

# Lecture 5: Examples of Linear Transformations from geometry.

Last time we defined a linear transformation as a map

$$T: \mathbb{R}^m \longrightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$$

such that

$$\textcircled{1} \quad T(x+y) = T(x) + T(y)$$

for all  $x, y \in \mathbb{R}^m$

$$\textcircled{2} \quad T(cx) = cT(x) \quad \text{for all scalars } c \in \mathbb{R} \text{ and vectors } x \in \mathbb{R}^m.$$

★ Multiplication by a matrix is a Linear transformation; all L.T. arise in this way.

## Geometric Interpretation of ① and ②

(I)  $T$  maps parallelograms (with a corner at the origin) to parallelograms (with a corner at the origin).

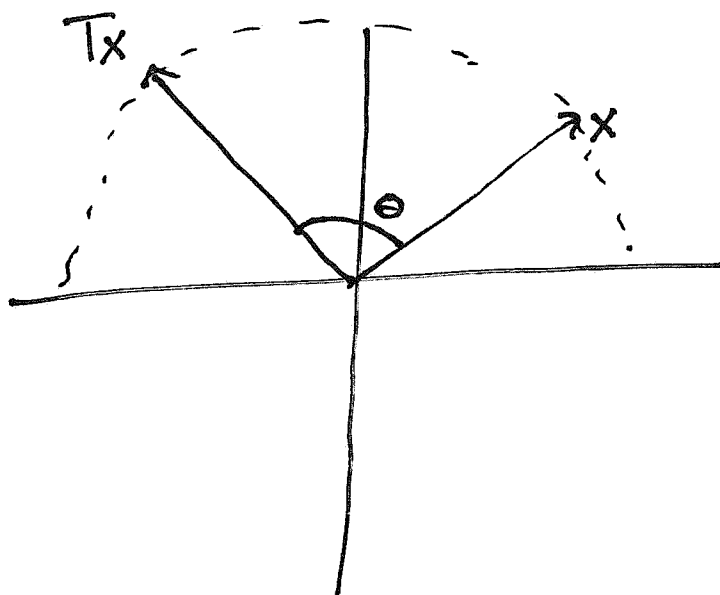
(II)  $T$  maps lines through the origin to lines through the origin.

Goal for today: Find / Describe some maps satisfying (I) and (II) and calculate the corresponding matrix.

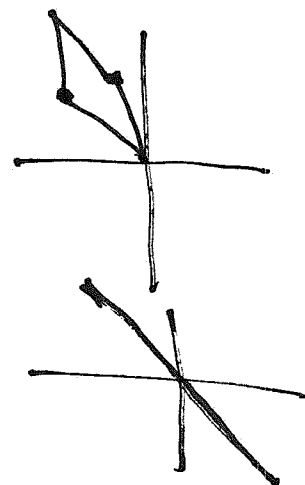
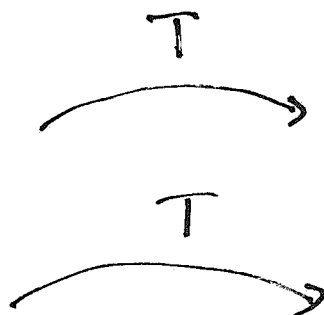
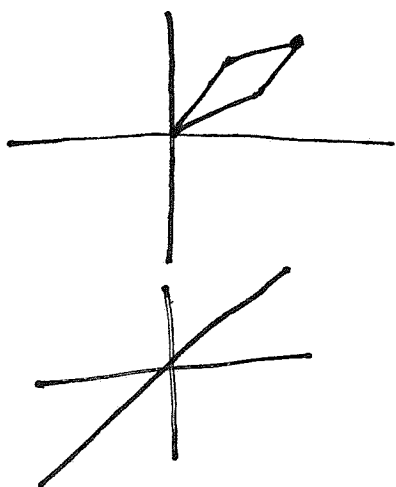
# Example 1: Rotation

let  $\theta$  be an angle (in radians)  
in the range  $0 \leq \theta \leq 2\pi$

Consider the map  $T: \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$  given  
by rotation (around 0) by angle  $\theta$ .



This map satisfies (I) and (II)



So  $T$  is a linear transformation.

What is the corresponding matrix?

- It's a square 2 by 2 matrix

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} a & c \\ b & d \end{bmatrix}$$

- Observe ~~that~~ that if

$$e_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{and} \quad e_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\text{then } Ae_1 = \begin{bmatrix} a \\ b \end{bmatrix}$$

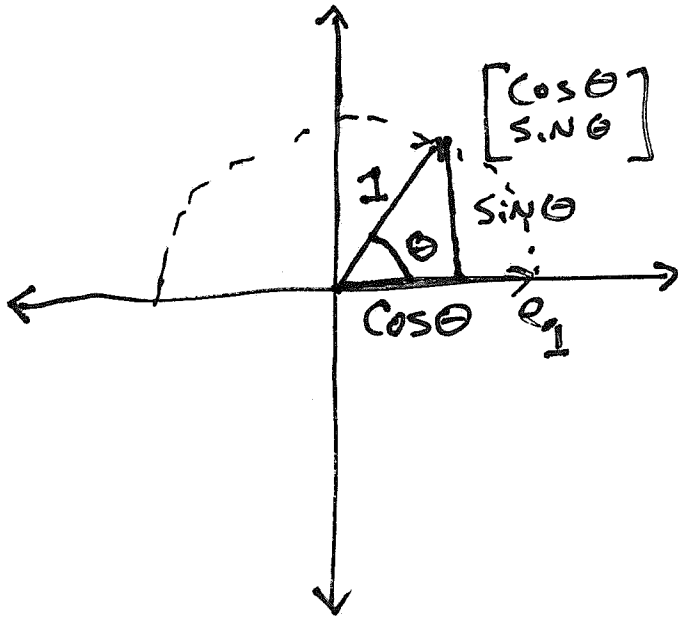
$$Ae_2 = \begin{bmatrix} c \\ d \end{bmatrix}$$

So  $T$  corresponds to

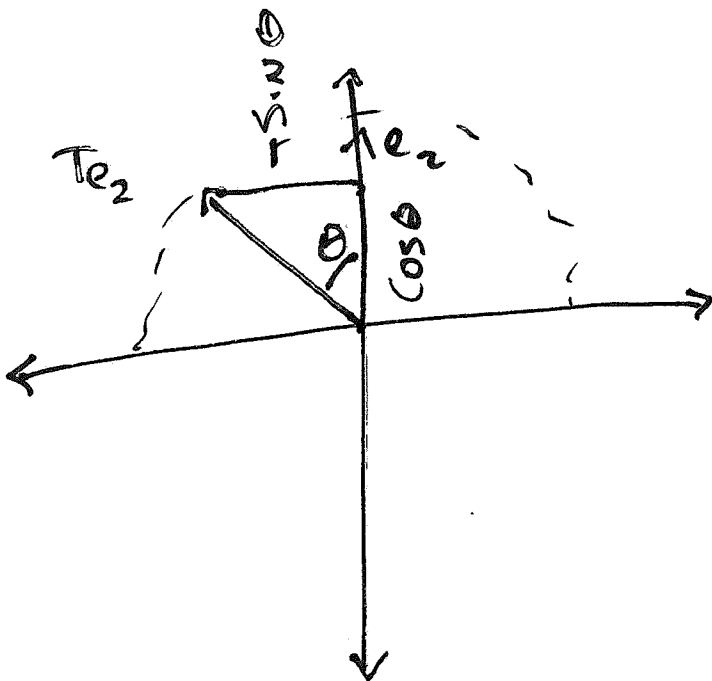
$$\begin{bmatrix} | & | \\ Te_1 & Te_2 \\ | & | \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} | & | \\ Ae_1 & Ae_2 \\ | & | \end{bmatrix}$$

To calculate the corresponding matrix  
we need to calculate

$T_{e_1}$  and  $T_{e_2}$ .



$$T_{e_1} = \begin{bmatrix} \cos \theta \\ \sin \theta \end{bmatrix}$$



$$T_{e_2} = \begin{bmatrix} -\sin \theta \\ \cos \theta \end{bmatrix}$$

Rotation by  $\theta$  is given by the matrix

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

or equivalently

$$\begin{bmatrix} a & -b \\ b & a \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{where} \quad \begin{bmatrix} a \\ b \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \cos \theta \\ \sin \theta \end{bmatrix}$$

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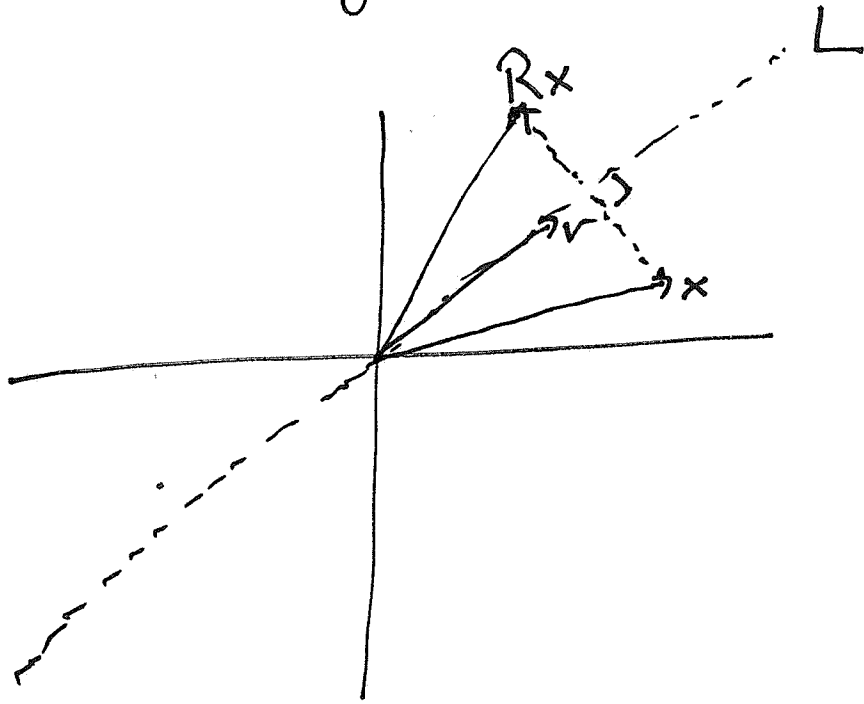
1. We checked  $T$  was linear

(We did this by showing  
parallel ~~segments~~ and lines went  
to the same)

2. To write down the matrix,  $T_e$ , and  $T_{e_2}$ .  
calculate

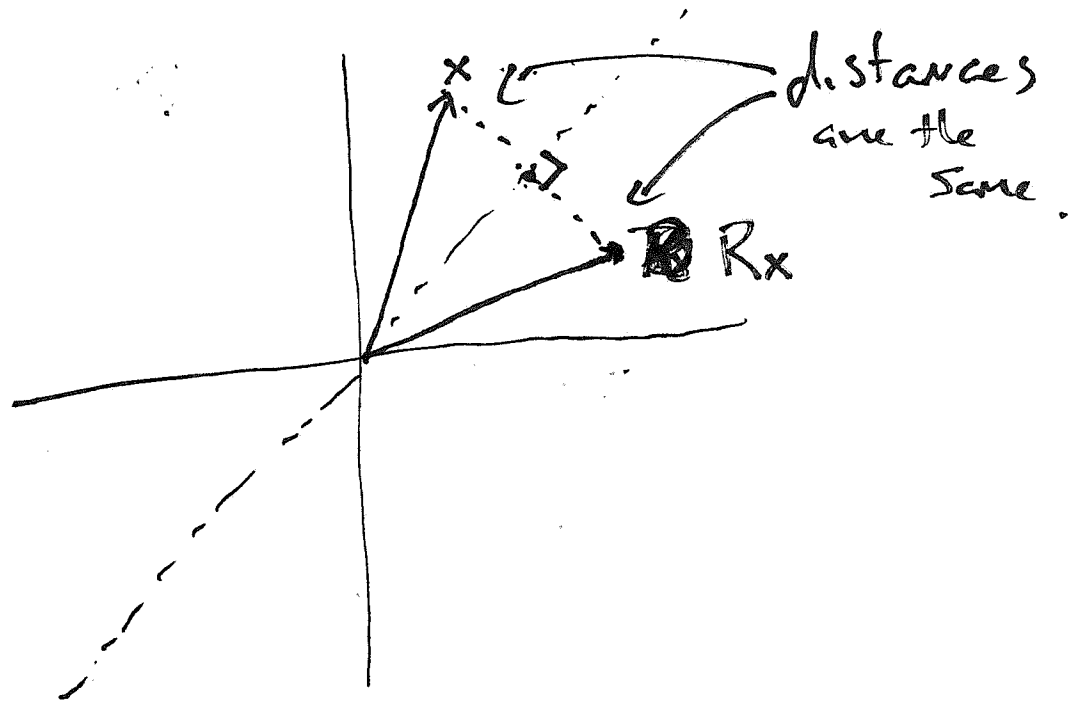
Example 2: Reflection in the plane through a line (going through the origin).

Let  $v \in \mathbb{R}^2$  be a vector. Consider the line containing  $v$ .

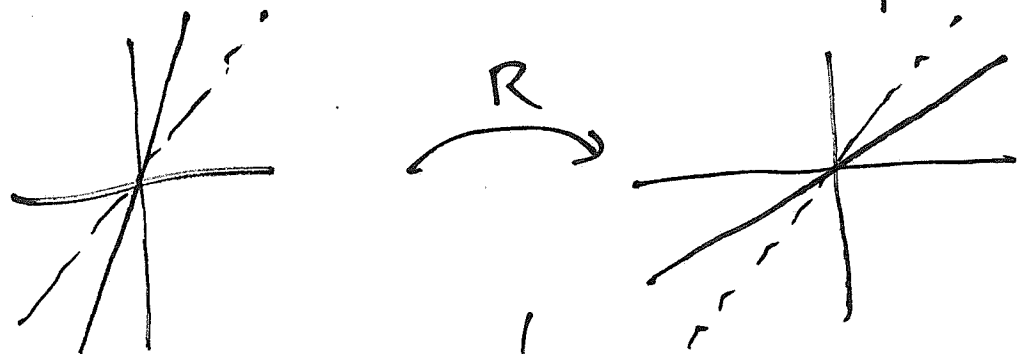
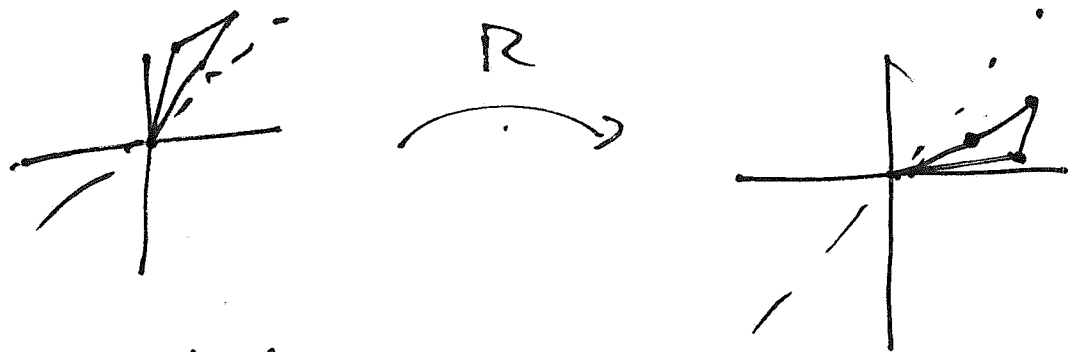


Reflection through  $L$  is a map from  $\mathbb{R}^2$  to  $\mathbb{R}^2$   
 $R: \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$ .

Let  $R: \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$  be the map given by reflection through this line.



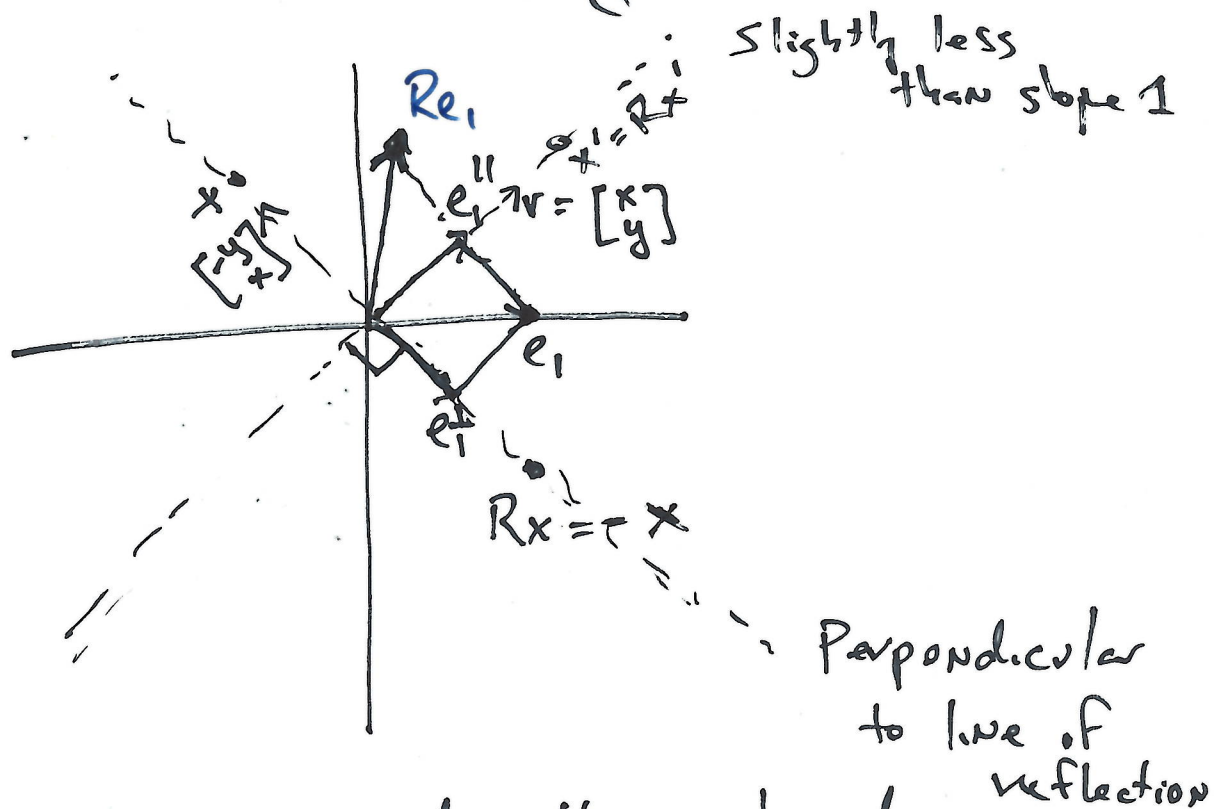
The map  $R$  satisfies (I) and (II)



So  $R$  is linear.



What is the corresponding matrix?



★ Calculating  $Re$ , directly is hard.

But for those vectors  $x$  contained in the line of reflection, we have  $Rx = x$  (parallel to  $v$ )  
vectors perpendicular to the line of reflection are also easy to calculate the reflection for.

$$Rx = -x.$$

To calculate  $Re$ , we will express  $e_1$  as the sum of a parallel vector and perpendicular vector.

Then Given a decomposition

$$e_1 = e_1^\perp + e_1^{\parallel}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Re}_1 &= R(e_1^\perp + e_1^{\parallel}) \\ &= R e_1^\perp + R e_1^{\parallel} \\ &= -e_1^\perp + e_1^{\parallel}. \end{aligned}$$

To calculate  $\text{Re}_1$ , we need to find  $e_1^{\parallel}$  and  $e_1^\perp$ .

Assume that  $v = \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix}$  for  $x, y \in \mathbb{R}$ .

Parallel vectors look like multiples of  $v$

$$e_1^{\parallel} = a \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix} \text{ for some } a \in \mathbb{R}.$$

~~Perpendicular~~ Perpendicular vectors are ~~the~~ obtained by rotation ~~from~~ by  $90^\circ$  from a parallel vector.

Perpendicular

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0 & -1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -y \\ x \end{bmatrix}.$$

rotation  
 $90^\circ$ .

All perpendicular vectors <sup>to v</sup> are of the form

$$e_1^\perp = b \begin{bmatrix} -y \\ x \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{for some } b \in \mathbb{R}.$$

We have to find  $a$  and  $b$  such that

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = a \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix} + b \begin{bmatrix} -y \\ x \end{bmatrix}$$

$$e_1 = e_1^{\parallel} + e_1^\perp$$

Example.  $\begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$ .

Find  $a, b$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 2a-b \\ a+2b \end{bmatrix} = a \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} + b \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

System of linear equations in unknowns  $a$  and  $b$ .

Solution :

$$\left[ \begin{array}{cc|c} 2 & -1 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 & 0 \end{array} \right] \Rightarrow \left[ \begin{array}{cc|c} 1 & 2 & 0 \\ 2 & -1 & 1 \end{array} \right]$$

$$\Rightarrow \left[ \begin{array}{cc|c} 1 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & -5 & 1 \end{array} \right]$$

$$\Rightarrow \left[ \begin{array}{cc|c} 1 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & -1/5 \end{array} \right]$$

$$\Rightarrow \left[ \begin{array}{cc|c} 1 & 0 & 2/5 \\ 0 & 1 & -1/5 \end{array} \right]$$

$$a = 2/5, \quad b = -1/5.$$

In general, row reducing the matrix

$$\begin{bmatrix} x & -y & \vdots & 1 \\ y & x & \vdots & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

we find

$$a = \frac{x}{x^2 + y^2}$$

$$\text{and } b = \frac{-y}{x^2 + y^2}$$

So:

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = \frac{x}{x^2 + y^2} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix} + \frac{-y}{x^2 + y^2} \begin{bmatrix} -y \\ x \end{bmatrix}$$

$e_1''$                        $e_1'$

$$R \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = \frac{x}{x^2 + y^2} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix} + \frac{y}{x^2 + y^2} \begin{bmatrix} -y \\ x \end{bmatrix}.$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} \frac{x^2 - y^2}{x^2 + y^2} \\ \frac{2xy}{x^2 + y^2} \end{bmatrix}.$$

~~Ans.~~

Calculation shows:

$$R \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{2xy}{x^2+y^2} \\ -\frac{x^2+y^2}{x^2+y^2} \end{bmatrix}$$

Answer :

Corresponding Matrix is

$$\begin{bmatrix} \frac{x^2-y^2}{x^2+y^2} & \frac{2xy}{x^2+y^2} \\ \frac{2xy}{x^2+y^2} & -\frac{x^2+y^2}{x^2+y^2} \end{bmatrix}.$$