

1 Intro + Substitution

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PRE-CALCULUS 11

Chapters 8-9 – Day 1: SYSTEMS OF EQUATIONS INTRO + SUBSTITUTION

SYSTEMS OF EQUATIONS

System of equations: a collection of **two or more equations** with the same variables.

Linear-quadratic system of equations: **1 line + 1 parabola**

Quadratic-Quadratic system of equations: **2 parabolas**

To solve any system of equations, find **all values** of the variables that **satisfy every equation in the system**.

$$\begin{cases} 4x + 2y = 9 \\ 3x - 2y = 10 \end{cases}$$

→ make the equations true

The solution of a system of equations can be found:

- graphically, or
- algebraically - either by the **substitution** method or the **elimination** method.

SOLVING SYSTEMS OF EQUATIONS BY GRAPHING

To solve a system of equations graphically:

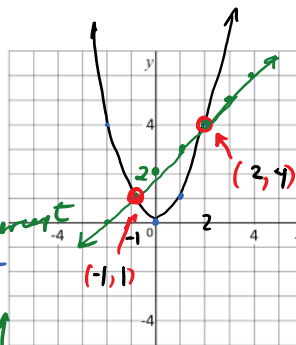
- Graph each equation on the same coordinate plane.
- Find **all** the points that are **common to all** of the graphs, i.e. **look at the point(s) of intersection!**
- Verify your solutions by substitution.

Example 1: Solve this system of equations graphically.

$y = x^2$ and $y = x + 2$
 basic parabola
 vertex: (0,0)
 Graph, → 1
 ↑ a x 1
 a x 3
 a x 5.

$y = mx + b$
 ↑
 y-intercept = 2
 m = slope
 = rise / run = 1

what points are in common?
 $\{(-1, 1), (2, 4)\}$
 (solution!)



Verify: (-1, 1)

$$\begin{aligned} y &= x^2 & y &= x + 2 \\ &= (-1)^2 & &= -1 + 2 \\ &= 1 & &= 1 \end{aligned}$$

Verify (2, 4)

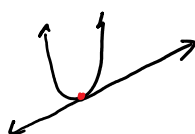
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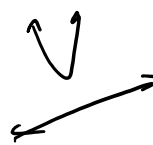
Example 2: How many **solutions** can a **linear-quadratic** system have? Illustrate your answers.



2 solutions

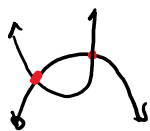


1 solution

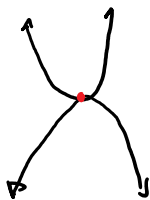


No solution

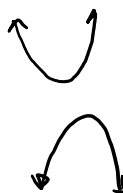
Example 3: How many solutions can a quadratic-quadratic system have? Illustrate your answer.



2 solutions

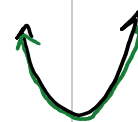


1 solution



No solution

Ex: When solving for x ,
you get something
FALSE
eg. $4 = -7$



2 parabolas
on top of
each other

infinitely many
solutions!

Ex: When solving for x ,
you get something
that's always **TRUE**
eg. $3 = 3$ ✓

SOLVING SYSTEMS OF EQUATIONS ALGEBRAICALLY WITH THE SUBSTITUTION METHOD

Steps to solve a system of equations algebraically using The Substitution Method:

$$\begin{aligned} 3x + y &= 5 \\ 2x + 4y &= -10 \end{aligned}$$

1. Rewrite one of the equations in terms of y . (Rewrite the simpler equation.)

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

2. Take the expression equal to that variable and substitute it into the other equation; the result should be a single equation with a single variable.
3. Solve this equation; find the roots - the values of this first variable.
4. Substitute each of these roots into an equation with both variables - one at a time; each of these roots will produce an equation with the second variable.
5. Solve these equations; find the value of the second variable.

Replace \Rightarrow end up with 1 variable, x !

Example 1: Solve this system of equations BY SUBSTITUTION.

quadratic $x^2 - y = 0$ and linear $x - y = -2$

- Steps:
- Isolate for y in the linear function
 - Substitute expression for y into the quadratic function.
 - Solve this quadratic equation.

$x - y = -2$ Rewrite to get an expression for y .

$$x + 2 = y$$

$$y = x + 2$$

$x^2 - y = 0$ given

$x^2 - (x + 2) = 0$ Substitute $x + 2$ for y

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

$-2x + 4 = ac = -2$ $(x - 2)(x + 1) = 0$
 $-2x + 4 = b = -1$ $x - 2 = 0$ OR $x + 1 = 0$
 $x = 2$ $x = -1$

Could this example be solved with the substitution method using different decisions?

Yes.

Plug in $x = 2$ to either equation to get y :

$$y = x + 2$$

$$= 2 + 2$$

$$y = 4$$

$$(2, 4)$$

Plug in $x = -1$:

$$y = x + 2$$

$$= -1 + 2$$

$$y = 1 \Rightarrow (-1, 1)$$

Example 2: Solve using The Substitution Method. Find the exact values.

$E_1: y = x^2 + 2$ and $E_2: 2x - y + 1 = 0$

Substitute E_1 into E_2

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

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

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

can't factor a negative 1!
Mult. each term by -1!

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

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

$$x = 1$$

Plug $x = 1$ into either eq. to get y !

$$y = x^2 + 2$$

Solution: $\{(2, 4), (-1, 1)\}$

Plug $x=1$ into either eq. to get y !

$$\begin{aligned} y &= x^2 + 2 \\ &= (1)^2 + 2 \\ &= 3 \end{aligned}$$

$$\{ (1, 3) \}$$

Assignment: Sec 8.2, p. 451 #1-3, 8, 13, 14

b) $y = (x + 1)^2 - 4$ and $y = -2x^2 + 7$ (challenge) REMOVED BECAUSE very long answer (Ms. Chang's notes)

Assignment: Sec 8.1, p. 435, #2, 3ab, 4abd, 5b, 6, 8, 13, opt: 20 (need graph paper for #4)

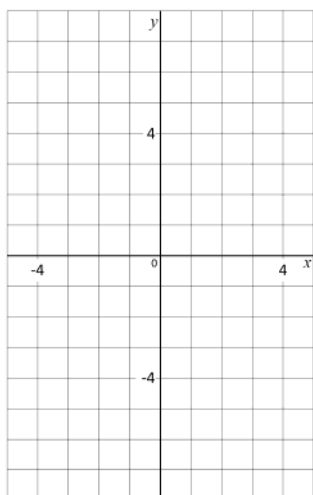
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HW: p. 435: #2-4abd, 6-8, 13, 20

Exercise: Solve graphically; round to one decimal place if necessary. **Verify your solutions.**

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

$3x + 3y - 6 = 0$



b) $y = (x + 1)^2 - 4$

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

