

Solving Two Equations—Addition/Elimination Method I

Solve the following problems by using the elimination method. Write the point of intersection on the line provided.

Problem 1 is modeled for you below:

Solutions:

1.
$$\begin{cases} x + y = 2 \\ x - y = 0 \end{cases}$$

<p><i>Add equations together.</i></p> $\begin{array}{r} x + y = 2 \\ + \quad x - y = 0 \\ \hline 2x = 2 \\ \text{Therefore } x = 1 \end{array}$	<p><i>Now substitute into equation.</i></p> $\begin{array}{l} 1 + y = 2 \rightarrow 1 + 1 = 2 \\ 1 - y = 0 \rightarrow 1 - 1 = 0 \end{array}$ <p><i>In each case, $y=1$ to make the equation true.</i></p>
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$x = 1, y = 1$

(1,1) is the point of intersection for the two equations, the solution to the system of equations.

2.
$$\begin{cases} x + 3y = 5 \\ 5x - 3y = 7 \end{cases}$$

3.
$$\begin{cases} 2x + 2y = 0 \\ 4x - 2y = 12 \end{cases}$$

4.
$$\begin{cases} 9x - 8y = 12 \\ -9x + 4y = -24 \end{cases}$$

5.
$$\begin{cases} 5x - 2y = -13 \\ 4x + 2y = 22 \end{cases}$$

Solve the system.

$$y = x - 5$$

Equation 1

$$y = -3x + 7$$

Equation 2

Step 1: Make a table of values.

Step 2: Find an x -value that gives the same y -value for both equations.

x	0	1	2	3
$y = x - 5$	-5	-4	-3	-2
$y = -3x + 7$	7	4	1	-2

∴ The solution is $(3, -2)$.

Solving Systems of Equations

A **system of linear equations** is a set of two or more linear equations in the same variables. An example is shown at the right. A **solution of a system of linear equations** in two variables is an ordered pair that is a solution of each equation in the system.

$$y = 2x - 3$$

Fill in the table below.

x	0	1	2	3	4	5
y						

$$y = -3x + 12$$

Fill in the table below.

x	0	1	2	3	4	5
y						

In the tables, which x - and y -coordinates are the same? \rightarrow (,)

Solving Two Equations—The Substitution Method I

Solve the following problems by using the substitution method. Write the point of intersection on the line provided.

1. $2y = x + 2$

2. $3y = 15$

3. $x + 2 = 0$

4. $y = 2x + 3$

$$y = -2x + 6$$

$$3x - 15y = 0$$

$$x + y = 5$$

$$x + y = 6$$

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