

# Incidence Projective Space (a reduction theorem in a plane) <sup>1</sup>

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**Summary.** The article begins with basic facts concerning arbitrary projective spaces. Further we are concerned with Fano projective spaces (we prove it has a rank of at least four). Finally we confine ourselves to Desarguesian planes; we define the notion of perspectivity and we prove the reduction theorem for projectivities with concurrent axes.

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The articles [6], [8], [5], [7], [9], [10], [4], [3], [1], and [2] provide the terminology and notation for this paper. We adopt the following convention:  $I_1$  will be a projective space defined in terms of incidence,  $a, b, c, d, p, q, o, r, s$  will be elements of the points of  $I_1$ , and  $A, B, C, P, Q$  will be elements of the lines of  $I_1$ . We now state a number of propositions:

- (1) There exists  $a$  such that  $a \nmid A$ .
- (2) There exists  $A$  such that  $a \nmid A$ .
- (3) If  $A \neq B$ , then there exist  $a, b$  such that  $a \mid A$  and  $a \nmid B$  and  $b \mid B$  and  $b \nmid A$ .
- (4) If  $a \neq b$ , then there exist  $A, B$  such that  $a \mid A$  and  $a \nmid B$  and  $b \mid B$  and  $b \nmid A$ .
- (5) There exist  $A, B, C$  such that  $a \mid A$  and  $a \mid B$  and  $a \mid C$  and  $A \neq B$  and  $B \neq C$  and  $C \neq A$ .
- (6) There exists  $a$  such that  $a \nmid A$  and  $a \nmid B$ .
- (7) There exists  $a$  such that  $a \mid A$ .
- (8) If  $a \mid A$  and  $b \mid A$ , then there exists  $c$  such that  $c \mid A$  and  $c \neq a$  and  $c \neq b$ .

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- (9) There exists  $A$  such that  $a \nmid A$  and  $b \nmid A$ .
- (10) If  $A \neq B$  and  $o \mid A$  and  $o \mid B$  and  $p \mid A$  and  $p \neq o$  and  $q \mid B$ , then  $p \neq q$ .
- (11) If  $o \neq a$  and  $o \neq b$  and  $A \neq B$  and  $o \mid A$  and  $o \mid B$  and  $a \mid A$  and  $a \mid C$  and  $b \mid B$  and  $b \mid C$ , then  $A \neq C$ .
- (12) Suppose  $o \mid A$  and  $o \mid B$  and  $A \neq B$  and  $a \mid A$  and  $o \neq a$  and  $b \mid B$  and  $c \mid B$  and  $b \neq c$  and  $a \mid P$  and  $b \mid P$  and  $a \mid Q$  and  $c \mid Q$ . Then  $P \neq Q$ .
- (13) If  $a, b, c \mid A$ , then  $a, c, b \mid A$  and  $b, a, c \mid A$  and  $b, c, a \mid A$  and  $c, a, b \mid A$  and  $c, b, a \mid A$ .
- (14) Let  $I_1$  be a Desarguesian projective space defined in terms of incidence. Let  $o, b_1, a_1, b_2, a_2, b_3, a_3, r, s, t$  be elements of the points of  $I_1$ . Let  $C_1, C_2, C_3, A_1, A_2, A_3, B_1, B_2, B_3$  be elements of the lines of  $I_1$ . Suppose that
- (i)  $o, b_1, a_1 \mid C_1$ ,
  - (ii)  $o, a_2, b_2 \mid C_2$ ,
  - (iii)  $o, a_3, b_3 \mid C_3$ ,
  - (iv)  $a_3, a_2, t \mid A_1$ ,
  - (v)  $a_3, r, a_1 \mid A_2$ ,
  - (vi)  $a_2, s, a_1 \mid A_3$ ,
  - (vii)  $t, b_2, b_3 \mid B_1$ ,
  - (viii)  $b_1, r, b_3 \mid B_2$ ,
  - (ix)  $b_1, s, b_2 \mid B_3$ ,
  - (x)  $C_1, C_2, C_3$  are mutually different,
  - (xi)  $o \neq a_3$ ,
  - (xii)  $o \neq b_1$ ,
  - (xiii)  $o \neq b_2$ ,
  - (xiv)  $a_2 \neq b_2$ .

Then there exists an element  $O$  of the lines of  $I_1$  such that  $r, s, t \mid O$ .

- (15) Suppose there exist  $A, a, b, c, d$  such that  $a \mid A$  and  $b \mid A$  and  $c \mid A$  and  $d \mid A$  and  $a, b, c, d$  are mutually different. Then for every  $B$  there exist  $p, q, r, s$  such that  $p \mid B$  and  $q \mid B$  and  $r \mid B$  and  $s \mid B$  and  $p, q, r, s$  are mutually different.

We follow a convention:  $I_1$  will be a Fanoian projective space defined in terms of incidence,  $a, b, c, d, p, q, r, s$  will be elements of the points of  $I_1$ , and  $A, B, C, D, L, Q, R, S$  will be elements of the lines of  $I_1$ . The following propositions are true:

- (16) There exist  $p, q, r, s, a, b, c, A, B, C, Q, L, R, S, D$  such that  $q \nmid L$  and  $r \nmid L$  and  $p \nmid Q$  and  $s \nmid Q$  and  $p \nmid R$  and  $r \nmid R$  and  $q \nmid S$  and  $s \nmid S$  and  $a, p, s \mid L$  and  $a, q, r \mid Q$  and  $b, q, s \mid R$  and  $b, p, r \mid S$  and  $c, p, q \mid A$  and  $c, r, s \mid B$  and  $a, b \mid C$  and  $c \nmid C$ .
- (17) There exist  $a, A, B, C, D$  such that  $a \mid A$  and  $a \mid B$  and  $a \mid C$  and  $a \mid D$  and  $A, B, C, D$  are mutually different.
- (18) There exist  $a, b, c, d, A$  such that  $a \mid A$  and  $b \mid A$  and  $c \mid A$  and  $d \mid A$  and  $a, b, c, d$  are mutually different.

- (19) There exist  $p, q, r, s$  such that  $p \mid B$  and  $q \mid B$  and  $r \mid B$  and  $s \mid B$  and  $p, q, r, s$  are mutually different.

We follow a convention:  $I_1$  will denote a Desarguesian 2-dimensional projective space defined in terms of incidence,  $c, p, q, x, y$  will denote elements of the points of  $I_1$ , and  $K, L, R, X$  will denote elements of the lines of  $I_1$ . Let us consider  $I_1, K, L, p$ . Let us assume that  $p \nmid K$  and  $p \nmid L$ . The functor  $\pi_p(K \rightarrow L)$  yields a partial function from the points of  $I_1$  to the points of  $I_1$  and is defined as follows:

- (Def.1)  $\text{dom } \pi_p(K \rightarrow L) \subseteq$  the points of  $I_1$  and for every  $x$  holds  $x \in \text{dom } \pi_p(K \rightarrow L)$  if and only if  $x \mid K$  and for all  $x, y$  such that  $x \mid K$  and  $y \mid L$  holds  $\pi_p(K \rightarrow L)(x) = y$  if and only if there exists  $X$  such that  $p \mid X$  and  $x \mid X$  and  $y \mid X$ .

One can prove the following propositions:

- (20) Suppose  $p \nmid K$  and  $p \nmid L$ . Then
- (i)  $\text{dom } \pi_p(K \rightarrow L) \subseteq$  the points of  $I_1$ ,
  - (ii) for every  $x$  holds  $x \in \text{dom } \pi_p(K \rightarrow L)$  if and only if  $x \mid K$ ,
  - (iii) for all  $x, y$  such that  $x \mid K$  and  $y \mid L$  holds  $\pi_p(K \rightarrow L)(x) = y$  if and only if there exists  $X$  such that  $p \mid X$  and  $x \mid X$  and  $y \mid X$ .
- (21) If  $p \nmid K$ , then for every  $x$  such that  $x \mid K$  holds  $\pi_p(K \rightarrow K)(x) = x$ .
- (22) If  $p \nmid K$  and  $p \nmid L$  and  $x \mid K$ , then  $\pi_p(K \rightarrow L)(x)$  is an element of the points of  $I_1$ .
- (23) If  $p \nmid K$  and  $p \nmid L$  and  $x \mid K$  and  $y = \pi_p(K \rightarrow L)(x)$ , then  $y \mid L$ .
- (24) If  $p \nmid K$  and  $p \nmid L$  and  $y \in \text{rng } \pi_p(K \rightarrow L)$ , then  $y \mid L$ .
- (25) Suppose  $p \nmid K$  and  $p \nmid L$  and  $q \nmid L$  and  $q \nmid R$ . Then  $\text{dom}(\pi_q(L \rightarrow R) \cdot \pi_p(K \rightarrow L)) = \text{dom } \pi_p(K \rightarrow L)$  and  $\text{rng}(\pi_q(L \rightarrow R) \cdot \pi_p(K \rightarrow L)) = \text{rng } \pi_q(L \rightarrow R)$ .
- (26) Let  $a_1, b_1, a_2, b_2$  be elements of the points of  $I_1$ . Then if  $p \nmid K$  and  $p \nmid L$  and  $a_1 \mid K$  and  $b_1 \mid K$  and  $\pi_p(K \rightarrow L)(a_1) = a_2$  and  $\pi_p(K \rightarrow L)(b_1) = b_2$  and  $a_2 = b_2$ , then  $a_1 = b_1$ .
- (27) If  $p \nmid K$  and  $p \nmid L$  and  $x \mid K$  and  $x \mid L$ , then  $\pi_p(K \rightarrow L)(x) = x$ .

We now state the proposition

- (28) Suppose  $p \nmid K$  and  $p \nmid L$  and  $q \nmid L$  and  $q \nmid R$  and  $c \mid K$  and  $c \mid L$  and  $c \mid R$  and  $K \neq R$ . Then there exists an element  $o$  of the points of  $I_1$  such that  $o \nmid K$  and  $o \nmid R$  and  $\pi_q(L \rightarrow R) \cdot \pi_p(K \rightarrow L) = \pi_o(K \rightarrow R)$ .

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