

## 7.2: Solving Systems by substitution (Cont'd)

Note Title

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Ex. Solve by substitution.

$$\begin{cases} -4x + 3y = 19 \\ -6x - 5y = 0 \end{cases}$$

1) Solve  $-6x - 5y = 0$  for  $y$ :

$$\begin{aligned} -5y &= 6x \\ \frac{-5y}{-5} &= \frac{6x}{-5} \\ y &= -\frac{6}{5}x \end{aligned}$$

2) Put  $y = -\frac{6}{5}x$  into  $-4x + 3y = 19$ :

$$-4x + 3\left(-\frac{6}{5}x\right) = 19$$

$$-4x - \frac{18}{5}x = 19$$

$$\left(\frac{5}{5}\right)\left(-\frac{4x}{1}\right) - \frac{18}{5}x = 19$$

$$-\frac{20}{5}x - \frac{18}{5}x = 19$$

$$-\frac{38}{5}x = 19$$

$$\left(-\frac{5}{38}\right)\left(-\frac{38}{5}x\right) = 19 \quad \left(\frac{-5}{38}\right)^2$$

$$x = -\frac{5}{2}$$

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Put  $x = -\frac{5}{2}$  into  $-4x + 3y = 19$ :

$$-\cancel{4} \left(-\frac{5}{2}\right) + 3y = 19$$

$$\frac{20}{2} + 3y = 19$$

$$10 + 3y = 19$$

$$3y = 9$$

$$\frac{3y}{3} = \frac{9}{3}$$

$$y = 3$$

Solution: ( $-\frac{5}{2}, 3$ ) or  $\left\{ \left(-\frac{5}{2}, 3\right) \right\}$

Check your solution:

$$-4x + 3y = 19$$

$$x = -\frac{5}{2}, y = 3 \implies -4\left(-\frac{5}{2}\right) + 3(3) = 19$$
$$\frac{20}{2} + 9 = 19$$
$$10 + 9 = 19$$
$$19 = 19 \checkmark$$

$$-6x - 5y = 0$$

$$-6\left(-\frac{5}{2}\right) - 5(3) = 0$$

$$\frac{30}{2} - 15 = 0$$

$$15 - 15 = 0$$

$$0 = 0 \checkmark$$

## 7.3: The Elimination Method (The addition method)

(for solving linear systems)

Steps to solving by elimination:

- 1) Multiply both sides of one or both equations by a strategic number, chosen so that one variable will be eliminated when the equations are added.
- 2) Add the equations.
- 3) Solve for the remaining variable.
- 4) Find the value of the other variable, by
  - a) putting the known value into either of the original eqns, as in the substitution method
  - or      b) Do elimination again, on the other variable.
- 5) Check!

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Example: Solve by elimination.

$$\begin{cases} 11x - 5y = 2 \\ 3x - y = 1 \end{cases}$$

Multiply both sides of 2nd eqn by -5:

$$\begin{array}{rcl} 11x - 5y & = 2 & \\ 3x - y & = 1 & \xrightarrow{(-5)} \\ & & -15x + 5y = -5 \\ \hline & & \text{Add: } -4x + 0y = -3 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{l} -4x = -3 \\ \frac{-4x}{-4} = \frac{-3}{-4} \end{array}$$

$$x = \frac{3}{4}$$

Could put  $x = \frac{3}{4}$  into either eqn  
and solve for  $y$ , OR, do elimination again:

$$\begin{array}{rcl} 11x - 5y & = 2 & \xrightarrow{(3)} \\ 3x - y & = 1 & \xrightarrow{(-11)} \\ & & -33x + 11y = -11 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{l} \text{Add: } 0x - 4y = -5 \\ -4y = -5 \\ \frac{-4y}{-4} = \frac{-5}{-4} \\ y = \frac{5}{4} \end{array}$$

Solution:

$$\left( \frac{3}{4}, \frac{5}{4} \right)$$

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Check:

$$11x - 5y = 2$$

$$\frac{1}{4}(3) - 5\left(\frac{5}{4}\right) = 2$$

$$\frac{33}{4} - \frac{25}{4} = 2$$

$$\frac{8}{4} = 2$$

$$2 = 2 \checkmark$$

$$3x - y = 1$$

$$3\left(\frac{3}{4}\right) - \frac{5}{4} = 1$$

$$\frac{9}{4} - \frac{5}{4} = 1$$

$$\frac{4}{4} = 1$$

$$1 = 1 \checkmark$$

Ex: Solv.

$$-5x + 7y = 2$$

$$-8y - 4x = -5$$

Rearrange:

$$\begin{array}{rcl} -5x + 7y = 2 & \xrightarrow{(4)} & -20x + 28y = 8 \\ -4x - 8y = -5 & \xrightarrow{(-5)} & 20x + 40y = 25 \\ \hline & & 68y = 33 \\ \text{Add: } 0x + 68y & = & 33 \\ 68y & = & 33 \\ y & = & \frac{33}{68} \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{rcl} -5x + 7y = 2 & \xrightarrow{(8)} & -40x + 56y = 16 \\ -4x - 8y = -5 & \xrightarrow{(-1)} & -28x - 56y = -35 \\ \hline & & -68x = -19 \end{array}$$

$$\text{Add: } -68x + 0y = -19$$

$$-68x = -19$$

$$\frac{-68x}{-68} = \frac{-19}{-68}$$

$$x = \frac{19}{68}$$

Solution:  $\left(\frac{19}{68}, \frac{33}{68}\right)$

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Check:-

$$-5x + 7y = 2$$

$$-8y - 4x = -5$$

$$-5x + 7y = 2$$

$$-5\left(\frac{19}{68}\right) + 7\left(\frac{33}{68}\right) = 2$$

$$\frac{-95}{68} + \frac{231}{68} = 2$$

$$\frac{136}{68} = 2$$

$$2 = 2 \checkmark$$

$$-8y - 4x = -5$$

~~$$-8\left(\frac{19}{68}\right) - 4\left(\frac{33}{68}\right) = -5$$~~

~~$$-8\left(\frac{33}{68}\right) - 4\left(\frac{19}{68}\right) = -5$$~~

$$-\frac{264}{68} - \frac{76}{68} = -5$$

$$-\frac{340}{68} = -5$$

$$-5 = -5 \checkmark$$

Ex:- Solve.

$$-x + 6y = 2$$

$$3x - 18y = 5$$

$$-x + 6y = 2 \xrightarrow{(3)} -3x + 18y = 6$$

$$3x - 18y = 5 \xrightarrow{} 3x - 18y = 5$$

$$\text{Add: } 0x + 0y = 11$$

$$0 = 11 \text{ False}$$

Inconsistent System; No Solution

(lines are parallel)

Ex: Solve.

$$\begin{aligned}2x - 10y &= 6 \\-5x + 25y &= -15\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{array}{rcl}2x - 10y = 6 & \xrightarrow{(5)} & 10x - 50y = 30 \\-5x + 25y = -15 & \xrightarrow{(2)} & -10x + 50y = -30 \\& & \hline\end{array}$$

Add:  $0x + 0y = 0$   
 $0 = 0$  True

Dependent System; infinitely many solutions

(lines are the same)

### Recognizing inconsistent and dependent systems:

When solving a system by elimination or substitution,

\* if both variables disappear and leave you with a false statement, the system is inconsistent and has no solution.  
(lines are parallel)

ex:  
 $0=11$ , or  $\rightarrow$

$$2=5$$

ex:  
 $0=0$ , or  $\rightarrow$

$$2=2$$

\* If both variables disappear and leave you with a true statement, the system is dependent and has infinitely many solutions (lines are the same)

## 7.4: Applications of Linear Systems

Ex: Linda's age is 8 more than twice her daughter's age. The sum of their ages is 101. Find their ages.

Linda's age:  $x$

Daughter's age:  $y$

$$\begin{aligned}x + y &= 101 \\(\text{Linda's age}) &= 2(\text{daughter's age}) + 8 \\x &= 2y + 8\end{aligned}$$

Put  $x = 2y + 8$  into  $x + y = 101$ :

$$2y + 8 + y = 101$$

$$3y + 8 = 101$$

$$3y = 93$$

$$y = \frac{93}{3} = 31$$

Put  $y = 31$  into  $x + y = 101$ :

$$x + 31 = 101$$

$$x = 101 - 31$$

$$x = 70$$

Linda is 70 and her daughter is 31.

Ex: Diane has \$ 0.95 in dimes and nickels. She has a total of 11 coins. How many of each does she have?

number of dimes:  $d$

number of nickels:  $n$

$$d + n = 11 \quad (\text{she has 11 coins})$$

$$\$0.10d + \$0.05n = \$0.95$$

Multiply by 100:

$$\begin{array}{l} \text{System of} \\ \text{2 eqns} \end{array} \left\{ \begin{array}{l} 10d + 5n = 95 \\ d + n = 11 \end{array} \right. \begin{array}{l} \xrightarrow{\quad} 10d + 5n = 95 \\ \xrightarrow{(-5)} -5d - 5n = -55 \\ \hline \xrightarrow{\quad} 5d = 40 \end{array}$$

$$\frac{5d}{5} = \frac{40}{5}$$

$$d = 8$$

Put  $d = 8$  into  $d + n = 11$ :

$$\begin{aligned} 8 + n &= 11 \\ n &= 3 \end{aligned}$$

She has 3 nickels and 8 dimes.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Solve by substitution: } 10d + 5n &= 95 \\ d + n &= 11 \end{aligned}$$

Solve  $d + n = 11$  for  $d$ :

$$d = 11 - n$$

Put  $d = 11 - n$  into  $10d + 5n = 95$ :

$$10(11 - n) + 5n = 95$$

$$110 - 10n + 5n = 95$$

$$\begin{aligned} 110 - 5n &= 95 \\ -5n &= 95 - 110 \\ -5n &= -15 \\ n &= \frac{-15}{-5} = 3 \end{aligned}$$

Put  $n = 3$  into  $d + n = 11 \Rightarrow d + 3 = 11$

$$d = 8$$