

# Symplectic Plücker Transformations

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on the occasion of his 60th birthday

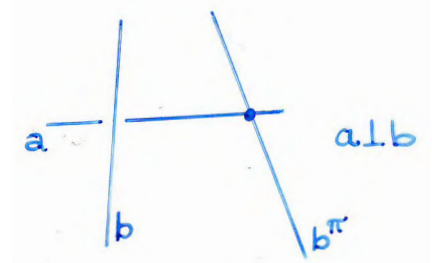
$(\mathcal{P}, \mathcal{L}, \pi)$  symplectic space ( $3 \leq \dim(\mathcal{P}, \mathcal{L}) \leq \infty$ ) with absolute quasipolarity  $\pi$ .

$a, b \in \mathcal{L}$

$a \perp b \iff a \cap b^\pi \neq \emptyset$  (orthogonal lines)

$a \sim b \iff (a \perp b \text{ and } a \cap b \neq \emptyset) \text{ or } (a = b)$  (related lines)

$a \perp a$  (isotropic line)  $\iff a \subset a^\pi$  (totally isotropic line)



$\text{P}\Gamma\text{Sp}(\mathcal{P}, \pi)$  ... group of collineations commuting with  $\pi$ .

$(\mathcal{L}, \sim)$  ... Plücker space (W. Benz)

$\varphi: \mathcal{L} \rightarrow \mathcal{L}$  bijective, preserving  $\sim$  in both directions  
(Plücker transformation).

We say that  $\varphi$  is induced by a mapping  $\kappa: \mathcal{P} \rightarrow \mathcal{P}$ , if

$$(A \vee B)^\varphi = A^\kappa \vee B^\kappa \text{ for all } A, B \in \mathcal{P} \text{ with } A \neq B.$$



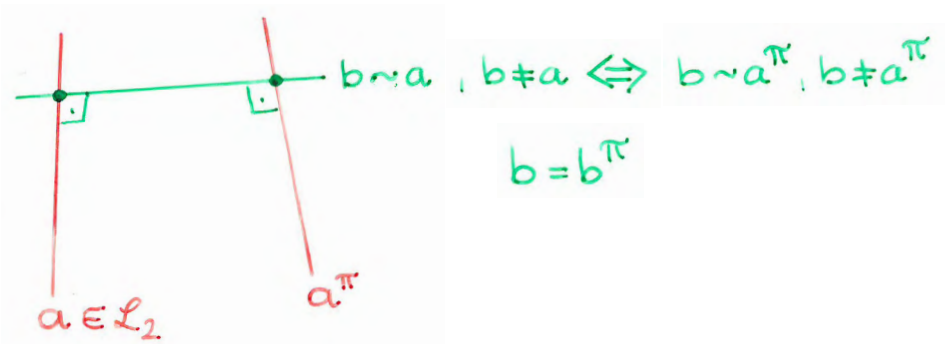
Example 1. Each  $\kappa \in \text{PGSp}(\mathcal{P}, \pi)$  is inducing a Plücker transformation.

Example 2. Let  $\dim(\mathcal{P}, \mathcal{L}) = 3$ . For each duality  $\tau$  with  $\tau\pi = \pi\tau$  the restriction  $\tau|_{\mathcal{L}}: \mathcal{L} \rightarrow \mathcal{L}$  is a Plücker transformation.

Example 3. Let  $\dim(\mathcal{P}, \mathcal{L}) = 3$  and let  $\mathcal{L}_2 \subset \mathcal{L}$  be any subset of non-isotropic lines such that  $\mathcal{L}_2^\pi = \mathcal{L}_2$ . Define

$$\delta: \mathcal{L} \rightarrow \mathcal{L}, \begin{cases} x \mapsto x & \text{if } x \in \mathcal{L} \setminus \mathcal{L}_2, \\ x \mapsto x^\pi & \text{if } x \in \mathcal{L}_2. \end{cases}$$

(partial  $\pi$ -transformation with respect to  $\mathcal{L}_2$ ).



**Theorem 1.** Let  $(\mathcal{P}, \mathcal{L}, \pi)$  be a 3-dimensional symplectic space and let  $\beta: \mathcal{L} \rightarrow \mathcal{L}$  be a bijection such that

$$a \sim b \text{ implies } a^\beta \sim b^\beta \text{ for all } a, b \in \mathcal{L}.$$

Then there exists a partial  $\pi$ -transformation  $\delta: \mathcal{L} \rightarrow \mathcal{L}$  such that  $\delta\beta$  is induced by a collineation  $\kappa \in \text{PGSp}(\mathcal{P}, \pi)$ .

**Theorem 2.** Let  $(\mathcal{P}, \mathcal{L}, \pi)$  be an  $n$ -dimensional symplectic space ( $5 \leq n \leq \infty$ ) and let  $\beta: \mathcal{L} \rightarrow \mathcal{L}$  be a bijection such that

$$a \sim b \text{ implies } a^\beta \sim b^\beta \text{ for all } a, b \in \mathcal{L}.$$

Then  $\beta$  is induced by a collineation  $\kappa \in \text{PGSp}(\mathcal{P}, \pi)$ .

Lemma 1. If  $Q \in \mathcal{P}$ , then all isotropic lines through  $Q$  are given by

$$\mathcal{I}[Q] := \{x \in \mathcal{L} \mid Q \in x \subset Q^\pi\}.$$

Let  $a \in \mathcal{L}$  be non-isotropic. The set of isotropic lines intersecting the line  $a$  equals the set of all lines intersecting both  $a$  and  $a^\pi$ .

Lemma 2. Distinct lines  $a, b \in \mathcal{L}$  with  $a \cap b \neq \emptyset$  are related if, and only if,  $a$  or  $b$  is isotropic.

Lemma 3. Let  $\mathcal{M}$  be a set of mutually related lines. Then at most one line of  $\mathcal{M}$  is non-isotropic.

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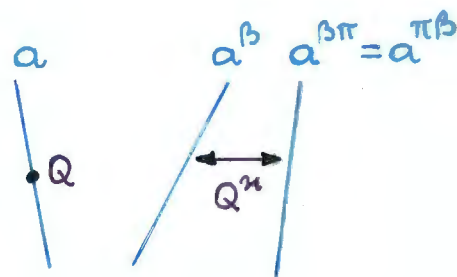
1.1. There exists an injective mapping  $\kappa: \mathcal{P} \rightarrow \mathcal{P}$  with

$$\underline{\mathcal{J}[Q]^\beta = \mathcal{J}[Q^\kappa]} \text{ for all } Q \in \mathcal{P}.$$

Moreover,  $\beta$  is a Plücker transformation, since the set of isotropic lines is invariant under  $\beta$  and  $\beta^{-1}$ .

1.2. Let  $a \in \mathcal{L}$ . Then  $a^{\beta\pi} = a^{\pi\beta}$  and

$$\underline{Q^\kappa \in a^\beta \cup a^{\pi\beta}} \text{ for all } Q \in a.$$



If  $a \in \mathcal{L}$  is non-isotropic, then either

$$\underline{Q^\kappa \in a^\beta} \text{ for all } Q \in a \text{ (lines of } \underline{1^{\text{st}}} \text{ kind ... } \mathcal{L}_1)$$

or

$$\underline{Q^\kappa \in a^{\pi\beta}} \text{ for all } Q \in a \text{ (lines of } \underline{2^{\text{nd}}} \text{ kind ... } \mathcal{L}_2).$$

1.3. The mapping

$$\delta: \mathcal{L} \rightarrow \mathcal{L}, \begin{cases} x \mapsto x & \text{if } x \in \mathcal{L} \setminus \mathcal{L}_2, \\ x \mapsto x^\pi & \text{if } x \in \mathcal{L}_2, \end{cases}$$

is a partial  $\pi$ -transformation. The Plücker transformation  $\delta\beta$  takes intersecting lines to intersecting lines.

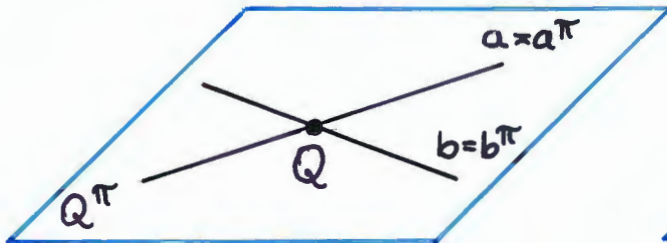
1.4.  $\kappa \in \text{P}\Gamma\text{Sp}(\mathcal{P}, \pi)$ . The Plücker transformation  $\delta\beta$  is induced by this collineation  $\kappa$ .

$$\underline{\underline{\mathcal{J}[Q]^\beta = \mathcal{J}[Q']}}$$

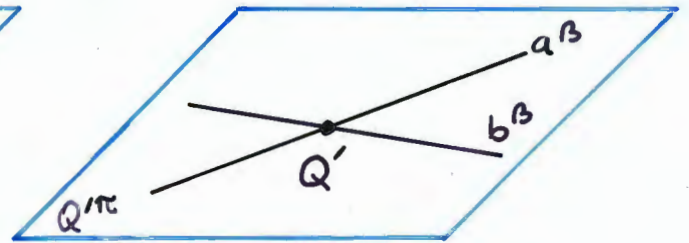
Bew.:

$$x \sim y \quad \forall x, y \in \mathcal{J}[Q]$$

$\Rightarrow x^\beta \sim y^\beta \quad \forall x, y \in \mathcal{J}[Q]^\beta$   
 in  $\mathcal{J}[Q]^\beta \exists$  höchstens  
 eine nicht isotrope Gerade  
 $c^\beta$



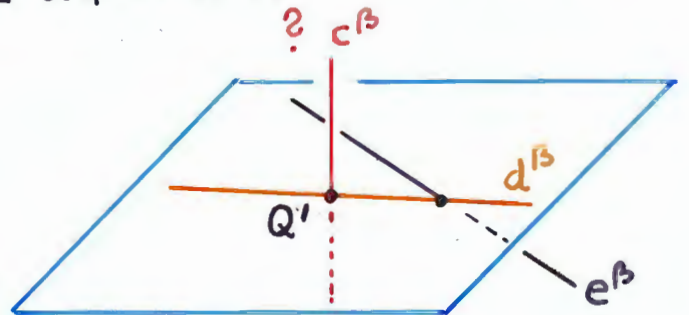
$a, b \in \mathcal{J}[Q] \setminus \{c\}, a \neq b$



$\Rightarrow a^\beta \sim b^\beta, a^\beta, b^\beta \in \mathcal{J}, a^\beta \neq b^\beta$   
 $\underline{Q' := a^\beta \cap b^\beta}$

$$\underline{\underline{\mathcal{J}[Q]^\beta \subset \mathcal{J}[Q']}}$$

ind.:  $\exists d \notin \mathcal{J}[Q]$  mit  $d^\beta \in \mathcal{J}[Q']$



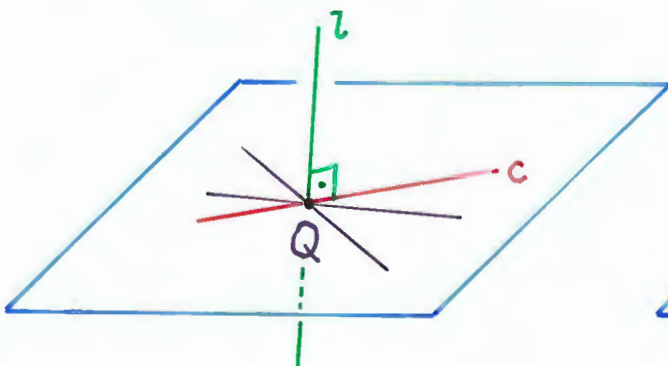
$\exists e : e \perp \mathcal{J}[Q]$

$\Leftrightarrow \exists e^\beta : e^\beta \perp \mathcal{J}[Q]^\beta$

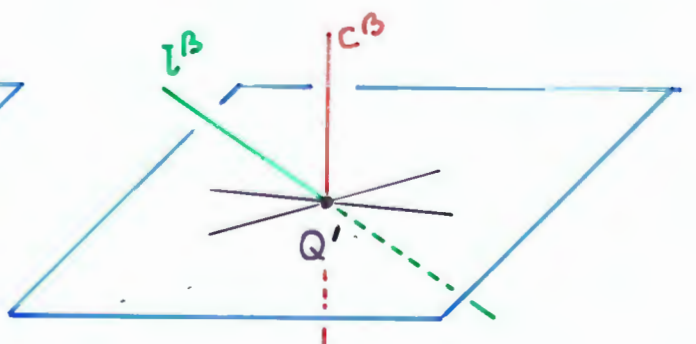
unmöglich wegen  $\dim = 3$

$$\underline{\underline{\mathcal{J}[Q]^\beta \subset \mathcal{J}[Q']}}, \text{ d.h. } \nexists c$$

ind.:  $\exists c \in \mathcal{J}[Q], c^\beta \notin \mathcal{J}[Q']$



$\mathcal{J}[Q] \cup \{l\}$  paarweise  $\sim$



$c^\beta \not\perp l^\beta$  Wid!  
 weil nicht isotrop

2.1. The bijection  $\beta$  takes intersecting lines to intersecting lines. There exists an injective mapping  $\kappa: \mathcal{P} \rightarrow \mathcal{P}$  inducing  $\beta$ . This  $\kappa$  is preserving collinearity and non-collinearity of points. Moreover

$$\mathcal{L}[Q]^\beta = \mathcal{L}[Q^\kappa] \text{ for all } Q \in \mathcal{P}.$$

2.2. The bijection  $\beta$  is a Plücker transformation, since the set of isotropic lines is invariant under  $\beta$  and  $\beta^{-1}$ .

2.3.  $\kappa \in \text{PGSp}(\mathcal{P}, \pi)$ .

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