

3-Variable Elimination

- 1) Group 2 of the equations & eliminate a variable.
- 2) Group a different pair of equations & eliminate the same variable.
- 3) Group the 2 resulting equations from steps 1+2 & eliminate a variable.
- 4) Sub answer in a 2-variable eq. to find a 2nd variable.
- 5) Sub both answers in a 3-variable eq. & solve.

CRAMER'S RULE

$$4x + 2y - z = 15$$

$$2x - y + 5z = 9$$

$$3x + 2y - z = 12$$

$$X = \frac{\begin{vmatrix} =_1 & y_1 & z_1 \\ =_2 & y_2 & z_2 \\ =_3 & y_3 & z_3 \end{vmatrix}}{\begin{vmatrix} x_1 & y_1 & z_1 \\ x_2 & y_2 & z_2 \\ x_3 & y_3 & z_3 \end{vmatrix}}$$

$$y = \frac{\begin{vmatrix} x_1 & =_1 & z_1 \\ x_2 & =_2 & z_2 \\ x_3 & =_3 & z_3 \end{vmatrix}}{\begin{vmatrix} x_1 & y_1 & z_1 \\ x_2 & y_2 & z_2 \\ x_3 & y_3 & z_3 \end{vmatrix}}$$

$$Z = \frac{\begin{vmatrix} \textcircled{4} & \textcircled{2} & \textcircled{15} \\ 2 & -1 & 9 \\ 3 & 2 & 12 \end{vmatrix}}{\begin{vmatrix} \textcircled{4} & \textcircled{2} & \textcircled{-1} \\ 2 & -1 & 5 \\ 3 & 2 & -1 \end{vmatrix}}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} -3 \\ -9 \\ -17 \\ -14 \end{array}$$

$$4 \begin{vmatrix} -1 & 9 \\ 2 & 12 \end{vmatrix} - 2 \begin{vmatrix} 2 & 9 \\ 3 & 12 \end{vmatrix} + 15 \begin{vmatrix} 2 & -1 \\ 3 & 2 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$4 \begin{pmatrix} -12 & 18 \\ -30 & \end{pmatrix} - 2 \begin{pmatrix} 24 & 27 \\ -3 & \end{pmatrix} + 15 \begin{pmatrix} 4 & 3 \\ 7 & \end{pmatrix}$$

$$-120 + 6 + 105 = \boxed{-9}$$

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

$$4 \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -10 \\ -9 & \end{pmatrix} - 2 \begin{pmatrix} -2 & -15 \\ -17 & \end{pmatrix} + (-1) \begin{pmatrix} 4 & 3 \\ 7 & \end{pmatrix}$$

$$-36 + 34 - 7 = \boxed{-9}$$

$$\boxed{Z = \frac{-9}{-9} = 1}$$

Calculator

$$\frac{\det \left(\begin{bmatrix} \equiv & \equiv & \equiv \\ \equiv & \equiv & \equiv \\ \equiv & \equiv & \equiv \end{bmatrix} \right)}{\det \left(\begin{bmatrix} \equiv & \equiv & \equiv \\ \equiv & \equiv & \equiv \\ \equiv & \equiv & \equiv \end{bmatrix} \right)}$$

$x = \#$ of sofas
 $y = \#$ of chairs
 $z = \#$ of love seats

$$\begin{aligned} x + 2y &= 1000 \\ x + z &= 1200 \end{aligned}$$