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Hempstead, NY 11549. A Dense Planar Set From Iterated Line Intersections.

Given S_1 , a set of points in the plane, not all on a line, we define a sequence of planar point sets $\{S_i\}_{i=1}^{\infty}$ as follows: with S_i already determined, let L_i be the set of all the lines determined by pairs of points from S_i , and let S_{i+1} be the set of all the intersection points of lines in L_i . We show that with the exception of some very particular starting configurations, the limiting point set $\bigcup_{i=1}^{\infty} S_i$ is everywhere dense in he plane. This is joint work with Radoš Radoičić. (Received September 13, 2004)