

Problem 1 Numbers in Circles refer to eqns.

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} x + 3y + 2z = 8 \\ x + 3y + 3z = 10 \\ x + 4y + 2z = 9 \end{array} \right\} \begin{array}{l} \\ \\ -\textcircled{2} \end{array} \rightarrow \left\{ \begin{array}{l} x + 3y + 2z = 8 \\ x + 3y + 3z = 10 \\ 0 + y - z = -1 \end{array} \right\} -\textcircled{1} \rightarrow$$

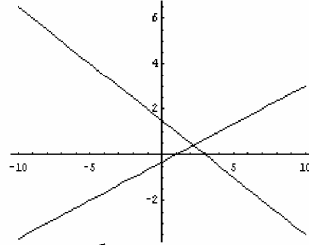
$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} x + 3y + 2z = 8 \\ 0 + 0 + z = 2 \\ 0 + y - z = -1 \end{array} \right\} \begin{array}{l} \\ \\ \text{swap} \end{array} \rightarrow \left\{ \begin{array}{l} x + 3y + 2z = 8 \\ 0 + y - z = -1 \\ 0 + 0 + z = 2 \end{array} \right\} +\textcircled{3} \rightarrow$$

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} x + 3y + 2z = 8 \\ 0 + y + 0 = 1 \\ 0 + 0 + z = 2 \end{array} \right\} \begin{array}{l} -3 \times \textcircled{2} \\ \\ \end{array} \rightarrow \left\{ \begin{array}{l} x + 0 + 2z = 5 \\ 0 + y + 0 = 1 \\ 0 + 0 + z = 2 \end{array} \right\} \begin{array}{l} -2 \times \textcircled{3} \\ \\ \end{array} \rightarrow$$

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} x = 1 \\ y = 1 \\ z = 2 \end{array} \right\}$$

Problem 2

$$\begin{cases} x + 2y = 3 \\ x - 3y = 1 \end{cases} \xrightarrow{-\textcircled{1}} \begin{cases} x + 2y = 3 \\ 0 - 5y = -2 \end{cases} \xrightarrow{+\frac{2}{5} \times \textcircled{2}} \begin{cases} x = 1\frac{1}{5} \\ y = \frac{2}{5} \end{cases}$$



Problem 3

$$\begin{cases} x + 2y + 3z = 1 \\ 3x + 2y + z = 1 \\ 2x + 2y + kz = 1 \end{cases} \xrightarrow{\begin{matrix} -3 \times \textcircled{1} \\ -2 \times \textcircled{1} \end{matrix}} \begin{cases} 1 & 2 & 3 & 1 \\ 0 & -4 & -8 & -2 \\ 0 & -2 & k-6 & -1 \end{cases} \xrightarrow{\div(-2)} \begin{cases} 1 & 2 & 3 & 1 \\ 0 & 2 & 4 & 1 \\ 0 & -2 & k-6 & -1 \end{cases}$$

$$\begin{cases} 1 & 2 & 3 & 1 \\ 0 & 2 & 4 & 1 \\ 0 & -2 & k-6 & -1 \end{cases} \xrightarrow{+\textcircled{2}} \begin{cases} 1 & 2 & 3 & 1 \\ 0 & 2 & 4 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & k-2 & 0 \end{cases}$$

Now, the 3rd eqn is $(k-2)z = 0$. If $z=0$, we may continue and solve 2nd eqn $\Rightarrow y = y_2$. Then solve 1st eqn $\Rightarrow x = 0$

$\Rightarrow (0, y_2, 0)$ is a solution [independent of k !]

For any k , the 3 planes intersect in a point (at least)

Part (c) in the problem has the answer [NO]

* If $k=2$, only the 1st and 2nd eqns survive \Rightarrow two eqns. in three variables \Downarrow infinite number of solutions

take $z=t \Rightarrow y = \frac{1-4t}{2}$, substitute in ① $\Rightarrow x + 2\left(\frac{1-4t}{2}\right) + 3t = 1$

$\Rightarrow x = t$

\Rightarrow the general solution is $\left(t, \frac{1-4t}{2}, t\right)$

Note: the point $(0, \frac{1}{2}, 0)$ is on this line.

Problem 4

In a straight forward manner, you can form the system,

$$\begin{cases} 2 = a + b + c \\ 4 = a - b + c \\ 4 = 4a + 2b + c \end{cases} \begin{matrix} -\textcircled{1} \\ -4 \times \textcircled{1} \end{matrix} \rightarrow \begin{cases} 1 & 1 & 1 & 2 \\ 0 & -2 & 0 & 2 \\ 0 & -2 & -3 & -4 \end{cases} \begin{matrix} \\ \div (-2) \\ -\textcircled{2} \end{matrix} \rightarrow$$

$$\begin{cases} 1 & 1 & 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & -3 & -6 \end{cases} \begin{matrix} \\ \\ \div (-3) \end{matrix} \rightarrow \begin{cases} 1 & 1 & 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 2 \end{cases} \begin{matrix} -\textcircled{2} \\ \\ \end{matrix} \rightarrow$$

$$\begin{cases} 1 & 0 & 1 & 3 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 2 \end{cases} \begin{matrix} -\textcircled{3} \\ \\ \end{matrix} \rightarrow \begin{cases} 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 2 \end{cases}$$

$\therefore a = 1, b = -1, c = 2$

$\therefore f(t) = t^2 - t + 2 \rightarrow$ The polynomial required.

Problem 5

(4)

You can directly write down these two eqns,

$$\begin{cases} x + 5y + 10z = 100 \\ x + y + z = 22 \end{cases}$$

Two eqns in three variables \rightarrow Infinite number of solutions (if any)

\therefore let $z=t$; a parameter. Then solve the system,

$$\begin{cases} x + 5y = 100 - 10t \\ x + y = 22 - t \end{cases} \xrightarrow{-\textcircled{2}} \begin{cases} 0 + 4y = 78 - 9t \\ x + y = 22 - t \end{cases} \xrightarrow{\div 4}$$

$$\begin{cases} y = \frac{78-9t}{4} \\ x + y = 22 - t \end{cases} \xrightarrow{-\textcircled{1}} \begin{cases} y = \frac{78-9t}{4} \\ x = 22 - t - \frac{78-9t}{4} \end{cases}$$

$$\Rightarrow (x, y, z) = \left(\frac{10}{4} + \frac{5}{4}t, \frac{78-9t}{4}, t \right)$$

This infinite number of solutions is filtered using the fact that x, y, z are all integers.

\Rightarrow Try $t=1 \rightarrow x, y$ are fractions \rightarrow not acceptable

$\boxed{t=2} \rightarrow x=5, y=15 \rightarrow (5, 15, 2)$ is acceptable solution

$t=3 \rightarrow x, y$ are fractions \rightarrow not acceptable

$t=4$ " " "

$t=5$ " " "

$\boxed{t=6} \rightarrow x=10, y=6 \rightarrow (10, 6, 6)$ is the second accepted solution

There is a constraint on the number of solutions because x, y, z are positive numbers, ⑤

$$\text{if } x + 5y + 10z = 100 \Rightarrow \underbrace{(x + y + z)}_{22 \text{ (from eqn. 2)}} + 4y + 9z = 100$$

$$\Rightarrow 4y + 9z = 78$$

$z = 9$ would violate this eqn for positive $y \Rightarrow z \leq 8$