Linear Equations in Two Variables

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This is Problem-3 from Exercise 3.1

1. The cost of 2 kg of apples and 1kg of grapes on a day was found to be '160. After a month, the cost of 4 kg of apples and 2 kg of grapes is '300. Represent the situation algebraically and geometrically.

Solution:

given

2x+y=160

4x+2y=300

This can also be written as:

$$\begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 & 160 \\ 4 & 2 & 300 \end{pmatrix} \tag{1}$$

now, Making $R_2 \to R_2 - 2R_1$ we get,

$$\begin{pmatrix}
2 & 1 & 160 \\
0 & 0 & -20
\end{pmatrix}$$
(2)

Thus there is no solution for the above equation