

Lecture 3. Congruent Conics and normal forms.

Recap Why is $(\text{Cong}(\mathbb{R}^2), \circ)$ a group?

$$(1) \circ : \text{Cong}(\mathbb{R}^2) \times \text{Cong}(\mathbb{R}^2) \longrightarrow \text{Cong}(\mathbb{R}^2)$$

$$(\phi_1, \phi_2) \longmapsto \phi_1 \circ \phi_2$$

$$\begin{aligned} \because \text{Let } \phi_1(-) &= R_1(-) + T_1 & \phi_1 \circ \phi_2(-) &= R_1(R_2(-) + T_2) + T_1 \\ \phi_2(-) &= R_2(-) + T_2 & &= \underbrace{R_1 R_2(-)}_{\substack{\uparrow \\ \text{rotation}}} + \underbrace{R_1 T_2 + T_1}_{\substack{\downarrow \\ \text{translation}}} \end{aligned}$$

$$(2) \phi_i (i=1,2,3) \in \text{Cong}(\mathbb{R}^2)$$

$$\phi_1 \circ (\phi_2 \circ \phi_3) = (\phi_1 \circ \phi_2) \circ \phi_3$$

(Nothing to prove! Equality holds as planar maps)

$$(3) \text{The identity } I = R(0)(-) + \vec{0}$$

$$\forall \phi \in \text{Cong}(\mathbb{R}^2) \quad \phi \circ I = \phi \circ \vec{0} = \phi. \quad \checkmark$$

$$(4) \text{For given } \phi \in \text{Cong}(\mathbb{R}^2), \text{ there exists } \phi^{-1} := R(-\alpha)(-) + \vec{T}$$

So that

$$\phi^{-1} \circ \phi = I \iff \underbrace{\phi^{-1}(R(\alpha)(-) + \vec{T})}_{\phi^{-1}} = I$$

$$\phi \circ \phi^{-1} = I \quad \phi^{-1} = R(-\alpha)(-) + \vec{T}$$

$$= R(-\alpha)R(\alpha)(-) + R(-\alpha)\vec{T} + \vec{T}$$

$$R(\alpha)(R(-\alpha)(-) - R(-\alpha)\vec{T}) + \vec{T} = R(\alpha)\vec{T} = \vec{T}$$

$$= \underbrace{R(\alpha)R(-\alpha)}_{I} \vec{T} - R(\alpha)R(-\alpha)\vec{T} + \vec{T} = I \quad \checkmark$$

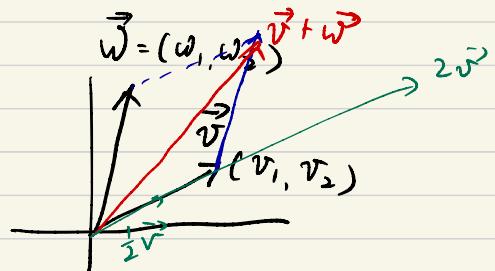
"Goro Shimura
The map of my life"

1. Some properties of Congruence

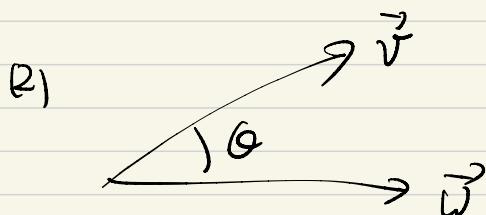
Aside Let $\vec{v}, \vec{w} \in \mathbb{R}^2$ be vectors.

$$\underline{\text{Def}} \quad \vec{v} \cdot \vec{w} = v_1 w_1 + v_2 w_2$$

inner product, dot product.



$$\underline{\text{Exercise}} \quad (1) \quad \vec{v} \cdot \vec{v} = v_1^2 + v_2^2 = \underbrace{(\text{length of } \vec{v})}_{\|\vec{v}\|}^2$$



$$\underline{\text{Thm}}: \vec{v} \cdot \vec{w} = \|\vec{v}\| \|\vec{w}\| \cos \theta.$$

Proof: You!

Proposition: Let R be a rotation. Then for any $\vec{z}, \vec{w} \in \mathbb{R}^2$

$$R(\vec{z}) \cdot R(\vec{w}) = \vec{z} \cdot \vec{w}$$

$$\underline{\text{Prof}}: \text{LHS} = \begin{pmatrix} c & -s \\ s & c \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} z_1 \\ z_2 \end{pmatrix} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} c & -s \\ s & c \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} w_1 \\ w_2 \end{pmatrix} = \left(\begin{matrix} c z_1 - s z_2, \\ s z_1 + c z_2 \end{matrix} \right)$$

$$R = \begin{pmatrix} c & -s \\ s & c \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\cdot \left(\begin{matrix} c w_1 - s w_2, \\ s w_1 + c w_2 \end{matrix} \right)$$

$$= \vec{z} \cdot \vec{w}.$$

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You!

Corollary: Rotations preserve distance and angle.

E.g. $\|R(z)\| = \|z\|$

Pf: $\|R(z)\|^2 = R(z) \cdot R(z) = z \cdot z = \|z\|^2$ ✓

Def: An invertible planar map that preserves distances
is an isometry. (symmetry, reflection)

Example: Any Congruence ϕ is an isometry.

Let $\phi = R(-) + T$.
 $\begin{array}{c} \uparrow \\ \text{rotation} \end{array}$ $\begin{array}{c} \uparrow \\ \text{translation} \end{array}$

$$\begin{aligned} & \|\phi(\vec{z}) - \phi(\vec{z}')\| \\ &= \|R\vec{z} + T - (R\vec{z}' + T)\| \\ &= \|R\vec{z} - R\vec{z}'\| \\ &= \|R(\vec{z} - \vec{z}')\| \\ &= \|\vec{z} - \vec{z}'\| \quad \text{for any } \vec{z}, \vec{z}' \in \mathbb{R}^2 \end{aligned}$$

2. Congruent lines

A linear function is a function $L: \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$
 $(x, y) \mapsto ax + by + c$

A straight line in the plane is zero set of L .

Def: Two linear functions L, M are congruent if there exists $\phi \in \text{Cong}(\mathbb{R}^2)$ and a nonzero constant $\mu \in \mathbb{R}$ satisfying

$$M = \mu(L \circ \phi)$$

i.e.

$$\phi : (x, y) \mapsto (x, y)$$

$$L_2 \equiv \mu L + \text{sgn}(L) \cdot L$$

$$M(x, y) = \mu L(x, y) + \mu \boxed{L(\phi(x, y))}$$

e.g. $L = ax + by + c$

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} x = (\cos \alpha x - \sin \alpha y + u) \\ y = (\sin \alpha x + \cos \alpha y + v) \end{array} \right. \quad T = (U, V)$$

Proposition Congruence of lines is an equivalence relation.

What is equivalent relation \sim ?

$$(1) x \sim x \quad (\text{reflexivity})$$

$$(2) x \sim y \Rightarrow y \sim x \quad (\text{symmetry})$$

$$(3) x \sim y, y \sim z \Rightarrow x \sim z. \quad (\text{transitivity})$$

E.g. "Scalar multiple" is an equivalence relation on linear functions.

$$L_1 \sim L_2 \Leftrightarrow \exists \lambda \neq 0 \quad L_1 = \lambda L_2$$

$$(1) L_1 \sim L_1 \quad (\because \lambda = 1)$$

$$(2) L_1 \sim L_2 \Rightarrow L_2 \sim L_1$$

$$(3) L_1 \sim L_2, L_2 \sim L_3 \Rightarrow L_1 \sim L_3$$

Congruence? (1) $L \sim M$

$$L = \underbrace{\mu L \circ \phi}_{\substack{\text{phi} \\ 1}} \quad \checkmark$$

$$(2) M = \mu L \circ \phi \Rightarrow L = \frac{1}{\mu} M \circ \phi^{-1}$$

$L \sim M, M \sim N \Rightarrow L \sim N$

(3) $M = \mu L \circ \phi, N = \lambda M \circ \psi$

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$$\begin{aligned} N &= \lambda M \circ \psi = \lambda(\mu L \circ \phi) \circ \psi \\ &= \underbrace{\lambda \mu L \circ (\phi \circ \psi)}_{\neq 0} \in \text{Lang}(\mathbb{R}^2) \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Lin}(\mathbb{R}^2, \mathbb{R}) \xrightarrow{\text{Set of all linear functions}} \text{scalar multiple} \xrightarrow{\exists k} \boxed{kL} : \mathcal{D}_M$$

$$\text{Lin}(\mathbb{R}^2, \mathbb{R}) \xleftarrow{\text{Congruence}} \text{Congruence} \xrightarrow{\text{def}} \text{Congruence}$$

Prop Any two lines L, M are congruent.

Proof: It is enough to prove that any given line M is congruent to $x=0$. (\because transitivity).

Write down $M = \mu(L \circ \phi)$ $L = ax+by+c$
 $M = \mu x + \lambda y + c$
 $\phi = R(\theta)(-1) + \begin{pmatrix} u \\ v \end{pmatrix}$

$\Rightarrow \begin{cases} A = \mu(a\cos\theta - b\sin\theta) \\ B = \mu(-a\sin\theta - b\cos\theta) \\ C = (au + bv + c) \end{cases}$

Have $L: x=0$. i.e. $a=1, b=0, c=0$.

$$M = Ax + By + C$$

$$\begin{aligned} A &= \mu \cos \alpha \\ B &= -\mu \sin \alpha \\ C &= \mu u. \end{aligned}$$

Want to prove: There exists $\theta, (u, v), \mu$ such that

$$M = \mu(L \circ \phi)$$

We may take $\mu > 0$ such that $A^2 + B^2 = \mu^2$ (one of A, B nonzero) $\rightarrow \mu = \sqrt{A^2 + B^2} > 0 \checkmark$

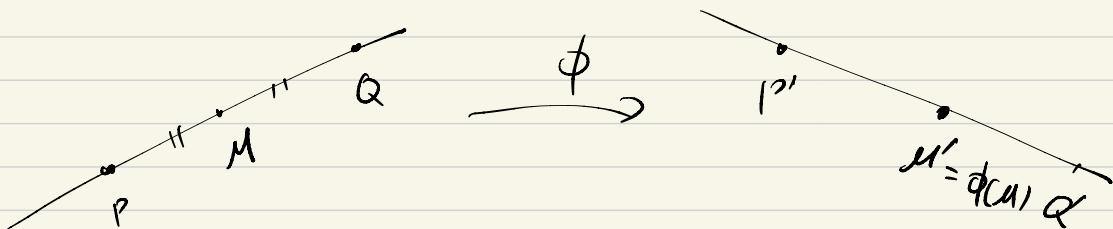
So take $u = \frac{C}{\mu}$ $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \cos \alpha = \frac{A}{\mu} \\ \sin \alpha = -\frac{B}{\mu} \end{array} \right\} \rightarrow \text{Find } \theta$ \square

Prop (1) If ϕ : congruence maps lines L, M to L', M'

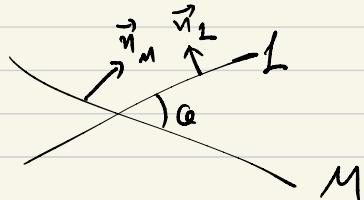
$$\text{then } P = L \cap M \Leftrightarrow P' = L' \cap M'$$

$$L \parallel M \Leftrightarrow L' \parallel M'$$

(2) If ϕ : congruence, then it preserves the midpoints of segments.



(3) If ϕ : congruence, then it preserves the angles between lines.



$$\cos \alpha = \frac{\vec{n}_M \cdot \vec{n}_L}{\|\vec{n}_M\| \|\vec{n}_L\|} \stackrel{\checkmark}{=} \frac{R\vec{n}_M \cdot R\vec{n}_L}{\|R\vec{n}_M\| \|R\vec{n}_L\|}$$

3. Congruent Conics.

Def: Two quadratic functions Q, R are Congruent if there exists a $\phi \in \text{Cong}(\mathbb{R}^2)$ and a nonzero constant $M \in \mathbb{R}$ such that

$$R = M(Q \circ \phi)$$

i.e. if $\phi: (\bar{x}, \bar{y}) \mapsto (x, y)$

$$R(\bar{x}, \bar{y}) = M Q(x, y) = M Q(\phi(\bar{x}, \bar{y}))$$

Two conics are translationally congruent if ϕ is a translation and rotationally congruent if ϕ is a rotation.

Example: Rotation with an angle $\tan \theta = -\frac{4}{3}$.

$$\sin \theta = \frac{4}{5}, \cos \theta = \frac{3}{5}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} = \underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} \cos \theta & -\sin \theta \\ \sin \theta & \cos \theta \end{pmatrix}}_R \begin{pmatrix} \bar{x} \\ \bar{y} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{3}{5} & \frac{4}{5} \\ -\frac{4}{5} & \frac{3}{5} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \bar{x} \\ \bar{y} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{3x+4y}{5} \\ \frac{-4x+3y}{5} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$Q(x, y) = 11x^2 + 24xy + 4y^2 - 5.$$

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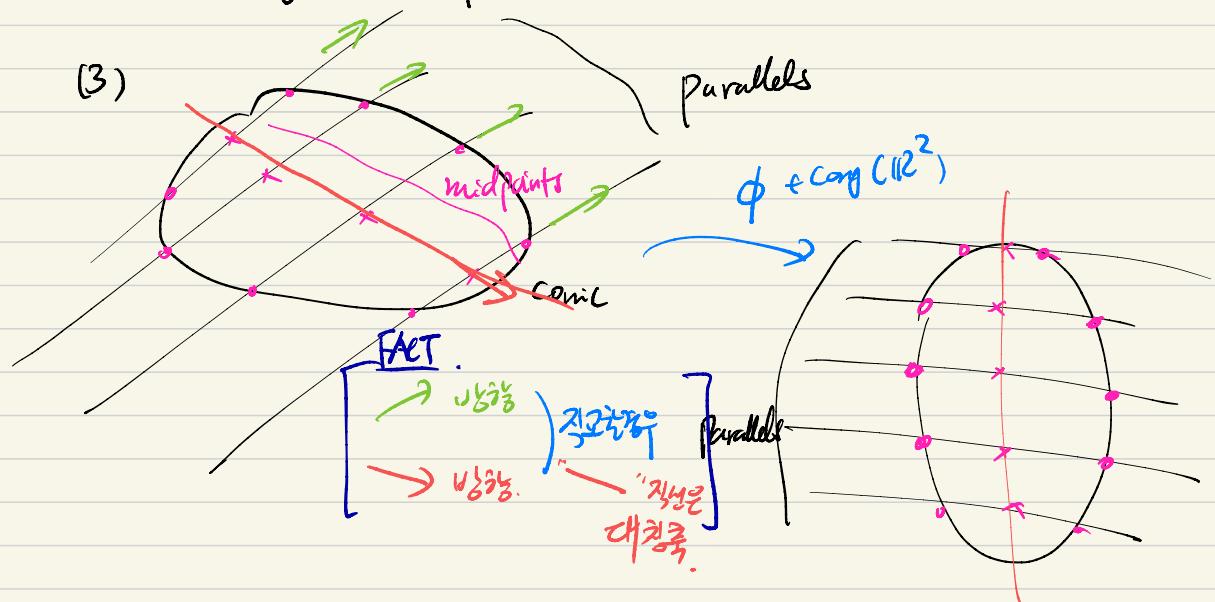
$$R = M(Q \circ \phi)(\bar{x}, \bar{y}) = 11 \left(\frac{3x+4y}{5} \right)^2 + 24 \left(\frac{3x+4y}{5} \right) \left(\frac{-4x+3y}{5} \right) + 4 \left(\frac{-4x+3y}{5} \right)^2$$

$$= -5(x^2 - 4y^2 + 1) - 5.$$

Proposition: (1) Congruence is an equivalence relation.

(2) Congruence preserves the zero set of conics.

(3)



4. Classifying Conics and Normal forms.

Theorem: Let $Q(x, y) = ax^2 + 2hxy + by^2 + 2gx + 2fy + c$.

Any such Conic Q is rotationally congruent to one which the coefficient of the cross term xy is zero.

Proof: The effect of rotation:

$$\begin{cases} x = X \cos \alpha - Y \sin \alpha \\ y = X \sin \alpha + Y \cos \alpha \end{cases}$$

$$Q' = Q(R(X, Y))$$

$$Q' = Q(x, y)$$

The cross term $-2a \cos \alpha \sin \alpha + 2b \sin \alpha \cos \alpha + 2h (\cos^2 \alpha - \sin^2 \alpha)$

$$2h' = (b-a) \sin 2\theta + 2h \cos 2\theta.$$

$$h' = \frac{1}{2}(b-a) \sin 2\theta + h \cos 2\theta.$$

Assume $h \neq 0$ (obviously!) Seek θ such that $h' = 0$.

$$(i) a=b \Rightarrow \cos 2\theta = 0 \Rightarrow \theta = \frac{\pi}{4}$$

$$(ii) \tan 2\theta = \frac{2h}{a-b} \quad \Leftrightarrow \quad \frac{2T}{1-T^2} = \frac{2h}{(a-b)}$$

$$\frac{2 \tan \theta}{1 - \tan^2 \theta}$$

$$\tan \theta = T.$$

$$\Leftrightarrow hT^2 + (a-b)T - h = 0$$

$$D > 0 \quad \text{Two real root.}$$

$$(a-b)^2 - 4h(-h) > 0.$$

Example $Q(x,y) = 41x^2 - 24xy + 34y^2 - 90x + 5y + 25.$

$$\tan 2\theta = \frac{2h}{a-b} = \frac{2(\frac{1}{2}(-4))}{41 - 34} = -\frac{24}{7}.$$

$$\Leftrightarrow 12T^2 - 7T - 12 = 0.$$

$$\Leftrightarrow T = \frac{4}{3}, -\frac{3}{4}.$$

$$\begin{aligned} \hookrightarrow \sin \theta &= \frac{4}{5} \\ \cos \theta &= \frac{3}{5}. \end{aligned} \quad x = \frac{3x - 4y}{5}, y = \frac{-4x + 3y}{5}.$$

$$Q'(x,y) = x^2 + 2y^2 - 2x + 3y + 1$$