## Math 4420 HW 1 - Due Tuesday, Feb. 4, 2020

- 1. Problem 19A (ii) of the text.
- 2. Let  $(\mathbf{P}, \mathcal{B})$  be a  $S_{\lambda}(t, k, v)$  design. Suppose  $x \notin \mathbf{P}$ . Define a new incidence structure  $(\mathbf{P}', \mathcal{B}')$  by  $\mathbf{P}' = \mathbf{P} \cup \{x\}$  and  $\mathcal{B}' = \{B \cup \{x\} : B \in \mathcal{B}.\}$  When is  $(\mathbf{P}', \mathcal{B}')$  a combinatorial design?
- 3. Problem 19B of the text.
- 4. Problem 19C of the text.
- 5. Prove that any S(2,3,7)-design is isomorphic to the Fano plane (Figure 19.2).