

Vectorspacelike representation of absolute planes

Dedicated to Walter Benz on the occasion of his 75th birthday, in friendship

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Abstract. The pointset \mathbf{E} of an absolute plane $(\mathbf{E}, \mathcal{G}, \alpha, \equiv)$ can be provided with a binary operation “+” such that $(\mathbf{E}, +)$ becomes a loop and for each $a \in \mathbf{E} \setminus \{o\}$ the line $[a]$ through o and a is a commutative subgroup of $(\mathbf{E}, +)$. Two elements $a, b \in \mathbf{E} \setminus \{o\}$ are called *independent* if $[a] \cap [b] = \{o\}$ and the absolute plane is called *vectorspacelike* if for any two independent elements we have $\mathbf{E} = [a] + [b] := \{x + y \mid x \in [a], y \in [b]\}$. If $(\mathbf{E}, \mathcal{G}, \alpha, \equiv)$ is singular then $(\mathbf{E}, +)$ is a commutative group and $(\mathbf{E}, \mathcal{G}, \alpha, \equiv)$ is vectorspacelike iff $(\mathbf{E}, \mathcal{G}, \alpha, \equiv)$ is Euclidean. If $(\mathbf{E}, \mathcal{G}, \alpha, \equiv)$ is a hyperbolic plane then $(\mathbf{E}, \mathcal{G}, \alpha, \equiv)$ is vectorspacelike and in the continous case if a, b are independent, each point p has a unique representation as a *quasilinear combination* $p = \alpha \cdot a + \mu \cdot b$ where $\alpha \cdot a \in [a]$ and $\beta \cdot b \in [b]$ are points, α, β real numbers such that $\lambda(o, \lambda \cdot a) = |\lambda| \cdot \lambda(o, a)$ and $\lambda(o, \mu \cdot b) = |\mu| \cdot \lambda(o, b)$ and λ is the distance function.

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1. Introduction

After fixing two points o and e the pointset \mathbf{E} of an absolute plane $(\mathbf{E}, \mathcal{G}, \alpha, \equiv)$ can be furnished with a binary operation “+” such that $(\mathbf{E}, +)$ becomes a K-loop with o as neutral element. If $\mathbf{E}^* := \mathbf{E} \setminus \{o\}$ then for each $a \in \mathbf{E}^*$ the line $[a] := \overline{o, a}$ through o and a is a commutative subgroup of the loop $(\mathbf{E}, +)$ and all these groups are isomorphic. Moreover the halfline $[a]_+ := o\overline{xa}$ is a positive domain of the group $([a], +)$ and so by “ $x < y \iff -x + y \in [a]_+$ ”, $([a], +, <)$ becomes an ordered group. Such an ordered group $(W, +, <)$ with $W := [e]$ will be chosen as “scalar domain” and an operation “ $\oplus : W \times \mathbf{E}^* \rightarrow \mathbf{E}$; $(w, p) \mapsto w \oplus p$ ” between scalars and elements of \mathbf{E} introduced such that $[p] = W \oplus p$ holds.

If $(a, b) \in \mathbf{E}^* \times \mathbf{E}^*$ then the pair is called *independent* if $[a] \neq [b]$ and *direct* if $\mathbf{E} = [a] + [b] := \{x + y \mid x \in [a], y \in [b]\} = \{(u \oplus a) + (v \oplus b) \mid u, v \in W\}$. If $[a] \perp [b]$ then (a, b) is a direct pair (cf.(4.5)). We call $(\mathbf{E}, +)$ *vectorspacelike* if each independent pair is direct. We show:

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$(\mathbf{E}, +)$ is vectorspacelike \iff to a given segment (s_1, s_2) and an acute angle α there exists a rectangular triangle (p, q, r) with $\overline{p, q} \perp \overline{q, r}$, $(q, r) \equiv (s_1, s_2)$ and $\alpha \equiv \angle(r, p, q)$ (cf.(4.7),(4.8)).

For each $n \in \mathbf{N}$ the map $n' : W \rightarrow W; x \mapsto n \cdot x = x + \dots + x$ (n times) is a strictly isotone monomorphism of $(W, +, <)$. The set $\mathbf{N}_W := \{n \in \mathbf{N} \mid n' \text{ is surjective}\}$ contains 2 (cf.(5.1)) and the imbedding of the subring $\mathbf{Z}_W := \{\frac{m}{n} \mid m \in \mathbf{Z}, n \in \mathbf{N}_W\}$ of the field of rational numbers \mathbf{Q} in $(W, +, <)$ by $\frac{m}{n} \mapsto m' \circ (n')^{-1}(e)$ is a monomorphism from $(\mathbf{Z}_W, +)$ into $(W, +)$. In this way \mathbf{Z}_W will be considered as a subset of W with the operation $\cdot : \mathbf{Z}_W \times W \rightarrow W; (\frac{m}{n}, x) \mapsto \frac{m}{n} \cdot x := m' \circ (n')^{-1}(x)$. Then for $r \in \mathbf{Z}_W, r \neq 0$ the map $r' : W \rightarrow W; w \mapsto r \cdot w$ is contained in the set $Bet(W, +, \xi)$ of all betweenness preserving monomorphisms of $(W, +, \xi)$; r' is isotone resp. antitone if $o < r$ resp. $r < o$. A subset $B \subseteq W$ together with an operation $\cdot : B \times W \rightarrow W$ will be called *b-ring* of $(W, +, <)$ if $(B, +, \cdot)$ is a ring containing $(\mathbf{Z}_W, +, \cdot)$ as a subring and if for each $\beta \in B^* := B \setminus \{o\}$ the map $\beta_l : W \rightarrow W; w \mapsto \beta \cdot w$ is in $Bet(W, +, \xi)$. If B is a b-ring and $\beta \in B^*$ then by a so called *rotational extension* (cf.(5.7)) β_l becomes an injection $\beta' : \mathbf{E} \rightarrow \mathbf{E}; x \mapsto \beta \cdot x$ called *B-quasidilatation* (cf. Sec. 4). For $o < \beta < e$ the quasidilatation β' is a contraction hence if $x \in \mathbf{E}^*$ then $\beta \cdot x$ is a point of the open segment $]o, x[$ and if $e < \beta$ then β' is an enlargement, i.e. $x \in]o, \beta \cdot x[$. For $a, b \in \mathbf{E}$ and $\lambda, \mu \in B$ the expression $\lambda \cdot a + \mu \cdot b$ is called *quasilinear B-combination*. If B is transitive, i.e. $B = W$, then $[a] + [b] = \{\lambda \cdot a + \mu \cdot b \mid \lambda, \mu \in B\}$ if $a, b \in \mathbf{E}_1$ or if $(W, +, \cdot) := (B, +, \cdot)$ is a field. In the case that $(W, +, <)$ is continuous W can be established with a multiplication “ \cdot ” such that $(W, +, \cdot, <)$ becomes an ordered field (isomorphic to the reals \mathbf{R}) (cf. (5.6)) and then $[a] + [b] = W \cdot a + W \cdot b = \{\lambda \cdot a + \mu \cdot b \mid \lambda, \mu \in W\}$ for all $a, b \in \mathbf{E}$.

The loop $(\mathbf{E}, +)$ is a group if the absolute plane is singular. In this case $(\mathbf{E}, +)$ is vectorspacelike iff $(\mathbf{E}, \mathcal{G}, \alpha, \equiv)$ is an Euclidean plane (cf. (4.6)). In the ordinary case the loop of a hyperbolic plane is vectorspacelike (cf. (6.1)).

With the theorems (5.6) and (6.1) one obtains the result of A. Greil [1]:

If $(\mathbf{E}, \mathcal{G}, \alpha, \equiv)$ is a continuous hyperbolic plane (then \mathbf{R} is a b-ring) and if $a, b \in \mathbf{E}^*$ with $[a] \neq [b]$ then each point $x \in \mathbf{E}$ can be uniquely represented as a quasilinear \mathbf{R} -combination $x = \lambda \cdot a + \mu \cdot b$ with $\lambda(o, \lambda \cdot a) = |\lambda| \cdot \lambda(o, a)$ and $\lambda(o, \mu \cdot b) = |\mu| \cdot \lambda(o, b)$ where λ is the distance function (cf. Sec. 2).

2. Notations, assumptions and known results

In this paper let $(\mathbf{E}, \mathcal{G}, \alpha, \equiv)$ be an absolute plane in the sense of [6] p. 96; \mathbf{E} and \mathcal{G} denotes the set of *points* and *lines* respectively, α the *order-function* and \equiv the *congruence*. Let \mathcal{A} be the motion group of $(\mathbf{E}, \mathcal{G}, \alpha, \equiv)$. For $a \in \mathbf{E}$, $A \in \mathcal{G}$ let \tilde{a} resp. \tilde{A} denote the point- resp. line-reflection in a resp. in A and let $\tilde{\mathbf{E}} := \{\tilde{a} \mid a \in \mathbf{E}\}$ resp. $\tilde{\mathcal{G}} := \{\tilde{A} \mid$

$\mathcal{A} \in \mathcal{G}$ be the set of all point- resp. line-reflections. If $a, b \in \mathbf{E}$ and $a \neq b$ let \widetilde{ab} resp. \widehat{ab} denote the (uniquely determined) point- resp. line-reflection interchanging a and b (cf. [6] (16.11), (16.12), (17.1), (17.2)) (i.e. \widetilde{ab} resp. \widehat{ab} is the reflection in the midpoint resp. midline of a and b (cf. [6](16.11) and p. 105)). Moreover let $\overline{a, b}$ denote the line joining a and b and let $a^{\times}b := \{x \in \overline{a, b} \mid (a|b, x) = 1\}$ ¹ be the *halfline* and let $\mathcal{H} := \{a^{\times}b \mid a, b \in \mathbf{E}, a \neq b\}$ be the set of all halflines.

By [6] (17.6),(17.9),(17.7) and $\widetilde{\mathcal{G}} \subseteq \widetilde{\mathcal{G}}^3$ follows:

(2.1) $\mathcal{A} = \widetilde{\mathcal{G}}^2 \dot{\cup} \widetilde{\mathcal{G}}^3$, $\widetilde{\mathbf{E}} \subseteq \widetilde{\mathcal{G}}^2$ and $\widetilde{\mathcal{G}}^2 \triangleleft \mathcal{A}$ is a normal subgroup of \mathcal{A} of index 2.

We call the elements of $\mathcal{A}_+ := \widetilde{\mathcal{G}}^2$ *proper motions*. By [6] (17.8) and (18.3) we have:

(2.2) Let $\varphi \in \mathcal{A}$, $a \in \mathbf{E}$ and $G \in \mathcal{G}$ then:

- (1) $\varphi \circ \widetilde{G} \circ \varphi^{-1} = \widetilde{\varphi(G)}$ hence $\varphi \circ \widetilde{\mathcal{G}} \circ \varphi^{-1} = \widetilde{\mathcal{G}}$, i.e. $\widetilde{\mathcal{G}}$ is an invariant subset consisting of involutory motions of \mathcal{A} and acting transitively on \mathbf{E} .
- (2) $\varphi \circ \widetilde{a} \circ \varphi^{-1} = \widetilde{\varphi(a)}$ hence $\varphi \circ \widetilde{\mathbf{E}} \circ \varphi^{-1} = \widetilde{\mathbf{E}}$, i.e. $(\mathbf{E}, \widetilde{\mathbf{E}})$ is an invariant set of involutory motions acting regularly on \mathbf{E} .
- (3) $\forall a, b, c, d \in \mathbf{E}, a \neq b, c \neq d \exists_1 \sigma \in \mathcal{A}_+ : \sigma(a^{\times}b) = c^{\times}d$, i.e. the group of proper motions acts regularly on the set \mathcal{H} of all halflines (cf. [6] (17.15)).

From [6] (17.7.2) and (17.13.2) resp. (16.10.2) and p.105 follows:

(2.3) Let $D \in \mathcal{G}$, $a, b, c \in D$ and $p \in \mathbf{E} \setminus D$ then:

- (1) $\exists m \in D : \widetilde{a} \circ \widetilde{b} \circ \widetilde{c} = \widetilde{m}$.
- (2) $\widetilde{p}(D) \cap D = \emptyset$.

The absolute planes split into two classes: the *singular planes* characterized by $\widetilde{\mathbf{E}}^3 \subset \widetilde{\mathbf{E}}$ and the *ordinary planes* characterized by $\widetilde{\mathbf{E}}^3 \not\subset \widetilde{\mathbf{E}}$

(2.4) If $(\mathbf{E}, \mathcal{G}, \alpha, \equiv)$ is singular then $\widetilde{\mathbf{E}}^2$ is a commutative normal subgroup of \mathcal{A} acting regularly on \mathbf{E} . (cf. [6] (21.6))

Now let three non collinear points $o, e_1, e_2 \in \mathbf{E}$ with $(o, e_1) \equiv (o, e_2)$ and $\overline{o, e_1} \perp \overline{o, e_2}$ be fixed as a *frame of reference*, let $\mathbf{E}_1 := \{x \in \mathbf{E} \mid (o, x) \equiv (o, e_1)\}$ and $\mathbf{E}^* := \mathbf{E} \setminus \{o\}$. For any $a \in \mathbf{E}^*$ let:

- $$\begin{aligned} [a] &:= \overline{o, a} \text{ the line joining } o \text{ and } a, \\ [a]_+ &:= \{x \in [a] \mid (o|a, x) = 1\} \text{ the halfline,} \\ a^+ &:= \widetilde{o}a \circ \widetilde{o} \text{ and } o^+ := id \text{ (let } \mathbf{E}^+ := \{a^+ \mid a \in \mathbf{E}\}). \end{aligned}$$

For $a \in \mathbf{E}_1 \setminus \{e_1\}$ let $a^\bullet := \widetilde{e_1}a \circ \widetilde{o, e_1}$ and $e_1^\bullet := id$.

¹ $(a|b, x) := \alpha(a, b, x)$ (cf. [6] (13.9))

Then by [4] p.405:

(2.5) $(\mathbf{E}, +)$ with $a + b := a^+(b)$ is a K-loop, i.e. a loop characterized by:

$$\forall a, b \in \mathbf{E} : a^+ \circ b^+ \circ a^+ = (a + (b + a))^+ \text{ and } \tilde{o} \circ a^+ = (\tilde{o}(a))^+ \circ \tilde{o}$$

Moreover:

- (1) \mathbf{E}^+ is a set of fixed point free proper motions of $(\mathbf{E}, \mathcal{G}, \alpha, \equiv)$ acting regularly on the point set \mathbf{E} (cf.(2.2.2)).
- (2) $(\mathbf{E}, +)$ is a group (and then even a commutative group) if and only if $(\mathbf{E}, \mathcal{G}, \alpha, \equiv)$ is singular; in this case $(\mathbf{E}, +)$ and $(\tilde{\mathbf{E}}^2, \circ)$ are isomorphic.
- (3) $\forall a \in \mathbf{E}^*$, $[a]$ is a commutative subgroup of the loop $(\mathbf{E}, +)$ and $[a]_+$ a subsemigroup of $[a]$ with $[a] = [a]_+ \dot{\cup} \{o\} \dot{\cup} [-a]_+$.
- (4) $\mathcal{G} = \{a + [b] \mid a \in \mathbf{E}, b \in \mathbf{E}^*\}$ and the set \mathcal{H} of all halflines is represented by $\mathcal{H} = \{a + [b]_+ \mid a \in \mathbf{E}, b \in \mathbf{E}^*\}$.
- (5) If $(\mathbf{E}, \mathcal{G}, \alpha, \equiv)$ is ordinary then $\forall a \in \mathbf{E}^*$, $\forall \sigma \in \text{Aut}(\mathbf{E}, +) : [a] = \{x \in \mathbf{E} \mid a^+ \circ x^+ = x^+ \circ a^+\}$, $\sigma([a]) = [\sigma(a)]$ and $\text{Aut}(\mathbf{E}, +) \leq \text{Aut}(\mathbf{E}, \mathcal{G})$.

Proof. “(5)” $\forall x \in \mathbf{E} : \sigma \circ a^+ \circ \sigma^{-1}(x) = \sigma(a + \sigma^{-1}(x)) = \sigma(a) + x = (\sigma(a))^+(x)$ hence $\sigma \circ a^+ \circ \sigma^{-1} = (\sigma(a))^+$ and so $(\sigma(a))^+ \circ (\sigma(x))^+ = \sigma \circ a^+ \circ x^+ \circ \sigma^{-1} = (\sigma(x))^+ \circ (\sigma(a))^+ \iff a^+ \circ x^+ = x^+ \circ a^+$.

Consequently $\sigma([a]) = [\sigma(a)]$. Since $\sigma(a + [b]) = \sigma(a) + \sigma([b]) = \sigma(a) + [\sigma(b)]$ we have $\sigma \in \text{Aut}(\mathbf{E}, \mathcal{G})$. \square

From [6] (16.12) and (19.1) we obtain the first part of the following theorem:

(2.6) (\mathbf{E}_1, \bullet) with $a \bullet b := a^\bullet(b)$ is a commutative group with the neutral element e_1 , isomorphic to the rotation group in o and for $a \in \mathbf{E}_1$ and $b \in \mathbf{E}^*$ we have:

- (1) $a^\bullet \circ b^+ = (a^\bullet(b))^+ \circ a^\bullet$, i.e. $a^\bullet \in \text{Aut}(\mathbf{E}, +)$ hence $\mathbf{E}_1^\bullet := \{a^\bullet \mid a \in \mathbf{E}_1\} \leq \text{Aut}(\mathbf{E}, +)$.
- (2) $a^\bullet([b]) = [a^\bullet(b)]$, $a^\bullet([b]_+) = [a^\bullet(b)]_+$, i.e. the automorphism a^\bullet maps the commutative subgroup $[b]$ of the loop $(\mathbf{E}, +)$ onto the subgroup $[a^\bullet(b)]$, in particular $a^\bullet([e_1]) = [a]$.
- (3) $|[b]_+ \cap \mathbf{E}_1| = 1$.
- (4) $\forall b, c \in \mathbf{E}^* \exists_1 m \in \mathbf{E}_1 : [c]_+ = m^\bullet([b]_+) = [m^\bullet(b)]_+$.
- (5) For $a, b \in \mathbf{E}$ let $\delta_{a,b} := ((a + b)^+)^{-1} \circ a^+ \circ b^+$ and let $d_{a,b} := \delta_{a,b}(e_1)$ then $\delta_{a,b} = d_{a,b}^\bullet$ and $a^+ \circ b^+ = (a + b)^+ \circ d_{a,b}^\bullet$.
- (6) $\mathbf{E}^+ \triangleleft_Q \mathbf{E}_1^\bullet = \mathcal{A}_+$ is the quasidirect product of the loop $(\mathbf{E}, +)$ and the commutative group (\mathbf{E}_1, \bullet) : If $\sigma \in \mathcal{A}_+$, $a := \sigma(o)$ and $b := (a^+)^{-1} \circ \sigma(e_1)$ then $b \in \mathbf{E}_1$ and $\sigma = a^+ \circ b^\bullet$ and if $a, b \in \mathbf{E}$, $c, d \in \mathbf{E}_1$ then $(a^+ \circ c^\bullet) \circ (b^+ \circ d^\bullet) = (a + c^\bullet(b))^+ \circ ((d_{a,c^\bullet(b)}) \bullet c \bullet d)^\bullet$.

Proof. “(1)” Since $(o, e_1) \equiv (o, a)$ the midline of e_1 and a contains the point o (cf. [6] (16.12), (16.13)) hence $\widetilde{e_1 a}(o) = o$ and so $a^\bullet(o) = o$. Therefore by (2.2.2), $a^\bullet \circ \widetilde{o} \circ (a^\bullet)^{-1} = a^\bullet(\widetilde{o}) = \widetilde{o}$ and $a^\bullet \circ \widetilde{o b} \circ (a^\bullet)^{-1} = (a^\bullet(\widetilde{o})a^\bullet(b)) = o a^\bullet(b)$ implying $a^\bullet \circ b^+ \circ (a^\bullet)^{-1} = (o a^\bullet(b)) \circ \widetilde{o} = (a^\bullet(b))^+$. \square

3. Measurement and polar coordinates

Let $W := [e_1]$, $W_+ := [e_1]_+$ and $\mathbf{E}_+ := \{x \in \mathbf{E} \mid (W|e_2, x) = 1\}$. According to [6] (13.3) there is a total order relation “ $<$ ” on W such that $o < e_1$ and for all $\{x, y, z\} \in \binom{W}{3}$ holds: $(x|y, z) = -1 \iff y < x < z$ or $z < x < y$.

From the excellent paper of D. Gröger (cf. [2] §2) we obtain:

(3.1) *Between the commutative group $(W, +)$ (cf.(2.5.3)) and the ordered set $(W, <)$ there are the following relations :*

- (1) $\forall a \in W$, $\widetilde{a}|_W$ is an antiton permutation of $(W, <)$.
- (2) $\forall a \in W$, $a^+|_W$ is an isoton permutation, i.e. $(W, +, <)$ is an ordered commutative group.
- (3) W_+ is a positive domain hence for $a, b \in W$: $a < b \iff -a + b \in W_+$. \square

By (2.6.4) to any $x \in \mathbf{E}^*$ there exists exactly one $m \in \mathbf{E}_1$ with $m^\bullet([x]_+) = [e_1]_+ = W_+$. Therefore the map

$$|\cdot| : \mathbf{E} \rightarrow W_+ \cup \{o\} ; x \mapsto \begin{cases} m^\bullet(x) & \text{if } x \neq o \\ o & \text{if } x = o, \end{cases}$$

called *absolute value*, is welldefined and we have:

$$(3.2) \forall x, y \in \mathbf{E} : |x| = |y| \iff (o, x) \equiv (o, y). \quad \square$$

Using the loop operation of $(\mathbf{E}, +)$ we define:

$$\lambda : \mathbf{E} \times \mathbf{E} \rightarrow W_+ \cup \{o\}; (a, b) \mapsto \lambda(a, b) := |-a + b|$$

and call $\lambda(a, b)$ the *distance* of the points a and b . Since the maps a^+ are also motions we can summarize the results of ([2] (2.5), (2.6), (2.7)) and state:

(3.3) *Let $a, b, c, d \in \mathbf{E}$ and $\varphi \in \mathcal{A}$ then :*

- (1) $(a, b) \equiv (c, d) \iff \lambda(a, b) = \lambda(c, d)$
- (2) $\lambda(\varphi(a), \varphi(b)) = \lambda(a, b) = \lambda(b, a)$
- (3) $\lambda(a, b) = o \iff a = b$
- (4) *If (a, b, c) is a rectangular triangle with $\overline{a, c} \perp \overline{b, c}$ then $\lambda(a, c) < \lambda(a, b)$.*
- (5) (triangular inequality) $\lambda(a, b) \leq \lambda(a, c) + \lambda(b, c)$ and $\lambda(a, b) = \lambda(a, c) + \lambda(b, c) \iff c \in [a, b]$. \square

From (3.3.4) follows:

(3.4) For $A \in \mathcal{G}$ and $x \in \mathbf{E}$ let $x_A := (x \perp A) \cap A$ be the foot of x on A then for $a \in A$, $\lambda(x, x_A) \leq \lambda(x, a)$ and $\lambda(x, A) := \lambda(x, x_A)$ is called the distance from the point x to the line A . \square

If $p, q \in \mathbf{E}$, $A \in \mathcal{G}$ and $u \in W_+$ are given with $p \neq q$ and $q \notin A$, let

$$D(A, q) := \{x \in \mathbf{E} \mid \lambda(x, A) = \lambda(q, A) \wedge (A|q, x) = 1\} \text{ resp.}$$

$$D(A; u) := \{x \in \mathbf{E} \mid \lambda(x, A) = u\}$$

be the *equidistant* of A through q resp. the set of all points having the distance u from A . If $\lambda(q, A) = u$ then $D(A; u) = D(A, q) \dot{\cup} D(A, \tilde{A}(q))$.

In the absolute plane $(\mathbf{E}, \mathcal{G}, \alpha, \equiv)$ we introduce an *orientation* $Or : \Delta \rightarrow \{1, -1\}$; $(a, b, c) \mapsto Or(a, b, c)$, i.e. a function defined on the set Δ of all triangles by:

Let $\sigma \in \mathcal{A}_+$ be the proper motion uniquely determined by $\sigma(a^{\neq}b) = W_+$ (cf. (2.2.3)) then $Or(a, b, c) := (W|e_2, \sigma(c))$.

We say (a, b, c) is *positively oriented* if $Or(a, b, c) = 1$ otherwise *negatively*.

The orientation Or induces a *cyclic order* ω on \mathbf{E}_1 turning the commutative group (\mathbf{E}_1, \bullet) in a *cyclic ordered group* $(\mathbf{E}_1, \bullet, \omega)$ by:

For $\{a, b, c\} \in \binom{\mathbf{E}_1}{3}$ we have $(a, b, c) \in \Delta$ and therefore we set $\omega(a, b, c) := Or(a, b, c)$.

Now we can introduce a measure for angles : if $\alpha = \angle(b, a, c) = (db, ac)$ is an angle let again $\sigma \in \mathcal{A}_+$ with $\sigma(db) = W_+$ then $\mu(\alpha) := [\sigma(c)]_+ \cap \mathbf{E}_1$ is called the *measure* of α .

Analogously to (3.3) we have:

(3.5) Let $\gamma := \angle(a, c, b)$ be an angle, let $d \in \mathbf{E} \setminus \{o\}$ with $\overline{(c, d|a, b)} = -1$ then $\mu(\gamma) = \mu(\angle(a, c, d)) \bullet \mu(\angle(d, c, b))$. \square

Moreover for any $x \in \mathbf{E}^*$ let $\xi := [x]_+ \cap \mathbf{E}_1$. Then the pair $(|x|, \xi) \in W_+ \times \mathbf{E}_1$ is called the *polar coordinates* of x , and the function $pc : \mathbf{E}^* \rightarrow W_+ \times \mathbf{E}_1$; $x \mapsto (|x|, [x]_+ \cap \mathbf{E}_1)$ is a bijection; for if $\xi \in \mathbf{E}_1$ and $w \in W_+$ are given then $x := \xi^\bullet(w)$ is exactly the point with the polar coordinates (w, ξ) .

4. Direct sums and direct pairs

Since for each $a \in \mathbf{E}_1$ the motion $a^\bullet = \widehat{e_1 a} \circ \tilde{W}$ is an automorphism of the loop $(\mathbf{E}, +)$ we set $\bullet : \mathbf{E}_1 \times \mathbf{E} \rightarrow \mathbf{E}$; $(a, x) \mapsto a \bullet x := a^\bullet(x)$ and call the elements of \mathbf{E}_1 *multipliers*. To each $p \in \mathbf{E}^*$ we associate the multiplier $p_1 := [p]_+ \cap \mathbf{E}_1$ then:

(4.1) $\forall a, b \in \mathbf{E}_1, \forall x, y \in \mathbf{E}, \forall p \in \mathbf{E}^*$:

- (1) $e_1 \bullet x = x, |a \bullet x| = |x|$ and $(a \bullet p)_1 = a \bullet p_1$
- (2) $a \bullet (x + y) = a \bullet x + a \bullet y$
- (3) $a \bullet (b \bullet x) = (a \bullet b) \bullet x$
- (4) $\mathbf{E}_1 \bullet x := \{a \bullet x \mid a \in \mathbf{E}_1\}$ is a circle with center o passing through x
- (5) $p = p_1 \bullet |p|$, i.e. $(|p|, p_1)$ are the polar coordinates of p
- (6) $-e_1 \in \mathbf{E}_1, (-e_1)^\bullet = \tilde{o}$ and $(-e_1) \bullet x = -x$.
- (7) $a \bullet [p] = [a \bullet p]$. □

We call the commutative group $(W, +)$ *scalar domain* and their elements *scalars* and introduce between W and \mathbf{E}^* by:

$$\oplus : W \times \mathbf{E}^* \rightarrow \mathbf{E}; (w, p) \mapsto w \oplus p := p_1 \bullet (w + |p|) = p_1 \bullet w + p$$

an operation which has the properties:

(4.2) For all $u, v \in W$, for all $p \in \mathbf{E}^*$:

- (1) $o \oplus p = p$
- (2) $((u + v) \oplus p) + p = (u \oplus p) + (v \oplus p)$
- (3) If $u \geq o$ then $|u \oplus p| = u + |p|$
- (4) $W \oplus p = [p], W_+ \oplus p = [p]_+$. □

If $a, b \in \mathbf{E}^*$ and $u, v \in W$ then the expression $(u \oplus a) + (v \oplus b)$ shall be called *scalar combination* of a and b . Then:

(4.3) For all $a, b \in \mathbf{E}^*$, for all $u, v \in W$, for all $c \in \mathbf{E}_1$: $c \bullet (u \oplus a) = u \oplus (c \bullet a), c \bullet ((u \oplus a) + (v \oplus b)) = (u \oplus (c \bullet a)) + (v \oplus (c \bullet b))$.

(4.4) Let $a, c \in \mathbf{E}^*$ with $[a] \neq [c]$ and let $b \in [a] \setminus \{a\}$ then:

- (1) $[a] \cap (a + [c]) = \{a\}$
- (2) $(b + [c]) \cap (a + [c]) = \emptyset$
- (3) $\forall p \in \mathbf{E}$ there is at most one pair $(x, y) \in [a] \times [c]$ such that $p = x + y$, i.e. there is at most one pair (u, v) of scalars such that $p = (u \oplus a) + (v \oplus c)$ is a scalar combination of a and c .

Proof. “(1)” : By assumption $[a] \cap [c] = \{o\}$, since $[a]$ is a subgroup of the loop $(\mathbf{E}, +)$ and a^+ a permutation we have: $\{a\} = (a + [a]) \cap (a + [c]) = [a] \cap (a + [c])$.

“(2)” : Let $a' := \text{Fix } \tilde{o}a, b' := \text{Fix } \tilde{o}b$ hence $\tilde{a}' = \tilde{o}a, \tilde{b}' = \tilde{o}b$ and a' resp. b' is the midpoint of $\{o, a\}$ resp. $\{o, b\}$. By $b \in [a]$ follows $o, a', b' \in [a]$ hence by (2.3.1) there is a $d' \in [a]$ with $\tilde{d}' = \tilde{b}' \circ \tilde{a}' \circ \tilde{o} = \tilde{o}b \circ \tilde{o}a \circ \tilde{o}$. Since $\tilde{o}([c]) = [c]$ we obtain by (2.3.2) :

$$(b + [c]) \cap (a + [c]) = \tilde{o}b([c]) \cap \tilde{o}b \circ \tilde{o}a([c]) = \tilde{o}b([c] \cap \tilde{d}'([c])) \neq \emptyset \iff$$

$$[c] \cap \tilde{d}'([c]) \neq \emptyset \iff d' \in [a] \cap [c] = \{o\} \iff \tilde{o}a = \tilde{o}b \iff a = b.$$

Since $a \neq b$, (2) is valid.

“(3)”: Assume there are $(x, y), (x', y') \in [a] \times [c]$ with $p = x + y = x' + y'$ and $x \neq x'$ then for instance $x \neq o$ and so $x' \in [a] = [x]$. Thus $p \in (x + [c]) \cap (x' + [c])$ and by (2), $(x + [c]) \cap (x' + [c]) = \emptyset$, a contradiction. Hence $x = x'$ and so $y = y'$. \square

A pair $(a, b) \in \mathbf{E} \times \mathbf{E}$ is called a *direct pair* if $[a] + [b] := \{x + y \mid x \in [a], y \in [b]\} = \mathbf{E}$ or equivalently if $\mathbf{E} = (W \oplus a) + (W \oplus b)$. Then by (4.4.3) for every direct pair (a, b) the loop $(\mathbf{E}, +)$ is representable as *direct sum* of the commutative subgroups $[a]$ and $[b]$, i.e. each element $p \in \mathbf{E}$ is uniquely representable as a scalar combination of a and b .

(4.5) Let $a, b \in \mathbf{E}^*$ with $[a] \perp [b]$ then (a, b) is a direct pair.

Proof. Let $p \in \mathbf{E}$, $x := (p \perp [a]) \cap [a]$ then $[a] \perp [b]$, $x + [a] = \tilde{o}x([a]) = [a]$ and $x + [b] = \tilde{o}x([b])$ imply $[a] \perp (x + [b])$ hence $p \in (p \perp [a]) = x + [b]$ and so there is a $y \in [b]$ with $p = x + y$. \square

We call the K-loop $(\mathbf{E}, +)$ of an absolute plane *vectorspacelike* if for all $a, b \in \mathbf{E}^*$ with $[a] \neq [b]$, (a, b) is a direct pair.

(4.6) The K-loop of a singular plane is vectorspacelike if and only if the plane is Euclidean.

Proof. By (2.5.2) $(\mathbf{E}, +)$ is a commutative group. Let $a, b \in \mathbf{E}^*$ with $[a] \neq [b]$ and let $p = x + y$ with $x \in [a]$ and $y \in [b]$ then $p = (x + [b]) \cap (y + [a]) = (p + [b]) \cap (p + [a])$.

Therefore (a, b) is a direct pair if for all $p \in \mathbf{E}$ holds:

$(p + [a]) \cap [b] \neq \emptyset$ and $(p + [b]) \cap [a] \neq \emptyset$. Clearly, if the parallelaxiom is valid then this condition is satisfied:

$$\text{for let } u, x, y, z \in \mathbf{E} \text{ with } y, z \neq o \text{ then } (u + [y]) \parallel (x + [z]) \iff [y] = [z].$$

If the parallelaxiom is not satisfied then by (2.2.2) there exist lines $C, [a], [b]$ with $[a] \neq [b]$ and $C \cap ([a] \cup [b]) = \emptyset$. If $C = d + [c]$ then at least one of the statements $[c] \neq [a]$ or $[c] \neq [b]$ is true for instance $[c] \neq [a]$. Since $(d + [c]) \cap [a] = C \cap [a] = \emptyset$ it follows that (a, c) is not a direct pair. \square

Next we consider the case $(a, b) \in \mathbf{E}^* \times \mathbf{E}^*$ with $[a] \neq [b]$ and $[a] \not\perp [b]$. Then there are $a_1 \in [a] \cap \mathbf{E}_1$, $b_1 \in [b] \cap \mathbf{E}_1$ such that $\gamma := \angle(b_1, o, a_1)$ is an acute angle hence $\mu(\gamma) = a_1^{-1} \bullet b_1 \in \mathbf{E}_1$ with $\omega(e_1, \mu(\gamma), e_2) = 1$. We show:

(4.7) For $a, b \in \mathbf{E}_1$ with $\omega(e_1, a^{-1} \bullet b, e_2) = 1$ the following statements are equivalent:

- (1) (a, b) is a direct pair

- (2) $\forall w \in W_+ : [b] \cap D([a]; w) \neq \emptyset$
 (3) $\forall w \in W_+$ exists a rectangular triangle $\Delta = (p, q, r)$ with $\overline{p, q} \perp \overline{r, q}$, $\mu(\angle(r, p, q)) = a^{-1} \bullet b$ and $\lambda(r, q) = w$.

Proof. By (2.6) and (4.3), $(a^{-1})^\bullet$ is a proper motion and an automorphism of $(\mathbf{E}, +, W; \oplus)$. Therefore we may assume $a = e_1$ and $\omega(e_1, b, e_2) = 1$.

“(1) \Rightarrow (2), (3)”. Let $w \in W_+$ be given. Since (a, b) is a direct pair there are uniquely determined scalars $u, v \in W$ such that $e_2 \bullet w = (u \oplus e_1) + (v \oplus b) = (u + e_1) + (v \oplus b)$.

Since $w > o$ and $\omega(e_1, b, e_2) = 1$ we have $v > o$ and $u + e_1 < o$. We consider the triangle $\Delta := (o, -(u + e_1), (v \oplus b))$ which has the properties:

1. Since $u + e_1 \in W$ and $o \neq u + e_1$ we have $\overline{o, -(u + e_1)} = W = [e_1]$ and $(-(u + e_1))^+$ is a proper motion fixing the line $[e_1]$. Since $[e_1] \perp [e_2]$ also the lines $[e_1]$ and $(-(u + e_1))^+([e_2]) = -(u + e_1) + [e_2]$ are orthogonal. The line $-(u + e_1) + [e_2]$ contains the points $-(u + e_1)$ and $-(u \oplus e_1) + e_2 \bullet w = -(u \oplus e_1) + ((u \oplus e_1) + (v \oplus b)) = v \oplus b$. Therefore Δ is rectangular with $\overline{o, -(u + e_1)} \perp \overline{-(u + e_1), v \oplus b}$ and so $-(u + e_1)$ is the orthogonal projection of $(v \oplus b)$ onto $[e_1]$. Hence: $\lambda(v \oplus b, [e_1]) = \lambda(-(u + e_1), v \oplus b) = |-(u + e_1) - (v \oplus b)| = |-e_2 \bullet w| = |w| = w$ implying $v \oplus b \in D([e_1]; w)$, i.e. $[b] \cap D([e_1]; w) \neq \emptyset$ and (2) is proved. Finally since $v > o$ and $-(u + e_1) > o$ we have $[v \oplus b]_+ = [b]_+$ and $[-(u + e_1)]_+ = [e_1]_+$ hence $\angle(v \oplus b, o, -(u + e_1)) = \angle(b, o, e_1)$ and so $\mu(\angle(b, o, e_1)) = b$, i.e. also (3) is proved. “(2) \Rightarrow (1)”. Let $p \in \mathbf{E}$ be given. If $p \in [e_1]$ then $p = p + o$ with $o \in [b]$. Therefore let $p \notin [e_1]$. Then by assumption (2) there is exactly one $v \in W$ such that $\{v \oplus b\} = [b] \cap D([e_1], p)$. Let $p_W := (p \perp [e_1]) \cap [e_1]$ and $(v \oplus b)_W := (v \oplus b \perp [e_1]) \cap [e_1]$, then $-p_W + p = -(v \oplus b)_W + (v \oplus b) \in [e_2]$ and since $(W, +)$ is a commutative group there is exactly one $u \in W$ such that $p_W = (u \oplus e_1) + (v \oplus b)_W = (u \oplus e_1)^+ + (v \oplus b)_W$. Consequently: $p = p_W^+ \circ (-(v \oplus b)_W)^+ + (v \oplus b) = (u \oplus e_1)^+ \circ ((v \oplus b)_W)^+ \circ (-(v \oplus b)_W)^+ + (v \oplus b) = (u \oplus e_1)^+ + (v \oplus b) = (u \oplus e_1) + (v \oplus b)$. \square

From (4.7) follows:

(4.8) The K-loop of an absolute plane is vectorspacelike if and only if : $\exists A \in \mathcal{G}$ and $a \in A : \forall G \in \mathcal{G} \setminus \{A\}$ with $a \in G, \forall x \in \mathbf{E} \setminus A : G \cap D(A, x) \neq \emptyset$.

5. b-Rings, rotational extensions and quasidilatations

Quasidilatations for the K-loop of an absolute geometry were introduced in [4]. In order to define them we consider firstly the ordered commutative group $(W, +, <)$ (cf.(3.1)).

Let ξ denote the betweenness relation on W corresponding to $<$, let $Iso(W, +, <)$ resp. $Bet(W, +, \xi)$ be the set of all endomorphisms of the group $(W, +)$ which are strictly isotone

resp. which preserve the betweenness relation ξ on W , let: $\nu : W \rightarrow W; x \mapsto -x := \tilde{o}(x)$ and let $Mon(W, +)$ be the set of all monomorphisms of $(W, +)$. Then $Bet(W, +, \xi) = Iso(W, +, <) \dot{\cup} \nu \circ Iso(W, +, <) \subseteq Mon(W, +)$ where $\nu \circ Iso(W, +, <)$ is the set of all antitone monomorphisms.

$(Bet(W, +, \xi), \circ)$, $(Iso(W, +, <), \circ)$ and $(Iso(W, +, <), +)$ are semigroups. The automorphism groups $Aut(W, +, \xi)$ resp. $Aut(W, +, <)$ are subgroups of $(Bet(W, +, \xi), \circ)$ resp. $(Iso(W, +, <), \circ)$ and $Aut(W, +, \xi) = Aut(W, +, <) \dot{\cup} \nu \circ Aut(W, +, <)$.

We show:

(5.1) $(W, +)$ is uniquely divisible by 2 : for $a \in W$ let $\frac{1}{2}a$ be the midpoint of o and a then $\frac{1}{2}a \in W$ and $\frac{1}{2}a + \frac{1}{2}a = a$.

Proof. Let $a' := \frac{1}{2}a$ then $a' + a' = \tilde{o}a' \circ \tilde{o}(a') = \tilde{a}' \circ \tilde{o}a'(a') = \tilde{a}'(o) = \tilde{o}a(o) = a$ and if $a = b + b = \tilde{o}b \circ \tilde{o}(b) = \tilde{b} \circ \tilde{o}b(b) = \tilde{b}(o)$ then b is the midpoint of o and a hence $b = a'$. \square

Since $(W, +, <)$ is an ordered commutative group, $(W, +)$ is a \mathbf{Z} -module such that $\forall n \in \mathbf{Z}^* := \mathbf{Z} \setminus \{0\}$, the map $n' : W \rightarrow W; x \mapsto n \cdot x$ is a monomorphism where n' is isotone if $n \in \mathbf{N}$ and antitone if $-n \in \mathbf{N}$. By (5.1), $2'$ is even an automorphism with $(2')^{-1}(x) = \frac{1}{2}x$.

Therefore:

(5.2) Let $\mathbf{P}_W := \{p \in \mathbf{P} \mid p' \in Sym W\}$ be the set of all prime numbers p such that p' is even an automorphism of $(W, +)$, let \mathbf{N}_W be the set of all natural numbers which are products of prime numbers of \mathbf{P}_W and let $\mathbf{Z}_W := \{\frac{m}{n} \mid m \in \mathbf{Z}, n \in \mathbf{N}_W\}$ be the subring of the field \mathbf{Q} consisting of all fractions where the denominator is an element of \mathbf{N}_W . Then:

- (1) $2 \in \mathbf{P}_W$ (by (5.1)) and $\mathbf{Z}_2 := \{m \cdot 2^{-n} \mid m \in \mathbf{Z}, n \in \mathbf{N} \cup \{0\}\} \subseteq \mathbf{Z}_W$.
- (2) $\forall r = \frac{m}{n} \in \mathbf{Z}_W^*$ the map $r' = m' \circ ((n')^{-1})$ is a monomorphism of $(W, +)$ and r' is strictly isotone resp. antitone if $r > 0$ resp. $r < 0$.
- (3) If $r := \frac{m}{n}$ is a unit of \mathbf{Z}_W hence if $m \in \mathbf{N}_W$ then r' is an automorphism of $(W, +)$.
- (4) $(-e_1)|_W = (-1)'$ is an antitone automorphism of $(W, +)$.
- (5) \mathbf{Z}_W is a subring of $End(W, +)$ with $\mathbf{Z}_W^* := \mathbf{Z}_W \setminus \{0\} \subseteq Bet(W, +, \xi)$.

(5.3) If $\mathbf{P}_W = \mathbf{P}$, i.e. for each $n \in \mathbf{N}$, n' is a permutation of W then $\mathbf{Z}_W = \mathbf{Q}$ and $(W, +)$ is a \mathbf{Q} -module, i.e. (W, \mathbf{Q}) is a vectorspace.

A subring B of the endomorphismring $End(W, +)$ is called *b-ring* of $(W, +)$ if $\mathbf{Z}_W \subseteq B$ and $B^* := B \setminus \{0\} \subseteq Bet(W, +, \xi)$.

By (5.2.5) \mathbf{Z}_W is a b-ring of $(W, +, <)$.

Now let B be a b-ring of $(W, +, <)$. Then $B^* := B \setminus \{o\} \subseteq \text{Bet}(W, +, \xi) \subseteq \text{Mon}(W, +)$ implies that B^* is a subsemigroup of $(\text{Mon}(W, +), \circ)$ and so the map $\iota : B \rightarrow W; \beta \mapsto \beta(e_1)$ is injective. If $\beta_i \in B$, $i \in \{1, 2\}$ and $b_i := \beta_i(e_1)$ then $\beta_1 + \beta_2 \in B$ and so $b_1 + b_2 = \beta_1(e_1) + \beta_2(e_1) = (\beta_1 + \beta_2)(e_1)$. Therefore ι is a monomorphism from $(B, +)$ into $(W, +)$ hence $\iota(B)$ a subgroup of $(W, +)$ isomorphic with $(B, +)$. We identify always B and $\iota(B)$ and if for $\beta \in B$ and $b := \iota(\beta) = \beta(e_1)$ we set $b' := \beta$ and define :

$$\cdot : B \times W \rightarrow W; (b, w) \mapsto b \cdot w := b'(w).$$

If $B = W$ then the b-ring B is called *transitive*.

(5.4) Let $(B, +, \circ)$ be a b-ring of $(W, +, <)$. Then for $a, b \in B^*$ and $x, y \in W$ we have : $e_1 \in B$, $e_1' = id$, $e_1 \cdot x = x$, $a \cdot e_1 = e_1 \cdot a = a$, $a \cdot b = a'(b) = a' \circ b'(e_1) \in B$ hence $(a \cdot b)' = a' \circ b'$ and $a \cdot (b \cdot x) = (a \cdot b) \cdot x$, $(a + b) \cdot x = a \cdot x + b \cdot x$, $a \cdot (x + y) = a \cdot x + a \cdot y$, $a \cdot x = a \cdot y \iff x = y$ and $a \cdot x = b \cdot x \iff a = b$ or $x = o$. \square

This shows: $((W, +), B, \cdot)$ is a *nearfield* in the sense of H.Zassenhaus (cf.[9],[3] p.2) (i.e. $(W, +)$ is a group, $B \subseteq W$ with $B^* \neq \emptyset$ and if $a, b \in B$ then $a'(b) \in B$ and $(a'(b))' = a' \circ b'$, i.e. (B, \cdot) is a semigroup, if $x \in W^*$ with $a'(x) = b'(x)$ then $a = b$ and $B^{*'} := \{b' \mid b \in B^*\}$ is a subgroup of the automorphism group $\text{Aut}(W, +)$.² Moreover $B_+ := B \cap W_+$ is a subsemigroup of (B^*, \cdot) and $B_+ \cdot W_+ = W_+$.

(5.5) If $(B, +, \circ)$ is a transitive b-ring of $(W, +, <)$ hence $B := \iota(B) = B(e_1) = W$ then $(W, +, \cdot)$ is a complete nearfield even a field and $(W, +, \cdot, <)$ is an ordered field.

Proof. $B^* \subseteq \text{Bet}(W, +, \xi) \subseteq \text{Mon}(W, +)$, $B^*(e) = W^*$ and (5.4) imply that (W^*, \cdot) is a group hence by (5.4) $(W, +, \cdot)$ is a field and so if $a \in W^*$ then a' is an automorphism of $(W, +)$.

Consequently $B^* \subseteq \text{Aut}(W, +, \xi) = \text{Aut}(W, +, <) \dot{\cup} \nu \circ \text{Aut}(W, +, <)$.

Let $a < b$ and $o < c$. Then $c' \in \text{Aut}(W, +, \xi)$, $o < e_1$ and $c'(e_1) = c$ imply $c' \in \text{Aut}(W, +, <)$ and therefore $c \cdot a = c'(a) < c'(b) = c \cdot b$. Moreover $a < b$ hence $o < -a + b$ implies $(-a + b)' \in \text{Aut}(W, +, <)$ and so $o < (-a + b)'(c) = (-a + b) \cdot c$. Since $(W, +, \cdot)$ is a field we obtain $o < -a \cdot c + b \cdot c$, i.e. $a \cdot c < b \cdot c$. \square

REMARK. If $(W, +, <)$ is an archimedean ordered group then (by the theorem of O. Hölder) $(W, +)$ is isomorphic to a subgroup of $(\mathbf{R}, +)$ (resp. to $(\mathbf{R}, +)$). Therefore:

(5.6) If $(W, +, <)$ is continuous then $(\mathbf{R}, +, \cdot)$ is a transitive b-ring of $(W, +, <)$ and $(W, +)$ can be provided with a multiplication “ \cdot ” such that $(W, +, \cdot)$ is a field isomorphic to $(\mathbf{R}, +, \cdot)$.

²Zassenhaus calls a nearfield *complete* if $B = W$. Today the notion “nearfield” is used for complete nearfields in the sense of Zassenhaus.

We call a map $\varphi : \mathbf{E} \rightarrow \mathbf{E}$ *rotational* (homogenous) if : $\forall a \in \mathbf{E}_1 : \varphi \circ a^\bullet = a^\bullet \circ \varphi$.

A rotational map φ fixes o and is completely determined by its restriction $\varphi|_{W_+}$: for if $x = x_1 \bullet |x| \in \mathbf{E}^*$ is given by its polar coordinates then $\varphi(x) = \varphi(x_1 \bullet |x|) = \varphi(x_1^\bullet \circ |x|) = x_1^\bullet \circ \varphi(|x|) = x_1^\bullet \circ \varphi|_{W_+}(|x|)$ and since $W = \{o\} \dot{\cup} W_+ \dot{\cup} (-e_1) \bullet W_+$ and $[x] = x_1 \bullet W = \{o\} \dot{\cup} x_1 \bullet W_+ \dot{\cup} x_1 \bullet (-e_1) \bullet W_+$ we have : $\varphi([x]) = x_1 \bullet \varphi(W) = \{o\} \dot{\cup} x_1 \bullet \varphi(W_+) \dot{\cup} x_1 \bullet (-e_1) \bullet \varphi(W_+)$.

Conversely:

(5.7) Any map $\psi : W_+ \rightarrow \mathbf{E}$ can be uniquely extended to a rotational map $\bar{\psi} : \mathbf{E} \rightarrow \mathbf{E}$ by $\bar{\psi}(x) = \bar{\psi}(x_1 \bullet |x|) := x_1^\bullet(\psi(|x|))$ for all $x \in \mathbf{E}^*$. $\bar{\psi}$ is then called rotational extension of ψ .

Proof. We have to show that $\bar{\psi}$ is rotational. Let $a \in \mathbf{E}_1$ and $x = x_1 \bullet |x| \in \mathbf{E}^*$ then $a \bullet x_1 \in \mathbf{E}_1$ (cf. (2.6)) and $(a \bullet x_1)^\bullet = a^\bullet \circ x_1^\bullet$ hence $\bar{\psi} \circ a^\bullet(x) = \bar{\psi} \circ a^\bullet(x_1^\bullet(|x|)) = \bar{\psi}((a \bullet x_1)^\bullet(|x|)) = (a \bullet x_1)^\bullet(\psi(|x|)) = a^\bullet \circ x_1^\bullet(\psi(|x|)) = a^\bullet \circ \bar{\psi}(x)$. \square

If A is an arbitrary set then any two maps $\varphi, \psi \in \text{Map}(A, \mathbf{E})$ from A into the loop $(\mathbf{E}, +)$ can be added with the help of the loop operation “+” by: $(\varphi + \psi)(x) := \varphi(x) + \psi(x)$ for $x \in A$.

Then $\varphi + \psi \in \text{Map}(A, \mathbf{E})$ and so $(\text{Map}(A, \mathbf{E}), +)$ is also a loop. The properties of the loop $(\mathbf{E}, +)$ pass on $(\text{Map}(A, \mathbf{E}), +)$, i.e. in our case $(\text{Map}(A, \mathbf{E}), +)$ is a K-loop too. For $A = \mathbf{E}$ we set $\text{Map}(\mathbf{E}) := \text{Map}(\mathbf{E}, \mathbf{E})$. In this case with $\varphi, \psi, \chi \in \text{Map}(\mathbf{E})$ also $\varphi \circ \psi \in \text{Map}(\mathbf{E})$, (i.e. $(\text{Map}(\mathbf{E}), \circ)$ is a semigroup) and $(\varphi + \psi) \circ \chi = \varphi \circ \chi + \psi \circ \chi$. This shows that $(\text{Map}(\mathbf{E}), +, \circ)$ is a (right) K-loop-nearring (cf.[8]).

Let $\mathcal{R}(\mathbf{E}, o) := \{\varphi \in \text{Map}(\mathbf{E}) \mid \forall a \in \mathbf{E}_1 : \varphi \circ a^\bullet = a^\bullet \circ \varphi\}$ be the set of all *rotational maps* of the loop $(\mathbf{E}, +)$, let $\mathcal{R}(\mathbf{E}, [\]) := \{\varphi \in \mathcal{R}(\mathbf{E}, o) \mid \forall x \in \mathbf{E} \text{ with } \varphi(x) \neq o : \varphi([x]) \subseteq [\varphi(x)]\}$, $\mathcal{R}(\mathbf{E}, [[\]]) := \{\varphi \in \mathcal{R}(\mathbf{E}, o) \mid \forall x \in \mathbf{E}^* : \varphi(x) \subseteq [x]\}$ and $\mathcal{R}(W, o) := \{\varphi \in \text{Map}(W) \mid \nu \circ \varphi = \varphi \circ \nu\}$. Then we can show:

(5.8)

- (1) $\mathcal{R}(\mathbf{E}, o)$ is a subloop-nearring of the K-loop-nearring $(\text{Map}(\mathbf{E}), +, \circ)$.
- (2) $\mathcal{R}(W, o)$ is a subnearring of the nearring $(\text{Map}(W), +, \circ)$.
- (3) $(\mathcal{R}(\mathbf{E}, [[\]]), \circ) \leq (\mathcal{R}(\mathbf{E}, [\]), \circ) \leq (\mathcal{R}(\mathbf{E}), \circ)$ and $\mathbf{E}_1^\bullet \leq (\mathcal{R}(\mathbf{E}, [\]), \circ)$.
- (4) $\mathcal{R}(\mathbf{E}, [[\]])$ is a subnearring of $(\mathcal{R}(\mathbf{E}, [\]), +, \circ)$ and $(\mathcal{R}(\mathbf{E}, [[\]]), +, \circ)$ is isomorphic to $(\mathcal{R}(W, o), +, \circ)$: The map $\iota : \mathcal{R}(W, o) \rightarrow \mathcal{R}(\mathbf{E}, [[\]])$; $\varphi \mapsto \overline{\varphi|_{W_+}}$ (where $\overline{\varphi|_{W_+}}$ denotes the rotational extension of the restriction $\varphi|_{W_+}$) is an isomorphism from $(\mathcal{R}(W, o), +, \circ)$ onto $(\mathcal{R}(\mathbf{E}, [[\]]), +, \circ)$.
- (5) The endomorphismring $\text{End}(W, +)$ is a subring of the nearring $\mathcal{R}(W, o), +, \circ)$ and so $\text{En}(\mathbf{E}, o) := \iota(\text{End}(W, +))$ is a subring of the nearring $(\mathcal{R}(\mathbf{E}, [[\]]), +, \circ)$. The

elements φ of $En(\mathbf{E}, o)$ are rotational maps characterized by: If $x, y \in \mathbf{E}$ with $[x] = [y]$ then $\varphi(x + y) = \varphi(x) + \varphi(y)$.

Proof. Let $\varphi, \psi \in \mathcal{R}(\mathbf{E}, +)$, $a \in \mathbf{E}_1$, $x \in \mathbf{E}$ and observe $a^\bullet \in Aut(\mathbf{E}, +)$ (cf.(2.6.1)) then $(\varphi + \psi) \circ a^\bullet(x) = \varphi \circ a^\bullet(x) + \psi \circ a^\bullet(x) = a^\bullet(\varphi(x)) + a^\bullet(\psi(x)) = a^\bullet(\varphi(x) + \psi(x)) = a^\bullet \circ (\varphi + \psi)(x)$ and $(\varphi \circ \psi) \circ a^\bullet = \varphi \circ a^\bullet \circ \psi = a^\bullet \circ (\varphi \circ \psi)$. Hence $\varphi + \psi, \varphi \circ \psi \in \mathcal{R}(\mathbf{E}, o)$. This shows (1).

Since with $(W, +)$ also $(Map(W), +)$ is a commutative group, $(Map(W), +, \circ)$ is a nearring and with the previous arguments, (2) is proved.

By (4.1.6) $-\varphi = (-e_1)^\bullet \circ \varphi \in \mathcal{R}(\mathbf{E}, o)$. Now assume moreover $\varphi, \psi \in \mathcal{R}(\mathbf{E}, [\])$ and $\varphi \circ \psi(x) \neq o$. Then (since $\varphi(o) = o$) $\psi(x) \neq o$ and so $\varphi(\psi([x])) \subseteq \varphi([\psi(x)]) \subseteq [\varphi(\psi(x))] = [\varphi \circ \psi(x)]$. If even $\varphi, \psi \in \mathcal{R}(\mathbf{E}, [[\]])$ and $x \in \mathbf{E}^*$ then $\varphi(\psi([x])) \subseteq \varphi([x]) \subseteq [x]$ and $(\varphi + \psi)([x]) = \{(\varphi + \psi)(y) = \varphi(y) + \psi(y) \mid y \in [x]\} \subseteq [x] + [x] \subseteq [x]$, i.e. $\varphi \circ \psi, \varphi + \psi \in \mathcal{R}(\mathbf{E}, [[\]])$. Moreover by (4.1.7), $a^\bullet([x]) = [a^\bullet(x)]$ hence (3) is completely proved.

If $\psi \in \mathcal{R}(\mathbf{E}, [[\]])$ then $\psi(W) = \psi([e_1]) \subseteq [e_1] = W$, $\psi(o) = o$ and if $w \in W$ then $\psi(-w) = \psi(v(w)) = \psi((-e)^\bullet(w)) = (-e)^\bullet \circ \psi(w) = v(\psi(w))$ hence $\varphi := \psi|_W \in \mathcal{R}(W, o)$ and so φ is completely determined by $\varphi|_{W_+}$ and by (5.7) we have firstly $\psi = \overline{\varphi|_{W_+}}$ and secondly that ι is injective and surjective. Clearly if $\varphi, \psi \in \mathcal{R}(W, o)$ and $x \in \mathbf{E}^*$ then by (5.7) and $x_1^\bullet \in Aut(\mathbf{E}, +)$, $\overline{\varphi|_{W_+}}(x) + \overline{\psi|_{W_+}}(x) = x_1^\bullet(\varphi(|x|)) + x_1^\bullet(\psi(|x|)) = x_1^\bullet(\varphi(|x|) + \psi(|x|)) = x_1^\bullet \circ (\varphi + \psi)(|x|) = \overline{(\varphi + \psi)|_{W_+}}(x)$, i.e. $\overline{\varphi|_{W_+}} + \overline{\psi|_{W_+}} = \overline{(\varphi + \psi)|_{W_+}}$. Furthermore $\overline{(\varphi \circ \psi)|_{W_+}}(x) = x_1^\bullet(\varphi \circ \psi)(|x|) = x_1^\bullet \circ (\psi(|x|))_1^\bullet(\varphi(|\psi(|x|)|))$ and observing (5.7), $\overline{\varphi|_{W_+}} \circ \overline{\psi|_{W_+}}(x) = \overline{\varphi|_{W_+}}(x_1^\bullet \circ \psi(|x|)) = x_1^\bullet \circ \overline{\varphi|_{W_+}}(\psi(|x|)) = x_1^\bullet \circ (\psi(|x|))_1^\bullet(\varphi(|\psi(|x|)|))$. Thus ι is an isomorphism.

Since $(W, +)$ is a commutative group the map $v : W \rightarrow W; w \mapsto -w$ is an automorphism of $(W, +)$ hence $v \in End(W, +)$ and if $\varphi \in End(W, +)$ and $x \in W$ then $\varphi \circ v(x) = \varphi(-x) = -\varphi(x) = v \circ \varphi(x)$ hence $End(W, +) \leq (\mathcal{R}(W, o), +, \circ)$. The other statements of (5) are a consequence of (4).

Now let B be a b-ring of $(W, +, <)$ and let $\lambda \in B$ be the rotational extension of the leftmultiplication $\lambda_l : W \rightarrow W; w \mapsto \lambda \cdot w$ (cf. (5.4)) hence $\lambda : \mathbf{E} \rightarrow \mathbf{E}; x = x_1 \bullet |x| \mapsto x_1 \bullet (\lambda \cdot |x|)$ is called a *B-quasidilatation*. By [4]p.407 follows:

(5.9) *Let B be a b-ring of $(W, +, <)$, let U be the set of units of $(B, +, \cdot)$ and let $\mathcal{F} := \{[x] \mid x \in \mathbf{E}^*\}$. Then $(\mathbf{E}, +, \mathcal{F}, B, \cdot)$ is a structure where $(\mathbf{E}, +, \mathcal{F})$ is a loop with an incidence fibration and $\cdot : B \times \mathbf{E} \rightarrow \mathbf{E}; (\lambda, x) \mapsto \lambda \cdot x := \lambda \cdot (x)$ is a map such that for all $\lambda, \mu \in B$, for all $X \in \mathcal{F}$ and for all $a, b \in \mathbf{E}$ the following hold:*

- (1) $\lambda \cdot a = o \Leftrightarrow \lambda = 0$ or $a = o$.
- (2) If $\lambda \in U$, then $\lambda \cdot \mathbf{E} = \mathbf{E}$ and $\lambda \cdot X = X$.

$$(3) (\lambda \cdot \mu) \cdot a = \lambda \cdot (\mu \cdot a), \quad (\lambda + \mu) \cdot a = \lambda \cdot a + \mu \cdot a.$$

$$(4) \text{ If } a, b \in X \text{ then } \lambda \cdot (a + b) = \lambda \cdot a + \lambda \cdot b.$$

(5.10) For $\lambda \in \mathbf{Z}_W \setminus \{0, 1\}$ the \mathbf{Z}_W -quasidilatation $\lambda \cdot$ is a collination of $(\mathbf{E}, \mathcal{G})$ if and only if $(\mathbf{E}, \mathcal{G}, \alpha, \equiv)$ is singular.

Let B be a b-ring of our absolute plane, i.e. of $(W, +, <)$. If $a, b \in \mathbf{E}$ and $\lambda, \mu \in B$ then the expression $\lambda \cdot a + \mu \cdot b$ shall be called *quasilinear B-combination* or shortly *q-linear B-combination*.

(5.11) If $(W, +, <)$ possesses a transitive b-ring (i.e. by (5.5), W can be turned in an ordered field $(W, +, \cdot, <)$) then for all $a, b \in \mathbf{E}^*$ with $[a] \neq [b]$ each element $x \in [a] + [b]$ can be written uniquely as a quasilinear W -combination of a and b , i.e. $\exists_1(\alpha, \beta) \in W \times W : x = \alpha \cdot a + \beta \cdot b$. \square

6. Hyperbolic planes

Among the absolute planes the hyperbolic planes $(\mathbf{E}, \mathcal{G}, \alpha, \equiv)$ are characterized by the following axiom (cf. [6]p.149):

$$(H) \forall G \in \mathcal{G}, \forall p \in \mathbf{E} \setminus G \exists H \in \mathcal{G} \text{ with } p \in H \wedge H \parallel_h G$$

where $H \parallel_h G$ is defined by: Let $P := (p \perp G)$ then: $G \cap H = \emptyset, \tilde{P}(H) \neq H, \forall x \in \mathbf{E} \setminus (H \cup \tilde{P}(H))$ with $(H|x, \tilde{P}(x)) = 1 : \overline{p, x} \cap G \neq \emptyset$.

In [6] it is shown that there is a one-to-one correspondence between the hyperbolic planes and the commutative Euclidean fields $(K, +, \cdot)$. A commutative field is *Euclidean* if $K^{(2)} := \{x^2 \mid x \in K^* := K \setminus \{0\}\}$ is a positive domain. For $a \in K^*$ let $\text{sgn } a = 1$ if $a \in K^{(2)}$ and $\text{sgn } a = -1$ if $a \notin K^{(2)}$. Starting from a commutative Euclidean field $(K, +, \cdot)$ one can obtain the corresponding hyperbolic plane in the following way:

Let $(\mathcal{M}, +, \cdot)$ be the ring of all 2×2 -matrices $A = (a_{ij})$ (with $a_{ij} \in K$) over the Euclidean field, let $E = (\delta_{ij})$ be the identity matrix and let $(K, +, \cdot)$ be imbedded in $(\mathcal{M}, +, \cdot)$ via the map: $K \rightarrow \mathcal{M}; u \mapsto u \cdot E$. For $A, B \in \mathcal{M}$ let:

$$\hat{A} = \begin{pmatrix} a_{22} & -a_{12} \\ -a_{21} & a_{11} \end{pmatrix}, \quad A^T = \begin{pmatrix} a_{11} & a_{21} \\ a_{12} & a_{22} \end{pmatrix},$$

$A^\square(B) := A \cdot B \cdot A^T$ and $f(A, B) := A \cdot \hat{B} + B \cdot \hat{A}$. Then $\det A = A \cdot \hat{A} = \frac{1}{2} f(A, A)$ and $\text{Tr} A = A + \hat{A}$.

We denote by $\mathcal{S} := \{X \in \mathcal{M} \mid X^T = X\}$ the set of all symmetric matrices of \mathcal{M} and consider the subset $\mathbf{E} := \mathcal{S}^{1,+} := \{S \in \mathcal{S} \mid S \cdot \hat{S} = 1 \wedge S + \hat{S} > 0\}$ as *point-set* of the hyperbolic plane.

For $G \in \mathcal{S}^{-1} := \{S \in \mathcal{S} \mid S \cdot \hat{S} = -1\}$ let $\underline{G} := \{X \in \mathcal{S}^{1+} \mid f(X, G) = 0\}$ and let $\mathcal{G} := \{\underline{G} \mid G \in \mathcal{S}^{-1}\}$ be the set of *lines*

NOTE: for $G, H \in \mathcal{S}^{-1} : \underline{G} = \underline{H} \iff H \in \{G, -G\}$.

The *congruence* \equiv is given by:

If $A, B, C, D \in \mathbf{E}$ then: $(A, B) \equiv (C, D) : \iff f(A, B) = f(C, D)$

And the *order* α is defined by:

If $A, B \in \mathbf{E}, G \in \mathcal{S}^{-1}$ and $A, B \notin \underline{G}$ then: $(\underline{G} \mid A, B) := \text{sgn}(f(A, G) \cdot f(B, G))$.

In [6] and [5] it is shown that $(\mathbf{E}, \mathcal{G}, \alpha, \equiv)$ is a hyperbolic plane.

If $A \in \mathbf{E} = \mathcal{S}^{1+}$ and $G \in \mathcal{S}^{-1}$ then the reflection in the point A and in the line \underline{G} is given by:

$$\tilde{A} : \mathbf{E} \rightarrow \mathbf{E}; X \mapsto A^{\square}(\hat{X}) = A \cdot \hat{X} \cdot A^T \text{ and}$$

$$\tilde{\underline{G}} : \mathbf{E} \rightarrow \mathbf{E}; X \mapsto G^{\square}(\hat{X}) = G \cdot \hat{X} \cdot G^T \text{ and the foot by}$$

$$A_G := (A \perp \underline{G}) \cap \underline{G} = (2 + f(A, G)^2)^{-\frac{1}{2}}(A + G \cdot \hat{A} \cdot G).$$

Let $(o, e_1, e_2) := (E, \frac{1}{2} \begin{pmatrix} 4 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}, \frac{1}{4} \begin{pmatrix} 5 & 3 \\ 3 & 5 \end{pmatrix})$ be our frame of reference and let “ \diamond ” denote the K-loop operation corresponding to the point E . Then $[e_i] = \underline{G}_i$ where $G_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$, $G_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$ hence $W := [e_1] := \{\begin{pmatrix} x & 0 \\ 0 & x^{-1} \end{pmatrix} \mid x \in K^{(2)}\}$ and $W_+ := \{\begin{pmatrix} x & 0 \\ 0 & x^{-1} \end{pmatrix} \mid x \in K^{(2)} : 1 < x\}$. For $A := \begin{pmatrix} a & 0 \\ 0 & a^{-1} \end{pmatrix}$, $B := \begin{pmatrix} b & 0 \\ 0 & b^{-1} \end{pmatrix} \in W$ we have:

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{EA} &= \begin{pmatrix} \sqrt{a} & 0 \\ 0 & \sqrt{a^{-1}} \end{pmatrix}^{\square} \circ \wedge \text{ hence } A^{\diamond} = \tilde{EA} \circ \tilde{E} = \begin{pmatrix} \sqrt{a} & 0 \\ 0 & \sqrt{a^{-1}} \end{pmatrix}^{\square} \text{ and} \\ A^{\diamond} B &= \begin{pmatrix} \sqrt{a} & 0 \\ 0 & \sqrt{a^{-1}} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} b & 0 \\ 0 & b^{-1} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \sqrt{a} & 0 \\ 0 & \sqrt{a^{-1}} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} ab & 0 \\ 0 & (ab)^{-1} \end{pmatrix}. \end{aligned}$$

Therefore the map $\varphi : (K^{(2)}, \cdot) \rightarrow (W, \diamond); x \mapsto \begin{pmatrix} x & 0 \\ 0 & x^{-1} \end{pmatrix}$ is an isomorphism of the multiplicative group of all squares of the Euclidean field $(K, +, \cdot)$ onto the scalar domain (W, \diamond) and so (W, \diamond) can be identified with the group $(K^{(2)}, \cdot)$.

Then the absolute value $|\cdot| : \mathbf{E} \rightarrow W_+ \cup \{o\} = \{\lambda \in K^{(2)} \mid 1 \leq \lambda\}$ is given by: $|X| = \frac{1}{2}(\text{Tr}X + \sqrt{(\text{Tr}X)^2 - 4})$.

Now we can prove:

(6.1) *The K-loop of a hyperbolic plane is vectorspacelike.*

Proof. By (4.8) we may consider the line \underline{G}_1 and the point E . The lines passing through E are given by the set of matrices

$$\mathcal{S}^{-1}(E) := \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} u & v \\ v & -u \end{pmatrix} \mid u, v \in K : u^2 + v^2 = 1 \right\},$$

and for $X = \begin{pmatrix} x & y \\ y & x^{-1}(1+y^2) \end{pmatrix} \in \mathbf{E} \setminus \underline{G}_1$ we have $y \neq 0$ and

$$\begin{aligned} D(\underline{G}_1, X) &= \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} \lambda^2 x & y \\ y & \lambda^{-2} x^{-1}(1+y^2) \end{pmatrix} \mid \lambda \in K^* \right\} \\ &= \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} \lambda x & y \\ y & \lambda^{-1} x^{-1}(1+y^2) \end{pmatrix} \mid \lambda \in K^{(2)} \right\}. \end{aligned} \quad (6.1)$$

Now let $U = \begin{pmatrix} u & v \\ v & -u \end{pmatrix} \in \mathcal{S}^{-1}(E)$ with $\underline{U} \neq \underline{G}_1$, i.e. $v \neq 0$. Then

$$\underline{U} \cap D(\underline{G}_1, X) = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} \lambda x & y \\ y & \lambda^{-1} x^{-1}(1+y^2) \end{pmatrix} \mid \lambda \in K^{(2)} : (*) \lambda^2 u x + 2 y v - u x^{-1}(1+y^2) = 0 \right\}.$$

The equation (*) has a solution if the discriminant $d = u^2(1+y^2) + y^2 v^2 \in K^{(2)}$. But since $(K, +, \cdot)$ is an Euclidean field and since $y, v \neq 0$ we have $d \in K^{(2)}$. Thus the criterion (4.8) is fulfilled and any hyperbolic plane is vectorspacelike. \square

From (5.6), (5.11) and (6.1) we obtain the result of A. Greil [1]:

(6.2) *Let $(\mathbf{E}, \mathcal{G}, \alpha, \equiv)$ be the classical hyperbolic plane (i.e. also the continuity axiom is assumed), let $o \in \overline{\mathbf{E}}$ be fixed, let $(\mathbf{E}, +)$ be the corresponding K -loop and let $a, b \in \mathbf{E} \setminus \{o\}$ with $\overline{o, a} \neq \overline{o, b}$ then each point $p \in \mathbf{E}$ can be written uniquely as a quasilinear \mathbf{R} -combination of a and b , i.e.: $\forall p \in \mathbf{E} \exists_1 (\alpha, \beta) \in \mathbf{R} \times \mathbf{R} : p = \alpha \cdot a + \beta \cdot b$.*

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