

REMARKS ON COORDINATIZATIONS OF A PROJECTIVE PLANE

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1. Summary. By making use of coordinate transformations, planar rings with (i) right zero, (ii) left zero, (iii) zero, (iv) right zero and right unity (or left unity, or unity), (v) left zero and left unity (or right unity, or unity), or (vi) zero and unity, etc., are constructed from a general planar ternary ring, so that, the projective planes induced by the old and the new planar rings are isomorphic. Such constructions lead to slightly different proofs of two interesting theorems by Wesson [3]. Discussions of planar ternary rings with one-sided zeros and one-sided unities are also given.

2. Introduction. As is well-known, a *projective plane* is a set P of "points" with certain subsets called "lines" such that:

- P 1. *Any two distinct points are contained in exactly one line.*
- P 2. *Any two distinct lines contain exactly one common point.*
- P 3. *P contains at least four points, no three of which are on the same line.*

By definition, a *planar ternary ring* (PTR) is a pair $(S, \langle \rangle)$ consisting of a set S with at least two elements and a ternary operation $\langle \rangle$ which assigns to every ordered triple a, b, c of elements of S a unique element of S denoted by $\langle abc \rangle$ such that for all a, b, c, d in S :

- I. $\langle abx \rangle = c$ has a unique solution x in S .
- II. $\langle xab \rangle = \langle xcd \rangle$, $a \neq c$ has a unique solution x in S .
- III. $\langle axy \rangle = b$, $\langle cxy \rangle = d$, $a \neq c$ has a unique solution pair (x, y) consisting of elements of S .

It has been shown by Martin [2] that

Proposition 1. *The uniqueness of solution pair in III follows from I and II.*

Here we would also like to point out the following for later use:

Proposition 2. *The uniqueness of the solution in II follows from III.*

Proof. Suppose we have two solutions $x=x_1, x=x_2, x_1 \neq x_2$ of $\langle xab \rangle = \langle xcd \rangle$, $a \neq c$; then $\langle x_1 ab \rangle = \langle x_1 cd \rangle = e$ and $\langle x_2 ab \rangle = \langle x_2 cd \rangle = f$. This shows that $\langle x_1 xy \rangle = e$, $\langle x_2 xy \rangle = f$, $x_1 \neq x_2$ has two solutions $(x=a, y=b)$ and $(x=c, y=d)$, $a \neq c$ which contradicts the uniqueness of solution in III.

It is also well-known that every planar ternary ring $(S, \langle \rangle)$ induces a

projective plane $(P, < >)$ which consists of points represented by (x, y) , or (m) , or (∞) for every x, y, m in S but ∞ not in S . The lines of the plane $(P, < >)$ are represented by $[m, b]$, or $[c]$, or $[\infty]$ for every m, b, c in S . The incidence relations are defined such that $[\infty]$ contains exactly (∞) and points (m) for all m in S , $[c]$ contains exactly (∞) and all points (c, y) for every y in S , and the line $[m, b]$ contains exactly (m) and all points (x, y) for which $y = \langle xmb \rangle$.

A planar ternary ring is called [2] an *intermediate ternary ring* (ITR) if it also satisfies the following two conditions:

IV. $\langle amb \rangle = \langle cmb \rangle = d$, $a \neq c$, implies $\langle xmb \rangle = d$ for all x in S .

V. $\langle mad \rangle = \langle mcd \rangle = b$, $a \neq c$, implies $\langle mxd \rangle = b$ for all x in S .

The followings will also be used later:

Proposition 3. *Condition IV is equivalent to the following:*

IV' *There exists an element m_0 of S and a permutation $*$: $b \rightarrow b^*$ on S such that $\langle am_0 b^* \rangle = b$ for all a, b in S .*

Proof. IV \rightarrow IV': Since any two points (a, d) and (c, d) determine a line in the induced projective plane $(P, < >)$, condition IV means that all the points (x, d) (x variable and d fixed) are on a same line $[m, b]$. If all the points (x, g) ($g \neq d$) are on the line $[n, q]$, the point of intersection of $[m, b]$ and $[n, q]$ can not be a point (e, f) , because if (e, f) were the point of intersection, then $f = d = g$ which contradicts $g \neq d$. Thus $[m, b]$ and $[n, q]$ intersect at a point (m_0) and $m_0 = m = n$. Since $[n, q]$ is an arbitrary line containing all the points (x, g) , every such line passes through the same point (m_0) on $[\infty]$, so that such a line can be represented as $[m_0, t^*]$, where t^* is obtained from $\langle xm_0 t^* \rangle = t$ where (x, t) is an arbitrary point on the line (such a t^* is uniquely determined by IV). The correspondence $t \rightarrow t^*$ is evidently a permutation on S .

IV' \rightarrow IV: Suppose $\langle amb \rangle = \langle cmb \rangle = d$, $a \neq c$. By IV' we have $\langle am_0 d^* \rangle = \langle cm_0 d^* \rangle = d$. Thus we have $\langle amb \rangle = \langle am_0 d^* \rangle$, $\langle cmb \rangle = \langle cm_0 d^* \rangle$, $a \neq c$. Consequently $m = m_0$ and $b = d^*$ by II. Therefore $\langle xmb \rangle = \langle xm_0 d^* \rangle = d$ for all x .

Proposition 4. *Condition V is equivalent to the following:*

V'. *There exists an element a_0 of S and a permutation $*$: $d \rightarrow d^*$ on S such that $\langle a_0 md \rangle = d^*$ for all m, d in S .*

Proof. V \rightarrow V': In the induced projective plane $(P, < >)$, condition V means that all the lines $[x, d]$ (x variable and d fixed) pass through the same point (a, b) . Suppose all the lines $[x, g]$, $g \neq d$ pass through the point (c, q) . The line joining these two points can not be a line $[m, y]$, because if this were the line joining these points, then $y = d = g$ which contradicts $g \neq d$. Thus (a, b) and (c, q) are on a line $[a_0]$ through

(∞) , and $a_0 = a = c$. Since (c, q) is an arbitrary such point, every such point is on the same line $[a_0]$ and thus can be represented as (a_0, t^*) , with t^* obtained from $\langle a_0xt \rangle = t^*$, where $[x, t]$ is any line through the point. The correspondence $t \rightarrow t^*$ is evidently a permutation on S .

$V' \rightarrow V$: Suppose now that $\langle mad \rangle = \langle mcd \rangle = b$, $a \neq c$. By V' we have $\langle a_0ad \rangle = \langle a_0cd \rangle = d^*$, $a \neq c$. Thus it follows that $m = a_0$ and $b = d^*$ by III. Consequently $\langle mxd \rangle = \langle a_0xd \rangle = d^* = b$ for all x in S .

An element u in S is called a *right zero* if $\langle xub \rangle = b$ for all x, b in S , and an element v in S is called a *left zero* if $\langle vxb \rangle = b$ for all x, b in S . An element z is said to be a *zero* if z is both a right zero and a left zero.

A left zero (or a right zero) is unique if it exists. It is shown by *Martin* [2] that:

Proposition 5. *If a PTR $(S, \langle \rangle)$ has a right zero u , then $\langle xab \rangle = d$, $a \neq u$, has a unique solution x . If $(S, \langle \rangle)$ has a left zero v , then $\langle axd \rangle = b$, $a \neq v$ has a unique solution x .*

From this, it follows that in a PTR, the existence of a right zero implies IV, and that of a left zero implies V. But IV does not imply the existence of a right zero, and V does not imply that of a left zero. In a PTR, the existence of a right zero and that of a left zero are independent conditions.

3. Coordinate transformations. To each element a in S assign a permutation $\sigma(a)$ on S (S may be finite or infinite). Let $\sigma'(a)$ be the inverse permutation of $\sigma(a)$.

Proposition 6. *The ternary system $(S, \{ \})$, defined by $\{amd\} = \langle amd \rangle^{\sigma(a)}$ for all a, m, d in S , is a planar ternary ring if and only if the ternary system $(S, \langle \rangle)$ is a planar ternary ring.*

Proof. (1) As $\{abx\} = d$ if and only if $\langle abx \rangle = d^{\sigma'(a)}$, condition I for $(S, \{ \})$ follows from that for $(S, \langle \rangle)$ and vice versa. (2) Similarly, since $\{axy\} = b$, $\{cxy\} = d$, $a \neq c$ if and only if $\langle axy \rangle = b^{\sigma'(a)}$, $\langle cxy \rangle = d^{\sigma'(c)}$, condition III for $(S, \{ \})$ follows from that of $(S, \langle \rangle)$ and vice versa. (3) Suppose II for $(S, \langle \rangle)$ is satisfied; that is, $\langle xab \rangle = \langle xcd \rangle$, $a \neq c$ has a unique solution $x = x_1$. Then $\{x_1 ab\} = \langle x_1 ab \rangle^{\sigma(x_1)} = \langle x_1 cd \rangle^{\sigma(x_1)} = \{x_1 cd\}$; that is, $\{xab\} = \{xcd\}$, $a \neq c$ has a solution $x = x_1$. The uniqueness of the solution follows from I and III by Proposition 2. Assuming II for $(S, \{ \})$, we can also prove II for $(S, \langle \rangle)$ in the same way.

Proposition 7. *The ternary system $(S, \{ \})$, defined by $\{acb^{(c)}\} = \langle acb \rangle$ for all a, b, c in S , is a planar ternary ring if and only if the ternary system $(S, \langle \rangle)$ is a planar ternary ring.*

Proof. For conditions I and II, proofs are similar to the proofs of I and III in

Proposition 6. Now assume that $\langle ax_1 y_1 \rangle = b$, $\langle cx_1 y_1 \rangle = d$, $a \neq c$ has a unique solution pair (x_1, y_1) . Let $x = x_1$, $y = y_1^{\sigma(x_1)}$; then $\{axy\} = \{ax_1 y_1^{\sigma(x_1)}\} = \langle ax_1 y_1 \rangle = b$, and $\{cxy\} = \{cx_1 y_1^{\sigma(x_1)}\} = \langle cx_1 y_1 \rangle = d$. That is, $\{axy\} = b$, $\{cxy\} = d$, $a \neq c$ has a solution pair (x, y) . The uniqueness of the solution follows from I and II by Proposition 1. Assuming that III holds for $(S, \{ \})$ we can show that III holds also for $(S, \langle \rangle)$ in the same way.

Proofs of these two propositions can be carried out more geometrically, if we make use of the projective plane $(P, \langle \rangle)$ induced by a planar ternary ring $(S, \langle \rangle)$.

In the induced projective plane $(P, \langle \rangle)$, assign new coordinates $(a, b^{\sigma(a)})$ to the point with the coordinates (a, b) , but preserve all the old coordinates for all other kinds of elements. Instead of expressing the incidence of the point (a, b) with the line $[m, d]$ by $\langle amd \rangle = b$, we use the relation $\{amd\} = b^{\sigma(a)} = \langle amd \rangle^{\sigma(a)}$ in the new coordinates. Then the ternary system $(S, \{ \})$ gives a new coordinatization of the projective plane $(P, \langle \rangle)$, and therefore $(S, \{ \})$ is a planar ternary ring. This argument also shows that the projective plane induced by $(S, \langle \rangle)$ can also be seen as the projective plane induced by $(S, \{ \})$.

For Proposition 7, assign new coordinates $[c, b^{\sigma(c)}]$ to the line with the coordinates $[c, b]$ and preserve the old coordinates for all the other kinds of elements. Instead of expressing the incidence of the point (a, d) with the line $[c, b]$ by $\langle acb \rangle = d$ in the old system, we use $\{acb^{\sigma(c)}\} = d$ in the new coordinate system. Then the ternary system $(S, \{ \})$ again gives a new coordinatization of the projective plane $(P, \langle \rangle)$, and thus $(S, \{ \})$ is a planar ternary ring. Again the projective plane induced by $(S, \langle \rangle)$ can also be seen as the projective plane induced by $(S, \{ \})$.

Thus in both cases, the projective planes induced by $(S, \langle \rangle)$ and $(S, \{ \})$ are isomorphic.

As special cases, consider $\sigma(a) \neq \text{identity}$ for a fixed element a in S and $\sigma(x) = \text{identity}$ for all $x \neq a$. In Proposition 6, this gives a coordinate transformation on only one line $[a]$ and leaves the coordinates unchanged for every other element. In Proposition 7, this gives a coordinate transformation on only one pencil of lines with center (a) and leaves all other coordinates unchanged.

We can also consider a coordinate transformation only on the line $[\infty]$. Suppose $\sigma(\infty) = \sigma$ is a permutation on S and rename the point (m) as (m^σ) . This gives rise to a PTR $(S, \{ \})$ defined by $\{am^\sigma d\} = \langle amd \rangle$. Next, suppose $\rho(\infty) = \rho$ be a permutation on S ; then a coordinate transformation on only one pencil with center (∞) can be obtained by renaming $[a]$ as $[a^\rho]$. This gives rise to a PTR $(S, \{ \})$ defined by $\{a^\rho m d\} = \langle amd \rangle$. The latter two cases are special instances of isotopisms [2].

Example 1. The following is a PTR satisfying IV :

		$x=r$		
$m \backslash b$		r	s	t
r		t	r	s
s		r	s	t
t		r	t	s

		$x=s$		
$m \backslash b$		r	s	t
r		t	r	s
s		t	r	s
t		s	r	t

		$x=t$		
$m \backslash b$		r	s	t
r		t	r	s
s		s	t	r
t		t	s	r

If we change the coordinates of lines of the pencil with center (r) by

$$[r, r] \rightarrow [r, t], [r, s] \rightarrow [r, r], [r, t] \rightarrow [r, s],$$

then we get a PTR with right zero r (r is not a left zero) as follows:

		$x=r$		
$m \backslash b$		r	s	t
r		r	s	t
s		r	s	t
t		r	t	s

		$x=s$		
$m \backslash b$		r	s	t
r		r	s	t
s		t	r	s
t		s	r	t

		$x=t$		
$m \backslash b$		r	s	t
r		r	s	t
s		s	t	r
t		t	s	r

We can get the former PTR from the latter by the coordinate transformation:

$$[r, r] \rightarrow [r, s], [r, s] \rightarrow [r, t], [r, t] \rightarrow [r, r].$$

Example 2. The following is a PTR satisfying V:

		$x=r$		
$m \backslash b$		r	s	t
r		s	r	t
s		s	r	t
t		s	r	t

		$x=s$		
$m \backslash b$		r	s	t
r		r	s	t
s		s	t	r
t		t	r	s

		$x=t$		
$m \backslash b$		r	s	t
r		r	t	s
s		s	r	t
t		t	s	r

If we change the coordinates on the line $[r]$ by

$$(r, r) \rightarrow (r, s), (r, s) \rightarrow (r, r), (r, t) \rightarrow (r, t),$$

then we get a PTR with left zero r (r is not a right zero) as follows:

$x=r$				
$m \backslash b$	r	s	t	
r	r	s	t	
s	r	s	t	
t	r	s	t	

$x=s$				
$m \backslash b$	r	s	t	
r	r	s	t	
s	s	t	r	
t	t	r	s	

$x=t$				
$m \backslash b$	r	s	t	
r	r	t	s	
s	s	r	t	
t	t	s	r	

We can get the former PTR from the latter one by the same point coordinate transformation as above.

4. Planar ternary rings with one-sided zeros. Using coordinate transformations discussed in 3, we can construct a PTR with one-sided zeros from a general PTR by the following steps :

Proposition 8. *Let $(S, < >)$ be a planar ternary ring, and u be a fixed element of S . Then (i) the ternary system $(S, \{ \})$ defined by $\langle au \{amd\} \rangle = \langle amd \rangle$ is a planar ternary ring with a right zero u , and (ii) v is a left zero of $(S, \{ \})$ if and only if $(S, < >)$ is a planar ternary ring satisfying V' with $a_0=v$.*

Proof. Although (i) can be checked directly, we prefer to relate its proof to Proposition 6. The set of points on the line $[a]$ is in one-to-one correspondence with the set of all lines in the pencil with the center (u) by assigning $(\infty) \rightarrow [\infty]$ and $(a, e) \rightarrow [u, b]$ which is incident with (a, e) . In this way, a permutation $\sigma(a)$ on S is defined by $b = e^{\sigma(a)}$. Then $\langle aub \rangle = e$. If $[m, d]$ is any line on (a, e) , then $\langle amd \rangle = e$. Thus $\langle amd \rangle = \langle aub \rangle$, and $\{amd\} = \langle amd \rangle^{\sigma(a)} = b$ can be expressed as $\langle amd \rangle = \langle au \{amd\} \rangle$.

Putting $m=u$ in this relation, we have $\langle aud \rangle = \langle au \{aud\} \rangle$ which implies $\{aud\} = d$ for all a, d in S by I. Thus u is a right zero.

(ii) We know that $\{vmd\} = d$ for all m if and only if $\langle vud \rangle = \langle vmd \rangle$ for all m . By III, the latter holds if and only if $(S, < >)$ satisfies V' with $a_0=v$ and $d^* = \langle vud \rangle$. If v is the left zero of $(S, < >)$, we have $\langle vmd \rangle = \langle vud \rangle = d$; that is, V' holds with $a_0=v$ and $d^*=d$.

Proposition 9. *Let $(S, < >)$ be a planar ternary ring, and v be a fixed element of S . For a, m, b in S , define $\{amb\} = \langle amd \rangle$, where d is the unique solution of $\langle vmd \rangle = b$. Then (i) the ternary system $(S, \{ \})$ is a planar ternary ring with v as a left zero, and (ii) u is a right zero of $(S, \{ \})$ if and only if $(S, < >)$ is a planar ternary ring satisfying IV' with $m_0=u$.*

Proof. (i) By using the one-to-one onto correspondence between the set of

points on the line $[v]$ and the set of lines in the pencil (m) , rename the line $[m, d]$ in the pencil (m) as $[m, b]$ if and only if $[m, d]$ is on (v, b) . This gives rise to a permutation $\sigma(m)$ on S with $d^{\sigma(m)} = b$. Then $\langle vmd \rangle = b$ and $\{amd^{\sigma(m)}\} = \langle amd \rangle$ is equivalent to $\{amb\} = \langle amd \rangle$ where d is the unique solution of $\langle vmd \rangle = b$. Proposition 7 then implies that $(S, \{ \})$ is a planar ternary ring; this can also be checked directly. As $\{vmb\} = \langle vmd \rangle = b$, v is a left zero.

(ii) Since $\{aub\} = b$ for all a, b in S if and only if $\langle aud \rangle = b$ and $\langle vud \rangle = b$ for all a, b in S , this means that IV' holds with $u = m_0$ and $b^* = d$. If u is the right zero of $(S, \langle \rangle)$, then $\langle aub \rangle = b$ for all a, b in S ; that is, IV' holds with $m_0 = u$ and $b^* = b$.

Now let u, v be two fixed elements in S . Then from Proposition 8 and Proposition 9, it follows that if we construct $(S, [\])$ from $(S, \langle \rangle)$ by Proposition 8, and then construct $(S, \{ \})$ from $(S, [\])$ by Proposition 9, the resulting $(S, \{ \})$ is a planar ternary ring with right zero u and left zero v . It is obvious that we can also get a planar ternary ring with the same zeros if we interchange the order of applying the two constructions. Now, for convenience, we formulate one of these constructions in the following:

Proposition 10. *Let $(S, \langle \rangle)$ be a planar ternary ring, and let u, v be two fixed elements in S . For any a, m, b in S , define the ternary operation $\{ \}$ by the following steps: (i) determine a c such that $\langle vmc \rangle = \langle vub \rangle$, (ii) determine a d such that $\langle aud \rangle = \langle amc \rangle$, and (iii) define $\{amb\} = d$ (that is, define $\{ \}$ by $\langle an \{amb\} \rangle = \langle amc \rangle$). Then $(S, \{ \})$ is a planar ternary ring with the right zero u and the left zero v .*

By putting $z = u = v$ in Proposition 10, we can obtain a planar ternary ring with zero z . (See Theorem 3.3 in Wesson [3]). It is also interesting to note that if we apply the natural duality [2] to the PTR $(S, \{ \})$ of Proposition 8 (that is, define $(S, [\])$ by $d = [mab]$ if and only if $b = \{amd\}$), then the resulting ternary system $(S, [\])$ is the PTR considered by Wesson in his Theorem 3.1 [3]. This is easily seen: from $\langle au \{amd\} \rangle = \langle amd \rangle$, it follows that $\langle aub \rangle = \langle am [mab] \rangle$.

Example 3. It is well-known that if S is a field, the system $(S, \langle \rangle)$ with $\langle xyz \rangle = xy + z$ is a planar ternary ring with zero 0 and unity 1. Now defining $[\]$ by $\langle au [amd] \rangle = \langle amd \rangle$, we obtain $[amd] = a(m - u) + d$. Next, defining $\{ \}$ by $\{amb\} = [amd]$ where $[vmd] = b$, we obtain $\{amb\} = (a - v)(m - u) + b$. The system $(S, \{ \})$ is then a planar ternary ring with the right zero u and the left zero v .

5. Planar ternary rings with one-sided zeros and one-sided unities. Suppose $(S, \langle \rangle)$ is a planar ternary ring with right zero u (or left zero, or zero). An element

h of S is called a *right unity associated with u* if $\langle ah u \rangle = a$ for all a in S . An element g of S is called a *left unity associated with u* if $\langle g m u \rangle = m$ [for all m in S . An element e of S is called a *unity associated with u* if it is at the same time a right unity and a left unity associated with u . A planar ternary ring with a zero and a unity is called a *Hall ternary ring (HTR)* [2]; an HTR is frequently called a "planar ternary ring" in the literature [1].

Proposition 11. *If a PTR $S, (\langle \rangle)$ with right zero u (or left zero, or zero) has at the same time a right unity h and left unity g associated with u , then $h=g$ and h is a unity associated with u .*

Proof. Since h is a right unity associated with u , we have $\langle g h u \rangle = g$, and since g is a left unity associated with u , we have $\langle g h u \rangle = h$. Therefore $h=g$.

Proposition 12. (i) *For a PTR with a right zero u , a right unity associated with u is unique, if it exists.* (ii) *For a PTR with a right zero u , a left unity associated with u is unique, if it exists.* (iii) *For a PTR with left zero v , a right unity associated with v is unique, if it exists.* (iv) *For a PTR with a left zero v , there may exist more than one left unity associated with v .*

Proof. (i) Suppose $h \neq h'$ are right unities associated with the right zero u of a PTR, then $\langle x h u \rangle = \langle x h' u \rangle = x$ for all x , and this contradicts II. (ii) If $g \neq g'$ are left unities associated with the right zero u of $(S, \langle \rangle)$, then $\langle g m u \rangle = \langle g' m u \rangle = m$ for all m (so for $m \neq u$). This contradicts Proposition 5. (iii) Suppose $h \neq h'$ are right unities of a PTR $(S, \langle \rangle)$ associated with the left zero v ; then $\langle x h v \rangle = \langle x h' v \rangle = x$ for all x (so for $x \neq v$). This contradicts Proposition 5. (iv) The following is an example of a planar ternary ring $(S, \langle \rangle)$ with a left zero r and two left unities s and t associated with the left zero r .

Example 4.

$x=r$				
$m \backslash b$	r	s	t	
r	r	s	t	
s	r	s	t	
t	r	s	t	

$x=s$				
$m \backslash b$	r	s	t	
r	r	s	t	
s	s	t	r	
t	t	r	s	

$x=t$				
$m \backslash b$	r	s	t	
r	r	t	s	
s	s	r	t	
t	t	s	r	

Proposition 13. (i) *If h is a right unity of a PTR associated with the right zero u , then $h \neq u$.* (ii) *If g is a left unity of a PTR associated with the left zero v ,*

then $g \neq v$. (iii) For a PTR with a right zero u , u may be a left unity associated with itself. (iv) For a PTR with a left zero v , v may be a right unity associated with itself.

Proof. (i) If $h=u$, then for any $x \neq u$ we have $\langle xuu \rangle = \langle xhu \rangle = x$ by the definition of right unity h associated with u . This contradicts $\langle xuu \rangle = u$ which follows from the definition of the right zero u . (ii) If $g=v$, then for any $x \neq v$, we have $\langle vxv \rangle = \langle gxv \rangle = x$ by the definition of left unity associated with v . This contradicts $\langle vxv \rangle = v$ which follows from the definition of the left zero v . (iii) The following is an example of a PTR in which r is a right zero and a left unity associated with itself :

Example 5.

$x=r$				
$m \backslash b$	r	s	t	
r	r	s	t	
s	s	r	t	
t	t	s	r	

$x=s$				
$m \backslash b$	r	s	t	
r	r	s	t	
s	r	t	s	
t	r	t	s	

$x=t$				
$m \backslash b$	r	s	t	
r	r	s	t	
s	t	s	r	
t	s	r	t	

(iv) The following is an example of a PTR in which r is a left zero and a right unity associated with itself.

Example 6.

$x=r$				
$m \backslash b$	r	s	t	
r	r	s	t	
s	r	s	t	
t	r	s	t	

$x=s$				
$m \backslash b$	r	s	t	
r	s	t	r	
s	t	r	s	
t	r	s	t	

$x=t$				
$m \backslash b$	r	s	t	
r	t	s	r	
s	r	t	s	
t	s	r	t	

Proposition 14. (i) a) If a planar ternary ring $(S, \langle \rangle)$ has a left zero v and a right unity h associated with the right zero u , or b) if $(S, \langle \rangle)$ has a right zero u and a left unity g associated with the left zero v , then $u=v$. (ii) If $(S, \langle \rangle)$ has a right unity h associated with the right zero u and a left unity g associated with the left zero v , then $u=v$ and $g=h$. (iii) A planar ternary ring $(S, \langle \rangle)$ can have a right unity associated with the left zero v and a left unity g associated with the right zero u such that $u \neq v$ and $g \neq h$.

Proof. (i) a) If h is a right unity associated with the right zero u , then $\langle vhu \rangle = v$. On the other hand, as v is the left zero, we have $\langle vhu \rangle = u$. Hence $u = v$. b) can be shown similarly. (ii) follows from (i) and Proposition 11. (iii) An example will be given in the next section.

6. Constructions of Hall ternary rings.

Proposition 15. Suppose $(S, \langle \rangle)$ is a PTR with a right zero u and left zero v , and let k be an element of S such that $k \neq u$. Define $\{cmd\} = \langle amd \rangle$, where a is determined from $\langle akv \rangle = c$ (such an a is uniquely determined by Proposition 5, as $k \neq u$). Then (i) $(S, \{ \})$ is a PTR with right zero u , left zero v , and k as a right unity associated with the left zero v . (ii) If g is a left unity associated with the right zero u in $(S, \langle \rangle)$, then $f = \langle gkv \rangle$ is a left unity associated with the right zero u in $(S, \{ \})$.

Proof. (i) We note that $(S, \{ \})$ is a new coordinatization of the projective plane induced by $(S, \langle \rangle)$ obtained by the point coordinate transformation. $(a, b) \rightarrow (\langle akv \rangle, b)$, $[m, d] \rightarrow [m, d]$. Thus $(S, \{ \})$ is a PTR. 1) Because u is the right zero, $\{cud\} = \langle aud \rangle = d$. 2) From $\langle akv \rangle = v$ and $\langle vkv \rangle = v$ (as v is the left zero) and $k \neq u$, we have $a = v$. Consequently, $\{vmd\} = \langle amd \rangle = \langle vmd \rangle = d$. 3) Because a is obtained from $\langle akv \rangle = c$, we have $\{ckv\} = \langle akv \rangle = c$.

(ii) We have that $\{fmu\} = \langle amu \rangle$ where a is determined from $\langle akv \rangle = f$. Since it is assumed that $\langle gkv \rangle = f$, we have $a = g$ by Proposition 5. Then $\{fmu\} = \langle gmu \rangle = m$, because g is a left unity associated with u in $(S, \langle \rangle)$.

Proposition 16. Suppose $(S, \langle \rangle)$ be a PTR with a right zero u and a left zero v . Let g be an element of S such that $g \neq v$. Define $\{and\} = \langle amd \rangle$, where m is determined from $\langle gmu \rangle = n$ (m is uniquely determined by Proposition 5, as $g \neq v$). Then (i) $(S, \{ \})$ is a PTR with right zero u , left zero v , and left unity g associated with u . (ii) If k is a right unity associated with v in $(S, \langle \rangle)$, then $h = \langle gku \rangle$ is a right unity associated with v in $(S, \{ \})$.

Proof. (i) We note that $(S, \{ \})$ is a new coordinatization of the projective plane induced by $(S, \langle \rangle)$, obtained by the line coordinate transformation: $[m, d] \rightarrow [\langle gmu \rangle, d]$, $(a, b) \rightarrow (a, b)$. Thus $(S, \{ \})$ is a PTR. 1) Because v is the left zero of $(S, \langle \rangle)$, $\{vnd\} = \langle vmd \rangle = d$. 2) In $\{aud\} = \langle amd \rangle$, m is obtained from $\langle gmu \rangle = u$. But $\langle guu \rangle = u$ as u is the right zero. Thus $m = u$ by Proposition 5. Then $\{aud\} = \langle amd \rangle = \langle aud \rangle = d$. 3) Because m is determined from $\langle gmu \rangle = \langle gmu \rangle = n$.

(ii) In $\{ahv\} = \langle amv \rangle$, m is determined from $\langle gmu \rangle = h$. But we have also $\langle gku \rangle = h$ by assumption. Hence $m = k$ by Proposition 5. Then $\{ahv\} = \langle akv \rangle = a$ as k is a right unity associated with v in $(S, \langle \rangle)$.

Starting from a PTR with a right zero u and a left zero v ($u \neq v$), we can construct a PTR with right zero u , left zero v , right unity k associated with v and left unity f associated with u (left unity g associated with u and a right unity h associated with v) by combining Propositions 15 and 16. This gives examples for (iii) of Proposition 14.

In Proposition 15 (or 16), if $u=v$, then we obtain a PTR with zero u and a right unity k (or a left unity g) associated with the zero u .

Putting $u=v=z$, we can construct a PTR with zero z and unity $h=g$ (or $f=k$) by combining Propositions 15 and 16, because we have $h=\langle gku \rangle = g$, as k is the right unity of $(S, \langle \rangle)$ associated with u (or $k=\langle gkv \rangle = f$, as g is the left unity of $(S, \langle \rangle)$ associated with v). These are the constructions of Proposition 1, 2, and 3 of *Martin* [2].

Instead of carrying out the constructions of Propositions 15 and 16 one after another, we can also use the following construction :

Proposition 17. *Let $(S, \langle \rangle)$ be a PTR with a right zero u and a left zero v . Let k, g be two elements in S such that $k \neq u$ and $g \neq v$. Define $\{cnd\} = \langle amd \rangle$, where a is determined from $\langle akv \rangle = c$ and m is determined from $\langle gmu \rangle = n$. Then $(S, \{ \})$ is a PTR with right zero u , left zero v , $f = \langle gkv \rangle$ as left unity associated with the right zero u , and $h = \langle gku \rangle$ as right unity associated with the left zero v .*

Proof. We note that $(S, \{ \})$ is a new coordinatization of the projective plane induced by $(S, \langle \rangle)$ obtained by the coordinate transformation : $(a, b) \rightarrow (\langle akv \rangle, b)$ and $[m, d] \rightarrow [\langle gmu \rangle, d]$. 1) By definition $\{cud\} = \langle amd \rangle = \langle aud \rangle = d$, since u is the right zero of $(S, \langle \rangle)$, and $m=u$ which follows from $\langle gmu \rangle = u$ and $\langle guu \rangle = u$. 2) By definition $\{vnd\} = \langle amd \rangle = \langle vmd \rangle = d$, because v is the left zero, and $a=v$ which follows from $\langle akv \rangle = v$ and $\langle vkv \rangle = v$. 3) We note that $a=g$ as $\langle akv \rangle = f$ and $\langle gkv \rangle = f$; hence $\{fnu\} = \langle amu \rangle = \langle gmu \rangle = n$. 4) Finally, noting that $m=k$ as $\langle gmu \rangle = h$ and $\langle gku \rangle = h$, we see that $\{chv\} = \langle amv \rangle = \langle akv \rangle = c$.

If we put $z=u=v$ in Proposition 17, we have $f=h=\langle gkz \rangle$, and hence we obtain a PTR with zero z and unity h . This is the construction given in Theorem 4.1 of *Wesson* [3]. See also Theorem 19 of *Martin* [2].

If $u \neq v$, then $h = \langle gku \rangle \neq \langle gkv \rangle = f$ by I. In this case Proposition 17 also gives an example for (iii) of Proposition 14.

In Proposition 17, we can modify the definition of $\{ \}$ to obtain the following :

Proposition 18. *Let $(S, \langle \rangle)$ be a PTR with right zero u and left zero v ,*

and let k, g be two elements of S such that $k \neq u$ and $g \neq v$. Define $\{cnd\} = \langle amd \rangle$ where a is determined from $\langle aku \rangle = c$ and m is determined from $\langle gmv \rangle = n$. Then $(S, \{ \})$ is a PTR with right zero v , left zero u , $f = \langle gku \rangle$ as left unity associated with right zero v , and $h = \langle gkv \rangle$ as right unity associated with left zero u .

Proof of this proposition is similar to that of Proposition 17.

We can also modify the definition of $\{ \}$ in Propositions 15 and 17 to form the following propositions.

Proposition 19. Let $(S, \langle \rangle)$ be a PTR with a right zero u , and let k be an element of S such that $k \neq u$. Define $\{cmd\} = \langle amd \rangle$, where a is determined from $\langle aku \rangle = c$. Then (i) $(S, \{ \})$ is a PTR with right zero u and k as right unity associated with u ; (ii) if k is a left unity associated with u in $(S, \langle \rangle)$, k is the unity associated with the right zero u in $(S, \{ \})$.

Proof. For assertion (i), the proof is similar to that of Proposition 15. For (ii), we have $\{kmu\} = \langle amu \rangle = \langle kmu \rangle = m$, because k is a left unity associated with u in $(S, \langle \rangle)$, so that $\langle kku \rangle = k$, and $\langle aku \rangle = k$ imply $a = k$. This shows that k is a left unity associated with u in $(S, \{ \})$. This and (i) imply (ii).

Proposition 20. Let $(S, \langle \rangle)$ be a PTR with a left zero v , and let g be an element of S such that $g \neq v$. Define $\{and\} = \langle amd \rangle$, where m is determined from $\langle gmv \rangle = n$. Then (i) $(S, \{ \})$ is a PTR with left zero v and g as left unity associated with v . (ii) If g is a right unity associated with v in $(S, \langle \rangle)$, then g is the unity associated with left zero v in $(S, \{ \})$.

Proof. (ii). We have $\{agv\} = \langle amv \rangle = \langle agv \rangle = a$, because g is a right unity associated with v in $(S, \langle \rangle)$, so that $\langle ggv \rangle = g$, and $\langle gmv \rangle = g$ imply $m = g$.

Proposition 21. Suppose, in Proposition 19, that v, g ($g \neq v$) are, respectively, a left zero and a left unity associated with v in $(S, \langle \rangle)$; then v, g are also respectively, a left zero and a left unity associated with v in $(S, \{ \})$ if and only if $u = v$ and $g = k$.

Proof. The "only if" part follows from Proposition 14 (ii). The "if" part can be easily shown as follows: $\{kmu\} = \langle amu \rangle$ where $\langle aku \rangle = k$. But $\langle kku \rangle = k$. Hence $a = k$ by Proposition 5, and so $\{kmu\} = \langle kmu \rangle = m$ as k is a left unity associated with $u = v$.

Proposition 22. Suppose, in Proposition 20, that u, k ($k \neq u$) are, respectively, a right zero and a right unity associated with u in $(S, \langle \rangle)$; then u, k are also respectively, right zero and a right unity associated with u in $(S, \{ \})$ if and only if $u = v$ and $g = k$.

Proof. The “if” part can be shown as follows: $\{akv\} = \langle amv \rangle$ where $\langle kmv \rangle = k$. But $\langle kkv \rangle = k$ as k is a right unity associated with $u=v$. Hence $m=k$ by Proposition 5. Then $\{akv\} = \langle akv \rangle = a$.

Combining Proposition 8 and Proposition 19, and combining Proposition 9 and Proposition 20 we will have, respectively, the following:

Proposition 23. *Let $(S, \langle \rangle)$ be a planar ternary ring, and let u, h be two distinct elements in S . For any given c, m, b in S , define a ternary operation $\{ \}$ by the following steps: i) determine an a such that $\langle auc \rangle = \langle ahc \rangle$; ii) determine an e such that $\langle aue \rangle = \langle amb \rangle$; iii) define $\{cmb\} = e$. Then the ternary system $(S, \{ \})$ obtained in this way is a planar ternary ring with u as a right zero and h as a right unity associated with u .*

Proposition 24. *Let $(S, \langle \rangle)$ be a planar ternary ring, and let v, g be distinct elements in S . For elements c, n, p in S , define a ternary operation $\{ \}$ by the following steps: i) determine m, q such that $\langle gmq \rangle = n$ and $\langle vmq \rangle = v$; ii) determine b such that $\langle vmb \rangle = p$; iii) define $\{cnp\} = \langle cmb \rangle$. Then the ternary system $(S, \{ \})$ is a planar ternary ring with the left zero v and the left unity g associated with v .*

Substituting the Propositions 23 and 24 for Propositions 19 and 20, we have the following propositions corresponding to Propositions 21 and 22:

Proposition 25. *Suppose, in Proposition 23, that v, g are, respectively, a left zero and a left unity of $(S, \langle \rangle)$ associated with v . Then v, g are also, respectively, a left zero and a left unity of $(S, \{ \})$ associated with v if and only if $u=v, g=h$ and there exists an element a such that $\langle aum \rangle = \langle amu \rangle$ for all m .*

Proof. The proof of the part “ $u=v$ ” is the same as in Proposition 14 and is obvious. Now, if g is a left unity associated with v in $(S, \{ \})$, then $\{gmu\} = m$ for all m ; that is, the element a obtained from $\langle aug \rangle = \langle ahc \rangle$ satisfies $\langle aum \rangle = \langle amu \rangle$ for all m . Then we have also $\langle ahc \rangle = \langle auh \rangle$ and hence $g=h$. Conversely, if $g=h$ and $\langle aum \rangle = \langle amu \rangle$ for all m , then g is obviously a left unity associated with v .

Proposition 26. *In Proposition 24, suppose u and h are, respectively, a right zero and a right unity associated with u in $(S, \langle \rangle)$. Then u and h are also, respectively, a right zero and a right unity associated with u in $(S, \{ \})$ if and only if $u=v$ and $g=h$.*

Proof. We will omit the proof of the “ $u=v$ ” part. Now, h is a right unity of $(S, \{ \})$ associated with the right zero $u (=v)$ if and only if $\{ahv\} = a$ for all a . This means that $\langle gmq \rangle = h, \langle vmq \rangle = v, \langle vmb \rangle = v$, and $\langle amb \rangle = a$. From $\langle vmq \rangle =$

v , and $\langle vmb \rangle = v$, it follows that $b=q$ by I. Since h is the right unity of $(S, \langle \rangle)$ associated with right zero $u (=v)$, $\langle ahv \rangle = a$ for all a . Then $\langle amb \rangle = a$ and $\langle ahv \rangle = a$ yield that $\langle ahv \rangle = \langle amb \rangle$ for all a . Hence, it follows by II that $m=h$ and $b=v$. Then $\langle ghv \rangle = g$ and $\langle ghv \rangle = h$, hence $h=g$. Conversely, if $h=g$, then $\langle gmq \rangle = g$, $\langle vmq \rangle = v$, and $\langle ggv \rangle = g$, $\langle vgv \rangle = v$. From these relations, it follows that $m=g$, $q=v$ by III. Furthermore, from $\langle vgb \rangle = v = \langle vgv \rangle$, it follows that $b=v$. Consequently, $\{cgv\} = \langle cmb \rangle = \langle cvg \rangle = c$.

Suppose now that $e=h=g$ and $z=u=v$. If we construct $(S, [\])$ from $(S, \langle \rangle)$ by Proposition 23, then construct $(S, \{ \ })$ from $(S, [\])$ by Proposition 24, the resulting $(S, \{ \ })$ is a HTR with the zero z and the unity e by Proposition 26. Actually, such a construction can be formulated as follows :

Proposition 27. *Let $(S, \langle \rangle)$ be a planar ternary ring, and e, z be two distinct elements in S . For any elements c, n, p in S , define the ternary operation $\{ \ }$ by the following steps: i) determine an a such that $\langle aze \rangle = \langle aez \rangle$; ii) determine an a_1 such that $\langle a_1 zz \rangle = \langle a_1 ez \rangle$; iii) determine m, q such that $\langle amq \rangle = \langle azn \rangle$ and $\langle a_1 mq \rangle = \langle a_1 zz \rangle$ (since $e \neq z$, it follows from i) and ii) that $a \neq a_1$ by III); iv) determine a b such that $\langle a_1 zp \rangle = \langle a_1 mb \rangle$; v) determine an a_2 such that $\langle a_2 zc \rangle = \langle a_2 ez \rangle$; vi) determine an r such that $\langle a_2 zr \rangle = \langle a_2 mb \rangle$; finally, viii) define $\{cnp\} = r$. Then $(S, \{ \ })$ is a Hall ternary ring with zero z and unity e .*

In a PTR with a left zero $v (=u)$ and a left unity g associated with v constructed in Proposition 24, the condition that there is an element a such that $\{aum\} = \{amu\}$ for all m in S is not necessarily satisfied. For this condition to be satisfied, it is necessary and sufficient that there is a fixed element a such that $\langle am_1 b_1 \rangle = \langle am_2 q_2 \rangle$ for all solutions m_1, b_1, m_2 and q_2 obtained from: $\langle gm_1 q_1 \rangle = v$, $\langle vm_1 q_1 \rangle = v$, $\langle vm_1 b_1 \rangle = m$, $\langle gm_2 q_2 \rangle = m$, and $\langle vm_2 q_2 \rangle = v$ for all m in S . The following example shows that this is not necessarily true :

Example 7.

$x=p$			$x=q$			$x=r$					
$m \backslash b$	p	q	r	s	t	$m \backslash b$	p	q	r	s	t
p	s	t	p	r	q	p	p	t	s	p	r
q	s	q	r	p	t	q	t	s	p	q	r
r	t	q	p	r	s	r	s	q	p	t	r
s	p	s	t	r	q	s	t	s	q	r	p
t	s	t	q	r	p	t	q	p	t	s	r

		$x=s$			$x=t$
$m \backslash b$		$p \ q \ r \ s \ t$	$m \backslash b$		$p \ q \ r \ s \ t$
p		$q \ r \ p \ s \ t$	p		$p \ t \ r \ s \ q$
q		$p \ q \ t \ r \ s$	q		$s \ t \ r \ q \ p$
r		$t \ p \ s \ q \ r$	r		$s \ p \ t \ q \ r$
s		$t \ s \ q \ p \ r$	s		$p \ q \ r \ t \ s$
t		$t \ p \ s \ r \ q$	t		$t \ q \ r \ p \ s$

Take $v=p$ and $g=q$. Then it follows from $\langle qm_1q_1 \rangle = p$, $\langle pm_1q_1 \rangle = p$ that $m_1=r$ and $q_1=r$. Thus we have the following solutions :

$m=p$	$m_1=r$	$b_1=r$	$m_2=r$	$q_2=r$	$a=arbitrary$
q	r	q	q	s	q
r	r	s	t	t	s
s	r	t	p	r	t
t	r	p	s	p	s

7. Alternative constructions of planar ternary rings with one-sided zeros and one-sided unities.

Proposition 28. Suppose $(S, \langle \rangle)$ is a PTR, and h, u are in S with $h \neq u$. Define a ternary operation $\{ \}$ as follows :

$$\begin{aligned} \{amb\} &= a \text{ if } \langle amb \rangle = \langle ahu \rangle \\ &= \langle ahu \rangle \text{ if } \langle amb \rangle = a \\ &= \langle amb \rangle \text{ if } \langle amb \rangle \neq \langle ahu \rangle, \langle amb \rangle \neq a. \end{aligned}$$

Then the system $(S, \{ \})$ is a planar ternary ring satisfying $\{ahu\} = a$ for all a .

Proof. We note that $(S, \{ \})$ is a new coordinatization of the projective plane induced by $(S, \langle \rangle)$. It is obtained by the coordinate transformation which changes $(a, \langle ahu \rangle)$ to (a, a) , (a, a) to $(a, \langle ahu \rangle)$ on every line $[a]$ and leaves coordinates of all other points unchanged. Thus $(S, \{ \})$ is a PTR. Now $\{ahu\} = a$, since in the above definition $m=h, b=u$ and $\langle amb \rangle = \langle ahu \rangle$.

Proposition 29. In Proposition 28, if u is a left zero of $(S, \langle \rangle)$, then $(S, \{ \})$ is a PTR with a left zero u and a right unity h associated with u .

Proof. If $\langle umb \rangle = \langle uhu \rangle$, then $b=u$ and $\{umb\} = u = b$. If $\{umb\} = u$, then $b=u$ and $\{umb\} = \langle uhu \rangle = u = b$. For other cases $\{umb\} = \langle umb \rangle = b$.

Combining Proposition 9 and Proposition 28, we can construct a PTR with a left zero u and right unity h associated with u .

Applying the construction of Proposition 20 to the PTR with a left zero v and a right unity g associated with v thus obtained, we can obtain a PTR with a left zero v and a unity g associated with the left zero v .

Proposition 30. *Suppose $(S, \langle \rangle)$ is a PTR satisfying $\langle ahu \rangle = a$ for all a in S and two fixed elements $h \neq u$. Define*

$$\begin{aligned} \{amb\} &= \langle amb \rangle \text{ if } m \neq u, \\ \{aub\} &= \langle aud \rangle, \text{ where } d \text{ is determined from } \langle bud \rangle = b. \end{aligned}$$

Then $(S, \{ \})$ is a PTR satisfying $\{ahu\} = a$ and $\{aua\} = a$ for all a in S .

Proof. $(S, \{ \})$ is obtained by changing the coordinates of the line through the points (u) and (a, a) to $[u, a]$. Now, since $h \neq u$, $\{ahu\} = \langle ahu \rangle = a$ for all a by assumption, and $\{aua\} = \langle aud \rangle$, where $\langle aud \rangle = a$. Hence $\{aua\} = a$ for all a in S .

Proposition 31. *Suppose $(S, \langle \rangle)$ is a PTR satisfying $\langle ahu \rangle = a$ and $\langle aua \rangle = a$ for all a in S and two fixed elements $h \neq u$. Define $\{amd\} = b$, where b is determined from $\langle aub \rangle = \langle amd \rangle$. Then the system $(S, \{ \})$ is a PTR with right zero u and right unity h associated with u .*

Proof. $(S, \{ \})$ is obtained by the coordinate transformation used in Proposition 8. Since $\{ahu\} = b$ is determined from $\langle aub \rangle = \langle ahu \rangle = a$, and $\langle aua \rangle = a$, we have $b = a$, hence $\{ahu\} = a$ for all a . Now $\{aud\} = d$, because $\langle aub \rangle = \langle aud \rangle$ implies $b = d$.

Combining Propositions 28, 30, and 31, we can construct a PTR with right zero u and right unity h associated with u .

Proposition 32. *Let $(S, \langle \rangle)$ be a PTR, and let u be a fixed element in S . Define*

$$\begin{aligned} \{amu\} &= \langle amt \rangle, \text{ where } t \text{ is determined from } \langle umt \rangle = u, \\ \{amt\} &= \langle amu \rangle, \text{ if } t \text{ satisfies } \langle umt \rangle = u, \\ &= \langle amt \rangle, \text{ if } \langle umt \rangle \neq u. \end{aligned}$$

Then, $(S, \{ \})$ is a PTR satisfying $\{umu\} = u$ for all m in S .

Proof. We note that $(S, \{ \})$ is obtained by the coordinate transformation which changes $[m, t]$ through the point (u, u) to $[m, u]$, $[m, u]$ to $[m, t]$, and leaves the coordinates of other lines unchanged. Now $\{umu\} = \langle umt \rangle = u$ for all m , because t is determined from $\langle umt \rangle = u$.

Proposition 33. *Let $(S, \langle \rangle)$ be a PTR satisfying $\langle upu \rangle = u$ for all p and a fixed element u . Let g be an element of S distinct from u . Then, for a given n , there is a unique solution m satisfying $\langle gmu \rangle = n$.*

Proof. By III, $\langle uxy \rangle = u$, $\langle gxy \rangle = n$, $g \neq u$ has a unique solution pair $x = m$,

$y=t$. Then $\langle umt \rangle = u$. But we have $\langle umu \rangle = u$ by assumption. Thus $t=u$ and $\langle gmu \rangle = n$.

Proposition 34. *Let $(S, \langle \rangle)$ be a PTR satisfying $\langle umu \rangle = u$ for all m and a fixed element u . Let g be a fixed element of S distinct from u . Define*

$$\begin{aligned} \{gnt\} &= m, \text{ where } m \text{ is determined from } \langle gnt \rangle = \langle gmu \rangle, \\ \{ant\} &= \langle ant \rangle, \text{ if } a \neq g. \end{aligned}$$

Then $(S, \{ \})$ is a PTR satisfying $\{umu\} = u$ and $\{gmu\} = m$ for all m in S .

Proof. $\{gnu\} = m = n$, because $\langle gmu \rangle = \langle gnu \rangle$ implies $m=n$ by Proposition 33. Now $\{unu\} = \langle unu \rangle = n$ because $g \neq u$. The system is obtained by the coordinate transformation which changes $(g, \langle gmu \rangle)$ to (g, m) on the line $[g]$ and leaves all the other coordinates unchanged.

Proposition 35. *In Proposition 34, if u is the left zero (then $\langle umu \rangle = u$ is obviously satisfied), then the resulting system $(S, \{ \})$ is a PTR with the left zero u and left unity g associated with u .*

Proof. $\{unt\} = \langle unt \rangle = t$ for all t , as $g \neq u$ and u is the left zero of $(S, \langle \rangle)$.

Combining the constructions of Propositions 9, 34, and 35, we can construct a PTR with left zero u and left unity g associated with u .

Proposition 36. *Suppose $g \neq u$ are in S and $(S, \langle \rangle)$ is a PTR satisfying $\langle umu \rangle = u$ and $\langle gmu \rangle = m$ for all m . Define*

$$\begin{aligned} \{aub\} &= \langle aut \rangle, \text{ where } t \text{ is determined from } \langle gut \rangle = b, \\ \{amb\} &= \langle amb \rangle, \text{ if } m \neq u. \end{aligned}$$

Then, $(S, \{ \})$ is a PTR satisfying $\{umu\} = u$ for all m , $\{gnu\} = n$ for all n , and $\{gub\} = b$ for all b .

Proof. 1) For $m=u$, $\{uuu\} = \langle uut \rangle$, where t is determined by $\langle gut \rangle = u$. Since we have $\langle guu \rangle = u$ by assumption, it follows that $t=u$. Thus $\{uuu\} = u$ as $\langle uuu \rangle = u$. If $m \neq u$, then $\{umu\} = \langle umu \rangle = u$ by assumption. 2) By definition $\{gub\} = \langle gut \rangle = b$, as t is determined from $\langle gut \rangle = b$. 3) If $n=u$, then $\{guu\} = u$ by 2). If $n \neq u$ then $\{gnu\} = \langle gnu \rangle = n$ by assumption.

We note that $(S, \{ \})$ is obtained by the coordinate transformation which changes the coordinates $[u, t]$ of the line through (u) and (g, m) to the coordinates $[u, m]$ and leaves all other coordinates unchanged.

Proposition 37. *Suppose $g \neq u$ are in S , and $(S, \langle \rangle)$ is a PTR satisfying $\langle umu \rangle = u$ for all m , $\langle gnu \rangle = n$, for all n , and $\langle gub \rangle = b$ for all b . Define $\{amb\} = d$, where d is determined from $\langle aud \rangle = \langle amb \rangle$. Then $(S, \{ \})$ is a PTR*

with right zero u , left unity g associated with u , and for all m in S , $\{umu\}=u$.

Proof. Note that $(S, \{ \})$ is obtained by the coordinate transformation used in Proposition 8. 1) As $\langle aud \rangle = \langle aub \rangle$ implies $d=b$, $\{aub\}=b$ for all a, b . 2) Because $d = \langle gud \rangle = \langle gnu \rangle = n$, $\{gnu\}=n$, 3) Since $\langle uud \rangle = \langle umu \rangle = u = \langle uuu \rangle$ implies $d=u$, we have $\{umu\}=u$.

Combining Propositions 32, 34, 36, and 37, we can obtain a PTR with right zero u and left unity g associated with u . Furthermore if the construction in Proposition 19 is applied to this PTR with right zero u and a left unity $k (=g)$ associated with u , we can obtain a PTR with right zero u and unity k associated with u .

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