


Solving some simultaneous equations

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1. In this quiz you'll be reminded of how to solve linear simultaneous equations as a way to practice some basic linear algebra. Some of the ideas presented here will be relevant later in the course.

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Solving simultaneous equations is the process of finding the values of the variables (here x and y) that satisfy the system of equations. Let's start with the simplest type of simultaneous equation, where we already know all but one of the variables:

$$3x - y = 2$$

$$x = 4$$

Substitute the value of x into the first equation to find y , then select the correct values of x and y below.

- ☐ $x = 4, y = 14$
- ☐ $x = 4, y = 2$
- ☒ $x = 4, y = 10$
- ☐ $x = 4, y = -10$

✔ Correct

When you know one of the variables, substituting it into one of the equations is a good way to find the other variable.