# A semi-linear group which is not affine 

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Equivalently:

- there a definable injective map $\tau: G \rightarrow M^{r}, r \in \mathbb{N}$, which is continuous with respect to the subspace topology in the range.


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Fact
If $G \subseteq M^{n}$ is affine, then $G$ is definably compact if and only if it is closed (in $M^{n}$ ) and bounded.

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Every definable function $f: A \subseteq M^{n} \rightarrow M^{m}$ is piecewise-linear $(P L)$; that is, there is a partition of $A$ into finitely many definable sets $A_{i}, i=1, \ldots, k$, such that for each of them:

- there is an $n \times m$ matrix $\lambda$ with entries from $D$, and an element $a \in M^{m}$, such that for every $x \in A_{i}, f(x)=\lambda x+a$.


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Moreover, there is a definable "parallelogram" $H \subseteq M^{n}$, such that

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## Examples

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& \mathcal{M}= \\
\quad & \langle\mathbb{R},<,+, 0\rangle . \\
& G_{1}=\langle[0,1),+\iota, 0\rangle, \text { where } L=\mathbb{Z} . \\
& x+\llcorner y=z \Leftrightarrow x+y-z \in \mathbb{Z} \Leftrightarrow x+y-z \in\{0,1\} \\
- & G_{2}=G_{1} \times G_{1}=\left\langle[0,1) \times[0,1),+\llcorner, 0\rangle, \text { where } L=\mathbb{Z}^{2} .\right. \\
& G_{3}=\langle[0,1) \times[0, \pi / 2),+\llcorner, 0\rangle, \text { where } \\
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Corollary
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- (Burago, Zalgaller, 1995) Every orientable real PL-manifold of dimension 2 admits an isometric affine embedding into $\mathbb{R}^{3}$. The generalization of this statement to manifolds of higher dimension is open.

