

# Invariant Points and Lines

Worked Solutions

- 1 Find the equation of the line of invariant points under the transformation given by the matrix  $\mathbf{M} = \begin{pmatrix} -1 & -1 \\ 2 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$ . [3]

$$\begin{pmatrix} -1 & -1 \\ 2 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix}$$

$$-x - y = x \quad \Rightarrow \quad y = -2x$$

$$2x + 2y = y \quad \Rightarrow \quad y = -2x$$

So  $y = -2x$  is line of invariant points

2 Find the invariant line of the transformation of the  $x$ - $y$  plane represented by the matrix  $\begin{pmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ 4 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$ . [4]

$$\begin{pmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ 4 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ mx+c \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} X \\ mX+c \end{pmatrix}$$

(A)  $2x = X$

(B)  $4x - (mx+c) = mX+c$

sub (A) into (B):

$$4x - (mx+c) = m(2x) + c$$

compare coefficients:

[x]:  $4 - m = 2m \Rightarrow 3m = 4$   
 $\Rightarrow m = 4/3$

[c]  $-c = c \Rightarrow c = 0$

I use  $k$  to refer to constant terms.

so  $y = \frac{4}{3}x$  is an invariant line

3 The matrix  $\mathbf{M}$  is given by  $\mathbf{M} = \begin{pmatrix} -\frac{3}{5} & \frac{4}{5} \\ \frac{4}{5} & \frac{3}{5} \end{pmatrix}$ .

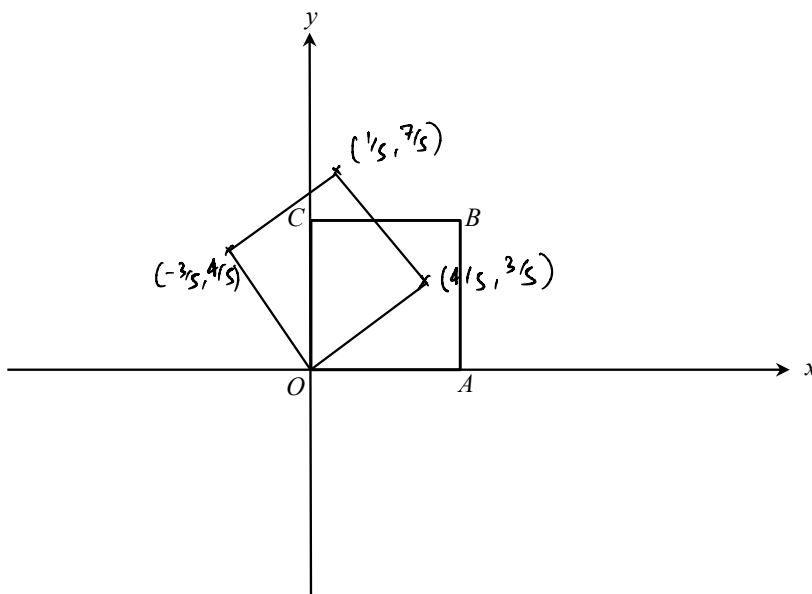
(i) The diagram in the Printed Answer Booklet shows the unit square  $OABC$ . The image of the unit square under the transformation represented by  $\mathbf{M}$  is  $OA'B'C'$ . Draw and clearly label  $OA'B'C'$ . [3]

(ii) Find the equation of the line of invariant points of this transformation. [3]

(iii) (a) Find the determinant of  $\mathbf{M}$ . [1]

(b) Describe briefly how this value relates to the transformation represented by  $\mathbf{M}$ . [2]

3(i)



$$\begin{pmatrix} -3/5 & 4/5 \\ 4/5 & 3/5 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -3/5 & 1/5 & 4/5 \\ 0 & 4/5 & 7/5 & 3/5 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\text{ii) } \begin{pmatrix} -3/5 & 4/5 \\ 4/5 & 3/5 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix}$$

$$-3/5 x + 4/5 y = x \Rightarrow 4/5 y = 8/5 x \Rightarrow y = 2x$$

$$4/5 x + 3/5 y = y \Rightarrow 2/5 y = 4/5 x \Rightarrow y = 2x$$

So  $y = 2x$

$$\text{iii) a) } \det M = -\frac{3}{5} \times \frac{3}{5} - \frac{4}{5} \times \frac{4}{5}$$
$$= -1$$

b) So the area remains the same  
but the orientation of the image has changed.

4 (i) The matrix  $\mathbf{S} = \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 2 \\ -3 & 4 \end{pmatrix}$  represents a transformation.

(A) Show that the point  $(1, 1)$  is invariant under this transformation. [1]

(B) Calculate  $\mathbf{S}^{-1}$ . [2]

(C) Verify that  $(1, 1)$  is also invariant under the transformation represented by  $\mathbf{S}^{-1}$ . [1]

(ii) Part (i) may be generalised as follows.

If  $(x, y)$  is an invariant point under a transformation represented by the non-singular matrix  $\mathbf{T}$ , it is also invariant under the transformation represented by  $\mathbf{T}^{-1}$ .

Starting with  $\mathbf{T} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix}$ , or otherwise, prove this result. [2]

$$i) A) \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 2 \\ -3 & 4 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -1 + 2 \\ -3 + 4 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$B) \mathbf{S}^{-1} = \frac{1}{\det(\mathbf{S})} \begin{pmatrix} 4 & -2 \\ 3 & -1 \end{pmatrix} = \frac{1}{2} \begin{pmatrix} 4 & -2 \\ 3 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$C) \frac{1}{2} \begin{pmatrix} 4 & -2 \\ 3 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = \frac{1}{2} \begin{pmatrix} 4 - 2 \\ 3 - 1 \end{pmatrix} = \frac{1}{2} \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

ii) Suppose  $(x, y)$  is an invariant point under  $\mathbf{T}$  where  $\mathbf{T}$  is non-singular

$$\text{then } \mathbf{T} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow \mathbf{T}^{-1} \mathbf{T} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} = \mathbf{T}^{-1} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix}$$

since  $\mathbf{T}$  is non-singular  
 $\mathbf{T}^{-1}$  exists

$$\mathbf{I} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} = \mathbf{T}^{-1} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow \mathbf{T}^{-1} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{since } \mathbf{I} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix}$$

5.

$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{2} & -\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \\ \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} & -\frac{1}{2} \end{pmatrix}$$

(a) Describe fully the single geometrical transformation  $U$  represented by the matrix  $\mathbf{A}$ . (3)

The transformation  $V$ , represented by the  $2 \times 2$  matrix  $\mathbf{B}$ , is a reflection in the line  $y = -x$

(b) Write down the matrix  $\mathbf{B}$ . (1)

Given that  $U$  followed by  $V$  is the transformation  $T$ , which is represented by the matrix  $\mathbf{C}$ ,

(c) find the matrix  $\mathbf{C}$ . (2)

(d) Show that there is a real number  $k$  for which the point  $(1, k)$  is invariant under  $T$ . (4)

a)  $\begin{pmatrix} \cos \theta & -\sin \theta \\ \sin \theta & \cos \theta \end{pmatrix}$   $\cos \theta = -\frac{1}{2}$   
 $\Rightarrow \theta = 120^\circ$  or  $240^\circ$   
 since  $\cos(360 - \theta) = \cos \theta$

$\sin \theta = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \Rightarrow \theta = 60^\circ$  or  $120^\circ$   
 since  $\sin(180 - \theta) = \sin \theta$

So  $\mathbf{A}$  represents a rotation  $120^\circ$  anticlockwise about the origin.

b) From formula booklet:  
 reflection in line  $y = \pm x$  :  $\begin{pmatrix} 0 & \pm 1 \\ \pm 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$

so  $\mathbf{B} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -1 \\ -1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$

c) order matters.

since its  $U$  followed by  $V$ , we do  $B \times A$

$$C = B A = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -1 \\ -1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} -1/2 & \sqrt{3}/2 \\ \sqrt{3}/2 & -1/2 \end{pmatrix}$$
$$= \begin{pmatrix} -\sqrt{3}/2 & 1/2 \\ 1/2 & \sqrt{3}/2 \end{pmatrix}$$

d)

$$\begin{pmatrix} -\sqrt{3}/2 & 1/2 \\ 1/2 & \sqrt{3}/2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ k \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ k \end{pmatrix}$$

$$-\sqrt{3}/2 + 1/2 k = 1 \quad \Rightarrow k = 2 + \sqrt{3}$$

$$1/2 + \sqrt{3}/2 k = k \quad \Rightarrow (2 - \sqrt{3})k = 1$$

$$k = \frac{1}{2 - \sqrt{3}} \times \frac{2 + \sqrt{3}}{2 + \sqrt{3}}$$
$$= \frac{2 + \sqrt{3}}{4 - 3} = 2 + \sqrt{3}$$

So  $k = 2 + \sqrt{3}$

6

$$\mathbf{M} = \begin{pmatrix} 4 & -5 \\ 2 & -7 \end{pmatrix}$$

(a) Show that the matrix  $\mathbf{M}$  is non-singular.

(2)

The transformation  $T$  of the plane is represented by the matrix  $\mathbf{M}$ .

The triangle  $R$  is transformed to the triangle  $S$  by the transformation  $T$ .

Given that the area of  $S$  is 63 square units,

(b) find the area of  $R$ .

(2)

(c) Show that the line  $y = 2x$  is invariant under the transformation  $T$ .

(2)

$$\begin{aligned} \text{a) } \det M &= 4(-7) - (-5)(2) \\ &= -28 + 10 = -18 \end{aligned}$$

$-18 \neq 0$  so matrix  $M$  is non-singular

$$\text{b) } \text{Area of } R \times |\det M| = \text{Area of } S$$

$$\text{Area of } R \times 18 = 63$$

$$\text{Area of } R = \frac{63}{18} = \boxed{\frac{7}{2}} \text{ or } \boxed{3.5} \text{ (square units)}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{c) } \begin{pmatrix} 4 & -5 \\ 2 & -7 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ 2x \end{pmatrix} &= \begin{pmatrix} 4x - 10x \\ 2x - 14x \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} -6x \\ -12x \end{pmatrix} = -6 \begin{pmatrix} x \\ 2x \end{pmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

so  $y = 2x$  is invariant.

7 You are given that the matrix  $\begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$  represents a transformation T.

(a) You are given that the line with equation  $y = kx$  is invariant under T.

Determine the value of  $k$ .

[4]

(b) Determine whether the line with equation  $y = kx$  in part (a) is a line of invariant points under T.

[1]

$$a) \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ kx \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} X \\ kX \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\textcircled{A} \quad 2x + kx = X$$

$$\textcircled{B} \quad -x = kX$$

Sub  $\textcircled{A}$  into  $\textcircled{B}$

$$-x = k(2x + kx)$$

$$-x = 2kx + k^2x$$

Take coefficients of  $x$ :

$$-1 = 2k + k^2$$

$$k^2 + 2k + 1 = 0$$

$$(k+1)^2 = 0$$

$$k = -1$$

$$b) \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ -x \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 2x - x \\ -x \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} x \\ -x \end{pmatrix}$$

So yes, it is a line of invariant point since each point maps to itself.

8. 
$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 4 & -2 \\ 5 & 3 \end{pmatrix}$$

The matrix  $A$  represents the linear transformation  $M$ .

Prove that, for the linear transformation  $M$ , there are no invariant lines.

(5)

Suppose there are invariant lines of the form  $y = mx + c$ ,

then 
$$\begin{pmatrix} 4 & -2 \\ 5 & 3 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ mx+c \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} x \\ mx+c \end{pmatrix} \quad (*)$$

(A)  $4x - 2(mx+c) = x$

(B)  $5x + 3(mx+c) = mx+c$

sub (A) into (B):

$$5x + 3(mx+c) = m(4x - 2(mx+c)) + c$$

Take coefficients of  $x$ :

$$5 + 3m = 4m - 2m^2$$

$$\Rightarrow 2m^2 - m + 5 = 0$$

$$b^2 - 4ac = (-1)^2 - 4(2)(5) \\ = -39 < 0$$

So there are no real values of  $m$  that satisfy (\*)

Contradiction, thus there are no invariant lines.

9 P, Q and T are three transformations in 2-D.

P is a reflection in the  $x$ -axis. **A** is the matrix that represents P.

(a) Write down the matrix **A**. [1]

Q is a shear in which the  $y$ -axis is invariant and the point  $\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$  is transformed to the point  $\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}$ . **B** is the matrix that represents Q.

(b) Find the matrix **B**. [2]

T is P followed by Q. **C** is the matrix that represents T.

(c) Determine the matrix **C**. [2]

$L$  is the line whose equation is  $y = x$ .

(d) Explain whether or not  $L$  is a line of invariant points under  $T$ . [2]

An object parallelogram,  $M$ , is transformed under  $T$  to an image parallelogram,  $N$ .

(e) Explain what the value of the determinant of **C** means about

- the area of  $N$  compared to the area of  $M$ ,
- the orientation of  $N$  compared to the orientation of  $M$ .

[3]

$$a) \quad A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$b) \quad \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ k & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow k = 2 \quad \text{so} \quad B = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 2 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$c) \quad C = BA$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 2 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 2 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$d) \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 2 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ x \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} x \\ 2x - x \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} x \\ x \end{pmatrix}$$

So yes, it's a line of invariant points.

$$e) \det(C) = 1(-1) - 0(2) \\ = -1$$

• So area of  $N$  = area of  $M$

• orientation of  $N$  is the reverse of the orientation of  $M$ .

10. (i)

$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & a \\ a-4 & b \end{pmatrix}$$

where  $a$  and  $b$  are non-zero constants.

Given that the matrix  $\mathbf{A}$  is self-inverse,

(a) determine the value of  $b$  and the possible values for  $a$ .

(5)

The matrix  $\mathbf{A}$  represents a linear transformation  $M$ .

Using the smaller value of  $a$  from part (a),

(b) show that the invariant points of the linear transformation  $M$  form a line, stating the equation of this line.

(3)

(a)  $A$  is self inverse  
 $\Rightarrow A = A^{-1}$   
 $\times A \left( \begin{matrix} \phantom{A} \\ \phantom{A} \end{matrix} \right) \times A$   
 $A^2 = A^{-1}A = I$

$$\text{So } \begin{pmatrix} 2 & a \\ a-4 & b \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 2 & a \\ a-4 & b \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 4 + a(a-4) & 2a + ab \\ (a-4)2 + b(a-4) & (a-4)a + b^2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} a^2 - 4a + 4 & 2a + ab \\ 2a - 8 + ab - 4b & a^2 - 4a + b^2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\begin{aligned} a^2 - 4a + 4 &= 1 \\ a^2 - 4a + 3 &= 0 \\ (a-3)(a-1) &= 0 \\ a &= 3 \text{ or } a=1 \end{aligned}$$

Sub into

$$\begin{aligned} 2a + ab &= 0 \\ 2(3) + 3b &= 0 \\ 6 + 3b &= 0 \\ \Rightarrow b &= -2 \end{aligned}$$

or

$$\begin{aligned} 2(1) + b &= 0 \\ 2 + b &= 0 \\ b &= -2 \end{aligned}$$

So  $a = 3 \text{ or } 1 \text{ and } b = -2$

$$b) \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ -3 & -2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix}$$

$$2x + y = x \quad \Rightarrow y = -x$$

$$-3x - 2y = y \quad \begin{aligned} 3y &= -3x \\ \Rightarrow y &= -x \end{aligned}$$

so  $y = -x$  is a line of invariant points

11 You are given that matrix  $\mathbf{M} = \begin{pmatrix} -3 & 8 \\ -2 & 5 \end{pmatrix}$ .

(i) Prove that, for all positive integers  $n$ ,  $\mathbf{M}^n = \begin{pmatrix} 1-4n & 8n \\ -2n & 1+4n \end{pmatrix}$ . [6]

(ii) Determine the equation of the line of invariant points of the transformation represented by the matrix  $\mathbf{M}$ . [3]

It is claimed that the answer to part (ii) is also a line of invariant points of the transformation represented by the matrix  $\mathbf{M}^n$ , for any positive integer  $n$ .

(iii) Explain *geometrically* why this claim is true. [2]

(iv) Verify *algebraically* that this claim is true. [3]

i) Proof by induction

Base case:

$$\text{if } n=1, \mathbf{M}^n = \begin{pmatrix} 1-4(1) & 8(1) \\ -2(1) & 1+4(1) \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -3 & 8 \\ -2 & 5 \end{pmatrix}$$

So the result is true for  $n=1$

Inductive Hypothesis

Assume the result is true for  $n=k$ ,

i.e. 
$$\mathbf{M}^k = \begin{pmatrix} 1-4k & 8k \\ -2k & 1+4k \end{pmatrix}$$

Inductive Step

$$\mathbf{M}^{k+1} = \mathbf{M}^k \times \mathbf{M}$$

← or  $\mathbf{M} \times \mathbf{M}^k$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} 1-4k & 8k \\ -2k & 1+4k \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} -3 & 8 \\ -2 & 5 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} -3+12k-16k & 8-32k+40k \\ 6k-2-8k & -16k+5+20k \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} -3-4k & 8+8k \\ -2k-2 & 4k+5 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} 1-4-4k & 8+8k \\ -2k-2 & 1+4+4k \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} 1-4(k+1) & 8(k+1) \\ -2(k+1) & 1+4(k+1) \end{pmatrix}$$

So result is also true for  $n=k+1$ .

Since, the result is true for  $n=1$  and if it's true for  $n=k$  then it's also true for  $n=k+1$ , we have shown by induction it's true for all positive integers  $n$ .

$$(i) \begin{pmatrix} -3 & 8 \\ -2 & 5 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix}$$

$$-3x + 8y = x \quad \Rightarrow y = \frac{1}{2}x$$

$$-2x + 5y = y \quad \Rightarrow y = \frac{1}{2}x$$

So  $y = \frac{1}{2}x$  is the line of invariant points

(iii)  $M^n$  is just the transformation repeated  $n$  times.

and each repeat leaves points on  $y = \frac{1}{2}x$  invariant.

So  $y = \frac{1}{2}x$  must also be a line of invariant points

for  $M^n$ .

iv) Recall that the long way to do this (when you have the line) is to apply the same method as usual, i.e.

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1-4n & 8n \\ -2n & 1+4n \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix}$$

and find that  $y = \frac{1}{2}x$

Instead,

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1-4n & 8n \\ -2n & 1+4n \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ \frac{1}{2}x \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} (1-4n)x + (8n)(\frac{1}{2}x) \\ -2nx + \frac{1}{2}x(1+4n) \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} x - 4nx + 4nx \\ -2nx + \frac{1}{2}x + 2nx \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} x \\ \frac{1}{2}x \end{pmatrix}$$

So it's the same invariant line for all values of  $n$ .

12 A linear transformation  $T$  of the  $x$ - $y$  plane has an associated matrix  $\mathbf{M}$ , where  $\mathbf{M} = \begin{pmatrix} \lambda & k \\ 1 & \lambda - k \end{pmatrix}$ , and  $\lambda$  and  $k$  are real constants.

(a) You are given that  $\det \mathbf{M} > 0$  for all values of  $\lambda$ .

(i) Find the range of possible values of  $k$ . [3]

(ii) What is the significance of the condition  $\det \mathbf{M} > 0$  for the transformation  $T$ ? [1]

For the remainder of this question, take  $k = -2$ .

(b) Determine whether there are any lines through the origin that are invariant lines for the transformation  $T$ . [4]

(c) The transformation  $T$  is applied to a triangle with area 3 units<sup>2</sup>. The area of the resulting image triangle is 15 units<sup>2</sup>. Find the possible values of  $\lambda$ . [3]

$$a) i) \det M = \lambda(\lambda - k) - k = \lambda^2 - \lambda k - k > 0 \quad \text{for all } \lambda \in \mathbb{R}$$

$$\Rightarrow b^2 - 4ac < 0 \quad \text{i.e.} \quad k^2 - 4(-k)(1) > 0$$

$$k^2 + 4k < 0$$

$$k(k + 4) < 0$$

$$-4 < k < 0$$

ii) the Transformation  $T$  preserves orientation of shapes.

$$b) \begin{pmatrix} \lambda & -2 \\ 1 & \lambda + 2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ mx \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} X \\ mX \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\textcircled{A} \quad \lambda x - 2(mx) = X$$

$$\textcircled{B} \quad x + (\lambda + 2)mx = mX$$

$$\text{sub } \textcircled{A} \text{ into } \textcircled{B}: \quad x + (\lambda + 2)mx = m(\lambda x - 2mx)$$

$$[E.C]: \quad 1 + (\lambda + 2)m = \lambda m - 2m^2$$

$$\Rightarrow \quad 1 + \lambda m + 2m = \lambda m - 2m^2 \quad \Rightarrow \quad 2m^2 + 2m + 1 = 0$$

$$b^2 - 4ac = 2^2 - 2 \times 4 \\ = -4 < 0$$

So no real roots for  $m$

$\therefore$  no invariant lines exist.

$$c) \quad 3 \times |\det M| = 15$$

$$3 \times |\lambda^2 + 2\lambda + 2| = 15$$

$$3 \times (\lambda^2 + 2\lambda + 2) = 15$$

$$\lambda^2 + 2\lambda + 2 = 5$$

$$\lambda^2 + 2\lambda - 3 = 0$$

$$(\lambda + 3)(\lambda - 1) = 0$$

$$\lambda = -3 \text{ or } \lambda = 1$$

Since  $\det M > 0$   
for all values of  $\lambda$   
if  $-4 < k < 0$

13.

$$\mathbf{M} = \begin{pmatrix} -2 & 5 \\ 6 & k \end{pmatrix}$$

where  $k$  is a constant.

Given that

$$\mathbf{M}^2 + 11\mathbf{M} = a\mathbf{I}$$

where  $a$  is a constant and  $\mathbf{I}$  is the  $2 \times 2$  identity matrix,

(a) (i) determine the value of  $a$

(ii) show that  $k = -9$

(3)

(b) Determine the equations of the invariant lines of the transformation represented by  $\mathbf{M}$ .

(6)

(c) State which, if any, of the lines identified in (b) consist of fixed points, giving a reason for your answer.

(1)

$$a) i) \begin{pmatrix} -2 & 5 \\ 6 & k \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} -2 & 5 \\ 6 & k \end{pmatrix} + 11 \begin{pmatrix} -2 & 5 \\ 6 & k \end{pmatrix} = a \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 34 & -10+5k \\ -12+6k & 30+k^2 \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} -22 & 55 \\ 66 & 11k \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} a & 0 \\ 0 & a \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 12 & 45+5k \\ 54+6k & 30+k^2+11k \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} a & 0 \\ 0 & a \end{pmatrix}$$

$$12 = a$$

$$ii) 54 + 6k = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 6k = -54$$

$$k = -9$$

$$b) \begin{pmatrix} -2 & 5 \\ 6 & -9 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ mx+c \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} X \\ mx+c \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\textcircled{A} \quad -2x + 5(mx+c) = X$$

$$\textcircled{B} \quad 6x - 9(mx+c) = mx+c$$

sub  $\textcircled{A}$  into  $\textcircled{B}$ :

$$6x - 9(mx+c) = m(-2x + 5(mx+c)) + c$$

$$[x]: \quad 6 - 9m = -2m + 5m^2 \quad [c]: \quad -9c = 5mc + c$$

$$5m^2 + 7m - 6 = 0$$

$$(5m - 3)(m + 2) = 0$$

$$m = 3/5 \quad \text{or} \quad m = -2$$



$$\text{if } m = -2, \quad -2c = -2c \\ \Rightarrow c \text{ is any real number}$$

$$\text{if } m = 3/5 \quad -2c = 3/5c \\ \Rightarrow c = 0$$

so  $y = 3/5x$  &  $y = -2x + c$ , where  $c \in \mathbb{R}$  are the invariant lines.

$$c) \begin{pmatrix} -2 & 5 \\ 6 & -9 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} \Rightarrow \begin{aligned} -2x + 5y &= x \Rightarrow y = 3/5x \\ 6x - 9y &= y \Rightarrow y = 3/5x \end{aligned}$$

So  $y = 3/5x$  is also a line of invariant points

So it must contain fixed points.

- 14 A transformation  $T$  of the plane is represented by the matrix  $\mathbf{M} = \begin{pmatrix} k+1 & -1 \\ 1 & k \end{pmatrix}$ , where  $k$  is a constant.

Show that, for all values of  $k$ ,  $T$  has no invariant lines through the origin.

[6]

Suppose there are invariant lines through the origin, i.e.

$$\begin{pmatrix} k+1 & -1 \\ 1 & k \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ mx \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} X \\ mX \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{for some } m \in \mathbb{R}$$

$$\textcircled{A} \quad (k+1)x - mx = X$$

$$\textcircled{B} \quad x + kmx = mX$$

Sub  $\textcircled{A}$  into  $\textcircled{B}$ :

$$x + kmx = m((k+1)x - mx)$$

$$[x]: \quad 1 + km = m(k+1) - m^2$$

$$1 + \cancel{km} = \cancel{km} + m - m^2$$

$$m^2 - m + 1 = 0$$

$$b^2 - 4ac = (-1)^2 - 4(1) = -3 < 0$$

So no real roots of  $m$ .

Contradiction.

Thus there are no invariant lines.

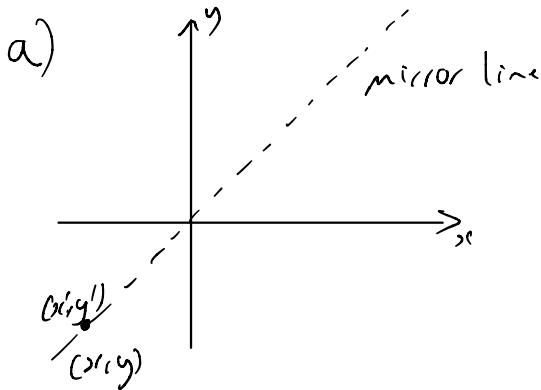
15 The matrix  $\mathbf{A}$  is given by  $\mathbf{A} = \frac{1}{13} \begin{pmatrix} 5 & 12 \\ 12 & -5 \end{pmatrix}$ .

You are given that  $\mathbf{A}$  represents the transformation  $T$  which is a reflection in a certain straight line. You are also given that this straight line, the mirror line, passes through the origin,  $O$ .

- (a) Explain why there must be a line of invariant points for  $T$ . State the geometric significance of this line. [2]
- (b) By considering the line of invariant points for  $T$ , determine the equation of the mirror line. Give your answer in the form  $y = mx + c$ . [4]

The coordinates of the point  $P$  are  $(1, 5)$ .

- (c) By considering the image of  $P$  under the transformation  $T$ , or otherwise, determine the coordinates of the point on the mirror line which is closest to  $P$ . [3]
- (d) The line with equation  $y = ax + 2$  is an invariant line for  $T$ . Determine the value of  $a$ . [2]



There must be a line of invariant points because every point on the mirror line, following a reflection remains invariant.

The significance of the mirror line is that it must itself be a line of invariant points.

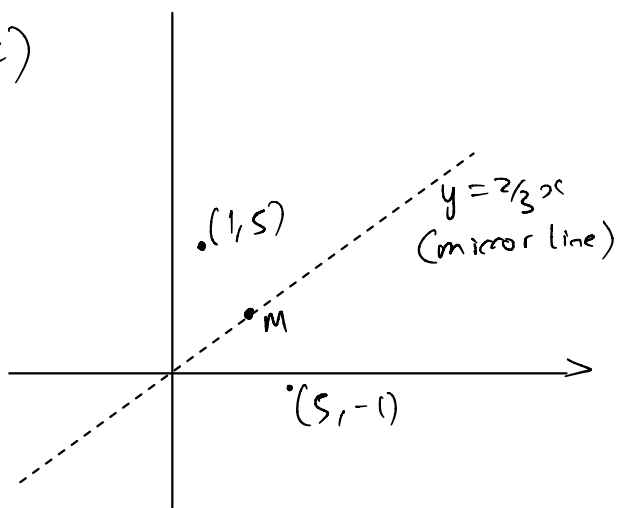
$$b) \quad \frac{1}{13} \begin{pmatrix} 5 & 12 \\ 12 & -5 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\frac{1}{13} (5x + 12y) = x \quad \Rightarrow \quad 5x + 12y = 13x \quad \Rightarrow \quad y = \frac{2}{3}x$$

$$\frac{1}{13} (12x - 5y) = y \quad \Rightarrow \quad 12x - 5y = 13y \quad \Rightarrow \quad y = \frac{2}{3}x$$

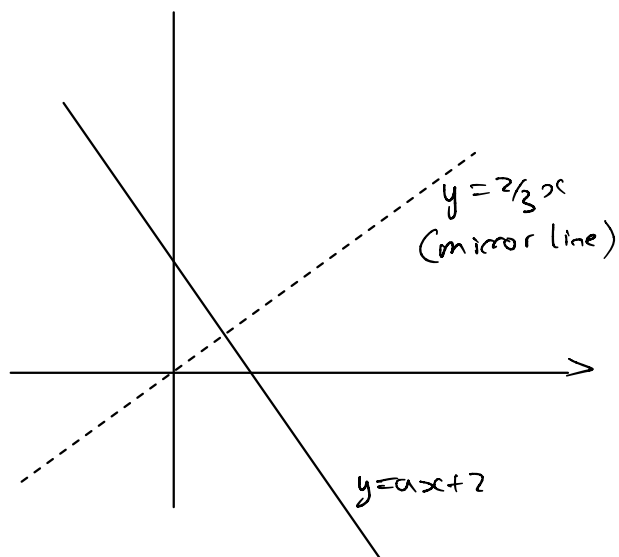
So  $y = \frac{2}{3}x$  is the line of invariant points

c)



$$\frac{1}{13} \begin{pmatrix} 5 & 12 \\ 12 & -5 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 5 \end{pmatrix} = \frac{1}{13} \begin{pmatrix} 65 \\ -13 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 5 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$M = \left( \frac{1+5}{2}, \frac{5-1}{2} \right) = \boxed{(3, 2)}$$

d) Method 1: (Fastest)

Invariant lines must be perpendicular to the mirror line because they need to reflect back onto themselves.

So by simple coordinate geometry rules,  $a = -\frac{3}{2}$

Method 2: (Almost identical to method 3)

$$\frac{1}{13} \begin{pmatrix} 5 & 12 \\ 12 & -5 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ ax+2 \end{pmatrix} = \frac{1}{13} \begin{pmatrix} 5x + 12(ax+2) \\ 12x - 5(ax+2) \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{13} (5+12a)x + \frac{24}{13} \\ \frac{1}{13} x (12-5a) - \frac{10}{13} \end{pmatrix}$$

So if this is  $X$   
then this must be  $aX + 2$

i.e.  $a \left( \frac{1}{13} (5+12a)x + \frac{24}{13} \right) + 2 = \frac{1}{13} x (12-5a) - \frac{10}{13}$

We either check coefficients of  $x$ , or the constants.  
Since we know the invariant line exists, we can just pick the easier option (the constants):

$$\frac{24}{13}a + 2 = -\frac{10}{13}$$

$$24a + 26 = -10$$

$$24a = -36 \Rightarrow a = -\frac{3}{2}$$

Method 3: (Classic method)

$$\frac{1}{13} \begin{pmatrix} 5 & 12 \\ 12 & -5 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ ax+2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} x \\ ax+2 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\textcircled{A}: \frac{1}{13} (5x + 12ax + 24) = x$$

$$\textcircled{B}: \frac{1}{13} (2x - 5(ax+2)) = ax+2$$

Sub  $\textcircled{A}$  into  $\textcircled{B}$ : and compare coefficients

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$$a = -\frac{3}{2}$$

16 The  $2 \times 2$  matrix  $\mathbf{A}$  represents a transformation  $T$  which has the following properties.

- The image of the point  $(0, 1)$  is the point  $(3, 4)$ .
- An object shape whose area is 7 is transformed to an image shape whose area is 35.
- $T$  has a line of invariant points.

(i) Find a possible matrix for  $\mathbf{A}$ . [8]

The transformation  $S$  is represented by the matrix  $\mathbf{B}$  where  $\mathbf{B} = \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 1 \\ 2 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$ .

(ii) Find the equation of the line of invariant points of  $S$ . [2]

(iii) Show that any line of the form  $y = x + c$  is an invariant line of  $S$ . [3]

$$i) \cdot \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$b = 3$$

$$d = 4$$

$$\text{so } \mathbf{A} = \begin{pmatrix} a & 3 \\ c & 4 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\cdot \text{ Now, } |\det \mathbf{A}| = \frac{35}{7}$$

$$\Rightarrow 4a - 3c = \pm 5$$

$$\cdot \begin{pmatrix} a & 3 \\ c & 4 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix}$$

$$ax + 3y = x \quad \Rightarrow (a-1)x + 3y = 0$$

$$cx + 4y = y \quad \Rightarrow cx + 3y = 0$$

$$\text{so } a-1 = c$$

since questions asks to find a possible matrix of  $\mathbf{A}$ , we can take  $4a - 3c = 5$

Subbing  $c = a-1$  into  $4a - 3c = 5$  gives:

$$4a - 3(a-1) = 5$$

$$a + 3 = 5$$

$$a = 2 \quad \Rightarrow c = 1$$

$$\text{so } \mathbf{A} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 3 \\ 1 & 4 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$ii) \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 1 \\ 2 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix}$$

$$3x + y = x \quad \Rightarrow \quad y = -2x$$

$$2x + 2y = y \quad \rightarrow \quad y = -2x$$

So  $y = -2x$  is a line of invariant points.

iii) when the line is given you don't want to do the classic method

$$\text{of } \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 1 \\ 2 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ mx+c \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} X \\ mx+c \end{pmatrix}$$

because this is what you use to find  $m$  &  $c$ , and takes longer.

You do the following:

$$\begin{pmatrix} 3 & 1 \\ 2 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ x+c \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 3x + x+c \\ 2x + 2(x+c) \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} 4x+c \\ 4x+2c \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} 4x+c \\ 4x+c+c \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\text{So } \begin{pmatrix} X \\ Y \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 4x+c \\ 4x+c+c \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{and } Y = X+c$$

See Question 6c, 7b, 9d for similar examples

17 A transformation T of the plane has matrix **M**, where  $\mathbf{M} = \begin{pmatrix} \cos \theta & 2 \cos \theta - \sin \theta \\ \sin \theta & 2 \sin \theta + \cos \theta \end{pmatrix}$ .

(a) Show that T leaves areas unchanged for all values of  $\theta$ . [2]

(b) Find the value of  $\theta$ , where  $0 < \theta < \frac{1}{2}\pi$ , for which the y-axis is an invariant line of T. [4]

The matrix **N** is  $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$ .

(c) (i) Find  $\mathbf{MN}^{-1}$ . [2]

(ii) Hence describe fully a sequence of two transformations of the plane that is equivalent to T. [4]

$$\begin{aligned} \text{a) } \det M &= \cos \theta (2 \sin \theta + \cos \theta) - (2 \cos \theta - \sin \theta) \sin \theta \\ &= 2 \cos \theta \sin \theta + \cos^2 \theta - 2 \cos \theta \sin \theta + \sin^2 \theta \\ &= \cos^2 \theta + \sin^2 \theta \\ &= 1 \end{aligned}$$

$\det M$  represents the area scale factor. so the areas must be unchanged.

$$\text{b) } \begin{pmatrix} \cos \theta & 2 \cos \theta - \sin \theta \\ \sin \theta & 2 \sin \theta + \cos \theta \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ y \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ y \end{pmatrix}$$

$$(2 \cos \theta - \sin \theta) y = 0 \quad \text{for all } y$$

$$\text{so } 2 \cos \theta - \sin \theta = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 2 \cos \theta = \sin \theta$$

$$\therefore \cos \theta \left( \begin{array}{l} \tan \theta = 2 \end{array} \right) \div \cos \theta$$

$$\theta = \arctan(2) = 1.11 \text{ radians}$$

(i)  $N^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -2 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$  by calculation of determinant and so on.

$$MN^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} \cos \theta & 2\cos \theta - \sin \theta \\ \sin \theta & 2\sin \theta + \cos \theta \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -2 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} \cos \theta & -2\cos \theta + 2\cos \theta - \sin \theta \\ \sin \theta & -2\sin \theta + 2\sin \theta + \cos \theta \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} \cos \theta & -\sin \theta \\ \sin \theta & \cos \theta \end{pmatrix}$$

(ii) let  $A = MN^{-1}$

$$MN^{-1} = A$$

$$MN^{-1}N = AN$$

$$M = AN$$

So  $T$  is the transformation represented by  $N$  followed by the transformation represented by  $A$  i.e. a shear with  $x$  axis invariant mapping  $(0,1)$  to  $(2,1)$  followed by a rotation anticlockwise through  $\theta$ , about the origin.