Material Covered

- Systems of linear equations.
 - As traditional equations
 - As a vector equation.
 - As a matrix equation.
 - Homogenous and non-homogenous systems
 - Types of solutions (general, particular, free variables, leading variables)
- Vectors
 - Linear Independence and dependence
 - o Span
 - Geometric interpretation
 - o Arithmetic of vectors (addition, scalar multiplication)
- Matrices
 - Echelon form, reduced echelon form
 - o Arithmetic of matrices (addition, scalar multiplication, matrix multiplication)

Textbook Reference

- Chapter 1: sections 1 and 2.
- Chapter 2.
- Chapter 3: sections 1, 2, and 3.

Important Concepts

• Relationships, relationships, relationships! (between all the material covered)

Important Skills

- Be able to determine when a system has a solution and how many there are.
- Be able to determine when a point is a solution to a system.
- Be able to determine the solution to a system.
- Be able to perform any elementary row operation.
- Be able to relate elementary row operations to matrices.
- Know when to use the various elementary row operations.
- Be able to perform arithmetic on systems, vectors, and matrices.
 - Be able to perform vector arithmetic in low-dimensional spaces graphically as well.
- Be able to find the span of a collection of vectors, and identify when a vector is in a span.
- Be able to identify when a collection of vectors is linearly independent or linearly dependent.
- Be able to determine when a function is a linear transformation.
- Be able to relate \mathbb{R}^{n} 's, linear transformations, matrices, and collections of vectors.
- Be abler to describe a linear transformation.
- Be able to compute inverses and apply them to matrix equations.