

Chapter 2 Section 2

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The letter L can be represented by the vectors $(0, 2)$ and $(1, 0)$.



The following problems ask for a linear transformation of the letter L. In the following problems, give the matrix of the transformation and plot the result.

Problem 1. Scale L by a factor of $\frac{1}{2}$

Solution. The matrix of the transformation is

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0.5 & 0.0 \\ 0.0 & 0.5 \end{bmatrix}$$

After the scaling, the L looks like this



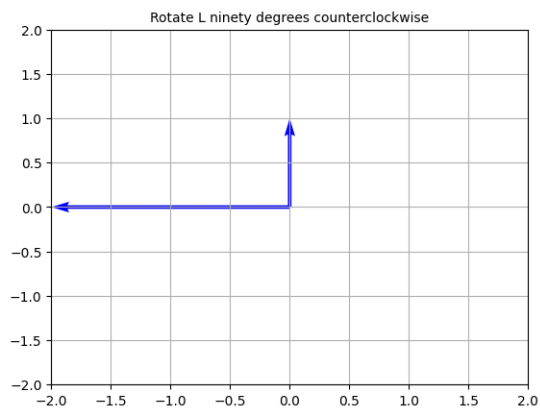
Note that in creating this shape, we scaled both vectors that make up the L.

Problem 2. *Rotate L ninety degrees counterclockwise*

Solution. *The matrix of the transformation is*

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0 & -1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

After the rotation, the L looks like this

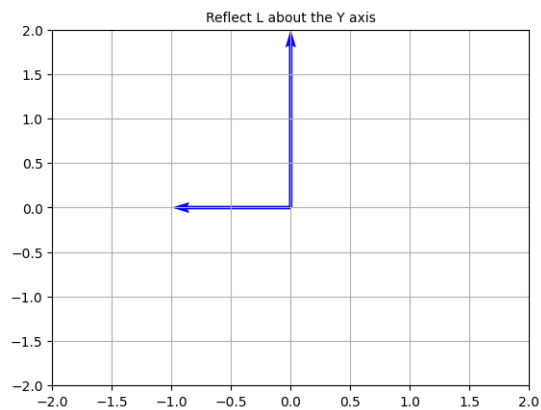


Problem 3. *Reflect L about the Y axis*

Solution. *The matrix of the transformation is*

$$\begin{bmatrix} -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

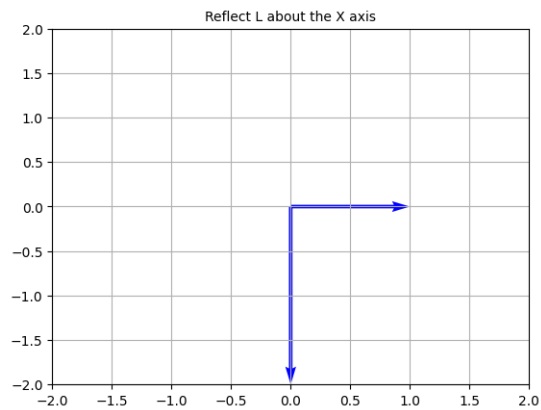
The plot looks like this



Problem 4. *Reflect L about the X axis*

Solution. *The matrix of the transformation is*

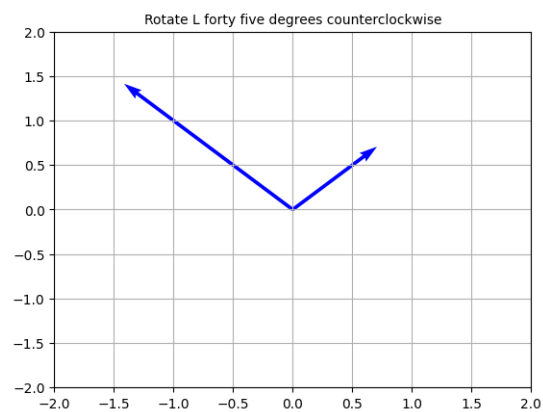
$$\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$



Problem 5. *Rotate L forty five degrees counterclockwise*

Solution. *The matrix of the transformation is*

$$\begin{bmatrix} \cos(\frac{\pi}{4}) & -1 * \sin(\frac{\pi}{4}) \\ \sin(\frac{\pi}{4}) & \cos(\frac{\pi}{4}) \end{bmatrix}$$



Problem 6. Find the orthogonal projection of L onto the x -axis

Solution. The matrix of the transformation is

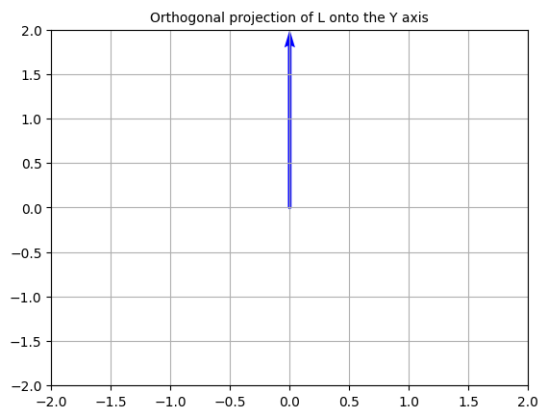
$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$



Problem 7. Find the orthogonal projection of L onto the y -axis

Solution. The matrix of the transformation is

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$



Problem 8. Find the matrix P of the orthogonal projection onto the line L spanned by $\vec{w} = \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix}$

Solution.

$$\begin{aligned} P &= \frac{1}{w_1^2 + w_2^2} \begin{bmatrix} w_1^2 & w_1 w_2 \\ w_1 w_2 & w_2^2 \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \frac{1}{25} \begin{bmatrix} 9 & 12 \\ 12 & 16 \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} 0.36 & 0.48 \\ 0.48 & 0.64 \end{bmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

Problem 9. Let V be the plane defined by $2x_1 + x_2 - 2x_3 = 0$ and let $\vec{x} = \begin{bmatrix} 5 \\ 4 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix}$. Find $\text{ref}_V \vec{x}$.

Solution. The vector $\vec{v} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix}$ is perpendicular to the plane V .

We can get the unit vector \vec{u} perpendicular to the plane by

$$\begin{aligned} \vec{u} &= \frac{1}{\|\vec{v}\|} \vec{v} \\ &= \frac{1}{3} \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

We can now use the formula

$$\begin{aligned}
\text{ref}_V \vec{x} &= \text{proj}_V \vec{x} - \text{proj}_L \vec{x} \\
&= \vec{x} - 2 \text{proj}_L \vec{x} \\
&= \vec{x} - 2(\vec{x} \cdot \vec{u})\vec{u} \\
&= \begin{bmatrix} 5 \\ 4 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix} - 2 \left(\begin{bmatrix} 5 \\ 4 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix} \cdot \frac{1}{3} \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix} \right) \frac{1}{3} \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix} \\
&= \begin{bmatrix} 5 \\ 4 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix} - 4 \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix} \\
&= \begin{bmatrix} 5 \\ 4 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} 8 \\ 4 \\ -8 \end{bmatrix} \\
&= \begin{bmatrix} -3 \\ 0 \\ 6 \end{bmatrix}
\end{aligned}$$