D'Arcy Thompson and 2D mappings Worksheet

We can represent a point, P, in the plane using a vector with components representing its x and y coordinates, i.e.

$$\mathbf{v}_P = [x_P, y_P]$$

represent a point with coordinates x_P and y_P .

A transformation is performed by defining a new point, P', with new coordinates that are some functions of the old coordinates, i.e.

$$\mathbf{v}_{P'} = [x_{P'}, y_{P'}] = [f(x_P, y_P), g(x_P, y_P)].$$

where f(.,.) and g(.,.) are functions that will represent a particular transformation.

Linear transformation

Translation

Suppose that f and g are defined such that

$$f(x,y) = x + t_x$$

and

$$g(x,y) = y + t_y$$

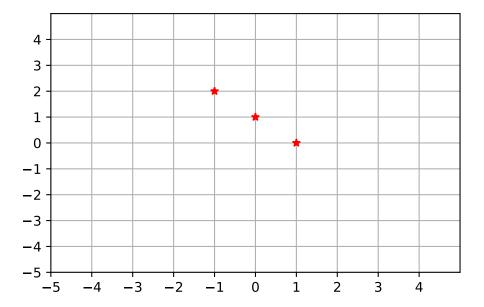
where t_x and t_y are constants.

- 1. Compute the transformation of the point P(1,2) in the case $(t_x,t_y)=(3,0)$.
- 2. Identify the inverse of the transformation in 1.

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import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
import numpy as np

fig,ax=plt.subplots()
ax.plot()
ax.set_xlim([-5,5])
ax.set_xticks(np.arange(-5,5))
ax.set_yticks(np.arange(-5,5))
ax.plot([-1,0,1],[2,1,0],'r*')
ax.set_ylim([-5,5])
ax.grid(True)

plt.show()
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Scalings

Consider a scaling transformation defined such that

$$f(x,y) = a * x$$

and

$$g(x, y) = b * y$$

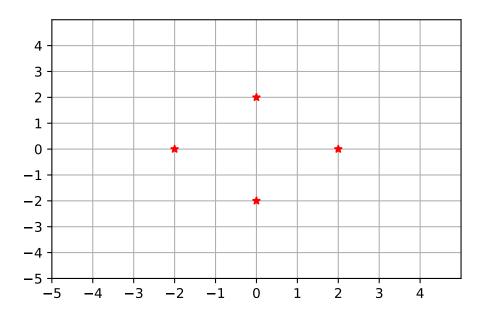
where b is a constant.

- 1. Compute the transformation of the point P(2,1) in the case b=2.
- 2. Identify the inverse of the transformation in 1. Are there values of b for which an inverse does not exist?

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import numpy as np

fig,ax=plt.subplots()
ax.plot()
ax.set_xlim([-5,5])
ax.set_xticks(np.arange(-5,5))
ax.set_yticks(np.arange(-5,5))
ax.plot([2,-2,0,0],[0,0,2,-2],'r*')
ax.set_ylim([-5,5])
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```
ax.grid(True)
plt.show()
```



Rotation

Now consider a transformation

$$f(x,y) = \cos\theta x - \sin\theta y$$

and

$$g(x,y) = \sin \theta x + \cos \theta y$$

where θ is a constant value.

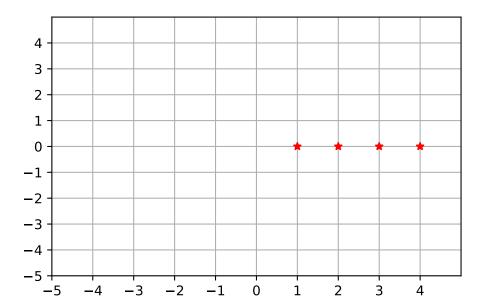
- 1. Compute the transformation of the point P(2,0) in the case $\theta = 90 \deg(\frac{\pi}{2}rad)$.
- 2. Identify the inverse of the transformation in 1.

```
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
import numpy as np

fig,ax=plt.subplots()
ax.plot()
ax.set_xlim([-5,5])
```

```
ax.set_xticks(np.arange(-5,5))
ax.set_yticks(np.arange(-5,5))
ax.plot([1,2,3,4],[0,0,0,0],'r*')
ax.set_ylim([-5,5])
ax.grid(True)

plt.show()
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Shear

$$f(x,y) = x + ay$$

and

$$g(x,y) = y$$

where a is a positive constant.

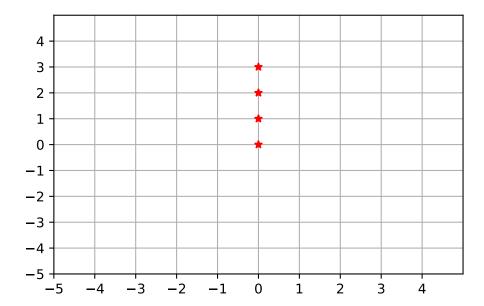
1. Compute the transformation of the point P(0,2) in the case a=2.

```
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
import numpy as np

fig,ax=plt.subplots()
ax.plot()
ax.set_xlim([-5,5])
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```
ax.set_xticks(np.arange(-5,5))
ax.set_yticks(np.arange(-5,5))
ax.plot([0,0,0,0],[0,1,2,3],'r*')
ax.set_ylim([-5,5])
ax.grid(True)

plt.show()
```



A general representation

If you have been introduced to vectors and matrices then you may spot that the above transformations can be represented as a matrix multiplication of a vector.

Consider the matrix

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} \end{pmatrix}.$$

Define

$$\mathbf{v}_{P'} = A\mathbf{v}_P$$

Can you identify values of the parameters a_{11} , a_{12} etc. that descibe the rotation, shear and scaling transformations?