

Elimination

Example 1:

$$3x + y = 2$$

$$3(x - 2y = 10)$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 3x + y = 2 \\ + \quad -3x + 6y = -30 \\ \hline \end{array}$$

$$\frac{7y = -28}{7}$$

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

$$3x + \begin{array}{l} \cancel{-4} \\ +4 \end{array} = 2 \quad +4$$

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

$$\boxed{x = 2}$$

$$(2, -4)$$

One Solution

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Example 3:

$$2(-x + 5y = -6)$$

$$2x - 10y = 12$$

$$-2x + 10y = -12$$

$$2x - 10y = 12$$

$$0 = 0$$

Infinitely
many
Solutions

$$\begin{array}{l}
 16x - 10y = 10 \\
 2(-8x - 6y = 6)
 \end{array}
 \qquad
 \begin{array}{l}
 3(5x + 4y = -30) \\
 -5(3x - 9y = -18)
 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{l}
 \cancel{16x} - 10y = 10 \\
 \cancel{-16x} - 12y = 12
 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{r}
 \cancel{-22y} = 22 \\
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 \cancel{-22} \quad -22
 \end{array}$$

$$\boxed{y = -1 \quad x = 0}$$

$$\begin{array}{l}
 -8x - 6(-1) = 6 \quad \text{ONE SOLUTION} \\
 -8x + 6 = 6 \\
 \cancel{-6} \quad \cancel{-6} \quad -8x = 0
 \end{array}$$