

I began to reread Sferevitch-Nikilin about set of locally euclidean geometries. The following lemma: let  $AB, A'B'$  are two segments of the same length. Then there exists a rotation or translation  $F$  such that  $A' = F(A), B' = F(B)$ . In the special cases the solution is obvious. (E.g. if  $A = A'$  then this is just rotation of the segment)

This is why it is interesting to see how solution changes under the transformation

$$A \mapsto A + \mathbf{x}, \quad B \mapsto B + \mathbf{x} \quad (1)$$

and less obvious under the transformation

$$A \mapsto B, B \mapsto A \quad (2)$$

The second is not trivial, e.g. if  $AB, A'B'$  are parallell, then the parallel transport  $F$  transforms  $AB$  into  $A'B'$ , however if we replace  $A' \leftrightarrow B'$  then we have to do the rotation on the angle  $\pi$  around the vertex  $D$ , where  $D$  is the centre of the parallelogram  $ABA'B'$

This is childish exercise, but.....

Let  $A, B$  be two points, and  $A', B'$  be another two points. Does there exist a rotation  $F$  such that  $F(A) = A', F(B) = B'$ ?

This is evident that

$$|AB| = |A'B'|.$$

is necessary condition. Is it sufficient. Yes, it is.

This is not absolutely obvious in the case if directions  $AB, A'B'$  are not the 'same', e.g. if  $A = (1, 0), B = (2, 0), A' = (0, 2), B' = (0, 1)$ .

One can clear the question geometrically, but let us try to do it using *brute force*.

WLOG suppose that  $A = (0, 0), B = (1, 0)$ , and let  $A', B'$  be two points,  $A' = (a_1, a_2), B' = (b_1, b_2)$ . Let  $O = (x, y)$  is the centre of rotation  $F$  on the angle  $\varphi$ .

Then

$$\begin{cases} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} \cos \varphi & -\sin \varphi \\ \sin \varphi & \cos \varphi \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0 - x \\ 0 - y \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} a_1 \\ a_2 \end{pmatrix} \\ \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} \cos \varphi & -\sin \varphi \\ \sin \varphi & \cos \varphi \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 - x \\ 0 - y \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} b_1 \\ b_2 \end{pmatrix} \end{cases}$$

i.e.

$$\begin{cases} \begin{pmatrix} 1 - \cos \varphi & \sin \varphi \\ -\sin \varphi & 1 - \cos \varphi \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} a_1 \\ a_2 \end{pmatrix} \\ \begin{pmatrix} 1 - \cos \varphi & \sin \varphi \\ -\sin \varphi & 1 - \cos \varphi \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} b_1 - \cos \varphi \\ b_2 - \sin \varphi \end{pmatrix} \end{cases}$$

i.e. if  $\varphi \neq 0, \pi$  then

$$b_1 = a_1 + \cos \varphi, b_2 = a_2 + \sin \varphi$$

THus we define the angle.

$$\begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} = \frac{1}{2} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -\cotan \frac{\varphi}{2} \\ \cotan \frac{\varphi}{2} & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} a_1 \\ a_2 \end{pmatrix} = \frac{1}{2} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -\cotan \frac{\varphi}{2} \\ \cotan \frac{\varphi}{2} & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} b_1 - \cos \varphi \\ b_2 \end{pmatrix}$$