

TEKS 2A.3.B



LESSON

4-4

Problem Solving

Determinants and Cramer's Rule

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Triathlon Training Record				
Day	Swimming (h)	Cycling (h)	Running (h)	Calories Burned
Friday	1.5	2.0	0.5	2450
Saturday	2.5	3.0	1.5	4310
Sunday	2.0	1.5	1.6	3150

- Write a system of equations that relates Kristin's exercise time to the number of calories burned each day. Use s , c , and r for the calories burned per hour for the three activities. _____
- Write the coefficient matrix for the system of equations. _____
- What is the value, D , for the determinant of the coefficient matrix? _____
- Use Cramer's rule to solve this system of equations. Give the values for s , c , and r . _____

Choose the letter for the best answer.

- Ty has a bag of pennies, nickels, and dimes. He has 10 times as many pennies as dimes. He has a total of 52 coins and twice as many nickels as dimes. Which coefficient matrix could you use to solve this problem?

A $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & -10 \\ 0 & 1 & -2 \end{bmatrix}$

C $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & -10 \\ 0 & -1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$

B $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 10 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & 2 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$

D $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 10 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & -2 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$

- Phyllis collects silver dollars and Kennedy half-dollars. She has 5 times as many half-dollars as dollar coins. She has a total of 192 coins. Which solution could you use to find the number of silver dollars Phyllis has?

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$$\begin{cases} 1.5s + 2c + 0.5r = 2450 \\ 2.5s + 3c + 1.5r = 4310 \\ 2s + 1.5c + 1.6r = 3150 \end{cases}$$

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$$D = \begin{vmatrix} 1.5 & 2.0 & 0.5 \\ 2.5 & 3.0 & 1.5 \\ 2.0 & 1.5 & 1.6 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$D = 0.7$$

$$s = 590; c = 620; r = 650$$

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