

An application document for Geometric Algebra using wxMaxima
Ref: The Survey, para.4.1.3

investigate the use of the fourth axis, e4, as a possible imitation of G(1,3)

Initialization

```
(%i1) ext:["wxm"]$
      file_type_maxima:append(ext,file_type_maxima)$
      batchload("initialize_fns")$
```

the pseudoscalar and its inverse
the lowest useable dimension pseudoscalar should be {e1,e2} i.e. Plen = 2
e.g. for four dimensions edit Pseudos: {e1,e2,e3}\$ to Pseudos: {e1,e2,e3,e4}\$

```
(%i1) Pseudos: {e1,e2,e3,e4}$
      Pvar: listofvars(Pseudos)$
      Plen: length(Pvar)$
      I: Pseudos$
      ni: (Plen-1)*Plen/2$
      li: (-1)^ni*I$
      kill(ni)$
      ldisplay(Pvar)$
```

Result

```
(%i9) batchload("initialize_lsts")$
```

Result

end of Initialization

set derivabbrev:false\$

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(%i12) derivabbrev:false$
(%i13) ratprint:false$
```

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show the spacetime gammas required for the imitation of G(1,3)

```
(%i14) g1:%i*{e1}$
      g2:%i*{e2}$
      g3:%i*{e3}$
      g4:{e4}$

(%i18) g1&.g1;
      g2&.g2;
      g3&.g3;
      g4&.g4;
```

Result

the spacetime coordinate vector using the gammas

```
(%i22) x:x1*g1+x2*g2+x3*g3+t*g4;
```

Result

choose a simple rotation angle for partial verification of the hyperbolic identity

```
(%i23) alpha:%pi/3$
      ahalf:alpha/2;
```

Result

the velocity magnitude as a fraction of the speed of light

```
(%i25) tanh(alpha)$
      vel:ev(% ,numer);
```

Result

choose a simple (imaginary ugh!) unit vector, vhat for the unit velocity

```
(%i27) vhat:g$
      vhat&.*vhat;
```

Result

show the rotation plane and the rotation bivector

```
(%i29) Plane:vhat&.*g4$
      B:Plane*ahalf$
      ldisplay(Plane,B)$
```

Result

form a rotation exponential, with accuracy limited using mvexp(,13)

```
(%i33) mvexp(B,13)$
      ev(% ,numer,expand);
```

Result

verify that the intrinsic hyperbolic functions are consistent with function mvexp()
while imitating G(1,3) with the intrinsic imaginary, %i

```
(%i35) cosh(ahalf)+Plane*sinh(ahalf)$
      trigsimp(%)$
      Rv:ev(% ,numer,expand);
```

Result

numerical comparison of spacetime vector rotation with the Lorentz transformation
e.g. for a simple velocity, vel*vhat (= vel*g1)

```
(%i38) vel:0.8$
      alpha:atanh(vel)$
      ahalf:alpha/2;
```

Result

form the rotation bivector

```
(%i41) vhat:g$
      B:vhat&.*g4*ahalf$
      ev(% ,numer,expand);
```

Result

form the left and right exponential multipliers

```
(%i44) mvexp(-B,13)$
      lexp:ev(% ,numer,expand);
```

Result

```
(%i46) mvexp(+B,13)$
      rexp:ev(% ,numer,expand);
```

Result

apply the rotation to a spacetime coordinate vector "parallel" to the velocity

```
(%i48) x:x1*g1+t*g4;
```

Result

find the rotated spacetime vector

```
(%i49) xbar:lexp&.*x&.*rexp$
      ev(% ,numer,expand)$
      collectterms(% ,%i,e1,e4);
```

Result

compare the spacetime rotation result with the Lorentz transformation factors

```
(%i52) L:1/sqrt(1-vel^2);
```

Result

```
(%i53) Lv:vel*1/sqrt(1-vel^2);
```

Result

the Lorentz space and time

```
(%i54) x1bar:(-Lv*t+L*x1)$
```

```
(%i55) tbar:(+L*t-Lv*x1)$
```

the Lorentz spacetime vector

```
(%i56) x1bar*g1+tbar*g4;
```

Result