

# MATB24 Quiz3, tut0022

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(1) [4 marks] Give a **complete** definition, or mathematical characterization of the word in red.

- The **Kernel** of a linear transformation  $T$ .

the kernel of a linear transformation  $T: V \rightarrow W$

is  $\{v \in V \mid T(v) = 0_W\}$

(If you defined kernel as  $T^{-1}(0_W)$ , then you need to define  $T^{-1}$ )

(2) [4 marks] Give an example (with justification) of a mathematical object that satisfies all the described properties or explain why such an example does not exist.

- A linear transformation from  $\mathbb{R}^2$  to  $\mathbb{R}^3$  with non-trivial kernel.

Example, Define  $T: \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$  by  $(x, y) \mapsto (0, 0, 0)$   
then  $\ker(T) = \mathbb{R}^2 \neq \{0_V\}$

(3) [7 marks] Carefully prove the given statement:

- Let  $T: V \rightarrow W$ . Prove that if  $\ker(T) = \{0_V\}$ , then  $T$  is injective.

Assume  $\ker(T) = \{0_V\}$

Let  $T(x) = T(y)$  for some  $x, y \in V$

then  $T(x) - T(y) = 0$

$T(x - y) = 0$  bc  $T$  is a linear transformation

then by def of kernel,  $x - y \in \ker(T) = \{0_V\}$

so  $x - y = 0$

and  $x = y$

so  $T$  is injective by definition.