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1. How can you represent a point in three-dimensional space?

2. Explain how a system of three linear equations can be solved by elimination.

Any point in three-dimensions can be represented by backwards and forwards, left and right and up and down. The *x*-axis can represent forward or backward, the *y*-axis can represent left and right and the *z*-axis can

[1] represent up and down.

Add pairs of equations so that one of the three variables is eliminated. Multiply by a factor first, if necessary. Then when there are two equations in two variables, add to eliminate one of those variables. Find two

variables at this stage, then substitute in one of the original equations to find the third variable. [2]