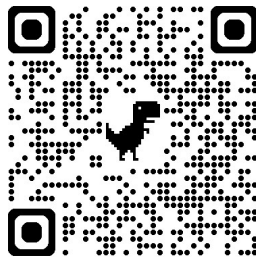
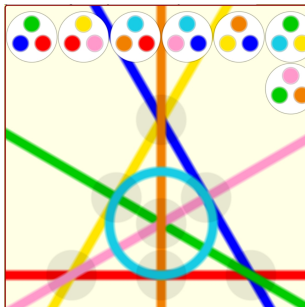


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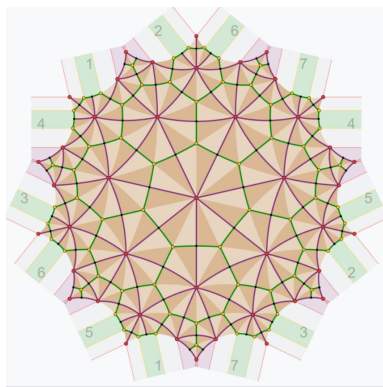


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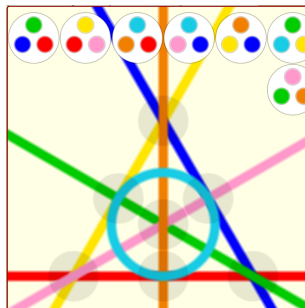
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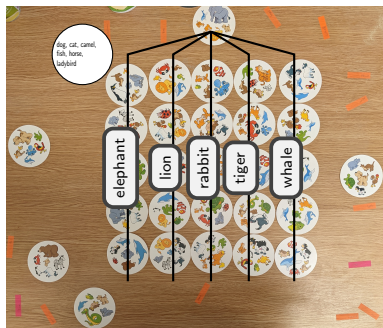




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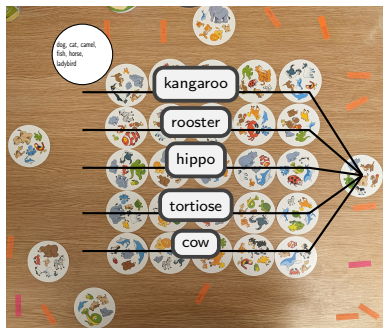


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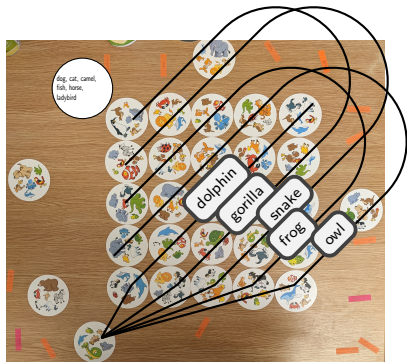


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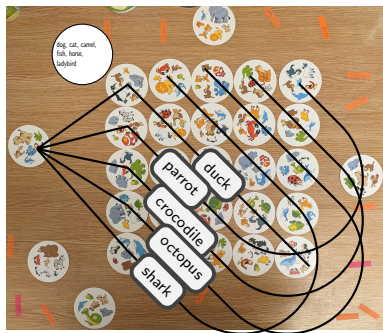


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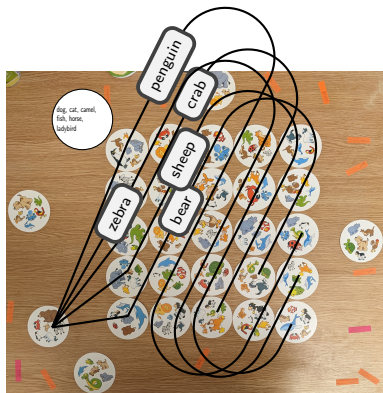


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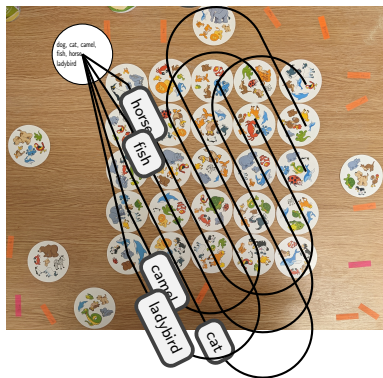


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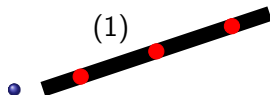
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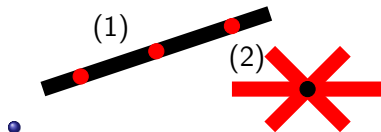
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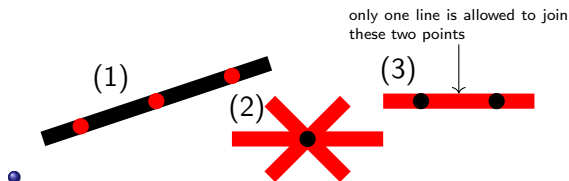
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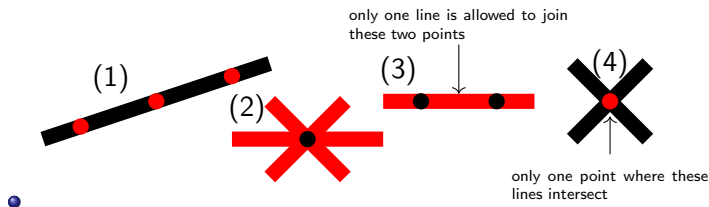
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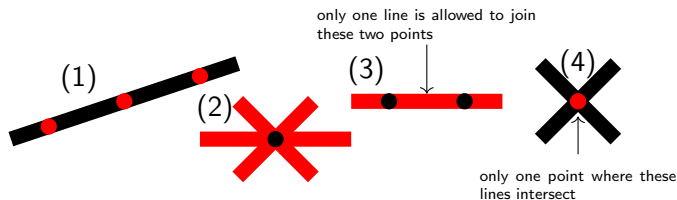
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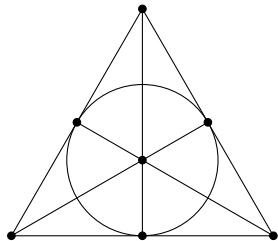


- If these axioms hold, for some  $n$ , there are  $n + 1$  points on each line,  $n + 1$  lines through each point, and  $n^2 + n + 1$  lines and  $n^2 + n + 1$  points.  $n$  is the **order** of the plane.



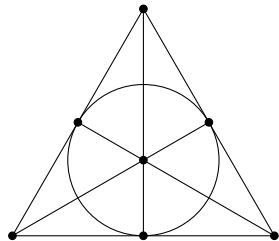
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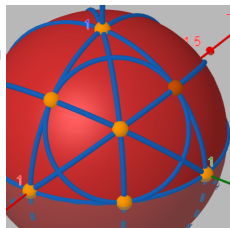
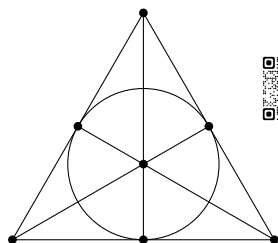


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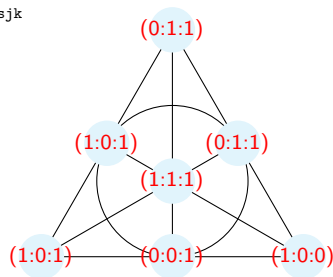
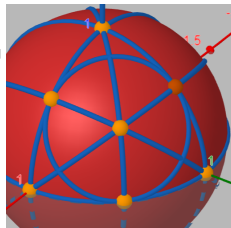
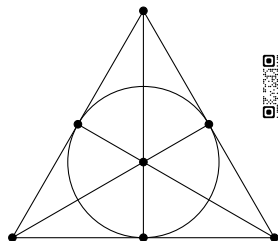
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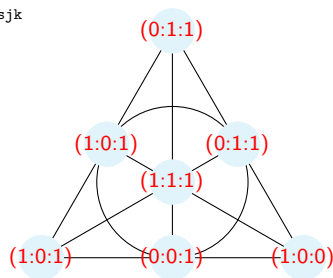
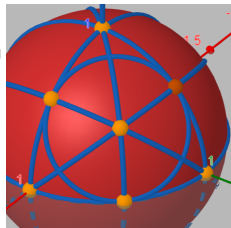
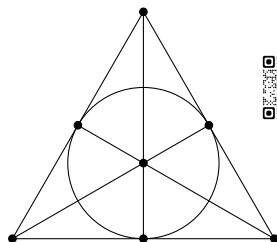


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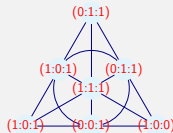
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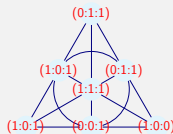


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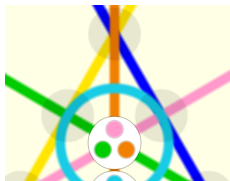
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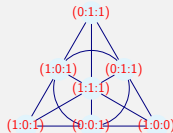
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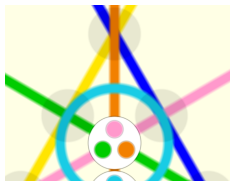
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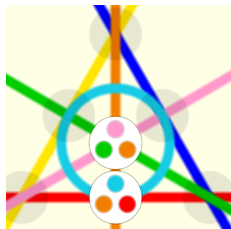
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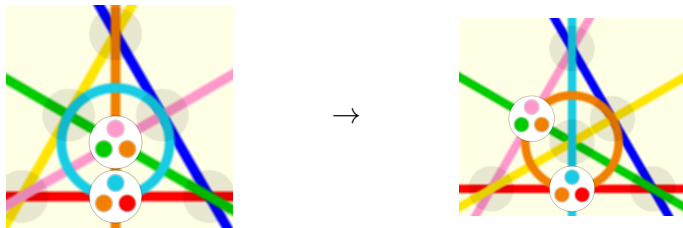
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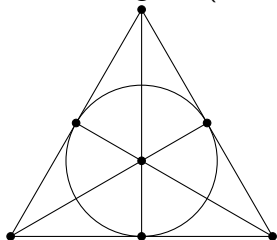
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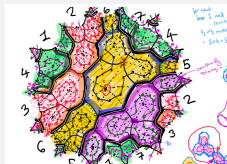
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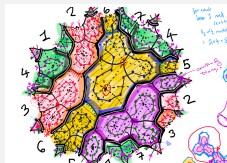
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