

1308-31 – 8.2 Solving Systems of Equations Algebraically

Key Ideas

Linear-Quadratic and Quadratic-Quadratic equations can be solved by elimination *or* substitution.

Substitution:

- Isolate one variable in one equation.
- Substitute it into the other equation for that variable and solve for the first variable.
- Plug solution back into any original equation and solve for variable 2.
- Verify answer by checking.

Elimination:

- Rearrange the equation so like terms align.
- Possibly multiply by a constant to make equivalent equations with variables with opposite coefficients.
- Add *or* subtract to eliminate a variable and solve for the other variable.
- Substitute the solution into any original equation to solve for the other variable.
- Verify by checking solutions.

Part 1 – Linear Systems of Equations (Substitution) – Math 10C Review

Q1: Solve the following system of equations.

$$f(x) = -x + 3$$

$$g(x) = \frac{1}{2}x - 3$$

$$y = -x + 3$$

$$y = \frac{1}{2}x - 3$$

$$\begin{array}{r} y = y \\ -x + 3 = \frac{1}{2}x - 3 \\ +1x \quad +1x \end{array}$$

$$3 = \frac{3}{2}x - 3$$

$$+3 \quad +3$$

$$6 = \frac{3}{2}x$$

$$\div \frac{3}{2} \quad \div \frac{3}{2}$$

$$\boxed{4 = x}$$

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$$y = -x + 3$$

$$y = -(4) + 3$$

$$\boxed{y = -1}$$

$$\boxed{\text{Soln is } (4, -1)}$$

Part 2 – Linear-Quadratic Systems of Equations (Substitution) – Factoring

Q2: Solve the following system of equations.

$$y = \frac{1}{2}x^2 + 2x - 3$$

$$y = \frac{1}{2}x - 3$$

$$y = y$$

$$\frac{1}{2}x^2 + 2x - 3 = \frac{1}{2}x - 3$$

$$\frac{1}{2}x^2 + \frac{3}{2}x - 3 = -3$$

$$\frac{1}{2}x^2 + \frac{3}{2}x = 0$$

$$\frac{1}{2}(x^2 + 3x) = 0$$

$$\frac{1}{2}(x)(x+3) = 0$$

$$x = 0$$

$$y = \frac{1}{2}(0) - 3$$

$$y = -3$$

Soln is (0, -3)

$$x + 3 = 0$$

$$x = -3$$

$$y = \frac{1}{2}(-3) - 3$$

$$y = -\frac{9}{2}$$

Soln is (-3, -9/2)

Q3: Solve the following system of equations.

$$y = -x^2 + 6x - 2$$

$$y = x - 8$$

$$y = y$$

$$-x^2 + 6x - 2 = x - 8$$

$$6x - 2 = x^2 + x - 8$$

$$-2 = x^2 - 5x - 8$$

$$0 = x^2 - 5x - 6$$

$$0 = (x-6)(x+1)$$

$$x - 6 = 0$$

$$x = 6$$

$$y = (6) - 8$$

$$y = -2$$

Soln is (6, -2)

$$x + 1 = 0$$

$$x = -1$$

$$y = (-1) - 8$$

$$y = -9$$

Soln is (-1, -9)

Part 3 – Linear-Quadratic Systems of Equations (Substitution) – Quadratic Equation

Q4: Solve the following system of equations.

$$y = -x^2 + 5x + 3$$

$$y = x + 2$$

$$y = y$$

$$x + 2 = -x^2 + 5x + 3$$

$$x^2 + x + 2 = 5x + 3$$

$$x^2 - 4x + 2 = 3$$

$$x^2 - 4x - 1 = 0$$

$$x = \frac{-b \pm \sqrt{b^2 - 4ac}}{2a}$$

$$x = \frac{4 \pm \sqrt{4^2 - 4(1)(-1)}}{2(1)}$$

$$x = \frac{4 \pm \sqrt{16 + 4}}{2}$$

$$x = \frac{4 \pm \sqrt{20}}{2} \text{ or } \frac{4 \pm 2\sqrt{5}}{2}$$

$$x_1 = 2 + \sqrt{5} \quad x_2 = 2 - \sqrt{5}$$

$$y = x + 2$$

$$y = (2 + \sqrt{5}) + 2$$

$$y = 4 + \sqrt{5}$$

Soln is (2+√5, 4+√5)

$$y = x + 2$$

$$y = (2 - \sqrt{5}) + 2$$

$$y = 4 - \sqrt{5}$$

Soln is (2-√5, 4-√5)

Q5: Solve the following system of equations.

$$y = x^2 + 2x - 4$$

$$y = \frac{1}{2}x + 4$$

$$y = y$$

$$x^2 + 2x - 4 = \frac{1}{2}x + 4$$

$$x^2 + \frac{3}{2}x - 4 = 4$$

$$x^2 + \frac{3}{2}x - 8 = 0$$

I hate fractions, so...

$$2x^2 + 3x - 16 = 0$$

ELIMINATE FRACTIONS

$$x = \frac{-b \pm \sqrt{b^2 - 4ac}}{2a}$$

$$x = \frac{-3 \pm \sqrt{3^2 - 4(2)(-16)}}{2(2)}$$

$$x = \frac{-3 \pm \sqrt{9 + 128}}{4}$$

$$x = \frac{-3 \pm \sqrt{137}}{4}$$

$$x_1 = \frac{-3 + \sqrt{137}}{4}$$

$$x_2 = \frac{-3 - \sqrt{137}}{4}$$

$$y = \frac{1}{2}x + 4$$

$$y = \frac{-3 + \sqrt{137}}{8} + 4$$

$$y = \frac{29 + \sqrt{137}}{8}$$

Soln is ((-3+√137)/4, (29+√137)/8)

$$y = \frac{1}{2}x + 4$$

$$y = \frac{-3 - \sqrt{137}}{8} + 4$$

$$y = \frac{29 - \sqrt{137}}{8}$$

Soln is ((-3-√137)/4, (29-√137)/8)

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Part 4 – Quadratic-Quadratic Systems of Equations (Substitution) - Easy

Q6: Solve the following system of equations.

$$y = x^2 + 2x + 6$$

$$y = x^2 + x + 4$$

$$y = y$$

$$x^2 + 2x + 6 = x^2 + x + 4$$

$$2x + 6 = x + 4$$

$$x + 6 = 4$$

$$x = -2$$

$$y = (-2)^2 + (-2) + 4$$

$$y = 6$$

$$\text{Soln is } (-2, 6)$$

Q7: Solve the following system of equations.

$$y = 2x^2 + 3x - 5$$

$$y = 2x^2 - 8$$

$$y = y$$

$$2x^2 + 3x - 5 = 2x^2 - 8$$

$$3x - 5 = -8$$

$$3x = -3$$

$$x = -1$$

$$y = 2(-1)^2 - 8$$

$$y = -6$$

$$\text{Soln is } (-1, -6)$$

Part 5 – Quadratic-Quadratic Systems of Equations (Substitution) - Factoring

Q8: Solve the following system of equations.

$$y = x^2 + 2x - 5$$

$$y = -2x^2 - 7x - 11$$

$$y = y$$

$$x^2 + 2x - 5 = -2x^2 - 7x - 11$$

$$3x^2 + 2x - 5 = -7x - 11$$

$$3x^2 + 9x - 5 = -11$$

$$3x^2 + 9x + 6 = 0$$

$$3(x^2 + 3x + 2) = 0$$

$$3(x+2)(x+1) = 0$$

$$x+2=0$$

$$x = -2$$

$$y = (-2)^2 + 2(-2) - 5$$

$$y = -5$$

$$\text{Soln is } (-2, -5)$$

$$x+1=0$$

$$x = -1$$

$$y = (-1)^2 + 2(-1) - 5$$

$$y = -6$$

$$\text{Soln is } (-1, -6)$$

Q9: Solve the following system of equations.

$$y = 3x^2 + 2x + 5$$

$$y = 2x^2 + 4x + 13$$

$$y = y$$

$$3x^2 + 2x + 5 = 2x^2 + 4x + 13$$

$$x^2 + 2x + 5 = 4x + 13$$

$$x^2 - 2x + 5 = 13$$

$$x^2 - 2x - 8 = 0$$

$$(x-4)(x+2) = 0$$

$$x-4=0$$

$$x = 4$$

$$y = 2(4)^2 + 4(4) + 13$$

$$y = 32 + 16 + 13$$

$$y = 61$$

$$\text{Soln is } (4, 61)$$

$$x+2=0$$

$$x = -2$$

$$y = 2(-2)^2 + 4(-2) + 13$$

$$y = 8 - 8 + 13$$

$$y = 13$$

$$\text{Soln is } (-2, 13)$$

Part 6 – Quadratic-Quadratic Systems of Equations (Substitution) – Quadratic Equation

Q10: Solve the following system of equations.

$$y = x^2 - 2x + 3$$

$$y = -x^2 + 4x + 12$$

$$y = y$$

$$x^2 - 2x + 3 = -x^2 + 4x + 12$$

$$2x^2 - 2x + 3 = 4x + 12$$

$$2x^2 - 6x + 3 = 12$$

$$2x^2 - 6x - 9 = 0$$

$$x = \frac{-b \pm \sqrt{b^2 - 4ac}}{2a} = \frac{6 \pm \sqrt{6^2 - 4(2)(-9)}}{2(2)}$$

$$x = \frac{6 \pm \sqrt{36 + 72}}{4} = \frac{6 \pm \sqrt{108}}{4}$$

$$x = \frac{6 \pm 6\sqrt{3}}{4}$$

$$x_1 = \frac{6 + 6\sqrt{3}}{4}$$

$$x_2 = \frac{6 - 6\sqrt{3}}{4}$$

$$y_1 = \left(\frac{6 + 6\sqrt{3}}{4}\right)\left(\frac{6 + 6\sqrt{3}}{4}\right) - 2\left(\frac{6 + 6\sqrt{3}}{4}\right) + 3$$

$$y_1 = \frac{36 + 72\sqrt{3} + 108}{16} + \frac{-12 - 12\sqrt{3}}{4} + \frac{12}{4}$$

$$y_1 = \frac{144 + 24\sqrt{3}}{16} = 9 + \frac{3}{2}\sqrt{3}$$

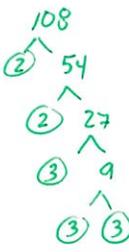
$$\text{soln is } \left(\frac{6 + 6\sqrt{3}}{4}, 9 + \frac{3}{2}\sqrt{3}\right)$$

$$y_2 = \left(\frac{6 - 6\sqrt{3}}{4}\right)\left(\frac{6 - 6\sqrt{3}}{4}\right) - 2\left(\frac{6 - 6\sqrt{3}}{4}\right) + 3$$

$$y_2 = \frac{36 - 72\sqrt{3} + 108}{16} - \frac{12 + 12\sqrt{3}}{4} + \frac{12}{4}$$

$$y_2 = \frac{144 - 24\sqrt{3}}{16} = 9 - \frac{3}{2}\sqrt{3}$$

$$\text{soln is } \left(\frac{6 - 6\sqrt{3}}{4}, 9 - \frac{3}{2}\sqrt{3}\right)$$



Q11: Solve the following system of equations.

$$y = x^2 + 5x + 8$$

$$y = -x^2 + 6x + 10$$

$$y = y$$

$$x^2 + 5x + 8 = -x^2 + 6x + 10$$

$$2x^2 + 5x + 8 = 6x + 10$$

$$2x^2 - 1x + 8 = 10$$

$$2x^2 - 1x - 2 = 0$$

$$x = \frac{-b \pm \sqrt{b^2 - 4ac}}{2a} = \frac{1 \pm \sqrt{1^2 - 4(2)(-2)}}{2(2)}$$

$$x = \frac{1 \pm \sqrt{17}}{4}$$

$$x_1 = \frac{1 + \sqrt{17}}{4}$$

$$x_2 = \frac{1 - \sqrt{17}}{4}$$

$$y_1 = \left(\frac{1 + \sqrt{17}}{4}\right)\left(\frac{1 + \sqrt{17}}{4}\right) + 5\left(\frac{1 + \sqrt{17}}{4}\right) + 8$$

$$y_1 = \frac{1 + 2\sqrt{17} + 17}{16} + \frac{5 + 5\sqrt{17}}{4} + 8$$

$$y_1 = \frac{1 + 2\sqrt{17} + 17}{16} + \frac{20 + 20\sqrt{17}}{16} + \frac{128}{16}$$

$$y_1 = \frac{166 + 22\sqrt{17}}{16} = \frac{83}{8} + \frac{11\sqrt{17}}{8}$$

$$\text{soln is } \left(\frac{1 + \sqrt{17}}{4}, \frac{83 + 11\sqrt{17}}{8}\right)$$

$$y_2 = \left(\frac{1 - \sqrt{17}}{4}\right)\left(\frac{1 - \sqrt{17}}{4}\right) + 5\left(\frac{1 - \sqrt{17}}{4}\right) + 8$$

$$y_2 = \frac{1 - 2\sqrt{17} + 17}{16} + \frac{5 - 5\sqrt{17}}{4} + 8$$

$$y_2 = \frac{1 - 2\sqrt{17} + 17}{16} + \frac{20 - 20\sqrt{17}}{16} + \frac{128}{16}$$

$$y_2 = \frac{166 - 22\sqrt{17}}{16} = \frac{83}{8} - \frac{11\sqrt{17}}{8}$$

$$\text{soln is } \left(\frac{1 - \sqrt{17}}{4}, \frac{83 - 11\sqrt{17}}{8}\right)$$

Today's Assignment: Q1-Q3, Pg451 #3ac,8,9

Tomorrow's Assignment: Pg451#4ac,6,10,17

Part 8 – Linear Systems of Equations (Elimination) – Math 10C Review

Q12: Solve the following system of equations.

$$f(x) = -x + 3$$

$$g(x) = \frac{1}{2}x - 3$$

$$y = -x + 3$$

$$- (y = \frac{1}{2}x - 3)$$

$$0 = -\frac{3}{2}x + 6$$

$$-6 = -\frac{3}{2}x$$

$$\div (-\frac{3}{2}) \div (-\frac{3}{2})$$

$$\boxed{4 = x} \longrightarrow$$

$$y = \frac{1}{2}(4) - 3$$

$$y = 2 - 3$$

$$\boxed{y = -1}$$

$$\boxed{\text{Soln is } (4, -1)}$$

Part 9 – Linear-Quadratic Systems of Equations (Elimination)

Q13: Solve the following system of equations using Substitution.

$$y = x^2 + 2x - 4$$

$$y = -x$$

$$y = x^2 + 2x - 4$$

$$- (y = -x)$$

$$0 = x^2 + 3x - 4$$

$$0 = (x+4)(x-1)$$

$$\boxed{x = -4}$$

$$y = -(-4)$$

$$\boxed{y = 4}$$

$$\boxed{\text{Soln is } (-4, 4)}$$

$$\boxed{x = 1}$$

$$y = -(1)$$

$$\boxed{y = -1}$$

$$\boxed{\text{Soln is } (1, -1)}$$

Q14: Solve the following system of equations using Elimination

$$y = x^2 - 2x - 8$$

$$y = -x + 4$$

$$y = x^2 - 2x - 8$$

$$- (y = -x + 4)$$

$$0 = x^2 - x - 12$$

$$0 = (x-4)(x+3)$$

$$\boxed{x = 4}$$

$$y = -(4) + 4$$

$$\boxed{y = 0}$$

$$\boxed{\text{Soln is } (4, 0)}$$

$$\boxed{x = -3}$$

$$y = -(-3) + 4$$

$$\boxed{y = 7}$$

$$\boxed{\text{Soln is } (-3, 7)}$$

Part 10 – Quadratic-Quadratic Systems of Equations (Elimination)

Q15: Solve the following system of equations using Substitution.

$$y = x^2 - 4x + 5$$

$$-(y = -x^2 + 3x + 9)$$

$$0 = 2x^2 - 7x - 4$$

$$\begin{array}{l} -8 + 1 \\ \square + \square = -7 \\ \square \times \square = -8 \end{array}$$

$$0 = 2x^2 - 8x + 1x - 4$$

$$0 = (2x^2 - 8x) + (1x - 4)$$

$$0 = 2x(x-4) + 1(x-4)$$

$$0 = (x-4)(2x+1)$$

$$x-4=0$$

$$\boxed{x=4}$$

$$2x+1=0$$

$$\boxed{x=-\frac{1}{2}}$$

$$y = (4)^2 - 4(4) + 5$$

$$y = 16 - 16 + 5$$

$$\boxed{y=5}$$

$$\boxed{\text{soln is } (4, 5)}$$

$$y = \left(-\frac{1}{2}\right)^2 - 4\left(-\frac{1}{2}\right) + 5$$

$$y = \frac{1}{4} + 2 + 5$$

$$\boxed{y = \frac{29}{4}}$$

$$\boxed{\text{soln is } \left(-\frac{1}{2}, \frac{29}{4}\right)}$$

Q16: Solve the following system of equations using Elimination.

$$y = 2x^2 + x + 6$$

$$-(y = x^2 + 3x + 9)$$

$$0 = x^2 - 2x - 3$$

$$0 = (x-3)(x+1)$$

$$x-3=0$$

$$\boxed{x=3}$$

$$x+1=0$$

$$\boxed{x=-1}$$

$$y = (3)^2 + 3(3) + 9$$

$$y = 9 + 9 + 9$$

$$\boxed{y=27}$$

$$\boxed{\text{soln is } (3, 27)}$$

$$y = (-1)^2 + 3(-1) + 9$$

$$y = 1 - 3 + 9$$

$$\boxed{y=7}$$

$$\text{soln is } (-1, 7)$$