

Bell Work

- Solve the following for y:

$$8x + 4y = 16$$


- Compare and contrast your answer with the following equation:

$$y = 2x + 4$$



ALGEBRA 3

Day 24



Objective: To solve a system of equations by graphing (3.1) or algebraically (3.2)

3.1 – Solving Systems Using Graphs

■ **System of Two Linear Equations:** consists of two equations

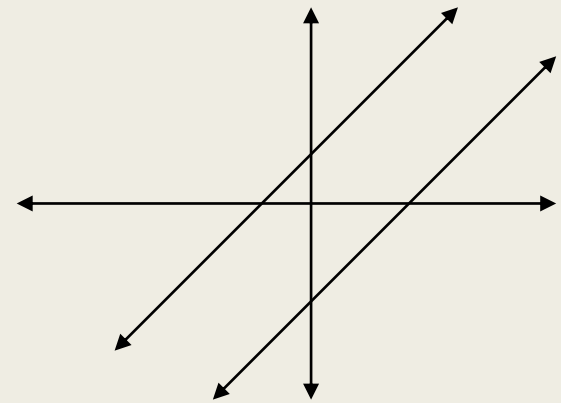
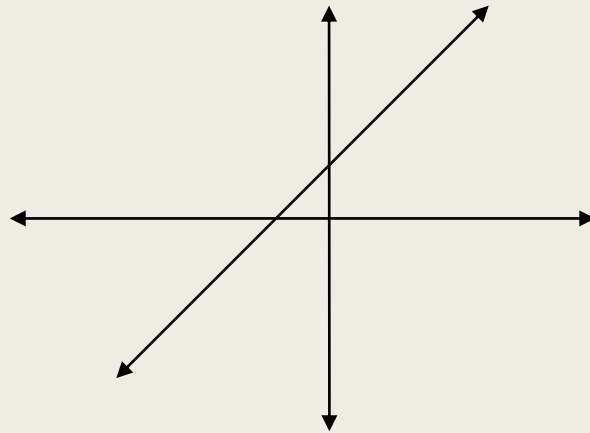
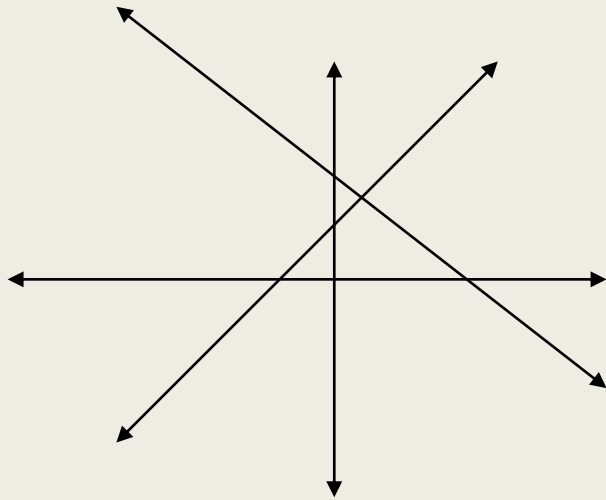
– *Equation 1:* $Ax + By = C$; or $y = m_1x + b_1$

– *Equation 2:* $Dx + Ey = F$; or $y = m_2x + b_2$

Solution: an ordered pair (x, y) that satisfies **BOTH** equations

Number of Solutions of a Linear System

Describe the number of solutions below.



Note: There are two lines here.
They are on top of each other

Steps to Solving by Graphing:

- 1.) Rewrite each equation of the system in slope intercept form. ($y = mx + b$)
- 2.) Graph each equation. (Use your calculator!)
- 3.) Find the intersection. (Refer to chart above for one, zero or infinite solutions).

How many solutions does each have?
Identify the solution when possible.

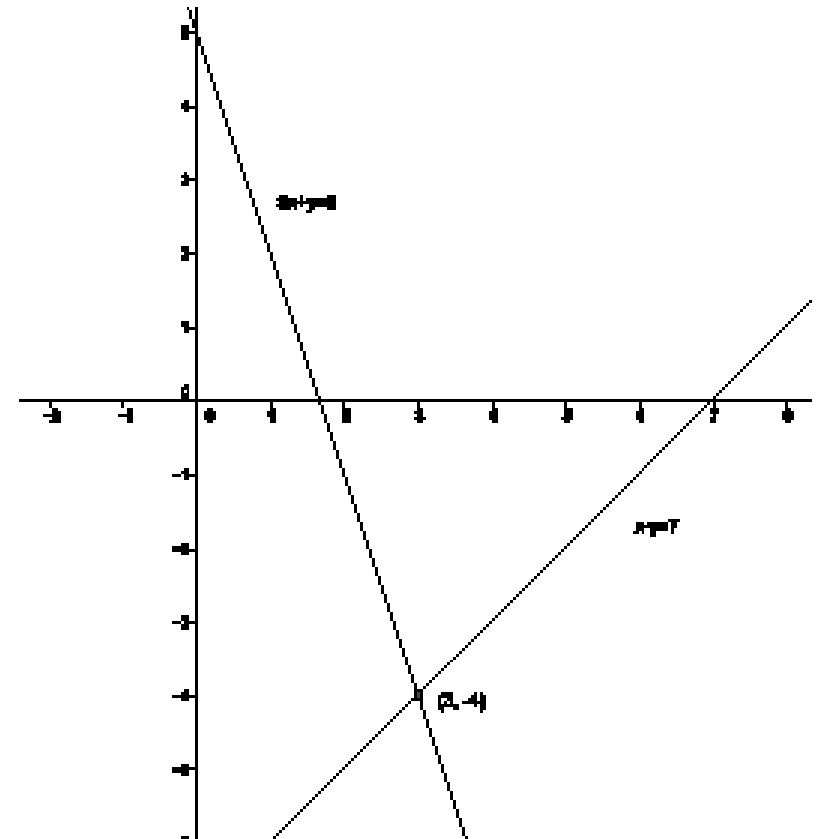
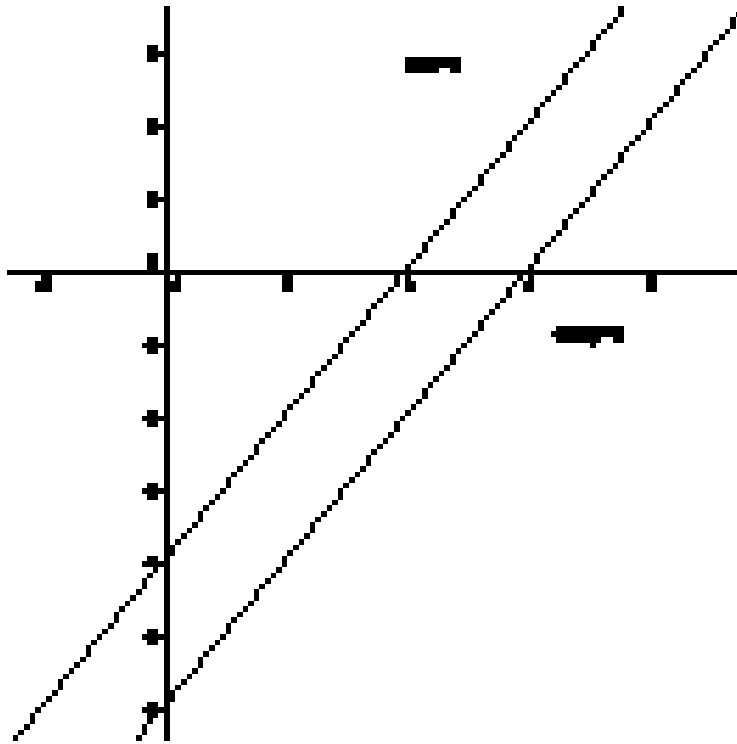
$$2x - y = 4$$

$$-2x + y = -6$$

$$3x + y = 5$$

$$x - y = 7$$

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3.2 – Solving Systems Algebraically

■ **System of Two Linear Equations:** consists of two equations

- *Equation 1:* $Ax + By = C$; or $y = m_1x + b_1$
- *Equation 2:* $Dx + Ey = F$; or $y = m_2x + b_2$

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Substitution Method

(Best used when lead coefficient is 1 or -1)

- 1.) Solve for the variable with coefficient of 1 or -1
- 2.) Substitute in the expression from Step 1 into the other equation for that variable and solve.
- 3.) Substitute the answer from Step 2 into the revised equation from Step 1 and solve for the other variable.
- 4.) Check your solution (x,y) by substituting back into the original equation.

Example

$$3x + 4y = -4$$

$$x + 2y = 2$$

← solve for x (coefficient of 1)

Example: $3x + 4y = -4$ and $x + 2y = 2$

$$x = 2 - 2y$$

← now plug $2 - 2y$ in for x in the first equation

$$3(2 - 2y) + 4y = -4 \quad \leftarrow \text{distribute and combine like terms/solve for } y$$

$$6 - 6y + 4y \Rightarrow 6 - 2y = -4 \Rightarrow$$

$$-2y = -10 \Rightarrow y = 5$$

← plug 5 in for y into 1st equation & solve for x

$$x = 2 - 2(5) \Rightarrow 2 - 10 \Rightarrow x = -8$$

Solution: $(-8, 5)$

Elimination Method

(Best used with coefficients other than 1 or -1)

- 1.) Multiply one or both of the equations by a constant to obtain coefficients that differ only in sign for one of the variables
(i.e. *equal coefficients, but opposite signs*)
- 2.) Add the revised equations (known as **Equivalent Systems**) from Step 1. Combining like terms will eliminate one of the variables. Solve for the remaining variable. (One variable will cancel out!)
- 3.) Substitute the value obtained in Step 2 into either of the original equations and solve for the other variable.
- 4.) Check solution (x, y) by substituting back into original equations

Example:

(None of coefficients are 1 or -1 so elimination is easiest)

$$2x - 4y = 13$$

$$4x - 5y = 8$$

Example: $2x - 4y = 13$ and $4x - 5y = 8$

$2x - 4y = 13$ \leftarrow multiply by -2 so coefficients of x will be same # but opposite signs

$4x - 5y = 8$ \leftarrow nothing needs to change here

$-4x + 8y = -26$ \leftarrow Now add the two equations together (combine like terms)

$$\underline{4x - 5y = 8}$$

$$3y = -18 \quad \leftarrow \text{Solve for } y$$

$$y = -6 \quad \leftarrow \text{Now plug } y \text{ back into either equation; then solve for } x$$

$$2x - 4(-6) = 13 \Rightarrow 2x + 24 = 13 \Rightarrow 2x = -11 \Rightarrow x = -11/2 \text{ or } -5.5$$

■ **Solution: $(-5.5, -6)$**

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