

Matrix Theory Assignment 9

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Abstract—This problem demonstrate a method to find nature linear transformation.

All the codes for the figure in this document can be found at

https://github.com/Ritesh622/Assignment_EE5609/tree/master/Assignment_9

1 PROBLEM

Let \mathbf{T} and \mathbf{U} be the linear operators on \mathbb{R}^2 defined by

$$\mathbf{T}(x_1, x_2) = (x_2, x_1) \quad (1.0.1)$$

and

$$\mathbf{U}(x_1, x_2) = (x_1, 0) \quad (1.0.2)$$

How would you describe \mathbf{T} and \mathbf{U} geometrically ?

2 SOLUTION

Geometrically, in the x - y plane, \mathbf{T} is the reflection about the diagonal $x = y$ and \mathbf{U} is a projection onto the x -axis.

Let suppose

$$\mathbf{x}_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}, \mathbf{x}_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix} \quad (2.0.1)$$

After applying linear operator \mathbf{T} on it,

$$\mathbf{x}_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix}, \mathbf{x}_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} \quad (2.0.2)$$

After applying linear operator \mathbf{U} on it,

$$\mathbf{x}_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \mathbf{x}_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad (2.0.3)$$

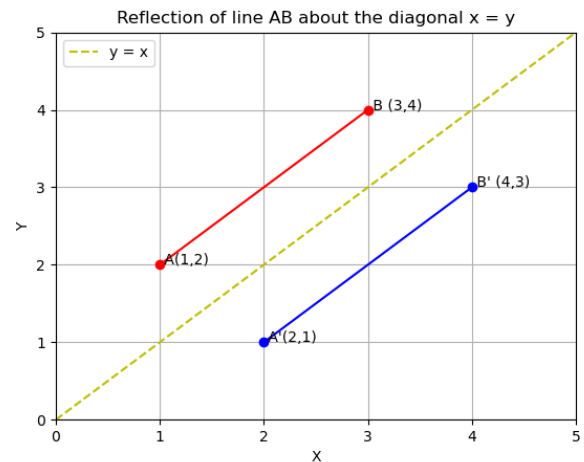


Fig. 1: Reflection of line AB about the $x = y$

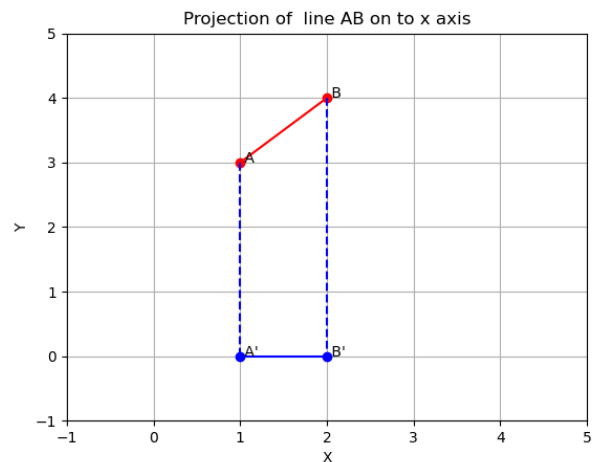


Fig. 2: Projection of AB onto x -axis