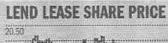
## 'Descending triangle' a grim sign for Lend Lease shares



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THE share price of Lend Lease is nearing the end of a "descending triangle" pattern and could fall from its current \$7.92 to \$6 if a three-year downward trend continues, according to a technical analysis of the stock.

While there is a possibility that the shares will break through a resistance level, the trend is bearish, according to technical analyst Rob Shelley, a consultant and councillor of the Melbourne chapter of the Australian Technical





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"There is always a possibility it will break up[wards]," Mr Shelley said. "The probability of a

break to the low side is higher than the probability of a break to the high side because the primary trend is down."

Technical analysis looks for patterns and trends in share prices, rather than examining company news or macroeconomic factors.

Mr Shellev says the Lend Lease share price has formed a large descending triangle over the past seven months, with a support line of \$8.30. "The falling resistance line is a bearish indication as sellers are forced to lower their prices over time to exit positions."

The shares broke through the support line last week in the market downturn and on Friday hit \$7.77.

They closed yesterday

up 15¢ at \$7.92, but Mr Shelley said the target price from a charting perspective was now \$6.

"It has broken through [the support], which confirms the descending triangle pattern," he said.

Trading volumes had been high in recent weeks, which was also a bearish sign for the share price, he said.

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