

A: Lines, Points, Vectors, Dot-Products

1a) We have:

$$\vec{p} = \vec{OP}$$

$$\vec{q} = \vec{OQ} = \vec{OP} + \vec{PQ} \quad (\text{by properties of vector addition})$$

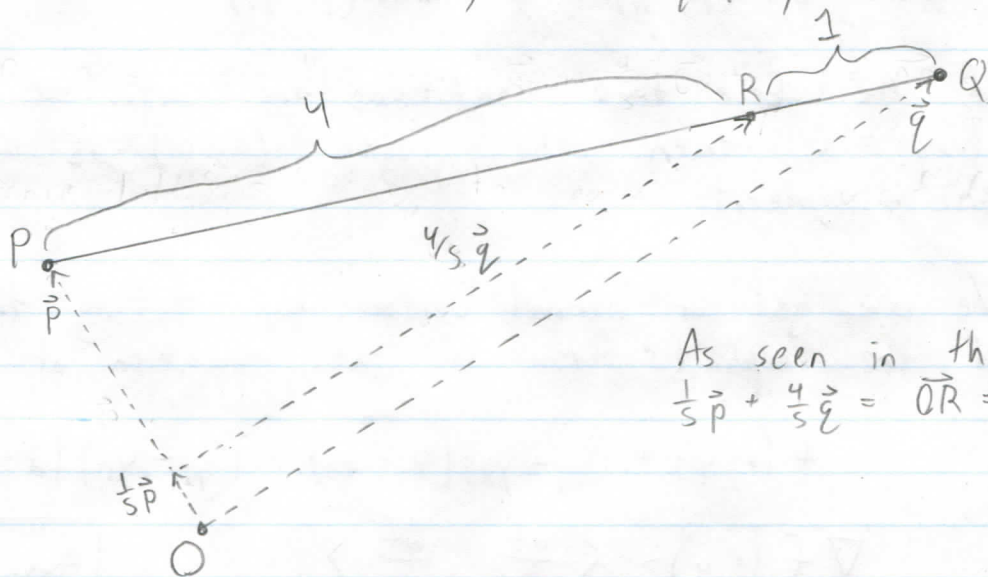
$$\begin{aligned} \vec{r} &= \vec{OR} = \vec{OP} + \vec{PR} \quad (\text{again, by vector addition}) \\ &= \vec{OP} + \frac{4}{5} \vec{PQ} \quad (\vec{PR} = \frac{4}{5} \vec{PQ} \text{ by definition of } R) \end{aligned}$$

We want to show: $\vec{r} = \frac{1}{5} \vec{p} + \frac{4}{5} \vec{q}$

$$\text{L.H.S.} = \vec{r} = \vec{OP} + \frac{4}{5} \vec{PQ}$$

$$\text{R.H.S.} = \frac{1}{5} \vec{p} + \frac{4}{5} \vec{q} = \frac{1}{5} (\vec{OP}) + \frac{4}{5} (\vec{OP} + \vec{PQ}) = \vec{OP} + \frac{4}{5} \vec{PQ}$$

Since L.H.S. = R.H.S., the equality is verified.



As seen in the diagram,
 $\frac{1}{5} \vec{p} + \frac{4}{5} \vec{q} = \vec{OR} = \vec{r}$

1b) From lecture notes, we know that the parametric form of a line from \vec{p}_0 to \vec{p}_1 is:

$$\vec{f}(t) = \vec{p}_0 + t(\vec{p}_1 - \vec{p}_0) \quad \text{with } 0 \leq t \leq 1$$

In our case, this leads to:

$$\vec{f}(t) = \vec{p} + t(\vec{q} - \vec{p}) \quad \text{with } 0 \leq t \leq 1, \quad \vec{p} = \vec{OP}, \quad \vec{q} = \vec{OQ}, \quad \text{and point } O \text{ is the origin of the coordinate system.}$$

1c) We can use the implicit form of a line. From lecture notes, we define:

$$f(x, y) = (y - y_0)(x_1 - x_0) - (y_1 - y_0)(x - x_0)$$

If $f(x, y) = 0$, then the point (x, y) is on the line defined by (x_0, y_0) and (x_1, y_1) . To further check that the point is on the line segment, we need to check if it is between the two endpoints. We verify:

$$\begin{aligned} \min(x_0, x_1) &\leq x \leq \max(x_0, x_1) \\ \text{and} \quad \min(y_0, y_1) &\leq y \leq \max(y_0, y_1) \end{aligned}$$

If the above two conditions are satisfied, and if $f(x, y) = 0$, then the point (x, y) is on the line segment.

2a) We can get a normal vector by taking the gradient of the implicit form of the equation of the line.

$$f(x, y) = (y - y_0)(x_1 - x_0) - (y_1 - y_0)(x - x_0)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \nabla f(x, y) &= \left\langle \frac{\partial f}{\partial x}, \frac{\partial f}{\partial y} \right\rangle \\ &= \langle -(y_1 - y_0), (x_1 - x_0) \rangle \end{aligned}$$

Assuming:

$$P = \langle x_0, y_0 \rangle$$

$$Q = \langle x_1, y_1 \rangle$$

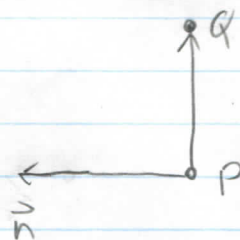
To get a unit normal, divide by magnitude:

$$\begin{aligned} \vec{n} &= \frac{\nabla f}{\|\nabla f\|} = \frac{\langle -y_0 - y_1, x_1 - x_0 \rangle}{\sqrt{(y_0 - y_1)^2 + (x_1 - x_0)^2}} \\ &= \left\langle \frac{y_0 - y_1}{\sqrt{(y_0 - y_1)^2 + (x_1 - x_0)^2}}, \frac{x_1 - x_0}{\sqrt{(y_0 - y_1)^2 + (x_1 - x_0)^2}} \right\rangle \end{aligned}$$

Now let's just verify that the direction of \vec{n} is correct. If $P = \langle 0, 0 \rangle$ and $Q = \langle 0, 1 \rangle$, then:

$$\vec{n} = \left\langle \frac{0-1}{\sqrt{1^2+0^2}}, \frac{0-0}{\sqrt{1^2+0^2}} \right\rangle$$

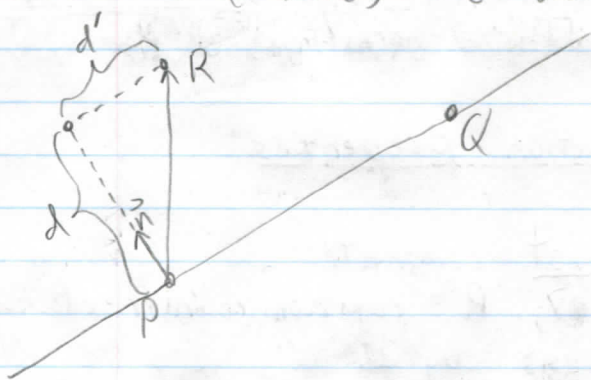
$$= \langle -1, 0 \rangle$$



Yes, \vec{n} has the correct direction. Thus, the final expression is:

$$\vec{n} = \left\langle \frac{y_0 - y_1}{\sqrt{(y_0 - y_1)^2 + (x_1 - x_0)^2}}, \frac{x_1 - x_0}{\sqrt{(y_0 - y_1)^2 + (x_1 - x_0)^2}} \right\rangle$$

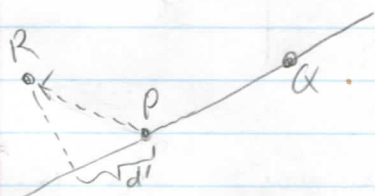
2b) First let's compute distance between (x, y) and the (infinite) line defined by P and Q .



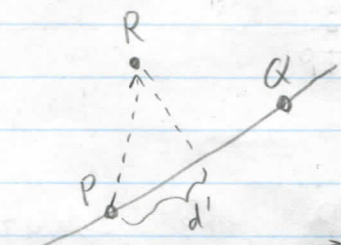
We are trying to find the distance d . This is precisely the length of \vec{PR} projected onto \vec{n} . Since \vec{n} is a unit vector, we can find this with a simple dot product:

$$d = \vec{PR} \cdot \vec{n} = \langle x - x_0, y - y_0 \rangle \cdot \vec{n}$$

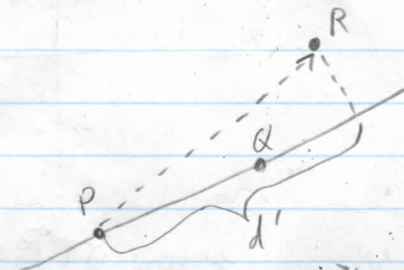
Now let's consider the fact that \vec{PQ} is a finite-length segment. Now the distance d' matters. There are three cases:



Case 1: $d' < 0$
Shortest distance: $\|\vec{PR}\|$



Case 2: $0 \leq d' \leq \|\vec{PQ}\|$
Shortest distance: $\vec{PR} \cdot \vec{n}$



Case 3: $d' > \|\vec{PQ}\|$
Shortest distance: $\|\vec{QR}\|$

We can calculate d' by noting that it is the length of the projection of \vec{PR} onto \vec{PQ} . This is:

$$d' = \frac{\vec{PR} \cdot \vec{PQ}}{\|\vec{PQ}\|} = \frac{(x-x_0)(x_1-x_0) + (y-y_0)(y_1-y_0)}{\sqrt{(x_1-x_0)^2 + (y_1-y_0)^2}}$$

Thus our final answer is:

$$\text{distance from } R \text{ to } \overline{PQ} = \begin{cases} \vec{PR} \cdot \vec{n} & \text{if } 0 \leq d' \leq \|\vec{PQ}\| \\ \|\vec{PR}\| & \text{if } d' < 0 \\ \|\vec{QR}\| & \text{if } d' > \|\vec{PQ}\| \end{cases}$$

where d' is defined as above, \vec{n} is defined as in 2a, and double bars represent the 2-norm (e.g. $\|\vec{AB}\| = \sqrt{(A_x - B_x)^2 + (A_y - B_y)^2}$)

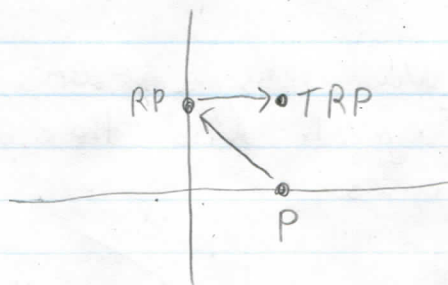
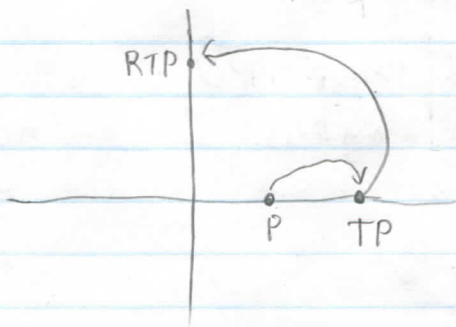
B: Transformations and transformation properties

1) Rotations and Translations: do not commute.

Counterexample: Let $P = \langle 1, 0 \rangle$, R = rotation counter-clockwise by 90° , and T = translate right by 1.

$$RTP = \langle 0, 2 \rangle$$

$$TRP = \langle 1, 1 \rangle$$



Since $RTP \neq TRP$, the operations don't commute.

2) Rotations and Rotations: do commute.

Proof: Let $P = \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix}$, $R_1 = \begin{bmatrix} \cos \theta_1 & -\sin \theta_1 \\ \sin \theta_1 & \cos \theta_1 \end{bmatrix}$,

$$R_2 = \begin{bmatrix} \cos \theta_2 & -\sin \theta_2 \\ \sin \theta_2 & \cos \theta_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

We want to show $R_1 R_2 P = R_2 R_1 P$. Since matrix multiplication is associative, it is sufficient to show that $R_1 R_2 = R_2 R_1$.

$$\text{L.H.S.} = R_1 R_2$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} \cos \theta_1 & -\sin \theta_1 \\ \sin \theta_1 & \cos \theta_1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \cos \theta_2 & -\sin \theta_2 \\ \sin \theta_2 & \cos \theta_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} \cos \theta_1 \cos \theta_2 - \sin \theta_1 \sin \theta_2 & -\cos \theta_1 \sin \theta_2 - \sin \theta_1 \cos \theta_2 \\ \sin \theta_1 \cos \theta_2 + \cos \theta_1 \sin \theta_2 & -\sin \theta_1 \sin \theta_2 + \cos \theta_1 \cos \theta_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\text{R.H.S.} = R_2 R_1$$

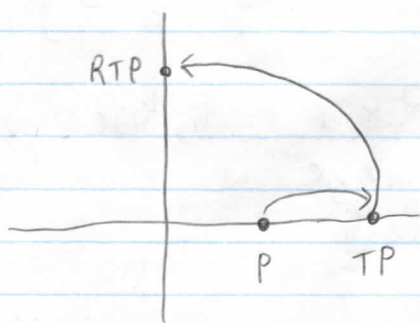
$$= \begin{bmatrix} \cos \theta_2 & -\sin \theta_2 \\ \sin \theta_2 & \cos \theta_2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \cos \theta_1 & -\sin \theta_1 \\ \sin \theta_1 & \cos \theta_1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} \cos \theta_1 \cos \theta_2 - \sin \theta_1 \sin \theta_2 & -\cos \theta_1 \sin \theta_2 - \sin \theta_1 \cos \theta_2 \\ \sin \theta_1 \cos \theta_2 + \cos \theta_1 \sin \theta_2 & -\sin \theta_1 \sin \theta_2 + \cos \theta_1 \cos \theta_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

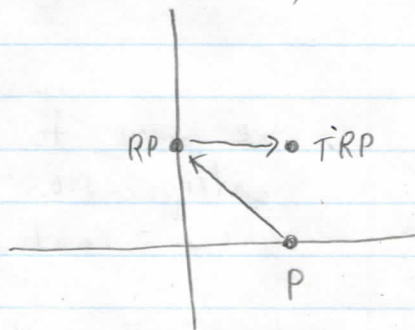
Since L.H.S. = R.H.S., the transformations commute.

- 3) Translations and reflections: do not commute.
 Counterexample: Let $P = \langle 1, 0 \rangle$, T = translate right by one, R = reflect across $y=x$

$$RTP = \langle 0, 2 \rangle$$



$$TRP = \langle 1, 1 \rangle$$



Since $RTP \neq TRP$, the operations don't commute.

- 4) Shear w.r.t. x -axis and uniform scaling: do commute
 Proof: Let $P = \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix}$, $S_1 = \begin{bmatrix} s & 0 \\ 0 & s \end{bmatrix}$ for $s \neq 0$, and (scale)

$$S_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & t \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \text{ for } t \neq 0 \text{ (shear)}$$

We want to show $S_1 S_2 P = S_2 S_1 P$. Since matrix multiplication is associative, it is sufficient to show $S_1 S_2 = S_2 S_1$.

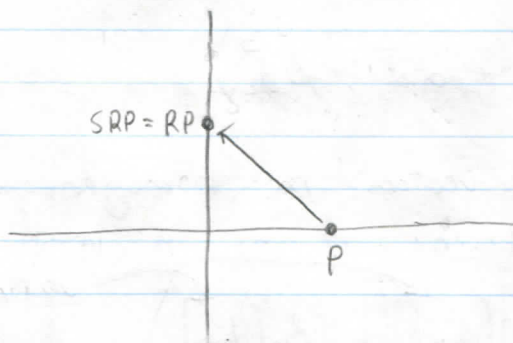
$$\begin{aligned} \text{L.H.S.} = S_1 S_2 &= \begin{bmatrix} s & 0 \\ 0 & s \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & t \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} s & st \\ 0 & s \end{bmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{R.H.S.} = S_2 S_1 &= \begin{bmatrix} 1 & t \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} s & 0 \\ 0 & s \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} s & st \\ 0 & s \end{bmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

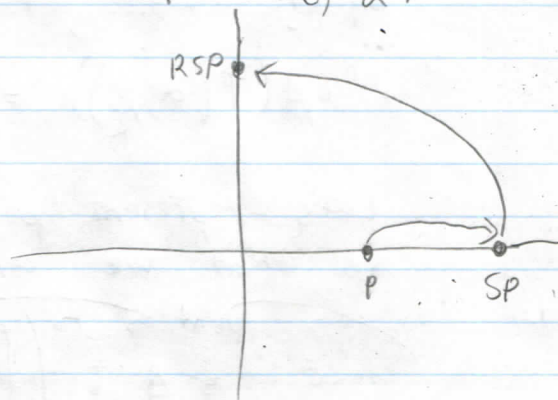
Since $L.H.S. = R.H.S.$, the operations commute.

- 5) Rotation, non-uniform scaling: do not commute
 Counter example: Let $P = \langle 1, 0 \rangle$, R = rotate counter-clockwise by 90° , and S = scale by 2 in x direction only.

$$SRP = \langle 0, 1 \rangle$$



$$RSP = \langle 0, 2 \rangle$$



Since $SRP \neq RSP$, the operations do not commute.

C: Affine transformation properties

- 1) ① $S(2/3, 1/2)$ - scale by $2/3$ in the x direction and by $1/2$ in the y direction.
- ② Re - reflect about the line $y = x$
- ③ $R(45^\circ)$ - rotate counterclockwise by 45°
- ④ $T(5, 1.5)$ - translate right 5 units and up 1.5 units

$$\textcircled{1} = \begin{bmatrix} 2/3 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1/2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, \textcircled{2} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, \textcircled{3} = \begin{bmatrix} \cos 45^\circ & -\sin 45^\circ & 0 \\ \sin 45^\circ & \cos 45^\circ & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1/\sqrt{2} & -1/\sqrt{2} & 0 \\ 1/\sqrt{2} & 1/\sqrt{2} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\textcircled{4} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 5 \\ 0 & 1 & 1.5 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

2) Call the invertible affine transform A .
The set of all points in the triangle is:

$$P = \{T(\alpha, \beta) \text{ for } \alpha, \beta \geq 0 \text{ and } \alpha + \beta \leq 1\}$$

Let's look at how a point on the triangle is transformed by A .

$$A(T(\alpha, \beta)) = A(\vec{p}_1 + \alpha \vec{d}_1 + \beta \vec{d}_2)$$

Let's represent points & vectors in homogeneous coordinates, so that we can represent A as a matrix multiplication:

$$= A \cdot \left(\overset{\text{point}}{\begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}} + \alpha \overset{\text{vector}}{\begin{bmatrix} d_{1x} \\ d_{1y} \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}} + \beta \overset{\text{vector}}{\begin{bmatrix} d_{2x} \\ d_{2y} \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}} \right)$$

Because of the linearity of matrix multiplication, we get:

$$= A \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} + \alpha A \begin{bmatrix} d_{1x} \\ d_{1y} \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + \beta A \begin{bmatrix} d_{2x} \\ d_{2y} \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Further, since A is an affine transform, it's not just an arbitrary matrix:

$$= \begin{bmatrix} a & b & c \\ d & e & f \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} + \alpha \begin{bmatrix} a & b & c \\ d & e & f \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} d_{1x} \\ d_{1y} \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + \beta \begin{bmatrix} a & b & c \\ d & e & f \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} d_{2x} \\ d_{2y} \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} ax+by+c \\ dx+ey+f \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} + \alpha \begin{bmatrix} ad_{1x}+bd_{1y} \\ dd_{1x}+ed_{1y} \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + \beta \begin{bmatrix} ad_{2x}+bd_{2y} \\ dd_{2x}+ed_{2y} \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

\uparrow Call this \vec{p}_1' \uparrow Call this \vec{d}_1' \uparrow Call this \vec{d}_2'

$$T = \vec{p}_i + \alpha \vec{d}_1 + \beta \vec{d}_2$$

This is just another triangle!

If we let $T'(\alpha, \beta) = \vec{p}_i + \alpha \vec{d}_1 + \beta \vec{d}_2$, then the full set of transformed points is just:

$$\begin{aligned} &A(\{T(\alpha, \beta) \text{ for } \alpha, \beta \geq 0 \text{ and } \alpha + \beta \leq 1\}) \\ &= \{T'(\alpha, \beta) \text{ for } \alpha, \beta \geq 0 \text{ and } \alpha + \beta \leq 1\} \end{aligned}$$

Thus, the triangle maps to another triangle.

- 3) Yes, we can represent affine transforms in Cartesian coordinates. A general affine transform that maps (x, y) to (x', y') can be written as:

$$\begin{aligned} x' &= ax + by + c \\ y' &= dx + ey + f \end{aligned} \quad \left(\begin{array}{l} \text{the transform is defined} \\ \text{by scalars } a, b, c, d, e, f \end{array} \right)$$

The advantage of homogeneous coordinates is that transformations become simple matrix multiplications. Matrix multiplications have nice properties:

- ① They are associative, so I can multiply multiple transformations together to get a single aggregate transformation. This can make it much more efficient to apply a cascade of transformations to a set of points.
- ② They are (usually) invertible, so I can invert a transformation just by inverting its matrix.
- ③ They are linear, which makes them much easier to reason about (e.g. see previous question - our proof relies on linearity).