Linear equations in two variables

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This is Problem-4.3 from Exercise 3.2

1. Which of the following pairs of linear equations are consistent, or inconsistent. If consistent, obtain the solution graphically.

$$2x + y = 6 \tag{1}$$

$$2x - y = 2 \tag{2}$$

(3)

Solution:

Matrix form of the equations: $\begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 & 6 \\ 2 & -1 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$ $R_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 & 6 \end{pmatrix}, R_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & -1 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$

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 $R_2 \rightarrow R_1 + R_2$, we get:

$$\begin{pmatrix}
2 & 1 & 6 \\
4 & 0 & 8
\end{pmatrix}$$
(4)

 $R_1 \rightarrow 2R_1 - R_2$, we get:

$$\begin{pmatrix}
0 & 2 & 4 \\
4 & 0 & 8
\end{pmatrix}$$
(5)

$$R_1 \rightarrow \frac{R_1}{2} R_2 \rightarrow \frac{R_2}{4}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix}
0 & 1 & 2 \\
1 & 0 & 2
\end{pmatrix}$$
(6)

Therefore, x = 2 , y = 2