ROW REDUCTION WORKSHEET

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(1) Compute the reduced row echelon form of the following matrix and circle the pivots.

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 2 & 3 & -1 \\ 0 & -1 & 3 & -2 \end{bmatrix}$$

(2) Compute the reduced row echelon form of the following matrix and circle the pivots.

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 2 & -1 & 0 \\ -1 & 3 & 2 & -1 \\ 0 & -4 & 2 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

(3) Consider the linear system corresponding to the augmented matrix below. Write the solution set in parametric form.

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & -7/2 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & -1/2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Answers: (1) $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & -1/2 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 1/2 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -1/2 \end{bmatrix}$ (2) $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & -7/2 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & -1/2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ (3) $\begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 7/2 \\ 1/2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} t + \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$