

# 5.8.25

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**Question.**One says, "Give me a hundred, Friend! I shall then become twice as rich as you ". The other "if you give me ten, i shall be six times as rich as you ". Tell me What is the amount of their (respective) capital? [From the bijaganita of Bhaskara II].

**Solution:**

Let us solve the given equation theoretically and then verify the solution computationally.

Let an amount with Friend 1 be  $a$  and amount with Friend 2 be  $b$

From given information:

$$a + 100 = 2(b - 100) \quad (1)$$

$$a - 2b = -300 \quad (2)$$

And

$$b + 10 = 6(a - 10) \quad (3)$$

$$b + 10 = 6a - 60; \quad (4)$$

$$6a - b = 70 \quad (5)$$

By combining the Eq.2 and Eq.5 we get

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & -2 \\ 6 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \mathbf{x} = \begin{pmatrix} -300 \\ 70 \end{pmatrix} \quad (6)$$

Where

$$\mathbf{x} = \begin{pmatrix} a \\ b \end{pmatrix} \quad (7)$$

$$\left( \begin{array}{cc|c} 1 & -2 & -300 \\ 6 & -1 & 70 \end{array} \right) \xrightarrow{R_2 \leftarrow R_2 - 6R_1} \left( \begin{array}{cc|c} 1 & -2 & -300 \\ 0 & 11 & 1870 \end{array} \right) \quad (8)$$

$$\left( \begin{array}{cc|c} 1 & -2 & -300 \\ 0 & 11 & 1870 \end{array} \right) \xrightarrow{R_2 \leftarrow \frac{1}{11}R_2} \left( \begin{array}{cc|c} 1 & -2 & -300 \\ 0 & 1 & 170 \end{array} \right) \quad (9)$$

$$\left( \begin{array}{cc|c} 1 & -2 & -300 \\ 0 & 1 & 170 \end{array} \right) \xrightarrow{R_1 \leftarrow R_1 + 2R_2} \left( \begin{array}{cc|c} 1 & 0 & 40 \\ 0 & 1 & 170 \end{array} \right) \quad (10)$$

$$\mathbf{x} = \begin{pmatrix} 40 \\ 170 \end{pmatrix} \quad (11)$$

$$a = 40 \text{ and } b = 170 \quad (12)$$

The amount with Friend 1 = 40

The amount with Friend 2 = 170

From the figure it is clearly verified that the theoretical solution matches with the computational solution.

