

representing the fact that C\$1 is worth ZAR8 (as of September 2012).

- a. After a trip you have C\$100 and ZAR1,600 in your pocket. We represent these two values in the vector $\vec{x} = \begin{bmatrix} 100 \\ 1,600 \end{bmatrix}$. Compute $A\vec{x}$. What is the practical significance of the two components of the vector $A\vec{x}$?
- b. Verify that matrix A fails to be invertible. For which vectors \vec{b} is the system $A\vec{x} = \vec{b}$ consistent? What is the practical significance of your answer? If the system $A\vec{x} = \vec{b}$ is consistent, how many solutions \vec{x} are there? Again, what is the practical significance of the answer?

61. Consider a larger currency exchange matrix (see Exercise 60), involving four of the world's leading currencies: Euro (€), U.S. dollar (\$), Chinese yuan (¥), and British pound (£).

$$A = \begin{array}{cccc|c} \text{€} & \$ & \text{¥} & \text{£} & \\ \hline * & 0.8 & * & * & \text{€} \\ * & * & * & * & \$ \\ * & * & * & 10 & \text{¥} \\ 0.8 & * & * & * & \text{£} \end{array}$$

The entry a_{ij} gives the value of one unit of the j th currency, expressed in terms of the i th currency. For example, $a_{34} = 10$ means that £1 = ¥10 (as of August 2012). Find the exact values of the 13 missing entries of A (expressed as fractions).

62. Consider an arbitrary currency exchange matrix. Exercises 60 and 61.

- a. What are the diagonal entries a_{ii} of A ?
- b. What is the relationship between a_{ij} and a_{ji} ?
- c. What is the relationship among a_{ik} , a_{kj} , and a_{ij} ?
- d. What is the rank of A ? What is the relationship between A and $\text{ref}(A)$?

63. Solving a linear system $A\vec{x} = \vec{0}$ by Gaussian elimination amounts to writing the vector of leading ones as a linear transformation of the vector of free variables. Consider the linear system

$$\begin{array}{rcl} x_1 - x_2 & + & 4x_5 = 0 \\ & x_3 & - x_5 = 0 \\ & & x_4 - 2x_5 = 0. \end{array}$$

Find the matrix B such that $\begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_3 \\ x_4 \end{bmatrix} = B \begin{bmatrix} x_2 \\ x_5 \end{bmatrix}$.

64. Consider the linear system

$$\begin{array}{rcl} x_1 + 2x_2 + x_3 + 7x_4 & = & 0 \\ x_1 + 2x_2 + 2x_3 + 11x_4 & = & 0 \\ x_1 + 2x_2 + 3x_3 + 15x_4 & = & 0 \\ x_1 + 2x_2 + 4x_3 + 19x_4 & = & 0. \end{array}$$

Find the matrix B such that $\begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix} = B \begin{bmatrix} x_2 \\ x_4 \end{bmatrix}$.

Exercise 63.

2.2 Linear Transformations in Geometry

In Example 2.1.5 we saw that the matrix $\begin{bmatrix} 0 & -1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ represents a counterclockwise rotation through 90° in the coordinate plane. Many other 2×2 matrices represent simple geometrical transformations as well; this section is dedicated to a study of some of those transformations.

EXAMPLE 1 Consider the matrices

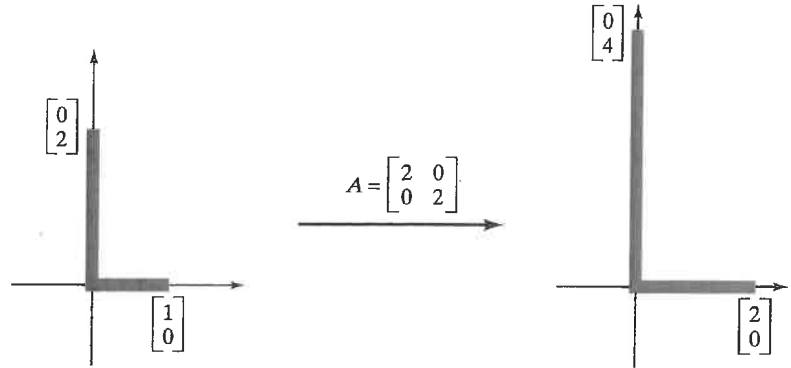
$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix}, \quad B = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \quad C = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix},$$

$$D = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \quad E = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0.2 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \text{and} \quad F = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Show the effect of each of these matrices on our standard letter L,³ and describe each transformation in words.

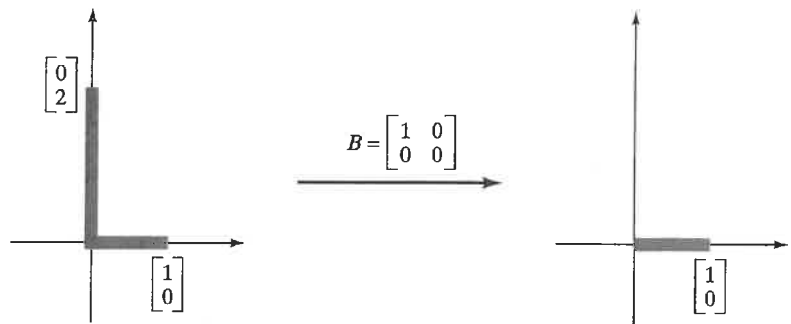
³See Example 2.1.5. Recall that vector $\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$ is the foot of our standard L, and $\begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$ is its left vertical stem.

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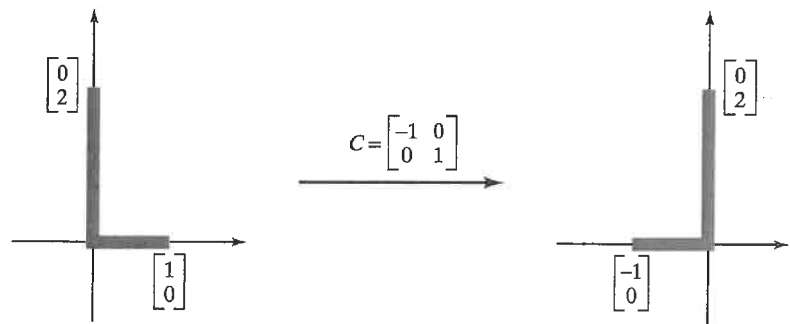
The L gets enlarged by a factor of 2; we will call this transformation a *scaling* by 2.

b.



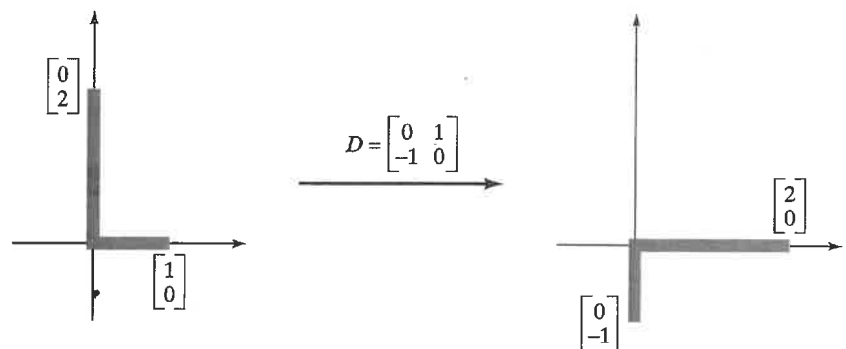
The L gets smashed into the horizontal axis. We will call this transformation the *orthogonal projection onto the horizontal axis*.

c.

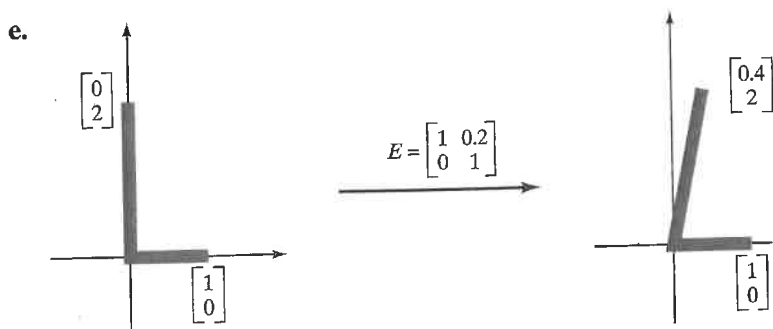


The L gets flipped over the vertical axis. We will call this the *reflection about the vertical axis*.

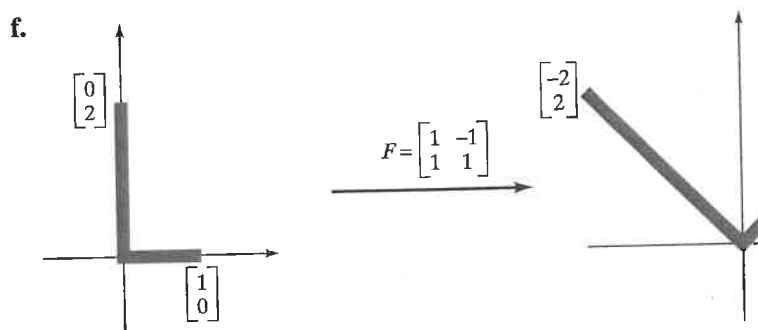
d.



The L is *rotated* through 90° , in the clockwise direction (this amount is a rotation through -90°). The result is the opposite of what we got in Example 2.1.5.



The foot of the L remains unchanged, while the back is shifted horizontally to the right; the L is italicized, becoming *L*. We will call this transformation a *horizontal shear*.



There are two things going on here: The L is rotated through 45° and scaled by a factor of $\sqrt{2}$. This is a *rotation combined with a scaling* (you can perform the two transformations in either order). Among all the possible transformations considered in parts (a) through (e), this one is important in applications as well as in pure mathematics. See Theorem 2.1.10 for an example.

We will now take a closer look at the six types of transformations considered in Example 1.

Scalings

For any positive constant k , the matrix $\begin{bmatrix} k & 0 \\ 0 & k \end{bmatrix}$ defines a scaling by k ,

$$\begin{bmatrix} k & 0 \\ 0 & k \end{bmatrix} \vec{x} = \begin{bmatrix} k & 0 \\ 0 & k \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} kx_1 \\ kx_2 \end{bmatrix} = k \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix} = k\vec{x}.$$

This is a *dilation* (or enlargement) if k exceeds 1, and it is a *contraction* (or shrinking) for values of k between 0 and 1. (What happens when k is zero?)

Orthogonal Projections⁴

Consider a line L in the plane, running through the origin. Any vector \vec{x} in \mathbb{R}^2 can be written uniquely as

$$\vec{x} = \vec{x}^{\parallel} + \vec{x}^{\perp},$$

where \vec{x}^{\parallel} is parallel to line L , and \vec{x}^{\perp} is perpendicular to L . See Figure 1.

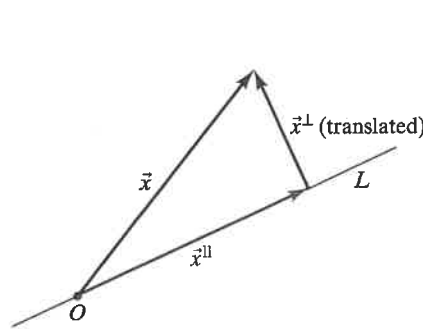


Figure 1

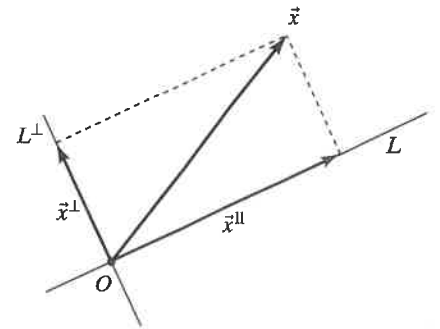


Figure 2

The transformation $T(\vec{x}) = \vec{x}^{\parallel}$ from \mathbb{R}^2 to \mathbb{R}^2 is called the *orthogonal projection of \vec{x} onto L* , often denoted by $\text{proj}_L(\vec{x})$:

$$\text{proj}_L(\vec{x}) = \vec{x}^{\parallel}.$$

You can think of $\text{proj}_L(\vec{x})$ as the shadow that vector \vec{x} casts on L if you shine a light straight down on L .

Let L^{\perp} be the line through the origin perpendicular to L . Note that \vec{x}^{\perp} is parallel to L^{\perp} , and we can interpret \vec{x}^{\perp} as the orthogonal projection of \vec{x} onto L^{\perp} , as illustrated in Figure 2.

We can use the dot product to write a formula for an orthogonal projection. Before proceeding, you may want to review the section “Dot Product, Length, Orthogonality” in the Appendix.

To find a formula for \vec{x}^{\parallel} , let \vec{w} be a nonzero vector parallel to L . Since \vec{x}^{\parallel} is parallel to \vec{w} , we can write

$$\vec{x}^{\parallel} = k\vec{w},$$

for some scalar k about to be determined. Now $\vec{x}^{\perp} = \vec{x} - \vec{x}^{\parallel} = \vec{x} - k\vec{w}$ is perpendicular to line L , that is, perpendicular to \vec{w} , meaning that

$$(\vec{x} - k\vec{w}) \cdot \vec{w} = 0.$$

It follows that

$$\vec{x} \cdot \vec{w} - k(\vec{w} \cdot \vec{w}) = 0, \quad \text{or} \quad k = \frac{\vec{x} \cdot \vec{w}}{\vec{w} \cdot \vec{w}}.$$

We can conclude that

$$\text{proj}_L(\vec{x}) = \vec{x}^{\parallel} = k\vec{w} = \left(\frac{\vec{x} \cdot \vec{w}}{\vec{w} \cdot \vec{w}} \right) \vec{w}.$$

⁴The term *orthogonal* is synonymous with perpendicular. For a more general discussion of projections, see Exercise 33.

See Figure 3. Consider the special case of a *unit* vector \vec{u} parallel to L . The formula for projection simplifies to

$$\text{proj}_L(\vec{x}) = \left(\frac{\vec{x} \cdot \vec{u}}{\vec{u} \cdot \vec{u}} \right) \vec{u} = (\vec{x} \cdot \vec{u}) \vec{u}$$

since $\vec{u} \cdot \vec{u} = \|\vec{u}\|^2 = 1$ for a unit vector \vec{u} .

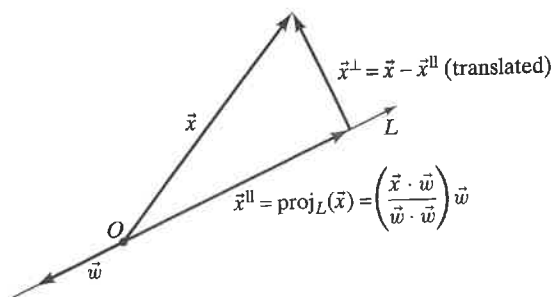


Figure 3

Is the transformation $T(\vec{x}) = \text{proj}_L(\vec{x})$ linear? If so, what is its matrix? If

$$\vec{x} = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{and} \quad \vec{u} = \begin{bmatrix} u_1 \\ u_2 \end{bmatrix},$$

then

$$\begin{aligned} \text{proj}_L(\vec{x}) &= (\vec{x} \cdot \vec{u}) \vec{u} = \left(\begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} u_1 \\ u_2 \end{bmatrix} \right) \begin{bmatrix} u_1 \\ u_2 \end{bmatrix} \\ &= (x_1 u_1 + x_2 u_2) \begin{bmatrix} u_1 \\ u_2 \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} u_1^2 x_1 + u_1 u_2 x_2 \\ u_1 u_2 x_1 + u_2^2 x_2 \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} u_1^2 & u_1 u_2 \\ u_1 u_2 & u_2^2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} u_1^2 & u_1 u_2 \\ u_1 u_2 & u_2^2 \end{bmatrix} \vec{x}. \end{aligned}$$

It turns out that $T(\vec{x}) = \text{proj}_L(\vec{x})$ is indeed a linear transformation, $\begin{bmatrix} u_1^2 & u_1 u_2 \\ u_1 u_2 & u_2^2 \end{bmatrix}$. More generally, if \vec{w} is a nonzero vector parallel to L , the matrix is $P = \frac{1}{w_1^2 + w_2^2} \begin{bmatrix} w_1^2 & w_1 w_2 \\ w_1 w_2 & w_2^2 \end{bmatrix}$. See Exercise 12.

EXAMPLE 2 Find the matrix P of the orthogonal projection onto the line L spanned by

Solution

$$P = \frac{1}{w_1^2 + w_2^2} \begin{bmatrix} w_1^2 & w_1 w_2 \\ w_1 w_2 & w_2^2 \end{bmatrix} = \frac{1}{25} \begin{bmatrix} 9 & 12 \\ 12 & 16 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0.36 & 0.48 \\ 0.48 & 0.64 \end{bmatrix}$$

Let us summarize our findings.

Definition 2.2.1 Orthogonal Projections

Consider a line L in the coordinate plane, running through the origin. Any vector \vec{x} in \mathbb{R}^2 can be written uniquely as

$$\vec{x} = \vec{x}^{\parallel} + \vec{x}^{\perp},$$

where \vec{x}^{\parallel} is parallel to line L , and \vec{x}^{\perp} is perpendicular to L .

The transformation $T(\vec{x}) = \vec{x}^{\parallel}$ from \mathbb{R}^2 to \mathbb{R}^2 is called the *orthogonal projection of \vec{x} onto L* , often denoted by $\text{proj}_L(\vec{x})$. If \vec{w} is a nonzero vector parallel to L , then

$$\text{proj}_L(\vec{x}) = \left(\frac{\vec{x} \cdot \vec{w}}{\vec{w} \cdot \vec{w}} \right) \vec{w}.$$

In particular, if $\vec{u} = \begin{bmatrix} u_1 \\ u_2 \end{bmatrix}$ is a *unit* vector parallel to L , then

$$\text{proj}_L(\vec{x}) = (\vec{x} \cdot \vec{u})\vec{u}.$$

The transformation $T(\vec{x}) = \text{proj}_L(\vec{x})$ is linear, with matrix

$$P = \frac{1}{w_1^2 + w_2^2} \begin{bmatrix} w_1^2 & w_1 w_2 \\ w_1 w_2 & w_2^2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} u_1^2 & u_1 u_2 \\ u_1 u_2 & u_2^2 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Reflections

Again, consider a line L in the coordinate plane, running through the origin, and let \vec{x} be a vector in \mathbb{R}^2 . The reflection $\text{ref}_L(\vec{x})$ of \vec{x} about L is shown in Figure 4: We are flipping vector \vec{x} over the line L . The line segment joining the tips of vectors \vec{x} and $\text{ref}_L \vec{x}$ is perpendicular to line L and bisected by L . In previous math courses you have surely seen examples of reflections about the horizontal and vertical axes [when comparing the graphs of $y = f(x)$, $y = -f(x)$, and $y = f(-x)$, for example].

We can use the representation $\vec{x} = \vec{x}^{\parallel} + \vec{x}^{\perp}$ to write a formula for $\text{ref}_L(\vec{x})$. See Figure 4.

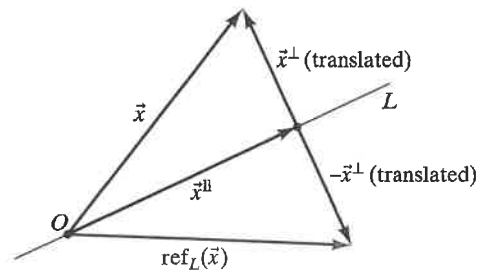


Figure 4

We can see that

$$\text{ref}_L(\vec{x}) = \vec{x}^{\parallel} - \vec{x}^{\perp}.$$

Adding up the equations $\vec{x} = \vec{x}^{\parallel} + \vec{x}^{\perp}$ and $\text{ref}_L(\vec{x}) = \vec{x}^{\parallel} - \vec{x}^{\perp}$, we find that $\vec{x} + \text{ref}_L(\vec{x}) = 2\vec{x}^{\parallel} = 2\text{proj}_L(\vec{x})$, so

$$\text{ref}_L(\vec{x}) = 2\text{proj}_L(\vec{x}) - \vec{x} = 2P\vec{x} - \vec{x} = (2P - I_2)\vec{x},$$

where P is the matrix representing the orthogonal projection onto the line L . Definition 2.2.1. Thus, the matrix S of the reflection is

$$S = 2P - I_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 2u_1^2 & 2u_1u_2 \\ 2u_1u_2 & 2u_2^2 \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2u_1^2 - 1 & 2u_1u_2 \\ 2u_1u_2 & 2u_2^2 - 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

It turns out that this matrix S is of the form $\begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ b & -a \end{bmatrix}$, where $a^2 + b^2 = 1$ (see the straightforward verification as Exercise 13). Conversely, any matrix of the form $\begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ b & -a \end{bmatrix}$, with $a^2 + b^2 = 1$, represents a reflection about a line. See Exercise 14.

We are not surprised to see that the column vectors $\begin{bmatrix} a \\ b \end{bmatrix}$ and $\begin{bmatrix} b \\ -a \end{bmatrix}$ of the reflection matrix are unit vectors, with $a^2 + b^2 = b^2 + (-a)^2 = 1$. In fact, the column vectors are the reflections of the standard vectors, $\begin{bmatrix} a \\ b \end{bmatrix} = \text{ref}_L(\vec{e}_1)$ and $\begin{bmatrix} b \\ -a \end{bmatrix} = \text{ref}_L(\vec{e}_2)$, by Theorem 2.1.2. Since the standard vectors \vec{e}_1 and \vec{e}_2 are unit vectors and a reflection preserves length, these column vectors will be unit vectors as well. Also, it makes sense that the column vectors are perpendicular to each other, since their dot product $\begin{bmatrix} a \\ b \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} b \\ -a \end{bmatrix} = ab + b(-a) = 0$, since the reflection preserves angles. See Figure 5.

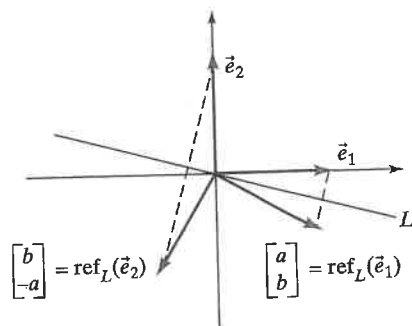


Figure 5

Definition 2.2.2 Reflections

Consider a line L in the coordinate plane, running through the origin. Let $\vec{x} = \vec{x}^{\parallel} + \vec{x}^{\perp}$ be a vector in \mathbb{R}^2 . The linear transformation $T(\vec{x}) = \text{ref}_L(\vec{x})$ is called the *reflection of \vec{x} about L* , often denoted by $\text{ref}_L(\vec{x})$:

$$\text{ref}_L(\vec{x}) = \vec{x}^{\parallel} - \vec{x}^{\perp}.$$

We have a formula relating $\text{ref}_L(\vec{x})$ to $\text{proj}_L(\vec{x})$:

$$\text{ref}_L(\vec{x}) = 2\text{proj}_L(\vec{x}) - \vec{x} = 2(\vec{x} \cdot \vec{u})\vec{u} - \vec{x}.$$

The matrix of T is of the form $\begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ b & -a \end{bmatrix}$, where $a^2 + b^2 = 1$. Conversely, any matrix of this form represents a reflection about a line.

Use Figure 6 to explain the formula $\text{ref}_L(\vec{x}) = 2\text{proj}_L(\vec{x}) - \vec{x}$ geometrically.

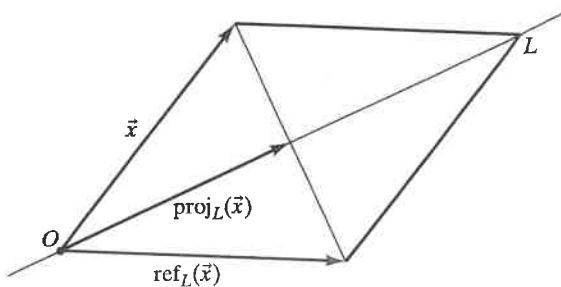


Figure 6

Orthogonal Projections and Reflections in Space

Although this section is mostly concerned with linear transformations from \mathbb{R}^2 to \mathbb{R}^2 , we will take a quick look at orthogonal projections and reflections in space, since this theory is analogous to the case of two dimensions.

Let L be a line in coordinate space, running through the origin. Any vector \vec{x} in \mathbb{R}^3 can be written uniquely as $\vec{x} = \vec{x}^{\parallel} + \vec{x}^{\perp}$, where \vec{x}^{\parallel} is parallel to L , and \vec{x}^{\perp} is perpendicular to L . We define

$$\text{proj}_L(\vec{x}) = \vec{x}^{\parallel},$$

and we have the formula

$$\text{proj}_L(\vec{x}) = \vec{x}^{\parallel} = (\vec{x} \cdot \vec{u})\vec{u},$$

where \vec{u} is a unit vector parallel to L . See Definition 2.2.1.

Let $L^{\perp} = V$ be the plane through the origin perpendicular to L ; note that the vector \vec{x}^{\perp} will be parallel to $L^{\perp} = V$. We can give formulas for the orthogonal projection onto V , as well as for the reflections about V and L , in terms of the orthogonal projection onto L :

$$\text{proj}_V(\vec{x}) = \vec{x} - \text{proj}_L(\vec{x}) = \vec{x} - (\vec{x} \cdot \vec{u})\vec{u},$$

$$\text{ref}_L(\vec{x}) = \text{proj}_L(\vec{x}) - \text{proj}_V(\vec{x}) = 2\text{proj}_L(\vec{x}) - \vec{x} = 2(\vec{x} \cdot \vec{u})\vec{u} - \vec{x}, \quad \text{and}$$

$$\text{ref}_V(\vec{x}) = \text{proj}_V(\vec{x}) - \text{proj}_L(\vec{x}) = -\text{ref}_L(\vec{x}) = \vec{x} - 2(\vec{x} \cdot \vec{u})\vec{u}.$$

See Figure 7, and compare with Definition 2.2.2.

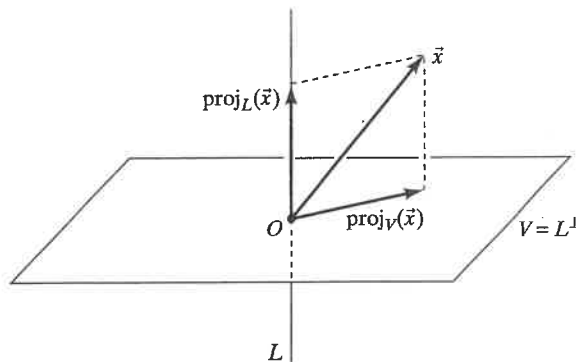


Figure 7

EXAMPLE 3 Let V be the plane defined by $2x_1 + x_2 - 2x_3 = 0$, and let $\vec{x} = \begin{bmatrix} 5 \\ 4 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix}$. Find

Solution

Note that the vector $\vec{v} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix}$ is perpendicular to plane V (the components are the coefficients of the variables in the given equation of the plane: 2, 1, -2). Thus,

$$\vec{u} = \frac{1}{\|\vec{v}\|} \vec{v} = \frac{1}{3} \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix}$$

is a unit vector perpendicular to V , and we can use the formula we derived

$$\begin{aligned} \text{ref}_V(\vec{x}) &= \vec{x} - 2(\vec{x} \cdot \vec{u})\vec{u} = \begin{bmatrix} 5 \\ 4 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix} - \frac{2}{9} \left(\left(\begin{bmatrix} 5 \\ 4 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix} \right) \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix} \right) \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} 5 \\ 4 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix} - 4 \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} 5 \\ 4 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} 8 \\ 4 \\ -8 \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} -3 \\ 0 \\ 6 \end{bmatrix}. \end{aligned}$$

Rotations

Consider the linear transformation T from \mathbb{R}^2 to \mathbb{R}^2 that rotates any vector a fixed angle θ in the counterclockwise direction,⁵ as shown in Figure Example 2.1.5, where we studied a rotation through $\theta = \pi/2$.

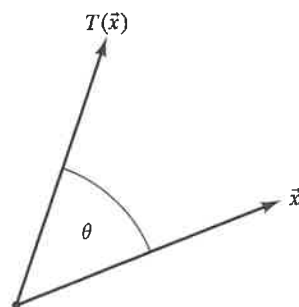


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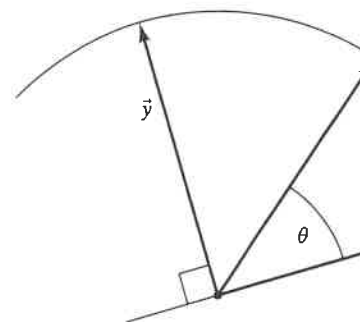


Figure 9

⁵We can define a rotation more formally in terms of the polar coordinates of \vec{x} . The length equals the length of \vec{x} , and the polar angle (or argument) of $T(\vec{x})$ exceeds the polar angle

Now consider Figure 9, where we introduce the auxiliary vector \vec{y} , obtained by rotating \vec{x} through $\pi/2$. From Example 2.1.5 we know that if $\vec{x} = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix}$, then $\vec{y} = \begin{bmatrix} -x_2 \\ x_1 \end{bmatrix}$. Using basic trigonometry, we find that

$$\begin{aligned} T(\vec{x}) &= (\cos \theta)\vec{x} + (\sin \theta)\vec{y} = (\cos \theta) \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix} + (\sin \theta) \begin{bmatrix} -x_2 \\ x_1 \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} (\cos \theta)x_1 - (\sin \theta)x_2 \\ (\sin \theta)x_1 + (\cos \theta)x_2 \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} \cos \theta & -\sin \theta \\ \sin \theta & \cos \theta \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} \cos \theta & -\sin \theta \\ \sin \theta & \cos \theta \end{bmatrix} \vec{x}. \end{aligned}$$

This computation shows that a rotation through θ is indeed a linear transformation, with the matrix

$$\begin{bmatrix} \cos \theta & -\sin \theta \\ \sin \theta & \cos \theta \end{bmatrix}.$$

Theorem 2.2.3

Rotations

The matrix of a counterclockwise rotation in \mathbb{R}^2 through an angle θ is

$$\begin{bmatrix} \cos \theta & -\sin \theta \\ \sin \theta & \cos \theta \end{bmatrix}.$$

Note that this matrix is of the form $\begin{bmatrix} a & -b \\ b & a \end{bmatrix}$, where $a^2 + b^2 = 1$. Conversely, any matrix of this form represents a rotation.

EXAMPLE 4 The matrix of a counterclockwise rotation through $\pi/6$ (or 30°) is

$$\begin{bmatrix} \cos(\pi/6) & -\sin(\pi/6) \\ \sin(\pi/6) & \cos(\pi/6) \end{bmatrix} = \frac{1}{2} \begin{bmatrix} \sqrt{3} & -1 \\ 1 & \sqrt{3} \end{bmatrix}.$$

Rotations Combined with a Scaling

EXAMPLE 5 Examine how the linear transformation

$$T(\vec{x}) = \begin{bmatrix} a & -b \\ b & a \end{bmatrix} \vec{x}$$

affects our standard letter L. Here a and b are arbitrary constants.

Solution

Figure 10 suggests that T represents a *rotation combined with a scaling*. Think polar coordinates: This is a rotation through the polar angle θ of vector $\begin{bmatrix} a \\ b \end{bmatrix}$, combined

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with a scaling by the magnitude $r = \sqrt{a^2 + b^2}$ of vector $\begin{bmatrix} a \\ b \end{bmatrix}$. To verify algebraically, we can write the vector $\begin{bmatrix} a \\ b \end{bmatrix}$ in polar coordinates, as

$$\begin{bmatrix} a \\ b \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} r \cos \theta \\ r \sin \theta \end{bmatrix},$$

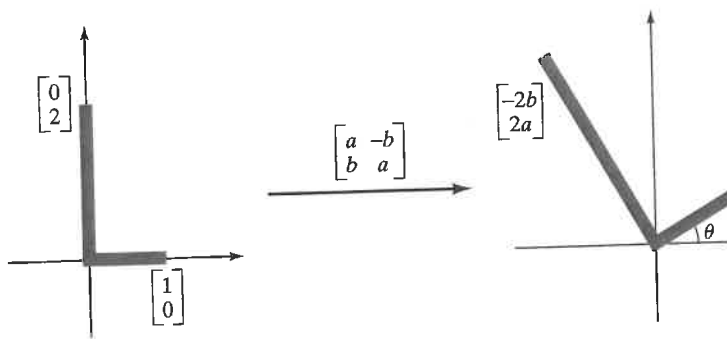


Figure 10

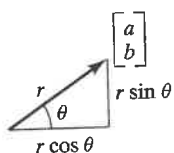


Figure 11

as illustrated in Figure 11. Then

$$\begin{bmatrix} a & -b \\ b & a \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} r \cos \theta & -r \sin \theta \\ r \sin \theta & r \cos \theta \end{bmatrix} = r \begin{bmatrix} \cos \theta & -\sin \theta \\ \sin \theta & \cos \theta \end{bmatrix}.$$

It turns out that matrix $\begin{bmatrix} a & -b \\ b & a \end{bmatrix}$ is a scalar multiple of a rotation claimed.

Theorem 2.2.4

Rotations combined with a scaling

A matrix of the form $\begin{bmatrix} a & -b \\ b & a \end{bmatrix}$ represents a rotation combined with a scaling.

More precisely, if r and θ are the polar coordinates of vector

$\begin{bmatrix} a & -b \\ b & a \end{bmatrix}$ represents a rotation through θ combined with a scaling by r .

Shears

We will introduce shears by means of some simple experiments involving a deck of cards.⁶

In the first experiment, we place the deck of cards on the ruler, Figure 12. Note that the 2 of diamonds is placed on one of the short ruler. That edge will stay in place throughout the experiment. Now we lift the short edge of the ruler up, keeping the cards in vertical position at the edge. The cards will slide up, being “fanned out,” without any horizontal displacement.

⁶Two hints for instructors:

- Use several decks of cards for dramatic effect.
- Hold the decks together with a rubber band to avoid embarrassing accidents.

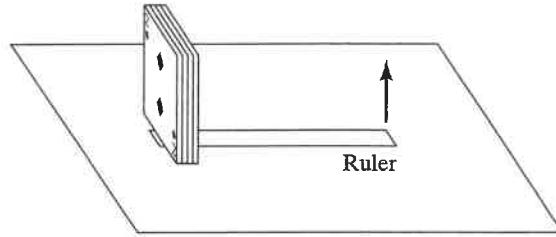


Figure 12

Figure 13 shows a side view of this transformation. The origin represents the ruler's short edge that is staying in place.

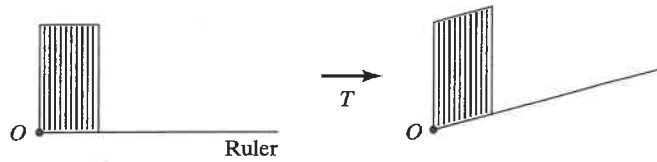


Figure 13

Such a transformation T is called a *vertical shear*. If we focus on the side view only, we have a vertical shear in \mathbb{R}^2 (although in reality the experiment takes place in 3-space).

Now let's draw a vector $\vec{x} = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix}$ on the side of our deck of cards, and let's find a formula for the sheared vector $T(\vec{x})$, using Figure 14 as a guide. Here, k denotes the slope of the ruler after the transformation:

$$T(\vec{x}) = T\left(\begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix}\right) = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ kx_1 + x_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ k & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ k & 1 \end{bmatrix} \vec{x}.$$

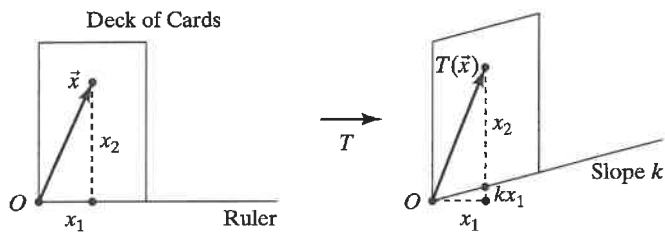


Figure 14

We find that the matrix of a vertical shear is of the form $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ k & 1 \end{bmatrix}$, where k is an arbitrary constant.

Horizontal shears are defined analogously; consider Figure 15.

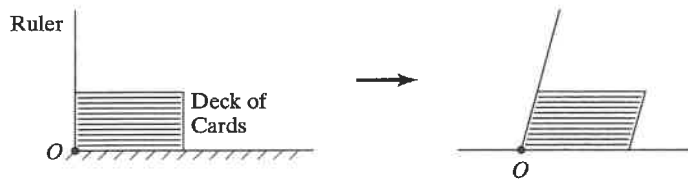


Figure 15

We leave it as an exercise for the reader to verify that the matrix of a horizontal shear is of the form $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & k \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$. Take another look at part (e) of Example 1.

Oblique shears are far less important in applications, and we will not mention them in this introductory text.

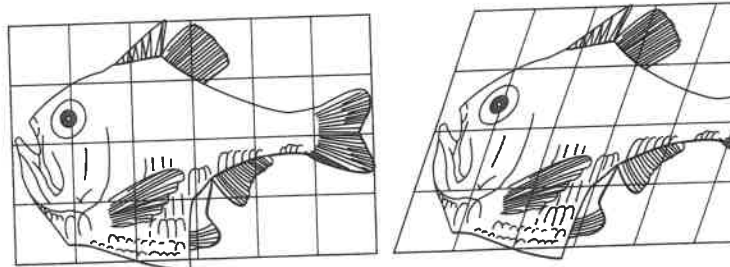
Theorem 2.2.5**Horizontal and vertical shears**

The matrix of a *horizontal shear* is of the form $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & k \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$, and the matrix of a *vertical shear* is of the form $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ k & 1 \end{bmatrix}$, where k is an arbitrary constant.

Let us summarize the main definitions of this section in a table.

Transformation	Matrix
Scaling by k	$kI_2 = \begin{bmatrix} k & 0 \\ 0 & k \end{bmatrix}$
Orthogonal projection onto line L	$\begin{bmatrix} u_1^2 & u_1u_2 \\ u_1u_2 & u_2^2 \end{bmatrix}$, where $\begin{bmatrix} u_1 \\ u_2 \end{bmatrix}$ is a vector parallel to L
Reflection about a line	$\begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ b & -a \end{bmatrix}$, where $a^2 + b^2 = 1$
Rotation through angle θ	$\begin{bmatrix} \cos \theta & -\sin \theta \\ \sin \theta & \cos \theta \end{bmatrix}$ or $\begin{bmatrix} a & -b \\ b & a \end{bmatrix}$, where $a^2 + b^2 = 1$
Rotation through angle θ combined with scaling by r	$\begin{bmatrix} a & -b \\ b & a \end{bmatrix} = r \begin{bmatrix} \cos \theta & -\sin \theta \\ \sin \theta & \cos \theta \end{bmatrix}$
Horizontal shear	$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & k \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$
Vertical shear	$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ k & 1 \end{bmatrix}$

The Scottish scholar d'Arcy Thompson showed how the shapes of plants and animals can often be transformed into one another by linear as well as nonlinear transformations.⁷ In Figure 16 he uses a horizontal shear to transform the shape of one species of fish into another.



Argyropelecus olfersi.

Sternoptyx diaphana.

Figure 16

⁷ Thompson, d'Arcy W., *On Growth and Form*, Cambridge University Press, 1917. P. 100. This is "the finest work of literature in all the annals of science that have been recorded in any tongue."

EXERCISES 2.2

GOAL Use the matrices of orthogonal projections, reflections, and rotations. Apply the definitions of shears, orthogonal projections, and reflections.

- Sketch the image of the standard L under the linear transformation

$$T(\vec{x}) = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \vec{x}.$$

See Example 1.

- Find the matrix of a rotation through an angle of 60° in the counterclockwise direction.
- Consider a linear transformation T from \mathbb{R}^2 to \mathbb{R}^3 . Use $T(\vec{e}_1)$ and $T(\vec{e}_2)$ to describe the image of the unit square geometrically.
- Interpret the following linear transformation geometrically:

$$T(\vec{x}) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \vec{x}.$$

- The matrix

$$\begin{bmatrix} -0.8 & -0.6 \\ 0.6 & -0.8 \end{bmatrix}$$

represents a rotation. Find the angle of rotation (in radians).

- Let L be the line in \mathbb{R}^3 that consists of all scalar multiples of the vector $\begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$. Find the orthogonal projection

of the vector $\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$ onto L .

- Let L be the line in \mathbb{R}^3 that consists of all scalar multiples of $\begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$. Find the reflection of the vector $\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$ about the line L .

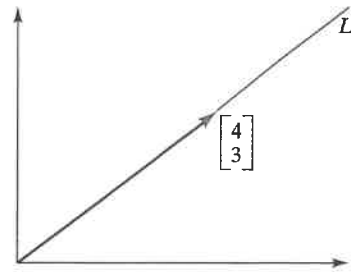
- Interpret the following linear transformation geometrically:

$$T(\vec{x}) = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -1 \\ -1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \vec{x}.$$

- Interpret the following linear transformation geometrically:

$$T(\vec{x}) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \vec{x}.$$

- Find the matrix of the orthogonal projection onto the line L in \mathbb{R}^2 shown in the accompanying figure:



- Refer to Exercise 10. Find the matrix of the reflection about the line L .

- Consider a reflection matrix A and a vector \vec{x} in \mathbb{R}^2 . We define $\vec{v} = \vec{x} + A\vec{x}$ and $\vec{w} = \vec{x} - A\vec{x}$.

- Using the definition of a reflection, express $A(A\vec{x})$ in terms of \vec{x} .
- Express $A\vec{v}$ in terms of \vec{v} .
- Express $A\vec{w}$ in terms of \vec{w} .
- If the vectors \vec{v} and \vec{w} are both nonzero, what is the angle between \vec{v} and \vec{w} ?
- If the vector \vec{v} is nonzero, what is the relationship between \vec{v} and the line L of reflection?

Illustrate all parts of this exercise with a sketch showing \vec{x} , $A\vec{x}$, $A(A\vec{x})$, \vec{v} , \vec{w} , and the line L .

- Suppose a line L in \mathbb{R}^2 contains the unit vector

$$\vec{u} = \begin{bmatrix} u_1 \\ u_2 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Find the matrix A of the linear transformation $T(\vec{x}) = \text{ref}_L(\vec{x})$. Give the entries of A in terms of u_1 and u_2 . Show that A is of the form $\begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ b & -a \end{bmatrix}$, where $a^2 + b^2 = 1$.

- Suppose a line L in \mathbb{R}^3 contains the unit vector

$$\vec{u} = \begin{bmatrix} u_1 \\ u_2 \\ u_3 \end{bmatrix}.$$

- Find the matrix A of the linear transformation $T(\vec{x}) = \text{proj}_L(\vec{x})$. Give the entries of A in terms of the components u_1, u_2, u_3 of \vec{u} .
- What is the sum of the diagonal entries of the matrix A you found in part (a)?

- Suppose a line L in \mathbb{R}^3 contains the unit vector

$$\vec{u} = \begin{bmatrix} u_1 \\ u_2 \\ u_3 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Find the matrix A of the linear transformation $T(\vec{x}) = \text{ref}_L(\vec{x})$. Give the entries of A in terms of the components u_1, u_2, u_3 of \vec{u} .

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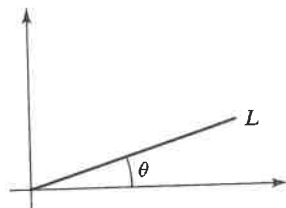
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16. Let $T(\vec{x}) = \text{ref}_L(\vec{x})$ be the reflection about the line L in \mathbb{R}^2 shown in the accompanying figure.
- Draw sketches to illustrate that T is linear.
 - Find the matrix of T in terms of θ .



17. Consider a matrix A of the form $A = \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ b & -a \end{bmatrix}$, where $a^2 + b^2 = 1$. Find two nonzero perpendicular vectors \vec{v} and \vec{w} such that $A\vec{v} = \vec{v}$ and $A\vec{w} = -\vec{w}$ (write the entries of \vec{v} and \vec{w} in terms of a and b). Conclude that $T(\vec{x}) = A\vec{x}$ represents the reflection about the line L spanned by \vec{v} .
18. The linear transformation $T(\vec{x}) = \begin{bmatrix} 0.6 & 0.8 \\ 0.8 & -0.6 \end{bmatrix} \vec{x}$ is a reflection about a line L . See Exercise 17. Find the equation of line L (in the form $y = mx$).

Find the matrices of the linear transformations from \mathbb{R}^3 to \mathbb{R}^3 given in Exercises 19 through 23. Some of these transformations have not been formally defined in the text. Use common sense. You may assume that all these transformations are linear.

- The orthogonal projection onto the x - y -plane.
- The reflection about the x - z -plane.
- The rotation about the z -axis through an angle of $\pi/2$, counterclockwise as viewed from the positive z -axis.
- The rotation about the y -axis through an angle θ , counterclockwise as viewed from the positive y -axis.
- The reflection about the plane $y = z$.
- Rotations and reflections have two remarkable properties: They preserve the length of vectors and the angle between vectors. (Draw figures illustrating these properties.) We will show that, conversely, any linear transformation T from \mathbb{R}^2 to \mathbb{R}^2 that preserves length and angles is either a rotation or a reflection (about a line).
 - Show that if $T(\vec{x}) = A\vec{x}$ preserves length and angles, then the two column vectors \vec{v} and \vec{w} of A must be perpendicular unit vectors.
 - Write the first column vector of A as $\vec{v} = \begin{bmatrix} a \\ b \end{bmatrix}$; note that $a^2 + b^2 = 1$, since \vec{v} is a unit vector. Show that for a given \vec{v} there are two possibilities for \vec{w} , the second column vector of A . Draw a sketch showing \vec{v} and the two possible vectors \vec{w} . Write the components of \vec{w} in terms of a and b .

- Show that if a linear transformation T from \mathbb{R}^2 to \mathbb{R}^2 preserves length and angles, then T is either a rotation or a reflection (about a line). See Exercise 18.
25. Find the inverse of the matrix $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & k \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$, where k is an arbitrary constant. Interpret your result geometrically.
26. a. Find the scaling matrix A that transforms $\begin{bmatrix} 8 \\ -4 \end{bmatrix}$ into $\begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$.
- b. Find the orthogonal projection matrix E that transforms $\begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}$ into $\begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$.
- c. Find the rotation matrix C that transforms $\begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix}$ into $\begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}$.
- d. Find the shear matrix D that transforms $\begin{bmatrix} 7 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}$ into $\begin{bmatrix} 7 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$.
- e. Find the reflection matrix E that transforms $\begin{bmatrix} -5 \\ 5 \end{bmatrix}$ into $\begin{bmatrix} 5 \\ 5 \end{bmatrix}$.
27. Consider the matrices A through E below.

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 0.6 & 0.8 \\ 0.8 & -0.6 \end{bmatrix}, \quad B = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$C = \begin{bmatrix} 0.36 & -0.48 \\ -0.48 & 0.64 \end{bmatrix}, \quad D = \begin{bmatrix} -0.8 & 0 \\ 0 & -0.6 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$E = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Fill in the blanks in the sentences below. We are told that there is a solution in each case.

Matrix _____ represents a scaling.

Matrix _____ represents an orthogonal projection.

Matrix _____ represents a shear.

Matrix _____ represents a reflection.

Matrix _____ represents a rotation.

28. Each of the linear transformations in part (e) corresponds to one (and only one) of the matrices A through J . Match them up.
- Scaling
 - Shear
 - Reflection
 - Orthogonal projection
 - Reflection
- $$A = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, \quad B = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \quad C = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$
- $$D = \begin{bmatrix} 7 & 0 \\ 0 & 7 \end{bmatrix}, \quad E = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ -3 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, \quad F = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$G = \begin{bmatrix} 0.6 & 0.6 \\ 0.8 & 0.8 \end{bmatrix}, \quad H = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -1 \\ 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}, \quad I = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix},$$

$$J = \begin{bmatrix} 0.8 & -0.6 \\ 0.6 & -0.8 \end{bmatrix}$$

29. Let T be a function from \mathbb{R}^m to \mathbb{R}^n , and let L be a function from \mathbb{R}^n to \mathbb{R}^m . Suppose that $L(T(\vec{x})) = \vec{x}$ for all \vec{x} in \mathbb{R}^m and $T(L(\vec{y})) = \vec{y}$ for all \vec{y} in \mathbb{R}^n . If T is a linear transformation, show that L is linear as well. *Hint:* $\vec{v} + \vec{w} = T(L(\vec{v})) + T(L(\vec{w})) = T(L(\vec{v}) + L(\vec{w}))$ since T is linear. Now apply L on both sides.

30. Find a nonzero 2×2 matrix A such that $A\vec{x}$ is parallel to the vector $\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$, for all \vec{x} in \mathbb{R}^2 .

31. Find a nonzero 3×3 matrix A such that $A\vec{x}$ is perpendicular to $\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}$, for all \vec{x} in \mathbb{R}^3 .

32. Consider the rotation matrix $D = \begin{bmatrix} \cos \alpha & -\sin \alpha \\ \sin \alpha & \cos \alpha \end{bmatrix}$

and the vector $\vec{v} = \begin{bmatrix} \cos \beta \\ \sin \beta \end{bmatrix}$, where α and β are arbitrary angles.

a. Draw a sketch to explain why $D\vec{v} = \begin{bmatrix} \cos(\alpha + \beta) \\ \sin(\alpha + \beta) \end{bmatrix}$.

b. Compute $D\vec{v}$. Use the result to derive the addition theorems for sine and cosine:

$$\cos(\alpha + \beta) = \dots, \quad \sin(\alpha + \beta) = \dots$$

33. Consider two nonparallel lines L_1 and L_2 in \mathbb{R}^2 . Explain why a vector \vec{v} in \mathbb{R}^2 can be expressed uniquely as

$$\vec{v} = \vec{v}_1 + \vec{v}_2,$$

where \vec{v}_1 is on L_1 and \vec{v}_2 on L_2 . Draw a sketch. The transformation $T(\vec{v}) = \vec{v}_1$ is called the *projection onto L_1 along L_2* . Show algebraically that T is linear.

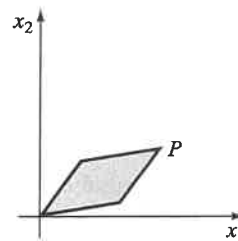
34. One of the five given matrices represents an orthogonal projection onto a line and another represents a reflection about a line. Identify both and briefly justify your choice.

$$A = \frac{1}{3} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 2 \\ 2 & 1 & 2 \\ 2 & 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, \quad B = \frac{1}{3} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix},$$

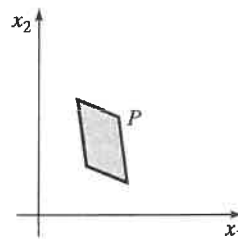
$$C = \frac{1}{3} \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}, \quad D = -\frac{1}{3} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 2 \\ 2 & 1 & 2 \\ 2 & 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix},$$

$$E = \frac{1}{3} \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 2 & 2 \\ 2 & -1 & 2 \\ 2 & 2 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

35. Let T be an invertible linear transformation from \mathbb{R}^2 to \mathbb{R}^2 . Let P be a parallelogram in \mathbb{R}^2 with one vertex at the origin. Is the image of P a parallelogram as well? Explain. Draw a sketch of the image.



36. Let T be an invertible linear transformation from \mathbb{R}^2 to \mathbb{R}^2 . Let P be a parallelogram in \mathbb{R}^2 . Is the image of P a parallelogram as well? Explain.



37. The *trace* of a matrix $\begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix}$ is the sum $a + d$ of its diagonal entries. What can you say about the trace of a 2×2 matrix that represents a(n)

- a. orthogonal projection
- b. reflection about a line
- c. rotation
- d. (horizontal or vertical) shear.

In three cases, give the exact value of the trace, and in one case, give an interval of possible values.

38. The *determinant* of a matrix $\begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix}$ is $ad - bc$ (we have seen this quantity in Exercise 2.1.13 already). Find the determinant of a matrix that represents a(n)

- a. orthogonal projection
- b. reflection about a line
- c. rotation
- d. (horizontal or vertical) shear.

What do your answers tell you about the invertibility of these matrices?

39. Describe each of the linear transformations defined by the matrices in parts (a) through (c) geometrically, as a well-known transformation combined with a scaling. Give the scaling factor in each case.

a. $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ b. $\begin{bmatrix} 3 & 0 \\ -1 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$

c. $\begin{bmatrix} 3 & 4 \\ 4 & -3 \end{bmatrix}$

40. Let P and Q be two perpendicular lines in \mathbb{R}^2 . For a vector \vec{x} in \mathbb{R}^2 , what is $\text{proj}_P(\vec{x}) + \text{proj}_Q(\vec{x})$? Give

your answer in terms of \vec{x} . Draw a sketch to justify your answer.

41. Let P and Q be two perpendicular lines in \mathbb{R}^2 . For a vector \vec{x} in \mathbb{R}^2 , what is the relationship between $\text{ref}_P(\vec{x})$ and $\text{ref}_Q(\vec{x})$? Draw a sketch to justify your answer.
42. Let $T(\vec{x}) = \text{proj}_L(\vec{x})$ be the orthogonal projection onto a line in \mathbb{R}^2 . What is the relationship between $T(\vec{x})$ and $T(T(\vec{x}))$? Justify your answer carefully.
43. Use the formula derived in Exercise 2.1.13 to find the inverse of the rotation matrix

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} \cos \theta & -\sin \theta \\ \sin \theta & \cos \theta \end{bmatrix}.$$

Interpret the linear transformation defined by A^{-1} geometrically. Explain.

44. A nonzero matrix of the form $A = \begin{bmatrix} a & -b \\ b & a \end{bmatrix}$ represents a rotation combined with a scaling. Use the formula derived in Exercise 2.1.13 to find the inverse of A . Interpret the linear transformation defined by A^{-1} geometrically. Explain.
45. A matrix of the form $A = \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ b & -a \end{bmatrix}$, where $a^2 + b^2 = 1$, represents a reflection about a line. See Exercise 17. Use the formula derived in Exercise 2.1.13 to find the inverse of A . Explain.
46. A nonzero matrix of the form $A = \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ b & -a \end{bmatrix}$ represents a reflection about a line L combined with a scaling. (Why? What is the scaling factor?) Use the formula derived in Exercise 2.1.13 to find the inverse of A . Interpret the linear transformation defined by A^{-1} geometrically. Explain.
47. In this exercise we will prove the following remarkable theorem: If $T(\vec{x}) = A\vec{x}$ is any linear transformation from \mathbb{R}^2 to \mathbb{R}^2 , then there exist perpendicular unit vectors \vec{v}_1 and \vec{v}_2 in \mathbb{R}^2 such that the vectors $T(\vec{v}_1)$ and $T(\vec{v}_2)$ are perpendicular as well (see the accompanying figure), in the sense that $T(\vec{v}_1) \cdot T(\vec{v}_2) = 0$. This is not intuitively obvious: Think about the case of a shear, for example. For a generalization, see Theorem 8.3.3.

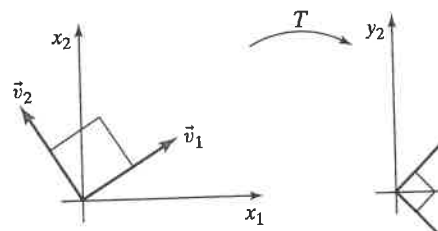
For any real number t , the vectors $\begin{bmatrix} \cos t \\ \sin t \end{bmatrix}$ and $\begin{bmatrix} -\sin t \\ \cos t \end{bmatrix}$ will be perpendicular unit vectors. Now we can consider the function

$$\begin{aligned} f(t) &= \left(T \begin{bmatrix} \cos t \\ \sin t \end{bmatrix} \right) \cdot \left(T \begin{bmatrix} -\sin t \\ \cos t \end{bmatrix} \right) \\ &= \left(A \begin{bmatrix} \cos t \\ \sin t \end{bmatrix} \right) \cdot \left(A \begin{bmatrix} -\sin t \\ \cos t \end{bmatrix} \right). \end{aligned}$$

It is our goal to show that there exists a number c such that $f(c) = 0$. (We will show that $f(c) = 0$ for $c = \frac{\pi}{2}$.)

the vectors $\vec{v}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} \cos c \\ \sin c \end{bmatrix}$ and $\vec{v}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} -\sin c \\ \cos c \end{bmatrix}$ have the required property that they are perpendicular unit vectors such that $T(\vec{v}_1) \cdot T(\vec{v}_2) = 0$.

- a. Show that the function $f(t)$ is continuous: assume that $\cos t$, $\sin t$, and constant functions are continuous. Also, sums and products of functions are continuous. *Hint:* Write A
- b. Show that $f\left(\frac{\pi}{2}\right) = -f(0)$.
- c. Show that there exists a number c , with $0 < c < \frac{\pi}{2}$, such that $f(c) = 0$. *Hint:* Use the intermediate value theorem: If a function $f(t)$ is continuous on $[a, b]$ and if L is any number between $f(a)$ and $f(b)$, then there exists a number c between a and b such that $f(c) = L$.



48. If a 2×2 matrix A represents a rotation, find perpendicular unit vectors \vec{v}_1 and \vec{v}_2 in \mathbb{R}^2 such that $T(\vec{v}_1)$ and $T(\vec{v}_2)$ are perpendicular as well. See Exercise 47.

For the linear transformations T in Exercises 49 through 52, do the following:

- a. Find the function $f(t)$ defined in Exercise 47 for $0 \leq t \leq \frac{\pi}{2}$. You may use a graphing calculator.
- b. Find a number c , with $0 < c < \frac{\pi}{2}$, such that $f(c) = 0$. (In Problem 50, approximate c to three significant digits, using technology.)
- c. Find perpendicular unit vectors \vec{v}_1 and \vec{v}_2 such that the vectors $T(\vec{v}_1)$ and $T(\vec{v}_2)$ are perpendicular as well. Draw a sketch showing $T(\vec{v}_1)$ and $T(\vec{v}_2)$.

49. $T(\vec{x}) = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 2 \\ 1 & -4 \end{bmatrix} \vec{x}$

50. $T(\vec{x}) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \vec{x}$

51. $T(\vec{x}) = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \vec{x}$

52. $T(\vec{x}) = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 4 \\ 5 & -3 \end{bmatrix} \vec{x}$

53. Sketch the image of the unit circle under the linear transformation

$$T(\vec{x}) = \begin{bmatrix} 5 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \vec{x}.$$

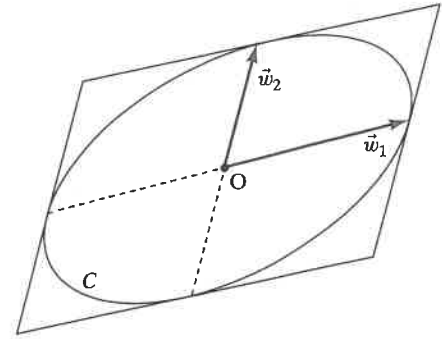
54. Let T be an invertible linear transformation from \mathbb{R}^2 to \mathbb{R}^2 . Show that the image of the unit circle is an ellipse centered at the origin.⁸ *Hint:* Consider two perpendicular unit vectors \vec{v}_1 and \vec{v}_2 such that $T(\vec{v}_1)$ and $T(\vec{v}_2)$ are perpendicular. See Exercise 47. The unit circle consists of all vectors of the form

$$\vec{v} = \cos(t)\vec{v}_1 + \sin(t)\vec{v}_2,$$

where t is a parameter.

55. Let \vec{w}_1 and \vec{w}_2 be two nonparallel vectors in \mathbb{R}^2 . Consider the curve C in \mathbb{R}^2 that consists of all vectors of the form $\cos(t)\vec{w}_1 + \sin(t)\vec{w}_2$, where t is a parameter.

Show that C is an ellipse. *Hint:* You can interpret C as the image of the unit circle under a suitable linear transformation; then use Exercise 54.



56. Consider an invertible linear transformation T from \mathbb{R}^2 to \mathbb{R}^2 . Let C be an ellipse in \mathbb{R}^2 . Show that the image of C under T is an ellipse as well. *Hint:* Use the result of Exercise 55.

2.3 Matrix Products

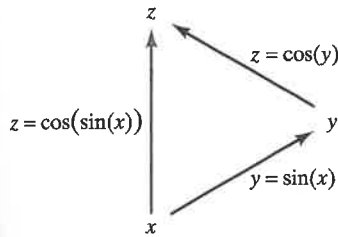


Figure 1

Recall the *composition* of two functions: The composite of the functions $y = \sin(x)$ and $z = \cos(y)$ is $z = \cos(\sin(x))$, as illustrated in Figure 1.

Similarly, we can compose two linear transformations.

To understand this concept, let's return to the coding example discussed in Section 2.1. Recall that the position $\vec{x} = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix}$ of your boat is encoded and that you radio the encoded position $\vec{y} = \begin{bmatrix} y_1 \\ y_2 \end{bmatrix}$ to Marseille. The coding transformation is

$$\vec{y} = A\vec{x}, \quad \text{with } A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 5 \end{bmatrix}.$$

In Section 2.1, we left out one detail: Your position is radioed on to Paris, as you would expect in a centrally governed country such as France. Before broadcasting to Paris, the position \vec{y} is again encoded, using the linear transformation

⁸An ellipse in \mathbb{R}^2 centered at the origin may be defined as a curve that can be parametrized as

$$\cos(t)\vec{w}_1 + \sin(t)\vec{w}_2,$$

for two perpendicular vectors \vec{w}_1 and \vec{w}_2 . Suppose the length of \vec{w}_1 exceeds the length of \vec{w}_2 . Then we call the vectors $\pm\vec{w}_1$ the semimajor axes of the ellipse and $\pm\vec{w}_2$ the semiminor axes.

Convention: All ellipses considered in this text are centered at the origin unless stated otherwise.

