

6.5 Cramer's Rule

$$ax + cy = e$$

$$bx + dy = f$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} a & c \\ b & d \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} e \\ f \end{pmatrix}$$

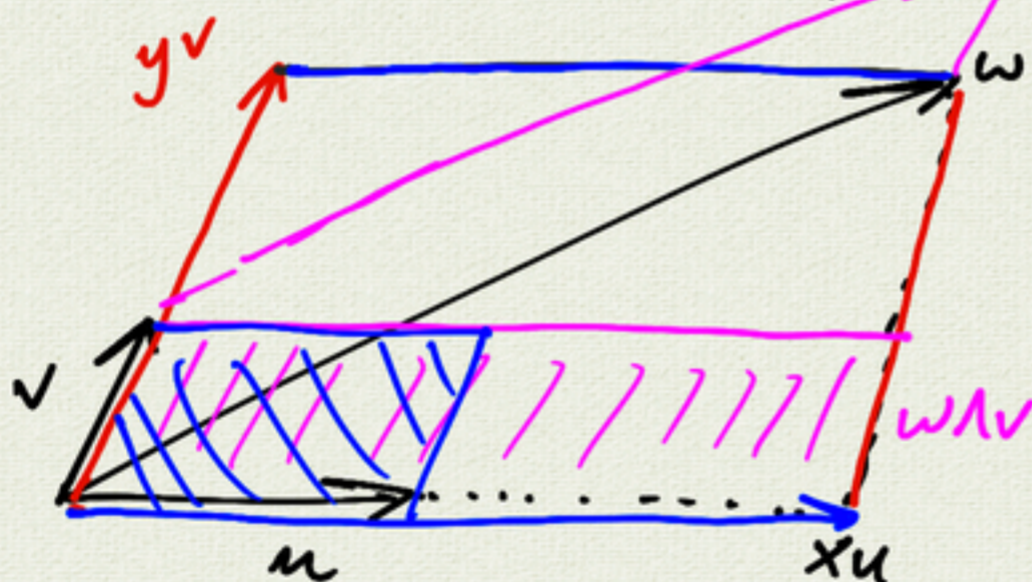
$$\begin{pmatrix} ax + cy \\ bx + dy \end{pmatrix}$$

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unknown

$$x \begin{pmatrix} a \\ b \end{pmatrix} + y \begin{pmatrix} c \\ d \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} e \\ f \end{pmatrix}$$

$$xu + yv = w$$

given u, v, w
find x, y



$$xu + yv = w$$

$$(xu + yv) \wedge v = w \wedge v$$

$$xu \wedge v + y \underbrace{v \wedge v}_0 = w \wedge v$$

$$x = \frac{w \wedge v}{u \wedge v}$$

$$= \frac{\begin{vmatrix} e & c \\ f & d \end{vmatrix} e_1 e_2}{\begin{vmatrix} a & c \\ b & d \end{vmatrix} e_1 e_2}$$

$$x = \frac{\begin{vmatrix} e & c \\ f & d \end{vmatrix}}{\begin{vmatrix} a & c \\ b & d \end{vmatrix}} \quad y = \frac{\begin{vmatrix} a & e \\ b & f \end{vmatrix}}{\begin{vmatrix} a & c \\ b & d \end{vmatrix}}$$

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example:

$$3x + 2y = 7$$

$$-3x + y = -1$$

$$x = \frac{\begin{vmatrix} 7 & 2 \\ -1 & 1 \end{vmatrix}}{\begin{vmatrix} 3 & 2 \\ -3 & 1 \end{vmatrix}} = \frac{7+2}{3+6} = \frac{9}{9} = 1$$

$$y = \frac{\begin{vmatrix} 3 & 7 \\ -3 & -1 \end{vmatrix}}{\begin{vmatrix} 3 & 2 \\ -3 & 1 \end{vmatrix}} = \frac{-3+21}{9} = \frac{+18}{9} = 2$$