

Name: Key

Directions: Show all work. No credit for answers without work.

1. [2 parts, 5 points each] Solve the following systems of linear equations.

$$(a) \begin{array}{rcl} x + 2y + z & = & 0 \\ 2x + 5y + 3z & = & -4 \\ x + 3y + 4z & = & -10 \end{array}$$

$$x + 2y + z = 0$$

$$y + z = -4$$

$$y + 3z = -10$$

$$\text{So, } z = -3,$$

$$y + (-3) = -4$$

$$y = -1,$$

$$x + 2y + z = 0$$

$$y + z = -4$$

$$2z = -6$$

$$x + 2(-1) + (-3) = 0$$

$$x = 5$$

$$1 \text{ soln: } \boxed{x = 5, y = -1, z = -3}.$$

$$(b) \begin{array}{rcl} x + 3y + z & = & 2 \\ 3x + 7y + 7z & = & 8 \end{array}$$

$$x + 3y + z = 2$$

$$-2y + 4z = 2$$

For each  $k$ , we get a soln with

$$z = k,$$

$$y - 2k = -1$$

$$y = 2k - 1,$$

$$x + 3(2k - 1) + k = 2$$

$$x + 7k - 3 = 2$$

$$x = 5 - 7k$$

Infinitely many solns of the form:

$$\boxed{x = 5 - 7k, y = 2k - 1, z = k.}$$