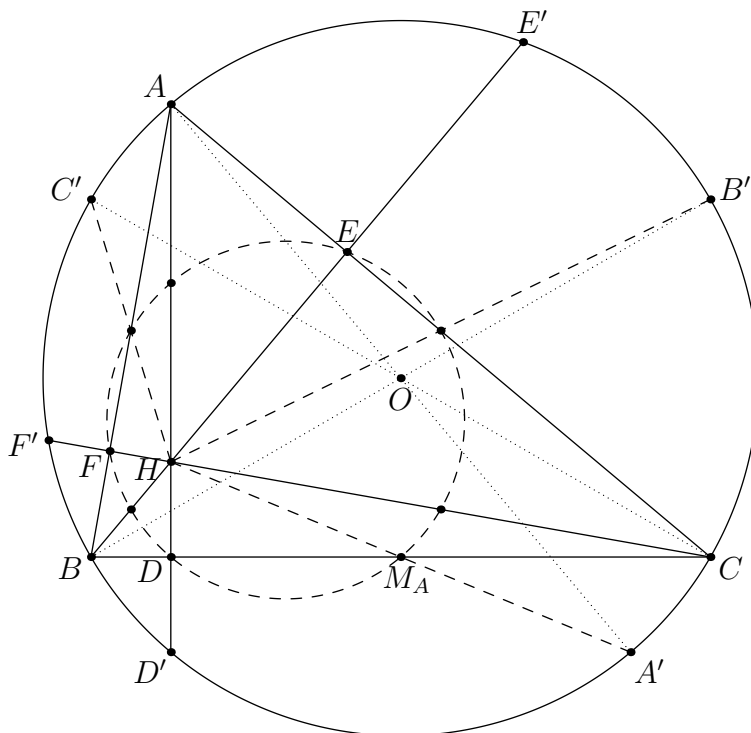


A Few Configurations

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1 Around the Orthocenter



Let $\triangle ABC$ have orthocenter H and circumcenter O . Denote the circumcircle of $\triangle ABC$ by Γ . Let D , E , and F be the feet of the altitudes and M_A , M_B , and M_C be the midpoints. Let D' , E' , and F' be the second intersections of AH , BH , and CH respectively with Γ . Let A' , B' , and C' be the antipodes of A , B , and C with respect to Γ .

Fact 1.1. $\angle BHC = \pi - \angle A$.

Fact 1.2. Any one of A, B, C, H is the orthocenter of the triangle formed by the other three.

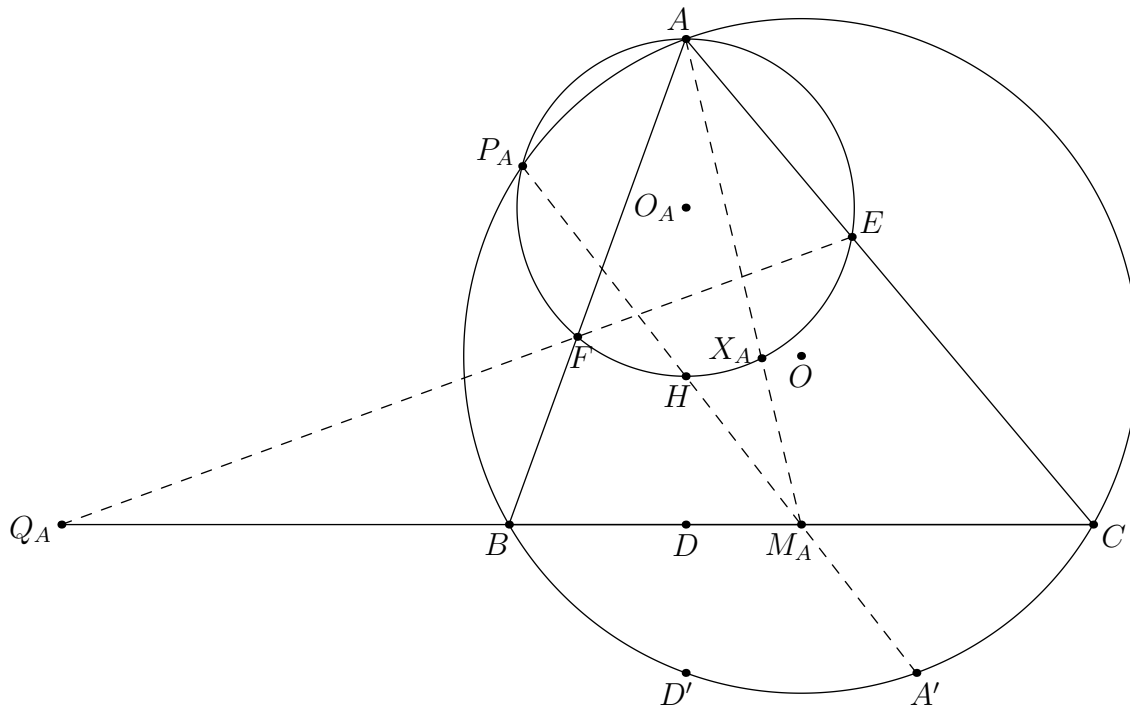
Fact 1.3. D' is the reflection of H over BC .

Fact 1.4. $D'A' \parallel BC$.

Fact 1.5. M_A is the midpoint of HA' .

Lemma 1 (Nine-Point Circle). D , E , F , M_A , M_B , M_C lie on a common circle. Furthermore, the midpoints of AH , BH , and CH lie on this circle. The center of this circle is the midpoint of OH .

Proof. From the previous facts, D is the midpoint of HD' and M_A is the midpoint of HA' . Then a homothety centered about H with scale factor $\frac{1}{2}$ sends D' to D and A' to M_A . Similarly, B' , E' , C' , and F' are sent to M_B , E , M_C , and F respectively. These points lie on Γ , so the mapped points lie on the scaled-down circle, known as the nine-point circle. The rest of the lemma follows easily from the homothety. \square



Let O_A be the midpoint of AH . Let P_A be the second intersection of $A'H$ and Γ . Let Q_A be the intersection of EF and BC . Let X_A be the foot of H on line AM_A . X_A (along with X_B and X_C defined similarly) is known as an *HM*-point with respect to $\triangle ABC$.

Fact 1.6. E and F lie on the circle with diameter BC (and center M_A).

Fact 1.7. $\triangle AEF \sim \triangle ABC$ and $\triangle BHF \sim \triangle CHE$.

Fact 1.8. O_AOM_AH and AOM_AO_A are parallelograms.

Fact 1.9. E and F lie on the circle with diameter AH (and center O_A).

Fact 1.10. P_A and X_A also lie on this circle.

Fact 1.11. The tangents to the circumcircle of $\triangle AEF$ at points E and F intersect at M_A .

Fact 1.12. $\triangle P_AEF \sim \triangle P_ACB$.

Fact 1.13. A , P_A , and Q_A are collinear.

Fact 1.14. X_A lies on the circumcircle of $\triangle BHC$.

Fact 1.15. $\angle CBX_A = \angle BAX_A$ and $\angle BCX_A = \angle CAX_A$.

Fact 1.16. X_A lies on the A -Apollonius circle (in other words, $\frac{X_AB}{X_AC} = \frac{AB}{AC}$).

Fact 1.17. There are a lot of cyclic quads.

P_A is particularly useful as the center of a spiral similarity. Also, inverting works well with this configuration. Inversion about A with radius $\sqrt{AH \cdot AD}$, about M_A with radius M_AB , and about H with radius $\sqrt{HA \cdot HD}$ are all good options to try.

Problems

Problem 1.1 (IberoAmerican 2011). Let ABC be an acute-angled triangle, with $AC \neq BC$ and let O be its circumcenter. Let P and Q be points such that $BOAP$ and $COPQ$ are parallelograms. Show that Q is the orthocenter of ABC .

Problem 1.2 (USAMO 1990). An acute-angled triangle ABC is given in the plane. The circle with diameter AB intersects altitude CC' and its extension at points M and N , and the circle with diameter AC intersects altitude BB' and its extensions at P and Q . Prove that the points M, N, P, Q lie on a common circle.

Problem 1.3 (JBMO 2019). Triangle ABC is such that $AB < AC$. The perpendicular bisector of side BC intersects lines AB and AC at points P and Q , respectively. Let H be the orthocenter of triangle ABC , and let M and N be the midpoints of segments BC and PQ , respectively. Prove that lines HM and AN meet on the circumcircle of ABC .

Problem 1.4 (PAMO 2017). Let ABC be a triangle with H its orthocenter. The circle with diameter AC cuts the circumcircle of triangle ABH at K . Prove that the point of intersection of the lines CK and BH is the midpoint of the segment BH .

Problem 1.5 (USA TSTST 2012). In scalene triangle ABC , let the feet of the perpendiculars from A to BC , B to CA , C to AB be A_1, B_1, C_1 , respectively. Denote by A_2 the intersection of lines BC and B_1C_1 . Define B_2 and C_2 analogously. Let D, E, F be the respective midpoints of sides BC, CA, AB . Show that the perpendiculars from D to AA_2 , E to BB_2 and F to CC_2 are concurrent.

Problem 1.6 (ELMO 2017). Let ABC be a triangle with orthocenter H , and let M be the midpoint of \overline{BC} . Suppose that P and Q are distinct points on the circle with diameter \overline{AH} , different from A , such that M lies on line PQ . Prove that the orthocenter of $\triangle APQ$ lies on the circumcircle of $\triangle ABC$.

Problem 1.7 (Iran TST 2019). Acute-angled triangle ABC has orthocenter H . The reflection of the nine-point circle about AH intersects the circumcircle of $\triangle ABC$ at points X and Y . Prove that AH is the external bisector of $\angle XHY$.

Problem 1.8 (USA TST 2011). Acute triangle ABC is inscribed in circle ω . Let H and O denote its orthocenter and circumcenter, respectively. Let M and N be the midpoints of sides AB and AC , respectively. Rays MH and NH meet ω at P and Q , respectively. Lines MN and PQ meet at R . Prove that $OA \perp RA$.

Problem 1.9 (Orthic axis). Let D, E , and F be the feet of the altitudes through A, B , and C respectively in $\triangle ABC$. Let P, Q , and R be the intersections of EF with BC , FD with CA , and DE with AB . Prove that P, Q , and R lie on a line perpendicular to the Euler line.

Problem 1.10 (Iran TST 2011). In acute triangle ABC , $\angle B > \angle C$. Let M be the midpoint of BC . D and E are the feet of the altitudes from C and B respectively. K and L are the midpoints of ME and MD respectively. If KL intersects the line through A parallel to BC at T , prove that $TA = TM$.

Problem 1.11 (APMO 2012). Let ABC be an acute triangle. Denote by D the foot of the perpendicular line drawn from the point A to the side BC , by M the midpoint of BC , and by H the orthocenter of ABC . Let E be the point of intersection of the circumcircle Γ of the triangle ABC and the half line MH , and F be the point of intersection (other than E) of the line ED and the circle Γ . Prove that $\frac{BF}{CF} = \frac{AB}{AC}$ must hold.

Problem 1.12 (ELMO 2018). Let ABC be a scalene triangle with orthocenter H and circumcenter O . Let P be the midpoint of \overline{AH} and let T be on line BC with $\angle TAO = 90^\circ$. Let X be the foot of the altitude from O onto line PT . Prove that the midpoint of \overline{PX} lies on the nine-point circle of $\triangle ABC$.

Problem 1.13 (Iran MO 2017). Let ABC be an acute-angle triangle. Suppose that M be the midpoint of BC and H be the orthocenter of ABC . Let $E \equiv BH \cap AC$ and $F \equiv CH \cap AB$. Suppose that X be a point on EF such that $\angle XMH = \angle HAM$ and A, X are in the distinct side of MH . Prove that AH bisects MX .

Problem 1.14. In triangle ABC , let A_1, B_1, C_1 be the feet of the altitudes. Let H be the orthocenter. Let M be the midpoint of BC . Let T be the intersection of B_1C_1 and HM . The tangents at B and C to the circumcircle of $\triangle ABC$ intersect at P . Show that T, A_1, P are collinear.

Problem 1.15 (Iran MO 2013). In a triangle ABC with circumcircle Γ , suppose that the A -altitude intersects Γ at point D . The altitude of B and C cut AC and AB at E and F respectively. Let H be the orthocenter and T be the midpoint of AH . The line through T parallel to EF intersects AB and AC at X and Y respectively. Prove that $\angle XDF = \angle YDE$.

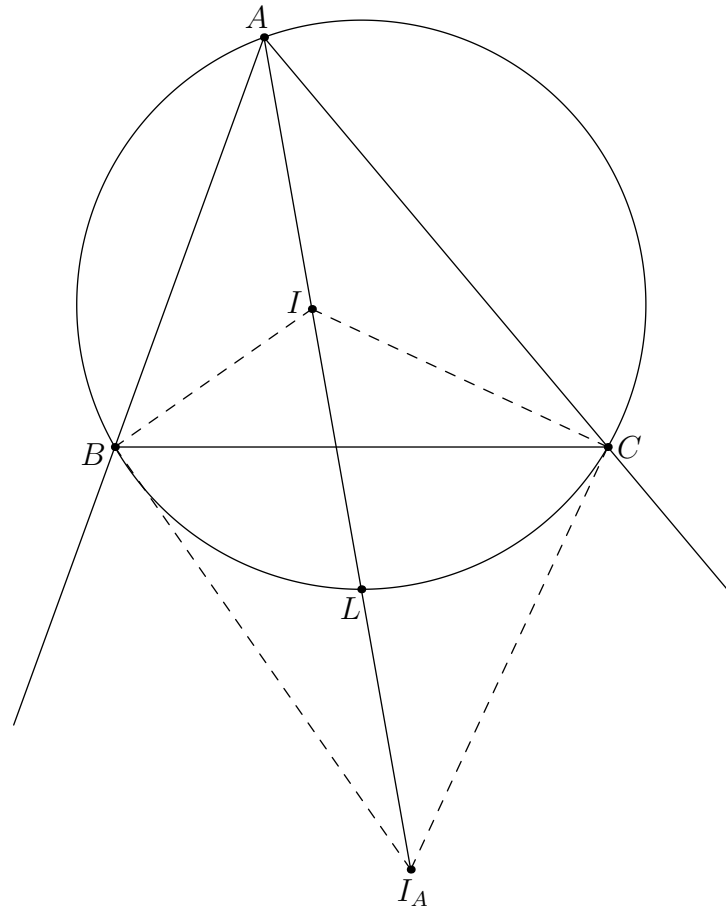
Problem 1.16 (ISL 2008). In an acute triangle ABC segments BE and CF are altitudes. Two circles passing through the point A and F and tangent to the line BC at the points P and Q so that B lies between C and Q . Prove that lines PE and QF intersect on the circumcircle of triangle AEF .

Problem 1.17 (ISL 2017). Let O be the circumcenter of an acute triangle ABC . Line OA intersects the altitudes of ABC through B and C at P and Q , respectively. The altitudes meet at H . Prove that the circumcenter of triangle PQH lies on a median of triangle ABC .

Problem 1.18 (ISL 2016). Let $ABCD$ be a convex quadrilateral with $\angle ABC = \angle ADC < 90^\circ$. The internal angle bisectors of $\angle ABC$ and $\angle ADC$ meet AC at E and F respectively, and meet each other at point P . Let M be the midpoint of AC and let ω be the circumcircle of triangle BPD . Segments BM and DM intersect ω again at X and Y respectively. Denote by Q the intersection point of lines XE and YF . Prove that $PQ \perp AC$.

Problem 1.19 (RMM 2018). Fix a circle Γ , a line ℓ tangent Γ , and another circle Ω disjoint from ℓ such that Γ and Ω lie on opposite sides of ℓ . The tangents to Γ from a variable point X on Ω meet ℓ at Y and Z . Prove that, as X varies over Ω , the circumcircle of XYZ is tangent to two fixed circles.

2 Incenters and Excenters



Let $\triangle ABC$ have incenter I and circumcircle Γ . Denote the excenters as I_A , I_B , and I_C . Let L_A be the midpoint of arc \widehat{BC} not containing A .

Fact 2.1. $\angle BIC = \frac{\pi + \angle A}{2}$.

Lemma 2 (Fact 5). L_A lies on the angle bisector of $\angle A$. Furthermore, $BICI_A$ is a cyclic quadrilateral and L_A is the center of its circumcircle.

Proof. Since L_A is the midpoint of the arc BC , $\angle CAL_A = \angle L_AAB$. So L_A lies on the bisector of $\angle A$. We have

$$\angle IBI_A = \frac{\angle B}{2} + \frac{\pi - \angle B}{2} = \frac{\pi}{2}.$$

Similarly, $\angle ICI_A = \frac{\pi}{2}$. So B and C lie on a circle with diameter II_A .

From cyclic quadrilateral ABL_C we have $\angle BL_AI = \angle C$ and from cyclic quadrilateral $BICI_A$ we have $\angle BI_AI = \frac{\angle C}{2}$. Thus L_A must be the center of the circle with diameter II_A . \square

Corollary 3. For any $\triangle XYZ$, let W be the intersection of the perpendicular bisector of YZ with the angle bisector of $\angle X$. Then W lies on the circumcircle of $\triangle XYZ$.

Lemma 4 (Euler's Theorem). $OI^2 = R(R - 2r)$ where R is the circumradius of $\triangle ABC$ and r is the inradius of $\triangle ABC$.

Proof. We can compute the distance OI by considering the power of I with respect to Γ :

$$OI^2 - R^2 = \text{Pow}(I, \Gamma) = -IA \cdot IL_A = -IA \cdot L_A C.$$

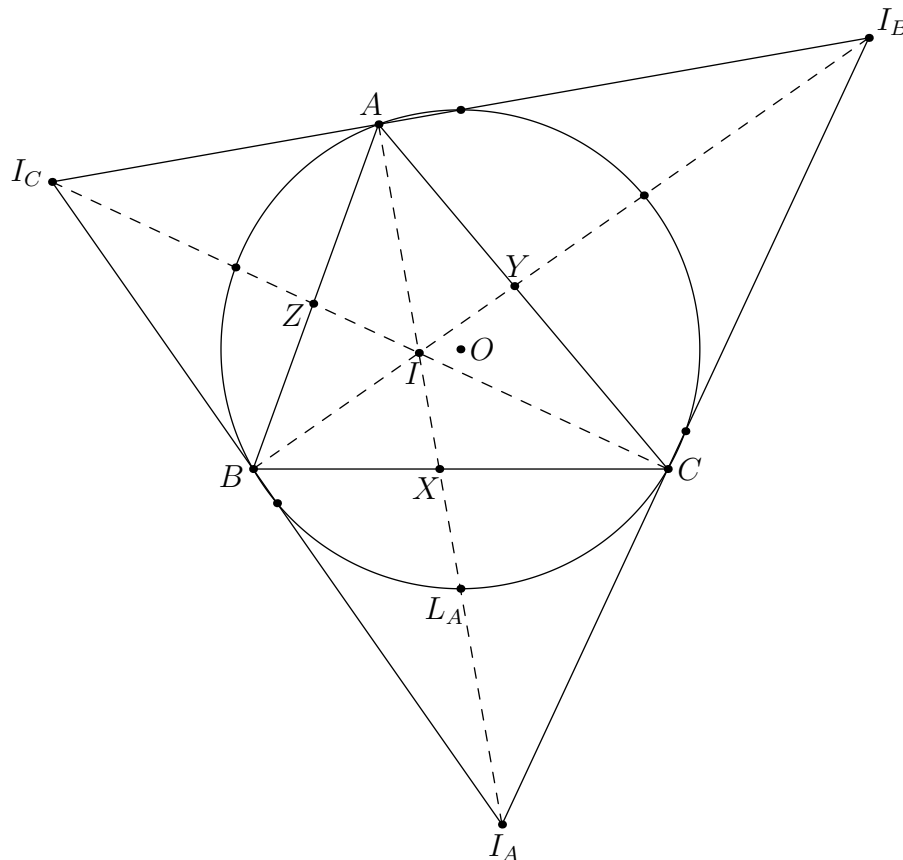
We used Lemma 2 in the above line. Let F be the tangency point of the incircle to AB and let M be the midpoint of $L_A C$. Note that $\triangle IAD \sim \triangle L_A O M$. Thus

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{AI}{ID} &= \frac{OL_A}{L_A M} \\ \implies IA \cdot L_A M &= ID \cdot OL_A \\ \implies IA \cdot L_A C &= 2ID \cdot OL_A \\ &= 2rR. \end{aligned}$$

Thus,

$$OI^2 = R(R - 2r).$$

□



Let X , Y , and Z be the intersections of the angle bisectors with the respective sides.

Fact 2.2. I is the orthocenter of $\triangle L_A L_B L_C$ (where L_B and L_C are defined similarly).

Fact 2.3. $\triangle L_A X C \sim \triangle L_A C A$ and $L_A X \cdot L_A A = LI^2$.

Fact 2.4. $\triangle ABC$ is the orthic triangle of $\triangle I_A I_B I_C$. I is the orthocenter and Γ is the nine-point circle.

Fact 2.5. The midpoint of arc \widehat{BC} containing A in Γ is the midpoint of $I_B I_C$.

Fact 2.6. The radical axis of the B -excircle and C -excircle is the line through the midpoint of BC parallel to AI . The radical axis of the incircle and the A -excircle is the line through the midpoint of BC perpendicular to AI .

Fact 2.7. The intouch triangle, the excentral triangle, and $\triangle L_A L_B L_C$ (where L_B and L_C are defined similarly) are homothetic to each other.

Fact 2.8. The Euler line of the excentral triangle is OI . The Euler line of the intouch triangle is also OI .

Fact 2.9. The circumcenter of $\triangle I I_B I_C$ lies on line OI_A .

Fact 2.10. Lines $I_B I_C$, YZ , and BC concur at the foot of the A -external angle bisector.

Fact 2.11. $YZ \perp OI_A$.

Problems

Problem 2.1. Let $ABCD$ be a cyclic quadrilateral. Let I_A , I_B , I_C , and I_D be the incenters of $\triangle BCD$, $\triangle CDA$, $\triangle DAB$, and $\triangle ABC$ respectively. Show that $I_A I_B I_C I_D$ is a rectangle.

Problem 2.2. Let ABC be an acute triangle with $\angle A = 60^\circ$. Show that $IH = IO$ where I , H , and O are the incenter, orthocenter, and circumcenter respectively.

Problem 2.3 (Hong Kong TST 2020). Let $\triangle ABC$ be an acute triangle with incenter I and orthocenter H . AI meets the circumcircle of $\triangle ABC$ again at M . Suppose the length IM is exactly the circumradius of $\triangle ABC$. Show that $AH \geq AI$.

Problem 2.4 (ELMOSL 2013). Let ABC be a triangle with incenter I . Let U , V and W be the intersections of the angle bisectors of angles A , B , and C with the incircle, so that V lies between B and I , and similarly with U and W . Let X , Y , and Z be the points of tangency of the incircle of triangle ABC with BC , AC , and AB , respectively. Let triangle UVW be the *David Yang* triangle of ABC and let XYZ be the *Scott Wu* triangle of ABC . Prove that the David Yang and Scott Wu triangles of a triangle are congruent if and only if ABC is equilateral.

Problem 2.5 (USAJMO 2016). The isosceles triangle $\triangle ABC$, with $AB = AC$, is inscribed in the circle ω . Let P be a variable point on the arc \widehat{BC} that does not contain A , and let I_B and I_C denote the incenters of triangles $\triangle ABP$ and $\triangle ACP$, respectively. Prove that as P varies, the circumcircle of triangle $\triangle P I_B I_C$ passes through a fixed point.

Problem 2.6 (USAJMO 2014). Let ABC be a triangle with incenter I , incircle γ and circumcircle Γ . Let M, N, P be the midpoints of sides \overline{BC} , \overline{CA} , \overline{AB} and let E, F be the tangency points of γ with \overline{CA} and \overline{AB} , respectively. Let U, V be the intersections of line EF with line MN and line MP , respectively, and let X be the midpoint of arc BAC of Γ .

(a) Prove that I lies on ray CV .

(b) Prove that line XI bisects \overline{UV} .

Problem 2.7. Let $\triangle ABC$ have incenter I and orthocenter H . Let R_A be the radical center of the incircle, B -excircle, and C -excircle. Define R_B and R_C similarly. Prove that the circumcenter of $\triangle R_A R_B R_C$ is the midpoint of HI .

Problem 2.8 (ISL 2002). The incircle Ω of the acute-angled triangle ABC is tangent to its side BC at a point K . Let AD be an altitude of triangle ABC , and let M be the midpoint of the segment AD . If N is the common point of the circle Ω and the line KM (distinct from K), then prove that the incircle Ω and the circumcircle of triangle BCN are tangent to each other at the point N .

Problem 2.9 (USAMO 2017). Let ABC be a scalene triangle with circumcircle Ω and incenter I . Ray AI meets \overline{BC} at D and meets Ω again at M ; the circle with diameter \overline{DM} cuts Ω again at K . Lines MK and BC meet at S , and N is the midpoint of \overline{IS} . The circumcircles of $\triangle KID$ and $\triangle MAN$ intersect at points L_1 and L_2 . Prove that Ω passes through the midpoint of either $\overline{IL_1}$ or $\overline{IL_2}$.

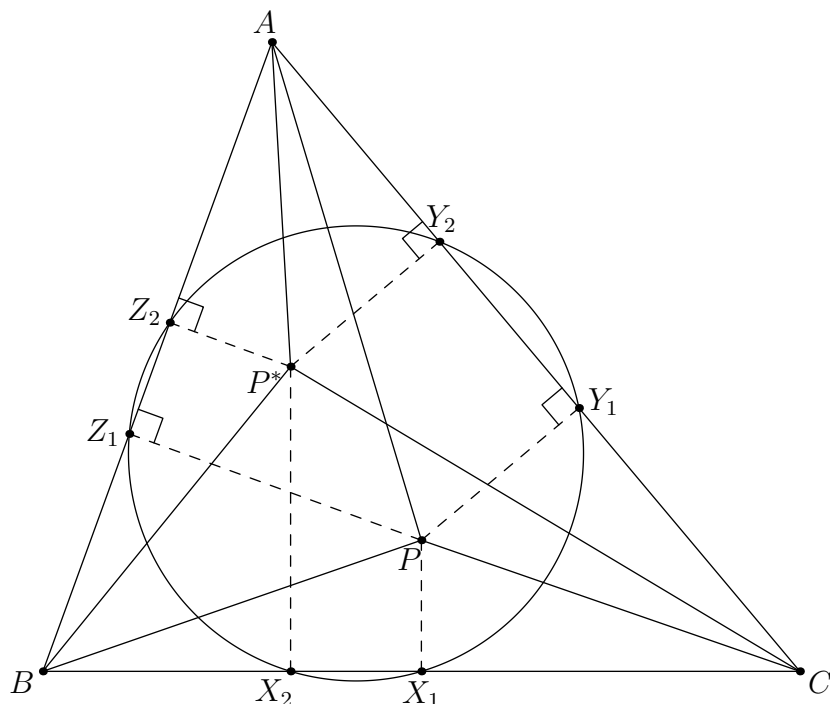
Problem 2.10 (USAMO 2016). Let $\triangle ABC$ be an acute triangle, and let I_B, I_C , and O denote its B -excenter, C -excenter, and circumcenter, respectively. Points E and Y are selected on \overline{AC} such that $\angle ABY = \angle CBY$ and $\overline{BE} \perp \overline{AC}$. Similarly, points F and Z are selected on \overline{AB} such that $\angle ACZ = \angle BCZ$ and $\overline{CF} \perp \overline{AB}$. Lines $\overrightarrow{I_B F}$ and $\overrightarrow{I_C E}$ meet at P . Prove that \overline{PO} and \overline{YZ} are perpendicular.

Problem 2.11 (ISL 2016). Let I be the incentre of a non-equilateral triangle ABC , I_A be the A -excentre, I'_A be the reflection of I_A in BC , and l_A be the reflection of line AI'_A in AI . Define points I_B, I'_B and line l_B analogously. Let P be the intersection point of l_A and l_B .

- (a) Prove that P lies on line OI where O is the circumcentre of triangle ABC .
- (b) Let one of the tangents from P to the incircle of triangle ABC meet the circumcircle at points X and Y . Show that $\angle XIY = 120^\circ$.

Problem 2.12 (Serbia MO 2017). Let k be the circumcircle of $\triangle ABC$ and let k_a be A -excircle. Let the two external tangents of k and k_a cut BC in at points P and Q . Prove that $\angle PAB = \angle CAQ$.

3 Isogonal Conjugates



Lemma 5 (Pedal Triangles of Isogonal Conjugates). Let P_1 and P_2 be points in the plane of $\triangle ABC$. Let $\triangle X_1Y_1Z_1$ and $\triangle X_2Y_2Z_2$ be the pedal triangles of P_1 and P_2 respectively. Then P_1 and P_2 are isogonal conjugates iff $\triangle X_1Y_1Z_1$ and $\triangle X_2Y_2Z_2$ have the same circumcircle.

Proof. Let P be a point in the plane of $\triangle ABC$ with pedal triangle $\triangle X_1Y_1Z_1$. The circumcircle of $\triangle X_1Y_1Z_1$ intersects BC , CA , and AB again at X_2 , Y_2 , and Z_2 respectively. Let O be the circumcenter of $\triangle X_1Y_1Z_1$.

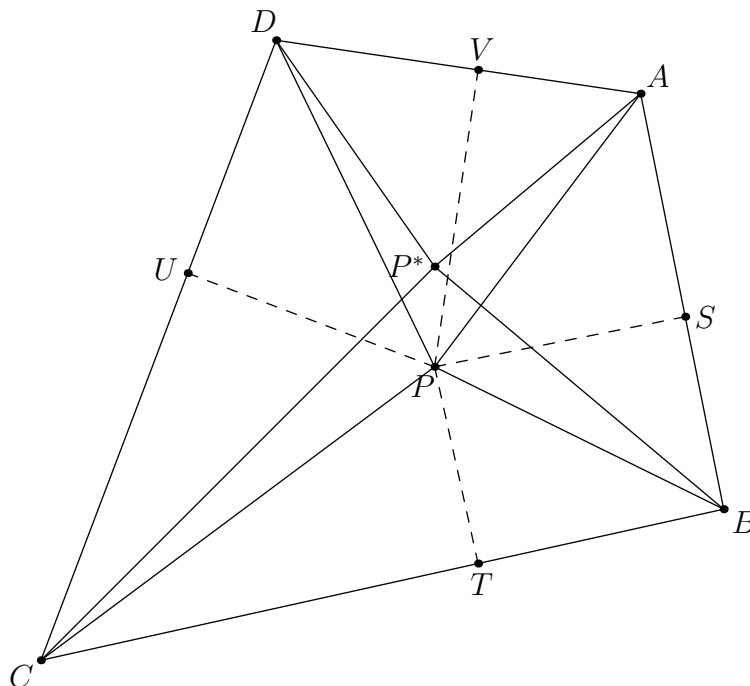
Define P^* to be the reflection of P across O . Since O is on the perpendicular bisector of X_1X_2 and P is on the line through X_1 perpendicular to BC , then P^* is on the line through X_2 perpendicular to BC . Similarly, $P^*Y_2 \perp CA$ and $P^*Z_2 \perp AB$.

Since $Y_1Z_1Z_2Y_2$ is a cyclic quadrilateral, $\triangle AY_1Z_1 \sim \triangle AZ_2Y_2$. P and P^* are defined similarly with respect to these two triangles, so we can further state that $AY_1Z_1P \sim AZ_2Y_2P^*$. In particular,

$$\angle PAC = \angle PAY_1 = \angle P^*AZ_2 = \angle P^*AB.$$

Similarly, $\angle PCB = \angle P^*CA$ and $\angle PBC = \angle P^*BA$. Thus, P^* is the isogonal conjugate of P .

This shows one direction of Lemma 5: that if the pedal triangles share a circumcircle, then the points are isogonal conjugates. The definition of the isogonal conjugate of a point implies that there is either none or exactly one. Since we have shown how to construct this isogonal conjugate for any point P , the other direction follows. □



Let P be a point in the plane of quadrilateral $ABCD$. The isogonal conjugate of P with respect to $ABCD$ is the point P^* such that

$$\angle DAP = \angle P^*AB, \angle ABP = \angle P^*BC, \angle BCP = \angle P^*CD, \text{ and } \angle CDP = \angle P^*DA.$$

Lemma 6 (Isogonal Conjugates in Quadrilaterals). The isogonal conjugate of P with respect to $ABCD$ exists iff $\angle APB + \angle CPD = \pi$.

Proof. Let E be the intersection of AD and BC . Let $S, T, U,$ and V be the feet of P to $AB, BC, CD,$ and DA respectively. Let P_1 be the isogonal conjugate of P with respect to $\triangle EAB$ and P_2 be the isogonal conjugate of P with respect to $\triangle ECD$.

Observe that the isogonal conjugate of P with respect to $ABCD$ exists iff $P_1 \equiv P_2$. It is not hard to see that this occurs iff the circumcircle of the pedal triangle of P_1 with respect to $\triangle EAB$ is the same as the circumcircle of the pedal triangle of P_2 with respect to $\triangle ECD$. By Lemma 5, this is equivalent to S, T, U, V concyclic.

It remains to show that S, T, U, V concyclic iff $\angle APB + \angle CPD = \pi$.

$$\begin{aligned} \angle APB + \angle CPD &= \angle APS + \angle SPB + \angle CPU + \angle UPD \\ &= \angle AVS + \angle STB + \angle CTU + \angle UVD \\ &= (\pi - \angle STU) + (\pi - \angle UVS) \\ &= 2\pi - (\angle STU + \angle UVS). \end{aligned}$$

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Problems

Problem 3.1. Prove that the circumcenter O and the orthocenter H are isogonal conjugates. What is the circumcircle of their pedal triangles?

Problem 3.2. Let P and Q be isogonal conjugates with respect to a triangle ABC . Show that $d(P, AB) \cdot d(Q, AB) = d(P, AC) \cdot d(Q, AC)$.

Problem 3.3. Let P be a point in the interior of $\triangle ABC$. Points $D, E,$ and F are the reflections of P over $BC, CA,$ and AB respectively. Show that the circumcenter of $\triangle DEF$ is the isogonal conjugate of P with respect to $\triangle ABC$.

Problem 3.4 (Bulgaria 2011). Point O is inside $\triangle ABC$. The feet of perpendicular from O to BC, CA, AB are D, E, F . Perpendiculars from A and B respectively to EF and FD meet at P . Let H be the foot of perpendicular from P to AB . Prove that D, E, F, H are concyclic.

Problem 3.5 (USAMO 2011). Let P be a given point inside quadrilateral $ABCD$. Points Q_1 and Q_2 are located within $ABCD$ such that

$$\angle Q_1BC = \angle ABP, \quad \angle Q_1CB = \angle DCP, \quad \angle Q_2AD = \angle BAP, \quad \angle Q_2DA = \angle CDP.$$

Prove that $\overline{Q_1Q_2} \parallel \overline{AB}$ if and only if $\overline{Q_1Q_2} \parallel \overline{CD}$.

Problem 3.6 (USA TST 2010). In triangle ABC , let P and Q be two interior points such that $\angle ABP = \angle QBC$ and $\angle ACP = \angle QCB$. Point D lies on segment BC . Prove that $\angle APB + \angle DPC = 180^\circ$ if and only if $\angle AQC + \angle DQB = 180^\circ$.

Problem 3.7 (ISL 2008). There is given a convex quadrilateral $ABCD$. Prove that there exists a point P inside the quadrilateral such that

$$\angle PAB + \angle PDC = \angle PBC + \angle PAD = \angle PCD + \angle PBA = \angle PDA + \angle PCB = 90^\circ$$

if and only if the diagonals AC and BD are perpendicular.

Problem 3.8 (USAJMO 2015). Let $ABCD$ be a quadrilateral. Prove that there exists a point X on segment \overline{BD} such that $\angle BAC = \angle XAD$ and $\angle BCA = \angle XCD$ if and only if there exists a point Y on segment \overline{AC} such that $\angle CBD = \angle YBA$ and $\angle CDB = \angle YDA$. (The original problem had $ABCD$ cyclic.)

Problem 3.9 (IMO 2018). A convex quadrilateral $ABCD$ satisfies $AB \cdot CD = BC \cdot DA$. Point X lies inside $ABCD$ so that

$$\angle XAB = \angle XCD \quad \text{and} \quad \angle XBC = \angle XDA.$$

Prove that $\angle BXA + \angle DXC = 180^\circ$.

Problem 3.10 (ELMOSL 2014). We are given triangles ABC and DEF such that $D \in BC, E \in CA, F \in AB, AD \perp EF, BE \perp FD, CF \perp DE$. Let the circumcenter of DEF be O , and let the circumcircle of DEF intersect BC, CA, AB again at R, S, T respectively. Prove that the perpendiculars to BC, CA, AB through D, E, F respectively intersect at a point X , and the lines AR, BS, CT intersect at a point Y , such that O, X, Y are collinear.

Problem 3.11 (USA TST 2015). Let ABC be a non-equilateral triangle and let M_a, M_b, M_c be the midpoints of the sides BC, CA, AB , respectively. Let S be a point lying on the Euler line. Denote by X, Y, Z the second intersections of M_aS, M_bS, M_cS with the nine-point circle. Prove that AX, BY, CZ are concurrent.