

# Finding Solutions

3. Adding: any  $\lambda \in \mathbb{R}$   
if  $x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n$  are such that

$$\begin{aligned}a_{11}x_1 + a_{12}x_2 + \dots + a_{1n}x_n &= b_1 \\ a_{21}x_1 + a_{22}x_2 + \dots + a_{2n}x_n &= b_2\end{aligned}$$

then  $x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n$  are such that

$$\begin{aligned}(a_{11} + \lambda a_{21})x_1 + (a_{12} + \lambda a_{22})x_2 + \dots + (a_{1n} + \lambda a_{2n})x_n &= b_1 + \lambda b_2 \\ a_{21}x_1 + a_{22}x_2 + \dots + a_{2n}x_n &= b_2\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}e &= f & 2e &= 2f \\ g &= h & g + 2e &= h + 2f\end{aligned}$$

# First Steps

- Data structure
- ☐ • Algorithm
  - How to solve it
- Presenting answer

# What are the features of a good algorithm?

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- Efficient
  - Universal
  - Unambiguous - no doubt
  - Gives right answer
  - Know when to stop
  - Guaranteed termination
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- Key steps

# Data Structure

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- Identify no. of variables

- List constants

- Identify no. of equations

For each eq<sup>n</sup>, a list of constants

$$-x + 4y = 9$$

$$3x + 2y = 1$$

$$e[1] =$$

~~$$a = [-1 \quad 4 \quad 9]$$~~

~~$$b = [3 \quad 2 \quad 1]$$~~

$$e[2] =$$

$$e = \begin{bmatrix} [-1 & 4 & 9] \\ [3 & 2 & 1] \end{bmatrix}$$

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for (i=0, i < no. of eqs, i++)  
{  
    print "e[0][0]x1 + e[i][1]x2 +  
        ... + e[i][n-1]xn = e[i][n]"  
}
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# Algorithm:

## Step:

Iterate over each eq<sup>n</sup>  
getting rid of an unknown

Finding: good constants

# Terminate:

- if one eq<sup>n</sup> is a multiple of another.

$$x = 2$$

$$y = 3$$

$$2y = \cancel{4} \neq 6$$

$$z = 5$$



Use add to ~~remove~~

(rule)  
~~unknowns~~

get zeros

How often?

$$\begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & \dots & a_{1n} & b_1 \\ \vdots & \vdots & & \vdots & \vdots \\ a_{m1} & a_{m2} & \dots & a_{mn} & b_m \end{bmatrix}$$

Ideal 1st step

$$\left[ 1 \quad a_{12}/a_{11} \quad \dots \quad a_{1n}/a_{11} \quad b_1/a_{11} \right]$$

If can't, swap so can  
restart

$$\begin{bmatrix} \Gamma_1 & \tilde{a}_{12} & \dots & \dots & b_1 \\ \Gamma_0 & & & & \\ \Gamma_0' & & \dots & \dots & \end{bmatrix}$$

Repeat on

$$\begin{bmatrix} \tilde{a}_{22} & \dots & b_2 \\ \tilde{a}_{m2} & \dots & b_m \end{bmatrix}$$