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Midterm today 7-9PM LGCA301

HW 4 returned

Worksheet returned (not graded)

for all  $P, P_2 \in \mathbb{R}^2$

Last Time • Isometries of  $\mathbb{R}^2$ ,  $T: \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$ ,  $|T(P_1)T(P_2)| = |P_1P_2|$

Translation, Reflection, Rotation, glide reflection

• Theorem - every isometry is one of these 4 types

Today • More on isometries

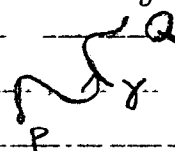
Isometries preserve lines:

If  $L \subset \mathbb{R}^2$  is a line, the  $T(L) \subset \mathbb{R}^2$  is also a line.

$$\{T(P) \mid P \in L\}$$

Recall (common sense notion)

(\*) The straight line from  $P$  to  $Q$  is the shortest path from  $P$  to  $Q$ .



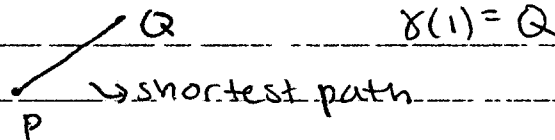
$$\text{length}(\gamma) = \int_0^1 \sqrt{x'(t)^2 + y'(t)^2} dt \quad (\text{MATH 233})$$

$$\gamma: [0, 1] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$$

parametrization of curve,  $\gamma(0) = P$

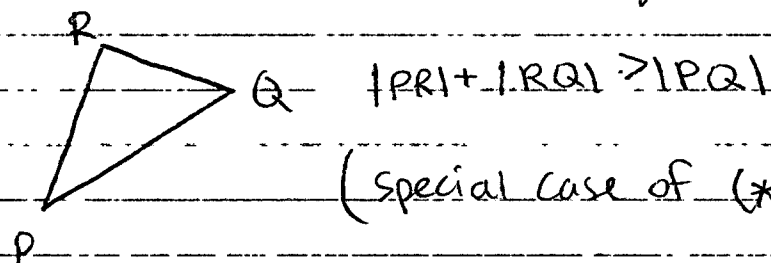
$$\gamma(t) = (x(t), y(t))$$

$x(t), y(t)$  differentiable



This suggests that isometries should preserve straight lines.

Instead we will use the triangle inequality. (HW4.Q6, relied on cosine rule)



(special case of (\*))

Restate triangle inequality:  $P, R, Q$  lie on a line in that order.  $\Leftrightarrow |PR| + |RQ| = |PQ|$ .



Proof that isometries preserve lines

Suppose  $T: \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$  is an isometry &  $L \subset \mathbb{R}^2$  is a line.

Pick two points  $P, Q \in L$ .

Then for  $R \in L$  have  $|PR| + |RQ| = |PQ|$  if  $R$  lies between  $P$  &  $Q$ .

$$\Rightarrow |T(P)T(R)| + |T(R)T(Q)| = |T(P)T(Q)|$$

isometry preserves distances

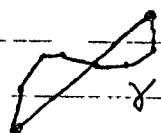
$\Rightarrow T(R)$  lies between  $T(P)$  &  $T(Q)$  on the line joining them.  
restated triangle inequality

Shown: line segment  $PQ$  maps to line segment  $T(P)T(Q)$

$\leadsto$  line  $PQ$  maps to line  $T(P)T(Q)$ .  $\blacksquare$

Alternative proof: Use  $T$  preserves angles.  $\blacksquare$

Remark: Triangle inequality is key ingredient in proof of "straight line is shortest path"



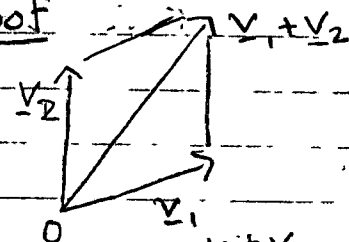
(approximate  $\delta$  by union of line segments)

Lemma:  $T$  isometry &  $T(0,0) = (0,0)$  then  $T$  is a linear transformation.

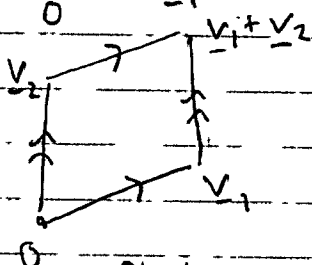
i.e. 1.  $T(\underline{v}_1 + \underline{v}_2) = T(\underline{v}_1) + T(\underline{v}_2)$  for all  $\underline{v}_1, \underline{v}_2 \in \mathbb{R}^2$

2.  $T(c\underline{v}) = cT(\underline{v})$  for all  $\underline{v} \in \mathbb{R}^2, c \in \mathbb{R}$

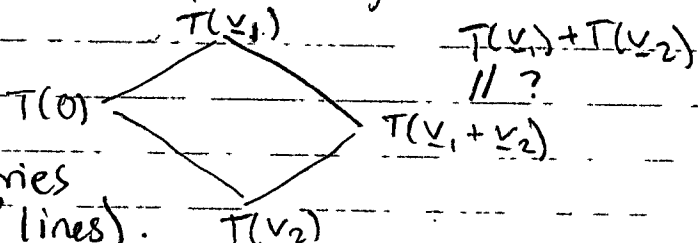
Proof



"parallelogram law" for addition of vectors

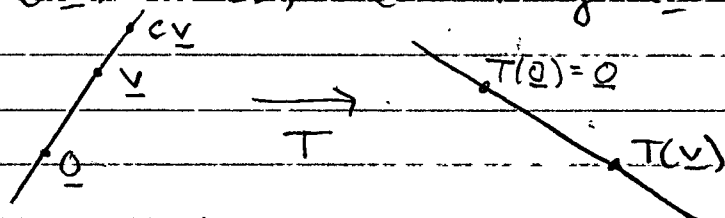


1. amounts to:  $T$  sends parallelogram to another parallelogram



Ok because isometries preserve angles (& lines).

2.  $T(c\underline{v}) = cT(\underline{v})$  (assuming  $T(\underline{0}) = \underline{0}$ )



$T$  sends line through  $\underline{0}$  &  $\underline{v}$  to line through  $T(\underline{0})$  &  $T(\underline{v})$

$\Rightarrow T(c\underline{v}) = \lambda T(\underline{v})$  some  $\lambda \in \mathbb{R}$ ,

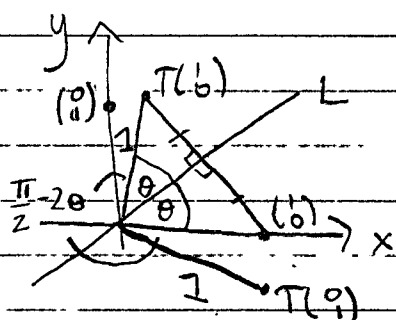
$T$  preserves distances  $\Rightarrow \lambda = c$ .  $\blacksquare$

Ex. Rotation about  $(0,0)$

$$T(\underline{x}) = \begin{pmatrix} \cos \theta & -\sin \theta \\ \sin \theta & \cos \theta \end{pmatrix} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix}$$

Reflection in a line  $L$  passing through the origin

$(\Rightarrow T(0,0) = (0,0))$



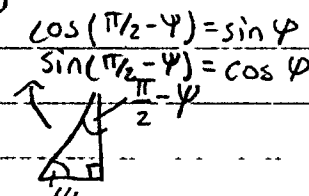
$$T(\underline{x}) = \begin{pmatrix} ? & ? \\ ? & ? \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} \cos 2\theta \\ \sin 2\theta \end{pmatrix} = T(\underline{1})$$

$$T(\underline{0}) = \begin{pmatrix} \cos(\pi/2 - 2\theta) \\ -\sin(\pi/2 - 2\theta) \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \sin 2\theta \\ -\cos 2\theta \end{pmatrix}$$

$$T(\underline{x}) = \begin{pmatrix} \cos 2\theta & \sin 2\theta \\ \sin 2\theta & -\cos 2\theta \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix}$$

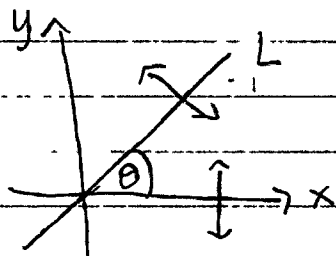
reflection in line  $L$  through origin, making angle  $\theta$  with  $x$ -axis.



Alternative proof

Formula for reflection in  $x$ -axis is easy:  $T(\underline{x}) = \begin{pmatrix} x \\ -y \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix}$

Q: How is reflection in  $L$  (making angle  $\theta$  with  $x$ -axis) related to reflection in  $x$ -axis?  $\hookrightarrow$  & passing through  $0$



Trick

Rotate  $L$  to  $x$ -axis.

Reflect in  $x$ -axis

Rotate  $x$ -axis back to  $L$

} = Reflection in  $L$