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# NUMERICAL METHODS & OPTIMISATION

## Linear Algebraic Equations Tutorial

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# Chapter Description

- Aims
  - Apply numerical methods in solving engineering problem and optimisation
- Expected Outcomes
  - Apply linear algebraic equations to solve engineering problems
- References
  - Steven C. Chapra and Raymond P. Canale (2009), Numerical Methods for Engineers, McGraw-Hill, 6<sup>th</sup> Edition



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# Application in engineering problem: Class activity

The followings are amounts of secret ingredients W, X, Y, Z in Medicine A for a project conducted by a group of researchers in a renowned pharmaceutical company in a different dosage forms:

Dosage forms	Total weight	W (mg)	X (mg)	Y (mg)	Z (mg)
Syringe	72.54	$6.52x_1$	5.49	0.83	7.44
Spray	66.81	$8.47x_1$	4.37	0.62	6.15
Capsule	8.23	$7.35x_1$	6.79	0.78	6.87
Patches	75.64	$5.21x_1$	4.97	0.69	7.13

Determine the portions of W, X, Y, Z (as given by  $x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4$ ) of Medicine A if the corresponding total weight is to be achieved for each dosage form.

Suggest which method would you use to solve this problem?

Ans: ( $x_1$ ) 1.07045 ( $x_1$ ) 0.022968 ( $x_3$ ) 6.874533 ( $x_4$ ) 2.848045



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# Conclusion

- Linear algebraic equations can be used to solve simultaneous equations in engineering problems



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## Main Reference

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