

This leads to, that the area segment of a subject bivector \mathbf{B} in principle is a *pseudoscalar*²²⁰ for the plane, even though the object $\mathbf{b}\perp\mathbf{a}$ rectangle has a scalar area magnitude

$$(5.67) \quad |\mathbf{B}| = |\mathbf{b}||\mathbf{a}| \in \mathbb{R}_+ \geq 0.$$

We say that the unit bivector $\widehat{\mathbf{B}}$ is the *unit pseudoscalar* for that plane it defines.

5.2.5.4. A Bivector Multiplied by a 1-vector

First, a bivector is defined as its resolution of two 1-vectors $\mathbf{B}=\mathbf{b}\wedge\mathbf{a}$, that in the tradition span the plane concept substance. In that plane, an outer product of three 1-vectors vanish $\mathbf{b}\wedge\mathbf{a}\wedge\mathbf{c} = 0$. Therefor $\mathbf{B}\wedge\mathbf{c} = 0$ express that any relevant 1-vector \mathbf{c} is internal in the plane spanned by \mathbf{B} .²²¹

A bivector \mathbf{B} anticommute in multiplying by any each 1-vector in its plane

$$(5.68) \quad \mathbf{B}\mathbf{a} = -\mathbf{a}\mathbf{B},$$

the reason is, there exist a \mathbf{b} using (5.66) $\exists \mathbf{b}\cdot\mathbf{a} = 0 \Rightarrow \mathbf{B}=\mathbf{b}\mathbf{a} \Rightarrow \mathbf{B}\mathbf{a} = \mathbf{b}\mathbf{a}\mathbf{a} = -\mathbf{a}\mathbf{b}\mathbf{a} = -\mathbf{a}\mathbf{B}$.

This product in a plane is a 1-vector $\mathbf{B}\mathbf{a} = \mathbf{b}\mathbf{a}^2 \Rightarrow \mathbf{b} = \mathbf{B}\mathbf{a}/\mathbf{a}^2$

The multiplicative inverse 1-vector from (4.76)

$$(5.69) \quad \mathbf{a}^{-1} = \left(\frac{1}{\mathbf{a}}\right) = \frac{\mathbf{a}}{\mathbf{a}^2}$$

makes it possible to *divide* with a 1-vector in the same plane.

$$(5.70) \quad \mathbf{B}\mathbf{a}^{-1} = -\mathbf{a}^{-1}\mathbf{B}$$

or rather multiplying by the inverse 1-vector from the right or left is anti-commuting.²²²

5.2.5.5. The Category a Bivector

We conclude the fundamental *category* for the conceptual bivector idea:

Bivectors may be the same or different. An individual bivector can be divided into several bivectors, and different bivectors can be combined into one bivector. A bivector *quality* we give by a *direction* unity-plane-segment bivector $\widehat{\mathbf{B}}$ by def. (5.65) applied to (5.66), hence

$$(5.71) \quad \widehat{\mathbf{B}}^2 = -|\widehat{\mathbf{B}}|^2 = -1$$

The squared normalized *quantity* of a plane-segment *direction* $\widehat{\mathbf{B}}$ is then $-1 \in \mathbb{R}_{\text{pqg-2}}^1$.

The bivector *quantity* is simply performed by $\mathbf{B} = \beta\widehat{\mathbf{B}}$ for $\forall \beta \in \mathbb{R}_{\text{pqg-2}}^1$.

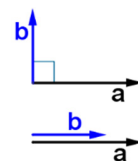
This factor β span a plane from $\widehat{\mathbf{B}}$.

Bivectors have existence or not by multiplication of 1-vectors in two important particular cases of possible existing 1-vectors:

Orthogonal 1-vectors anticommute $\mathbf{b}\cdot\mathbf{a} = 0 \Leftrightarrow \mathbf{b}\mathbf{a} = -\mathbf{a}\mathbf{b}$, $\cos \theta = 0$

Collinear 1-vectors commute $\mathbf{a}=\lambda\mathbf{b} \Leftrightarrow \mathbf{b}\wedge\mathbf{a} = 0 \Leftrightarrow \mathbf{b}\mathbf{a}=\mathbf{a}\mathbf{b}$, $\sin \theta = 0$

a 1-vector \mathbf{a} is colinear with itself, so $\mathbf{a}\wedge\mathbf{a} = 0$, for $\forall\mathbf{a}$, as well $\mathbf{a}\cdot\mathbf{a} = \mathbf{a}^2$



Two *colinear* 1-vectors do not constitute a bivector.

Two *orthogonal* 1-vectors constitute a wedge product for a plane rectangular area.

²²⁰ In Geometric Algebra (Clifford Algebra) the *pseudoscalars* are the highest *grade* elements in the *primary quality grades* that are necessary for the algebra. Euclidian *pseudoscalars* square to a negative scalar and commute with all even elements.

²²¹ A third 1-vector \mathbf{c} will give impact $\mathbf{b}\wedge\mathbf{a}\wedge\mathbf{c} \neq 0$ when it is exterior to the plane $\mathbf{b}\wedge\mathbf{a}$. (see later below chapter 6).

²²² The division symbol $\frac{\mathbf{B}}{\mathbf{a}}$ makes no sense! But multiplication by the inverse 1-vector $\mathbf{a}^{-1} = \frac{1}{\mathbf{a}}$ from the right or the left is allowed.

5.2.6. The Orthonormal Bivector Object as a Unit for the Circular Rotation in a Plane

We look at the orthogonal unit vectors σ_1 and σ_2 also called an orthonormal basis $\{\sigma_1, \sigma_2\}$ for a plane. – By definition, it applies a priori:

Orthogonal: $\sigma_1 \cdot \sigma_2 = 0$ and Normalised: $\sigma_1^2 = \sigma_2^2 = 1 \Rightarrow |\sigma_1| = |\sigma_2| = 1$.

From here we form a bivector for the plane that we call $\mathbf{i} := \sigma_2 \wedge \sigma_1$.

Since $\sigma_2 \cdot \sigma_1 = 0$, for this bivector we have

$$(5.72) \quad \mathbf{i} = \sigma_2 \wedge \sigma_1 = \frac{1}{2}(\sigma_2 \sigma_1 - \sigma_1 \sigma_2) = \sigma_2 \sigma_1$$

as just the product of the two orthonormal basis vectors for the plane and by antisymmetric permutation, we have the two orientations²²³

$$(5.73) \quad \mathbf{i} := \sigma_2 \sigma_1 \quad \text{with the commuted} \quad -\mathbf{i} = \sigma_1 \sigma_2$$

Which means that \mathbf{i} is the special multivector constituted by one bivector.

According to $|\sigma_1| = |\sigma_2| = 1$ in (5.66) and $\sigma_2 \cdot \sigma_1 = 0 \Rightarrow \sin^2 \theta = 1$ in (5.62), together with (5.71) we have the auto product

$$(5.74) \quad \mathbf{i}\mathbf{i} = \mathbf{i}^2 = -1.$$

This leads to the normalized magnitude of $|\mathbf{i}| = |-\mathbf{i}| = 1$

Therefore, both \mathbf{i} and $-\mathbf{i}$ are the two unitary bivectors.

The unit for the *direction* of a plane segment $\widehat{\mathbf{B}}$ has two eigenstates

$$(5.75) \quad \widehat{\mathbf{B}} = \pm \mathbf{i} = \pm 1\mathbf{i}, \quad \text{in that} \quad \widehat{\mathbf{B}}^2 = \mathbf{i}^2 = -|\mathbf{i}|^2 = -|\widehat{\mathbf{B}}|^2 = -1$$

We say that the unit-plane-segment *direction* $\widehat{\mathbf{B}}$ has two eigenvalues 1 and -1 .

Compared with quantum mechanics we intuit \mathbf{i} as a *direction operator* for a unit-area-segment.

Any arbitrary plane area $\beta = |\mathbf{B}| \geq 0$ provided by a bivector $\mathbf{B} = \beta\widehat{\mathbf{B}}$ *quantity* for a plane-segment *pqg-2 direction* thus has two eigenstates $\mathbf{B}^+ = +\beta\mathbf{i}$ or $\mathbf{B}^- = -\beta\mathbf{i}$ and the *quantitative* eigenvalues $+\beta$ and $-\beta$ for each area. When you have an area, you should seriously consider its orientation and which of the two bivectors \mathbf{B} or $-\mathbf{B}$ you use for intuition.

5.2.6.2. The Hodge Coordinate for the Pseudoscalar Span in the \mathfrak{P} plane Concept

All bivector pseudoscalars in the plane \mathfrak{P} idea are proportional to the basic unit bivector

$$(5.76) \quad \mathbf{B} = \beta\mathbf{i}$$

For all $\forall \beta \in \mathbb{R}$ we have the Hodge²²⁴ map: $\beta \rightarrow (*\beta) = \mathbf{B} = \beta\mathbf{i}$ for the plane idea.

This is a linear one-to-one map from the real numbers to the pseudoscalars of the *directional primary quality of second grade (pqg-2)* for the \mathfrak{P} plane concept. These pseudoscalars represent the *directional area quantity* of a plane, where the negative parameter coordinates $\beta < 0$ represent the retrograde area opposite orientated to a progressive area $\beta > 0$. ($\beta = 0$ represent every *pqg-0* point in \mathfrak{P} without any *direction*).

5.2.6.3. Operations with the Unit Bivector Pseudoscalar for a Plane

The operator \mathbf{i} acts on the space concept \mathfrak{G} and creates one plane *direction*.

Implicitly $\mathbf{i} = \sigma_2 \sigma_1$ is given by the two orthonormal geometric 1-vector-operators. First σ_1 operates in space and sets a linear *direction*, then σ_2 operates perpendicular to σ_1 through space and by that spans a plane *direction* through the plane unit segment $\mathbf{i} := \sigma_2 \sigma_1$.

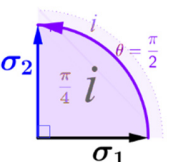
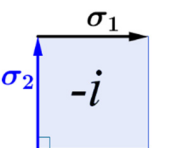
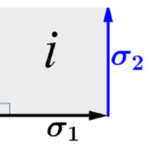


Figure 5.12 Unit 2-blade $\mathbf{i} = \sigma_2 \sigma_1$ or $-\mathbf{i} = \sigma_1 \sigma_2$ and $\pm\pi/2$ rotation objects.

²²³ I am sorry to tell you that this book uses the reversed order of that first defined by David Hestenes in [6] and [5] (11).

It is essential for the intuition in this book that we use the sequential left operational order in vector multiplication like function operation $f \circ g = f(g) = fg$. Then the unit pseudoscalar bivector for the plane is $\mathbf{i} \equiv \sigma_2 \sigma_1$.

²²⁴ The idea to call this a Hodge map of the form $\beta \rightarrow *\beta$ is taken from reference [35].