

This general 2-multi-vector is constructed from three 1-vectors

- An arbitrary *norm* and start *direction* 1-vector \mathbf{u} , with $|\mathbf{u}| = 1$ unit.
- An arbitrary related *radius direction* 1-vector \mathbf{r} , with $|\mathbf{r}| = \rho$ dilation.
- An arbitrary *translation direction* 1-vector \mathbf{t} , with $\mathbf{t} \parallel (\mathbf{r} \wedge \mathbf{u})$ or $\mathbf{t} \# (\mathbf{r} \wedge \mathbf{u})$.

- $\mathbf{r} \cdot \mathbf{u} = \alpha$ is the geometric *pqg-0* scalar, $\langle A \rangle_0$
 - $\mathbf{r} \wedge \mathbf{u} = \beta \mathbf{i}$ is the geometric plane *direction pqg-2 bivector*, $\langle A \rangle_2$
 - $\mathbf{r} \mathbf{u}$ is the geometric *spinor* in that plane *direction*, $\langle A \rangle_0 + \langle A \rangle_2$
 - $\mathbf{t} \parallel (\mathbf{r} \wedge \mathbf{u})$ is a *translation* inside that same *object plane direction*, $\langle A \rangle_1$
 - $\mathbf{t} \# (\mathbf{r} \wedge \mathbf{u})$ is a *translation* of that object plane through space as that same plane *subject direction pqg-2*, which is *translation invariant* through all space \mathbb{G} !
- One specified plane *subject direction* is the same all over space \mathbb{G} in physics.²⁵⁴

A traditional plane object can be defined by two orthonormal basis vectors $\{\sigma_1, \sigma_2\} \parallel (\mathbf{r} \wedge \mathbf{u})$ ²⁵⁵ implying the bivector concept $\mathbf{i} := \sigma_2 \sigma_1$. In that plane, we express every arbitrary 1-vector

$$(5.160) \quad \langle A \rangle_1 \sim \mathbf{x} = x_1 \sigma_1 + x_2 \sigma_2. \quad \text{Special a translation } \mathbf{t} = t_1 \sigma_1 + t_2 \sigma_2.$$

as a vector element in an ordinary vector space $\mathbf{x} \in (V_2, \mathbb{R}) \sim \mathbb{R}_1^2$.

In the geometric algebra $\mathcal{G}_2(\mathbb{R}) = \mathcal{G}(V_2, \mathbb{R})$, we express it as (5.159) for the 2-multi-vector concept

$$(5.161) \quad A = \alpha + \underbrace{x_1 \sigma_1 + x_2 \sigma_2}_{\langle A \rangle_1} + \beta \mathbf{i} \in \mathcal{G}_2(\mathbb{R})$$

$$(5.162) \quad A = \langle A \rangle_0 + \langle A \rangle_1 + \langle A \rangle_2$$

We as David Hestenes [10] p.53 split the plane geometric algebra into two parts $\mathcal{G}_2 = \mathcal{G}_2^- + \mathcal{G}_2^+$, where the odd algebra \mathcal{G}_2^- is the ordinary 2-dimensional vector space $(V_2, \mathbb{R}) \sim \mathbb{R}_1^1 \oplus \mathbb{R}_1^1 \leftrightarrow \mathbb{R}_1^2$ for 1-vectors $\mathbf{x} = \langle A \rangle_1 \in \mathcal{G}_2^-$, and the even algebra \mathcal{G}_2^+ is the 2-dimensional linear space of 1-spinors

$$(5.163) \quad \langle A \rangle_0 + \langle A \rangle_2 = \alpha + \beta \mathbf{i} = \mathbf{r} \cdot \mathbf{u} + \mathbf{r} \wedge \mathbf{u} = \mathbf{r} \mathbf{u} = \rho U_\theta = \rho e^{i\theta} \in \mathcal{G}_2^+.$$

The object foundation of this even algebra \mathcal{G}_2^+ is the fundamental scalar count $1 \in \mathbb{R}$ and the orientated unit area \mathbf{i} as the basis set $\{1, \mathbf{i}\}$. Together these two algebras $\mathcal{G}_2 = \mathcal{G}_2^- + \mathcal{G}_2^+$ constitute a 4-dimensional linear space over the multi-vector basis

$$(5.164) \quad \{1, \sigma_1, \sigma_2, \mathbf{i} = \sigma_2 \sigma_1\},$$

with the odd coordinates x_1, x_2 and the even coordinates α, β as in (5.161).

The entire 2-multi-vector A has the potential to characterise the plane *quality* as well as a *quantity* for some physical *entity*. – For the Euclidean plane algebra, we use the nomenclature $\mathcal{G}_{2,0}(\mathbb{R}) \leftarrow \mathcal{G}_2$.

5.3.8. The Magnitude of a Multivector

The generalised multivector A can be dissolved in its independent *grade* components $\langle A \rangle_r$

$$(5.165) \quad A = \sum_{r=0}^n \langle A \rangle_r = \langle A \rangle_0 + \langle A \rangle_1 + \langle A \rangle_2 + \dots + \langle A \rangle_n \in \mathcal{G}_n = \mathcal{G}_n(\mathbb{R}).$$

Note that each $\langle A \rangle_r$ of *grade-r* for $n \geq r > 2$ is an external extension to the plane concept. The magnitude, also called the *modulus* of a multi-vector is generally defined [10]p.46 and [13] p.13:

$$(5.166) \quad |A| = \sqrt{\langle A^\dagger A \rangle_0}, \quad \text{so that } |A|^2 = \langle A^\dagger A \rangle_0 = \sum_{r=0}^n A_r^\dagger A_r = \sum_{r=0}^n |\langle A \rangle_r|^2 \geq 0, \text{ written out}$$

$$(5.167) \quad |A|^2 = \langle A^\dagger A \rangle_0 = |\langle A \rangle_0|^2 + |\langle A \rangle_1|^2 + |\langle A \rangle_2|^2 + |\langle A \rangle_3|^2 + \dots \geq 0.$$

≥ 0 is a simplified pure mathematic assumption. – More generally about multi-vectors for physics later below.

²⁵⁴ The *direction* of a plane object we define as $\mathbf{i} = \sigma_2 \sigma_1$ from the two objects 1-vectors σ_1, σ_2 . For describing the translation through space \mathbb{G} outside the plane object we need a third 1-vector $\sigma_3 \perp (\sigma_2 \wedge \sigma_1)$ to make an orthonormal basis $\{\sigma_1, \sigma_2, \sigma_3\}$ for the 1-vector combination $\mathbf{t} = t_1 \sigma_1 + t_2 \sigma_2 + t_3 \sigma_3 \in (V_3, \mathbb{R}) \sim \mathbb{R}_{1,2,3}^3$ representing the translation. $\mathbf{t} \# (\sigma_2 \wedge \sigma_1) \Leftrightarrow t_3 \neq 0$. In plane $t_3 = 0$.

²⁵⁵ In that plane we have $\langle A \rangle_2 \sim (\mathbf{r} \wedge \mathbf{u}) \parallel (\mathbf{i} = \sigma_2 \wedge \sigma_1)$, then we can express $\mathbf{u} = u_1 \sigma_1 + u_2 \sigma_2$ and $\mathbf{r} = r_1 \sigma_1 + r_2 \sigma_2$ as $\langle A \rangle_1$, choice $\sigma_1 = \mathbf{u}$.

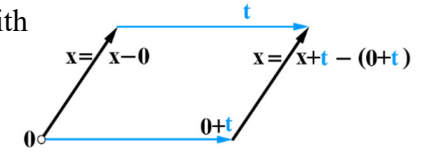
5.4. Transformation of Geometric 1-vectors in the Euclidean plane

5.4.1. Parallel Translation of a Vector

As we described earlier in § 4.4.2.13, the *points* in space \mathbb{G} are translations invariant.

We also decide as a priori that scalar magnitudes associated with the *locus situs* of geometric points is translations invariant.

We have also found that 1-vectors are translation invariant, since the parallel translation concept is based on the substance of the 1-vector concept. We refer to the previous Figure 4.6 (which is shown here).



The same will inherently also apply to multi-vectors, as in their idea they are constructed from 1-vectors of the Geometric Algebra of products and additions. The now well-known simple 2-multi-vector 1-rotor $\mathbf{v} \mathbf{u} = \mathbf{u}_2 \mathbf{u}_1 = U_\theta := e^{i\theta}$ from (5.83) is translation invariant.

5.4.2. Reflections

5.4.2.1. Reflection in a Geometric 1-vector

Given a 1-vector \mathbf{u} in \mathbb{G} space. We choose \mathbf{u} as norm $|\mathbf{u}|=1$.

We choose any other object 1-vector \mathbf{x} in \mathbb{G} space.

These two 1-vector form a plane spanned by the bivector $\mathbf{u} \wedge \mathbf{x}$

This plane is the foundation object for Figure 5.41.

We make a normalized 1-vector *direction* $\hat{\mathbf{x}} = \mathbf{x}/|\mathbf{x}|$ for $\mathbf{x} = |\mathbf{x}| \hat{\mathbf{x}}$.

For understanding, we have $\hat{\mathbf{x}} \hat{\mathbf{x}} = \hat{\mathbf{x}}^2 = 1$ and $\mathbf{x} \mathbf{x} = \mathbf{x}^2 = |\mathbf{x}| |\mathbf{x}| \in \mathbb{R}_+$.

The 2-vector $\mathbf{u} \hat{\mathbf{x}}$ forms a rotor $U = \mathbf{u} \hat{\mathbf{x}} = \mathbf{u} \mathbf{x} / |\mathbf{x}|$ in plane $\mathbf{u} \wedge \mathbf{x}$.

The 1-rotor was first defined in formulas (5.83) and (5.84) above

$$(5.168) \quad U_\theta = \mathbf{u}_2 \mathbf{u}_1 = e^{i\theta}, \quad \text{and } U_\theta^\dagger = \mathbf{u}_1 \mathbf{u}_2 = e^{-i\theta}, \quad \text{with } \angle(\mathbf{u}_1, \mathbf{u}_2) = \theta.$$

When the rotor U acts on \mathbf{x} , we get $U \mathbf{x} = \mathbf{u} \hat{\mathbf{x}} \mathbf{x} = \mathbf{u} \mathbf{x} \mathbf{x} / |\mathbf{x}| = |\mathbf{x}| \mathbf{u}$.

We are searching the symmetrically reflected 1-vector \mathbf{x}' to \mathbf{x}

around \mathbf{u} , still in the $\mathbf{u} \wedge \mathbf{x}$ plane.

The reverse rotor $U^\dagger = \hat{\mathbf{x}} \mathbf{u}$ (5.84) acts on \mathbf{x}' and must symmetrically give

$$(5.169) \quad U^\dagger \mathbf{x}' = |\mathbf{x}'| \mathbf{u} := |\mathbf{x}| \mathbf{u} = U \mathbf{x}, \quad \text{as } |\mathbf{x}'| := |\mathbf{x}| \quad (\text{dimmed in the top middle of Figure 5.41})$$

Let U act on this 1-vector $U \mathbf{x}$ once again $U^2 \mathbf{x} = U U \mathbf{x} = \frac{\mathbf{u} \mathbf{x} \mathbf{u} \mathbf{x}}{|\mathbf{x}| |\mathbf{x}|} = \mathbf{u} \mathbf{x} \mathbf{u} = \frac{\mathbf{u} \mathbf{x} \mathbf{x} \mathbf{u}}{|\mathbf{x}| |\mathbf{x}|} = U \mathbf{x} U^\dagger$

As a result, we have the rule of reflection of 1-vectors \mathbf{x} through (around) a given 1-vector \mathbf{u}

$$(5.170) \quad \mathbf{x}' = \mathbf{u} \mathbf{x} \mathbf{u} = U \mathbf{x} U^\dagger, \quad \text{and reverse}$$

$$(5.171) \quad \mathbf{x} = \mathbf{u} \mathbf{x}' \mathbf{u} = U^\dagger \mathbf{x}' U, \quad \text{as shown in Figure 5.42.}$$

This is the fundamental formulation of reflection in \mathbf{u}

inside this plane of Figure 5.41 and Figure 5.42. (around \mathbf{u})

We can divide any 1-vector into components along \mathbf{u} , like

$$(5.172) \quad \mathbf{x}_\parallel = (\mathbf{x} \cdot \mathbf{u}) \mathbf{u}, \quad \text{and transverse } \mathbf{x}_\perp = (\mathbf{x} \wedge \mathbf{u}) \mathbf{u}, \quad \text{as}$$

$$(5.173) \quad \mathbf{x} = \mathbf{x}_\parallel + \mathbf{x}_\perp \Leftrightarrow \mathbf{x}' = \mathbf{u} \mathbf{x} \mathbf{u} = \mathbf{x}_\parallel - \mathbf{x}_\perp, \quad \text{showed in Figure 5.42}$$

This is because we from (5.58)–(5.59) can write a 2-multivector as

$$(5.174) \quad \mathbf{u} \mathbf{x} = \mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{x} + \mathbf{u} \wedge \mathbf{x} \Leftrightarrow \mathbf{x} \mathbf{u} = \mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{x} - \mathbf{u} \wedge \mathbf{x} = \mathbf{x} \cdot \mathbf{u} + \mathbf{x} \wedge \mathbf{u},$$

and as we have

$$(5.175) \quad \mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{x}_\perp = \mathbf{x}_\perp \cdot \mathbf{u} = 0, \quad \text{and } \mathbf{u} \wedge \mathbf{x}_\parallel = \mathbf{x}_\parallel \wedge \mathbf{u} = 0; \quad \text{and } \mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{x}_\parallel = \mathbf{x}_\parallel \cdot \mathbf{u}, \quad \text{and } \mathbf{u} \wedge \mathbf{x}_\perp = -\mathbf{x}_\perp \wedge \mathbf{u},$$

Hence

$$(5.176) \quad \mathbf{u} \mathbf{x} = \mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{x}_\parallel + \mathbf{u} \wedge \mathbf{x}_\perp \Leftrightarrow \mathbf{x} \mathbf{u} = \mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{x}_\parallel - \mathbf{u} \wedge \mathbf{x}_\perp \Leftrightarrow \mathbf{x}' = \mathbf{u} \mathbf{x} \mathbf{u} = \mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{x}_\parallel - \mathbf{u} \wedge \mathbf{x}_\perp = \mathbf{x}_\parallel - \mathbf{x}_\perp. \quad (5.173)$$

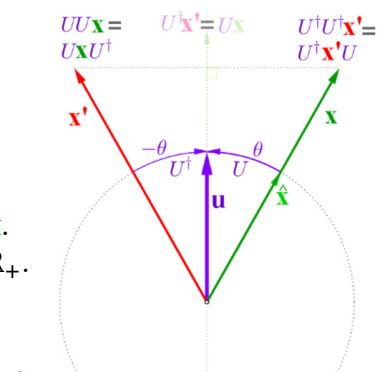


Figure 5.41 The plane $\mathbf{u} \wedge \mathbf{x}$.

Note the unit circle for the foundation plane idea.

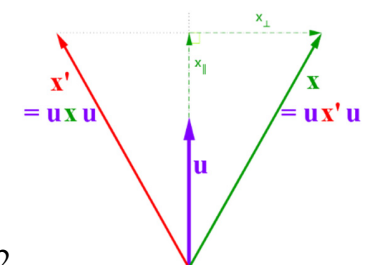


Figure 5.42 Reflection around a 1-vector \mathbf{u} . (through \mathbf{u} in the plane).