

1. (i) Calculate the linear fractional transformation f of $\mathbb{RP}^1$ that satisfies $f(0)=1$, $f(1)=2$, $f(\infty)=3$.

(ii) For the f from (i), calculate the cross ratio:

$$[f(2), f(3), f(5), f(7)]$$

(i) Let $f(x) = \frac{ax+b}{cx+d}$. Then

$$1 = f(0) = \frac{b}{d}, \quad 2 = f(1) = \frac{a+b}{c+d}, \quad 3 = f(\infty) = \frac{a}{c}$$

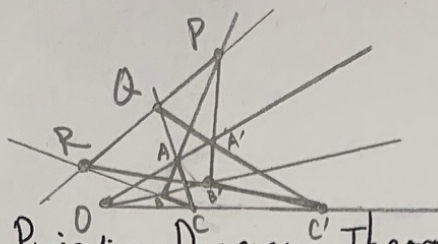
$$\Rightarrow \begin{cases} b=d \\ a+b=2c+2d \\ a=3c \end{cases} \Rightarrow 3c+b=2c+2b \Rightarrow c=b \Rightarrow \begin{cases} a=3c=3b \\ b=b \\ c=b \\ d=b \end{cases}$$

$$\Rightarrow f(x) = \frac{3bx+b}{bx+b} = \frac{3x+1}{x+1}$$

(ii) Because linear fractional transformations preserve cross-ratios.

$$[f(2), f(3), f(5), f(7)] = [2, 3, 5, 7]$$

$$= \frac{5-2}{5-3} \cdot \frac{7-3}{7-2} = \frac{3 \cdot 4}{2 \cdot 5} = \frac{6}{5}$$

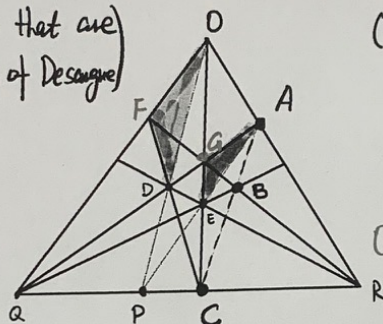


2. (i) State the Projective Desargue Theorem.

(ii) Use the Projective Desargue theorem twice to explain why the 3 points A, B, C in the following picture are on the same line

(Identify the triangles that are used in the application of Desargue)

(Hint: First show $\overline{OD} \cap \overline{AE} = P \in \overline{QC}$
Then show $\overline{OE} \cap \overline{AB} \in \overline{PR}$)



$$O = AA' \cap BB' = BB' \cap CC' = AA' \cap CC'$$

Projective Desargue:

(i) If two triangles $\triangle ABC$, $\triangle A'B'C'$ are in perspective, then the intersection points of corresponding sides: $P = AB \cap A'B'$, $Q = AC \cap A'C'$, $R = BC \cap B'C'$ are contained in the same line. (10)

(ii) $\triangle OFD$ and $\triangle AGE$ are in perspective from R. So

$OF \cap AG = Q$, $OD \cap AE = P$, $FD \cap GE = C$ are on the same line. (5)

In other words, $P \in \overline{QC} = \text{line } QR$

$\triangle ODG$ and $\triangle AEB$ are in perspective from R. So

$OD \cap AE = P$, $OG \cap AB = C'$, $DG \cap EB = Q$ are on the same line (5)

In other words, $C' \in \text{line } PQ = \text{line } QR$.

So $C' = \text{line } AB \cap \text{line } QR = C$. So A, B, C are on the same line. (5)

3. For any quaternion $q \in \mathbb{H}$ with $|q|=1$, let

$$f_q: S^2 \rightarrow S^2, f_q(p) = q \cdot p \cdot q^{-1}$$

denote the associated rotation of the sphere S^2 .

(i) Find some q_1 such that

$$f_{q_1} \left(0, \underset{\downarrow \text{ } i}{\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}}, \underset{\downarrow \text{ } j}{\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}} \right) = \left(\underset{\downarrow \text{ } i}{\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}}, -\underset{\downarrow \text{ } j}{\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}}, 0 \right).$$

(ii) Calculate $q_2 = q_1 \cdot j$. What is the axis for the rotation f_{q_2} represented by q_2 ?

(i) Choose axis in the direction of

$$v_1 \times v_2 = \begin{vmatrix} i & j & k \\ 0 & \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} & \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \\ \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} & -\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} & 0 \end{vmatrix} = i \cdot \frac{1}{2} - j \left(-\frac{1}{2}\right) + k \left(-\frac{1}{2}\right) = \frac{1}{2}(i+j-k)$$

$$\leadsto di + mj + nk = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}(i+j-k).$$

$$\cos \frac{\theta}{2} = \sqrt{\frac{1+\cos \theta}{2}} = \frac{1}{2}$$

angle θ satisfies $\cos \theta = v_1 \cdot v_2 = -\frac{1}{2} \Rightarrow \sin \frac{\theta}{2} = \sqrt{\frac{1-\cos \theta}{2}} = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}$

$$\Rightarrow q_1 = \cos \frac{\theta}{2} + \sin \frac{\theta}{2} \cdot (di + mj + nk)$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} + \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \cdot \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}(i+j-k) = \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2}i + \frac{1}{2}j - \frac{1}{2}k.$$

$$(ii) \quad q_1 \cdot j = \left(\frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2}i + \frac{1}{2}j - \frac{1}{2}k\right) \cdot j$$

$$= \frac{1}{2}j + \frac{1}{2}k - \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2}i$$

$$k \cdot j = -j \cdot k = i$$

$$= -\frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2}i + \frac{1}{2}j + \frac{1}{2}k = q_2$$

(5)

q_2 represents a rotation with axis in the direction of

$$+\frac{1}{2}i + \frac{1}{2}j + \frac{1}{2}k = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \cdot \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}(i+j+k)$$

(5)

$$\leadsto \ell'i + m'j + n'k = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}(i+j+k) = u$$

rotation angle θ' satisfies
$$\begin{cases} \cos \frac{\theta'}{2} = -\frac{1}{2} \\ \sin \frac{\theta'}{2} = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \end{cases} \Rightarrow \frac{\theta'}{2} = \pi - \frac{\pi}{3} = \frac{2\pi}{3}$$

$$\Rightarrow \theta' = \frac{4\pi}{3} = 2\pi - \frac{2\pi}{3}$$

$\leadsto$ rotation around the axis u by angle $\frac{4\pi}{3}$ (or $-\frac{2\pi}{3}$)



rotation around $(-u)$ by angle $\frac{2\pi}{3}$

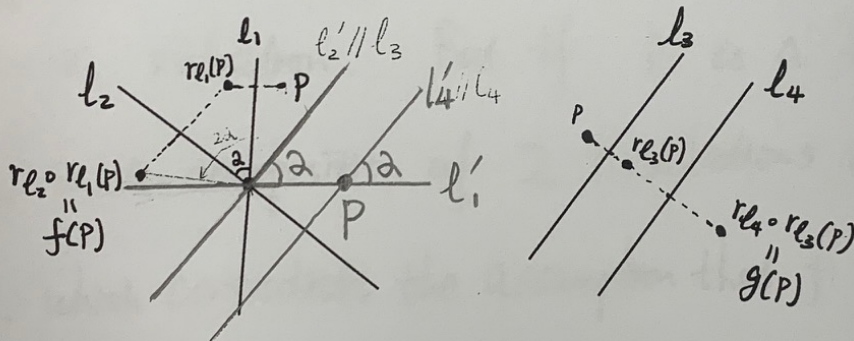
$$-q_2 = \frac{1}{2} + \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \cdot \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}(-i-j-k) = \cos \frac{2\pi}{3} + \sin \frac{2\pi}{3} \cdot \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}(-i-j-k)$$

4. On the plane $\mathbb{R}^2$, let f be a rotation

Let g be a translation.

(i) Prove $g \circ f$ is a rotation. (You can use the 3 reflection theorem)

(ii) Using the following picture, explain how to use geometric method to find the center and angle for the rotation $g \circ f = (r_{l_4} \circ r_{l_3}) \circ (r_{l_2} \circ r_{l_1})$, where we write $f = r_{l_2} \circ r_{l_1}$ and $g = r_{l_4} \circ r_{l_3}$ as composition of reflections.



(Hint: change the mirrors l_1 to some l_1' , and l_4 to some l_4')

(ii)

$$g \circ f = (r_{l_4} \circ r_{l_3}) \circ (r_{l_2} \circ r_{l_1})$$

$$= r_{l_4'} \circ r_{l_3'} \circ r_{l_2'} \circ r_{l_1'}$$

$$\underline{l_2' = l_3'}$$

$$= r_{l_4'} \circ r_{l_1'}$$

(5)

• Rotate l_1, l_2 to l_1', l_2' such that $l_2' \parallel l_3$. (5)

• Set $l_3' = l_2'$ and translate l_3, l_4 to l_3', l_4' .

rotation around $P = l_4' \cap l_1'$ by angle 2α .

(5)

Continuation of work:

(i) Both f and g are composition of 2 reflections.

So $g \circ f$ is a composition of 4 reflections. In particular $g \circ f$ preserves the orientation (4 is even). By the classification of plane isometries (3 reflection thm), $g \circ f$ can be decomposed as a composition of 2 reflections. So $h = g \circ f$ is either a translation or a rotation. But if h is a translation, then $f = g^{-1} \circ h$ is a composition of 2 translations and is also a translation, which contradicts the assumption that f is a rotation. So $g \circ f$ must be a rotation. (10)