

8.7 Determinants and Cramer's Rule

Defn: If $A = \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix}$ is a 2×2 matrix

then the determinant of matrix A ,

$$\text{denoted } \det(A) = |A| = \begin{vmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= ad - bc$$

Cramer's Rule for 2 equations and 2 variables

ex:
$$\begin{cases} 2x + 4y = 1 \\ 3x + 5y = 2 \end{cases}$$

Calculate three determinants

$$D = \begin{vmatrix} 2 & 4 \\ 3 & 5 \end{vmatrix} = \text{determinant of the coefficient matrix}$$

$$= (2)(5) - (3)(4) = 10 - 12 = -2$$

Methods

- ① Graphing
- ② Substitution
- ③ Elimination
- ④ Elimination with matrices
- ⑤ Cramer's Rule using determinants

D_x = determinant where we replace
the x -coefficients with the constants.

$$= \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 4 \\ 2 & 5 \end{vmatrix} = (1)(5) - (2)(4) \\ = 5 - 8 = -3$$

D_y = determinant gotten by replacing the
 y -coefficients with the constants

$$= \begin{vmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 3 & 2 \end{vmatrix} = (2)(2) - (3)(1) \\ = 4 - 3 = 1$$

The solution is (x, y) where

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

$$y = \frac{D_y}{D} = \frac{1}{-2} = -\frac{1}{2}$$

$$\text{so } (x, y) = \left(\frac{3}{2}, -\frac{1}{2}\right)$$

Remark: There is a version of Cramer's Rule for 3 eqns
and 3 variables, it's so tedious I don't recommend it.

Use Cramer's Rule to solve

ex:
$$\begin{aligned} 2x + 3y &= 5 \\ 6x + 9y &= 1 \end{aligned}$$

$$\Delta = \begin{vmatrix} 2 & 3 \\ 6 & 9 \end{vmatrix} = (2)(9) - (6)(3) = 0$$

Whoa!!! This system will
be inconsistent (no solution)
or dependent (infinitely many solutions)

which?

- i) If BOTH Δ_x and Δ_y are zero, the system is dependent.
- ii) Otherwise (if one of Δ_x or Δ_y are not zero)
the system is inconsistent.

$$\Delta_x = \begin{vmatrix} 5 & 3 \\ 1 & 9 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= (5)(9) - (1)(3)$$

$$= 42 \neq 0$$

$$\Delta_y = \begin{vmatrix} 2 & 5 \\ 6 & 1 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= (2)(1) - (6)(5)$$

$$= 2 - 30 = -28 \neq 0$$

$\therefore$ The system is inconsistent - no solution.

Use Cramer's Rule

$$\begin{aligned} \text{ex: } 3x + y &= 0 \\ -2x + 5y &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

$$D = \begin{vmatrix} 3 & 1 \\ -2 & 5 \end{vmatrix} = (3)(5) - (-2)(1) \\ = 15 - (-2) = 17 \neq 0$$

There will be one solution.

$$D_x = \begin{vmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 5 \end{vmatrix} = (0)(5) - (0)(1) = 0$$

$$D_y = \begin{vmatrix} 3 & 0 \\ -2 & 0 \end{vmatrix} = (3)(0) - (-2)(0) = 0$$

$$x = \frac{D_x}{D} = \frac{0}{17} = 0 \quad y = \frac{D_y}{D} = \frac{0}{17} = 0$$

$$\text{Soln: } (x, y) = (0, 0)$$

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Calculate the following determinant:

ex: [3x3 determinant - by a method NOT in the textbook]

$$\begin{vmatrix} 2 & 1 & 4 \\ 3 & 5 & 1 \\ 1 & 7 & 6 \end{vmatrix}$$

Diagram illustrating the calculation of the determinant using a method not in the textbook. The matrix is shown with arrows indicating the terms to be added and subtracted:

- Downward arrows (positive terms): 20 (from 2 to 5 to 6), 14 (from 1 to 5 to 1), 18 (from 4 to 1 to 7).
- Upward arrows (negative terms): 60 (from 3 to 1 to 6), 1 (from 3 to 7 to 1), 84 (from 1 to 1 to 7).

$$= 60 + 1 + 84 - 20 - 14 - 18$$

$$= 145 - 52 = \boxed{93}$$

Application: Consider the system of equations:

$$\begin{cases} 2x + y + 4z = 1 \\ 3x + 5y + z = -7 \\ x + 7y + 6z = -3 \end{cases}$$

Is this system consistent? Is there exactly one solution?Yes, because $\Delta = 93 \neq 0$.

Remark: You should try to understand the 3x3 version of Cramer's Rule by reading on your own, but you will not be tested on it.

9.1 and 9.2 Inequalities and compound inequalities in one variable.

ex:

$$7 < 15$$

$$\text{So } 3(7) < 3(15) \\ 21 < 45$$

$$-2 < 5$$

$$\text{So } 10(-2) < 10(5) \\ -20 < 50$$

$$3 < 7$$

$$\text{but } (-2)(3) > (-2)(7) \\ -6 > -14$$

$$-2 < 5$$

$$\text{but } (-10)(-2) > (-10)(5) \\ 20 > -50$$

$$-4 < -1$$

$$\text{but } (-3)(-4) > (-3)(-1) \\ 12 > 3$$

ex: Solve $3x + 1 > 13$

$$\begin{array}{r} -1 \quad -1 \\ 3x > 12 \end{array}$$

$$3x > 12$$

$$\frac{3x}{3} > \frac{12}{3}$$

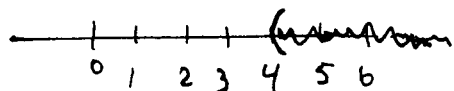
$$x > 4$$

Three ways to express the answer:

(1) Graph

(2) Interval notation

(3) Set-builder notation



$$(4, \infty)$$

$$\{x \mid x > 4\}$$

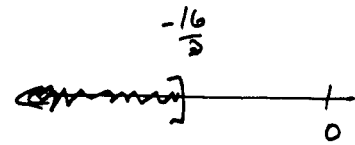
$$\text{ex: } -3x + 5 \geq 21$$

$$\quad \quad -5 \quad -5$$

$$-3x \geq 16$$

$$\frac{-3x}{-3} \leq \frac{16}{-3}$$

$$x \leq -\frac{16}{3}$$



$$(-\infty, -\frac{16}{3}]$$

$$\{x \mid x \leq -\frac{16}{3}\}$$

Solve. Express the answer using interval notation.

$$24) \quad 8x - 3(3x + 2) - 5 \geq 3(x + 4) - 2x$$

$$8x - 9x - 6 - 5 \geq 3x + 12 - 2x$$

$$\begin{array}{rcl} -x - 11 & \geq & x + 12 \\ +11 & & +11 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{rcl} -x & \geq & x + 23 \\ -x & -x & \end{array}$$

$$-2x \geq 23$$

$$\frac{-2x}{-2} \leq \frac{23}{-2}$$

$$x \leq -\frac{23}{2} = -11.5$$

9.2:

"Union" and "Intersection" of Sets

ex. a) Find the intersection of these two sets

$$A = \{0 \ 2 \ 4 \ 6 \ 8 \ 10 \ 12\} \quad B = \{0 \ 3 \ 6 \ 9 \ 12\}$$

$$\text{intersection} = A \cap B = \{0 \ 6 \ 12\}$$

NOTE: A number appears in the intersection if it appears in set A and it appears in set B.

b) Find the union of sets A and B

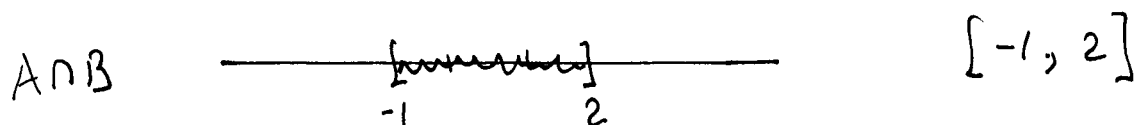
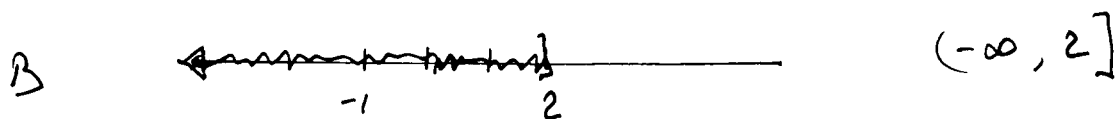
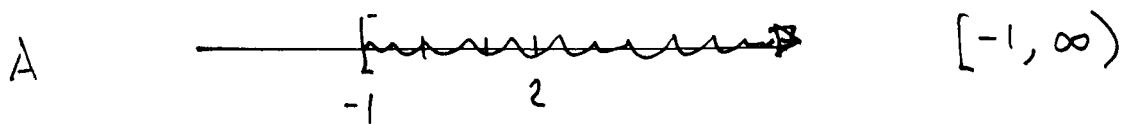
$$\text{union} = A \cup B = \{0 \ 2 \ 3 \ 4 \ 6 \ 8 \ 9 \ 10 \ 12\}$$

NOTE: A number appears in the union if it appears in set A or it appears in set B.

Determine what set this is by graphing.

ex: $\{x \mid x \geq -1\} \cap \{x \mid x \leq 2\}$ ← B

a)



ex: (new notation) $3 \leq x < 7$

is defined to mean $3 \leq x$ AND $x < 7$

Write the solution set in interval notation

$[3, 7)$

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ex: Can you find a number which satisfies

$$5 < x < 1 \quad ?$$

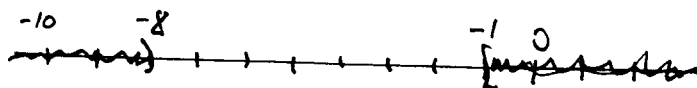
No because this means $5 < x$ AND $x < 1$

Solution = empty set = $\emptyset$.

ex: ~~#58~~) Solve and graph each solution set

$$58) \quad \begin{array}{ccc} x+5 < -3 & \text{or} & x+5 \geq 4 \\ -5 & -5 & -5 \end{array}$$

$$x < -8 \quad \text{or} \quad x \geq -1$$



$$\text{solution set} = (-\infty, -8) \cup [-1, \infty)$$