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One can easily show that this is equivalent to the conditions $a = b = c$ and $a^3 = 1$. Thus we conclude that the element $a \in F$ must be a root of the polynomial $x^2 + x + 1$ different from 1.

Theorem 4. *In an arbitrary desarguesian projective plane every six-fold homology of two triangles with no common vertex is equivalent to the special six-fold homology.*

Proof. According to the proof of the preceding theorem each pair of six-fold homologic triangles can be transformed by a certain automorphism of the plane onto triangles T_1, T_2 with the homogeneous coordinates described above. It is very easy to verify that this pair of triangles has the required property (cf. [4], [5]).

Remark. By an analogous argument we can obtain that in the desarguesian plane a six-fold perspectivity of two triangles with not common vertex implies their six-fold homology. Theorems 1–4 imply immediately:

Theorem 5. *A configuration (H-T) exists in a desarguesian projective plane over a field F if and only if in F there exists a root of the polynomial $x^2 + x + 1$ different from 1.*

Theorem 6. *If an arbitrary desarguesian-Fano plane contains an (H-T) configuration, then this plane has a finite subplane of order 4. In the case of finite Fano planes, they are exactly the projective planes over the Galois field of order $n = 2^{2^m}$. (cf. [1], [2].)*

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