

Warm Up...

Solve the following systems of equations:

$$\begin{aligned} y &= 2x - 3 & \textcircled{1} \\ -4x + 3y &= -1 & \textcircled{2} \\ (4, 5) & \quad \text{???} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Sub } \textcircled{1} \text{ into } \textcircled{2} \\ -4x + 3(2x - 3) = -1 \\ -4x + 6x - 9 = -1 \\ 2x = -1 + 9 \\ 2x = 8 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} x &= 4 \dots \textcircled{3} \\ \text{Sub } \textcircled{3} \text{ into } \textcircled{1} \\ y &= 2(4) - 3 \\ &= 8 - 3 \\ &= 5 \end{aligned}$$

$$(4, 5)$$

$$\begin{aligned} 3x + 4y &= 15 & \textcircled{1} \\ y &= 6x - 3 & \textcircled{2} \\ (1, 3) & \quad \text{???} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Sub } \textcircled{2} \text{ into } \textcircled{1} \\ 3x + 4(6x - 3) = 15 \\ 3x + 24x - 12 = 15 \\ 27x = 27 \\ x = 1 \dots \textcircled{3} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Sub } \textcircled{3} \text{ into } \textcircled{2} \\ y &= 6(1) - 3 \\ &= 6 - 3 \\ &= 3 \\ (1, 3) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} x - 5y &= -7 & \textcircled{1} \\ 5x + 2y &= -8 & \textcircled{2} \\ (-2, 1) & \quad \text{???} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \textcircled{1} \quad x &= 5y - 7 \dots \textcircled{3} \\ \text{Sub } \textcircled{3} \text{ into } \textcircled{2} \\ 5(5y - 7) + 2y &= -8 \\ 25y - 35 + 2y &= -8 \\ 27y &= -8 + 35 \\ 27y &= 27 \\ y &= 1 \dots \textcircled{4} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Sub } \textcircled{4} \text{ into } \textcircled{3} \\ x &= 5(1) - 7 \\ &= 5 - 7 \\ &= -2 \\ (-2, 1) \end{aligned}$$

Solving Systems of Equations Using Elimination Method

Objective is to "ELIMINATE" one of the variables by either adding or subtracting the two equations.

EXAMPLE #1:

$$\begin{array}{rcl} -4x + 3y = -4 & \textcircled{1} \\ 4x - y = 12 & \textcircled{2} \\ \hline 2y = 8 \\ y = 4 \dots \textcircled{3} \\ \text{Sub } \textcircled{3} \text{ into } \textcircled{2} \\ 4x - 4 = 12 \\ 4x = 16 \\ x = 4 \quad (4, 4) \end{array}$$

STEPS...

- 1) Put equations in the Standard Form.
 $Ax + By = C$
 NOTE: Number the equations!!!
- 2) Multiply equation(s) to get a common coefficient for either x or y terms.
- 3) Add OR Subtract equations to ELIMINATE the terms.
- 4) SOLVE remaining equation for unknown
- 5) Back substitute to get other unknown

EXAMPLE #2:

$$\begin{array}{r} -2x + 6y = -18 \quad \textcircled{1} \\ + \quad \underline{4x - 6y = 12} \quad \textcircled{2} \\ \hline 2x \quad = -6 \\ \frac{2x}{2} \quad = \frac{-6}{2} \\ x = -3 \quad \dots \dots \textcircled{3} \end{array}$$

Sub $\textcircled{3}$ into $\textcircled{1}$

$$\begin{aligned} -2(-3) + 6y &= -18 \\ 6 + 6y &= -18 \\ 6y &= -24 \\ y &= -4 \\ (-3, -4) \end{aligned}$$

EXAMPLE #3 - Coefficients are the same sign...

$$\begin{array}{rcl} 3x - y = -11 & \textcircled{1} \\ - 3x - 5y = -7 & \textcircled{2} \\ \hline 4y = -4 \\ y = -1 \dots \textcircled{3} \\ \text{Sub } \textcircled{3} \text{ into } \textcircled{1} \\ 3x + 1 = -11 \\ 3x = -12 \\ x = -4 \\ (-4, -1) \end{array}$$

EXAMPLE #4: What if none of the coefficients are the same???

$$x + 12y = 9 \quad (1)$$

$$-2x - 6y = 0 \quad (2)$$

$$(1) \times 2 \quad 2x + 24y = 18 \dots (3)$$

$$\underline{-2x - 6y = 0} \quad (2)$$

$$18y = 18$$
$$y = 1 \dots (4)$$

Sub(4) into (1)

$$x + 12(1) = 9$$

$$x = 9 - 12$$

$$= -3$$

$$(-3, 1)$$

Example #5 - Getting a common coefficient

$$\begin{array}{rcl}
 2x + 4y = -8 & & \textcircled{1} \\
 -5x + 3y = 7 & & \textcircled{2} \\
 \textcircled{1} \times 5 & 10x + 20y = -40 & \textcircled{3} \\
 \textcircled{2} \times 2 & \underline{-10x + 6y = 14} & \textcircled{4} \\
 \textcircled{3} - \textcircled{4} & 26y = -26 & \\
 & y = -1 & \dots \textcircled{5}
 \end{array}$$

Sub $\textcircled{5}$ into $\textcircled{1}$

$$\begin{aligned}
 2x + 4(-1) &= -8 \\
 2x - 4 &= -8 \\
 2x &= -4 \\
 x &= -2 \\
 (-2, -1)
 \end{aligned}$$

PRACTICE PROBLEMS...

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Do #1 - 12

Solutions...

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Solve each system by elimination.

1) $-4x - 2y = -12$
 $4x + 8y = -24$

(6, -6)

2) $4x + 8y = 20$
 $-4x + 2y = -30$

(7, -1)

3) $x - y = 11$
 $2x + y = 19$

(10, -1)

4) $-6x + 5y = 1$
 $6x + 4y = -10$

(-1, -1)

5) $-2x - 9y = -25$
 $-4x - 9y = -23$

(-1, 3)

6) $8x + y = -16$
 $-3x + y = -5$

(-1, -8)

7) $-6x + 6y = 6$
 $-6x + 3y = -12$

(5, 6)

8) $7x + 2y = 24$
 $8x + 2y = 30$

(6, -9)

9) $5x + y = 9$
 $10x - 7y = -18$

(1, 4)

10) $-4x + 9y = 9$
 $x - 3y = -6$

(9, 5)

11) $-3x + 7y = -16$
 $-9x + 5y = 16$

(-4, -4)

12) $-7x + y = -19$
 $-2x + 3y = -19$

(2, -5)

13)
$$\begin{aligned} 16x - 10y &= 10 \\ -8x - 6y &= 6 \end{aligned}$$

(0, -1)

14)
$$\begin{aligned} 8x + 14y &= 4 \\ -6x - 7y &= -10 \end{aligned}$$

(4, -2)

15)
$$\begin{aligned} -4x - 15y &= -17 \\ -x + 5y &= -13 \end{aligned}$$

(8, -1)

16)
$$\begin{aligned} -x - 7y &= 14 \\ -4x - 14y &= 28 \end{aligned}$$

(0, -2)

17)
$$\begin{aligned} -7x - 8y &= 9 \\ -4x + 9y &= -22 \end{aligned}$$

(1, -2)

18)
$$\begin{aligned} 5x + 4y &= -30 \\ 3x - 9y &= -18 \end{aligned}$$

(-6, 0)

19)
$$\begin{aligned} -4x - 2y &= 14 \\ -10x + 7y &= -25 \end{aligned}$$

(-1, -5)

20)
$$\begin{aligned} 3x - 2y &= 2 \\ 5x - 5y &= 10 \end{aligned}$$

(-2, -4)

21)
$$\begin{aligned} 5x + 4y &= -14 \\ 3x + 6y &= 6 \end{aligned}$$

(-6, 4)

22)
$$\begin{aligned} 2x + 8y &= 6 \\ -5x - 20y &= -15 \end{aligned}$$

Infinite number of solutions

23)
$$\begin{aligned} -14 &= -20y - 7x \\ 10y + 4 &= 2x \end{aligned}$$

(2, 0)

24)
$$\begin{aligned} 3 + 2x - y &= 0 \\ -3 - 7y &= 10x \end{aligned}$$

(-1, 1)

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