

1. Solve the system of linear equations  $2x + 7y = 30$   
 $3x - 5y = 8$  in 3 ways:

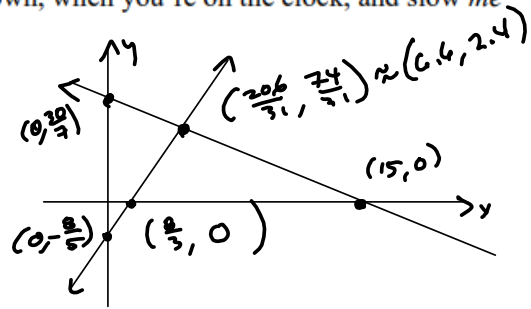
a. (10 pts) Find the general vicinity of the solution by graphing the system. This should give you a general idea. Don't worry about it being super-accurate, although the more care you take, the better the estimate will be. Just graph the two lines by the intercept method. Supply the exact answer after you work parts b and c, below. I care much more about ordered-pair labels (OPLs) than tickmarks. OPLs are required.  $x$ - and  $y$ -intercepts are required. Tickmarks are not. On a test, I'm always looking for the labels. The tickmarks are just busy work that slows you down, when you're on the clock, and slow me down counting tickmarks!

$$2x + 7y = 30$$

x	y
0	$\frac{30}{7}$
$\frac{15}{2}$	0

$$3x - 5y = 8$$

x	y
0	$-\frac{8}{5}$
$\frac{8}{3}$	0



b. (10 pts) Use the Substitution Method

$$2x + 7y = 30 \rightarrow 7y = 30 - 2x \rightarrow y = \frac{30 - 2x}{7}$$

$$3x - 5y = 8$$

$$\rightarrow 3x - 5y = 3x - 5\left(\frac{30 - 2x}{7}\right) = 8$$

$$\rightarrow 21x - 5(30 - 2x) = 56$$

$$\rightarrow 21x - 150 + 10x = 56$$

$$\rightarrow 31x = 206$$

$$x = \frac{206}{31}$$

$$\rightarrow y = \frac{30 - 2\left(\frac{206}{31}\right)}{7} = \frac{30 - \frac{412}{31}}{7}$$

$$= \frac{930 - 412}{7 \cdot 31} = \frac{518}{(7)(31)} = \frac{518}{217} = \frac{74 \cdot 7}{31 \cdot 7} = \frac{74}{31}$$

$$y = \frac{74}{31}$$

$$(x, y) \approx (6.645161290, 2.387096774)$$

c. (10 pts) Use the Elimination Method.

$$2x + 7y = 30$$

$$3x - 5y = 8$$

$$\begin{array}{r} -3E1 \quad -6x - 21y = -90 \\ 2E2 \quad 6x - 10y = 16 \\ \hline \end{array}$$

$$-31y = -74$$

$$y = \frac{74}{31}$$

$$2x + 7\left(\frac{74}{31}\right) = 30$$

$$62x + 7(74) = 30(31) = 930$$

$$62x = 930 - 518$$

$$62x = 412$$

$$x = \frac{412}{62}$$

$$x = \frac{206}{31}$$

2. (10 pts) Use Elimination to solve the independent system of linear equations:  $5x + 6y + 27z = 2$  . Hint:  
 $4x + 5y + 21z = 5$   
 $2x - 2y + 11z = -3$

-1 Equation 2 + Equation 1 will put a nice '1' in the top-left corner, which makes the arithmetic a lot easier!

$$\left[ \begin{array}{ccc|c} 5 & 6 & 27 & 2 \\ 4 & 5 & 21 & 5 \\ 2 & -2 & 11 & -3 \end{array} \right] \xrightarrow{-2R_2+R_1} \left[ \begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 1 & 6 & -3 \\ 4 & 5 & 21 & 5 \\ 2 & -2 & 11 & -3 \end{array} \right] \xrightarrow{\begin{array}{l} -4R_1+R_2 \\ -2R_1+R_3 \end{array}} \left[ \begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 1 & 6 & -3 \\ 0 & 1 & -3 & 17 \\ 0 & -4 & -1 & 3 \end{array} \right]$$

$$4R_2+2R_3 \left[ \begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 1 & 6 & 3 \\ 0 & 1 & -3 & 17 \\ 0 & 0 & -13 & 71 \end{array} \right]$$

$-13z = 71$   
 $z = -\frac{71}{13}$

$y - 3z = y - 3(-\frac{71}{13}) = y + \frac{213}{13} = 17$

$13y + 213 = 221$

$13y = 8$   
 $y = \frac{8}{13}$

$$\frac{170}{51} = \frac{221}{13}$$

$$\frac{71}{27} = \frac{221}{13}$$

$5x + 6y + 27z = 5x + 6(\frac{8}{13}) + 27(-\frac{71}{13}) = 2$

$\rightarrow 65x + 48 - 1917 = 26$

$65x - 1869 = 26$

$65x = 1895$

$x = \frac{1895}{65} = \frac{379}{13} = x$

$$\frac{1917}{48} = \frac{1869}{65}$$

$(x, y, z) = (\frac{379}{13}, \frac{8}{13}, -\frac{71}{13})$

$\approx (29.15384615, .6153846154, -5.461538462)$

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a

$$\begin{aligned} x + 2y - 5z &= 3 \\ 2x + 5y - 12z &= 8 \\ 4x + 12y - 28z &= 20 \end{aligned}$$

$$\left[ \begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 2 & -5 & 3 \\ 2 & 5 & -12 & 8 \\ 4 & 12 & -28 & 20 \end{array} \right] \xrightarrow{\substack{-2R_1+R_2 \\ -4R_1+R_3}} \left[ \begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 2 & -5 & 3 \\ 0 & 1 & -2 & 2 \\ 0 & 4 & -8 & 8 \end{array} \right]$$

Note  $R_3 = 4R_2$  !

$$\text{So } \left[ \begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 2 & -5 & 3 \\ 0 & 1 & -2 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right], \text{ i.e., } \begin{cases} y - 2z = 2 \\ y = 2z + 2 \end{cases} \Rightarrow$$

$$\Rightarrow x + 2y - 5z = x + 2(2z + 2) - 5z = x + 4z + 4 - 5z = x - z + 4 = 3$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{x = z - 1} \Rightarrow \boxed{(x, y, z) = (z - 1, 2z + 2, z)}$$

b

$z$	$(x, y, z)$
0	$(-1, 2, 0)$
1	$(0, 4, 1)$
-1	$(-2, 0, -1)$

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$$\left[ \begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 2 & -5 & 3 \\ 2 & 5 & -12 & 8 \\ 4 & 12 & -28 & 4 \end{array} \right] \begin{array}{l} -2R_1 + R_2 \\ -4R_1 + R_3 \end{array} \left[ \begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 2 & -5 & 3 \\ 0 & 1 & -2 & 2 \\ 0 & 4 & -8 & -8 \end{array} \right]$$

Note  $R_3 = 4R_2$ , except for the  $-8$

So

$$\left[ \begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 2 & -5 & 3 \\ 0 & 1 & -2 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & -16 \end{array} \right]$$

$$\begin{aligned} x + 2y - 5z &= 3 \\ y - 2z &= 2 \end{aligned}$$

$0 = -16$ ?! That's absurd!

Assuming I've made no errors, this says that there is no solution

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