

## § 3.5 - Non-linear Systems

A system of equations in which at least one equation is not linear is called nonlinear system.

, we solve it by substitution.

Example 1 : Solve

$$x^2 - 3 - y = 0 \quad \dots (1)$$

$$2x + y = 5 \quad \dots (2)$$

Solution:

In (1), we isolate  $y$  to get  $y = x^2 + 3 \dots (3)$

we substitute it in (2) to get

$$2x + y = 5$$

$$2x + x^2 - 3 = 5$$

$$x^2 + 2x - 8 = 0$$

$$x = 2 \quad \text{or} \quad x = -4 \quad \text{--- by the formula (Section 0.8)}$$

$$y = 1 \quad \text{or} \quad y = 13$$

Solution Set =  $\{(2, 1), (-4, 13)\}$ .

### Exercise 1 Solve

$$y = x^3$$

$$x - 4y = 0$$

### Example 2 Solve

$$y = 2\sqrt{x+1} \quad \text{--- (1)}$$

$$x = y^2 \quad \text{--- (2)}$$

Solution: we substitute (2) in (1) to get

$$y = 2\sqrt{y^2 + 3}$$

$$y = 2\sqrt{y+3}$$

$$y^2 = 4(y+3)$$

$$y^2 - 4y - 12 = 0$$

$$y = 2$$

or

$$y = -6$$

$$x = 2\sqrt{y+3} \quad \text{or}$$

$$= 2\sqrt{5}$$

$$x = 2\sqrt{6}$$

$$x = 2\sqrt{3} \quad \text{"rejected!"}$$

### Exercise 2 Solve

$$\textcircled{1} \quad y = \frac{4}{x}$$

$$\textcircled{2} \quad 2y = 3x + 1$$

$$\textcircled{3} \quad y = \sqrt{x+2}$$

$$x + 2 = y^2$$

$$\text{Solution set} = \left\{ \left( \frac{2\sqrt{5}}{2}, 2 \right) \right\}$$