

# An Introduction to Geometry over Rings

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# Section 1

## The Beginning

# J. Hjelmslev

Between 1916 and 1949 J. Hjelmslev discussed in 8 papers a natural geometry

Papers:

Die Geometrie der Wirklichkeit (Acta Math 40 (1916))

Die natürliche Geometrie (Abh. Math Sem. Univ Hamburg 2 (1923))

Einleitung in die allgemeine Kongruenzlehre I - VI (Danske Vid. Selek. Math (1929-1949))

# Main ideas

His main ideas:

- ▶ For any line there is in every point exactly one perpendicular line.
- ▶ In a quadrangle with three right angle also the fourth angle is right.
- ▶ Two distinct line may intersect in a line segment.
- ▶ Some points may have more then one connecting lines.

# neighbours

We call two points **neighbours** if there is more than one connecting line.

We call two lines  $G, H$  **neighbours** if for any point  $x \in G$  there is a neighbour point  $y \in H$  and vice versa.

# Properties

Hjelmslev:

The relation **neighbour** should be an equivalence relation

The identification of neighbour points and neighbour lines should result in a known Großgeometrie

Using the dual numbers  $H = \mathbb{R} + \mathbb{R}\epsilon$  as coordinates he considered 1929 an example with such properties.

# Dual numbers

For a field  $\mathbb{K}$  let  $H := \mathbb{K} + \mathbb{K}\epsilon$

with  $\epsilon \cdot \epsilon = 0$

hence for  $\mathbb{K} = \mathbb{R}$

$$(2 + 4\epsilon) \cdot (5 + 3\epsilon) = 10 + (6 + 20)\epsilon = 10 + 26\epsilon$$

For  $\mathbb{K} = \mathbb{Z}_2$  and  $H_2 = \mathbb{Z}_2 + \mathbb{Z}_2\epsilon$ :

$$\mathbb{Z}_2 = \{0, 1\}$$

$$H_2 = \{0, \epsilon, 1, 1 + \epsilon\}$$



# affine plane over $K$

We consider the affine plane  $AG(2, K)$  over  $K$ .

Points:  $A' := K \times K$ .

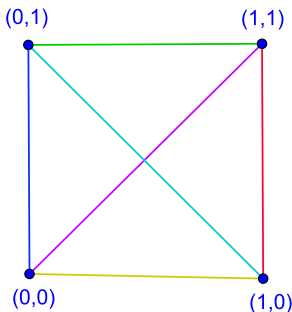
Lines:  $\mathcal{L}' := \{a + Kb : a, b \in A' \text{ and } b \neq (0, 0)\}$

## affine plane over $\mathbb{Z}_2$

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Points:  $\mathbb{Z}_2 \times \mathbb{Z}_2 = \{(0, 0), (0, 1), (1, 0), (1, 1)\}$

Lines:  $\{\mathbb{Z}_2(1, 0), (0, 1) + \mathbb{Z}_2(1, 0),$   
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# Hjelmslev plane over $H_2$

We consider the affine Hjelmslev plane  $AHG(2, H_2)$  over  $H_2$

Points:  $A := H_2 \times H_2$

the following mapping identify neighbouring points:

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \pi : & H_2 \times H_2 & \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}_2 \times \mathbb{Z}_2 \\ & (x + x'\epsilon, y + y'\epsilon) & \rightarrow (x, y) \end{array}$$

# Hjelmslev plane over $H_2$

affine plane

point:  $(0,0)$

point:  $(0,1)$

line:  $\mathbb{Z}_2(0,1)$

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Hjelmslev plane

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lines:  $H_2(0,1), (\epsilon, 0) + H_2(0,1)$   
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# Definition

Therefore we define the affine Hjelmslev plane  $AHG(2, H_2)$  over  $H_2$ :

Points:  $P = H_2 \times H_2$

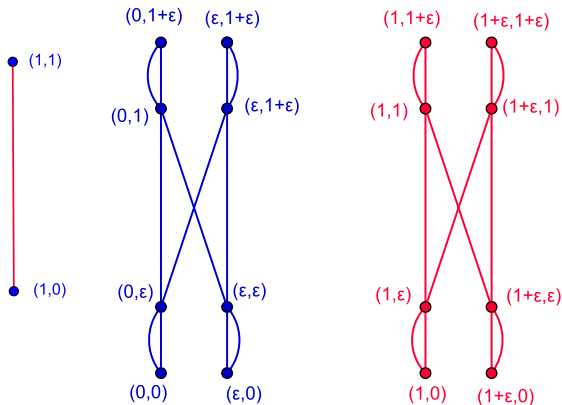
Lines:  $\mathcal{L} := \{a + H_2b : a, b \in P \text{ and } \pi(b) \neq (0, 0)\}$

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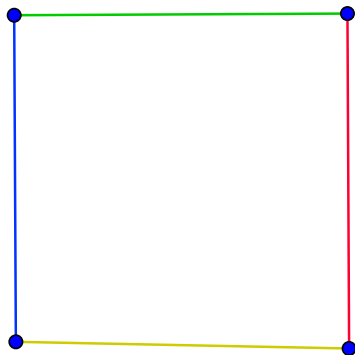


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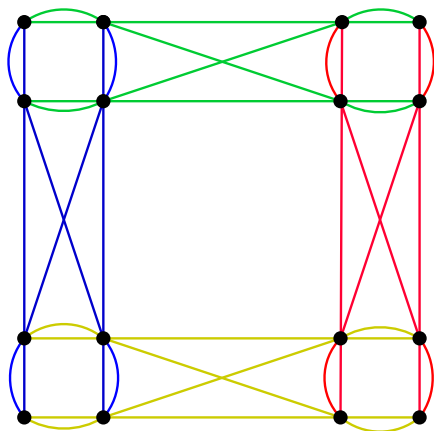


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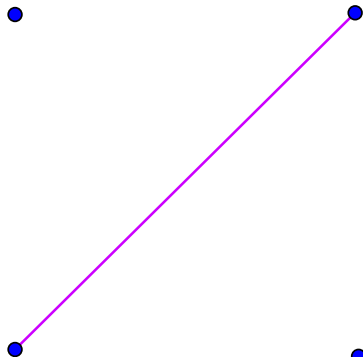


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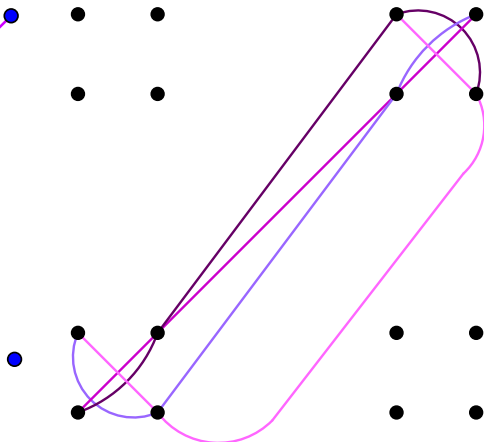


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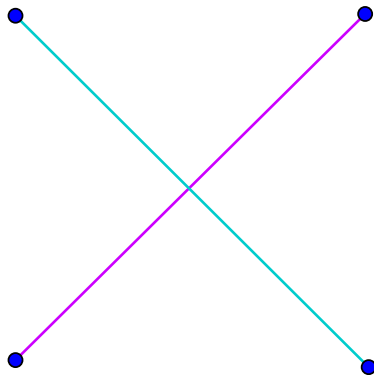
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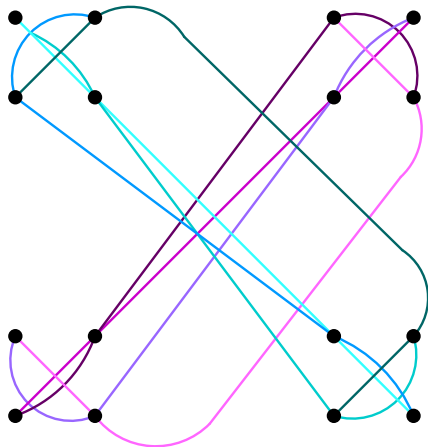


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Hjelmslev plane



## affine Hjelmslev plane over $H_2$

We have:

16 points

24 lines

6 parallel classes

every parallel class contains 4 lines

the parallel classes are not uniquely determined

## further papers

There are other papers with deal with planes over rings:

D. Barbilian 1940

G.J. Everett 1942

## Section 2

### Projective and affine Hjelmslev Planes

# projective Hjelmslev planes

1954 W. Klingenberg act on the suggestions of Hjelmslev.  
He defines projective „Ebenen mit Nachbarelementen“

Today the notion „projective Hjelmslev planes“ is common.

# characteristic properties

The characteristic properties are

- ▶ Any two points have a connecting line
- ▶ The relation „neighbour“ is defined geometrically
- ▶ Points which are not neighbours have a unique connecting line
- ▶ Identifying neighbouring points leads to a projective (affine) plane.

# Incidence structure

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If

(I1) Any two points are incident with exactly one line

(I2) Any line contains at least two point

we call  $(P, \mathcal{L})$  a **linear space** or an **incidence space**.



# projective plane

An incidence space  $(P, \mathfrak{L})$  is a **projective plane**, if

(I3)  $|L| \geq 3$  for any line  $L \in \mathfrak{L}$

(I4)  $|L \cap G| \neq \emptyset$  for any lines  $L, G \in \mathfrak{L}$ .

# projective Hjelmslev plane

Let  $(P, \mathcal{L})$  be an incidence structure. We define a relation **neighbouring** on the point and line set.

(D1)  $a, b \in P$  are neighbours, if there are distinct lines  $L, G \in \mathcal{L}$  with  $a, b \in L, G$ .

(D2)  $G, L \in \mathcal{L}$  are neighbours, if  $|G \cap L| \geq 2$ .

We write  $a \approx b$  and  $G \approx H$

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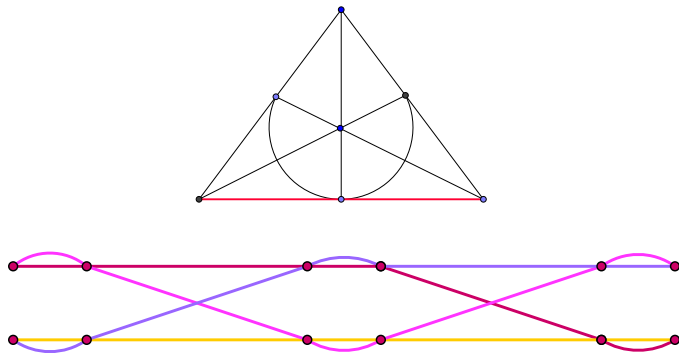
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(PH3) There is an epimorphism  $\pi$  on a projective plane  $(\pi P, \pi \mathcal{L})$  with

$$(i) a \approx b \Leftrightarrow \pi(a) = \pi(b) \quad (ii) G \approx L \Leftrightarrow \pi(G) = \pi(L)$$

# example



# affine derivation

Let  $(P, \mathfrak{L})$  be a projective Hjelmslev plane. Let  $F \in \mathfrak{L}$ .

$[F] := \{L \in \mathfrak{L} : L \approx F\}$  the neighbour class of  $F$ .

$$A := P \setminus \left( \bigcup_{L \in [F]} L \right)$$

$$\mathfrak{L}_A := \{L' = L \cap A : L \in \mathfrak{L} \setminus [F]\}$$

$$L' \parallel G' :\Leftrightarrow L \cap G \in F$$

$(A, \mathfrak{L}_A \parallel)$  is called the affine derivation.

# affine Hjelmslev plane

1962 H. Lüneburg uses properties of the affine derivation as axioms for an affine Hjelmslev plane.

(D2')  $G, L \in \mathfrak{L}$  are neighbours if for every  $a \in G$  there is a neighbour point  $b \in L$  and vice versa.

An incidence structure  $(A, \mathfrak{L}, ||)$  with an equivalence relation „parallel“ is called an **affine Hjelmslev plane**, if

# affine Hjelmslev plane

(AH1) For all distinct points  $a, b \in A$  there exists a line  $L \in \mathfrak{L}$  with  $a, b \in L$

(AH2) For every point  $a \in A$  and every line  $L \in \mathfrak{L}$  there is a unique line  $G \in \mathfrak{L}$  with  $a \in G$  and  $G \parallel L$

(AH3) For  $G \cap L \neq \emptyset$  it holds  $G \approx L \Leftrightarrow |G \cap L| \geq 2$

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(iii)  $G \cap L = \emptyset \Rightarrow \pi(G) \parallel \pi(L)$

# Questions

- ▶ What properties are necessary to introduce special rings (H-rings, AH-rings) as coordinates in affine/projective Hjelmslev planes?
- ▶ Is it possible to complete an affine Hjelmslev plane to a projective Hjelmslev plane?
- ▶ What are characteristic numbers for finite Hjelmslev planes?



## Section 3

Desarguesian Hjelmslev planes and Hjelmslev rings

# Translation

Let  $(A, \mathfrak{L}, \parallel)$  be an affine Hjelmslev plane.

A bijective mapping  $\sigma : A \rightarrow A$  is a **dilatation**, if  $\sigma(L) \parallel L$  for a line  $L \in \mathfrak{L}$ .

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A quasi translation  $\tau$  is called **translation**, if for  $\tau(F) = F$  it follows that also  $\tau(L) = L$  (trace) for any parallel line  $L$  of  $F$ .

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( $\Delta'$ ) Let  $\tau$  be translation with  $\tau(x) \not\approx x$ . If any trace of a translation  $\tau$  is also a trace of a translation  $\tau'$ , then there exists an epimorphism of the translation group, which maps  $\tau$  on  $\tau'$ .

# H-ring and AH-ring

Let  $R$  be an associative ring with  $1 \neq 0$ .  $R$  is called an affine Hjelmslev ring (**AH-ring**) if:

(HR1) Every element is either unit or zero divisor.

(HR2) All zero divisors are two sided and the set  $N$  of all zero divisor is a two sided ideal.

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An AH-ring  $R$  is a Hjelmslev ring (**H-ring**), if

(HR4) For  $a, b \in N$  there holds  $a \in Hb$  or  $b \in Ha$



## local ring

Remark: An AH-ring or an H-ring is always a local ring,  
i.e., there is a unique maximal ideal.

Examples are the dual numbers or the factor ring  $K[x]/(x^n)$  for any commutative field  $K$  and any  $n \in \mathbb{N}$

There are AH-rings which are not H-rings.

## example

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$$\begin{aligned} R &:= K \times K, \quad (a_1, a_2) + (b_1, b_2) := (a_1 + b_1, a_2 + b_2) \\ (a_1, a_2) \cdot (b_1, b_2) &:= (a_1 \cdot b_1, a_1 \cdot b_2 + a_2 \cdot \rho(b_1)) \end{aligned}$$

$R$  is an AH-ring, but not an H-ring.

$$\begin{aligned} (0, t) \cdot (x_1, x_2) &= (0, t \cdot \rho(x_1)) \neq (0, 1) \quad \Rightarrow (0, 1) \notin (0, t)R \\ (0, 1) \cdot (x_1, x_2) &= (0, \rho(x_1)) \neq (0, t) \quad \Rightarrow (0, t) \notin (0, 1)R \end{aligned}$$

# $A(R)$

Let  $R$  be an AH-ring or an H-ring.

$$A := R \times R$$

$$\mathfrak{L} := \{(a_1, a_2) + R(b_1, b_2) \mid (a_1, a_2), (b_1, b_2) \in A \\ \text{and } (b_1, b_2) \notin N \times N\}$$

$$(a_1, a_2) + R(b_1, b_2) \parallel (c_1, c_2) + R(d_1, d_2) \iff \\ R(b_1, b_2) = R(d_1, d_2)$$

$A(R) =: (A, \mathfrak{L}, \parallel)$  (affine Hjelmslev coordinate plane)

# Theorem

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Let  $(A, \mathfrak{L}, \parallel)$  be an affine Hjelmslev plane.

(iii) If  $(\delta)$  and  $(\Delta')$  are valid, then there exists an AH-ring  $R$  and a parallelism preserving isomorphism from  $A(R)$  to  $(A, \mathfrak{L}, \parallel)$ .

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# $\Pi(R)$

Let  $R$  be an H-ring.

$$P := \{x = R(x_1, x_2, x_3) \mid (x_1, x_2, x_3) \in R \times R \times R \setminus N \times N \times N\}$$

$$\mathcal{L} := \{L = (a_1, a_2, a_3)R \mid (a_1, a_2, a_3) \in R \times R \times R \setminus N \times N \times N\}$$

$$x = R(x_1, x_2, x_3) \in L = (a_1, a_2, a_3)R \iff x_1 a_1 + x_2 a_2 + x_3 a_3 = 0$$

$$\Pi(R) := (P, \mathcal{L}) \quad (\text{projective Hjelmslev coordinate plane})$$

# projective H-plane

Remark: For an H-ring  $R$ ,  $\Pi(R)$  is a projective Hjelmslev plane.

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There are many papers which characterize desarguesian projective Hjelmslev planes by figures and/or by properties of the contained affine Hjelmslev planes (at least three are necessary).

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## local rings

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(PK1) For all not neighbouring points  $a, b \in P$  there exists a unique line  $L \in \mathfrak{L}$  with  $a, b \in L$ .

(PK2)  $|L \cap G| \neq \emptyset$  for any not neighbouring lines  $L, G \in \mathfrak{L}$ .

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$$(iv) \ |\pi(G) \cap \pi(L)| = 1 \Rightarrow |G \cap L| = 1$$



# Axiom of Desargues

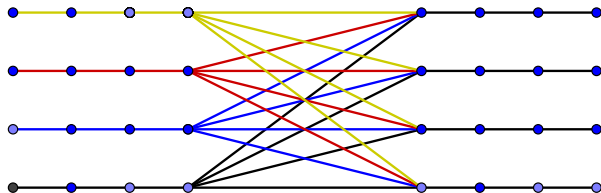
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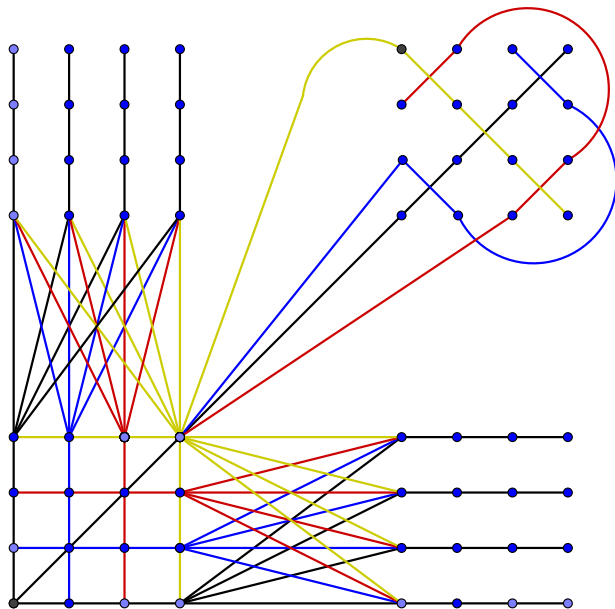
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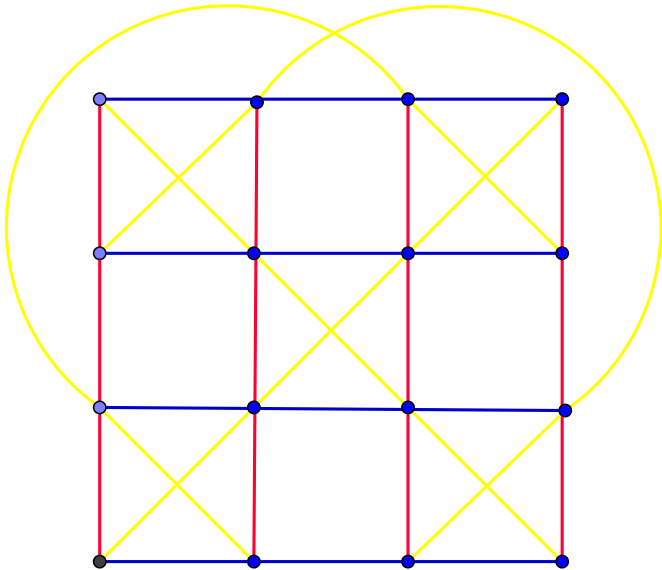
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## Section 4

Embedding of affine Hjelmslev planes

# Question

Is it possible to embed any (desarguesian) AH-plane into a projective PH-plane?

If yes, is the PH-plane unique (up to isomorphism)?

# uniform Hjelmslev plane

Kleinfeld 1959, Lüneburg 1962:

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$(A, \mathcal{L})$  is uniform if and only if the restriction to a neighbour class of any point  $([a], \mathcal{L}([a]))$  is an affine plane.

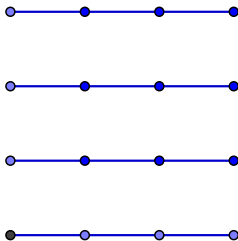
$$[a] := \{b \in A : b \approx a\}$$

$$\mathcal{L}([a]) := \{L \cap [a] : L \in \mathcal{L} \text{ and } L \cap [a] \neq \emptyset\}$$

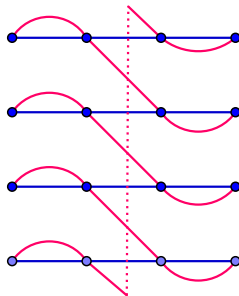


# figure

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Drake 68, Dembowski 68:

Strongly desarguesian AH-planes can be embedded in a unique (up to isomorphism) desarguesian PH-plane.

BUT: In general, strongly desarguesian AH-planes can be embedded in a non-desarguesian PH-plane.

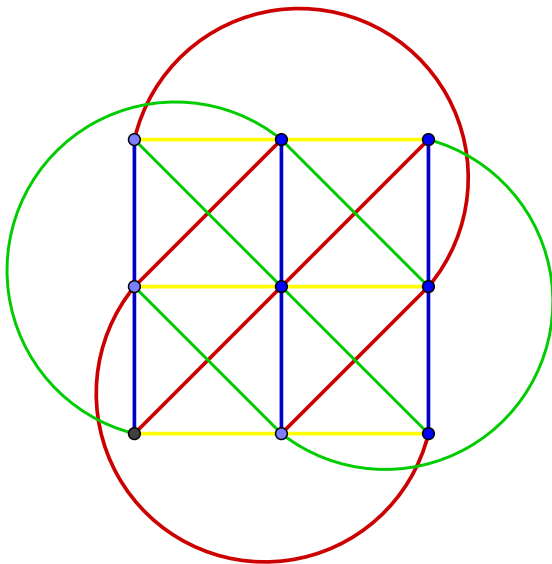
# Construction

Artmann 1970:

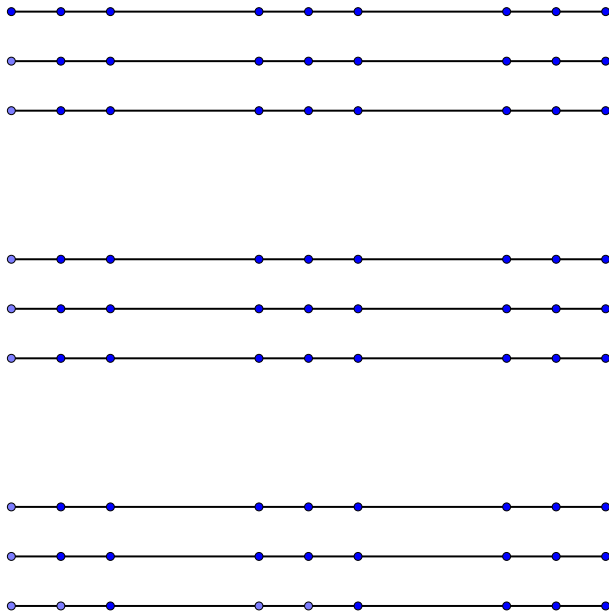
Let  $(A, \mathcal{L})$  be a uniform AH-plane. To embed it, we add new classes of neighbouring points.

For every class of neighbouring points we add an affine plane, which is isomorphic to  $(\pi A, \pi \mathcal{L})$ .

## affine plane of order 3



# uniform AH-plane , $r=3$



# Remarks

Let  $(A, \mathfrak{L})$  be a uniform AH-plane.

The lines consists of parallel classes.

Every parallel class consists of neighbour parallel classes

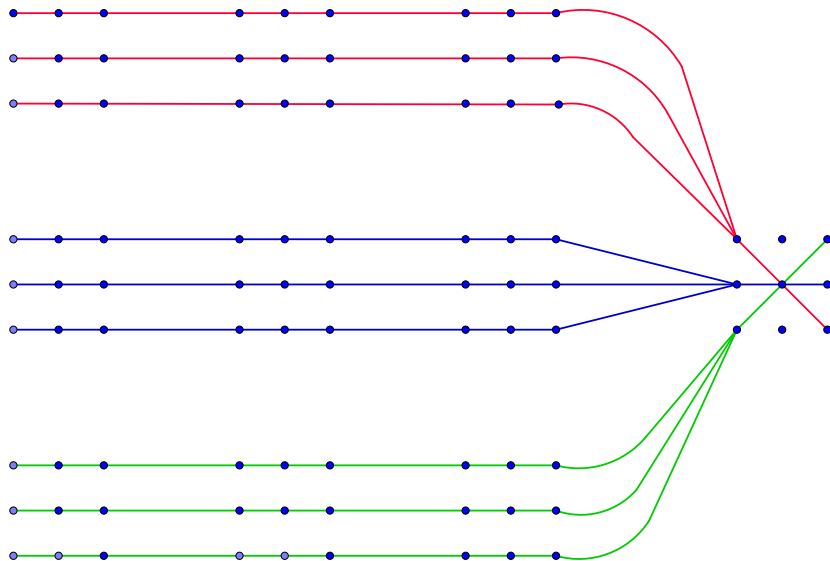
$$[[G]] := \{L \in \mathfrak{L} : L \parallel G \text{ and } L \approx G\}$$

In every parallel class there are as many neighbour parallel classes as there are lines in one parallel class of  $(\pi A, \pi \mathfrak{L})$

Hence there is a bijection of the neighbour parallel classes on the the parallel classes of  $(\pi A, \pi \mathfrak{L}) - 1$ .

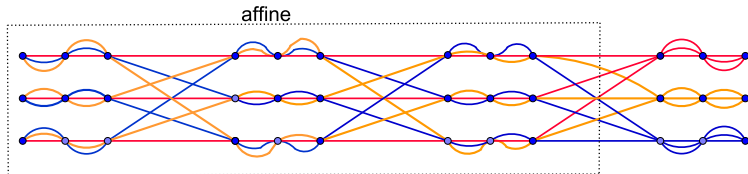
There are as many parallel classes neighbours as there are lines in a parallel class of  $(\pi A, \pi \mathfrak{L})$

# neighbour parallel classes





# one class of neighbour lines



# Embedding Theorem

B. Artmann 70, Bacon 74:

Any uniform AH-plane can be embedded into a uniform PH-plane, if it is projectively uniform.

**projectively uniform** :  $\Leftrightarrow$  If  $G \approx L$  and  $G \cap L = \emptyset$  then  $G \parallel L$ .

# finite planes

Bacon 1974:

Any finite uniform AH-plane is projectively uniform.

W.E. Clark and Drake 1973:

Any finite AH-ring is an H-ring, i.e. (HR3) and (HR4) are in the finite case equivalent.

Corollary: Any finite desarguesian AH-plane is strongly desarguesian.

# Section 5

Finite Hjelmslev planes

# characteristic numbers

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$t$  is independent of the choice of  $x$  and  $L$ .

$t$  is also the number of neighbour lines of  $L$  passing  $x$ .

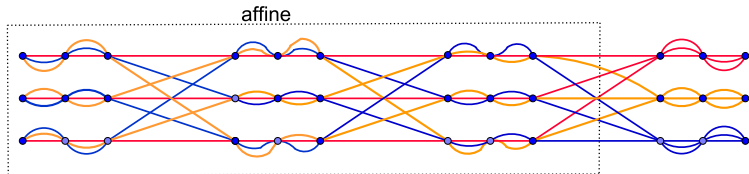
# finite PH-plane

Kleinfeld 59, Lüneburg 62:

Let  $(P, \mathcal{L})$  be a finite PH-plane:

- ▶ Every point has  $t^2$  neighbour points.
- ▶ Every line has  $t^2$  neighbour lines.
- ▶ Every point is incident with  $t(r + 1)$  lines.
- ▶ Every line is incident with  $t(r + 1)$  points.
- ▶  $|P| = t^2(r^2 + r + 1)$ .
- ▶  $|\mathcal{L}| = t^2(r^2 + r + 1)$ .
- ▶ It holds  $t = 1$  or  $r \leq t$

$r=3, t=3$





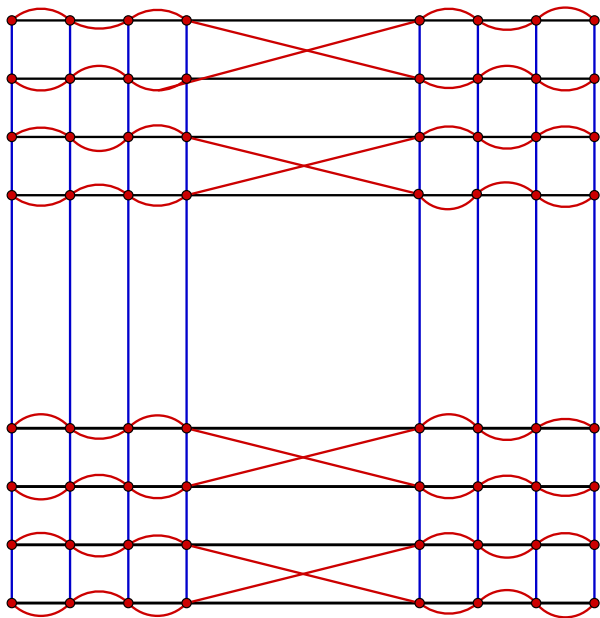
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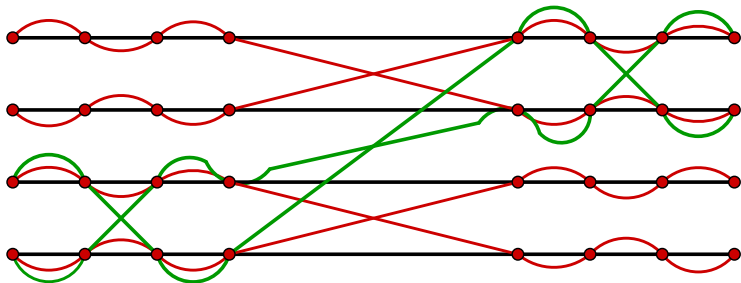
Let  $(A, \mathcal{L})$  be a finite AH-plane:

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- ▶ Every point is incident with  $t(r + 1)$  lines.
- ▶ Every line is incident with  $tr$  points.
- ▶ Every line has  $t^2$  parallel lines.
- ▶  $|A| = t^2 r^2$ .
- ▶  $|\mathcal{L}| = t^2(r^2 + r)$ .
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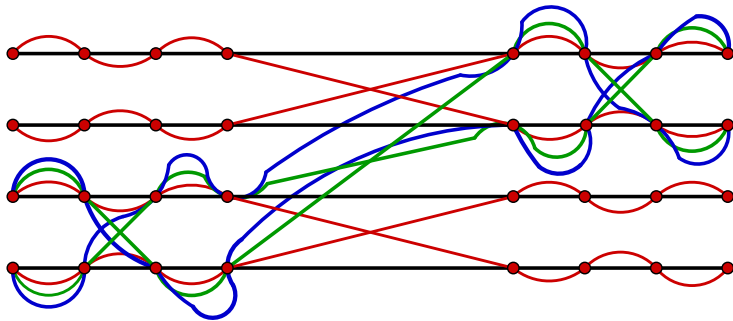
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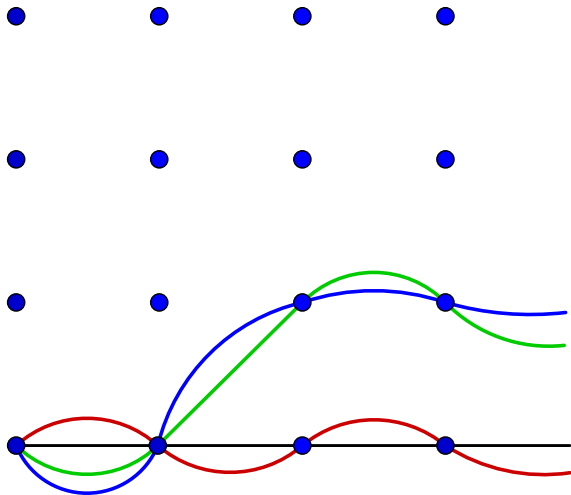
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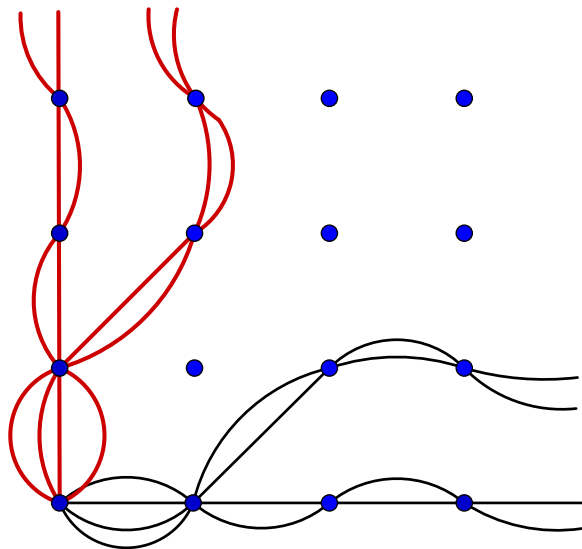
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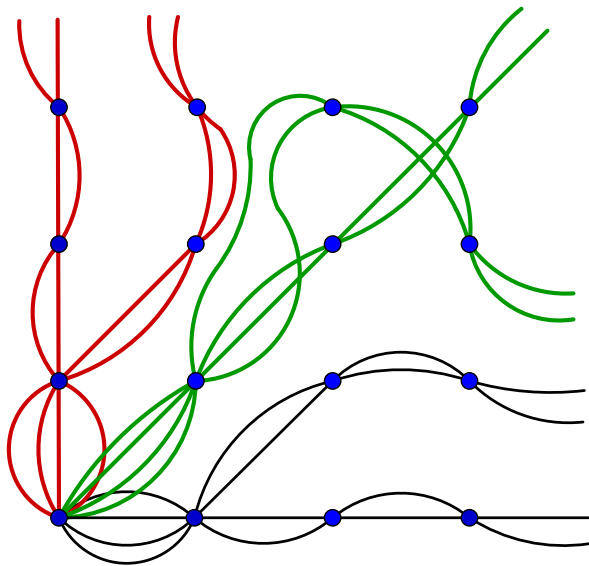
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## finite and uniform

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Then  $(P, \mathfrak{L})$  is uniform, if and only if  $r = t$ .



# finite and commutative

Kleinfeld 59:

There are finite H-rings which are not commutative.

EXAMPLE: Let  $p$  be a prime,  $K = GF(p^n)$  the finite field with  $p^n$  elements, and  $\varphi : K \rightarrow K$  an automorphism with  $\varphi \neq id$  (for example  $\varphi(x) = x^p$ ).

$$R := K \times K, \quad (a, b) + (c, d) := (a + c, b + d), \text{ and} \\ (a, b) \cdot (c, d) := (ac, ad + b\varphi(d))$$

# Existence-I

R.T. Craig (and later results):

For any affine (projective) plane  $(P^*, \mathcal{L}^*)$  with order  $r$ , there is a uniform AH-plane (PH-plane)  $(P, \mathcal{L})$  with  $(P^*, \mathcal{L}^*) \cong (\pi P, \pi \mathcal{L})$ .

# Existence-II

Artmann 71: If there is an affine plane with order  $r$ , then there exists a AH-plane with the characteristic pair  $(t, r) = (r^n, r)$

# Existence-III

Until 1975 for all known finite AH-planes,  $t$  was a power of  $r$ .

H.Lenz, Drake 75: Using known results to the number  $\ell(t)$  of distinct Latin squares to a given number  $t \in \mathbb{N}$ , LD constructed new projective Klingenberg planes to a pair  $(t, r)$ , if:

there is a projective plane with order  $r$

$$\ell(t) \geq r + 1.$$

Using this results, LD proved:

If there exists a projective plane with order  $q$ .

# Existence IV

Lenz, Drake 1975:

If there exists a projective plane with order  $q$ .

If there exists a PH-plane with pair  $(t, r)$  and  $q = t(r + 1) - 1$ .

Then there exists a PH-plane with pair  $(qt, r)$  ( **Lenz pair**)

Examples

$r$	2	2	2	3	3	4	5
$t$	2	4	8	3	27	4	5
$q$	5	11	23	11	107	19	29
$qt$	10	44	184	33	2889	76	145

(There are infinite many possibilities)

## Last remarks

Drake and Törner 76,77 give a characterization of PH-planes with Lenz pair (**regular, minimal uniform**).

Drake, E.E. Shult give examples for PH-planes, in particular distinct PH-planes for  $(t, r) = (4, 2)$  or  $(8, 2)$

G. Törner considered nearly affine Hjelmselv planes

Lenz, 78, D. Jungnickel 77,78,79,80, S.S. Sane 80, 81, Drake 80 considered finite Hjelmslev and Klingenberg planes.

# Open problems

Exists a PH-plane to the pair  $(6,2)$  ?

There are some results to PH-planes with the pair  $(8,5)$  (not regular!).

# End

Thank you for your attention!