

## CRAMER'S RULE

Find the value of variable  $x$  using Cramer's rule (do not use the Sarrus' method at any time)

$$\begin{cases} 3x + 7y + 2z + 4t = 0 \\ 2y + z = 0 \\ x + 4y + z = 1 \\ 5x + 3y + 2z = 0 \end{cases}$$

1) At the beginning we have to "transform" the system of equation into a matrix and we have:

$$\underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} 3 & 7 & 2 & 4 \\ 0 & 2 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 4 & 1 & 0 \\ 5 & 3 & 2 & 0 \end{bmatrix}}_A \cdot \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \\ t \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

2) Then we have to calculate the determinant of matrix  $A$

$$\begin{aligned} \det A &= \begin{vmatrix} 3 & 7 & 2 & 4 \\ 0 & 2 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 4 & 1 & 0 \\ 5 & 3 & 2 & 0 \end{vmatrix} = 3 \cdot (-1)^{1+1} \begin{vmatrix} 2 & 1 & 0 \\ 4 & 1 & 0 \\ 3 & 2 & 0 \end{vmatrix} + 7 \cdot (-1)^{1+2} \begin{vmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 5 & 2 & 0 \end{vmatrix} + 2 \cdot (-1)^{1+3} \begin{vmatrix} 0 & 2 & 0 \\ 1 & 4 & 0 \\ 5 & 3 & 0 \end{vmatrix} + 4 \cdot (-1)^{1+4} \begin{vmatrix} 0 & 2 & 1 \\ 1 & 4 & 1 \\ 5 & 3 & 2 \end{vmatrix} = \\ &= 3 \cdot \left( 2 \cdot (-1)^{1+1} \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 2 & 0 \end{vmatrix} + 1 \cdot (-1)^{1+2} \begin{vmatrix} 4 & 0 \\ 3 & 0 \end{vmatrix} \right) - 7 \cdot \left( 1 \cdot (-1)^{1+2} \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 5 & 0 \end{vmatrix} \right) + 2 \cdot \left( 2 \cdot (-1)^{1+3} \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 5 & 0 \end{vmatrix} \right) - 4 \cdot \left( 2 \cdot (-1)^{1+4} \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 5 & 2 \end{vmatrix} + 1 \cdot (-1)^{1+5} \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 5 & 3 \end{vmatrix} \right) \\ &= \underbrace{3 \cdot (2 \cdot 0 + (-1) \cdot 0)}_0 - 0 + 0 - 4 \cdot (-2) \cdot (-3) + 1 \cdot (-17) = -24 - 17 = -41 \end{aligned}$$

$$\det A = -41$$

3) To calculate  $x$ , we also have to compute  $\det A_x$ .

To do that, we have to put the results from the right side of the equation instead of  $x$ -column and we have

$$\begin{aligned} \det A_x &= \begin{vmatrix} 0 & 7 & 2 & 4 \\ 0 & 2 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 4 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 3 & 2 & 0 \end{vmatrix} = 7 \cdot (-1)^{1+2} \begin{vmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & 0 \end{vmatrix} + 2 \cdot (-1)^{1+3} \begin{vmatrix} 0 & 2 & 0 \\ 1 & 4 & 0 \\ 0 & 3 & 0 \end{vmatrix} + 4 \cdot (-1)^{1+4} \begin{vmatrix} 0 & 2 & 1 \\ 1 & 4 & 1 \\ 0 & 3 & 2 \end{vmatrix} = -7 \cdot \left( 1 \cdot (-1)^{1+2} \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{vmatrix} \right) + 2 \cdot \left( 2 \cdot (-1)^{1+3} \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{vmatrix} \right) + \\ &- 4 \cdot \left( 2 \cdot (-1)^{1+4} \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 2 \end{vmatrix} + 1 \cdot (-1)^{1+5} \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 3 \end{vmatrix} \right) = 0 + 0 - 4 \cdot (-2) \cdot 2 + 1 \cdot 3 = 19 \end{aligned}$$

$$x = \frac{\det A_x}{\det A} = \frac{19}{-41} \Rightarrow x = -\frac{19}{41}$$

## CRAMER'S FORMULA $\rightarrow$ if $\dim A = m \times n$ ( $m=n$ )

Solve:

$$\begin{cases} x + 2y - z = 1 \\ 3x + y + z = 2 \\ x + 0y - 5z = 0 \end{cases}$$

and  $\det A \neq 0$

$$x_1 = \frac{\det A_1}{\det A}, \dots, x_n = \frac{\det A_n}{\det A}$$

1) At the beginning we have to "transform" the system of equations into a matrix and we have:

$$(*) \quad \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & -1 \\ 3 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & -5 \end{bmatrix}}_A \cdot \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

2) Then, we have to calculate the determinant of matrix  $A$  (we use Sarrus' method)

$$\det A = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 2 & -1 & | & 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 1 & 1 & | & 3 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & -5 & | & 1 & 0 \end{vmatrix} = (-5+2) - (-1+30) = -3 + 31 = 28$$

3) After that, we have to calculate  $\det A_x$ ,  $\det A_y$  and  $\det A_z$ , to do that we have to put the right side of the equation (\*) instead of  $x$ -column,  $y$ -column or  $z$ -column, and we have:

$$\det A_x = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 2 & -1 & | & 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 1 & 1 & | & 2 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & -5 & | & 0 & 0 \end{vmatrix} = (-5+0-0) - (-20) = -5+20 = 15 \Rightarrow \det A_x = 15$$

$$\det A_y = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 1 & -1 & | & 1 & 1 \\ 3 & 2 & 1 & | & 3 & 2 \\ 1 & 0 & -5 & | & 1 & 0 \end{vmatrix} = (-10+1+0) - (-2-15) = -9+17 = 8 \Rightarrow \det A_y = 8$$

$$\det A_z = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 2 & 1 & | & 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 1 & 2 & | & 3 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & | & 1 & 0 \end{vmatrix} = (0+4+0) - (1+0+0) = 4-1 = 3 \Rightarrow \det A_z = 3$$

4) To compute  $x$ ,  $y$  and  $z$  we have to put the results into the formulae and we have:

$$x: x = \frac{\det A_x}{\det A} = \frac{15}{28}$$

$$y: y = \frac{\det A_y}{\det A} = \frac{8}{28}$$

$$z: z = \frac{\det A_z}{\det A} = \frac{3}{28}$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{ANSWER: } \begin{cases} x = \frac{15}{28} \\ y = \frac{8}{28} \\ z = \frac{3}{28} \end{cases}$$