

# Lines on Planes in $n$ -Dimensional Euclidean Spaces

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**Summary.** In the paper we introduce basic properties of lines in the plane on this space. Lines and planes are expressed by the vector equation and are the image of  $\mathbb{R}$  and  $\mathbb{R}^2$ . By this, we can say that the properties of the classic Euclid geometry are satisfied also in  $\mathcal{R}^n$  as we know them intuitively. Next, we define the metric between the point and the line of this space.

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The notation and terminology used here are introduced in the following papers: [1], [5], [12], [4], [9], [14], [13], [8], [15], [6], [2], [3], [7], [11], and [10].

We follow the rules:  $a, a_1, a_2, a_3, b, b_1, b_2, b_3, r, s, t, u$  are real numbers,  $n$  is a natural number, and  $x_0, x, x_1, x_2, x_3, y_0, y, y_1, y_2, y_3$  are elements of  $\mathcal{R}^n$ .

One can prove the following propositions:

- (1)  $\frac{s}{t} \cdot (u \cdot x) = \frac{s \cdot u}{t} \cdot x$  and  $\frac{1}{t} \cdot (u \cdot x) = \frac{u}{t} \cdot x$ .
- (2)  $x_1 + (x_2 + x_3) = (x_1 + x_2) + x_3$ .
- (3)  $x - \underbrace{\langle 0, \dots, 0 \rangle}_n = x$ .
- (4)  $\underbrace{\langle 0, \dots, 0 \rangle}_n - x = -x$ .
- (5)  $x_1 - (x_2 + x_3) = x_1 - x_2 - x_3$ .
- (6)  $x_1 - x_2 = x_1 + -x_2$ .
- (7)  $x - x = \underbrace{\langle 0, \dots, 0 \rangle}_n$  and  $x + -x = \underbrace{\langle 0, \dots, 0 \rangle}_n$ .
- (8)  $-a \cdot x = (-a) \cdot x$  and  $-a \cdot x = a \cdot -x$ .
- (9)  $x_1 - (x_2 - x_3) = (x_1 - x_2) + x_3$ .
- (10)  $x_1 + (x_2 - x_3) = (x_1 + x_2) - x_3$ .

- (11)  $x_1 = x_2 + x_3$  iff  $x_2 = x_1 - x_3$ .
- (12)  $x = x_1 + x_2 + x_3$  iff  $x - x_1 = x_2 + x_3$ .
- (13)  $-(x_1 + x_2 + x_3) = -x_1 + -x_2 + -x_3$ .
- (14)  $x_1 = x_2$  iff  $x_1 - x_2 = \underbrace{\langle 0, \dots, 0 \rangle}_n$ .
- (15) If  $x_1 - x_0 = t \cdot x$  and  $x_1 \neq x_0$ , then  $t \neq 0$ .
- (16)  $(a - b) \cdot x = a \cdot x + (-b) \cdot x$  and  $(a - b) \cdot x = a \cdot x + -b \cdot x$  and  $(a - b) \cdot x = a \cdot x - b \cdot x$ .
- (17)  $a \cdot (x - y) = a \cdot x + -a \cdot y$  and  $a \cdot (x - y) = a \cdot x + (-a) \cdot y$  and  $a \cdot (x - y) = a \cdot x - a \cdot y$ .
- (18)  $(s - t - u) \cdot x = s \cdot x - t \cdot x - u \cdot x$ .
- (19)  $x - (a_1 \cdot x_1 + a_2 \cdot x_2 + a_3 \cdot x_3) = x + ((-a_1) \cdot x_1 + (-a_2) \cdot x_2 + (-a_3) \cdot x_3)$ .
- (20)  $x - (s + t + u) \cdot y = x + (-s) \cdot y + (-t) \cdot y + (-u) \cdot y$ .
- (21)  $(x_1 + x_2) + (y_1 + y_2) = x_1 + y_1 + (x_2 + y_2)$ .
- (22)  $(x_1 + x_2 + x_3) + (y_1 + y_2 + y_3) = x_1 + y_1 + (x_2 + y_2) + (x_3 + y_3)$ .
- (23)  $(x_1 + x_2) - (y_1 + y_2) = (x_1 - y_1) + (x_2 - y_2)$ .
- (24)  $(x_1 + x_2 + x_3) - (y_1 + y_2 + y_3) = (x_1 - y_1) + (x_2 - y_2) + (x_3 - y_3)$ .
- (25)  $a \cdot (x_1 + x_2 + x_3) = a \cdot x_1 + a \cdot x_2 + a \cdot x_3$ .
- (26)  $a \cdot (b_1 \cdot x_1 + b_2 \cdot x_2) = a \cdot b_1 \cdot x_1 + a \cdot b_2 \cdot x_2$ .
- (27)  $a \cdot (b_1 \cdot x_1 + b_2 \cdot x_2 + b_3 \cdot x_3) = a \cdot b_1 \cdot x_1 + a \cdot b_2 \cdot x_2 + a \cdot b_3 \cdot x_3$ .
- (28)  $a_1 \cdot x_1 + a_2 \cdot x_2 + (b_1 \cdot x_1 + b_2 \cdot x_2) = (a_1 + b_1) \cdot x_1 + (a_2 + b_2) \cdot x_2$ .
- (29)  $a_1 \cdot x_1 + a_2 \cdot x_2 + a_3 \cdot x_3 + (b_1 \cdot x_1 + b_2 \cdot x_2 + b_3 \cdot x_3) = ((a_1 + b_1) \cdot x_1 + (a_2 + b_2) \cdot x_2) + (a_3 + b_3) \cdot x_3$ .
- (30)  $(a_1 \cdot x_1 + a_2 \cdot x_2) - (b_1 \cdot x_1 + b_2 \cdot x_2) = (a_1 - b_1) \cdot x_1 + (a_2 - b_2) \cdot x_2$ .
- (31)  $(a_1 \cdot x_1 + a_2 \cdot x_2 + a_3 \cdot x_3) - (b_1 \cdot x_1 + b_2 \cdot x_2 + b_3 \cdot x_3) = (a_1 - b_1) \cdot x_1 + (a_2 - b_2) \cdot x_2 + (a_3 - b_3) \cdot x_3$ .
- (32) If  $a_1 + a_2 + a_3 = 1$ , then  $a_1 \cdot x_1 + a_2 \cdot x_2 + a_3 \cdot x_3 = x_1 + a_2 \cdot (x_2 - x_1) + a_3 \cdot (x_3 - x_1)$ .
- (33) If  $x = x_1 + a_2 \cdot (x_2 - x_1) + a_3 \cdot (x_3 - x_1)$ , then there exists a real number  $a_1$  such that  $x = a_1 \cdot x_1 + a_2 \cdot x_2 + a_3 \cdot x_3$  and  $a_1 + a_2 + a_3 = 1$ .
- (34) For every natural number  $n$  such that  $n \geq 1$  holds  $1 * n \neq \underbrace{\langle 0, \dots, 0 \rangle}_n$ .
- (35) For every subset  $A$  of  $\mathcal{R}^n$  and for all  $x_1, x_2$  such that  $A$  is a line and  $x_1 \in A$  and  $x_2 \in A$  and  $x_1 \neq x_2$  holds  $A = \text{Line}(x_1, x_2)$ .
- (36) For all elements  $x_1, x_2$  of  $\mathcal{R}^n$  such that  $y_1 \in \text{Line}(x_1, x_2)$  and  $y_2 \in \text{Line}(x_1, x_2)$  there exists  $a$  such that  $y_2 - y_1 = a \cdot (x_2 - x_1)$ .

Let us consider  $n$  and let  $x_1, x_2$  be elements of  $\mathcal{R}^n$ . The predicate  $x_1 \parallel x_2$  is defined as follows:

(Def. 1)  $x_1 \neq \underbrace{\langle 0, \dots, 0 \rangle}_n$  and  $x_2 \neq \underbrace{\langle 0, \dots, 0 \rangle}_n$  and there exists  $r$  such that  $x_1 = r \cdot x_2$ .

One can prove the following proposition

(37) For all elements  $x_1, x_2$  of  $\mathcal{R}^n$  such that  $x_1 \parallel x_2$  there exists  $a$  such that  $a \neq 0$  and  $x_1 = a \cdot x_2$ .

Let us consider  $n$  and let  $x_1, x_2$  be elements of  $\mathcal{R}^n$ . Let us note that the predicate  $x_1 \parallel x_2$  is symmetric.

The following proposition is true

(38) If  $x_1 \parallel x_2$  and  $x_2 \parallel x_3$ , then  $x_1 \parallel x_3$ .

Let  $n$  be a natural number and let  $x_1, x_2$  be elements of  $\mathcal{R}^n$ . We say that  $x_1$  and  $x_2$  are linearly independent if and only if:

(Def. 2) For all real numbers  $a_1, a_2$  such that  $a_1 \cdot x_1 + a_2 \cdot x_2 = \underbrace{\langle 0, \dots, 0 \rangle}_n$  holds

$$a_1 = 0 \text{ and } a_2 = 0.$$

Let us note that the predicate  $x_1$  and  $x_2$  are linearly independent is symmetric.

Let us consider  $n$  and let  $x_1, x_2$  be elements of  $\mathcal{R}^n$ . We introduce  $x_1$  and  $x_2$  are linearly dependent as an antonym of  $x_1$  and  $x_2$  are linearly independent.

Next we state a number of propositions:

(39) If  $x_1$  and  $x_2$  are linearly independent, then  $x_1 \neq \underbrace{\langle 0, \dots, 0 \rangle}_n$  and  $x_2 \neq \underbrace{\langle 0, \dots, 0 \rangle}_n$ .

(40) For all  $x_1, x_2$  such that  $x_1$  and  $x_2$  are linearly independent holds if  $a_1 \cdot x_1 + a_2 \cdot x_2 = b_1 \cdot x_1 + b_2 \cdot x_2$ , then  $a_1 = b_1$  and  $a_2 = b_2$ .

(41) Let given  $x_1, x_2, y_1, y_2$ . Suppose  $y_1$  and  $y_2$  are linearly independent. Suppose  $y_1 = a_1 \cdot x_1 + a_2 \cdot x_2$  and  $y_2 = b_1 \cdot x_1 + b_2 \cdot x_2$ . Then there exist real numbers  $c_1, c_2, d_1, d_2$  such that  $x_1 = c_1 \cdot y_1 + c_2 \cdot y_2$  and  $x_2 = d_1 \cdot y_1 + d_2 \cdot y_2$ .

(42) If  $x_1$  and  $x_2$  are linearly independent, then  $x_1 \neq x_2$ .

(43) If  $x_2 - x_1$  and  $x_3 - x_1$  are linearly independent, then  $x_2 \neq x_3$ .

(44) If  $x_1$  and  $x_2$  are linearly independent, then  $x_1 + t \cdot x_2$  and  $x_2$  are linearly independent.

(45) Suppose  $x_1 - x_0$  and  $x_3 - x_2$  are linearly independent and  $y_0 \in \text{Line}(x_0, x_1)$  and  $y_1 \in \text{Line}(x_0, x_1)$  and  $y_0 \neq y_1$  and  $y_2 \in \text{Line}(x_2, x_3)$  and  $y_3 \in \text{Line}(x_2, x_3)$  and  $y_2 \neq y_3$ . Then  $y_1 - y_0$  and  $y_3 - y_2$  are linearly independent.

(46) If  $x_1 \parallel x_2$ , then  $x_1$  and  $x_2$  are linearly dependent and  $x_1 \neq \underbrace{\langle 0, \dots, 0 \rangle}_n$  and  $x_2 \neq \underbrace{\langle 0, \dots, 0 \rangle}_n$ .

(47) If  $x_1$  and  $x_2$  are linearly dependent, then  $x_1 = \underbrace{\langle 0, \dots, 0 \rangle}_n$  or  $x_2 = \underbrace{\langle 0, \dots, 0 \rangle}_n$  or  $x_1 \parallel x_2$ .

(48) For all elements  $x_1, x_2, y_1$  of  $\mathcal{R}^n$  there exists an element  $y_2$  of  $\mathcal{R}^n$  such that  $y_2 \in \text{Line}(x_1, x_2)$  and  $x_1 - x_2, y_1 - y_2$  are orthogonal.

Let us consider  $n$  and let  $x_1, x_2$  be elements of  $\mathcal{R}^n$ . The predicate  $x_1 \perp x_2$  is defined by:

(Def. 3)  $x_1 \neq \underbrace{\langle 0, \dots, 0 \rangle}_n$  and  $x_2 \neq \underbrace{\langle 0, \dots, 0 \rangle}_n$  and  $x_1, x_2$  are orthogonal.

Let us note that the predicate  $x_1 \perp x_2$  is symmetric.

The following propositions are true:

- (49) If  $x \perp y_0$  and  $y_0 \parallel y_1$ , then  $x \perp y_1$ .
- (50) If  $x \perp y$ , then  $x$  and  $y$  are linearly independent.
- (51) If  $x_1 \parallel x_2$ , then  $x_1 \not\perp x_2$ .
- (52) If  $x_1 \perp x_2$ , then  $x_1 \not\parallel x_2$ .

Let us consider  $n$ . The functor  $\text{Lines}(\mathcal{R}^n)$  yields a family of subsets of  $\mathcal{R}^n$  and is defined by:

(Def. 4)  $\text{Lines}(\mathcal{R}^n) = \{\text{Line}(x_1, x_2)\}$ .

Let us consider  $n$ . Note that  $\text{Lines}(\mathcal{R}^n)$  is non empty.

The following proposition is true

(53)  $\text{Line}(x_1, x_2) \in \text{Lines}(\mathcal{R}^n)$ .

In the sequel  $L, L_0, L_1, L_2$  are elements of  $\text{Lines}(\mathcal{R}^n)$ .

The following propositions are true:

- (54) If  $x_1 \in L$  and  $x_2 \in L$ , then  $\text{Line}(x_1, x_2) \subseteq L$ .
- (55)  $L_1$  meets  $L_2$  iff there exists  $x$  such that  $x \in L_1$  and  $x \in L_2$ .
- (56) If  $L_0$  misses  $L_1$  and  $x \in L_0$ , then  $x \notin L_1$ .
- (57) There exist  $x_1, x_2$  such that  $L = \text{Line}(x_1, x_2)$ .
- (58) There exists  $x$  such that  $x \in L$ .
- (59) If  $x_0 \in L$  and  $L$  is a line, then there exists  $x_1$  such that  $x_1 \neq x_0$  and  $x_1 \in L$ .
- (60) If  $x \notin L$  and  $L$  is a line, then there exist  $x_1, x_2$  such that  $L = \text{Line}(x_1, x_2)$  and  $x - x_1 \perp x_2 - x_1$ .
- (61) If  $x \notin L$  and  $L$  is a line, then there exist  $x_1, x_2$  such that  $L = \text{Line}(x_1, x_2)$  and  $x - x_1$  and  $x_2 - x_1$  are linearly independent.

Let  $n$  be a natural number, let  $x$  be an element of  $\mathcal{R}^n$ , and let  $L$  be an element of  $\text{Lines}(\mathcal{R}^n)$ . The functor  $\rho(x, L)$  yields a real number and is defined by:

(Def. 5) There exists a subset  $S$  of  $\mathbb{R}$  such that  $S = \{|x - x_0|; x_0 \text{ ranges over elements of } \mathcal{R}^n: x_0 \in L\}$  and  $\rho(x, L) = \inf S$ .

Next we state three propositions:

- (62) There exists  $x_0$  such that  $x_0 \in L$  and  $|x - x_0| = \rho(x, L)$ .
- (63)  $\rho(x, L) \geq 0$ .
- (64)  $x \in L$  iff  $\rho(x, L) = 0$ .

Let us consider  $n$  and let us consider  $L_1, L_2$ . The predicate  $L_1 \parallel L_2$  is defined as follows:

(Def. 6) There exist elements  $x_1, x_2, y_1, y_2$  of  $\mathcal{R}^n$  such that  $L_1 = \text{Line}(x_1, x_2)$  and  $L_2 = \text{Line}(y_1, y_2)$  and  $x_2 - x_1 \parallel y_2 - y_1$ .

Let us note that the predicate  $L_1 \parallel L_2$  is symmetric.

The following proposition is true

- (65) If  $L_0 \parallel L_1$  and  $L_1 \parallel L_2$ , then  $L_0 \parallel L_2$ .

Let us consider  $n$  and let us consider  $L_1, L_2$ . The predicate  $L_1 \perp L_2$  is defined by:

(Def. 7) There exist elements  $x_1, x_2, y_1, y_2$  of  $\mathcal{R}^n$  such that  $L_1 = \text{Line}(x_1, x_2)$  and  $L_2 = \text{Line}(y_1, y_2)$  and  $x_2 - x_1 \perp y_2 - y_1$ .

Let us note that the predicate  $L_1 \perp L_2$  is symmetric.

We now state a number of propositions:

- (66) If  $L_0 \perp L_1$  and  $L_1 \parallel L_2$ , then  $L_0 \perp L_2$ .
- (67) If  $x \notin L$  and  $L$  is a line, then there exists  $L_0$  such that  $x \in L_0$  and  $L_0 \perp L$  and  $L_0$  meets  $L$ .
- (68) If  $L_1$  misses  $L_2$ , then there exists  $x$  such that  $x \in L_1$  and  $x \notin L_2$ .
- (69) If  $x_1 \in L$  and  $x_2 \in L$  and  $x_1 \neq x_2$ , then  $\text{Line}(x_1, x_2) = L$  and  $L$  is a line.
- (70) If  $L_1$  is a line and  $L_2$  is a line and  $L_1 = L_2$ , then  $L_1 \parallel L_2$ .
- (71) If  $L_1 \parallel L_2$ , then  $L_1$  is a line and  $L_2$  is a line.
- (72) If  $L_1 \perp L_2$ , then  $L_1$  is a line and  $L_2$  is a line.
- (73) If  $x \in L$  and  $a \neq 1$  and  $a \cdot x \in L$ , then  $\underbrace{(0, \dots, 0)}_n \in L$ .
- (74) If  $x_1 \in L$  and  $x_2 \in L$ , then there exists  $x_3$  such that  $x_3 \in L$  and  $x_3 - x_1 = a \cdot (x_2 - x_1)$ .
- (75) If  $x_1 \in L$  and  $x_2 \in L$  and  $x_3 \in L$  and  $x_1 \neq x_2$ , then there exists  $a$  such that  $x_3 - x_1 = a \cdot (x_2 - x_1)$ .
- (76) If  $L_1 \parallel L_2$  and  $L_1 \neq L_2$ , then  $L_1$  misses  $L_2$ .
- (77) If  $L_1 \parallel L_2$ , then  $L_1 = L_2$  or  $L_1$  misses  $L_2$ .
- (78) If  $L_1 \parallel L_2$  and  $L_1$  meets  $L_2$ , then  $L_1 = L_2$ .
- (79) If  $L$  is a line, then there exists  $L_0$  such that  $x \in L_0$  and  $L_0 \parallel L$ .

- (80) For all  $x, L$  such that  $x \notin L$  and  $L$  is a line there exists  $L_0$  such that  $x \in L_0$  and  $L_0 \parallel L$  and  $L_0 \neq L$ .
- (81) For all  $x_0, x_1, y_0, y_1, L_1, L_2$  such that  $x_0 \in L_1$  and  $x_1 \in L_1$  and  $x_0 \neq x_1$  and  $y_0 \in L_2$  and  $y_1 \in L_2$  and  $y_0 \neq y_1$  and  $L_1 \perp L_2$  holds  $x_1 - x_0 \perp y_1 - y_0$ .
- (82) For all  $L_1, L_2$  such that  $L_1 \perp L_2$  holds  $L_1 \neq L_2$ .
- (83) For all  $x_1, x_2, L$  such that  $L$  is a line and  $L = \text{Line}(x_1, x_2)$  holds  $x_1 \neq x_2$ .
- (84) If  $x_0 \in L_1$  and  $x_1 \in L_1$  and  $x_0 \neq x_1$  and  $y_0 \in L_2$  and  $y_1 \in L_2$  and  $y_0 \neq y_1$  and  $L_1 \parallel L_2$ , then  $x_1 - x_0 \parallel y_1 - y_0$ .
- (85) Suppose  $x_2 - x_1$  and  $x_3 - x_1$  are linearly independent and  $y_2 \in \text{Line}(x_1, x_2)$  and  $y_3 \in \text{Line}(x_1, x_3)$  and  $L_1 = \text{Line}(x_2, x_3)$  and  $L_2 = \text{Line}(y_2, y_3)$ . Then  $L_1 \parallel L_2$  if and only if there exists  $a$  such that  $a \neq 0$  and  $y_2 - x_1 = a \cdot (x_2 - x_1)$  and  $y_3 - x_1 = a \cdot (x_3 - x_1)$ .
- (86) For all  $L_1, L_2$  such that  $L_1$  is a line and  $L_2$  is a line and  $L_1 \neq L_2$  there exists  $x$  such that  $x \in L_1$  and  $x \notin L_2$ .
- (87) For all  $x, L_1, L_2$  such that  $L_1 \perp L_2$  and  $x \in L_2$  there exists  $L_0$  such that  $x \in L_0$  and  $L_0 \perp L_2$  and  $L_0 \parallel L_1$ .
- (88) For all  $x, L_1, L_2$  such that  $x \in L_1$  and  $x \in L_2$  and  $L_1 \perp L_2$  there exists  $x_0$  such that  $x \neq x_0$  and  $x_0 \in L_1$  and  $x_0 \notin L_2$ .

Let  $n$  be a natural number and let  $x_1, x_2, x_3$  be elements of  $\mathcal{R}^n$ . The functor  $\text{Plane}(x_1, x_2, x_3)$  yielding a subset of  $\mathcal{R}^n$  is defined as follows:

(Def. 8)  $\text{Plane}(x_1, x_2, x_3) = \{a_1 \cdot x_1 + a_2 \cdot x_2 + a_3 \cdot x_3 : a_1 + a_2 + a_3 = 1\}$ .

Let  $n$  be a natural number and let  $x_1, x_2, x_3$  be elements of  $\mathcal{R}^n$ . One can check that  $\text{Plane}(x_1, x_2, x_3)$  is non empty.

Let us consider  $n$  and let  $A$  be a subset of  $\mathcal{R}^n$ . We say that  $A$  is plane if and only if:

(Def. 9) There exist  $x_1, x_2, x_3$  such that  $x_2 - x_1$  and  $x_3 - x_1$  are linearly independent and  $A = \text{Plane}(x_1, x_2, x_3)$ .

One can prove the following propositions:

- (89)  $x_1 \in \text{Plane}(x_1, x_2, x_3)$  and  $x_2 \in \text{Plane}(x_1, x_2, x_3)$  and  $x_3 \in \text{Plane}(x_1, x_2, x_3)$ .
- (90) If  $x_1 \in \text{Plane}(y_1, y_2, y_3)$  and  $x_2 \in \text{Plane}(y_1, y_2, y_3)$  and  $x_3 \in \text{Plane}(y_1, y_2, y_3)$ , then  $\text{Plane}(x_1, x_2, x_3) \subseteq \text{Plane}(y_1, y_2, y_3)$ .
- (91) Let  $A$  be a subset of  $\mathcal{R}^n$  and given  $x, x_1, x_2, x_3$ . Suppose  $x \in \text{Plane}(x_1, x_2, x_3)$  and there exist real numbers  $c_1, c_2, c_3$  such that  $c_1 + c_2 + c_3 = 0$  and  $x = c_1 \cdot x_1 + c_2 \cdot x_2 + c_3 \cdot x_3$ . Then  $\underbrace{(0, \dots, 0)}_n \in \text{Plane}(x_1, x_2, x_3)$ .
- (92) If  $y_1 \in \text{Plane}(x_1, x_2, x_3)$  and  $y_2 \in \text{Plane}(x_1, x_2, x_3)$ , then  $\text{Line}(y_1, y_2) \subseteq \text{Plane}(x_1, x_2, x_3)$ .

(93) For every subset  $A$  of  $\mathcal{R}^n$  and for every  $x$  such that  $A$  is plane and  $x \in A$  and there exists  $a$  such that  $a \neq 1$  and  $a \cdot x \in A$  holds  $\underbrace{\langle 0, \dots, 0 \rangle}_n \in A$ .

(94) If  $x_1 - x_1$  and  $x_3 - x_1$  are linearly independent and  $x \in \text{Plane}(x_1, x_2, x_3)$  and  $x = a_1 \cdot x_1 + a_2 \cdot x_2 + a_3 \cdot x_3$ , then  $a_1 + a_2 + a_3 = 1$  or  $\underbrace{\langle 0, \dots, 0 \rangle}_n \in \text{Plane}(x_1, x_2, x_3)$ .

(95)  $x \in \text{Plane}(x_1, x_2, x_3)$  iff there exist  $a_1, a_2, a_3$  such that  $a_1 + a_2 + a_3 = 1$  and  $x = a_1 \cdot x_1 + a_2 \cdot x_2 + a_3 \cdot x_3$ .

(96) Suppose that

- (i)  $x_2 - x_1$  and  $x_3 - x_1$  are linearly independent,
- (ii)  $x \in \text{Plane}(x_1, x_2, x_3)$ ,
- (iii)  $a_1 + a_2 + a_3 = 1$ ,
- (iv)  $x = a_1 \cdot x_1 + a_2 \cdot x_2 + a_3 \cdot x_3$ ,
- (v)  $b_1 + b_2 + b_3 = 1$ , and
- (vi)  $x = b_1 \cdot x_1 + b_2 \cdot x_2 + b_3 \cdot x_3$ .

Then  $a_1 = b_1$  and  $a_2 = b_2$  and  $a_3 = b_3$ .

Let us consider  $n$ . The functor  $\text{Planes}(\mathcal{R}^n)$  yielding a family of subsets of  $\mathcal{R}^n$  is defined by:

(Def. 10)  $\text{Planes}(\mathcal{R}^n) = \{\text{Plane}(x_1, x_2, x_3)\}$ .

Let us consider  $n$ . Note that  $\text{Planes}(\mathcal{R}^n)$  is non empty.

The following proposition is true

(97)  $\text{Plane}(x_1, x_2, x_3) \in \text{Planes}(\mathcal{R}^n)$ .

In the sequel  $P, P_0, P_1, P_2$  are elements of  $\text{Planes}(\mathcal{R}^n)$ .

Next we state several propositions:

(98) If  $x_1 \in P$  and  $x_2 \in P$  and  $x_3 \in P$ , then  $\text{Plane}(x_1, x_2, x_3) \subseteq P$ .

(99) If  $x_1 \in P$  and  $x_2 \in P$  and  $x_3 \in P$  and  $x_2 - x_1$  and  $x_3 - x_1$  are linearly independent, then  $P = \text{Plane}(x_1, x_2, x_3)$ .

(100) If  $P_1$  is plane and  $P_1 \subseteq P_2$ , then  $P_1 = P_2$ .

(101)  $\text{Line}(x_1, x_2) \subseteq \text{Plane}(x_1, x_2, x_3)$  and  $\text{Line}(x_2, x_3) \subseteq \text{Plane}(x_1, x_2, x_3)$  and  $\text{Line}(x_3, x_1) \subseteq \text{Plane}(x_1, x_2, x_3)$ .

(102) If  $x_1 \in P$  and  $x_2 \in P$ , then  $\text{Line}(x_1, x_2) \subseteq P$ .

Let  $n$  be a natural number and let  $L_1, L_2$  be elements of  $\text{Lines}(\mathcal{R}^n)$ . We say that  $L_1$  and  $L_2$  are coplanar if and only if:

(Def. 11) There exist elements  $x_1, x_2, x_3$  of  $\mathcal{R}^n$  such that  $L_1 \subseteq \text{Plane}(x_1, x_2, x_3)$  and  $L_2 \subseteq \text{Plane}(x_1, x_2, x_3)$ .

We now state a number of propositions:

(103)  $L_1$  and  $L_2$  are coplanar iff there exists  $P$  such that  $L_1 \subseteq P$  and  $L_2 \subseteq P$ .

(104) If  $L_1 \parallel L_2$ , then  $L_1$  and  $L_2$  are coplanar.

- (105) Suppose  $L_1$  is a line and  $L_2$  is a line and  $L_1$  and  $L_2$  are coplanar and  $L_1$  misses  $L_2$ . Then there exists  $P$  such that  $L_1 \subseteq P$  and  $L_2 \subseteq P$  and  $P$  is plane.
- (106) There exists  $P$  such that  $x \in P$  and  $L \subseteq P$ .
- (107) If  $x \notin L$  and  $L$  is a line, then there exists  $P$  such that  $x \in P$  and  $L \subseteq P$  and  $P$  is plane.
- (108) If  $x \in P$  and  $L \subseteq P$  and  $x \notin L$  and  $L$  is a line, then  $P$  is plane.
- (109) If  $x \notin L$  and  $L$  is a line and  $x \in P_0$  and  $L \subseteq P_0$  and  $x \in P_1$  and  $L \subseteq P_1$ , then  $P_0 = P_1$ .
- (110) If  $L_1$  is a line and  $L_2$  is a line and  $L_1$  and  $L_2$  are coplanar and  $L_1 \neq L_2$ , then there exists  $P$  such that  $L_1 \subseteq P$  and  $L_2 \subseteq P$  and  $P$  is plane.
- (111) For all  $L_1, L_2$  such that  $L_1$  is a line and  $L_2$  is a line and  $L_1 \neq L_2$  and  $L_1$  meets  $L_2$  there exists  $P$  such that  $L_1 \subseteq P$  and  $L_2 \subseteq P$  and  $P$  is plane.
- (112) If  $L_1$  is a line and  $L_2$  is a line and  $L_1 \neq L_2$  and  $L_1$  meets  $L_2$  and  $L_1 \subseteq P_1$  and  $L_2 \subseteq P_1$  and  $L_1 \subseteq P_2$  and  $L_2 \subseteq P_2$ , then  $P_1 = P_2$ .
- (113) If  $L_1 \parallel L_2$  and  $L_1 \neq L_2$ , then there exists  $P$  such that  $L_1 \subseteq P$  and  $L_2 \subseteq P$  and  $P$  is plane.
- (114) If  $L_1 \perp L_2$  and  $L_1$  meets  $L_2$ , then there exists  $P$  such that  $P$  is plane and  $L_1 \subseteq P$  and  $L_2 \subseteq P$ .
- (115) If  $L_0 \subseteq P$  and  $L_1 \subseteq P$  and  $L_2 \subseteq P$  and  $x \in L_0$  and  $x \in L_1$  and  $x \in L_2$  and  $L_0 \perp L_2$  and  $L_1 \perp L_2$ , then  $L_0 = L_1$ .
- (116) If  $L_1$  and  $L_2$  are coplanar and  $L_1 \perp L_2$ , then  $L_1$  meets  $L_2$ .
- (117) If  $L_1 \subseteq P$  and  $L_2 \subseteq P$  and  $L_1 \perp L_2$  and  $x \in P$  and  $L_0 \parallel L_2$  and  $x \in L_0$ , then  $L_0 \subseteq P$  and  $L_0 \perp L_1$ .
- (118) If  $L \subseteq P$  and  $L_1 \subseteq P$  and  $L_2 \subseteq P$  and  $L \perp L_1$  and  $L \perp L_2$ , then  $L_1 \parallel L_2$ .
- (119) Suppose  $L_0 \subseteq P$  and  $L_1 \subseteq P$  and  $L_2 \subseteq P$  and  $L_0 \parallel L_1$  and  $L_1 \parallel L_2$  and  $L_0 \neq L_1$  and  $L_1 \neq L_2$  and  $L_2 \neq L_0$  and  $L$  meets  $L_0$  and  $L$  meets  $L_1$ . Then  $L$  meets  $L_2$ .
- (120) If  $L_1$  and  $L_2$  are coplanar and  $L_1$  is a line and  $L_2$  is a line and  $L_1$  misses  $L_2$ , then  $L_1 \parallel L_2$ .
- (121) If  $x_1 \in P$  and  $x_2 \in P$  and  $y_1 \in P$  and  $y_2 \in P$  and  $x_2 - x_1$  and  $y_2 - y_1$  are linearly independent, then  $\text{Line}(x_1, x_2)$  meets  $\text{Line}(y_1, y_2)$ .

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