Math1204 Test 1

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Answer all questions and give complete reasons and checks for your answers. Please do not erase anything, just put a line through your work and continue; you cannot lose marks for anything you write. The parts of the questions are weighted as shown and can be answered in any order.

1. (a) Find a particular solution and the homogeneous solution for this system of equations by using row operations to pivot as many times as possible. [9]

$$5w + 2x - 5y + 5z = 5$$

$$w + 3x - y + z = 14$$

$$-w + 4x - 5y + z = -1$$

$$w - 2x + 2y = 0$$

- (b) Check your solutions by substitution back into the original equation. What is the rank of the underlying matrix? Give a rank 1 system of equations with no zeros in which has your particular solution as a homogeneous solution. [4]
- 2. Use row operations on the this matrix represention of a system of equations and produce a row of zeros and hence find its solution which only involves simple fractions. [7]

Check your answer using matrix multiplication.