Solving a Literal Equation Using the Equation Method (Amortization)

The Solver mode is used to solve one unknown variable by inputting known variables, by three methods: Equation, Newton's, and Graphic. The Equation method is used when an exact solution can be found by simple substitution.

<u>Example</u>

Solve an amortization formula. The solution from various values for known variables can be easily found by giving values to the known variables using the Equation method in the Solver mode.

The formula : P = L
$$\left[\frac{1-(1+\frac{1}{12})^{N}}{\frac{1}{12}}\right]^{-1}$$
 P= monthly payment I= interest rate L= loan amount N=number of months

- **1.** Find the monthly payment on a \$15,000 car loan, made at 9% interest over four years (48 months) using the Equation method.
- **2.** Save the formula as "AMORT".

3. Find amount of loan possible at 7% interest over 60 months with a \$300 payment, using the saved formula.

Before Starting There may be differences in the results of calculations and graph plotting depending on the setting. Return all settings to the default value and delete all data. As the Solver feature is only available on the Advanced keyboard, this section does not apply to the

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Step & Key Operation

<u>Display</u>

<u>Notes</u>

1-1 Access the Solver feature.

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This screen will appear a few seconds after "SOLVER" is displayed.

1-2 Select the Equation method for solving.





1-3 Enter the amortization formula.







With the Equation Editor, the EL-9900 displays equations, even complicated ones, as they appear in the textbook in easy to understand format. Also it is easy to find the solution for unknown variables by recalling a stored equation and giving values to the known variables in the Solver mode when using the Advanced keyboard.