

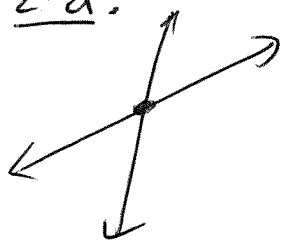
# Appendix C (Systems of Equations & Inequalities; and Partial Fraction Decomposition (PFD))

## System of Linear Equations

a set of linear eqns to be "solved" simultaneously  
(we're looking for the point(s) where the lines/planes intersect)

in 2-d:

①



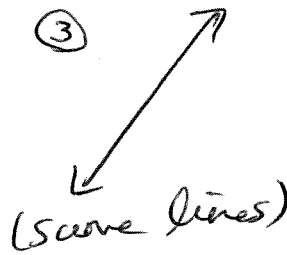
consistent  
one solution

②



inconsistent  
no solution

③



(same lines)  
consistent  
all pts on the line are  
solutions

## Strategies to Solve system of Linear Eqns:

① Graphing

unreliable  
for fraction  
values of  
x and y

② Substitution

Great and  
useful for  
systems of  
any type of  
eqns (not  
just linear)

③ Elimination

Fast and  
great for  
linear  
systems

## App C (cont)

Ex1 Solve these systems of eqns.

(a) (use substitution)

$$2x + 10y = -22$$

$$-3x - 14y = 30$$

(b) (use elimination)

$$3x + 2y = 17$$

$$-5x + 3y = 16$$

Ex2 Solve this system of 3 eqns.

$$2x + y - 2z = 1$$

$$x + 3y + z = 2$$

$$3x + 4y - z = 5$$

## App C (cont)

Ex 3 Solve these systems of eqns.

(a)  $3x - 4y = 5$   
 $-6x + 8y = 10$

(b)  $x = 2y - 7$   
 $5x - 1 = 10y$

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Solving a system of linear inequalities (in 2-d)

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Strategy: ① graph the lines

② shade in the appropriate half-plane for each line (pick a test pt)

③ keep the intersection of all regions shaded in ②

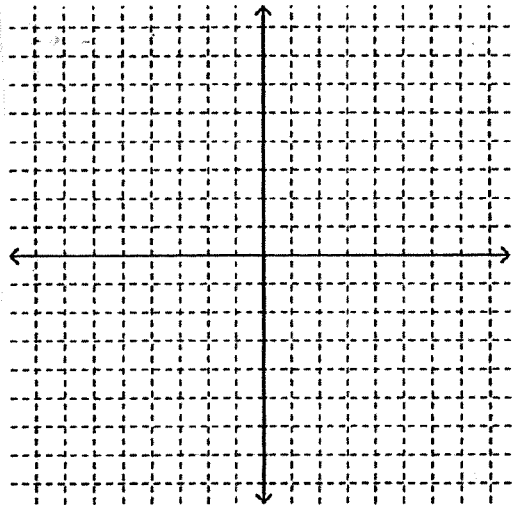
App C (cont)

Ex 4 Solve this system of linear inequalities.

$$3y - 2x \geq -6$$

$$2x + 5y \leq 10$$

$$6x + 3y \geq -6$$



## App C (cont)

### Partial Fraction Decomposition

$P(x)$  = a polynomial of  $x$

$$\frac{P(x)}{(x-a)^n (x-b)^m (x^2+c)^k} = \frac{A_1}{x-a} + \frac{A_2}{(x-a)^2} + \dots + \frac{A_n}{(x-a)^n} + \frac{B_1}{x-b} + \frac{B_2}{(x-b)^2} + \dots + \frac{B_m}{(x-b)^m} + \frac{C_1x+D_1}{(x^2+c)} + \frac{C_2x+D_2}{(x^2+c)^2} + \dots + \frac{C_kx+D_k}{(x^2+c)^k}$$

decomposition of LHS

Ex 5 Find the partial fraction decomposition (PFD) for this rational expressions.

$$\frac{x-9}{x^2-3x-18}$$

Strategy:

- ① set up PFD eqn
- ② multiply both sides by original denominator
- ③ Solve for  $A, B, C$ , etc. by:  
(a) equate coefficients of like terms

OR

(b) plugging in values of  $x$

App C (cont)

Ex 6 Find PFD

(a)  $\frac{16x^2}{(x-6)(x+2)^2}$

(b)  $\frac{20x}{(x-1)^2(x^2+1)}$

App C (cont)

Ex 7 Solve this system of eqns.

$$x + 3y = 0$$

$$x^2 + y^2 = 40$$