

# How to solve a Linear System Equation using Python

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## 1 Problem

Consider the system of linear equations below:

$$\begin{cases} x + y = 6 \\ -3x + y = 2 \end{cases}$$

A system with linear equations is equivalent to a matrix equation of the form:

$$\mathbf{A}\mathbf{X} = \mathbf{B}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ -3 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \times \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 6 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

So, to solve a system of linear equations, we need to define the 3 elements:

$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ -3 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\mathbf{X} = \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\mathbf{B} = \begin{bmatrix} 6 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

Using some matrix properties, we can isolate the vector with unknown variables and solve the product between the inverse of matrix A and matrix B.

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{A}\mathbf{X} &= \mathbf{B} \\ \mathbf{A}^{-1}\mathbf{A}\mathbf{X} &= \mathbf{A}^{-1}\mathbf{B} \\ \mathbf{X} &= \mathbf{A}^{-1}\mathbf{B} \end{aligned}$$