1. Solve the following systems of equations by Gaussian elimination:

$$2x + z = 2$$

$$2x + y + z = 4$$

$$3x - y - z = -11$$

(a) 
$$x + y + z = -1$$
  
 $y - 2z = 3$ 

(b) 
$$2x - y - 2z = 1$$

(c) 
$$x - y + z = -9$$

$$x-z=2$$

$$x + 2y - 2z = 9$$

2. A parabola passes through the points (0, 3), (2, 5) and (-1, 8).

Form a system of equations and solve to find the equation of the parabola.

**3.** For the system of equations :-

$$x + 2y + z = 60$$

$$2x + 3y + z = 85$$

$$3x + y + pz = 105$$

find the value of p such that there is inconsistency and hence no solutions.

**4.** For what values of a and b will the system of equations

$$2x + y - 3z = 5$$

$$x - 2y + 3z = 1$$

$$2x - y + az = b$$

- (a) be inconsistent (i.e. have no solutions)
- (b) be redundant (i.e. have infinitely many solutions)?

5. What is meant by a system of equations being *ill-conditioned*?

Determine if these systems of equations are ill-conditioned.

$$7x + 5y = 19$$

(b) 
$$7x + 5y = 2$$

$$4x - 3y = 13$$