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Recall: The Axiomatic System for Fano's Finite Geometry. **Undefined Terms:** point, line, incident **Axioms:**

- Axiom 1: There exists at least one line
- Axiom 2: Every line has exactly three points incident to it.
- Axiom 3: Not all points are incident to the same line.
- Axiom 4: There is exactly one line incident with any two distinct points.
- Axiom 5: There is at least one point incident with any two distinct lines.

Claim: Fano's Geometry has exactly 7 points.

Fano's Theorem 3: Each point in Fano's geometry is incident with exactly three lines.

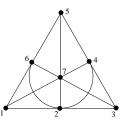
Note: You should take time to read and understand the proof of Theorem 3 (see the solution to Exercise 1.8 in your textbook).

Fano's Theorem 4: Fano's geometry consists of exactly seven lines.

Two Isomorphic Models for Fano's Geometry

• A diagrammatic model

• A tabular representation



PointsLinesA, B, C, D, E, F, GADB, AGE, AFC, BEC, BGF, CGD, FDE

1. Verify that the models given above satisfy the axioms for Fano's Geometry.

2. Demonstrate that these models are isomorphic by constructing a mapping from one to the other.

3. Does this Geometry satisfy the principle of duality? How can you tell?

Axioms for a Finite Projective Plane:

Undefined Terms: point, line, incident

Defined Term: Points incident to the same line are *collinear*.

Axioms:

- Axiom P1: For any two distinct points, there is exactly one line incident with both points.
- Axiom P2: For any two distinct lines, there is at least one point incident with both lines.
- Axiom P3: Every line has at least three points incident with it.
- Axiom P4: There exist at least four distinct points of which no three are collinear.

Definition: A **projective plane of order** n is a geometry that satisfies the above axioms for a finite projective plane and has at least one line with exactly n + 1 (n > 1) distinct points incident with it.

Theorem P1: There exists a projective plant of order n for some positive integer n.

Claim: Fano's Geometry is a finite projective plane of order 2.

4. Complete the proof of Theorem P1 by verifying that one of the given models for Fano's Geometry is a model for Axioms P1 - P4.

Definition: Lines incident to the same point are *concurrent*.

5. Write the dual for each axiom of a finite projective plane.

6. Prove the Dual of Axiom P3