

## MATH 406 Sample Exercises

### Example 1:

Suppose  $T_1 \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 3 \\ 0 & 1 & 4 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$  and  $T_2 \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$ .

If  $T_3 = T_2 \circ T_1$ , then  $T_3 \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 4 \\ 1 & 0 & 3 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$ .

Are any points invariant under  $T_3$ ?

Are there any points such that  $T_3 \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$ ?

$$T_3 \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \text{ iff (1) } \begin{cases} 0x + 1y + 4 = x \\ 1x + 0y + 3 = y \\ 0x + 0y + 1 = 1 \end{cases}$$

(1) is equivalent to (2)  $\begin{cases} -1x + 1y = -4 \\ 1x + -1y = -3 \end{cases}$       (2) is equivalent to (3)  $\begin{cases} -1x + 1y = -4 \\ 0x + 0y = -7 \end{cases}$ .

System (3) is inconsistent. So, there can be no invariant points under  $T_3$ .

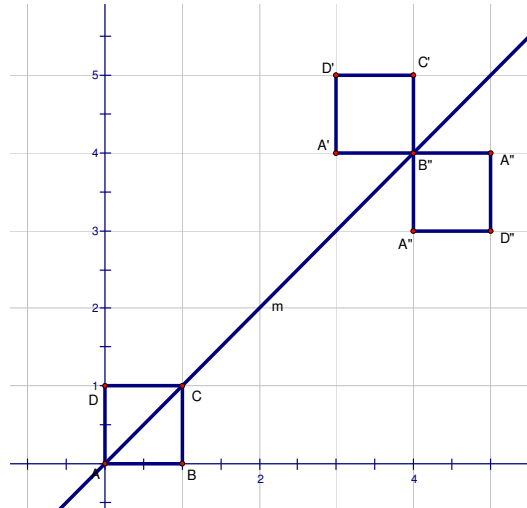
Are any lines invariant under  $T_3$ ?

Method 1:

We note that  $T_3^{-1} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & -3 \\ 1 & 0 & -4 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$ .

Suppose  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 3 \\ 0 & 1 & 4 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} x' \\ y' \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$ . It follows that  $\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & -3 \\ 1 & 0 & -4 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x' \\ y' \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$ . That is  $\begin{cases} x = y' - 3 \\ y = x' - 4 \end{cases}$ .

The image of the line  $Ax + By + C = 0$  under  $T_3$  becomes  $A(y' - 3) + B(x' - 4) + C = 0$ . After simplification we see that the image of  $Ax + By + C = 0$  becomes  $Bx' + Ay' + (C - 3A - 4B) = 0$ . So, the line  $Ax + By + C = 0$  is invariant iff  $A = B$  and  $3A + 4B = 0$ . That last condition implies that each of  $A, B, C$  must be zero. But we cannot have each of  $A, B, C$  zero and have an equation for a line, so there can be no invariant lines under  $T_3$ .



**Method 2:** In this method we appeal to Theorem 4.2.4 and seek  $[u_1 \ u_2 \ u_3]$  such that

$$(4) \quad [u_1 \ u_2 \ u_3] \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & -3 \\ 1 & 0 & -4 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = k[u_1 \ u_2 \ u_3] \text{ for any } k \in \mathbb{R}.$$

$$(4) \text{ is equivalent to } [u_2 \ u_1 \ -3u_1 - 4u_2 + u_3] = k[u_1 \ u_2 \ u_3].$$

Setting  $k = 1$  we obtain  $u_1 = u_2$  and  $-3u_1 = 4u_2$ . So,  $u_1 = u_2 = 0$  and  $[u_1 \ u_2 \ u_3]$  cannot represent a line. Hence, there are no invariant lines under  $T_3$ .

**Example 2:**

Find all invariant lines under  $T$  defined by  $T \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{2-\sqrt{3}}{2} & \frac{3}{2} & 0 \\ -\frac{1}{2} & \frac{2+\sqrt{3}}{2} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} x' \\ y' \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}.$

Note the matrix for  $T^{-1}$  is  $\begin{bmatrix} \frac{2+\sqrt{3}}{2} & -\frac{3}{2} & 0 \\ \frac{1}{2} & \frac{2-\sqrt{3}}{2} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ . Thus,  $\begin{bmatrix} \frac{2+\sqrt{3}}{2} & -\frac{3}{2} & 0 \\ \frac{1}{2} & \frac{2-\sqrt{3}}{2} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x' \\ y' \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}.$

So  $\begin{pmatrix} \frac{2+\sqrt{3}}{2}x' - \frac{3}{2}y' \\ \frac{1}{2}x' + \frac{2-\sqrt{3}}{2}y' \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$ . Therefore, the image of the line  $l: Ax + By + C = 0$  is

given by  $A(\frac{2+\sqrt{3}}{2}x' - \frac{3}{2}y') + B(\frac{1}{2}x' + \frac{2-\sqrt{3}}{2}y') + C = 0$ . Or, after simplification, by

$(\frac{2+\sqrt{3}}{2}A + \frac{1}{2}B)x' + (-\frac{3}{2}A + \frac{2-\sqrt{3}}{2}B)y' + C = 0$ . The line  $l$  will be invariant iff  $\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}A + \frac{1}{2}B = 0$  and

$-\frac{3}{2}A - \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}B = 0$ . That is line  $l$  will be invariant iff  $A = -\frac{\sqrt{3}}{3}B$ . So, lines of the form

$\begin{bmatrix} -\sqrt{3} & 3 & c \end{bmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = 0$  for any  $c \in \mathbb{R}$  are invariant under  $T$ . So, all lines with slope  $\frac{\sqrt{3}}{3}$  are invariant under  $T$ .

(See Example 4.6.5 in the textbook.)