Pair of linear equation in two variables

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1. On comparing $\frac{a_1}{a_2}$, $\frac{b_1}{b_2}$ $\frac{c_1}{c_2}$ Find out whether the following pair of linear equation are consistent, or inconsistent.

$$2x - 3y = 8; (1)$$

$$4x - 6y = 9 \tag{2}$$

Solution:

Equations can be written as:

$$\begin{pmatrix} 2 & -3 \\ 4 & -6 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 8 \\ 9 \end{pmatrix} \tag{3}$$

The values of x and y are:

$$x = \frac{\begin{vmatrix} \mathbf{b} & \mathbf{a_2} \end{vmatrix}}{\begin{vmatrix} \mathbf{a_1} & \mathbf{a_2} \end{vmatrix}} = \frac{\begin{vmatrix} 8 & 9 \\ -3 & -6 \end{vmatrix}}{\begin{vmatrix} 2 & 4 \\ -3 & -6 \end{vmatrix}} = \frac{\begin{vmatrix} 8 \times -6 \\ -9 \times -3 \end{vmatrix}}{\begin{vmatrix} 2 \times -6 \\ -4 \times -3 \end{vmatrix}} = \frac{-48 + 27}{-12 + 12} = \frac{-21}{0}$$
(5)

$$y = \frac{\begin{vmatrix} \mathbf{a_1} & \mathbf{b} \end{vmatrix}}{\begin{vmatrix} \mathbf{a_1} & \mathbf{a_2} \end{vmatrix}} = \frac{\begin{vmatrix} 2 & 4 \\ 8 & 9 \end{vmatrix}}{\begin{vmatrix} 2 & 4 \\ -3 & -6 \end{vmatrix}} = \frac{\begin{vmatrix} 2 \times 9 | - |4 \times 8|}{\begin{vmatrix} 2 \times -6 | - |4 \times -3|} = \frac{18 - 32}{-12 + 12} = \frac{-14}{0}$$
(6)

The solution derived is inconsistent as the ${\bf x}$ and ${\bf y}$ values are undefined so , no solution exist