

# On 6-Figures in Finite Klingenberg Planes of parameters $(p^{2k-1}, p)$

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**Abstract**—In this paper, we deal with finite projective Klingenberg plane  $M(\mathcal{A})$  coordinatized by local ring  $\mathcal{A} := \mathbf{Z}_q + \mathbf{Z}_q\varepsilon$  (where prime power  $q = p^k$ ,  $\varepsilon \notin \mathbf{Z}_q$  and  $\varepsilon^2 = 0$ ). So, we get some combinatorial results on 6-figures. For example, we show that there exist  $p - 1$  6-figure classes in  $M(\mathcal{A})$ .

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## I. INTRODUCTION

Projective Klingenberg and Hjelmslev planes (more briefly: PK-planes and PH-planes, resp.) are generalizations of ordinary projective planes. These structures were introduced by Klingenberg in [15], [16]. As for finite PK-planes, these structures introduced by Drake and Lenz in [12] have been investigated in detail by Bacon in [4].

In our previous papers [1], [9], [10] we have studied a certain class (which we will denote by  $M(\mathcal{A})$ ) of Moufang-Klingenberg (briefly, MK) planes coordinatized by an local alternative ring  $\mathcal{A} := \mathbf{A}(\varepsilon) = \mathbf{A} + \mathbf{A}\varepsilon$  of dual numbers (an alternative ring  $\mathbf{A}$ ,  $\varepsilon \notin \mathbf{A}$  and  $\varepsilon^2 = 0$ ) introduced by Blunck in [7]. So, we have obtained many results related to 6-figures. For more detailed information about 6-figures and their properties, the reader is referred to the papers of [8] in the case of Desarguesian planes and [11] in the case of Moufang planes.

In the present paper we are interested in finite PK-plane  $M(\mathcal{A})$  obtained by taking local ring  $\mathbf{Z}_q$  (where  $q$  is a prime power) instead of  $\mathbf{A}$ . So, we will get some combinatorial result related to 6-figures.

## II. PRELIMINARIES

Let  $M = (\mathbf{P}, \mathbf{L}, \in, \sim)$  consist of an incidence structure  $(\mathbf{P}, \mathbf{L}, \in)$  (points, lines, incidence) and an equivalence relation ' $\sim$ ' (neighbour relation) on  $\mathbf{P}$  and on  $\mathbf{L}$ . Then  $M$  is called a *projective Klingenberg plane* (PK-plane), if it satisfies the following axioms:

(PK1) If  $P, Q$  are two non-neighbour points, then there is a unique line  $PQ$  through  $P$  and  $Q$ .

(PK2) If  $g, h$  are two non-neighbour lines, then there is a unique point  $g \cap h$  on both  $g$  and  $h$ .

(PK3) There is a projective plane  $M^* = (\mathbf{P}^*, \mathbf{L}^*, \in)$  and incidence structure epimorphism  $\Psi : M \rightarrow M^*$ , such that the conditions

$$\Psi(P) = \Psi(Q) \Leftrightarrow P \sim Q, \quad \Psi(g) = \Psi(h) \Leftrightarrow g \sim h$$

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hold for all  $P, Q \in \mathbf{P}$ ,  $g, h \in \mathbf{L}$ .

PK-plane  $M$  is called a *projective Hjelmslev plane* (PH-plane) If  $M$  furthermore provides the following axioms:

(PH1) If  $P, Q$  are two neighbour points, then there are at least two lines through  $P$  and  $Q$ .

(PH2) If  $g, h$  are two neighbour lines, then there are at least two points on both  $g$  and  $h$ .

A *Moufang-Klingenberg plane* (MK-plane) is a PK-plane  $M$  that generalizes a Moufang plane, and for which  $M^*$  is a Moufang plane (for the details see [3]).

A point  $P \in \mathbf{P}$  is called *near* a line  $g \in \mathbf{L}$  iff there exists a line  $h$  such that  $P \in h$  for some line  $h \sim g$ .

An incidence structure automorphism preserving and reflecting the neighbour relation is called a *collineation* of  $M$ .

Now we give the definition of an  $n$ -gon, which is meaningful when  $n \geq 3$ : An  $n$ -tuple of pairwise non-neighbour points is called an (ordered)  *$n$ -gon* if no three of its elements are on neighbour lines [9].

An *alternative ring (field)*  $\mathbf{R}$  is a not necessarily associative ring (field) that satisfies the alternative laws  $a(ab) = a^2b, (ba)a = ba^2, \forall a, b \in \mathbf{R}$ . An alternative ring  $\mathbf{R}$  with identity element 1 is called *local* if the set  $\mathbf{I}$  of its non-unit elements is an ideal.

We summarize some basic concepts about the coordinatization of MK-planes from [5].

Let  $\mathbf{R}$  be a local alternative ring. Then  $M(\mathbf{R}) = (\mathbf{P}, \mathbf{L}, \in, \sim)$  is the incidence structure with neighbour relation defined as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{P} &= \{(x, y, 1) : x, y \in \mathbf{R}\} \\ &\quad \cup \{(1, y, z) : y \in \mathbf{R}, z \in \mathbf{I}\} \\ &\quad \cup \{(w, 1, z) : w, z \in \mathbf{I}\} \\ \mathbf{L} &= \{(m, 1, p] : m, p \in \mathbf{R}\} \\ &\quad \cup \{[1, n, p] : p \in \mathbf{R}, n \in \mathbf{I}\} \\ &\quad \cup \{[q, n, 1] : q, n \in \mathbf{I}\} \\ [m, 1, p] &= \{(x, xm + p, 1) : x \in \mathbf{R}\} \\ &\quad \cup \{(1, zp + m, z) : z \in \mathbf{I}\} \\ [1, n, p] &= \{(yn + p, y, 1) : y \in \mathbf{R}\} \\ &\quad \cup \{(zp + n, 1, z) : z \in \mathbf{I}\} \\ [q, n, 1] &= \{(1, y, yn + q) : y \in \mathbf{R}\} \\ &\quad \cup \{(w, 1, wq + n) : w \in \mathbf{I}\} \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} P &= (x_1, x_2, x_3) \sim (y_1, y_2, y_3) = Q \\ &\Leftrightarrow x_i - y_i \in \mathbf{I} \ (i = 1, 2, 3), \forall P, Q \in \mathbf{P} \\ g &= [x_1, x_2, x_3] \sim [y_1, y_2, y_3] = h \\ &\Leftrightarrow x_i - y_i \in \mathbf{I} \ (i = 1, 2, 3), \forall g, h \in \mathbf{L}. \end{aligned}$$

Baker *et al.* [3] use  $(O = (0, 0, 1), U = (1, 0, 0), V = (0, 1, 0), E = (1, 1, 1))$  as a coordinatization 4-gon. We stick to this notation throughout this paper. For more detailed information about the coordinatization see [3] and [5]. Now it is time to give the following theorem from [3].

**Theorem 2.1:**  $\mathbf{M}(\mathbf{R})$  is an MK-plane, and each MK-plane is isomorphic to some  $\mathbf{M}(\mathbf{R})$ .

Let  $\mathbf{A}$  be an alternative field and  $\notin \mathbf{A}$ . Consider  $\mathcal{A} := \mathbf{A}(\ ) = \mathbf{A} + \mathbf{A}$  with componentwise addition and multiplication as follows:

$$(a_1 + a_2)(b_1 + b_2) = a_1 b_1 + (a_1 b_2 + a_2 b_1),$$

where  $a_i, b_i \in \mathbf{A}$ ,  $i = 1, 2$ . Then  $\mathcal{A}$  is an alternative ring with ideal  $\mathbf{I} = \mathbf{A}$  of non-units. For more detailed information about MK-planes  $\mathbf{M}(\mathcal{A})$  coordinatized by an local alternative ring  $\mathcal{A} := \mathbf{A}(\ ) = \mathbf{A} + \mathbf{A}$ , see the papers of [7], [9], [1].

**Theorem 2.2:** If  $\mathbf{R}$  is a (not necessarily commutative) local ring then  $\mathbf{M}(\mathbf{R})$  is a PK-plane (cf. [13, Theorem 4.1]).

Drake and Lenz [12, Proposition 2.5] observed that the following corollary is true for PK-planes. This corollary is a generalization of results which are given for PH-planes by Kleinfeld [14, Theorem 1] and Lüneburg [17, Satz 2.11].

**Corollary 2.3:** Let  $\mathbf{M}(\mathbf{R})$  be PK-plane. Then there are natural numbers  $t$  and  $r$  which are called the parametres of  $\mathbf{M}(\mathbf{R})$  and they are uniquely determined by incidence structure of a finite PK-plane [12, Proposition 2.7], with

- 1) every point (line) has  $t^2$  neighbours;
- 2) given a point  $P$  and a line  $l$  with  $P \in l$ , there exist exactly  $t$  points on  $l$  which are neighbours to  $P$  and exactly  $t$  lines through  $P$  which are neighbours to  $l$ ;
- 3) Let  $r$  be order of the projective plane  $\mathbf{M}^*$ . If  $t \neq 1$  we have  $r \leq t$  (then  $\mathbf{M}$  is called *proper*; we have  $t = 1$  iff  $\mathbf{M}$  is an ordinary projective plane)
- 4) every point (line) is incident with  $t(r + 1)$  lines (points);
- 5)  $|\mathbf{P}| = |\mathbf{L}| = t^2(r^2 + r + 1)$ .

Now consider ring  $\mathbf{Z}_q$  where prime power  $q = p^k$ . We can state the elements of  $\mathbf{Z}_q$  as  $\mathbf{Z}_q = U' \cup I$  where  $U'$  is the set of units of  $\mathbf{Z}_q$  and  $I$  is the set of non-units of  $\mathbf{Z}_q$ . Here it is clear that  $I = \{0p, 1p, 2p, \dots, (p^{k-1} - 1)p\}$  and so  $|I| = p^{k-1}$ . Let  $\notin \mathbf{Z}_q$ . Then  $\mathcal{A} := \mathbf{Z}_q + \mathbf{Z}_q$  with componentwise addition and multiplication above is a local ring with ideal  $\mathbf{I} := I + \mathbf{Z}_q$  of non-units,  $|\mathbf{I}| = (p^{k-1})p^k$ . Note that the set of units of  $\mathcal{A}$  is  $\mathbf{U} := U' + \mathbf{Z}_q$  and  $|\mathbf{U}| = (p^k - p^{k-1})p^k = (p - 1)p^{2k-1}$ . Since  $\mathcal{A}$  is a proper local ring and  $\mathcal{A}/\mathbf{I} = \mathbf{Z}_p$ ,  $\Psi$  induces an incidence structure epimorphism from finite PK-plane  $\mathbf{M}(\mathcal{A})$

onto the Desarguesian projective plane (with order  $p$ ) coordinatized by the field  $\mathbf{Z}_p$ . So, we can give the following corollary from [2].

**Corollary 2.4:** For finite PK-plane  $\mathbf{M}(\mathcal{A})$ , the parameters  $t$  and  $r$  in Corollary 2.3 are equal to  $p^{2k-1}$  and  $p$ , respectively.

A local ring  $\mathbf{R}$  is called a *Hjelmslev ring* (briefly, H-ring) if it satisfies the following two conditions:

(HR1)  $\mathbf{I}$  consists of two-sided zero divisor.

(HR2) For  $a, b \in \mathbf{I}$ , one has  $a \in b\mathbf{R}$  or  $b \in a\mathbf{R}$ , and also  $a \in \mathbf{R}b$  or  $b \in \mathbf{R}a$ .

By the last definition, we can say that  $\mathcal{A}$  is not, in general, a H-ring [2]. From now on we assume  $\text{char } \mathbf{Z}_q \neq 2$  and also we restrict ourselves to finite PK-plane  $\mathbf{M}(\mathcal{A}) = (\mathbf{P}, \mathbf{L}, \in, \sim)$  coordinatized by the local ring  $\mathcal{A} := \mathbf{Z}_q + \mathbf{Z}_q$ , with neighbour relation defined above.

### III. 6-FIGURES IN $\mathbf{M}(\mathcal{A})$

Now we carry over some concepts related to 6-figures to the  $\mathbf{M}(\mathcal{A})$ , in view of the papers of [9], [1]. So, we will get some combinatoric results on 6-figures in  $\mathbf{M}(\mathcal{A})$ .

A *6-figure* is a sequence of six non-neighbour points  $(ABC, A_1 B_1 C_1)$  such that  $(A, B, C)$  is 3-gon, and  $A_1 \in BC, B_1 \in CA, C_1 \in AB$ . The points  $A, B, C, A_1, B_1, C_1$  are called vertices of this 6-figure. The 6-figures  $(ABC, A_1 B_1 C_1)$  and  $(DEF, D_1 E_1 F_1)$  are *equivalent* if there exists a collineation of  $\mathbf{M}(\mathcal{A})$  which transforms  $A, B, C, A_1, B_1, C_1$  to  $D, E, F, D_1, E_1, F_1$  respectively.

Now we need the following theorem from [9].

**Theorem 3.1:** Let  $\mu = (ABC, A_1 B_1 C_1)$  be a 6-figure in  $\mathbf{M}(\mathcal{A})$ . Then, there is an  $m \in \mathbf{U}$  such that  $\mu$  is equivalent to  $(UV O, (0, 1, 1)(1, 0, 1)(1, m, 0))$  where  $U = (1, 0, 0), V = (0, 1, 0), O = (0, 0, 1)$  are elements of the coordinatization basis of  $\mathbf{M}(\mathcal{A})$ .

6-figures  $\mu = (ABC, A_1 B_1 C_1)$  and  $\nu = (DEF, D_1 E_1 F_1)$  are *neighbour* if the points  $A, B, C, A_1, B_1, C_1$  are neighbour to the points  $D, E, F, D_1, E_1, F_1$ ; respectively.

Now, by the last definition and Theorem 3.1, we can give the following corollary without proof.

**Corollary 3.2:** 6-figures  $\mu = (ABC, A_1 B_1 C_1)$  and  $\nu = (DEF, D_1 E_1 F_1)$  are neighbour if  $m_1 \in \mathbf{U}$  corresponding to  $\mu$  and  $m_2 \in \mathbf{U}$  corresponding to  $\nu$  are neighbour.

So, we have the following

**Corollary 3.3:** There are  $p-1$  6-figures class in  $\mathbf{M}(\mathcal{A})$ . The classes are those:  $m = 1, m = 2, \dots, m = p-1$  where the elements in neighbour of any  $m$  are  $m + \mathbf{Z}_q, 1p + m + \mathbf{Z}_q, 2p + m + \mathbf{Z}_q, \dots, (p^{k-1} - 1)p + m + \mathbf{Z}_q$ .

**Proof:** We can classify 6 figures in  $\mathbf{M}(\mathcal{A})$  by the number of the elements of  $\mathbf{U}$ . But, when it is considered the neighbours

of the elements in  $\mathbf{U}$  this number becomes  $p-1$ . Hence, we obtain  $p-1$  6-figure classes in  $\mathbf{M}(\mathcal{A})$ . We can show the classes as  $m=1, m=2, \dots, m=p-1$  where the elements in neighbour of any  $m$  are  $m+\mathbf{Z}_q, 1p+m+\mathbf{Z}_q, 2p+m+\mathbf{Z}_q, \dots, (p^{k-1}-1)p+m+\mathbf{Z}_q$ . ■

**Theorem 3.4:** There are totally

$$\left( (p^2 + p + 1) (p^{2k-1})^2 \right) \left( (p^2 + p) (p^{2k-1})^2 \right) \\ \left( p^2 (p^{2k-1})^2 \right) ((p-1) p^{2k-1})^3$$

6-figures in  $\mathbf{M}(\mathcal{A})$ .

*Proof:* First if we calculate the total number of 6-figures in projective plane of order  $p$ , we have differently  $(p^2 + p + 1) (p^2 + p) p^2 (p-1)^3$  6-figures by depending on the choices of the points of a 6-figure. Finally if we consider the neighbour relation in  $\mathbf{M}(\mathcal{A})$ , that is, we consider Corollary 2.3 and 2.4 then the proof is clear. ■

Then, as a result of Corollary 3.3 and Theorem 3.4 we have immediately the following

**Corollary 3.5:** The number of 6-figures corresponding to an  $m \in \mathbf{U}$  is

$$(p^2 + p + 1) (p^2 + p) p^2 (p-1)^2 (p^{2k-1})^8.$$

*Proof:* Since there are totally

$$\left( (p^2 + p + 1) (p^{2k-1})^2 \right) \left( (p^2 + p) (p^{2k-1})^2 \right) \\ \left( p^2 (p^{2k-1})^2 \right) ((p-1) p^{2k-1})^3$$

6-figures in  $\mathbf{M}(\mathcal{A})$  and  $|\mathbf{U}| = (p-1) p^{2k-1}$  then the proof is clear. ■

Now we need the following theorem, one of the main results of [2].

**Theorem 3.6:** The 6-figures  $(ABC, A_1 B_1 C_1), (BCA, B_1 C_1 A_1), (CAB, C_1 A_1 B_1)$  are equivalent.

As a result of Corollary 3.5 and Theorem 3.6 we can state the following

**Corollary 3.7:** The number  $(p^2 + p + 1)(p^2 + p)p^2 (p-1)^2 (p^{2k-1})^8$  is divided by 3.

Blunck [7] gives the following algebraic definition of the cross-ratio for the points on the line  $g := [1, 0, 0]$  in  $\mathbf{M}(\mathcal{A})$ .

$$(A, B; C, D) := (a, b; c, d) \\ = < \left( (a-d)^{-1} (b-d) \right) \left( (b-c)^{-1} (a-c) \right) > \\ (S, B; C, D) := (s^{-1}, b; c, d) \\ = < \left( (1-ds)^{-1} (b-d) \right) \left( (b-c)^{-1} (1-cs) \right) > \\ (A, S; C, D) := (a, s^{-1}; c, d)$$

$$= < \left( (a-d)^{-1} (1-ds) \right) \left( (1-cs)^{-1} (a-c) \right) > \\ (A, B; S, D) := (a, b; s^{-1}, d) \\ = < \left( (a-d)^{-1} (b-d) \right) \left( (1-sb)^{-1} (1-sa) \right) > \\ (A, B; C, S) := (a, b; c, s^{-1}) \\ = < \left( (1-sa)^{-1} (1-sb) \right) \left( (b-c)^{-1} (a-c) \right) >, \\ \text{where } A = (0, a, 1), B = (0, b, 1), C = (0, c, 1), D = (0, d, 1), Z = (0, 1, s) \text{ are pairwise non-neighbour points of } g \\ \text{and } < x > = \{ y^{-1} x y \mid y \in \mathcal{A} \}.$$

The following theorem, the analogue of the theorem given in [1], states a simple way for the calculation of the cross-ratio of the points on any line  $l$  in  $\mathbf{M}(\mathcal{A})$ .

**Theorem 3.8:** According to types of lines, the cross-ratio of the points on the line  $l$  can be calculated as follows:

If  $A, B, C, D$  and  $S$  are the pairwise non-neighbour points

- (a) of the line  $l = [m, 1, p]$  where  $A = (a, am + p, 1), B = (b, bm + p, 1), C = (c, cm + p, 1), D = (d, dm + p, 1)$  are not near the line  $UV$  and  $S = (1, m + sp, s) \sim UV$ ,
- (b) of the line  $l = [1, n, p]$  where  $A = (an + p, a, 1), B = (bn + p, b, 1), C = (cn + p, c, 1), D = (dn + p, d, 1)$  are not neighbour to  $V$  and  $S = (n + sp, 1, s) \sim V$ ,
- (c) of the line  $l = [q, n, 1]$  where  $A = (1, a, q + an), B = (1, b, q + bn), C = (1, c, q + cn), D = (1, d, q + dn)$  are not near to  $V$  and  $S = (s, 1, sq + n) \sim V$ ,

then

$$(A, B; C, D) = (a, b; c, d) \\ (S, B; C, D) = (s^{-1}, b; c, d) \\ (A, S; C, D) = (a, s^{-1}; c, d) \\ (A, B; S, D) = (a, b; s^{-1}, d) \\ (A, B; C, S) = (a, b; c, s^{-1}).$$

Let  $\mu = (ABC, A_1 B_1 C_1)$  be a 6-figure in  $\mathbf{M}(\mathcal{A})$ . Let  $A^c = BC \cap B_1 C_1, B^c = CA \cap C_1 A_1, C^c = AB \cap A_1 B_1$ . The 6-figure  $(ACB, A^c C^c B^c)$  is called the *first codeendant* of  $\mu$ , written  $\mu^c$ .  $\mu$  is called a *first coancestor* of  $\mu^c$ .

So we can give the following Lemma from [1].

**Lemma 3.1:** If  $\mu = (ABC, A_1 B_1 C_1) = (UV O, (0, 1, 1) (1, 0, 1) (1, m, 0))$ , then

$$(A, B; C_1, C^c) = (B, C; A_1, A^c) \\ = (C, A; B_1, B^c) = < -m >.$$

We are now ready to state the definition of the ratio of a 6-figure. The conjugacy class  $-(A, B; C_1, C^c)$  is called the *ratio of the 6-figure*  $\mu = (ABC, A_1 B_1 C_1)$  and denoted by  $r(\mu)$ , that is,  $r(\mu) = < m >$ .

$(ABC, A_1 B_1 C_1)$  is called a *Menelaus 6-figure* if  $A_1, B_1$  and  $C_1$  are collinear, and  $(ABC, A_1 B_1 C_1)$  is called a *Ceva 6-figure* if  $AA_1, BB_1$  and  $CC_1$  are concurrent.

Now we give the following theorem from [1].

**Theorem 3.9:**  $\mu$  is a Menelaus or Ceva 6-figure if and only if  $r(\mu) = -1$  or  $r(\mu) = 1$ , respectively.

We immediately have

**Corollary 3.10:** Menelaus and Ceva 6-figures are belong to the class  $m = p - 1$  and the class  $m = 1$  where  $p \neq 2$ , respectively.

*Proof:* By Theorem 3.9 if  $\mu$  is a Ceva 6-figure then  $r(\mu) = 1 = m$  and also if  $\mu$  is a Menelaus 6-figure then  $r(\mu) = -1 = m$ . For the proof it is enough to say that  $-1$  is neighbour to  $p - 1$ . ■

From now on we call the class  $m = 1$  as Ceva class and the class  $m = p - 1$  as Menelaus class. Now we need following theorem from [6].

**Theorem 3.11:** Every cross-ratio consists only of elements of  $\mathcal{A} \setminus (\{0, 1\} + \mathbf{I})$ . Conversely, the conjugacy class of any such element appears as a cross-ratio; Given three pairwise non-neighbour points  $A, B, C$  and an element  $r \in \mathcal{A} \setminus (\{0, 1\} + \mathbf{I})$ , then there is a (unique if  $r \in \mathbf{Z}(\ )$ ) point  $D$  which is not neighbour to  $A, B$  and  $C$  with  $(A, B; C, D) = \langle r \rangle$ .

In  $\mathbf{M}(\mathcal{A})$ , any pairwise non-neighbour four points  $A, B, C, D \in I$  are called *harmonic* if  $(A, B; C, D) = \langle -1 \rangle$  and we let  $h(A, B, C, D)$  represent the statement:  $A, B, C, D$  are harmonic. Let  $\mu = (ABC, A_1B_1C_1)$  be a 6-figure in  $\mathbf{M}(\mathcal{A})$ . By the last theorem, there exist unique points  $A_2 \in BC, B_2 \in CA, C_2 \in AB$  such that  $h(A, B, C_1, C_2), h(B, C, A_1, A_2), h(C, A, B_1, B_2)$ . The 6-figure  $(ABC, A_2B_2C_2)$  is called the *conjugate* of  $\mu$ , having symbol  $-\mu$ . Likewise  $\mu$  is the conjugate of  $-\mu$ .

Let  $C^d \in AB$  be the point such that  $C, C^d$  and  $AA_1 \cap BB_1$  are collinear. Let  $A^d \in BC$  and  $B^d \in CA$  be the points such that  $A, A^d$  and  $BB_1 \cap CC_1$  are collinear and  $B, B^d$  and  $AA_1 \cap CC_1$  are collinear. The 6-figure  $(ACB, A^dC^dB^d)$  is called the *first descendant* of  $\mu$ , written  $\mu^d$ .  $\mu$  is called a *first ancestor* of  $\mu^d$ .

Using the definitions of  $-\mu, \mu^c$  and  $\mu^d$  the following lemmas are obtained (see [1, Lemma 20] for the first Lemma and [10, Lemma 7] for the second Lemma).

**Lemma 3.2:** For any 6-figure  $\mu$  we have

- $(-\mu)^d = \mu^d$
- $(\mu^d)^c = (\mu^c)^c = (UV\mathcal{O}, (0, -m^{-1}, 1)(-m, 0, 1)(1, -m^2, 0)),$

where  $m \in \mathbf{U}$ .

**Lemma 3.3:** For any 6-figure  $\mu$  we have

- $(-\mu)^c = \mu^c = (U\mathcal{O}V, (0, -m, 1)(1, -1, 0)(-m^{-1}, 0, 1))$
- $(\mu^c)^d = (\mu^d)^d = (UV\mathcal{O}, (0, m^{-1}, 1)(m, 0, 1)(1, m^2, 0)),$

where  $m \in \mathbf{U}$ .

By using the results of the last two Lemmas and [10, Theorem 9] we can give the following theorem which gives the relation between the ratios of the 6-figures  $\mu^{-1}, -\mu, \mu^d, \mu^c, (\mu^d)^d, (\mu^c)^c, (\mu^d)^c, (\mu^c)^d$  and  $\mu$ .

**Theorem 3.12:** For any 6-figure  $\mu$  we have

- $r(\mu^{-1}) = (r(\mu))^{-1} = \langle m^{-1} \rangle$
- $r(-\mu) = -r(\mu) = \langle -m \rangle$
- $r((-\mu)^d) = r(\mu^d) = (r(\mu))^2 = \langle m^2 \rangle$
- $r((-\mu)^c) = r(\mu^c) = -(r(\mu))^2 = \langle -m^2 \rangle$
- $r((\mu^d)^c) = r((\mu^c)^c) = \langle -m^4 \rangle = -(r(\mu))^4$
- $r((\mu^c)^d) = r((\mu^d)^d) = \langle m^4 \rangle = (r(\mu))^4,$

where  $\langle x \rangle := \langle x^2 \rangle$  for any  $x \in \mathbf{U}$  and  $m \in \mathbf{U}$ .

*Proof:* For the proof, it is enough to give the proof of (e) and (f). From (b) of Lemma 3.2, we know that  $(\mu^d)^c = (\mu^c)^c = (UV\mathcal{O}, U'V'\mathcal{O}')$  where  $U' = (0, -m^{-1}, 1), V' = (-m, 0, 1), \mathcal{O}' = (1, -m^2, 0)$ . Ratio of this 6-figure are equal to cross-ratio  $-(U, V; (1, -m^2, 0), \mathcal{O}^c)$ , where

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{O}^c = UV \cap U'V' &= [0, 0, 1] \cap [-m^{-2}, 1, -m^{-1}] \\ &= (1, -m^{-2}, 0). \end{aligned}$$

So, this cross-ratio is equal to

$$-((1, 0, 0), (0, 1, 0); (1, -m^2, 0), (1, -m^{-2}, 0)).$$

By (c) of Theorem 3.8, this is equal to  $(0, 0^{-1}; -m^2, -m^{-2}) = -m^4$ . Since the proof of (f) is similar to the proof of (e) the proof is completed. ■

As a direct result of Theorem 3.9 and Theorem 3.12 we have the following result.

**Corollary 3.13:** a) If  $\mu$  is a Menelaus 6-figure then

- $r(-\mu) = r(\mu^d) = r((\mu^c)^d) = r((\mu^d)^d) = \langle 1 \rangle$ , that is,  $-\mu, \mu^d, (\mu^c)^d$  and  $(\mu^d)^d$  6-figures are in the Ceva class.
- $r(\mu^{-1}) = r(\mu^c) = r((\mu^d)^c) = r((\mu^c)^c) = \langle -1 \rangle$ , that is,  $\mu^{-1}, \mu^c, (\mu^d)^c$  and  $(\mu^c)^c$  6-figures are in the Menelaus class.

b) If  $\mu$  is a Ceva 6-figure, then

- $r(-\mu) = r(\mu^c) = r((\mu^d)^c) = r((\mu^c)^c) = \langle -1 \rangle$ , that is,  $-\mu, \mu^c, (\mu^d)^c$  and  $(\mu^c)^c$  6-figures are in the Menelaus class.
- $r(\mu^{-1}) = r(\mu^d) = r((\mu^c)^d) = r((\mu^d)^d) = \langle 1 \rangle$ , that is,  $\mu^{-1}, \mu^d, (\mu^c)^d$  and  $(\mu^d)^d$  6-figures are in the Ceva class.

The following theorem is the analogue of Theorem 12 given in [10] for MK-planes  $\mathbf{M}(\mathcal{A})$ . This theorem we give without proof, tells the relation between the solvability of the equation  $x^2 = m$  (or  $x^2 = -m$ ) in  $\mathcal{A}$  where  $m \in \mathbf{U}$  and the existence of the special 6-figure with ratio  $\langle m \rangle$  in  $\mathbf{M}(\mathcal{A})$ . In other

words, this theorem provides a geometric property of  $M(\mathcal{A})$  that is equal to the condition that every element in  $\mathbf{U}$  has a square root in  $\mathbf{U}$ .

*Theorem 3.14:* Let  $m \in \mathbf{U}$ . Then the equation  $x^2 = m$  (or  $x^2 = -m$ ) has a solution in  $\mathbf{U}$  if and only if any 6-figure  $\mu$  with ratio  $< m >$  has ancestor (coancestor) in  $M(\mathcal{A})$ .

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