



## Problem

$$W = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{pmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^3 : x_1 - 4x_2 + 5x_3 = 2 \right\}$$

Is W a subspace of  $\mathbb{R}^3$ ? Explain your answer

## Solution

Since the zero vector  $\mathbf{0}$  does not satisfy the defining relation

 $x_1^2 - 4x_2 + 5x_3 = 2$ , it is not in W. Hence W is not a subspace of  $\mathbb{R}^3$ , thats it..

Find the kernel of the linear transformation  $T: \mathbb{R}^2 \to \mathbb{R}^2$  Given by

$$T \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 7 & 1 \\ 0 & -3 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{pmatrix}$$



#### Solution

To find the kernel of T, we solve

$$\begin{pmatrix} 7 & 1 \\ 0 & -3 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

This gives the equations:  $7x_1+x_2=0, -3x_2=0 \implies kernel(T)=\left\{\begin{pmatrix} 0\\0 \end{pmatrix}\right\}$ 

Show that given vectors are linearly dependent

$$\begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ -1 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} -2 \\ 3 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} -6 \\ 7 \\ 6 \end{pmatrix}$$

# Solution

To show that those vectors are linearly dependent, we need to find coefficients a, b, c such that:

$$a \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ -1 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix} + b \begin{pmatrix} -2 \\ 3 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} + c \begin{pmatrix} -6 \\ 7 \\ 6 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 0 & -2 & -6 & | & 0 \\ -1 & 3 & 7 & | & 0 \\ 3 & 0 & 6 & | & 0 \end{pmatrix} \overset{R_1 \leftrightarrow R_2}{\Longrightarrow} \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 3 & 7 & | & 0 \\ 0 & -2 & -6 & | & 0 \\ 3 & 0 & 6 & | & 0 \end{pmatrix} \overset{R_3 = R_3 + 3R_1}{\Longrightarrow} \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 3 & 7 & | & 0 \\ 0 & -2 & -6 & | & 0 \\ 0 & 9 & 27 & | & 0 \end{pmatrix} \overset{R_2 = R_2 * -\frac{1}{2}}{\Longrightarrow} \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 3 & 7 & | & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 3 & | & 0 \\ 0 & 9 & 27 & | & 0 \end{pmatrix} \overset{R_3 = R_3 - 9R_2}{\Longrightarrow} \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 3 & 7 & | & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 3 & | & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & | & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

We conclude that the vectors are linearly dependent as we have a free variable.

$$a = -2c, b = -3c, c = c...$$