

MA162: Finite mathematics

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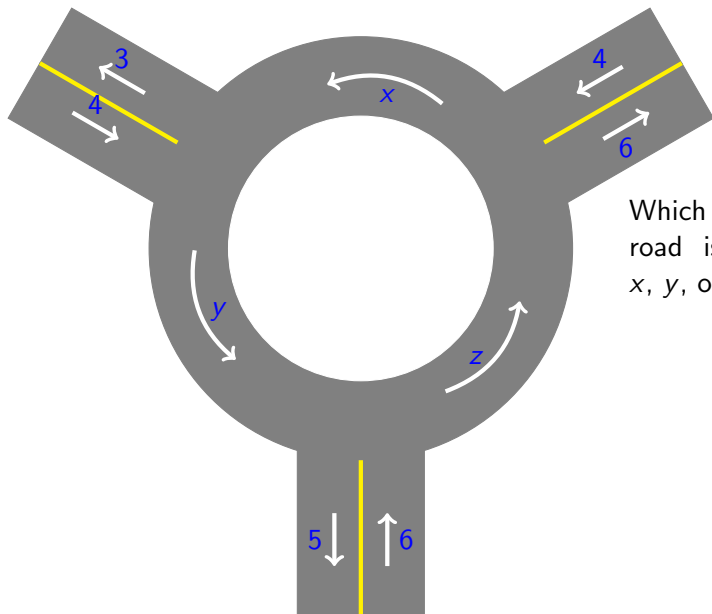
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SCHEDULE:

- HW 2.3-2.4 are due Friday, Sep 16th, 2011.
- HW 2.5-2.6 are due Friday, Sep 23rd, 2011.
- Exam 1 is Monday, Sep 26th, 5:00pm-7:00pm in CB106.

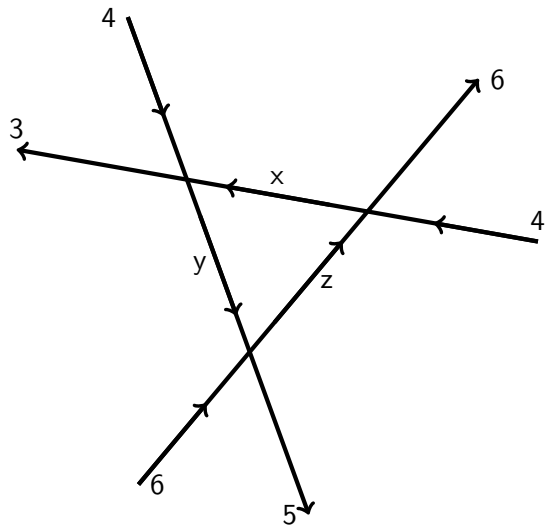
Today we will cover 2.3 and pages 7-8 of the appendix: degeneracy and RREF

Roundabout: An applied problem

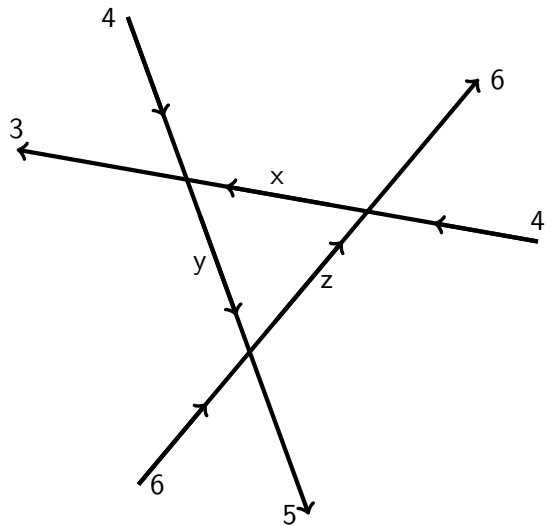


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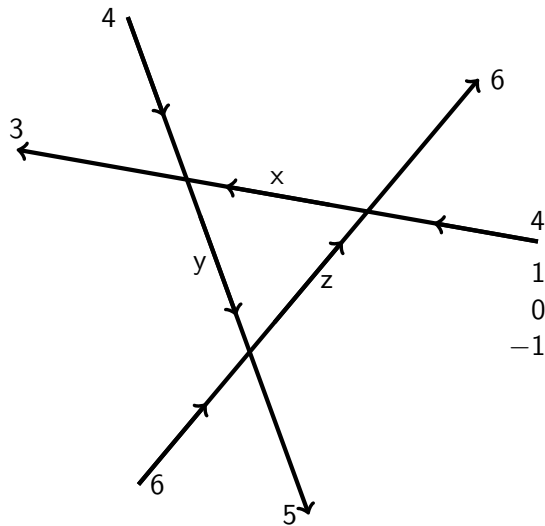


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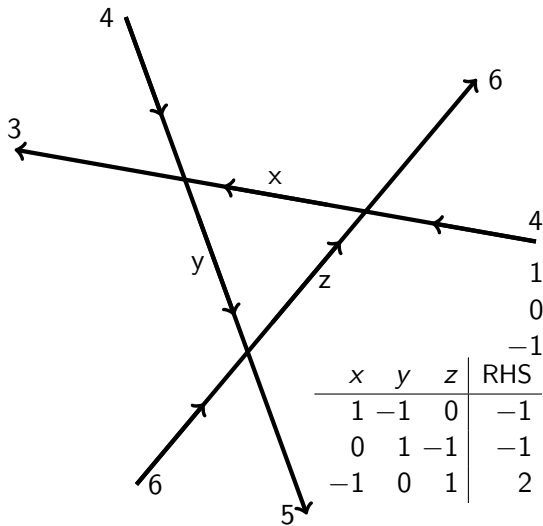
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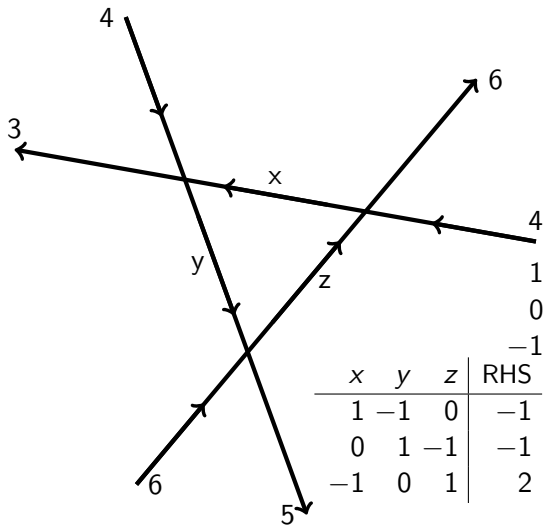
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Appendix: Very efficiently solving systems

- We managed to solve some fairly big systems last time using our **new** number crunching skills.
- Mostly it was repetitive, routine, soothing.
- But near the end we stopped the number pushing and revived the variables, which totally harshed my zen.
- Today we learn to finish the easy way

Appendix: Cleaning above as well as below

- A matrix is in **REF** if no column (left of the bar) has two pivots
- This means that below and to the left of each pivot are zeros
- A matrix is in **RREF** if
 - it is in REF,
 - there are only zeros above pivots, and
 - pivots are equal to 1

Appendix: How to clean

- If a matrix is in REF, then a **possible target** is a non-zero number above a pivot
- We choose the right-most column with a possible target, and then choose the bottom-most possible target in that column
- The row operation is the same as before:

$$R_{target} - \frac{target}{active} \cdot R_{active}$$

- If a pivot is not equal to one, then we can divide the whole row by the pivot

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2.3: Free variables

- If a column (for a variable) has no pivot, then that variable is **free**
- Be careful when reading the answer off the matrix $110|1$ means $x + y = 1$, so $x = 1 - y$
- If a variable is free, then (assuming there are any solutions) there are **infinitely many solutions**
- What does “no solution” look like in matrix format?

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