

Problem 1. After robbing a bank in Dodge City, **Kansas**, a robber rides off at a rate of 14 mi/hr. **We aren't exactly sure what the robber is riding. Standard-bred horses can run faster than 30 miles per hour, and the robber is going at a much slower rate; are there llamas in Kansas?** Ten minutes later, the Marshal **is woken up from a nap and** leaves to pursue him at a rate of 16 mi/h. **Likewise, we haven't the slightest clue as to what the Marshal is riding.** How long does it take the Marshal to catch up, **assuming the llamas don't get tired,** with the robber? (10 points.)

Solution 1. After t hours, the robber will be $14t$ miles away from his initial location. Since the Marshal left 10 minutes ($=\frac{1}{6}$ hours) after the robber left, he will be $16(t - \frac{1}{6})$ miles away from his initial location. Since the Marshal has to be in “the same spot” as the robber to catch him, we set the two equal to each other:

$$14t = 16 \left(t - \frac{1}{6} \right).$$

Solving the equation, we get $t = \frac{4}{3}$ hours—or 80 minutes.

Solution 2. We construct a table:

	Robber	Marshall
Rate	14	16
Time	t	$t - \frac{1}{6}$
Distance	$14t$	$16(t - \frac{1}{6})$

The distances have to be equal, hence

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