## On Automorphisms of a binary Fano plane

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Theorem 0.3 Let $\beta \in \operatorname{Aut}\left(E_{2^{6}}\right)$ be of order 2 with 31 fixed point. Then, there is no $E_{2^{2}}$ tiling of $E_{2^{6}}$ such that $\sum_{i=1}^{2 a+1} A_{i}+\sum_{j=1}^{b} B_{j}^{\langle\beta\rangle}=E_{2^{6}}+20$ where $A_{i}^{\beta}=A_{i}, B_{j} \cap B_{j}^{\beta}=1$, and $A_{i} \cong B_{j} \cong E_{2^{2}}$.

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