

Introduction to Mathematics

System for Linear Equations

Week 8

Introduction

System of Linear Equations

- Two Variables(2×2)
- Three Variables(3×3)

Learning Objectives

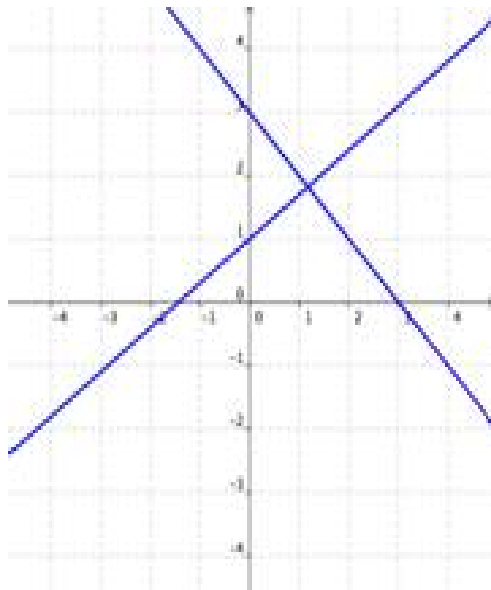
- Determine the nature of solution using slope intercept form.
- Determine the nature of solution using graphical method.
- Solve the system of equation in two variables.
- Solve the system of equation in three variables.

Linear Functions

- A system of equations is a collection of two or more equations with a same set of unknowns. In solving a system of equations, we try to find values for each of the unknowns that will satisfy every equation in the system.
- The equations in the system can be linear or non-linear. This lecture reviews systems of linear equations.

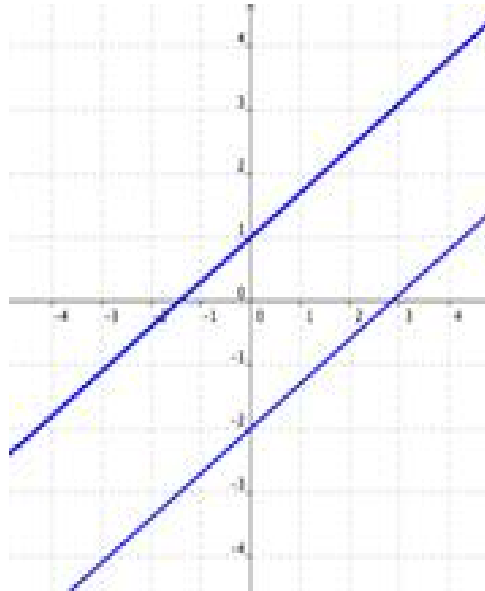
Graphical Interpretation of solutions

One Solution



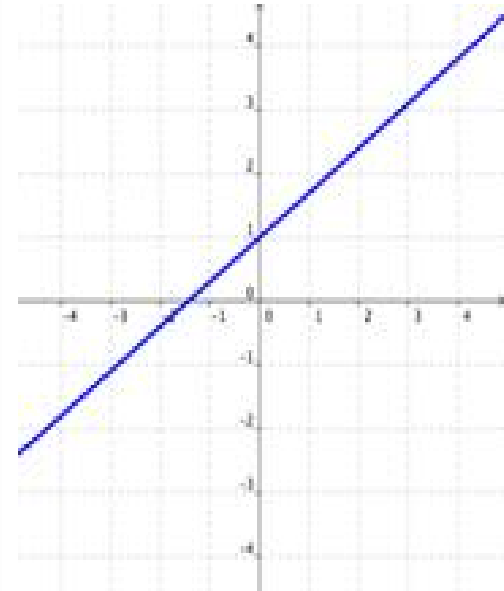
If the graphs of the equations intersect, then there is one solution that is true for both equations.

No Solutions



If the graphs of the equations do not intersect (for example, if they are parallel), then there are no solutions that are true for both equations.

Infinite Solutions



If the graphs of the equations are the same, then there are an infinite number of solutions that are true for both equations.

Interpretation of solution using slope-intercept method

From Figure 1

Unique Solution :

If $m_1 \neq m_2$

From Figure 2

No Solution :

If $m_1 = m_2$, but $k_1 \neq k_2$

From Figure 3

Infinite Solution : (Same Equations)

If $m_1 = m_2$, and $k_1 = k_2$

Exercise 3.1

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Q.3 $4x - 2y = 8$ ------(1)

$x + 2y = 12$ ------(2)

Slope intercept form of equation (1) $y = mx + k$

Slope intercept form of equation (2) $y = mx + k$

•Solution:

$$\begin{aligned} -2y &= -4x + 8 \\ y &= -\frac{4}{-2}x + \frac{8}{-2} \end{aligned}$$

$$y = 2x - 4$$

Slope = 2, K = -4

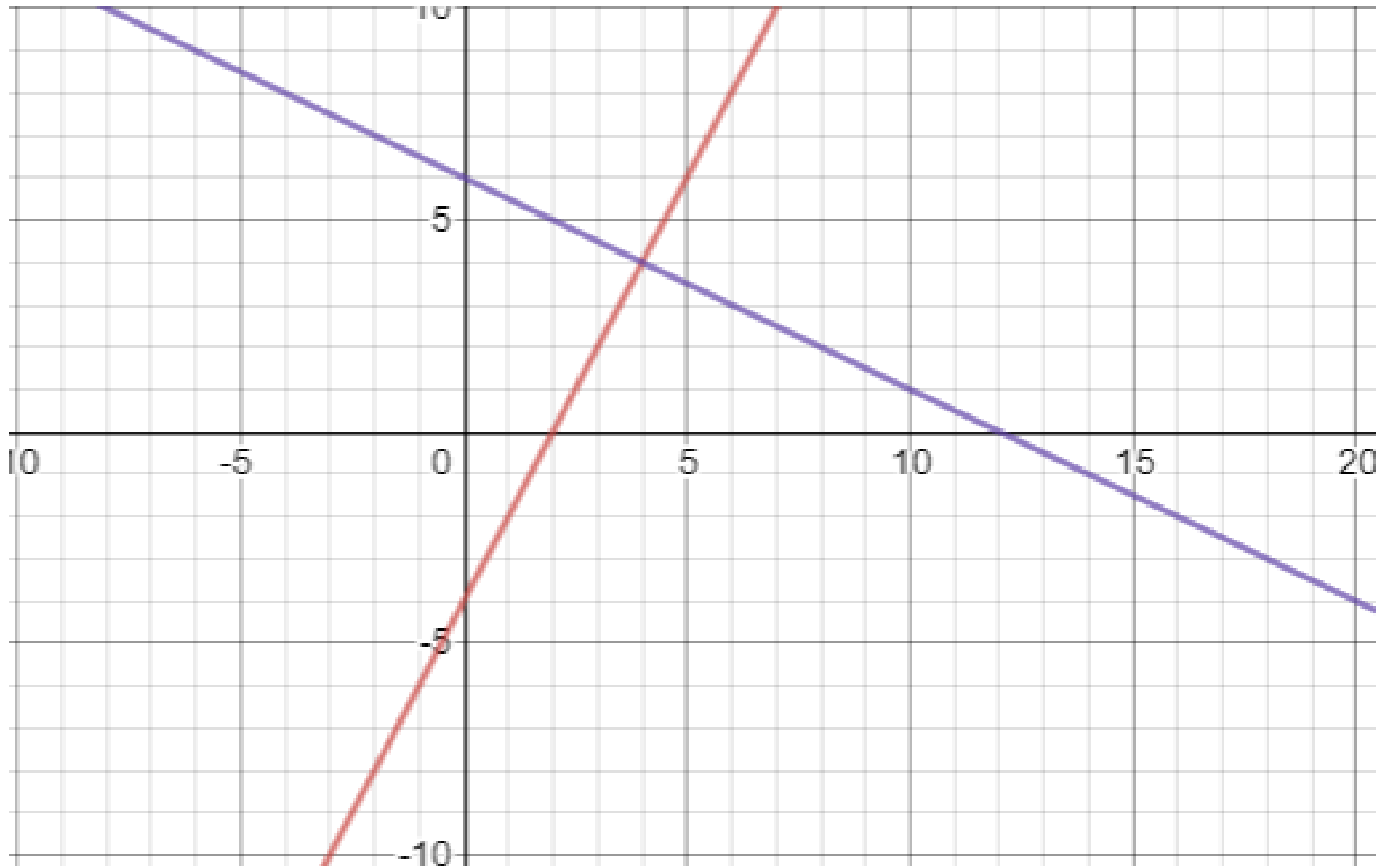
•Solution:

$$\begin{aligned} 2y &= -x + 12 \\ y &= -\frac{1}{2}x + \frac{12}{2} \end{aligned}$$

$$y = -\frac{1}{2}x + 6$$

Slope -1/2, K = 6

Unique Solution $m_1 \neq m_2$



Unique solution

Q.14

$$x - 2y = 0 \text{ -----(1)}$$

$$-3x + 6y = 5 \text{ -----(2)}$$

Slope intercept form of equation (1) $y=mx + k$

•Solution:

$$\begin{aligned} -2y &= -x \\ Y &= -\frac{1}{-2} x \\ Y &= \frac{1}{2} x \end{aligned}$$

Slope = $1/2$, K= 0

No Solution :

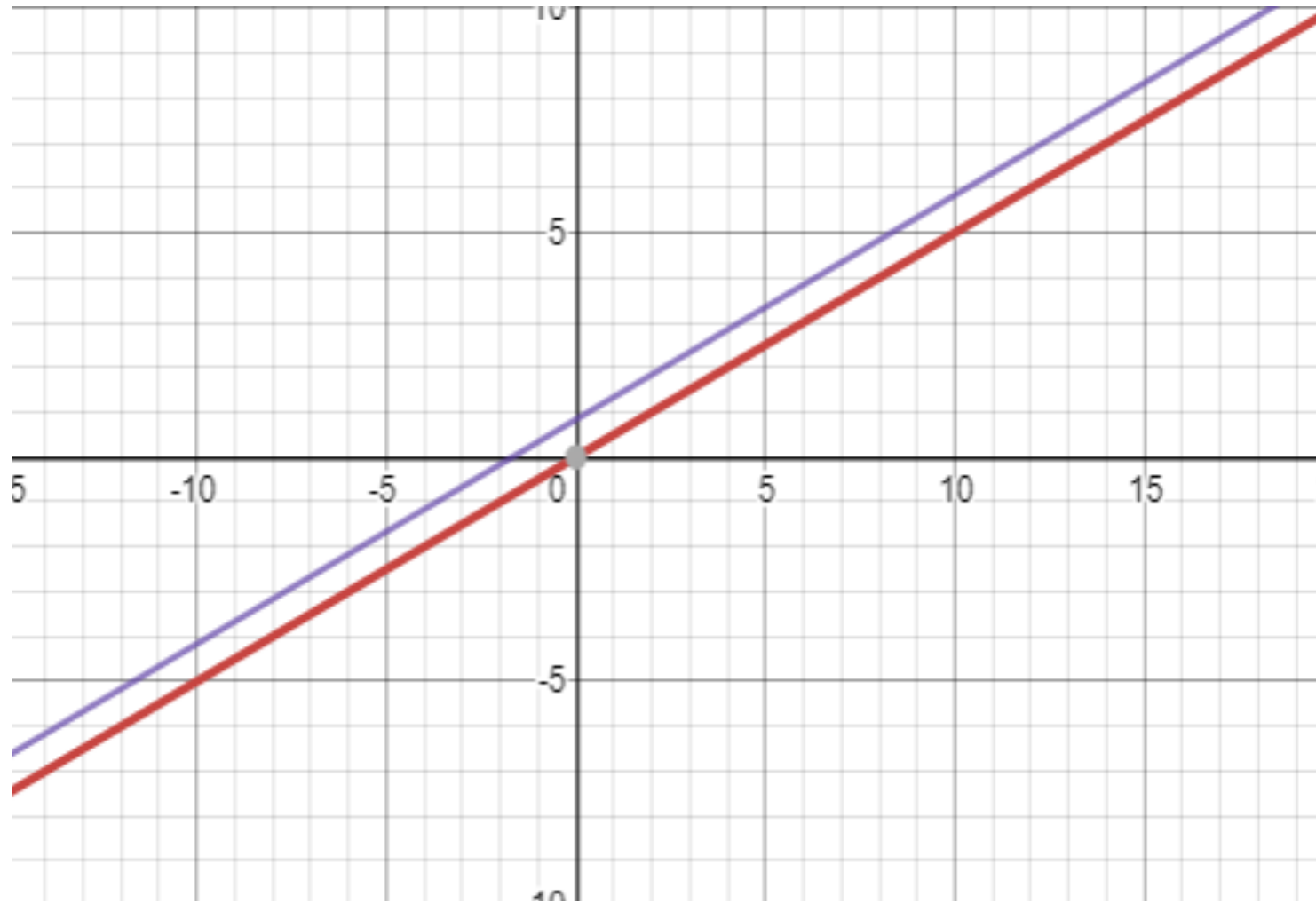
Since $m_1 = m_2$, but $k_1 \neq k_2$

Slope intercept form of equation (2) $y=mx + k$

•Solution:

$$\begin{aligned} 6y &= 3x + 5 \\ Y &= \frac{3}{6} x + \frac{5}{6} \\ Y &= \frac{1}{2} x + \frac{5}{6} \end{aligned}$$

Slope $1/2$, K= $5/6$



**No
solution**

Q.17

$$4x - 2y = 10 \text{ -----(1)}$$

$$-2x + y = -5 \text{ -----(2)}$$

Slope intercept form of equation (1) $y=mx + k$

•Solution:

$$\begin{aligned} -2y &= -4x + 10 \\ Y &= -\frac{4}{-2}x + \frac{10}{-2} \end{aligned}$$

$$Y = 2x - 5$$

Slope =2, K= -5

Infinitely many solutions

Since $m_1 = m_2$, and $k_1 = k_2$

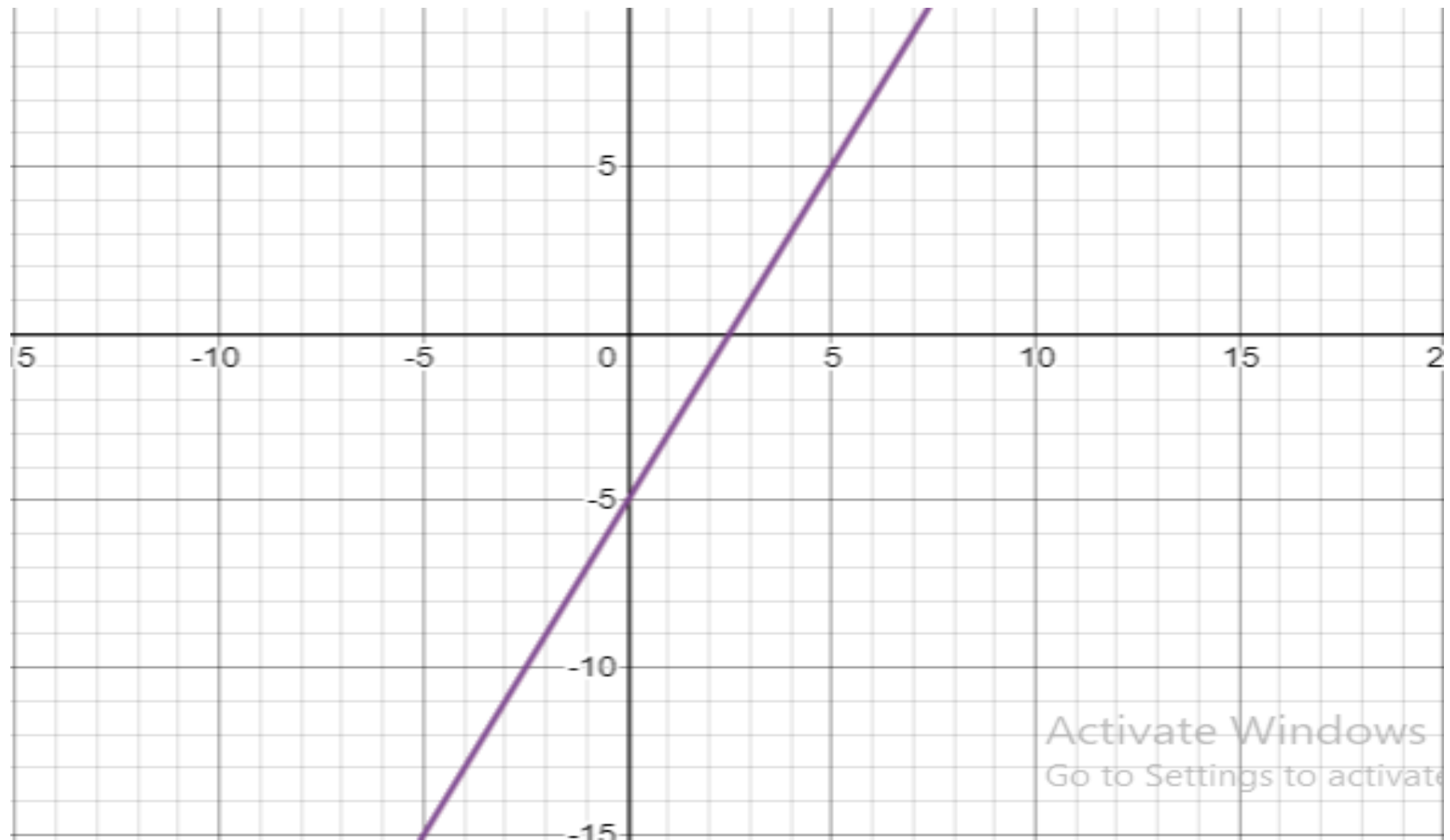
Slope intercept form of equation (2) $y=mx + k$

•Solution:

$$y = 2x - 5$$

$$y = 2x - 5$$

Slope =2, K= -5



**Infinitely Many
Solutions**

Q. 11.

$$2x - 3y = -13$$

$$4x + 2y = -2$$

We would solve it through elimination,

Multiply eq 1 by 2 and subtract eq.2 from it

$$2(2x - 3y) = -(13)2$$

$$4x - 6y = -26$$

$$\underline{-4x + 2y = -2}$$

$$-8y = -24$$

$$y = 3$$

•Put the value of y in Eq. 1

$$2x - 3y = -13$$

$$2x - 3(3) = -13$$

$$2x = -13 + 9$$

$$x = -\frac{4}{2}$$

$$x = -2$$

Solution set = $(-2, 3)$
implies unique solution

Q. 16.

$$x - 2y = 4 \text{---(1)}$$

$$-4x + 8y = -10 \text{---(2)}$$

We would solve it through elimination, Multiply equation 1 by 4 and subtract equation 2 from it

$$4(x - 2y) = 4(4)$$

$$4x - 8y = 16$$

$$\underline{-4x + 8y = -10}$$

$$0x + 0y = 6$$

$$0 = 6$$

No Solution

•Q. 13.

$$-x + 2y = -2$$

$$3x = 6y + 6$$

First write the equation in standard form

$$3x - 6y = 6 \text{-----}(2)$$

We would solve it through elimination, Multiply equation 1 by 3
and add equation 2 to it

$$3(-x + 2y) = 3(-2)$$

$$-3x + 6y = -6$$

$$\underline{3x - 6y = 6}$$

$$0x + 0y = 0$$

$$0 = 0$$

Infinitely Many Solutions

Practice Questions

$$1. \begin{cases} x + 3y = -9 \\ 4y = x + 16 \end{cases} \quad (12, 1)$$

$$2. \begin{cases} 2x + 3y = 3 \\ -6x - 12y = -11 \end{cases} \quad \left(\frac{1}{2}, \frac{2}{3}\right)$$

$$3. \begin{cases} 3m + 6n = 12 \\ 4m + 5n = 28 \end{cases} \quad (12, -4)$$

$$4. \begin{cases} -3x + 6y = 18 \\ y = \frac{1}{2}x + 3 \end{cases} \quad \text{Many solutions Same Line!}$$

$$5. \begin{cases} 5x - \frac{28}{3}y = 2 \\ -3x = 4y \end{cases} \quad \left(\frac{1}{6}, -\frac{1}{8}\right)$$

$$6. \begin{cases} \frac{1}{2}x - \frac{1}{3}y = \frac{1}{6} \\ 6x - 4y = 1 \end{cases} \quad \text{NO solution Parallel Lines!}$$

Exercise 3.4 (Page 118)

Q.1 A company produces three products which must be processed through three departments. The following table summarizes the labor hours required per unit each department. The monthly labor hour capacities for the three departments are 1800, 1450, and 1900 hours. Determine whether there is a combination of the three products which could be produced monthly so as to consume full monthly labor availabilities of all departments.

Department	Product 1	Product 2	Product 3
A	3	2	5
B	4	1	3
C	2	4	1

Exercise 3.4

Solution.1

a= no of units of product 1

b= no of units of product 2

c= no of units of product 3

$$3a + 2b + 5c = 1800$$

$$4a + b + 3c = 1450$$

$$2a + 4b + c = 1900$$

Solution

a = 200 units

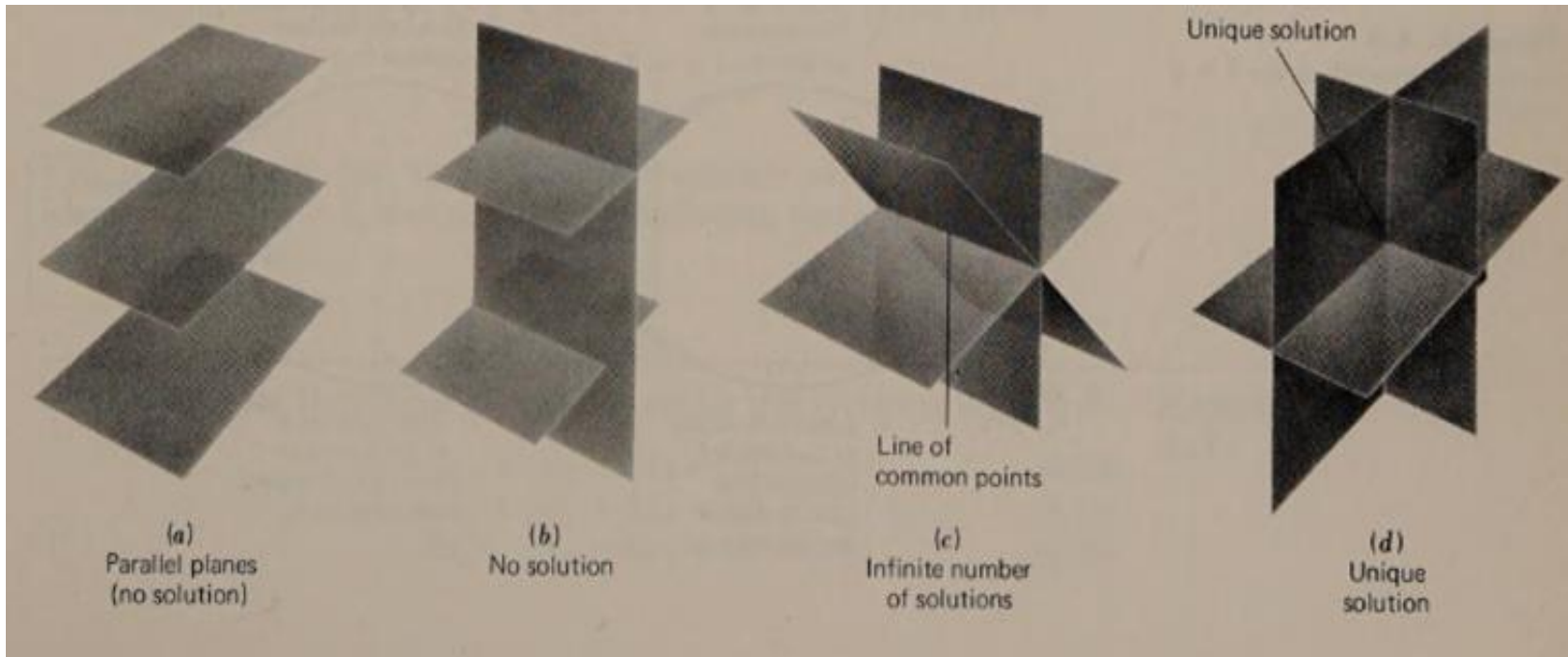
b = 350 units

c = 100 units

Solution of 3×3 System of Equations

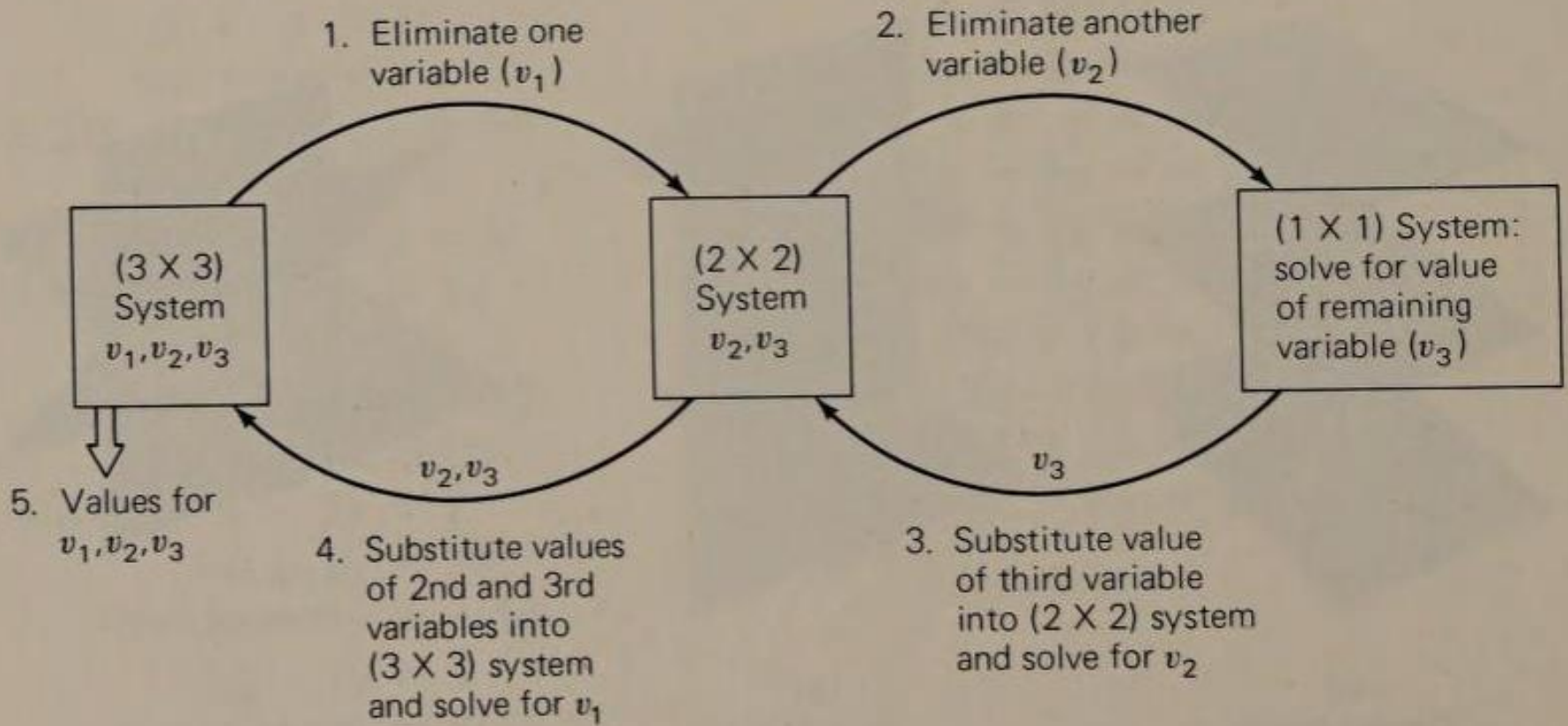
3x3 System of Equations

- A 3x3 system of equations will consist of 3 equations with 3 variables, for example, x, y, z .
- With three variables, each equation graphs as a plane in three dimensions (as opposed to a line for an equation with two variables).
- It is possible to have all 3 type of solution sets
- Unique Solution Set
- No Solution
- Infinite Number of Solutions.



Solution By Elimination Method

- The Elimination Method for 3×3 system is similar to that of a 2×2 system.
- We'll start with a 3×3 system and reduce it to an equivalent system with 2 variables and 2 equations (a 2×2 system).
- Then we'll eliminate a second variable to get a 1×1 system and get the value of first variable.
- This value is substituted into the 2×2 system and finally the 3×3 system to get the value of the other two variables.
- If, during any phase of the elimination an identity equation comes up, then there will be infinite solutions.



Example

Determine the Solution set for the following system of equations

$$x_1 + x_2 + x_3 = 6 \quad (\text{Eq. 1})$$

$$2x_1 - x_2 + 3x_3 = 4 \quad (\text{Eq. 2})$$

$$4x_1 + 5x_2 - 10x_3 = 13 \quad (\text{Eq. 3})$$

Let's try to eliminate variable x_2 first. We can see that if Eq.1 and Eq. 2 are added, the positive and negative x_2 will add to give zero, hence eliminating the variable. So, adding Eq. 1 and Eq. 2:

$$x_1 + x_2 + x_3 = 6$$

$$\underline{2x_1 - x_2 + 3x_3 = 4}$$

$$3x_1 \quad + 4x_3 = 10 \quad \text{Eq. 4}$$

We need another equation. Multiplying Eq. 2 with +5 and adding to Eq. 3 yields a new equation. This is shown in the next slide

- $$10x_1 - 5x_2 + 15x_3 = 20 \text{ (Eq. 2 multiplied by 5)}$$

$$\underline{4x_1 + 5x_2 - 10x_3 = 13} \text{ (Eq. 3)}$$

$$14x_1 \quad \quad + 5x_3 = 33 \text{ (Eq. 5)}$$

Since x_2 has been eliminated, Eq. 4 and Eq. 5 constitute an equivalent 2 x 2 system, which is shown below.

$$3x_1 + 4x_3 = 10 \quad \quad \quad \text{(Eq. 4)}$$

$$14x_1 + 5x_3 = 33 \quad \quad \quad \text{(Eq. 5)}$$

Using elimination methods discussed for the 2 x 2 system in the previous lessons, we can eliminate x_3 by multiplying Eq. 4 with +5 and Eq. 5 with -4 respectively, and adding the two results.

$$15x_1 + 20x_3 = 50 \quad \quad \text{(Eq 4. multiplied by 5)}$$

$$\underline{-56x_1 - 20x_3 = -132} \text{ (Eq. 5 multiplied by -4)}$$

$$-41x_1 \quad \quad \quad = -82$$

$$\mathbf{x_1 = 2}$$

• This value of x_1 is substituted into Eq. 4 to get the value of x_3

$$3x_1 + 4x_3 = 10$$

$$3(2) + 4x_3 = 10$$

$$x_3 = 1$$

Now, substituting value of x_1 and x_3 into Eq. 1

$$2 + x_2 + 1 = 6$$

$$x_2 = 3$$

You can further verify your answer by substituting the values of x_1, x_2, x_3 into Eq.2 and 3.

Further examples :

<https://mathbitsnotebook.com/Algebra2/Polynomials/POSystems.html>

Practice Question

$$2x + 5y + 2z = -38$$

$$3x - 2y + 4z = 17$$

$$-6x + y - 7z = -12$$

For help in solution:

<http://tutorial.math.lamar.edu/Solutions/Alg/SystemsThreeVrble/Prob1.aspx>

Learning Material

- <https://www.khanacademy.org/math/algebra-home/alg-system-of-equations/alg-systems-with-three-variables/v/systems-of-three-variables?modal=1>
- <http://sites.science.oregonstate.edu/math/home/programs/undergrad/CalculusQuestStudyGuides/vcalc/gauss/gauss.html>
- <https://www.purplemath.com/modules/systlin6.htm>

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