

Problem 1

Solve the following systems of simultaneous equations :

1) by *substitution* (x from I) :

[5 marks]

$$\begin{cases} \text{I} & \left\{ \begin{array}{l} x + 3y = 32 \Rightarrow x = 32 - 3y = \dots = 32 - 3 \times 4 = 20 \\ \text{II} & \left\{ \begin{array}{l} 5x - 7y = 72 \Rightarrow 5(32 - 3y) - 7y = 72 \Rightarrow y = \frac{160 - 72}{22} = 4 \end{array} \right. \end{array} \right. \end{cases}$$

$$S = \{(20, 4)\}$$

2) by *combination**

[5 marks]

$$\begin{cases} \text{I} & \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \frac{x}{2} + 5y = -5 \\ \text{II} & \left\{ \begin{array}{l} x - \frac{3y}{2} = -13 \end{array} \right. \end{array} \right. \Rightarrow \begin{cases} 2 \text{ I} & \left\{ \begin{array}{l} x + 10y = -10 \\ \text{II} & \left\{ \begin{array}{l} x - \frac{3y}{2} = -13 \end{array} \right. \end{array} \right. \end{cases}$$

$$2 \text{ I} - \text{II} : \left(10 + \frac{3}{2}\right)y = 3 \Rightarrow y = 3 \times \frac{2}{23} = \frac{6}{23}$$

$$S = \left\{ \left(\frac{-290}{23}, \frac{32}{23} \right) \right\}$$

3) by *Cramer*

[5 marks]

$$\begin{cases} \text{I} & \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \sqrt{27}x + \sqrt{2}y = 7 \\ \text{II} & \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \sqrt{8}x + \sqrt{3}y = \sqrt{6} \end{array} \right. \end{array} \right. \quad D = \begin{vmatrix} \sqrt{27} & \sqrt{2} \\ \sqrt{8} & \sqrt{3} \end{vmatrix} = 5 \end{cases}$$

$$D_x = \begin{vmatrix} 7 & \sqrt{2} \\ \sqrt{6} & \sqrt{3} \end{vmatrix} = 5\sqrt{3} \quad D_y = \begin{vmatrix} \sqrt{27} & 7 \\ \sqrt{8} & \sqrt{6} \end{vmatrix} = -5\sqrt{2}$$

$$S = \{\sqrt{3}, -\sqrt{2}\}$$

4) by the method you want

[5 marks]

$$\begin{cases} \text{I} & \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \pi x - 3y = -8 \\ \text{II} & \left\{ \begin{array}{l} -2x + y = 2 \end{array} \right. \end{array} \right. \quad \text{I} + 3 \text{ II} : x = \frac{-2}{\pi - 6} \quad \text{and} \quad y = 2 + 2x \end{cases}$$

$$S = \left\{ \left(\frac{2}{6 - \pi}, \frac{16 - 2\pi}{6 - \pi} \right) \right\}$$

Problem 2

i) What is a *singular* system ? It is a system having either *no solution*, or *infinite solutions*. Such a system has $D=0$

ii) Which of the three following systems are *singular*? [3 marks]

A) $\begin{cases} 18x - 12y = 78 \\ -15x + 10y = -65 \end{cases}$

B) $\begin{cases} -3x - 21y = 39 \\ 2x - 14y = 26 \end{cases}$

C) $\begin{cases} 3x - 21y = 19 \\ -2x + 14y = -4 \end{cases}$

ii) State and explain, about the singular system of (i) if it has an *infinite number of solutions* or *no solutions*.

A) : both equations equivalent

C) : incompatible equations

to $3x - 2y = 13 \Rightarrow$ infinite solutions

\Rightarrow No solutions

Problem 3

[8 marks]

Solve the following system of *simultaneous equations*, giving x and y in terms of k

$$\begin{cases} x - ky = 1 \\ -5x + 6y = -2 \end{cases} \quad D = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & -k \\ -5 & 6 \end{vmatrix} = 6 - 5k \quad D_x = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & -k \\ -2 & 6 \end{vmatrix} = 6 - 2k \quad D_y = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ -5 & -2 \end{vmatrix} = 3$$

Conclusion : $x = \frac{D_x}{D} = \frac{6-2k}{6-5k}$ and $y = \frac{D_y}{D} = \frac{3}{6-5k}$ $S = \left\{ \left(\frac{2-2k}{2-5k}, \frac{3}{2-5k} \right) \right\}$

Bonus

i) – Find the value of k (of problem 3) for having the solution $x = 3$. [+2 marks]

$x = 3 \Rightarrow \frac{6-2k}{6-5k} = 3 \Rightarrow 6 - 2k = 18 - 15k \Rightarrow 13k = 12 \Rightarrow$ $k = \frac{12}{13}$

– Hence the value for y would be : $y = \frac{3}{6-5\frac{12}{13}} = \frac{3 \times 13}{78-60} =$ $\frac{39}{18}$

ii) – Find the value of k such that the system (as given in problem 3) is *singular*. [+2 marks]

$D = 0 \Rightarrow 6 - 5k = 0 \Rightarrow$ $k = \frac{6}{5}$

– How many solution(s) would have this singular system ?

with $k = \frac{6}{5}$ the sytem is : $\begin{cases} x - \frac{6}{5}y = 1 \\ -5x + 6y = -6 \end{cases} \Rightarrow \begin{cases} 5x - 6y = 5 \\ 5x - 6y = -6 \end{cases} \quad 5 \neq -6 :$ no solutions !