# MTH 42 LECTURE NOTES (Ojakian)

## Topic 2: Special Forms

#### **OUTLINE**

(References: 1.1)

- 1. Triangular Systems
- 2. Echelon Form
- 3. Back substitution

# 1. Triangular form

(a)

**PROBLEM 1.** Do 1.1 (p.12): 24

- (b) Note properties of triangular system.
- (c) Definition: Leading Variable

### 2. Echelon Form

(a)

PROBLEM 2. Do Example 6.

- (b) Note Definition 1.3 Echelon Form
- (c) Definition: Free Variables (versus leading variables)
- (d) Process called Back Substitution
- (e)

**PROBLEM 3.** From 1.1 (page 12): Do exercises 15, 17, 19, 21.

- 3. Solve using a computer
  - (a) Write the coefficients and the constant column as a  ${\bf matrix}$  and a  ${\bf vector}.$
  - (b) Then plug into the computer function.
- 4. More Exercises

**PROBLEM 4.** Do 1.1 (p.12): 41, 43