Answers: Introduction to simultaneous equations

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Summary

Answers to questions relating to the guide on introduction to simultaneous equations.

These are the answers to Questions: Introduction to simultaneous equations.

Please attempt the questions before reading these answers!

Q1

- 1.1. The second equation is a multiple of the first. This means there are infinitely many solutions.
- 1.2. The second equation is also a multiple of the first. Thus, there are infinitely many solutions.
- 1.3. The two lines are not parallel and not multiples of each other, so they intersect at one point. There is one unique solution.

Q2

2.1.
$$x = \frac{6}{13}, y = \frac{69}{13}$$
.

2.2.
$$x = \frac{16}{5}, y = \frac{12}{5}$$
.

2.3.
$$x = \frac{73}{25}, y = \frac{93}{25}$$
.

2.4.
$$x = 1, y = 5$$

2.5.
$$x = \frac{19}{10}, y = \frac{17}{10}$$
.

Q3

$$3.1 \ x = \frac{31}{24}, y = -\frac{1}{12}$$

$$3.2 \ x = 3, y = \frac{2}{3}$$

$$3.3 \ x = \frac{127}{44}, y = \frac{3}{44}$$

3.4
$$x = -\frac{18}{49}, y = \frac{39}{49}$$

$$3.5 \ x = \frac{32}{15}, y = -\frac{11}{5}$$

Q4

$$4.1 \ x = \frac{5}{3}, y = -\frac{2}{3}$$

4.2
$$x = 4, y = 0$$

4.3
$$x = \frac{88}{19}, y = -\frac{1}{19}$$

4.4
$$x = \frac{47}{26}, y = \frac{12}{13}1$$

4.5
$$x = \frac{52}{11}, y = -\frac{1}{11}$$

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