5.8.3

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Question

5 pencils and 7 pens together cost ₹50, whereas 7 pencils and 5 pens together cost ₹46. Find the cost of one pencil and that of one pen.

Converting to Equations:

Let the cost of one pencil be x, pen be y.

$$\begin{cases} 5x + 7y = 50 \\ 7x + 5y = 46 \end{cases}$$

Forming Augmented Matrix:

$$\begin{pmatrix}
5 & 7 & 50 \\
7 & 5 & 46
\end{pmatrix}$$

Row Operation and Reduction:

$$\begin{pmatrix} 5 & 7 & 50 \\ 7 & 5 & 46 \end{pmatrix} \xrightarrow{R_2 \to R_2 - \frac{7}{5}R_1} \begin{pmatrix} 5 & 7 & 50 \\ 0 & -4.8 & -24 \end{pmatrix} \tag{1}$$

Back Substitution:

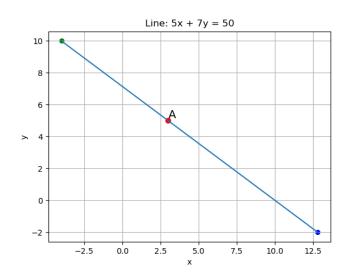
From second row: $-4.8y = -24 \implies y = 5$

From first row: $5x + 7y = 50 \implies 5x + 35 = 50 \implies x = 3$

Final Solution:

Cost of one pencil is ₹3 and one pen is ₹5:

$$\mathbf{x} = \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ 5 \end{pmatrix}$$



Codes

For Codes, refer to the URL below:

https://github.com/Aditya-Mishra11005/ee1030-2025/tree/main/ee25btech11005/matgeo/5.8.3/Codes