

23.  **TAKS REASONING** Which ordered triple is a solution of the system?

$$\begin{aligned}2x + 5y + 3z &= 10 \\3x - y + 4z &= 8 \\5x - 2y + 7z &= 12\end{aligned}$$

- (A) $(7, 1, -3)$ (B) $(7, -1, -3)$ (C) $(7, 1, 3)$ (D) $(-7, 1, -3)$

24.  **TAKS REASONING** Which ordered triple describes all of the solutions of the system?

$$\begin{aligned}2x - 2y - z &= 6 \\-x + y + 3z &= -3 \\3x - 3y + 2z &= 9\end{aligned}$$

- (A) $(-x, x + 2, 0)$ (B) $(x, x - 3, 0)$ (C) $(x + 2, x, 0)$ (D) $(0, y, y + 4)$

CHOOSING A METHOD Solve the system using any algebraic method.

25. $x + 5y - 2z = -1$
 $-x - 2y + z = 6$
 $-2x - 7y + 3z = 7$

26. $4x + 5y + 3z = 15$
 $x - 3y + 2z = -6$
 $-x + 2y - z = 3$

27. $6x + y - z = -2$
 $x + 6y + 3z = 23$
 $-x + y + 2z = 5$

28. $x + 2y = -1$
 $3x - y + 4z = 17$
 $-4x + 2y - 3z = -30$

29. $2x - y + 2z = -21$
 $x + 5y - z = 25$
 $-3x + 2y + 4z = 6$

30. $4x - 8y + 2z = 10$
 $-3x + y - 2z = 6$
 $2x - 4y + z = 8$

31. $-x + 5y - z = -16$
 $2x + 3y + 4z = 18$
 $x + y - z = -8$

32. $2x - y + 4z = 19$
 $-x + 3y - 2z = -7$
 $4x + 2y + 3z = 37$

33. $x + y + z = 3$
 $3x - 4y + 2z = -28$
 $-x + 5y + z = 23$

34.  **TAKS REASONING** Write a system of three linear equations in three variables that has the given number of solutions.

- a. One solution b. No solution c. Infinitely many solutions

SYSTEMS WITH FRACTIONS Solve the system using any algebraic method.

35. $x + \frac{1}{2}y + \frac{1}{2}z = \frac{5}{2}$
 $\frac{3}{4}x + \frac{1}{4}y + \frac{3}{2}z = \frac{7}{4}$
 $\frac{1}{3}x + \frac{3}{2}y + \frac{2}{3}z = \frac{13}{6}$

36. $\frac{1}{3}x + \frac{5}{6}y + \frac{2}{3}z = \frac{4}{3}$
 $\frac{1}{6}x + \frac{2}{3}y + \frac{1}{4}z = \frac{5}{6}$
 $\frac{2}{3}x + \frac{1}{6}y + \frac{3}{2}z = \frac{4}{3}$

37. **REASONING** For what values of a , b , and c does the linear system shown have $(-1, 2, -3)$ as its only solution? Explain your reasoning.

$$\begin{aligned}x + 2y - 3z &= a \\-x - y + z &= b \\2x + 3y - 2z &= c\end{aligned}$$

CHALLENGE Solve the system of equations. Describe each step of your solution.

38. $w + x + y + z = 2$
 $2w - x + 2y - z = 1$
 $-w + 2x - y + 2z = -2$
 $3w + x + y - z = -5$

39. $2w + x - 3y + z = 4$
 $w - 3x + y + z = 32$
 $-w + 2x + 2y - z = -10$
 $w + x - y + 3z = 14$

40. $w + 2x + 5y = 11$
 $-2w + x + 4y + 2z = -7$
 $w + 2x - 2y + 5z = 3$
 $-3w + x = -1$

41. $2w + 7x - 3y = 41$
 $-w - 2x + y = -13$
 $-2w + 4x + z = 12$
 $-w - x + y = -8$