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space_time_para_4.1.3.wxm
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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
(%i38) 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$
      Ii:(-1)^ni*I$
      kill(ni)$
       ldisplay(Pvar)$
  (\%t8) Pvar = [e1, e2, e3, e4]
(%i9) batchload("initialize_lsts")$
  (\%t9) | stb||ds = [[{e1},{e2},{e3},{e4}],[{e1,e2},{e1,e3},{e1,e4},{e2,e3},{e2,e4},{e2,e4},{e2,e4},{e3,e4}]
e3,e4}],[{e1,e2,e3},{e1,e2,e4},{e1,e3,e4},{e2,e3,e4}],[{e1,e2,e3,e4}]]
e4},{e1,e2,e3},{e1,e2,e4},{e1,e3,e4},{e2,e3,e4},{e1,e2,e3,e4}]
(\%t11) invblds = [\{e1\}, \{e2\}, \{e3\}, \{e4\}, -\{e1, e2\}, -\{e1, e3\}, -\{e1, e4\}, -\{e2, e3\}, -\{e2, e4\}]
,-{e3,e4},-{e1,e2,e3},-{e1,e2,e4},-{e1,e3,e4},-{e2,e3,e4},{e1,e2,e3,e4}]
end of Initialization
set derivabbrev:false$
(%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;
(\%018)/R/-1
(\%019)/R/-1
(\%020)/R/-1
(\%021)/R/1
the spacetime coordinate vector using the gammas
(\%i22) x:x1*g1+x2*g2+x3*g3+t*g4;
(\%o22)\%i*{e3}*x3+\%i*{e2}*x2+\%i*{e1}*x1+{e4}*t
choose a simple rotation angle for partial verification of the hyperbolic identity
(%i23) alpha:%pi/3$
        ahalf:alpha/2;
(\%024)\frac{\pi}{6}
the velocity magnitude as a fraction of the speed of light
(%i25) tanh(alpha)$
        vel:ev(%,numer);
(%o26) 0.78071443535927
choose a simple (imaginary ugh!) unit vector, vhat for the unit velocity
(%i27) vhat:g2$
        vhat&*vhat;
(\%028)/R/-1
show the rotation plane and the rotation bivector
(%i29) Plane:vhat&*g4$
        B:Plane*ahalf$
        ldisplay(Plane,B)$
 (\%t31)/R/ Plane = \{e2, e4\}*\%i
 (\%t32)/R/B = \frac{\%i * \pi * \{ e2, e4 \}}{6}
form a rotation exponential, with accuracy limited using mvexp(,13)
(\%i33) mvexp(B,13)$
        ev(%,numer,expand);
(\%034) 0.54785347388804*\%i*{e2,e4}+1.140238321076428
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);
(\%037)0.54785347388804*\%i*{e2,e4}+1.140238321076429
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;
(%040) 0.54930614433406
form the rotation bivector
(%i41) vhat:g1$
        B:vhat&*g4*ahalf$
        ev(%,numer,expand);
(\%o43) 0.54930614433405 \%i \% \{e1,e4\}
form the left and right exponential multipliers
(%i44) mvexp(-B,13)$
        lexp:ev(%,numer,expand);
(%o45) 1.154700538379249-0.57735026918963*%i*{e1,e4}
(\%i46) mvexp(+B,13)$
       rexp:ev(%,numer,expand);
(\%o47) 0.57735026918963*\%i*{e1,e4}+1.154700538379249
apply the rotation to a spacetime coordinate vector "parallel" to the velocity
(\%i48) x:x1*g1+t*g4;
(\%048)\%i*{e1}*x1+{e4}*t
find the rotated spacetime vector
(%i49) xbar:lexp&*x&*rexp$
        ev(%,numer,expand)$
        collectterms(%,%i,e1,e4);
(\%051)\%i*{e1}*(1.66666666666666659*x1-1.33333333333333*t)+{e4}*
compare the spacetime rotation result with the Lorentz transformation factors
(%i52) L:1/sqrt(1-vel^2);
(%052) 1.666666666666667
(%i53) Lv:vel*1/sqrt(1-vel^2);
(%053) 1.33333333333333334
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;
(\%056)\%i*{e1}*(1.66666666666666667*x1-1.333333333333334*t)+{e4}*
(1.6666666666666667 * t - 1.333333333333333334 * \times 1)
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