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COORDINATIZATION OF PARALLEL SYSTEMS, II ^{x)}

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In this part we shall use ternary halfgroupoids for the coordinatization of certain "parallel systems". Further we shall investigate as a special case some systems very closed to pseudo planes in the sense of Sandler ([3], p.301).

1. In the following, it is necessary to distinguish between partitions in a set and partitions on a set: A partition in (on) a nonempty set S is a nonempty set of nonempty subsets in S which are pairwise disjoint (which are pairwise disjoint and cover S).

Now we generalize somewhat the definition of a parallel system used in Part I: By a "parallel system" \mathcal{P} we shall mean a triplet $(\mathcal{P}, \mathcal{L}, \parallel)$ where (i) \mathcal{P} is a nonempty set of elements called the points, (ii) \mathcal{L} is a nonempty set of some nonempty subsets in \mathcal{P} called the lines and (iii) \parallel is a partition on \mathcal{L} such that each member of \parallel is a partition in \mathcal{P} .

2. Two parallel systems $\mathcal{P} = (\mathcal{P}, \mathcal{L}, \parallel)$, $\mathcal{P}' = (\mathcal{P}', \mathcal{L}', \parallel')$ are said to be isomorphic if there is a bijective mapping

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$\rho: \mathcal{P} \rightarrow \mathcal{P}'$ such that

- (1) $\rho l \in \mathcal{L}'$ for each $l \in \mathcal{L}$, and
- (2) $\rho l, \rho m$ belong to the same member of \mathcal{L}' if l, m belong to the same member of \mathcal{L} .

3. A ternary halfgroupoid T is defined as a couple (S, τ) where S is a nonempty set and τ a mapping of a nonempty set $\text{Dom } \tau \subseteq S \times S \times S$ into S . For $\text{Dom } \tau = S \times S \times S$ we get a ternary groupoid (called also a ternary ring).

Denote by $(\text{Dom } \tau)_{ij}$ and $(\text{Dom } \tau)_k$ the projection of $\text{Dom } \tau$ obtained by leaving only the i -th and the j -th component or leaving only the k -th component respectively. For each $(u, v) \in (\text{Dom } \tau)_{23}$, define $L(u, v)$ as a nonempty set $\{(x, y) \mid y = \tau(x, u, v)\}$, and, for each $u \in (\text{Dom } \tau)_2$, define $L(u)$ as a set consisting of members $L(u, v)$ where v runs over all values such that $(u, v) \in (\text{Dom } \tau)_{23}$.

4. We shall use two following conditions for a ternary halfgroupoid $T = (S, \tau)$:

$$(3) \quad \tau(a, u, v_1) = \tau(a, u, v_2) \text{ for } (a, u, v_1), (a, u, v_2) \in \text{Dom } \tau \implies v_1 = v_2;$$

$$(4) \quad \tau(x, u_1, v_1) = \tau(x, u_2, v_2) \text{ for } (u_1, v_1),$$

$$(u_2, v_2) \in (\text{Dom } \tau)_{23} \text{ such that } \{x \in S \mid (x, u_1, v_1) \in \text{Dom } \tau\} = \{x \in S \mid (x, u_2, v_2) \in \text{Dom } \tau\}, \text{ identically in } x \implies (u_1, v_1) = (u_2, v_2).$$

5. Two ternary halfgroupoids $T = (S, \tau)$, $T' = (S', \tau')$ are said to be isomorphic if there is a bijective mapping

$\sigma : S \rightarrow S'$ such that

- (5) $\{(\sigma x, \sigma u, \sigma v) \mid (x, u, v) \in \text{Dom } \tau\} = \text{Dom } \tau'$,
 (6) $\tau'(\sigma x, \sigma u, \sigma v) = \sigma \tau(x, u, v)$ for all $(x, u, v) \in \text{Dom } \tau$.

6. Let $T = (S, \tau)$ be a ternary halfgroupoid satisfying (3) and (4). Set $\mathcal{P} = \bigcup_{(u,v) \in (\text{Dom } \tau)_{23}} \mathcal{L}(u, v)$,

$\mathcal{L} = \{\mathcal{L}(u, v) \mid (u, v) \in (\text{Dom } \tau)_{23}\}$ and $\mathcal{H} = \{\mathcal{L}(u) \mid u \in (\text{Dom } \tau)_2\}$

where, for each $u \in (\text{Dom } \tau)_2$, $\mathcal{L}(u)$ consists of $\mathcal{L}(u, v)$ such that $(u, v) \in (\text{Dom } \tau)_{23}$. By (3), each $\mathcal{L}(u)$ consists of mutually disjoint nonempty members. By (4), any two $\mathcal{L}(u_1, v_1)$, $\mathcal{L}(u_2, v_2)$ with (u_1, v_1) , $(u_2, v_2) \in (\text{Dom } \tau)_{23}$, $u_1 \neq u_2$, must be distinct so that $\{\mathcal{L}(u) \mid u \in (\text{Dom } \tau)_2\}$ is a partition on \mathcal{L} . Thus, $(\mathcal{P}, \mathcal{L}, \mathcal{H})$ is a parallel system (called associated to T). Obviously, the parallel system associated to T is determined canonically.

Define $Y(a) = \{(x, y) \in S \times S \mid x = a\}$,
 $X(a) = \{(x, y) \in S \times S \mid y = a\}$ for all $a \in S$, and notice that, in the preceding, it must hold $\text{card}(Y(a) \cap \mathcal{L}) \leq 1$ for all $a \in S$ and all $\mathcal{L} \in \mathcal{L}$.

7. Let $\mathcal{P} = (\mathcal{P}, \mathcal{L}, \mathcal{H})$ be a parallel system. Let there exist a set S and an injective mapping $\alpha : \mathcal{P} \rightarrow S \times S$ such that

(7) $\text{card}(Y(a) \cap \alpha l) \leq 1$ for all $a \in S, l \in \mathcal{L}$,

(8) $\text{card } // \leq \text{card } S$.

Choose an injective mapping $\beta : // \rightarrow S$ and, for each $L \in //$, an injective mapping $\gamma_L : L \rightarrow S$. Finally, define a mapping τ of a certain subset of $S \times S \times S$ into S as follows: $y = \tau(x, u, v) \iff \alpha^{-1}(x, y) = P \in \gamma_L^{-1}v$ where $\beta L = u \in \beta //$ and $v \in \gamma_L L$. By the preceding assumptions, τ must be single-valued and is well defined. So $T = (S, \tau)$ is a ternary halfgroupoid (called associated to \mathcal{P} with respect to α, β, γ_L).

8. Let $T = (S, \tau)$ be a ternary halfgroupoid satisfying (3) and (4). Let $\mathcal{P} = (\mathcal{P}, \mathcal{L}, //)$ be its associated parallel system. The next conditions are equivalent:

(9) Each $L \in //$ is a partition on \mathcal{P} .

(9') The equation $\tau(a, c, v) = b$ has a unique solution $v \in (\text{Dom } \tau)_3$ for any $u \in (\text{Dom } \tau)_2$ and $(a, b) \in \mathcal{P}$.

For the proof it suffices to note that (9₂) says precisely that, in every $L \in //$, there is exactly one line of \mathcal{P} passing through any point of \mathcal{P} .

9. A "projective" pseudo-plane can be defined (cf. [3], p.301) as a triplet $(\mathcal{P}, \mathcal{L}, I)$ where \mathcal{P}, \mathcal{L} are sets (of points and lines, respectively) and I is an incidence relation (i.g. $I \subseteq \mathcal{P} \times \mathcal{L}$ s.t. $A_i I a_j$ for $i, j = 1, 2$ implies $A_1 = A_2$ or $a_1 = a_2$) such that there exist points $P_1 \neq P_2$ and lines $l_1 \neq l_2$ with

$P_1, P_2 \in l_1; P_1 \in l_2$ for which the following conditions hold: (i) For any point P such that $P \in l_1$ or $P \in l_2$ and any point $Q \neq P$ there is a unique line l with $P, Q \in l$. (ii) For any line l such that $P_1 \in l$ or $P_2 \in l$ and any line m with $P_1 \notin m$ or $P_2 \notin m$ there is a unique point P with $P \in l, m$. (iii) There are four points no three of which are incident with the same line. - If l_1 and all points incident with l_1 are deleted then one obtains an "affine" pseudo-plane. We shall show that such affine pseudo-planes can be introduced in another way.

10. A parallel system $\mathcal{P} = (\mathcal{P}, \mathcal{L}, //)$ will be called an almost pseudo-plane if it satisfies (9₁) and

- (10) $\mathcal{P} = S \times S$ for a set S containing at least two distinct elements;
- (11₁) $Y(a) \in \mathcal{L}$ for each $a \in S$; x)
- (11₂) $X(a) \in \mathcal{L}$ for each $a \in S$;
- (12₁) $\mathcal{Y} = \{Y(a) \mid a \in S\} \in //$;
- (12₂) $\mathcal{X} = \{X(a) \mid a \in S\} \in //$;
- (13₁) $\text{card}(Y(a) \cap l) = 1$ for all $a \in S, l \in \mathcal{L} \setminus \mathcal{Y}$;
- (13₂) $\text{card}(X(a) \cap l) = 1$ for all $a \in S, l \in \mathcal{L} \setminus \mathcal{X}$;
- (14) there is a line $Y \in \mathcal{Y}$ such that $\text{card}(Y \cap l) = 1$ for each $l \in \mathcal{L} \setminus \mathcal{Y}$ and

x) Cf. the definition of $Y(a)$ and $X(a)$ in Nr.6.

(15) there is bijective mapping $\beta: \mathbb{P} \setminus \{Y\} \rightarrow S$ with $\beta X = 0$ where $0 \in S$ is determined by $Y(0) = Y$.

11. Let $\mathcal{P} = (\mathcal{P}, \mathcal{L}, //)$ be an almost pseudo-plane. Take a parallel system $\mathcal{P}^* = (\mathcal{P}, \mathcal{L} \setminus Y, // \setminus \{Y\})$ and choose $\alpha = id$, β as in Nr.10 and, for every $L \in // \setminus \{Y\}$, $\tau_L: L \rightarrow S$ determined by $\tau_L L$ to be equal to the second component of the common point of L, Y (the existence of such a point is guaranteed by (9₁) and (14)). Let $T = (S, \tau)$ be the ternary groupoid associated to \mathcal{P}^* with respect to α, β, τ_L . It can be verified that T satisfies the conditions $card S \geq 2$, (4) and

(16) $\tau(x, 0, v) = \tau(0, u, v) = v$ for all $x, u, v \in S$;

(17) for any $x, u, v \in S$ there is a unique $y \in S$ such that $y = \tau(x, u, v)$;

(18) for any $y, v \in S$ and $u \in S \setminus \{0\}$ there is a unique $x \in S$ such that $y = \tau(x, u, v)$.

\mathcal{P} becomes a pseudo-plane if and only if

(19₁) any $P \in Y$ and any $Q \in \mathcal{P} \setminus Y$ are contained in exactly one common line of \mathcal{P} .

(19₁) is equivalent with its algebraic counterpart ;

(19₂) for any $x \in S \setminus \{0\}$ and $y, v \in S$ there is a unique $u \in S$ such that $y = \tau(x, u, v)$.

Conversely, it may be proved that for a ternary groupoid $T = (S, \tau)$ satisfying $card S \geq 2$, (4), (16), (17), (18) or $card S \geq 2$, (4), (16), (17), (18), (19), the associated parallel system $(\mathcal{P}, \mathcal{L}, //)$ leads to the parallel system $(\mathcal{P}, \mathcal{L} \cup Y, // \cup \{Y\})$ which is an almost pseudo-plane or a pseudo-plane respectively.

So the preceding two types of ternary groupoids may be termed as almost pseudo-planar and pseudo-planar respectively.

Note that the pseudo-planar ternary groupoids have a more general structure as "pseudoternaries" ([3],p.303) because the existence of unit element is not required.

12. Let $\mathcal{P} = (\mathcal{P}, \mathcal{L}, //)$ be an almost pseudo-plane. Suppose that it contains a diagonal line d characterized by

$$(20) \quad d = \{(x, y) \mid x = y\}.$$

Let T be associated to \mathcal{P}^* as in Nr.11. Then, by the immediate translation from the geometric into the algebraic language (and conversely), it may be shown that $(21_1) \iff (21_2)$ where:

(21₁) Let $A_1, A_2, A_3, B_1, B_2, B_3$ be points satisfying a) $A_1 = (0, 0)$, b) there are mutually distinct lines $l_1, l_2, l_3 \in \mathcal{L}$ such that $A_1, B_1 \in l_1; A_2, B_2 \in l_2; A_3, B_3 \in l_3$; c) there are lines a_3, b_3 from the same member of $//$ such that $A_1, A_2 \in a_3; B_1, B_2 \in b_3$; d) there are lines a_2, b_2 belonging together with d to the same member of $//$ such that $A_1, A_3 \in a_2$ and $B_1, B_3 \in b_2$ and e) A_2, A_3 lie on the same line of \mathcal{X} . Then B_2, B_3 lie on the same line of \mathcal{X} .

(21₂) $\tau(\tau(x, u, 0), e, v) = \tau(x, u, v)$ for all $x, u, v \in S$ where e is determined by $d \in \mathbb{L}(e)$.

(21₂) is called the linearity condition. Cf. theorem 12 in [3], p.311 where moreover (19₁) is postulated. The derived composi-

tions $\frac{+}{e}, \cdot$ (defined by $x \frac{+}{e} v = \tau(x, e, v)$, $x \cdot u = \tau(x, u, v)$ respectively) are associative if and only if the corresponding Reidemeister configuration conditions known from the web theory are satisfied. There is a very closed connection between 4-webs ([1], pp.61-63) and pseudo-planes: pseudo-planes are only certain natural "extensions" of 4-webs.

13. The construction of almost pseudo-planar ternary groupoids with linearity condition can be given as follows: Take a loop $\mathcal{L} = (S, +)$ with $\text{card } S \geq 2$ and choose an injective mapping $\alpha e : S \setminus \{0\} \rightarrow \mathcal{F}$ where \mathcal{F} denotes the set of all permutations of S reproducing the element 0. Further, let $\alpha e 0$ be the mapping which sends each $a \in S$ onto 0. Now define the multiplication \cdot by $x \cdot u = (\alpha e u)x$ for all $x, u \in S$ and the ternary composition $\tau : S \times S \times S \rightarrow S$ by $\tau(x, u, v) = x \cdot u + v$ for all $x, u, v \in S$. Then each of the conditions (4), (16), (17), (18) is fulfilled and the obtained ternary groupoid $T = (S, \tau)$ must be almost pseudo-planar. (Cf. the general principle for the construction of double groupoids over a given groupoid given in [4], pp.67-68).

In particular, if $\text{card } S = 3$ then there are only two distinct permutations reproducing 0 and the resulting T is necessarily planar (i.e., the associated parallel system leads to an affine plane). If $\text{card } S > 3$ then it is possible to choose αe in such a way that $\alpha e(S \setminus \{0\})$ does not act simply transitively on $S \setminus \{0\}$. Thus there

exist almost pseudo-planar ternary groupoids which are not pseudo-planar.

14. Be given ternary halfgroupoids $T = (S, \tau)$ and $T' = (S', \tau')$ with associated parallel systems $\mathcal{P} = (\mathcal{P}, \mathcal{L}, //)$ and $\mathcal{P}' = (\mathcal{P}', \mathcal{L}', //')$ respectively. Any isomorphism between T and T' induces an isomorphism between \mathcal{P} and \mathcal{P}' .

Proof. Let $\sigma: S \rightarrow S'$ be a bijective mapping determining the given isomorphism between T and T' . Let $\mathcal{L} = \{(x, y) \mid y = \tau(x, u, v)\}$ for $(u, v) \in (\text{Dom } \tau)_{2,3}$. If $(x, y) \in \mathcal{L}$ then, by (5) and (6), $\sigma y = \tau'(\sigma x, \sigma u, \sigma v)$ and by the bijectivity of σ , $\sigma \mathcal{L} \in \mathcal{L}'$ and (1) is fulfilled. Similarly for (2).

We finish this paper with one remark about affinities of parallel systems. An isomorphism of a parallel system $\mathcal{P} = (\mathcal{P}, \mathcal{L}, //)$ onto \mathcal{P} may be called an affinity of \mathcal{P} . A translation of \mathcal{P} is an affinity σ of \mathcal{P} having the following property: \mathcal{L} and $\sigma \mathcal{L}$ belong to the same member of $//$ for each $\mathcal{L} \in \mathcal{L}$. A translation σ of \mathcal{P} may be termed central if there is a $\mathcal{C} \in //$ such that $\sigma \mathcal{L} = \mathcal{L}$ for all $\mathcal{L} \in \mathcal{C}$. Some properties of central translations of groups with a partition are found in [2], pp. 94-98 and 158-160. Certain similar results on central translations of groupoids with a parallelisable partition are contained in [5], but no results about central translations of general parallel systems are known to the author.

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