end{cases}$$

Subtract twice the first equation from the third one and replace the third equation by the result to get

$$\begin{cases} x + 3y + 2z = 2 \\ y + 3z = -5 \\ -y + -2z = 3 \end{cases}$$

Adding the last two equations

$$\begin{cases} x + 3y + 2z = 2 \\ y + 3z = -5 \\ z = -2 \end{cases}$$

Multiply the third equation by  $-3$ , add to the second one and replace the second equation with the result to get

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

Multiply the third equation by  $-2$ , add to the first one to obtain

$$\begin{cases} x + 3y & = & 6 \\ & y & = & 1 \\ & & z & = & -2 \end{cases}$$

Multiply the second equation by  $-3$  and add to the first one to finally obtain

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

So the solution of the system is  $x = 3$ ,  $y = 1$ ,  $z = -2$ .