



A NOTE ON PAPPAN AFINNE PLANES

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Abstract

In (Schmidt and Steinitz,-1996); an affine plane with fixed basis $\{t_1, t_2, 0\}$ is coordinated. Then, a ternary operation T on R which is a set of points on l which is dependent on the coordinate system l_1, l_2, t is defined. In addition, two different binary operation denoted by $+, \bullet$ on R using ternary operation T . After then, it is showed that $(R, +, \bullet)$ is a division ring. In this paper, first of all we examined the relation between (R, T) ternary ring and Desargues postulate in affine plane. After then, we showed that $(R, +, \bullet)$ is field in case affine plane satisfies Pappus Theorem. This results appeared in the first author's Msc thesis.

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1. INTRODUCTION

Definition 1.1: [1] An affine space is a quadrupel $A = (P, L, \parallel, \sim)$ where P is a set, L is a set of nonempty subsets of P , \parallel is a binary relation on L and \sim is a binary relation on P such that the following conditions are satisfied.

(A1) **Line axiom** : For all $p, q \in P$ with $p \neq q$ there exists (with respect to set inclusion) a least member of L , denoted by pq , which contains p and q . Further, for every $l \in L$ and $p \in l$ there exists a $p \in P \setminus p$ with $l := pq$.

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(A2) **Parallel axiom** : \parallel is an equivalence relation on L such that for every pair $(p, l) \in P \times L$ there exists a unique member k of L with $p \in k$ and

$k \parallel l$; we abbreviate $\Pi(p|l) := k$. Further; $k \subseteq l$ implies

$\Pi(p|k) \subseteq \Pi(p|l)$ for all $p \in P$ and $k, l \in L$.

(A3) **Triangle axiom** : Whenever p, q, r are pairwise different elements of P then $\Pi(a|pq) = \Pi(b|pq)$ implies $\Pi(a|pr) \wedge \Pi(b|qr) \neq \emptyset$ for all $a, b \in P$.

(A4) **Independence axiom** : The relation \sim is antireflexive and symmetric such that for all $p, q, r \in P$ with $p \sim q$ there exists $s \in P$ with $r \sim s$ and $pq \parallel rs$. Further, $p \sim q$ and $(pq) \cap l := \{p\}$ implies $p' \sim q$ and $(p'q) \cap l := \{p'\}$ for all $p, p', q \in P$ and $l \in L$ with $p, p' \in l$.

An affine space $A = (P, L, \parallel, \sim)$ is said to be an affine plane if it contains a 3-element basis, i.e there exist $0, p, q \in P$ with $0 \sim p$ and $0 \sim q$ such that every member k of L has a 1-element intersection with $0q$ provided $k \parallel 0p$.

In case of A is an affine plane, the above axioms coincide the axioms which is known.

Let $A = (P, L, \parallel, \sim)$ be an affine space.

(i) The elements of P are called points and the members of L lines. Lines k, l with $k \parallel l$ are parallel; points p, q with $p \sim q$ are independent.

(ii) For lines k, l of A , $k \subseteq \parallel l$ provided $\Pi(p|k) \subseteq \Pi(p|l)$ is satisfied for some (and hence for every) $p \in P$.

If k and l intersect in a unique point r , we show $k \wedge l := r$, in case $\Pi(p|k) \wedge \Pi(p|l) := p$ holds for some (and hence for every) $p \in P$. This is denoted by $k \# l$.

(iii) The point at infinity of $k \in L$ is defined as $\Pi(k) := \{l \in L \mid l \parallel k\}$; the connecting line of a point p and a point at infinity $\Pi(k)$ is given by $p \vee \Pi(p|k)$ and it will be reasonable to agree upon $p \sim \Pi(k)$. The set of all points at infinity of A shall be denoted by P_∞ , the elements of $P \cup P_\infty$ are called generalized points.

Definition 1.2 : [1] Let A be an affine space.

(i) Let a_0, a_1, \dots, a_n points and let z be a generalized point. We say that an n -tuple b_0, b_1, \dots, b_n of points is centrally perspective to (a_0, a_1, \dots, a_n) via z briefly (b_0, b_1, \dots, b_n) is CP_z to (a_0, a_1, \dots, a_n) if $b_i \in a_i z$ and $b_i b_{i+1} \subseteq \parallel a_i a_{i+1}$ for all $i = 0, 1, \dots, n$ (where $a_{n+1} = a_0, b_{n+1} = b_0$).

A satisfies Desargues' postulate for (a_0, a_1, \dots, a_n) via z if all $b_0 \in a_0 z$ there exist b_0, b_1, \dots, b_n such that (b_0, b_1, \dots, b_n) is CP_z to (a_0, a_1, \dots, a_n) .

(ii) For any generalized point z , a triple (a_0, a_1, a_2) of points with $a_0 \sim z$ and $a_0 a_1 \# a_1 z, a_0 a_2 \# a_0 z$ will be called a z -triangle.

In the following we will need a special version of Desargues' postulate:

(D_3) Whenever z is a generalized point, then Desargues' postulate is satisfied for every z -triangle via z .

Remark 1.1 : Let (a_0, a_1, a_2) be a z -triangle (where z is a generalized point.)

(i) For every $b_0 \in a_0 z$ there exists at most one pair of points b_1, b_2 such that (b_0, b_1, b_2) is CP_z to (a_0, a_1, a_2) . If z is a point at infinity and (b_0, b_1, b_2) is CP_z to (a_0, a_1, a_2) then (b_0, b_1, b_2) is also a z -triangle and

(a_0, a_1, a_2) is CP_z to (b_0, b_1, b_2) hence $a_i a_j \parallel b_i b_j$ for all $i, j \in \{0, 1, 2\}$ with $i \neq j$.

(ii) For all $b_i \in a_i z$ ($i = 0, 1, 2$) with $b_0 b_1 \subseteq \parallel a_0 a_1$ and $b_0 b_2 \subseteq \parallel a_0 a_2$ the condition (D_3) implies $b_1 b_2 \subseteq \parallel a_1 a_2$, i.e. $(b_0, b_1, b_2) CP_z$ to (a_0, a_1, a_2) .

Now we give the Pappus Theorem in an affine plane.

Pappus Theorem : [2] Let x, y, z and x', y', z' be sets of three distinct collinear points on distinct lines such that no one of these points is on both lines an affine plane A . Then $xy' \subseteq \parallel x'y$ and $xz' \subseteq \parallel x'z$ implies $y'z \subseteq \parallel y'z'$.

If A satisfies Pappus Theorem then A is called pappian affine plane. If A satisfies Desargues postulate then, A is called desarguesian affine plane.

Theorem 1.1 : [2] Every pappian affine plane is desarguesian.

In [1], $A = (P, L, \parallel, \sim)$ which is an affine plane with fixed basis $0, t_1, t_2$ was coordinatized as following. $l_i := 0t_i$ (where $i = 1, 2$) and for all $p, q \in P$ it was abbreviated $(p, q) := \Pi(p|l_2) \wedge \Pi(q|l_1)$. Then $t := (t_1, t_2)$ and $l := 0t$. Therefore; $p_1 := (p, 0)$, $p_2 := (0, p)$ and $p_* := (t, p)$; hence $(p, q) := (p_1, p_2)$, $p_* := (t_1, p_2)$ hold for all $p, q \in P$.

l_1, l_2, t forms a coordinate system of A where l_i denotes the i th coordinate line ($i = 1, 2$), 0 is the origin, and t is the unit point, the i th coordinate of a point p is given by p_i . Furthermore; a ternary operation T is defined on R which is a set of points on l which is dependent on the coordinate system l_1, l_2, t .

$$T : (a, b, c) \rightarrow l \wedge \Pi(S(a, b, c)|l_1)$$

$$\text{such that } S(a, b, c) := \Pi(a|l_2) \wedge \Pi(c_2|0b^*).$$

Then two different binary operation denoted by $+, \bullet$ be defined on R as follows.

$$+ := R \times R; (a, b) \rightarrow a + b = T(a, t, b)$$

$$\bullet := R \times R; (a, b) \rightarrow a \bullet b = T(a, b, 0).$$

Theorem 1.2 : [1] If A satisfies D_3 then $(R, +, \bullet)$ is a division ring.

2. MAIN RESULT:

Lemma 2.1 : The following statements are equivalent in an affine plane A .

(i) (R, T) is a linear

(ii) (D_3) holds in A , wherever $z = \Pi(l_2), AA' = l_2$ and $BC \subseteq \parallel B'C'$.

Proof : (i) \Rightarrow (ii): Let (R, T) is a linear. Therefore; $T(a, b, c) = ab + c$ for all $a, b, c \in R$. Thus $S(a, b, c)$ and $S(ab, t, c)$ are collinear. ABC is a $\Pi(l_2)$ -triangle for $A = (0, c) = c_2, B = S(ab, t, c)$ and $C = S(a, b, c)$. Let $AA' = l_2, BC \subseteq \parallel B'C'$ and $A'B'C'$ be a $\Pi(l_2)$ -triangle for $A' = (0, b) = b_2, B' = \Pi(ab|l_2) \wedge \Pi(b_2|0t_*) = S(ab, t, b) = \Pi(b_2|c_2 S(ab, t, c))$ and

$$B' = \Pi(a|l_2) \wedge \Pi(b_2|0b_*) = S(a, b, b) = \Pi(b_2|c_2 S(a, b, c)).$$

Thus; ABC and $A'B'C'$ are $\Pi(l_2)$ -triangle. By the remark 1.1 (i), $ABC \overset{CP}{\Pi(l_2)} A'B'C'$.

From the choose of vertex points of this triangles, $c_2 S(ab, t, c) \subseteq \parallel b_2 S(ab, t, b)$ and $c_2 S(a, b, c) \subseteq \parallel b_2 S(a, b, b)$. Since (R, T) is a linear, $T(ab, t, b) = T(a, b, c)$ and $T(ab, t, b) = T(a, b, b)$. Thus $S(ab, t, b)$ and $S(a, b, b)$ are collinear and $S(ab, t, b)S(a, b, b) \subseteq \parallel S(ab, t, c)S(a, b, c)$.

Hence; (ii) is satisfies.

(ii) \Rightarrow (i): Let A be a given affine plane with fixed basis $\{0, t_1, t_2\}$ and $\{b_2, S(ab, t, b), S(a, b, b)\}$ be a $\Pi(l_2)$ -triangle in A .

$\{c_2, S(ab, t, c), S(a, b, c)\}$ is a $\Pi(l_2)$ -triangle for $c_2 \circ \Pi(b_2|l_2), S(ab, t, c) \circ \Pi(S(ab, t, b)|l_2)$ and $S(a, b, b) \circ \Pi(S(a, b, c)|l_2)$

By the remark 1.1 (i)

$$\{b_2, S(ab, t, b), S(a, b, b)\}CP_{\Pi(l_2)}\{c_2, S(ab, t, c), S(a, b, c)\}$$

Since A satisfies (D_3) , $b_2S(ab, t, b) \subseteq \|c_2S(ab, t, c)$ and $b_2S(a, b, b) \subseteq \|b_2S(a, b, c)$ implies $S(ab, t, b)S(a, b, b) \subseteq \|S(ab, t, c)S(a, b, c)$. Thus $S(ab, t, c)$ and $S(a, b, c)$ are collinear. Therefore;

$$\Pi(S(ab, t, c)|l_1) = \Pi(S(a, b, c)|l_1)$$

$$l \wedge \Pi(S(ab, t, c)|l_1) = l \wedge \Pi(S(a, b, c)|l_1)$$

Since T is a ternary operation on R , $T(ab, t, c) = T(a, b, c)$. Also, by the operation "+", $T(ab, t, c) = T(a, b, c)$ implies $ab + c = T(a, b, c)$. Finally, (R, T) ternary ring is a linear.

Lemma 2.2 : The following statements are equivalent:

(i) (R, T) is a linear and $(R, +)$ is a associative.

(ii) A satisfies (D_3) for the every $\Pi(l_2)$ -triangles.

Proof (i) \Rightarrow (ii) : Since (R, T) is a linear, by the lemma 2.1, A satisfies (D_3) for , $\Pi(l_2)$, $AA' = l_2$ and $BC \subseteq \|B'C' \subseteq \|l$. Also, T is a associative, $T(a, t, b + c) = T(a + b, t, c)$ for all $a, b, c \in R$. Thus, by the operation "+", $S(a, t, b + c)S(a + b, t, c) \subseteq \|l_1$. Since $\Pi(l_2) \sim b_2$, $b_2S(a, t, b) \# (S(a, t, b)|l_2)$ and $(b_2(0 + b) \# \Pi(b_2|l_2), (b_2, S(a, t, b), a + b)$ is a $\Pi(l_2)$ -triangle. Also, $(b + c)_2 \circ \Pi(b_2|l_2), S(a, t, b + c) \circ \Pi(S(a, t, b)|l_2)$ and $S(a + b, t, c) \circ \Pi((a + b)_2|l_2)$. In addition; since (R, T) is a linear, $b_2(b + c)_2 = l_2$, $S(a, t, b + c)S(a + b, t, c) \subseteq \|S(a, t, b)(a + b)$ and $(b + c)_2 S(a + b, t, c) \subseteq \|b_2t$. Thus;

$$(b_2S(a, t, b), a + b)CP_{\Pi(l_2)}((b + c)_2, S(a, t, b + c), S(a + b, t, c))$$

Hence A satisfies (D_3) .

(ii) \Rightarrow (i): We assume that A satisfies (D_3) . $(b_2, S(a, t, b), b)$ and $((b+c)_2, S(a, t, b+c), S(b, t, c))$ are $\Pi(l_2)$ -triangle. Thus; we obtain

$$(b+c)_2 S(a, t, b+c) \subseteq \|b_2 S(a, t, b) \text{ and}$$

$$(b+c)_2 S(b, t, c) \subseteq \|b_2 b$$

Since A satisfies (D_3) , we obtain following result.

$$S(a, t, b+c)S(b, t, c) \subseteq \|bS(a, t, b) \dots \dots \dots (2.1)$$

Now we consider $(S(a, t, b), b, a+b) \Pi(l_2)$ -triangle. By (2.1), $S(a, t, b+c) \circ \Pi(S(a, t, b)|l_2); S(b, t, c) \circ \Pi(b|l_2)$ and $S(a+b, t, c) \circ \Pi(ab|l_2)$. Thus; $S(a, t, b+c)S(b, t, c) \subseteq \|S(a, t, b)b$ and $S(b, t, c)S(a+b, t, c) \subseteq \|b(a+b)$. Since A satisfies (D_3) ,

$$S(a, t, b+c)S(a+b, t, c) \subseteq \|S(a, t, b)(a+b) \subseteq \|l_1,$$

and

$$l \wedge \Pi(S(a, t, b+c)|l_1) = l \wedge \Pi(S(a+b, t, c)|l_1)$$

$$T(a, t, b+c) = T(a+b, t, c)$$

$$a + (b+c) = (a+b) + c.$$

Thus, (R, T) is associative.

Now we show that (R, T) is linear. $((b+c)_2, S(a, t, b+c), S(a+b, t, c))$ and $(b_2, S(a, t, b), a+b)$ are $\Pi(l_2)$ -triangle. By the lemma 2.1 $b_2(b+c) := l_2$, $(S(a, t, b+c)S(a+b, t, c)) \subseteq \|(S(a, t, b)b)$ and (D_3) is satisfies, (R, T) is linear.

Theorem 2.1 : If A is a Papian plane then $(R, +, \bullet)$ is a field.

Proof : Let A is a Papian plane. By the Theorem 1.1, A satisfies (D_3) . Also, by the Theorem 1.2 $(R, +, \bullet)$ is a division ring. Since (R, \bullet) is a semigroup,

for every $a \neq 0$ there exist an element a^{-1} of (R, \bullet) such that $a^{-1}a = aa^{-1} = t$. We must show that the operation " \bullet " has a commutative property in order that $(R, +, \bullet)$ is a field. $\Pi(a|l_2)$ and $\Pi(b|l_2)$ are lines in A such that $a \neq b$ and $a, b \in R$. $x = S(a, a, 0)$, $y = S(a, b, 0)$ and $z = S(a, a, b)$ are points on $\Pi(a|l_2)$. On the otherhand $x' = S(b, a, b)$, $y' = S(b, a, t_2)$ and $z' = S(b, a, 0)$ are points on $\Pi(b|l_2)$. Also, $S(a, a, 0)$ and $S(b, a, 0)$ are on $\Pi(0|0a_*)$. $S(a, a, b)$ and $S(b, a, b)$ are on $\Pi(b_2|0a_*)$.

Since $\Pi(0|0a_*) \subseteq \|\Pi(b_2|0a_*)$;

$$S(a, a, 0)S(b, a, 0) \subseteq \|S(a, a, b)S(b, a, b).....(2.2).$$

We consider, $\{S(b, a, t), S(a, a, t), S(a, a, 0)\}$ -triangle and $\{S(b, a, b), S(a, a, b), S(a, b, 0)\}$ -triangle. It is trivial that,

$$\{S(b, a, b), S(a, a, b), S(a, b, 0)\}CP_{\Pi(l_2)}\{S(b, a, t), S(a, a, t), S(a, a, 0)\}$$

From the theorem 1.1 and A is a pappian plane, A satisfies (D_3) . Thus

$$S(a, b, 0)S(a, a, b) \subseteq \|S(a, a, 0)S(a, a, t)$$

$$S(a, a, b)S(b, a, b) \subseteq \|S(a, a, t)S(b, a, t)$$

and

$$S(a, b, 0)S(b, a, b) \subseteq \|S(a, a, 0)S(b, a, t).....(2.3).$$

Since A is a Pappian plane;

$$S(a, a, 0)S(b, a, 0) \subseteq \|S(a, a, b)S(b, a, b),$$

$$S(a, a, 0)S(b, a, t) \subseteq \|S(a, b, 0)S(b, a, b) \quad \text{implies}$$

$S(a, b, 0)S(b, a, 0) \subseteq \|S(a, a, b)S(b, a, t)$. Thus; it is shown that $S(a, b, 0)$ and $S(b, a, 0)$ are collinear. But we must show that $S(a, b, 0)S(b, a, 0) \subseteq \|l_1$.

Now, we consider $\{S(b, a, b), S(a, b, 0), S(b, a, 0)\}$ -triangle and $\{S(b, a, t), S(a, a, 0), (b, aa)\}$ -triangle. It is trivial that;

$$\{S(b, a, b), S(a, b, 0), S(b, a, 0)\}CP_{\Pi(l_2)}\{S(b, a, t), S(a, a, 0), (b, aa)\}$$

Again from the Theorem 1.1 and A is a pappian plane, A satisfies (D_3) .

Thus

$$S(a, a, 0)S(b, a, t) \subseteq \|S(a, b, 0)S(b, a, b),$$

$$S(b, a, t)(b, aa) \subseteq \|S(b, a, b)S(b, a, 0)$$

and $S(a, b, 0)S(b, a, 0) \subseteq \|S(a, a, 0)(b, aa).$

Since

$$S(a, a, 0) = (a, aa), (a, aa)(b, aa) = S(a, a, 0)(b, aa) \subseteq \|l_1. \text{ Thus;}$$

$$S(a, b, 0)S(b, a, 0) \subseteq \|S(a, a, 0)(b, aa) \dots \dots (2.4)$$

$$S(a, a, 0)(b, aa) \subseteq \|l_1 \dots \dots \dots (2.5).$$

From (2.4) and (2.5), we obtain

$$S(a, b, 0)S(b, a, 0) \subseteq \|l_1 \text{ and}$$

Thus;

$$l \wedge \Pi(S(a, b, 0)l_1) = l \wedge \Pi(S(b, a, 0)l_1)$$

$$T(a, b, 0) = T(b, a, 0)$$

$$a \bullet b = b \bullet a$$

Thus $(R, +, \bullet)$ is a field.

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Özet

(Schmidt ve Ralph,-1996) da $\{0, t_1, t_2\}$ tabanına bağlı olarak bir afin düzlem koordinatlanmıştır. Daha sonra l_1, l_2, t koordinat sisitemine bağlı olarak l doğrusu üzerindeki noktaların kümesi R olmak üzere R kümesi üzerinde bir T üçlü işlem tanımlanarak, $(R, +, \bullet)$ nin bir bölümlü halka olduğu gösterilmiştir. Bu makalede ilk olarak afin düzlemde (R, T) üçlü halkası ile Desargues Postulatu arasındaki ilgi incelendi. Daha sonra, afin düzlemin Pappus Teoremini sağlaması durumunda $(R, +, \bullet)$ nin bir cisim olduğu gösterildi. Bu sonuçlar ilk yazarın Master tezinde görülebilir.

Anahtar Kelimeler : Afin düzlem, Dezarg Postulatu, Pappus Teoremi.