

The maximum number of mutually orthogonal Desarguesian affine planes of order 2^n

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Abstract

Two affine planes of the same order and on the same pointset are *orthogonal* if each line of one plane intersects each line of the other plane in at most two points [1]. A set of pairwise orthogonal affine planes is *mutually orthogonal*.

I shall describe a new computational method to determine the maximum number of Desarguesian mutually orthogonal affine planes of order 2^n . This gives exact results for orders 8 and 16, and indicative results for orders 32 and 64.

References

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