# Discussion Assignment Unit 5 Math 1201- College Algebra.

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### PART 1

#### **QUESTION**

First, create 3 equations of the form ax + by + cz = d, where a, b, c, and d are constants (integers between -5 and 5). For example, x + 2y - z = -1. Perform on your system to obtain a row-echelon form and the solution.

Go to the 3D calculator website GeoGebra: www.geogebra.org/3d?lang=pt and enter each of the equations.

**SOLUTION** The equations i will be using are

$$x - y + z = 4$$
$$3x - 2y - z = -2$$
$$4x + 3y - 2z = 5$$

Writing the augmented matrix

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 & 1 & | & 4 \\ 3 & 2 & -1 & | & -2 \\ 4 & -3 & -2 & | & 5 \end{bmatrix}$$

Performing row operations to obtain row-echelon form.

$$-3R_1 + R_2 = R_2 \rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 & 1 & | & 4 \\ 0 & 5 & -3 & | & -14 \\ 4 & -3 & -2 & | & 5 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$-4R_1 + R_3 = R_3 \rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 & 1 & | & 4 \\ 0 & 5 & -3 & | & -14 \\ 0 & 1 & -6 & | & -36 \end{bmatrix}$$
Interchange  $R_2$  and  $R_3 \rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 & 1 & | & 4 \\ 0 & 1 & -6 & | & -36 \\ 0 & 5 & -3 & | & -14 \end{bmatrix}$ 

Then,

$$-5R_2 + R_3 = R_3 \rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 & 1 & | & 4 \\ 0 & 1 & -6 & | & -36 \\ 0 & 0 & 27 & | & 166 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\frac{1}{27}R_3 = R_3 \rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 & 1 & | & 4 \\ 0 & 1 & -6 & | & -36 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & | & \frac{166}{27} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$x - y + z = 4$$

$$y - 6z = -36$$

$$z = \frac{166}{27}$$

Substituting z into y - 6z = -36

$$y = -36 + 6z$$

$$y = -36 + 6\left(\frac{166}{27}\right)$$

$$y = \frac{996}{27} - 36$$

$$y = \frac{24}{27}$$

Substituting z and y into x - y + z = 4

$$x - y + z = 4$$

$$x = 4 + y - z$$

$$x = 4 + \frac{24}{27} - \frac{166}{27}$$

$$x = \frac{108 + 24 - 166}{27}$$

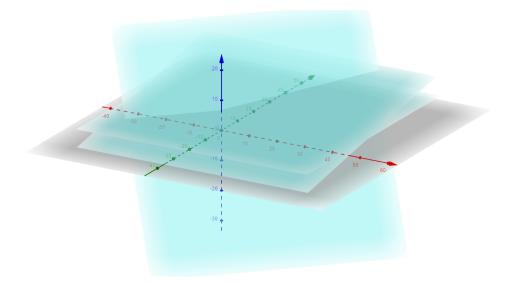
$$x = \frac{132 - 166}{27}$$

$$x = -\frac{34}{27}$$

So, the solution is

$$\left(-\frac{34}{27}, \frac{24}{27}, \frac{166}{27}\right)$$

These are the points of intersection between the three planes (Abramson, 2017). The 3D graph of the equation is given below.



## PART 2

#### QUESTION

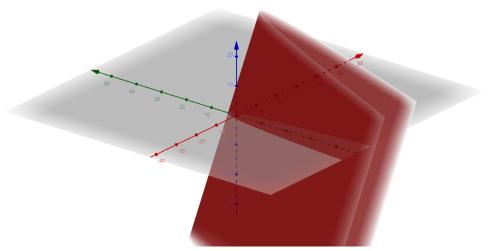
After you have completed the first task, choose **ONE** of the following to complete your discussion post.

**4.** Give an example with 2 equations as simple as possible with 3 variables (at least 1 being non-linear, keeping z to the one power on both equations) and describe the potential of GeoGebra to study nonlinear systems.

 ${\bf SOLUTION}$  The First example of a non-linear system with a quadratic equation

$$3x^2 + 3y + z = 10$$

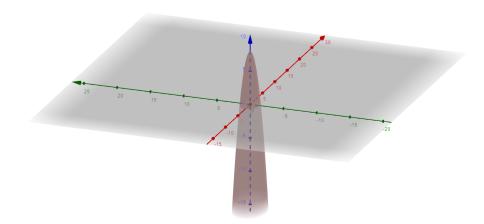
The 3D graph of the equation is given below.



The Second example of a non-linear system with a cubic equation

$$2x^2 + 4y^2 + z = 8$$

The 3D graph of the equation is given below.



Geogebra is a very useful tool plotting the graph of these equations for better visualisation of the points of intersection as it renders it in 3D.

## References

Abramson, J. (2017). Algebra and trigonometry. OpenStax, TX: Rice University. Retrieved from https://openstax.org/details/books/algebra-and-trigonometry