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Lesson 1.4 -
Solving Systems of
3 Variable Equations

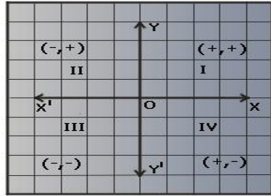
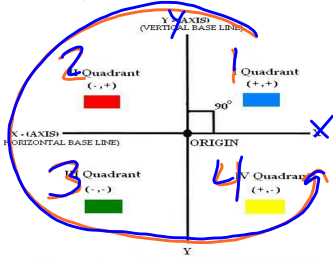
Graphing and
Checking

Math Skill Objective:

- Visualize solutions of systems of equations in 3 variables
- Check if an ordered triple is a solution to the system.

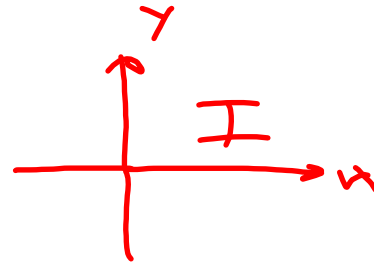
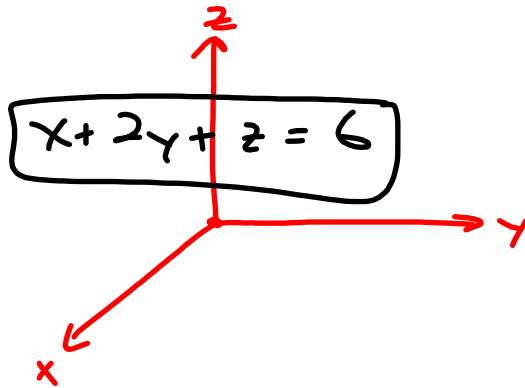
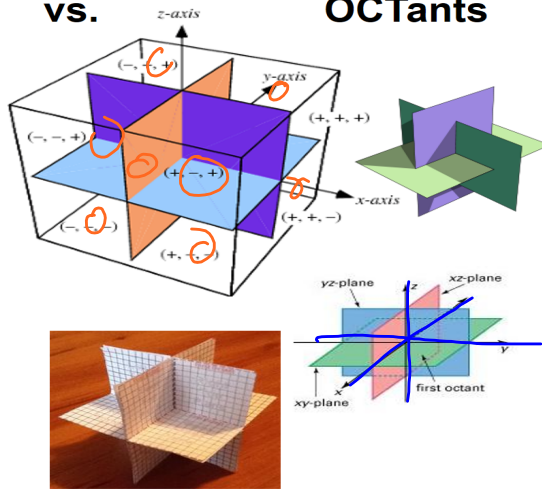
Life Lesson: As you get older, your problems become bigger and more complicated. You must use what you know and extend that knowledge to solve the new and bigger problems you are faced with. One way is to put something aside so that you can solve a simpler problem you are familiar with first, and then go back and solve the entire problem.

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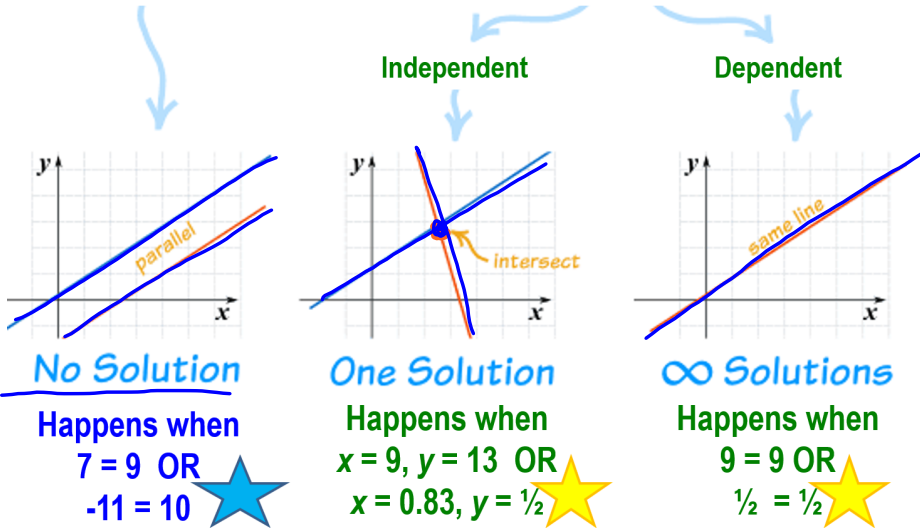
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Remember the ways two lines can intersect?
(system of linear inequalities in two variables)

Inconsistent

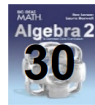
Consistent



A linear equation in three variables, x , y , and z is an equation of the form $ax + by + cz = d$ where a , b and c are not all zero.

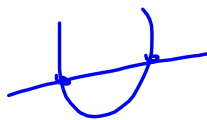
A solution of such a system is an ordered Triple (x, y, z) whose coordinates triple make each equation true.

The graph of a linear equation in three variables is a plane in 3-dimensional space.



3 Variable System

Types of Solutions



Ways Three Planes Can Intersect & Solution Implications

(remember all three planes must intersect in order for it to be a solution)

3 Parallel Planes

NO solution

INFINITE solutions
(ALL points on line)

3 planes intersect at line

2 Parallel Planes and one not

NO solution

NO solution

ONE solution, an ordered triple

All 3 intersect at different places

all 3 planes cross at one point

Which of these systems has a solution? How do you know?

① One Solution

② Infinite Solutions

③ No Solutions

④ No Solutions

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⑦ No Solutions

⑧ No Solutions

2 planes are the same

all 3 planes are the same

One Solution

Infinite Solutions

No Solutions

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Checking if
an ordered
triple is a
solution

If an ordered triple works for all three equations when substituted in, then it is a solution to the system

Here is a **system of three linear equations** in three variables:

$$\begin{cases} x + 2y - 3z = -3 \\ 2x - 5y + 4z = 13 \\ 5x + 4y - z = 5 \end{cases}$$

The ordered triple $(2, -1, 1)$ is a **solution** to this system since it is a solution to all three equations.

$$\begin{cases} 2 + 2(-1) - 3(1) = 2 - 2 - 3 = -3 \\ 2(2) - 5(-1) + 4(1) = 4 + 5 + 4 = 13 \\ 5(2) + 4(-1) - 1 = 10 - 4 - 1 = 5 \end{cases}$$

Decide whether the given ordered triple is a solution of the system.

2. $(-1, -2, 5)$

$$2x + y - 5z = -29 \quad \checkmark$$

$$6x + 4y - z = -19 \quad \checkmark$$

$$x + y + 2z = 7 \quad \checkmark$$

$$\begin{aligned} \star 2(-1) + (-2) - 5(5) &= -29 \\ -2 - 2 - 25 &= -29 \\ \star -29 &= -29 \quad \checkmark \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \star 6(-1) + 4(-2) - (5) &= -19 \\ -6 - 8 - 5 &= -19 \\ \star -19 &= -19 \quad \checkmark \end{aligned}$$

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$-6 - 8 - 5 = -19$
 $-19 = -19$ ✓

$(-1) + (-2) + 2(5) = 7$

$-1 - 2 + 10 = 7$
 $7 = 7$ ✓

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Note

if it
doesn't
work for
one, it is
not a
solution
to the
system

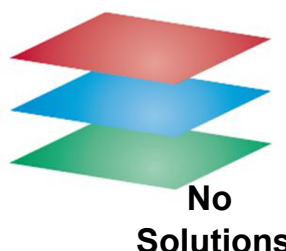
Homework: Solving by Graphing and Checking Solutions for Systems of Equations 3 Variables

Which of these systems has a solution? How do you know?



One Solution

Infinite Solutions



No Solutions

Homework:

You must show your substitution and what you get that proves the triple is or is not a solution

To be a system solution, an ordered triple must satisfy ALL three equations

Decide whether the given ordered triple is a solution of the system.

1. $(0, 0, 3)$

$3x + 4y + z = 3$

$-2x + 7y + 2z = 6$

$-10x + 12y - z = -3$

2. $(-1, -2, 5)$

$2x + y - 5z = -29$

$6x + 4y - z = -19$

$x + y + 2z = 7$

3. $(0, 0, 0)$

$x + y + z = 0$

$2x + 3y - z = 0$

$3x + y - 4z = 1$

4. $(-1, -3, -2)$

$x - 5y + 6z = 2$

$3x - y + 8z = -16$

$4x + 2y - 7z = 4$

5. $(5, 7, 1)$

$x + y + z = 13$

$2x - 7y + 5z = -34$

$3x + y + 4z = 25$

6. $(-4, 8, -9)$

$x + 2y - 3z = 39$

$2x + y - 7z = -63$

$3x + y + z = -13$



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