

## 4. EQUATION SOLVING

### e) Solving systems using Cramer's rule

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## 1 INTRODUCTION

Cramer's rule is an explicit formula for solving systems of linear equations.

Consider the system of equations  $a_1x - b_1y + c_1z = d_1$ ,  $a_2x + b_2y - b_3z = d_2$  and  $a_3x + b_3y + c_3z = d_3$

$$A = \text{Coefficient matrix} = \begin{pmatrix} a_1 & b_1 & c_1 \\ a_2 & b_2 & c_2 \\ a_3 & b_3 & c_3 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$B = \text{Constant matrix} = \begin{pmatrix} d_1 \\ d_2 \\ d_3 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$X = \text{Variable matrix} = \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{pmatrix}$$

Cramer's rule states that  $x_i = \frac{|A_i|}{|A|}$ , where  $i = 1, 2, 3$ , and  $A_i$  is the resultant matrix when you replace the  $i$ th column of  $A$  with the column vector  $B$ .

## 2 PYTHON CODE

Solving equation systems using Cramer's rule. Hence, consider the following in the context of simultaneous equations.

```
[1]: import numpy as np
import copy as cp
def cramersRule(A, B):
    # A is the matrix of coefficients.
    # B is the column matrix of constant sums.
    X = []
    solutions = [] # Intended list of solutions.
    nVars = len(A[0]) # Length of a row => Number of variables.
    for i in range(0, nVars + 1):
        X.append(cp.deepcopy(A))
        X[i][:, i] = B
        solutions.append(np.linalg.det(X[i])/np.linalg.det(A))
    return solutions
```

### 3 EXAMPLE

$$4x + y = 6200$$

$$3x + 3y = 5600$$

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[2]: A = np.matrix([[4, 1], [3, 3]]) # Matrix of coefficients.  
     B = np.matrix([[6200], [5600]]) # Matrix of constant sums.  
     crammersRule(A, B)
```

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[2]: [1444.4444444444437, 422.2222222222246]
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