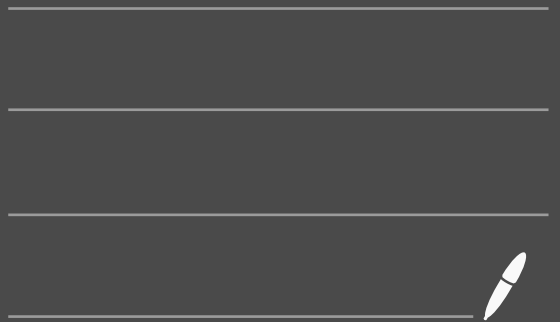


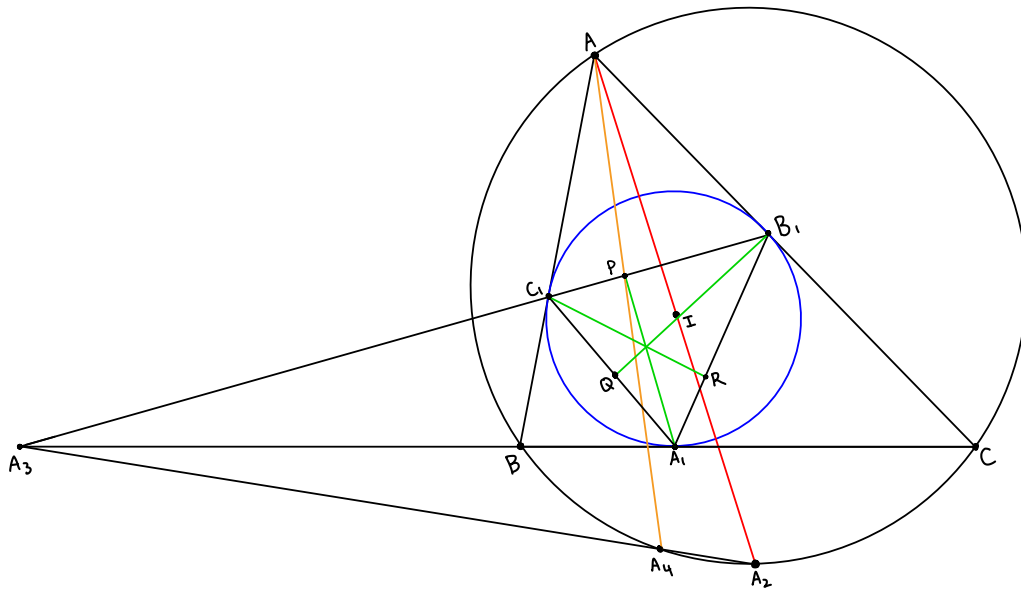
# Murica Solutions

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3.0 North Korea TST 2013/1

**Problem 3.0** (North Korea TST 2013/1). The incircle of a non-isosceles triangle  $ABC$  with the center  $I$  touches the sides  $BC, CA, AB$  at  $A_1, B_1, C_1$  respectively. The line  $AI$  meets the circumcircle of  $ABC$  at  $A_2$ . The line  $B_1C_1$  meets the line  $BC$  at  $A_3$  and the line  $A_2A_3$  meets the circumcircle of  $ABC$  at  $A_4 (\neq A_2)$ . Define  $B_4, C_4$  similarly. Prove that the lines  $AA_4, BB_4, CC_4$  are concurrent.

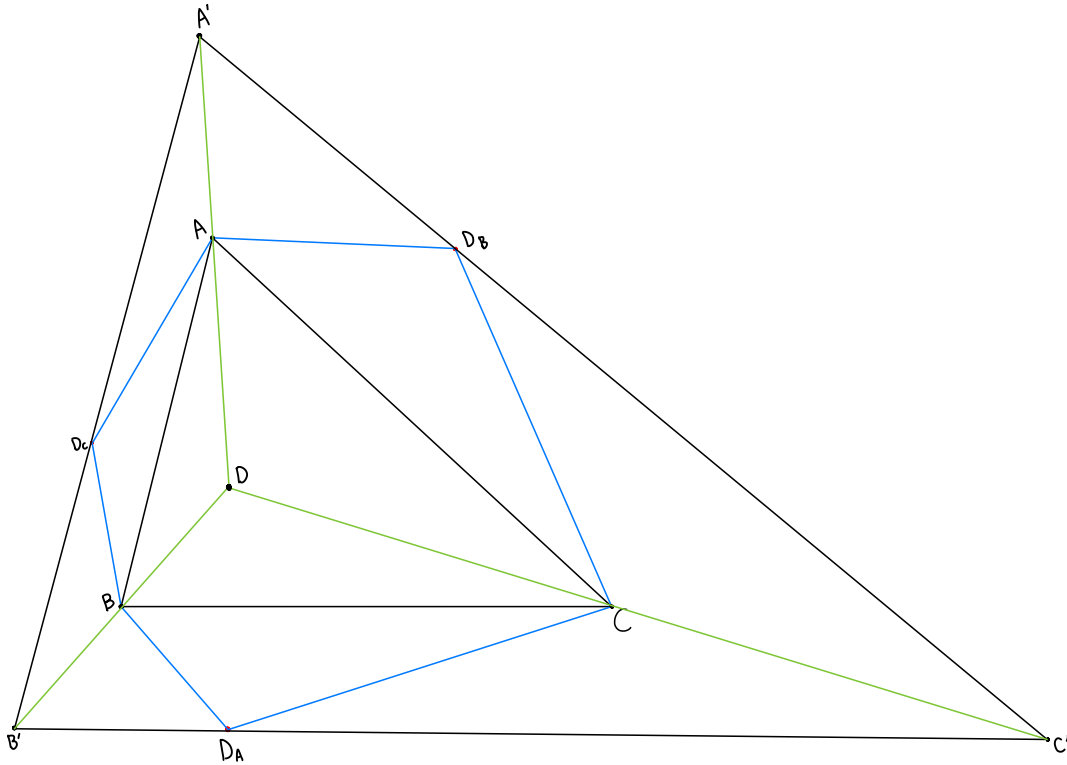


We see that  $A_4$  is the  $E_0$  point, so we have  $\overline{APA_4}$ , where  $P$  is the foot from  $A_2$  to  $B_1C_1$ . Since  $A_1P \cap B_1Q \cap C_1R$  and  $AA_1 \cap BB_1 \cap CC_1$ , by Cevian Nest (3-23 in EGMO), we have  $AP \cap BQ \cap CR$  as desired.



### 3.1 GOTEEM 3

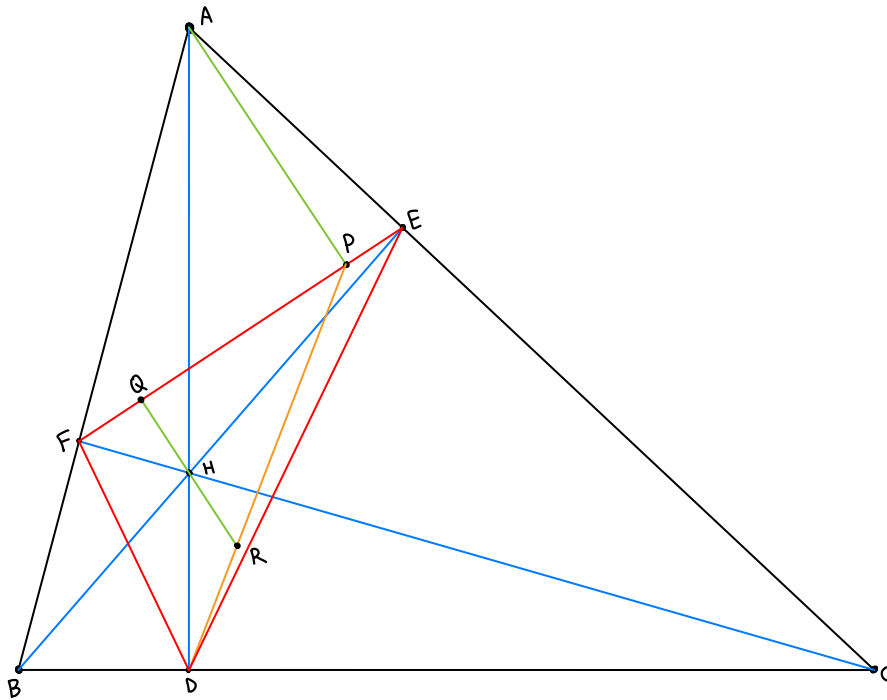
**Problem 3.1** (GOTEEM 3). Let  $D$  be a point in the plane of  $\triangle ABC$ . Define  $D_A, D_B, D_C$  to be the reflections of  $D$  over  $BC, CA, AB$ , respectively. Prove that the circumcircles of  $\triangle D_A BC$ ,  $\triangle D_B CA$ ,  $\triangle D_C AB$ ,  $\triangle D_A D_B D_C$  concur at a point  $P$ . Moreover, prove that the midpoint of  $\overline{DP}$  lies on the nine-point circle of  $\triangle ABC$ .



Take a  $2\times$  homothety. we see that  $(D_A BC), (D_B AC), (D_C AB)$  are the 9 point circles of  $DB'C', DA'C', DA'B'$ , so they intersect at the Poncelet point. we see the 9 point circle of  $A'B'C'$  also goes through this point  $P$ , so the midpoint of  $DP$  (homothety back to  $ABC$ ) brings  $P$  onto the 9 point circle of  $ABC$  as desired.

3.2 USA TST 2011/1

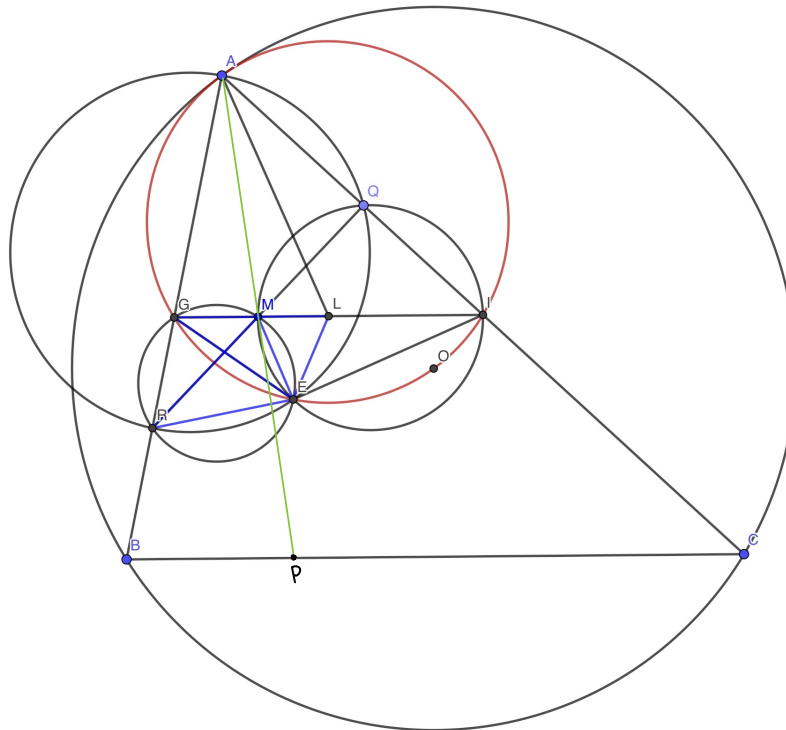
**Problem 3.2** (USA TST 2011/1). In an acute scalene triangle  $ABC$ , points  $D, E, F$  lie on sides  $BC, CA, AB$ , respectively, such that  $AD \perp BC, BE \perp CA, CF \perp AB$ . Altitudes  $AD, BE, CF$  meet at orthocenter  $H$ . Points  $P$  and  $Q$  lie on segment  $EF$  such that  $AP \perp EF$  and  $HQ \perp EF$ . Lines  $DP$  and  $QH$  intersect at point  $R$ . Compute  $HQ/HR$ .



Note that  $H$  is the incenter of  $\triangle DEF$ , and by a homothety from the incenter  $\rightarrow$  excircle,  $P$  goes through the "top" point of the incircle of  $\triangle DEF$ . Since  $Q$  is the "bottom" point,  $HQ = HR$ , as  $QR$  is a diameter.

3.3 USA TST 2008/7

**Problem 3.3** (USA TST 2008/7). Let  $ABC$  be a triangle with  $G$  as its centroid. Let  $P$  be a variable point on segment  $BC$ . Points  $Q$  and  $R$  lie on sides  $AC$  and  $AB$  respectively, such that  $PQ \parallel AB$  and  $PR \parallel AC$ . Prove that, as  $P$  varies along segment  $BC$ , the circumcircle of triangle  $AQR$  passes through a fixed point  $X$  such that  $\angle BAG = \angle CAX$ .

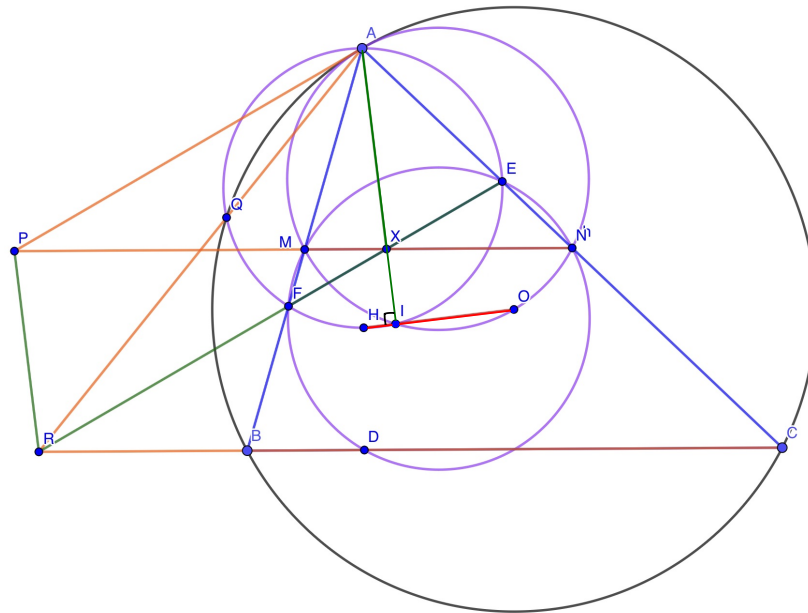


Let  $E$  be the A Dumpty point. Let  $G, I$  be the midpoints of  $AB, AC$ . Let  $Q$  be a point on  $BC$ , and  $R = (AQE) \cap AB$ . We show that there exist  $P$  st  $AQRP$  is a parallelogram ( $R$  is the unique point st there exists parallelogram  $AQRP$ ).

We have  $E$  is the center of spiral similarity mapping  $QR$  to  $GI$ . We show that if  $M = RQ \cap GI$ , and  $GL = LI$ , then  $\overline{QMR} \rightarrow \overline{GLI}$ . We have  $\angle LGE = \angle MQE$   
 $\angle GLE = \angle AIE = \angle QGE$ , since  $AE$  is the symmedian, so  $M$  is the midpoint of  $QP$ . Thus, the reflection of  $A$  over the midpoint of  $PQ$  lies on  $BC$  as desired.

### 3.4 USA TSTST 2017/1

Let  $ABC$  be a triangle with circumcircle  $\Gamma$ , circumcenter  $O$ , and orthocenter  $H$ . Assume that  $AB \neq AC$  and that  $\angle A \neq 90^\circ$ . Let  $M$  and  $N$  be the midpoints of sides  $AB$  and  $AC$ , respectively, and let  $E$  and  $F$  be the feet of the altitudes from  $B$  and  $C$  in  $\triangle ABC$ , respectively. Let  $P$  be the intersection of line  $MN$  with the tangent line to  $\Gamma$  at  $A$ . Let  $Q$  be the intersection point, other than  $A$ , of  $\Gamma$  with the circumcircle of  $\triangle AEF$ . Let  $R$  be the intersection of lines  $AQ$  and  $EF$ . Prove that  $PR \perp OH$ .



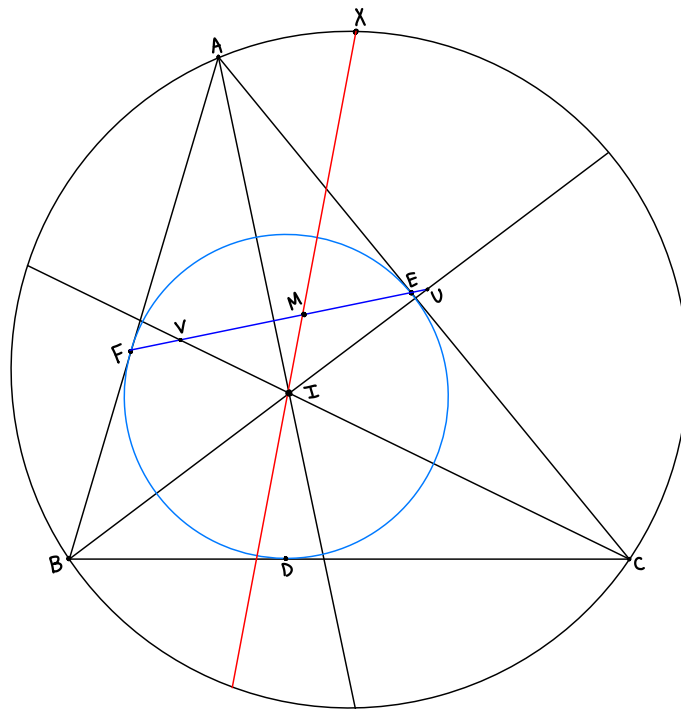
We have, by radical axis on  $(AEF)$ ,  $(BEFC)$ ,  $(ABC)$ , that  $AQ \cap EF \cap BC = R$   
 We show  $APRX$  is a parallelogram. We have  $AP \parallel RX$  since  
 $\angle PAB = \angle ACB = \angle AFE$ , and  $AP = RX$  since  $\frac{EN}{AN} = \frac{EX}{AP}$  and  
 $\frac{EX}{XR} = \frac{EN}{CN}$  and since  $AN = CN$ ,  $AP = XR$ . Thus,  $AX \parallel PR$ .

Consider  $(AH)$ ,  $(AO)$ ,  $(DEF)$ . The radical center is  $MN \cap EF = X$   
 and lies on the radical axis of  $(AO)$  and  $(AH)$ , so  $AX \perp OH$  as desired  
 ( $X$  lies on  $AI$  where  $AI$  is the altitude from  $A$  to  $OH$ ).

3.5 USAJMO 2014/6

**Problem 3.5** (USAJMO 2014/6). Let  $ABC$  be a triangle with incenter  $I$ , incircle  $\gamma$ , and circumcircle  $\Gamma$ . Let  $M, N, P$  be the midpoints of sides  $\overline{BC}$ ,  $\overline{CA}$ , and  $\overline{AB}$  respectively and let  $E$  and  $F$  be the tangency points of  $\gamma$  with  $\overline{CA}$  and  $\overline{AB}$ , respectively. Let  $U$  and  $V$  be the intersections of lines  $\overline{EF}$  with  $\overline{MN}$  and  $\overline{MP}$  respectively, and let  $X$  be the midpoint of the arc  $BAC$  of  $\Gamma$ .

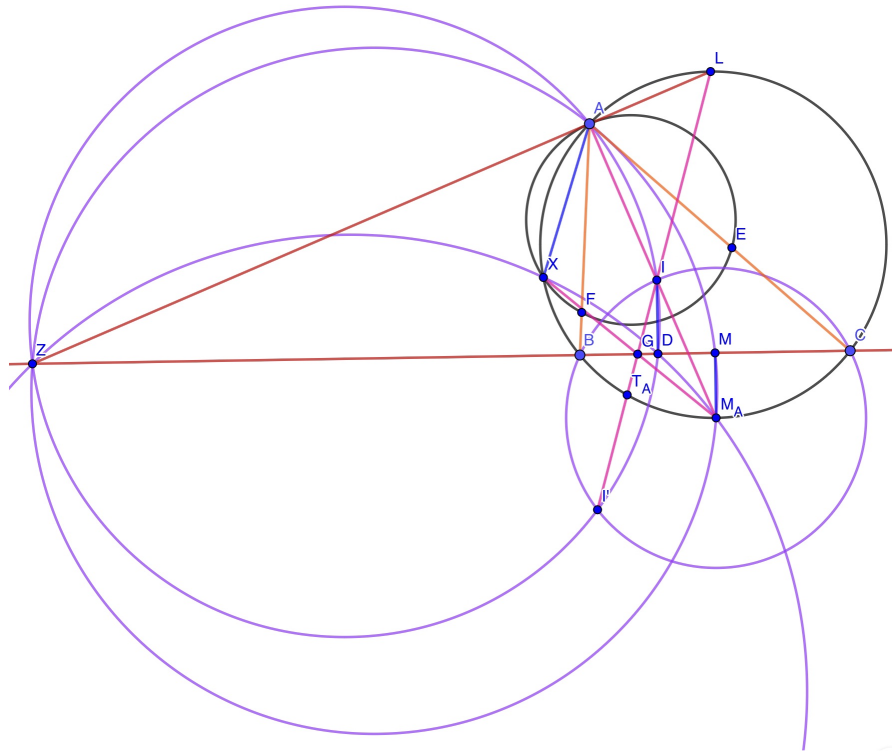
- (a) Prove that  $I$  lies on  $\overline{CV}$
- (b) Prove that the line  $\overline{XI}$  bisects the segment  $UV$



Part a follows from Iran Lemma.  
 Note that  $UVBC$  is cyclic so  $\triangle IUV \sim \triangle IBC$ . Note that  $XB, XC$  are tangent to  $(IBC)$ , so  $XI$  is a symmedian of  $\triangle IBC$  and thus the median of  $\triangle IUV$ .

3.6 ISL 2016 G2

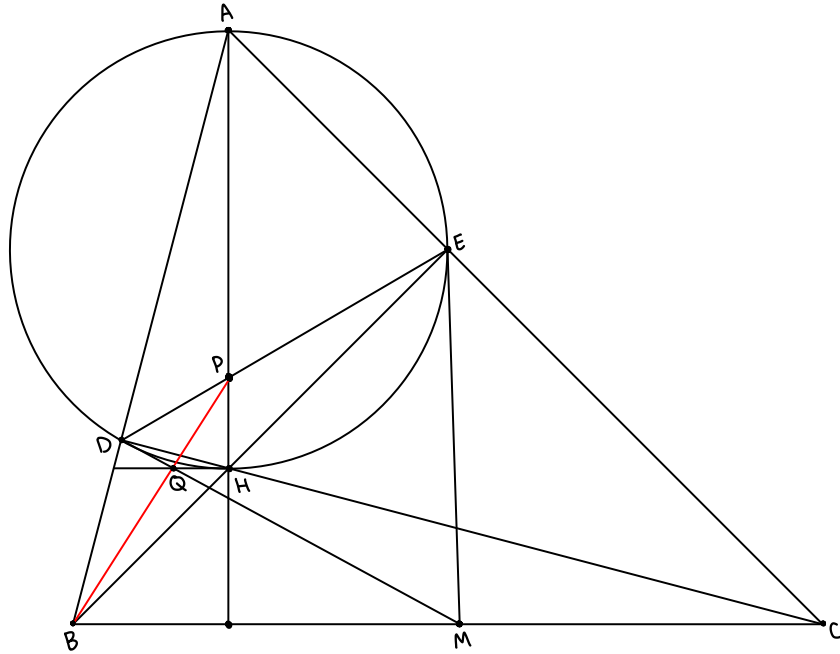
**Problem 3.6** (ISL 2016 G2). Let  $ABC$  be a triangle with circumcircle  $\Gamma$  and incenter  $I$ . Let  $M$  be the midpoint of  $BC$ . The points  $D, E, F$  are selected on sides  $\overline{BC}, \overline{AC},$  and  $\overline{AB}$  respectively such that  $\overline{ID} \perp \overline{BC}, \overline{IE} \perp \overline{AC},$  and  $\overline{IF} \perp \overline{AB}$ . Suppose that the circumcircle of  $\triangle AEF$  intersects  $\Gamma$  at a point  $X$  other than  $A$ . Prove that lines  $\overline{XD}$  and  $\overline{AM}$  meet on  $\Gamma$ .



Note that  $(ZAMMA), (ZADI')$  so  
 $ZG \cdot GD = IG \cdot GI' = BG \cdot GC = XG \cdot GMA$  so  $(XDMAZ)$ , thus, we  
 have  $\angle(AM, XD) = \angle AMZ - \angle XDZ = \angle AMAZ - \angle XMAZ = \angle MAX$   
 as desired.

3.7 Korea 2020/2

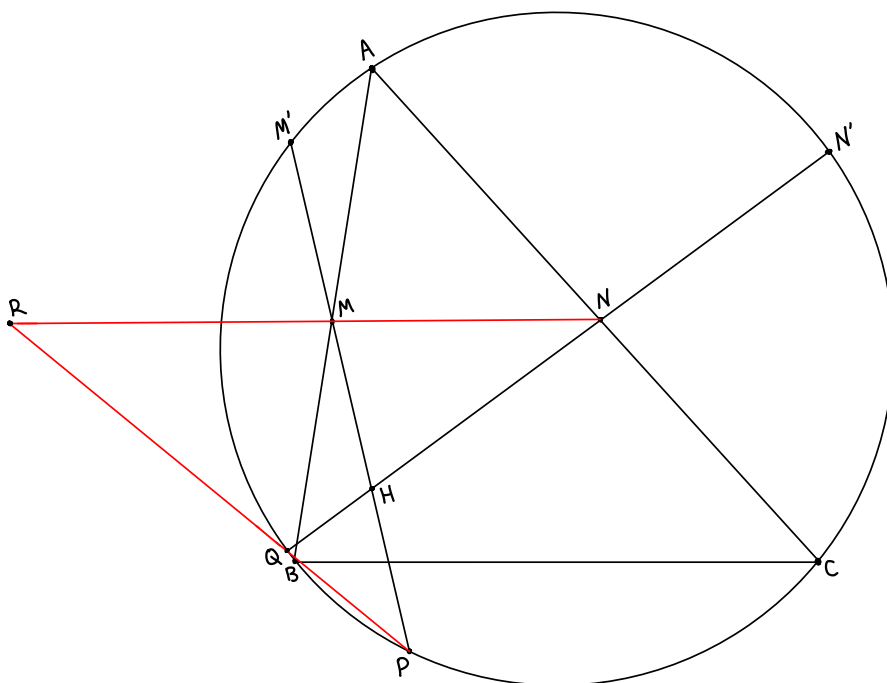
**Problem 3.7** (Korea 2020/2).  $H$  is the orthocenter of an acute triangle  $ABC$ , and let  $M$  be the midpoint of  $BC$ . Suppose  $(AH)$  meets  $AB$  and  $AC$  at  $D, E$  respectively.  $AH$  meets  $DE$  at  $P$ , and the line through  $H$  perpendicular to  $AH$  meets  $DM$  at  $Q$ . Prove that  $P, Q, B$  are collinear.



Note that  $DD \wedge HH = Q$  and consider Pascals on  $(DDEHHA)$  which gives the desired.

3.8 USA TSTST 2011/4

**Problem 3.8** (USA TSTST 2011/4). Acute triangle  $ABC$  is inscribed in circle  $\omega$ . 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  $\omega$  at  $P$  and  $Q$ , respectively. Lines  $MN$  and  $PQ$  meet at  $R$ . Prove that  $OA \perp RA$ .

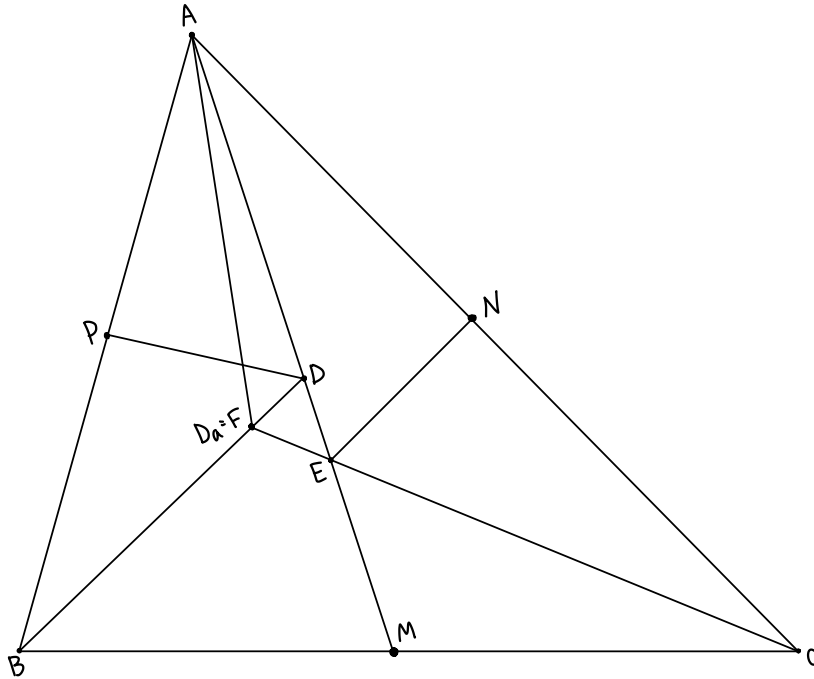


We have  $HM = MM'$  and  $HN = NN'$ , so since  $HM' \cdot HP = HN' \cdot HQ$ , we have  $HM \cdot HP = HN \cdot HQ$  so  $(MNPQ)$ . Radical Axis on  $(AMN)$ ,  $(MNPQ)$ ,  $(ABC)$  gives  $R \in AA$ , as desired.



3.9 USAMO 2008/2

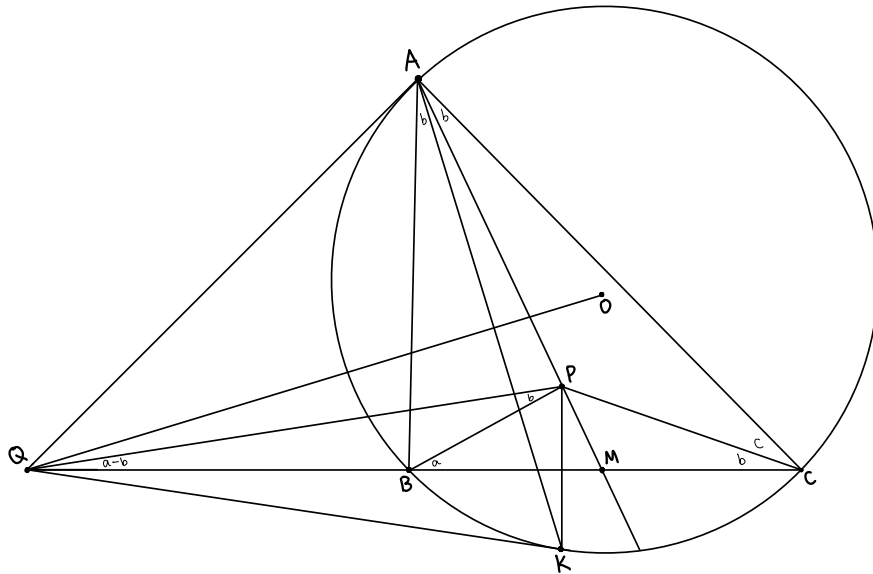
**Problem 3.9** (USAMO 2008/2). Let  $ABC$  be an acute, scalene triangle, and let  $M$ ,  $N$ , and  $P$  be the midpoints of  $\overline{BC}$ ,  $\overline{CA}$ , and  $\overline{AB}$ , respectively. Let the perpendicular bisectors of  $\overline{AB}$  and  $\overline{AC}$  intersect ray  $AM$  in points  $D$  and  $E$  respectively, and let lines  $BD$  and  $CE$  intersect in point  $F$ , inside of triangle  $ABC$ . Prove that points  $A$ ,  $N$ ,  $F$ , and  $P$  all lie on one circle.



We show the Dumpty Point satisfies these properties.  
 The Dumpty point is the center of spiral similarity sending  $AB \rightarrow AC$ . We have  $\angle BAD = \angle CAD_A = \angle ABD_A$ , so  $F$  on  $BD$ , and similarly,  $D_A$  on  $CE$ . Thus,  $F = D_A$  so  $(ANFP)$ .

3.10 USA TST 2005/6

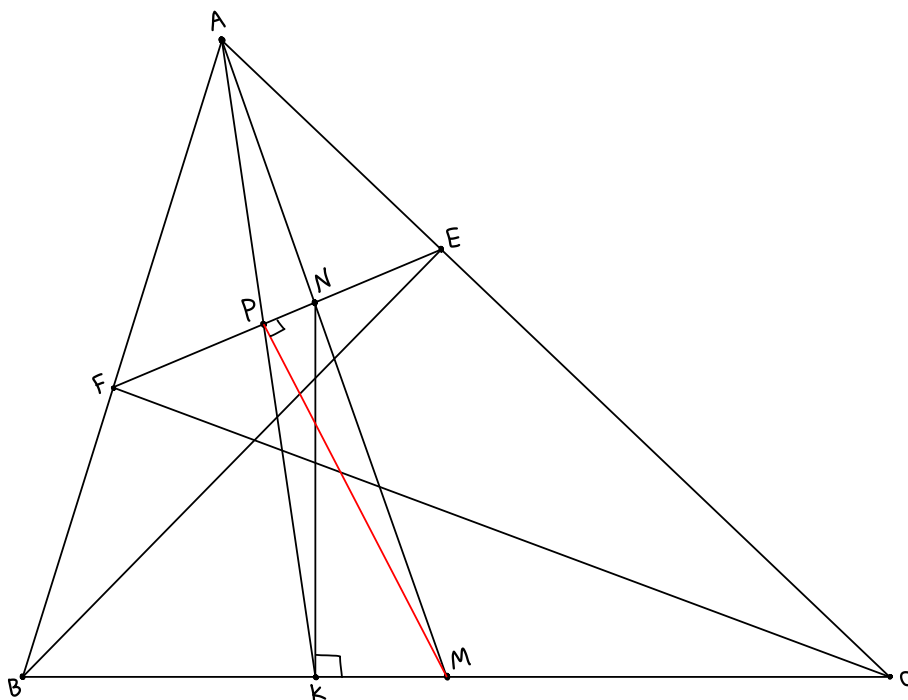
**Problem 3.10** (USA TST 2005/6). Let  $ABC$  be an acute scalene triangle with  $O$  as its circumcenter. Point  $P$  lies inside triangle  $ABC$  with  $\angle PAB = \angle PBC$  and  $\angle PAC = \angle PCB$ . Point  $Q$  lies on line  $BC$  with  $QA = QP$ . Prove that  $\angle AQP = 2\angle OQB$ .



The angle conditions imply that  $P$  is the  $A$ -HM point, so since  $P$  is the reflection of  $K$  ( $K$  is the point such that  $(AK|BC) = -1$ ) so  $QP = QK = QA$  if  $Q = AA \cap KK \cap BC$ . Let  $\angle PBC = a$  and  $\angle PCB = b$ , and  $\angle PCA = c$ .  
 Note that  $QP$  is tangent to  $(PBC)$  as  $QA^2 = QP^2 = QB \cdot QC$ .  
 Thus,  $\angle PQB = a - b$ ,  $\angle AQP = 180 - 2a - 2b - 2c$ .  
 We have  $2\angle OQB = \angle AOK - 2\angle KQC = \angle AOK - 2\angle PQC$   
 $= (180 - 4b - 2c) - (2a - 2b) = 180 - 2a - 2b - 2c$  as desired.

3.11 AOPS Community, NK perp BC and AK symmedian

**Problem 3.11** (AoPS Community). Given acute triangle  $ABC$ ,  $BE \perp AC$ ,  $CF \perp AB$  at  $E, F$ , resp.  $M$  is midpoint of  $BC$ ,  $N$  is intersection of  $EF$  and  $AM$ .  $NK \perp BC$  at  $K$ . Prove that  $AK$  is symmedian of triangle  $ABC$ .

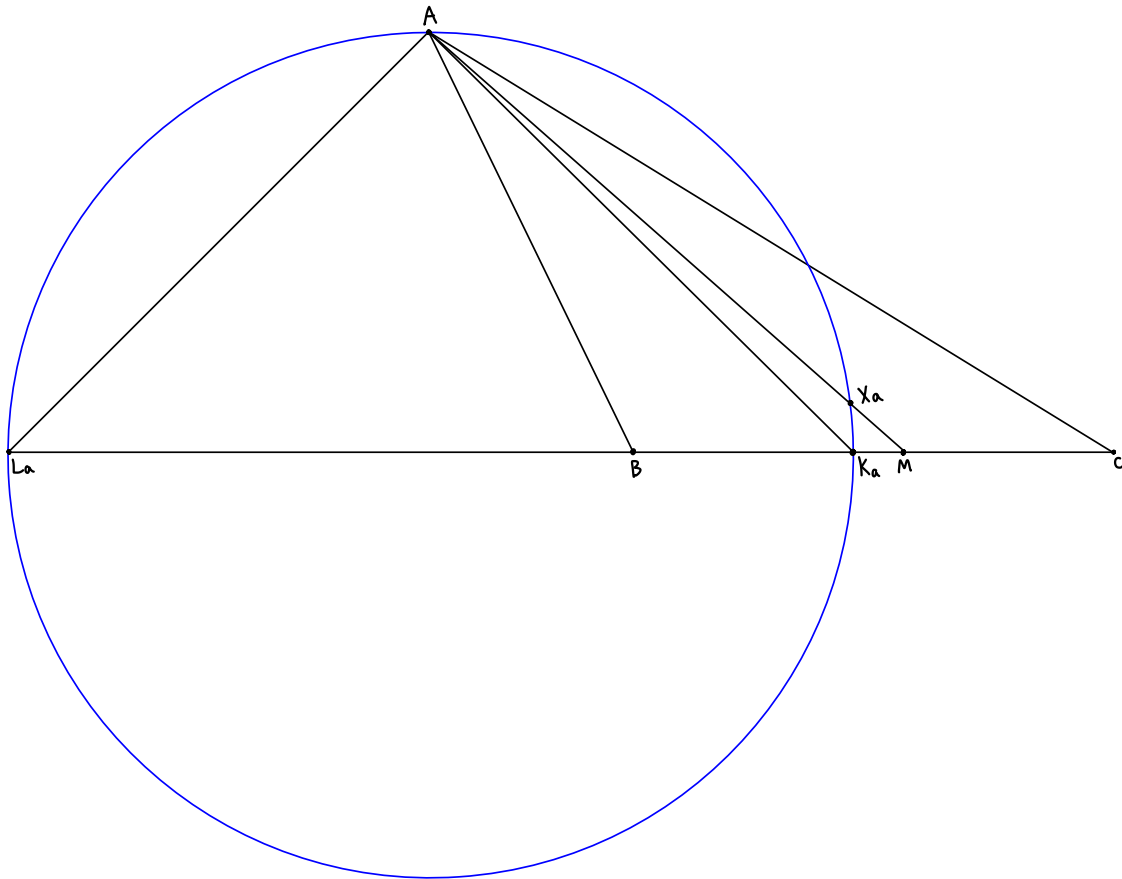


Consider the midpoint of  $EF$ ,  $P$ . We have  $MP \perp EF$ , so  $(MNPQ)$ , so  $\angle NPK = \angle NMQ = \angle APE$  by homothety, so  $\overline{APK}$ . Thus,  $AK$  is a symmedian as  $AP$  is a median.

3.12 USA TSTST 2015/2

**Problem 3.12** (USA TSTST 2015/2). Let  $ABC$  be a scalene triangle. Let  $K_a$ ,  $L_a$  and  $M_a$  be the respective intersections with  $BC$  of the internal angle bisector, external angle bisector, and the median from  $A$ . The circumcircle of  $AK_aL_a$  intersects  $AM_a$  a second time at point  $X_a$  different from  $A$ . Define  $X_b$  and  $X_c$  analogously. Prove that the circumcenter of  $X_aX_bX_c$  lies on the Euler line of  $ABC$ .

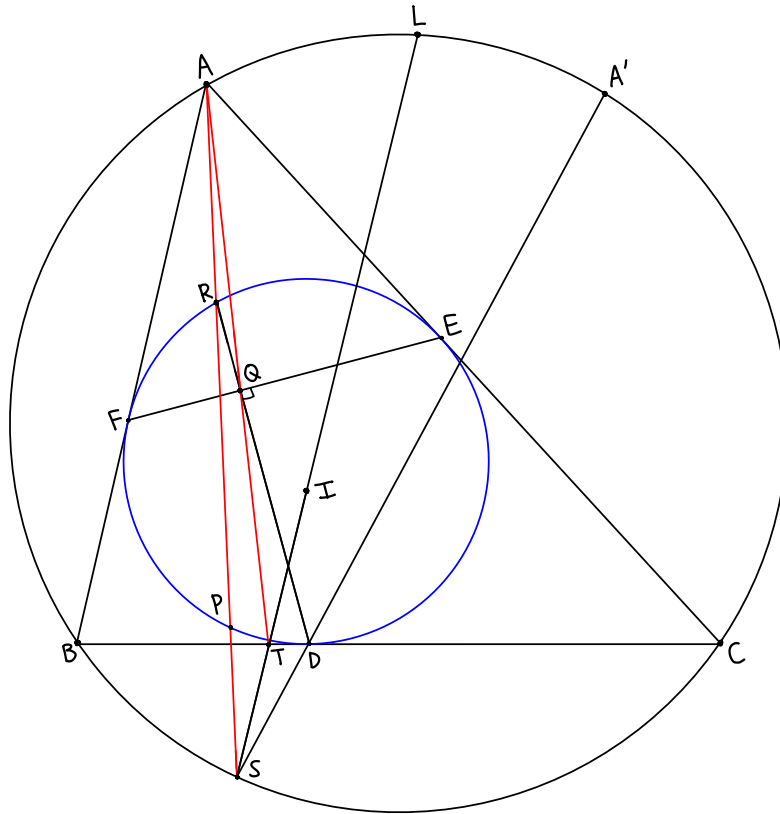
(The Euler line of  $ABC$  is the line passing through the circumcenter, centroid, and orthocenter of  $ABC$ .)



We have  $(L_a K_a | BC) = -1$  so  $MB^2 = ML_a \cdot MK_a = MA \cdot MX_a$   
 so  $X_a$  is the  $A$ -HM point of  $ABC$ . We have  
 $\angle HX_a M = 90^\circ$ , so  $\angle HX_a G = 90^\circ$ . Thus,  $X_a$  lies on  
 $(HG)$ , so the center of  $(X_a X_b X_c)$  is on the Euler line.

3.13 STEMS 2019 CAT B P6

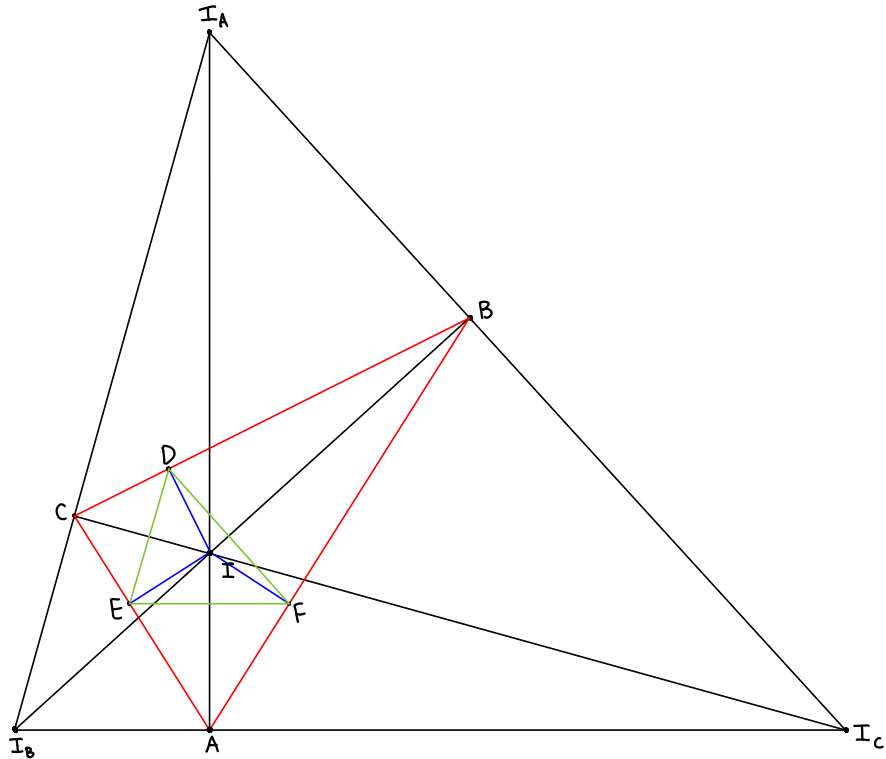
**Problem 3.13** (STEMS 2019 CAT B P6). In triangle  $ABC$ , with circumcircle  $\Gamma$ , the incircle  $\omega$  has center  $I$  and touches sides  $\overline{BC}$ ,  $\overline{CA}$ ,  $\overline{AB}$  at  $D$ ,  $E$ ,  $F$  respectively. Point  $Q$  lies on  $\overline{EF}$  and point  $R$  lies on  $\omega$  such that  $\overline{DQ} \perp \overline{EF}$  and  $D, Q, R$  are collinear. Ray  $AR$  meets  $\omega$  again at  $P$  and  $\Gamma$  again at  $S$ . Ray  $AQ$  meets  $BC$  at  $T$ . Let  $M$  be the midpoint of  $BC$  and let  $O$  be the circumcenter of triangle  $MPD$ . Prove that  $O, T, I, S$  are collinear.



By configs, we have  $\overline{ITS}$ . We also have  $\overline{SDA'}$  so  $IT$  is the perp bisector of  $PD$ , so  $\overline{OTS}$ .

### 3.14 Vietnam TST 2003/2

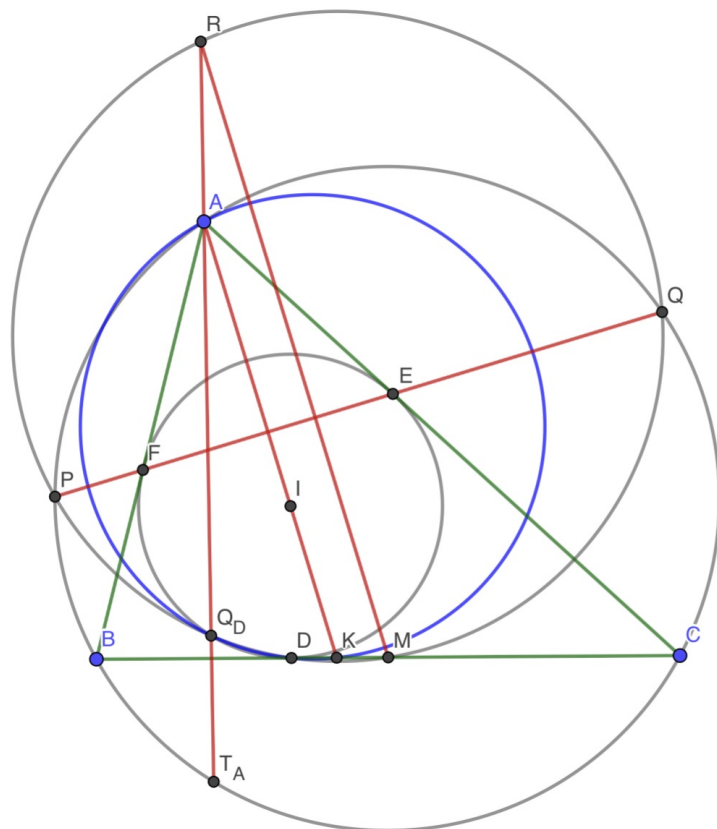
**Problem 3.14** (Vietnam TST 2003/2). Given a triangle  $ABC$ . Let  $O$  be the circumcenter of this triangle  $ABC$ . Let  $H, K, L$  be the feet of the altitudes of triangle  $ABC$  from the vertices  $A, B, C$ , respectively. Denote by  $A_0, B_0, C_0$  the midpoints of these altitudes  $AH, BK, CL$ , respectively. The incircle of triangle  $ABC$  has center  $I$  and touches the sides  $BC, CA, AB$  at the points  $D, E, F$ , respectively. Prove that the four lines  $A_0D, B_0E, C_0F$  and  $OI$  are concurrent. (When the point  $O$  coincides with  $I$ , we consider the line  $OI$  as an arbitrary line passing through  $O$ .)



By Midpoints of Altitudes,  $\overline{A_0D} = \overline{AD}$ . Note that  $\triangle ABC$  and  $\triangle DEF$  are homothetic since  $EF \parallel BC, DF \parallel AC, DE \parallel AB$ . Note that the center of  $\triangle ABC$ ,  $O, I$  are collinear (Euler line of  $\triangle ABC$  as the circumcenter, orthocenter, 9-point center) as desired (center of homothety on  $\overline{OI}$ ).

### 3.15 Taiwan TST Round 2 2019 Day 1 P2

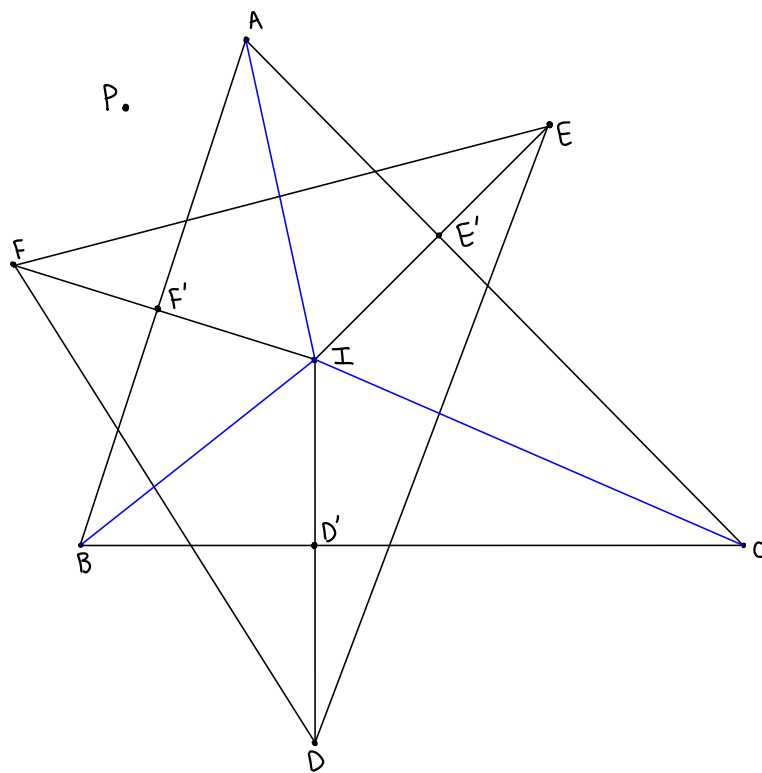
**Problem 3.15** (Taiwan TST Round 2 2019 Day 1 P2). Let  $ABC$  be a scalene triangle, let  $I$  be its incenter and let  $\Omega$  be its circumcircle. Let  $M$  be the midpoint of  $BC$ . The incircle  $\omega$  touches  $CA, AB$  at  $E, F$  respectively. Suppose that the line  $EF$  intersects  $\Omega$  at two points  $P, Q$ , and let  $R$  be the point on the circumcircle  $\Gamma$  of  $\triangle MPQ$  such that  $MR$  is perpendicular to  $PQ$ . Prove that  $AR, \Gamma$ , and  $\omega$  intersect at one point.



Let  $Q_D$  be the D-Queve point of  $DEF$ . We have  $(MDQ_D PQ)$   
 since  $(MDQ_D)$  and  $(ABCE)$  have real axis  $EF$ . Note that  
 $\angle(ATA, RM) = \angle(ATA, AK)$  and  $(AQ_D DK)$  and  $(AQ_D DM)$ ,  
 so  $\overline{ARQ_D}$ , as desired.

### 3.16 Sun Yat-sen University bi-weekly problem

**Problem 3.16** (Sun Yat-sen University bi-weekly problem). Let  $I$  be the incenter of  $\triangle ABC$ .  $D, E, F$  be the symmetric point of  $I$  wrt  $BC, CA, AB$  respectively. Prove that there exists a point  $P$  such that  $AP \perp DP, BP \perp EP, CP \perp FP$ .

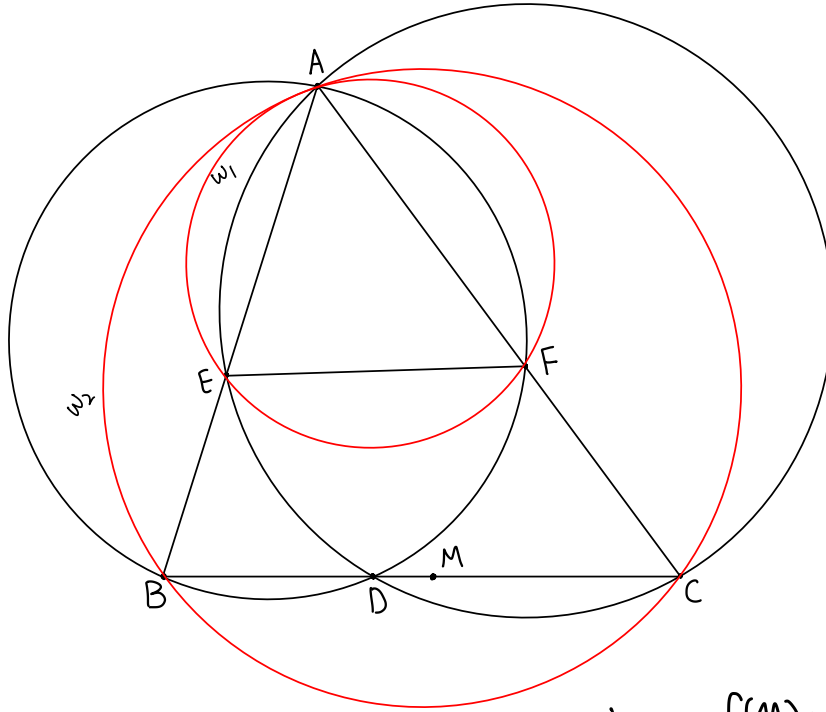


Taking a  $\frac{1}{2}$  homothety at  $I$ , we see that  $(AFB), (AEC), (BCD)$  and  $(DEF)$  intersect (at  $2P'-I$ , where  $P'$  is the pomplet point of  $ABC I$ ). Thus,  $\angle APD = \angle APF + \angle FPD = \angle FED + \angle ABF = \angle FED + \angle ABI = 90^\circ$ , so  $P$  is our desired point.



3.17 2013 ELMO SL G3

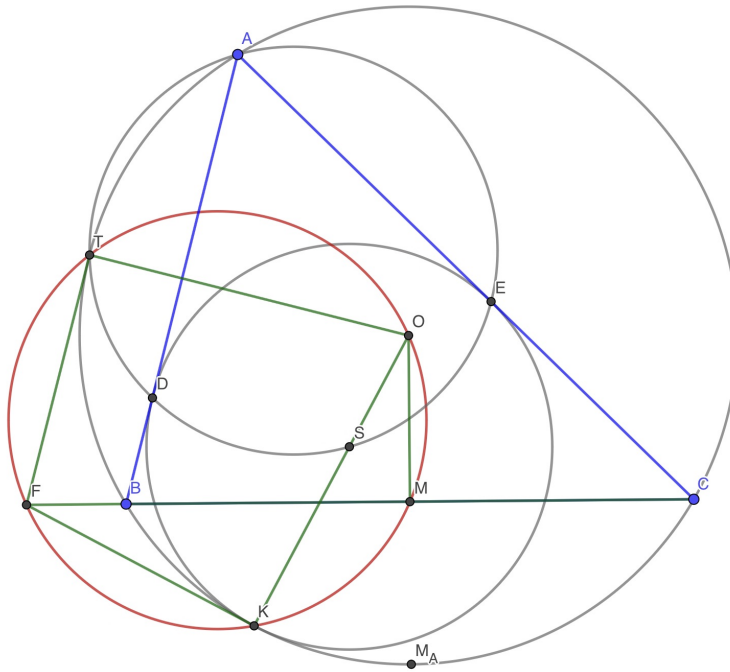
**Problem 3.17** (2013 ELMO SL G3). In  $\triangle ABC$ , a point  $D$  lies on line  $BC$ . The circumcircle of  $ABD$  meets  $AC$  at  $F$  (other than  $A$ ), and the circumcircle of  $ADC$  meets  $AB$  at  $E$  (other than  $A$ ). Prove that as  $D$  varies, the circumcircle of  $AEF$  always passes through a fixed point other than  $A$ , and that this point lies on the median from  $A$  to  $BC$ .



Consider  $f(x) = \text{Pow}(w_1) - \text{Pow}(w_2)$ . We have  $f(M) = \frac{f(B) + f(C)}{2}$   
 and  $f(B) = BE \cdot BA = BD \cdot BC$  and  $f(C) = CD \cdot CB$ , so  
 $f(M) = \frac{BD \cdot BC + CD \cdot CB}{2} = \frac{BC^2}{2}$ , and  $f(M) = \text{pow}_M(w_1) + \frac{BC^2}{4} = \frac{BC^2}{2}$   
 so  $\text{pow}_M(w_1) = \frac{BC^2}{4}$ , and since  $MA \cdot MA = MB^2 = \frac{BC^2}{4}$ ,  $H_A \in (AEF)$ ,  
 as desired.

### 3.18 Korea Winter Program Practice Test 2018/5

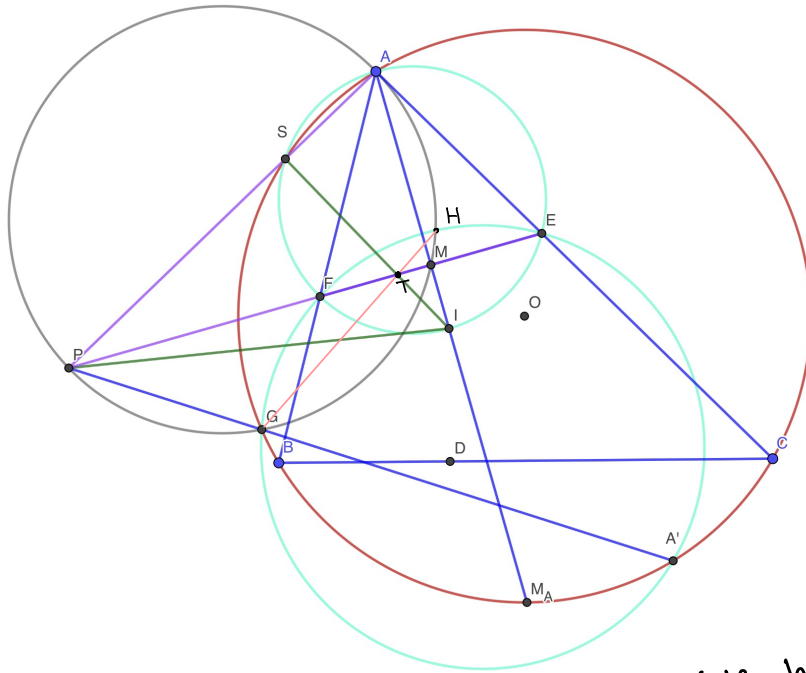
**Problem 3.18** (Korea Winter Program Practice Test 2018/5). Let  $\triangle ABC$  be a triangle with circumcenter  $O$  and circumcircle  $w$ . Let  $S$  be the center of the circle which is tangent with  $AB$ ,  $AC$ , and  $w$  (in the inside), and let the circle meet  $w$  at point  $K$ . Let the circle with diameter  $AS$  meet  $w$  at  $T$ . If  $M$  is the midpoint of  $BC$ , show that  $K, T, M, O$  are concyclic.



By Mixtilinear config, we know that  $T = (ADES) \cap (ABC)$  and  $(TK; BC) = -1$ . Let  $F = TT \cap KK$ , so  $\angle OTFK$ , and since  $\angle OKF = \angle OMF$ ,  $\angle OMK$ .

### 3.19 2019 ELMO SL G3

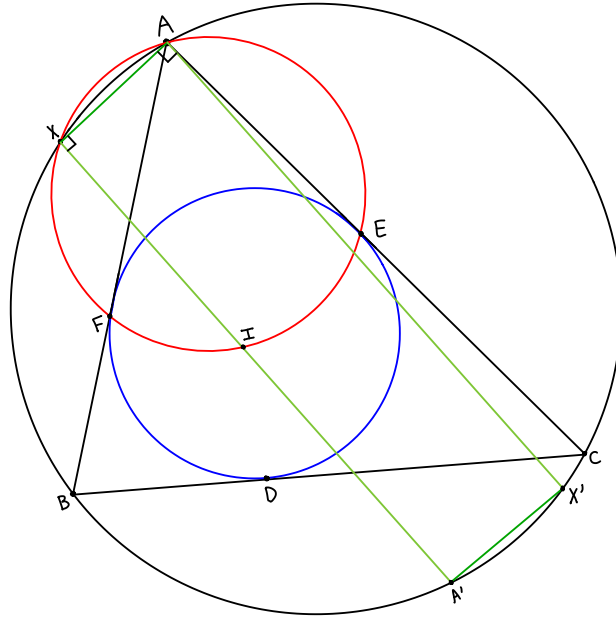
**Problem 3.19** (2019 ELMO SL G3). Let  $\triangle ABC$  be an acute triangle with incenter  $I$  and circumcenter  $O$ . The incircle touches sides  $BC, CA,$  and  $AB$  at  $D, E,$  and  $F$  respectively, and  $A'$  is the reflection of  $A$  over  $O$ . The circumcircles of  $ABC$  and  $A'EF$  meet at  $G$ , and the circumcircles of  $AMG$  and  $A'EF$  meet at a point  $H \neq G$ , where  $M$  is the midpoint of  $EF$ . Prove that if  $GH$  and  $EF$  meet at  $T$ , then  $DT \perp EF$ .



Let  $P = AS \cap EF$ , and  $G' = PA' \cap (ABC)$ . We have  $PS \cdot PA = PF \cdot PE = PG' \cdot PA'$  so  $G' = G$ . Additionally, since  $\angle AGA' = \angle AGP = \angle AMP = 90^\circ$ ,  $(AMPG)$ . By Radical Axis on  $(AMPG)$ ,  $(AEF)$ ,  $(A'EF)$ , we have  $SI \cap EF \cap GH = T$ . However, since  $T = SI \cap EF$ ,  $DT \perp EF$ .

3.20 2013 ELMO SL G2

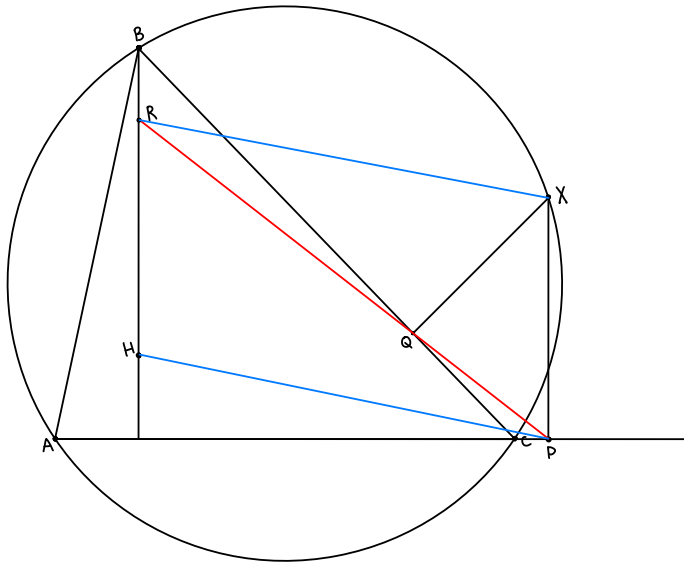
**Problem 3.20** (2013 ELMO SL G2). Let  $ABC$  be a scalene triangle with circumcircle  $\Gamma$ , and let  $D, E, F$  be the points where its incircle meets  $BC, AC, AB$  respectively. Let the circumcircles of  $\triangle AEF, \triangle BFD,$  and  $\triangle CDE$  meet  $\Gamma$  a second time at  $X, Y, Z$  respectively. Prove that the perpendiculars from  $A, B, C$  to  $AX, BY, CZ$  respectively are concurrent.



We have that  $\overline{XIA'}$ , so  $AX'$  is a reflection of  $A'X$  over  $O$ , so  $AO-I$  lies on  $AX', BY', CZ'$

### 3.21 USA TST 2014/1

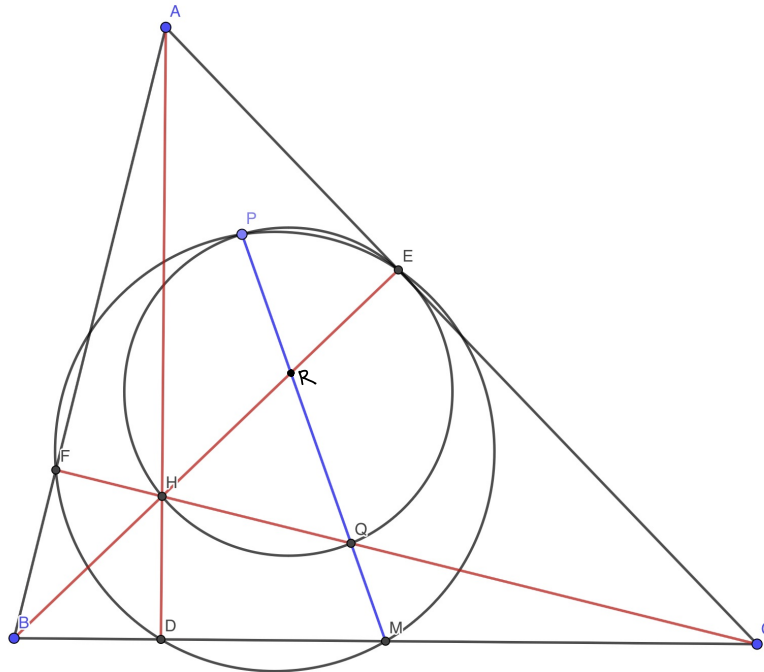
Let  $ABC$  be an acute triangle, and let  $X$  be a variable interior point on the minor arc  $BC$  of its circumcircle. Let  $P$  and  $Q$  be the feet of the perpendiculars from  $X$  to lines  $CA$  and  $CB$ , respectively. Let  $R$  be the intersection of line  $PQ$  and the perpendicular from  $B$  to  $AC$ . Let  $\ell$  be the line through  $P$  parallel to  $XR$ . Prove that as  $X$  varies along minor arc  $BC$ , the line  $\ell$  always passes through a fixed point. (Specifically: prove that there is a point  $F$ , determined by triangle  $ABC$ , such that no matter where  $X$  is on arc  $BC$ , line  $\ell$  passes through  $F$ .)



Note that  $PQ$  is the Simson line, so  $XPHR$  is a parallelogram as desired ( $H \in \ell$ ).

3.22 ELMO SL 2018/1

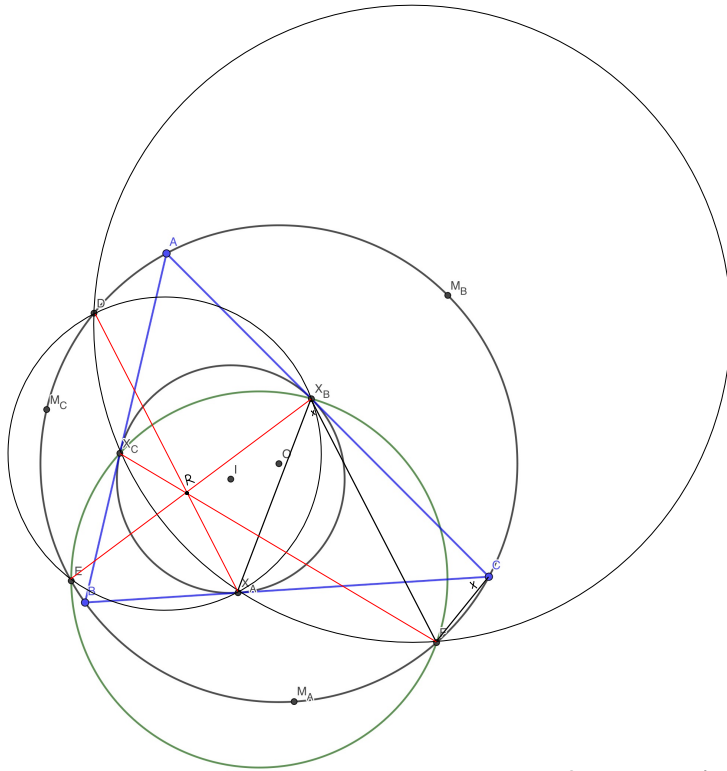
**Problem 3.22** (ELMO SL 2018/1). Let  $ABC$  be an acute triangle with orthocenter  $H$ , and let  $P$  be a point on the nine-point circle of  $ABC$ . Lines  $BH, CH$  meet the opposite sides  $AC, AB$  at  $E, F$ , respectively. Suppose that the circumcircles  $(EHP), (FHP)$  intersect lines  $CH, BH$  a second time at  $Q, R$ , respectively. Show that as  $P$  varies along the nine-point circle of  $ABC$ , the line  $QR$  passes through a fixed point.



Let  $Q = PM \cap CH$ . We have  $\angle EPM = \angle EDM = \angle EDB = \angle CAB = \angle EHC$  so  $(PEHQ)$ . Similarly,  $(FHRP)$  as desired (fixed point is  $M$ ).

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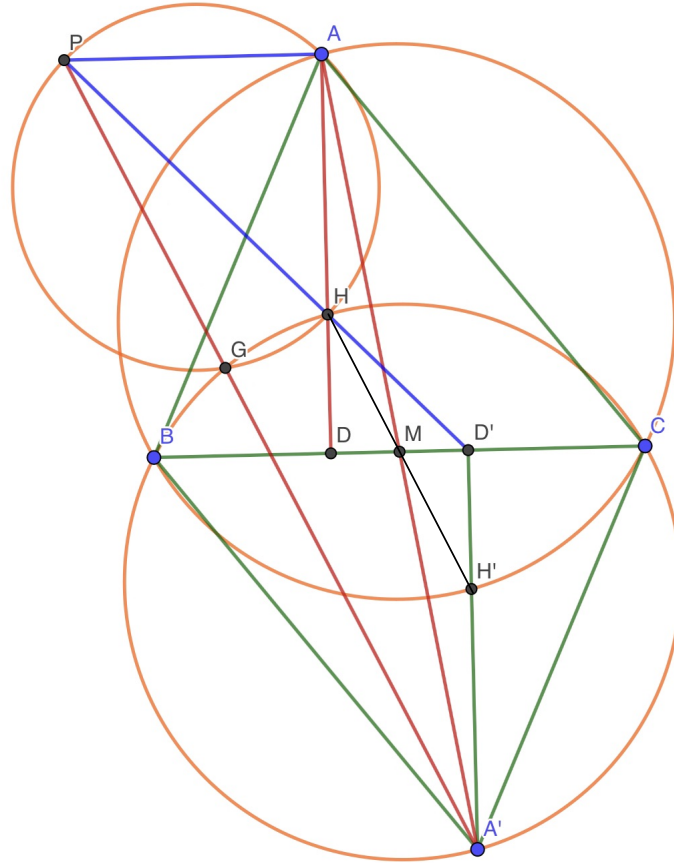
**Problem 3.23** (AoPS user math\_pi\_rate). Let  $X_A$  and  $Y_A$  be the  $A$ -intouch point and the foot of the  $A$ -internal angle bisector in a  $\triangle ABC$ . Define  $X_B, Y_B$  and  $X_C, Y_C$  analogously. Then prove that the radical center of  $\odot AX_A Y_A, \odot BX_B Y_B, \odot CX_C Y_C$  lies on  $\overline{OI}$  ( $O$  is the circumcenter and  $I$  is the incenter respectively of  $\triangle ABC$ ).



Let  $D = (AX_B X_C) \cap (ABC)$  and define  $E, F$  similarly. By configs,  $(ADX_A Y_A), (BE X_B Y_B), (CF X_C Y_C)$ .  
 We have  $(X_C X_B E F)$  as  $\angle X_C E F = \angle A E F - \angle A E X_C = (180 - C - X) - (\frac{A}{2} - \frac{B}{2}) = (A + B - X) - (\frac{A}{2} - \frac{B}{2}) = \frac{A}{2} + \frac{C}{2} + B - X$   
 and  $\angle X_C X_B F = X + 90 - \frac{B}{2} = \frac{A}{2} + \frac{C}{2} + X$  so  $\angle X_C E F + \angle X_C X_B F = 180^\circ$   
 Thus, let  $(X_C X_B E F), (X_A X_C D E), (X_A X_C D F)$  have radical center  $R$ .  
 Since  $DR \cdot RX_A = ER \cdot RX_B = FR \cdot RX_C$ ,  $R$  is the radical center of  $(ADX_A), (BE X_B), (CF X_C)$  as well. Additionally, since  $\overline{DX_A M_A}, \overline{EX_B M_B}, \overline{FX_C M_C}$ , we have  $R = \overline{DX_A M_A} \cap \overline{EX_B M_B} \cap \overline{FX_C M_C}$ , so  $R$  is the center of homothety mapping  $\triangle DEF \rightarrow \triangle M_A M_B M_C$ , thus it lies on  $\overline{OI}$  (centers of our triangles).

3.24 ELMO 2020/4

**Problem 3.24** (ELMO 2020/4). Let acute scalene triangle  $ABC$  have orthocenter  $H$  and altitude  $AD$  with  $D$  on side  $BC$ . Let  $M$  be the midpoint of side  $BC$ , and let  $D'$  be the reflection of  $D$  over  $M$ . Let  $P$  be a point on line  $D'H$  such that lines  $AP$  and  $BC$  are parallel, and let the circumcircles of  $\triangle AHP$  and  $\triangle BHC$  meet again at  $G \neq H$ . Prove that  $\angle MHG = 90^\circ$ .

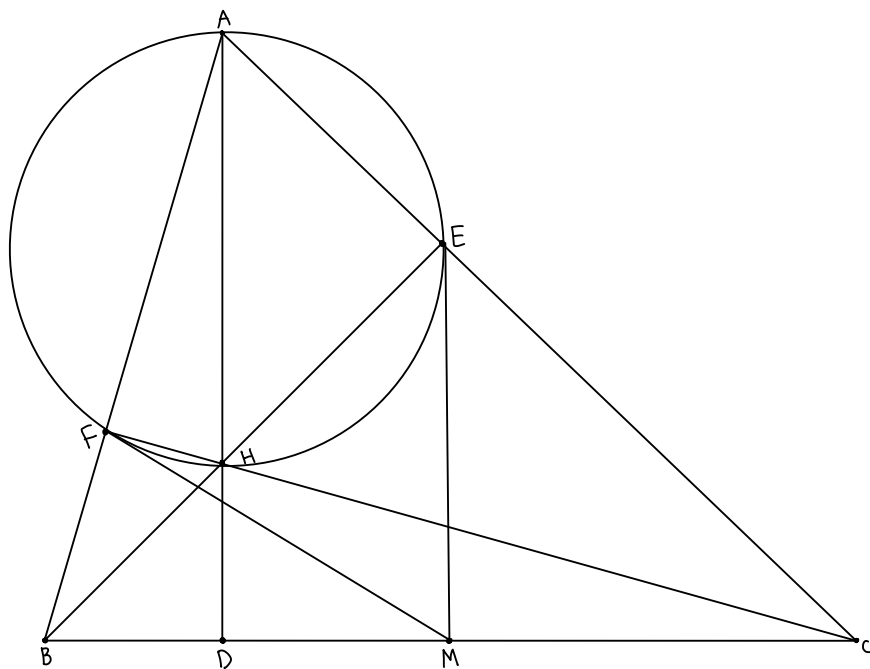


we name  $\overline{PGA'}$  as  $\angle PGH = \angle HGA' = 90^\circ$ . we also have  $HH' \parallel PA'$  as  $\frac{D'H}{HP} = \frac{HD}{AH} = \frac{DH'}{H'A'}$  so since  $GH \perp AA'$ ,  $HG \perp MH$  as desired.



3.25 ELMO 2012/1

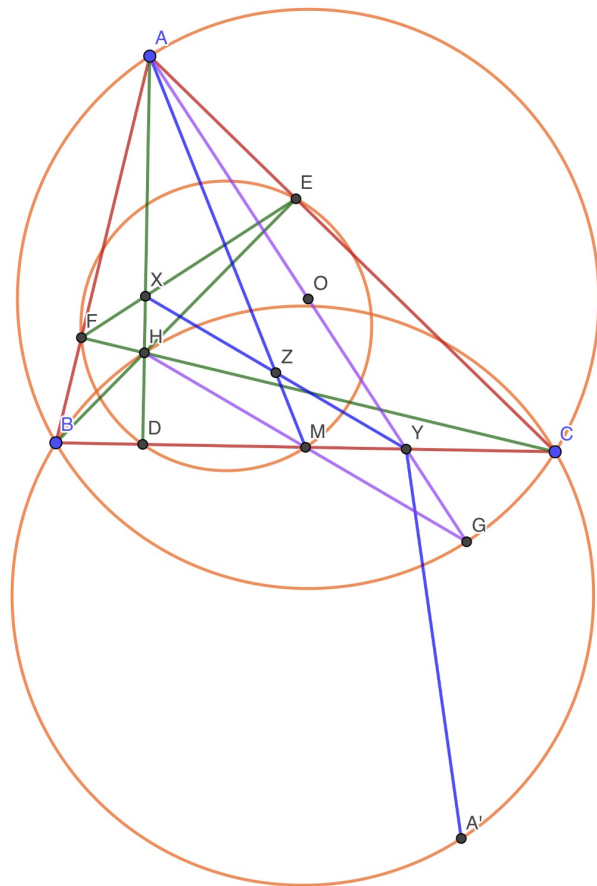
**Problem 3.25** (ELMO 2012/1). In acute triangle  $ABC$ , let  $D, E, F$  denote the feet of the altitudes from  $A, B, C$ , respectively, and let  $\omega$  be the circumcircle of  $\triangle AEF$ . Let  $\omega_1$  and  $\omega_2$  be the circles through  $D$  tangent to  $\omega$  at  $E$  and  $F$ , respectively. Show that  $\omega_1$  and  $\omega_2$  meet at a point  $P$  on  $BC$  other than  $D$ .



Consider the radical center of  $\omega, \omega_1, \omega_2$ . We see that it is  $EE \cap FF = M$  so  $M$  is on the radical axis of  $\omega_1, \omega_2$ , so the radical axis is  $MD$ . Thus,  $\omega_1$  and  $\omega_2$  meet again on  $BC$ .

### 3.26 Japan 2017/3

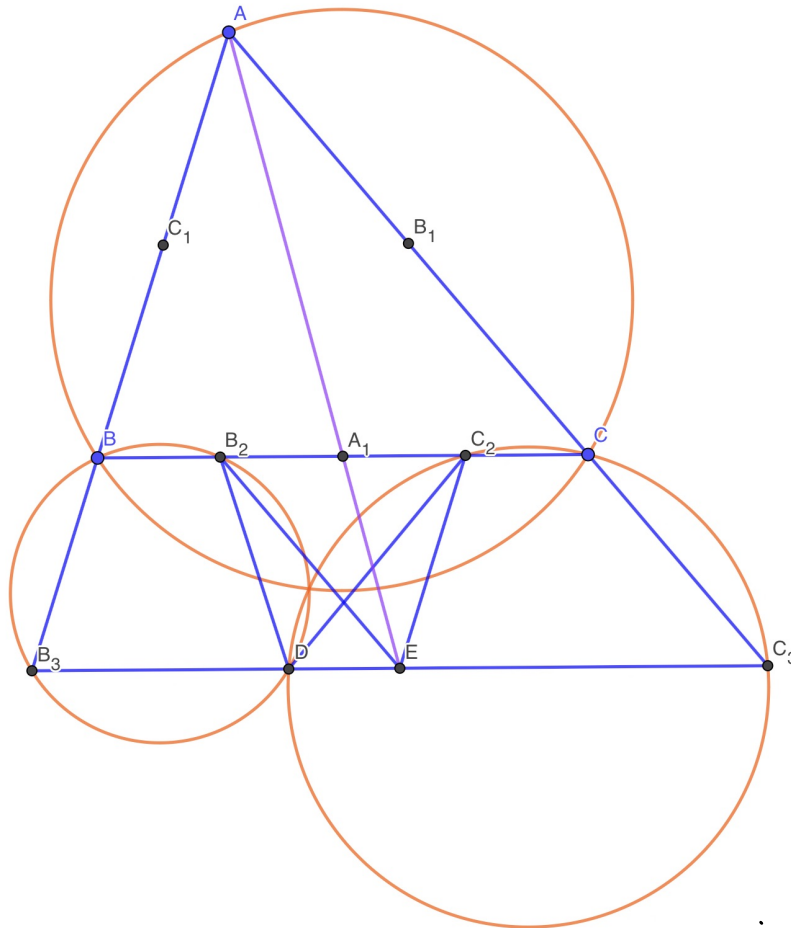
**Problem 3.26** (Japan 2017/3). Let  $ABC$  be an acute-angled triangle with the circumcenter  $O$ . Let  $D, E$  and  $F$  be the feet of the altitudes from  $A, B$  and  $C$ , respectively, and let  $M$  be the midpoint of  $BC$ .  $AD$  and  $EF$  meet at  $X$ ,  $AO$  and  $BC$  meet at  $Y$ , and let  $Z$  be the midpoint of  $XY$ . Prove that  $A, Z, M$  are collinear.



Notice that  $\frac{AX}{AH} = \frac{AY}{AG}$  as  $\square AEHF \sim \square ADGC$ , so  $XM \parallel HG$ . Thus,  $\overline{AZM}$ , as  $Z$  is the midpoint of  $XY$ , and  $M$  is the midpoint of  $HG$ .

### 3.27 Sharygin 2015 Final Round Grade 10 (penultimate grade) Problem 3

**Problem 3.27** (Sharygin 2015 Final Round Grade 10 (penultimate grade) Problem 3). Let  $A_1, B_1$  and  $C_1$  be the midpoints of sides  $BC, CA$  and  $AB$  of triangle  $ABC$ , respectively. Points  $B_2$  and  $C_2$  are the midpoints of segments  $BA_1$  and  $CA_1$  respectively. Point  $B_3$  is symmetric to  $C_1$  wrt  $B$ , and  $C_3$  is symmetric to  $B_1$  wrt  $C$ . Prove that one of common points of circles  $BB_2B_3$  and  $CC_2C_3$  lies on the circumcircle of triangle  $ABC$ .

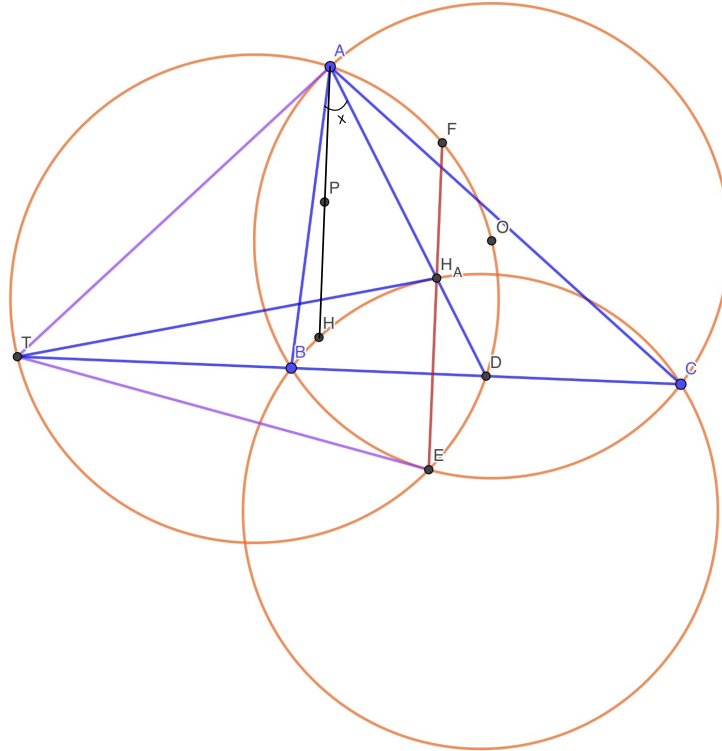


Let  $E$  be the reflection of  $A$  over  $A_1$  with a  $\frac{1}{2}$  homothety ( $A_1E = \frac{1}{2} AA_1$ ), and let  $D = \overline{B_3C_3E} \cap (EO_2C_2)$ . Note that  $\sphericalangle B_2BB_3 = \sphericalangle B_2BA = \sphericalangle B_2C_2E = \sphericalangle B_2DB_3$ , so  $(BB_2B_3D)$  and  $(CC_2DC_3)$ . By Miquel's, we have  $(ABC) \cap (BB_2B_3) \cap (CC_2C_3)$  as desired.

### 3.28 ELMO 2018/4

**Problem 3.28** (ELMO 2018/4). 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  $\triangle ABC$ .

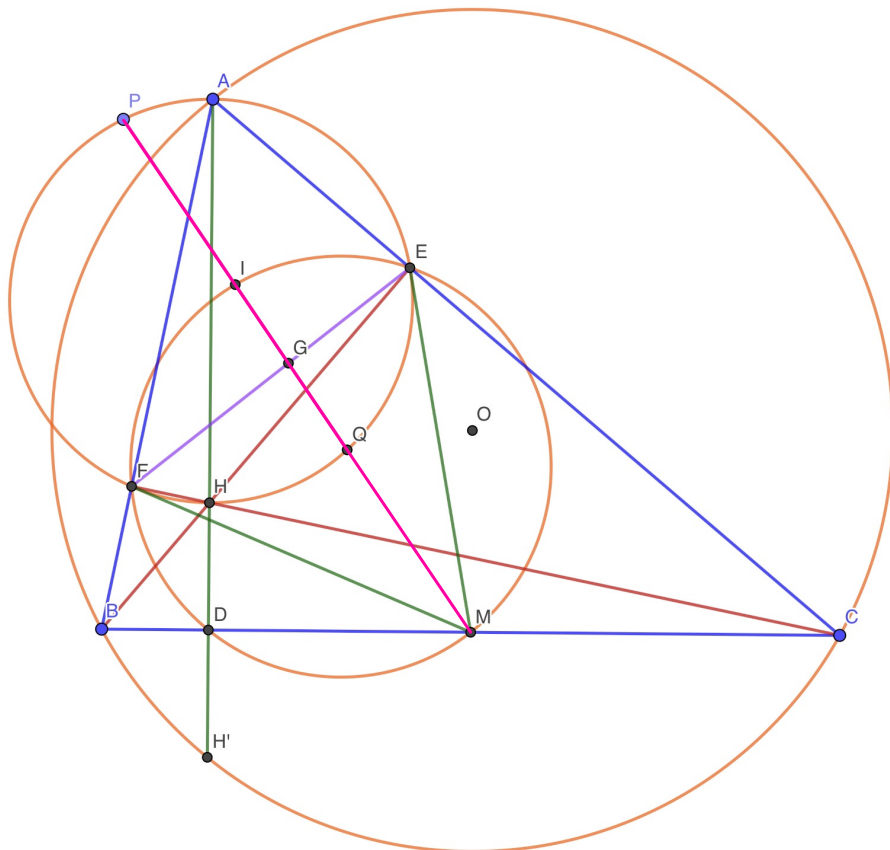
\*The nine-point circle of  $\triangle ABC$  is the unique circle passing through the following nine points: the midpoint of the sides, the feet of the altitudes, and the midpoints of  $\overline{AH}$ ,  $\overline{BH}$ , and  $\overline{CH}$ .



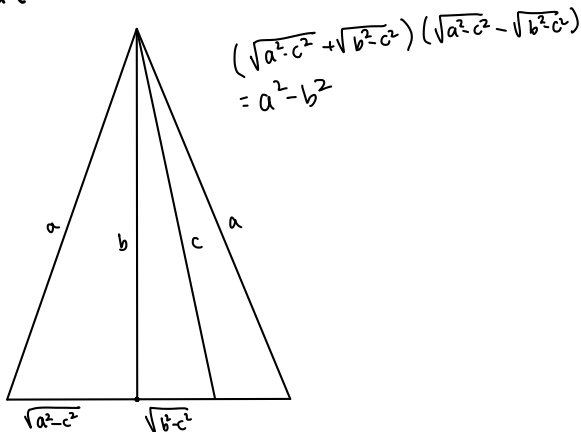
Let  $F = HA \cap (ATO)$ . We have  $PH = PA = PH_A$ . Let  $\angle BAD = x$ .  
 Thus,  $\angle PAH_A = x - (90 - B) = x + B - 90$ . We have  
 $\angle APH_A = 180 - (2x + 2B - 180) = 360 - 2x - 2B$ . Thus,  $\angle AFE = \angle ADE = 2\angle BDA$   
 $= 2(180 - x - B) = 360 - 2x - 2B$ . Thus,  $APH_A F$  is a parallelogram.  
 We have  $FA = FH_A$  so  $\overline{TPF} \rightarrow F = X$  so the midpoint of  $\overline{PX}$  is the  
 midpoint  $\overline{AH_A}$ , and is on the 9 point circle.

3.29 ELMO 2017/2

**Problem 3.29** (ELMO 2017/2). 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  $\triangle ABC$ .

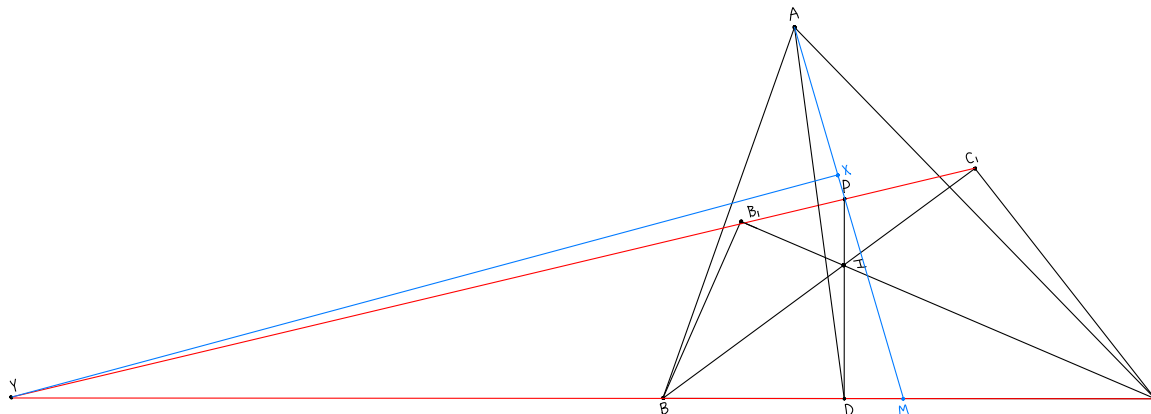


The orthocenter of  $APQ$  is the reflection of  $H$  over  $I$ .  
 We prove that  $I$  lies on the 9 point circle, which implies our result. Note that  $(MG \parallel PQ) = -1$ , so  $MG \cdot MI = MP \cdot MQ = ME^2$ . Thus,  $MG \cdot GI = MG \cdot (MI - MG) = ME^2 - MG^2 = EG \cdot GF$ , as desired (we have  $(IEMF)$ ).



3.30 CJMO 2019/3

**Problem 3.30** (CJMO 2019/3). Let  $I$  be the incenter of  $\triangle ABC$ , and  $M$  the midpoint of  $\overline{BC}$ . Let  $\Omega$  be the nine-point circle of  $\triangle BIC$ . Suppose that  $\overline{BC}$  intersects  $\Omega$  at a point  $D \neq M$ . If  $Y$  is the intersection of  $\overline{BC}$  and the  $A$ -intouch chord, and  $X$  is the projection of  $Y$  onto  $\overline{AM}$ , prove that  $X$  lies on  $\Omega$ , and the intersection of the tangents to  $\Omega$  at  $D$  and  $X$  intersect on the  $A$ -intouch chord of  $\triangle ABC$ .



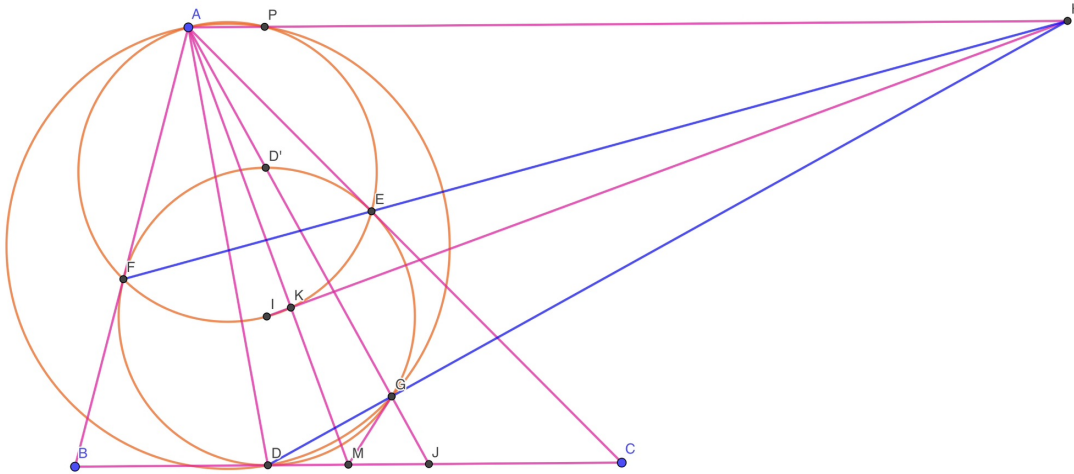
Iran Lemma tells us that  $B_1C_1$  is the touch chord. Let  $P = AM \cap B_1C_1 \cap DI$  (median incircle concurrency). We invert about  $(B_1, C_1, BC)$  and we have  $\overline{B_1C_1} \leftrightarrow (B_1, C_1, M)$  (9 point of  $\triangle BIC$ ), so  $Y \leftrightarrow D$ . We have  $\angle MX'Y = \angle MY'X'$  so  $\angle MDX' = 90^\circ$  so  $X'$  is on  $AM$  and  $ID$  so  $X'$  is  $P$ . Since  $P \in B_1C_1$ ,  $X \in (B_1, C_1, BC)$  as desired. Now, note that

$$(DX; B_1C_1) = (O'X'; B_1C_1) = (YP; B_1C_1) = (YD; B_1C_1) = -1$$

so  $DD \cap XX \in \overline{B_1C_1}$

### 3.31 GOTEEM 1

**Problem 3.31 (GOTEEM 1).** Let  $ABC$  be a scalene triangle. The incircle of  $\triangle ABC$  is tangent to sides  $\overline{BC}$ ,  $\overline{CA}$ ,  $\overline{AB}$  at  $D, E, F$ , respectively. Let  $G$  be a point on the incircle of  $\triangle ABC$  such that  $\angle AGD = 90^\circ$ . If lines  $DG$  and  $EF$  intersect at  $P$ , prove that  $AP$  is parallel to  $BC$ .

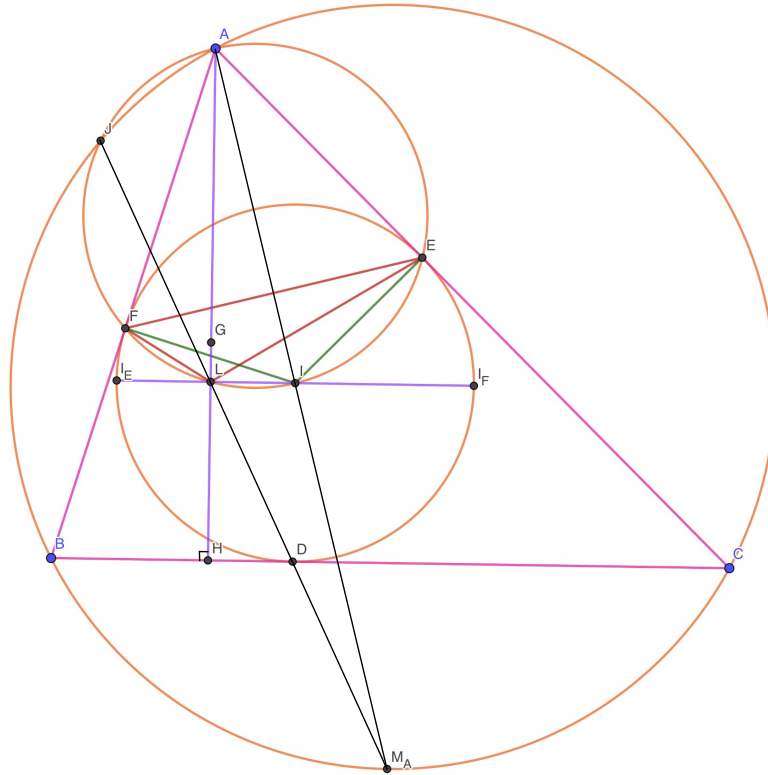


Let  $PE \perp \overline{DI}$  and  $AP \parallel BC$ . We see that  $G = AD' \cap (DEF)$ , so  $\angle AGD = \angle APD = 90^\circ$  so  $(PADG)$ . We also have  $\angle API = \angle AEI$  so  $(APEIF)$ . Thus, radical axis on  $(AGF)$ ,  $(DEF)$ ,  $(ADG)$  gives that  $HE \perp \overline{AP}$  as desired.

3.32 GGG1/4

**Problem 3.32** (GGG1/4). Let  $ABC$  be an acute triangle, let  $\omega$  be its incircle, and let  $M_A$  be the midpoint of minor arc  $\widehat{BC}$  on the circumcircle of  $ABC$ . Let  $\omega$  touch  $\overline{BC}$ ,  $\overline{CA}$ ,  $\overline{AB}$  at points  $D$ ,  $E$ ,  $F$ , respectively, and let  $H$  be the foot of the altitude from  $A$  to  $\overline{BC}$ . Denote by  $L$  the intersection of  $\overleftrightarrow{M_A D}$  and  $\overleftrightarrow{AH}$ . Let  $I_E$  and  $I_F$  denote the  $E$  and  $F$ -excenters of triangle  $ELF$ , respectively.

Prove that  $I_E$  and  $I_F$  lie on  $\omega$ .



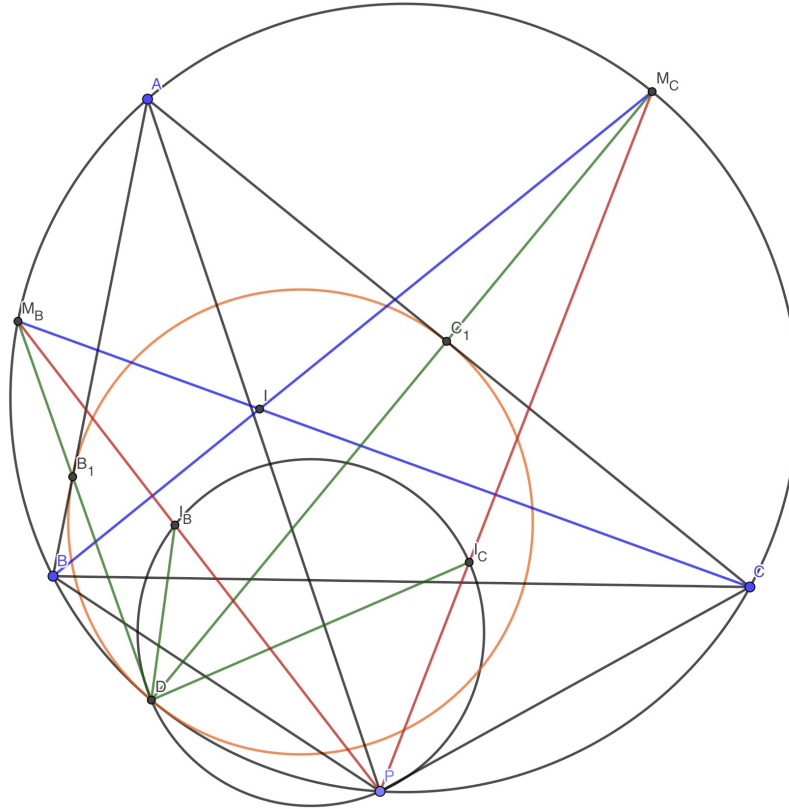
Let  $L$  be  $\overline{M_A D} \cap (AEF)$ . We have  $\angle JLI = \angle JAMA$   
 $= \angle JBM_A = \angle JDC$ , so  $LI \parallel BC$ , so  $ALH$ . Since  $AE = AF$ ,  
 the center of  $EFL$  is on  $AL$ , so  $I_E$  and  $I_F$  are on the line through  $L$   
 parallel to  $BC$ . Consider  $(I_E | EF)$ . We know the center must be  
 on  $LI$  and the perpendicular bisector of  $EF$ . Thus, the center must be  $I$ ,  
 so  $(I | EF) = \omega$  as desired.



### 3.33 USAJMO 2016/1 generalization

**Problem 3.33** (USAJMO 2016/1 generalization). The triangle  $\triangle ABC$  is inscribed in the circle  $\omega$ . 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.

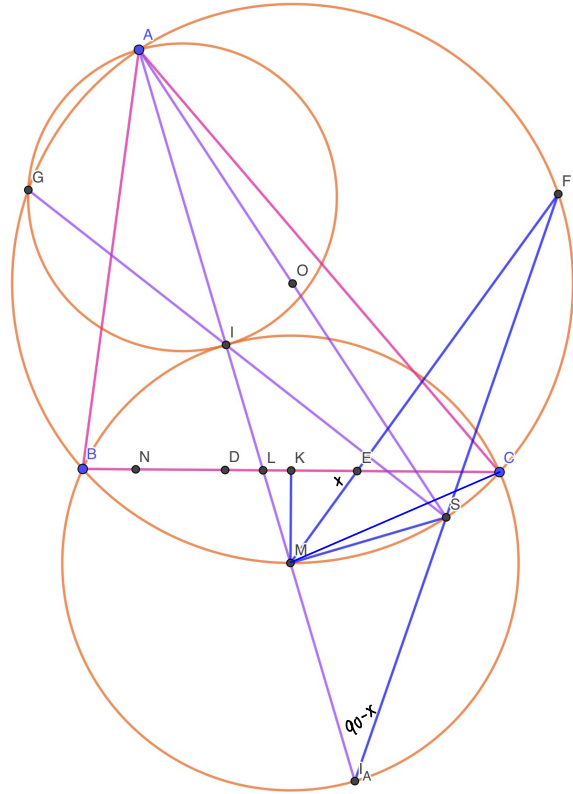
Prove that as  $P$  varies, the circumcircle of  $\triangle PI_B I_C$  passes through a fixed point.



We show the mixtilinear touchpoint is the fixed point. We show that  $\triangle M_B D I_B \sim \triangle M_C D I_C$ , or  $\frac{M_B D}{M_B I_B} = \frac{M_C D}{M_C I_C}$ . Let  $\frac{M_B D}{M_B I_B} = \frac{M_C D}{M_C I_C} = x$ . Note that  $M_B I_B = M_B A$  and  $M_B B_1 \cdot M_B D = M_B A^2$ , or  $x(M_B D)^2 = M_B A^2$  or  $M_B D = \frac{M_B A}{\sqrt{x}}$ . Thus,  $\frac{M_B D}{M_B I_B} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{x}} = \frac{M_C D}{M_C I_C}$  (by symmetry) as desired.

3.34 ELMO 2010/6

**Problem 3.34** (ELMO 2010/6). Let  $ABC$  be a triangle with circumcircle  $\omega$ , incenter  $I$ , and  $A$ -excenter  $I_A$ . Let the incircle and the  $A$ -excircle hit  $BC$  at  $D$  and  $E$ , respectively, and let  $M$  be the midpoint of arc  $BC$  without  $A$ . Consider the circle tangent to  $BC$  at  $D$  and arc  $BAC$  at  $T$ . If  $TI$  intersects  $\omega$  again at  $S$ , prove that  $SI_A$  and  $ME$  meet on  $\omega$ .



By Configs, we know  $S$  is the antipode of  $A$ . We show that  $\triangle MKE \sim \triangle MSIA$ . We show that  $\frac{MK}{KE} = \frac{MIA}{MS} = \frac{MC}{MS}$ . Let  $2R=1$ .

We have  $MS = \cos(C + \frac{A}{2})$ . We also have  $MK = MC \sin \frac{A}{2}$  and  $KE = \frac{b-c}{2}$ .

Our expression simplifies into  $\frac{\cos(C + \frac{A}{2})}{MC} = \frac{\frac{b-c}{2}}{MC \sin(\frac{A}{2})}$  or we wish to show  $\cos(C + \frac{A}{2}) \sin(\frac{A}{2}) = \frac{b-c}{2}$ .

We also have by LOS on  $\triangle MCL$  that  $\frac{\sin B}{CL} = \frac{\sin(\frac{A}{2})}{ML}$  and we also have from  $\triangle MLK$  that

$\cos(C + \frac{A}{2}) = \frac{LK}{ML}$ . Thus, our expression is now  $\frac{LK}{ML} \cdot \frac{ML}{CL} \sin B = \frac{b-c}{2}$  or  $\frac{LK}{CL} = \frac{b-c}{2}$ .

We have  $LK = \frac{ab}{b+c} - \frac{a}{2} = \frac{a(b-c)}{2(b+c)}$  and  $CL = \frac{ab}{b+c}$  and  $\frac{\frac{a(b-c)}{2(b+c)}}{\frac{ab}{b+c}} \cdot \frac{1}{b} = \frac{b-c}{2}$  is true.

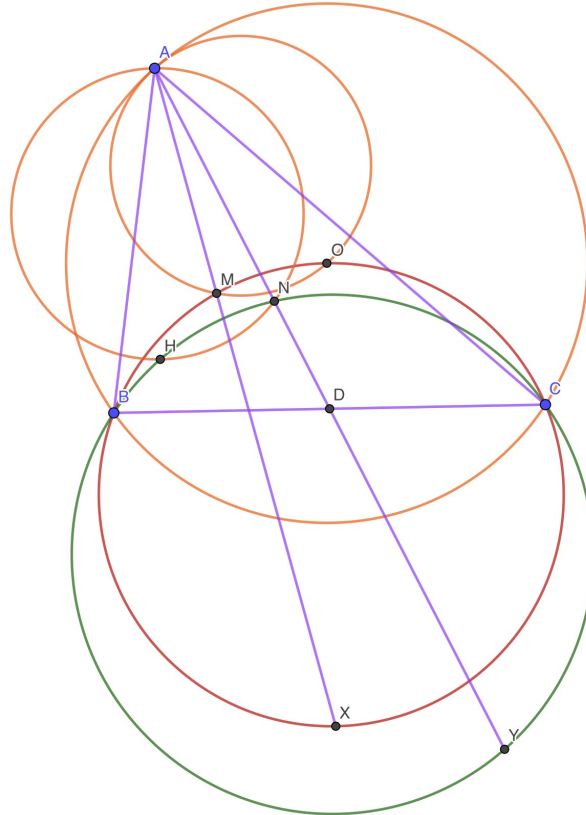
Now let  $\angle MEK = x$ .

We have  $\angle(SIA, ME) = ((B + \frac{A}{2}) - (90 - x)) - x = B + \frac{A}{2} - 90 = \frac{B}{2} - \frac{C}{2} = \angle MAS$

as desired.

### 3.35 ELMO 2014/5

**Problem 3.35** (ELMO 2014/5). Let  $ABC$  be a triangle with circumcenter  $O$  and orthocenter  $H$ . Let  $\omega_1$  and  $\omega_2$  denote the circumcircles of triangles  $BOC$  and  $BHC$ , respectively. Suppose the circle with diameter  $\overline{AO}$  intersects  $\omega_1$  again at  $M$ , and line  $AM$  intersects  $\omega_1$  again at  $X$ . Similarly, suppose the circle with diameter  $\overline{AH}$  intersects  $\omega_2$  again at  $N$ , and line  $AN$  intersects  $\omega_2$  again at  $Y$ . Prove that lines  $MN$  and  $XY$  are parallel.



We have  $M$  is the dummy point,  $N$  is the humpy point, so

$$M = \frac{a^2 - bc}{2a - b - c}, \quad N = \frac{ab^2 + ac^2 - b^2c - bc^2}{ab + ac - 2bc}, \quad X = \frac{2bc}{b+c}, \quad Y = b+c-a.$$

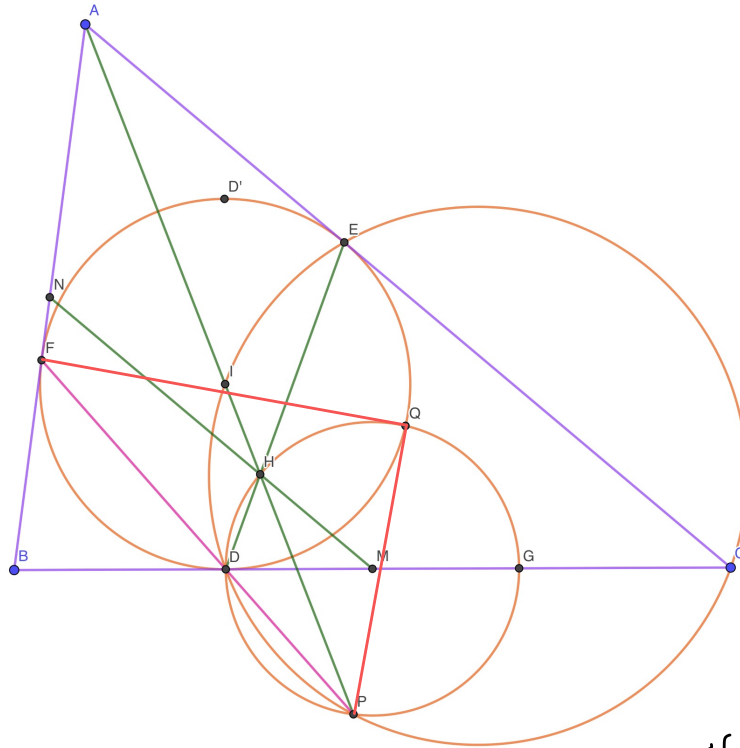
$$\text{Thus, } M - N = \frac{(a-b)(a-c)(ab+ac-b^2-c^2)}{(2a-b-c)(ab+ac-2bc)} \quad \text{and} \quad X - Y = \frac{(ab+ac-b^2-c^2)}{b+c}$$

So,  $\frac{M-N}{X-Y} = \frac{(a-b)(a-c)(b+c)}{(2a-b-c)(ab+ac-2bc)}$ , and this quantity is real as

$$\frac{M-N}{X-Y} = \frac{\left(\frac{b-a}{ab}\right)\left(\frac{c-a}{ac}\right)\left(\frac{b+c}{bc}\right)}{\left(\frac{2bc-bc-ac}{abc}\right)\left(\frac{c+b-a}{abc}\right)} = \frac{M-N}{X-Y} \quad \text{as desired.}$$

3.36 USA TST 2015/1

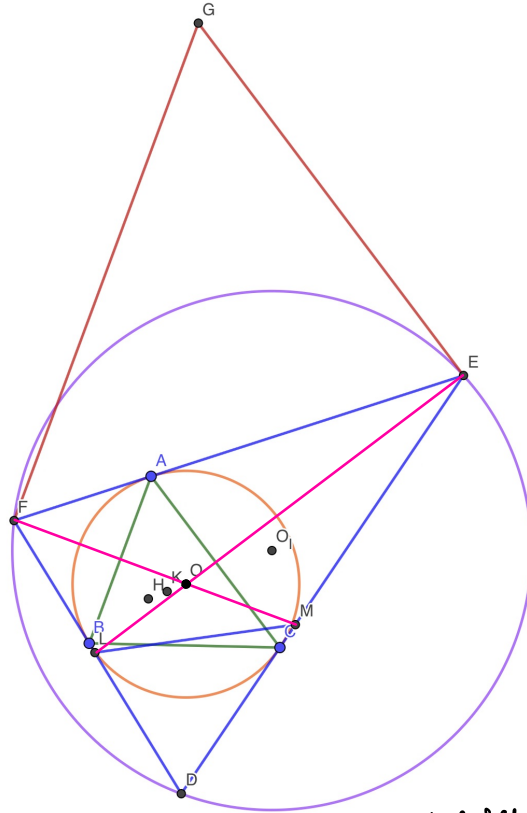
**Problem 3.36** (USA TST 2015/1). Let  $ABC$  be a non-isosceles triangle with incenter  $I$  whose incircle is tangent to  $\overline{BC}$ ,  $\overline{CA}$ ,  $\overline{AB}$  at  $D$ ,  $E$ ,  $F$ , respectively. Denote by  $M$  the midpoint of  $\overline{BC}$ . Let  $Q$  be a point on the incircle such that  $\angle A Q D = 90^\circ$ . Let  $P$  be the point inside the triangle on line  $AI$  for which  $MD = MP$ . Prove that either  $\angle P Q E = 90^\circ$  or  $\angle P Q F = 90^\circ$ .



Note that  $AI$  and  $FD$  intersect on  $(CDE)$  as  $\angle(AI, FD) = \frac{\angle C}{2}$   
 Let  $P = AI \cap FD$ . We invert about the incircle. We see that  $P$  inverts to  $H$ , where  $H \in CD, (BDF), AI$ . Thus,  $MH \parallel CA$ , by from lemma as  $H = ED \cap AI$ , so  $MD = MH$ , as  $CD = CE$ . We also have  $MD = MQ$  by our config ( $MQ$  tangent to  $(DEF)$ ). We also have  $IH \cdot IP = ID^2$  due to inversion and  $ID^2 = IH \cdot IP$ , so  $(D, H, P)$ . We see that  $M$  must be the center as  $MD = MQ = MH$ . Thus,  $P$  is our desired point. We see that  $\angle FQP = \angle QFP + \angle FPQ = \angle QDM + \angle FPQ = \angle QPG + \angle DPQ = 90^\circ$  as desired.

3.37 BMO SL 2018/2

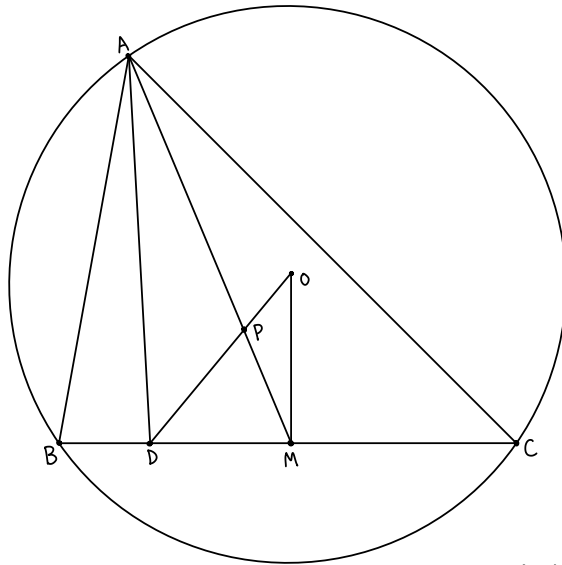
**Problem 3.37** (BMOSL 2018/2). Let  $ABC$  be a triangle inscribed in circle  $\Gamma$  with center  $O$ . Let  $H$  be the orthocenter of triangle  $ABC$  and let  $K$  be the midpoint of  $OH$ . Tangent of  $\Gamma$  at  $B$  intersects the perpendicular bisector of  $AC$  at  $L$ . Tangent of  $\Gamma$  at  $C$  intersects the perpendicular bisector of  $AB$  at  $M$ . Prove that  $AK$  and  $LM$  are perpendicular.



Consider the tangential triangle of  $ABC$ . We see that  $EL$  and  $FM$  are the perp bisectors of  $AC, AB$ , so  $FM$  and  $EL$  are actually angle bisectors. Thus, if  $G$  is the  $D$ -excenter, by Configs,  $O_1 G \perp LM$ . We know that  $\triangle ABC$  is homothetic to the triangle formed by the  $D, E, F$  excenters, so by the homothety,  $AK \parallel O_1 G$  ( $O_1$  is the 9 point center) so  $AK \perp LM$

### 3.38 Folklore $P = OD$ cap $AM$ on radical axis of $(BOC)$ and 9 point circle of $(ABC)$

**Problem 3.38** (Folklore I think). Given a triangle  $ABC$  with circumcenter  $O$ , let  $M$  be the midpoint of  $BC$  and  $D$  be the foot from  $A$  to  $\overline{BC}$ .  $P = \overline{OD} \cap \overline{AM}$ . Prove that  $P = \overline{OD} \cap \overline{AM}$  lies on the radical axis of  $(BOC)$  and the nine-point circle of  $(ABC)$ .



We use linearity of POAP. Consider  $f(x) = \text{pow}_x(\text{9 point circle}) - \text{pow}_x((BOC))$ .

First we compute  $f(O)$ . We have  $OH^2 = 9R^2 - (a^2 + b^2 + c^2)$ , so  $\text{pow}_O(\text{9 point circle}) = OK^2 - (\frac{R}{2})^2$  or  $f(O) = 2R^2 - \frac{(a^2 + b^2 + c^2)}{4}$ .

Now we compute  $f(D)$ . We have  $\text{pow}_D((BOC)) = BD \cdot CD = \frac{AD^2}{\tan B \tan C}$ . Thus  $f(D) = \frac{AD^2}{\tan B \tan C}$ .

By linearity of POAP,  $f(P) = \frac{OP \cdot f(D) + DP \cdot f(O)}{OP} = \frac{OM \cdot f(D) + AD \cdot f(O)}{OM + AD}$ .

We show  $OM \cdot f(D) + AD \cdot f(O) = 0$ . WLOG let  $R = \frac{1}{2}$ , so  $OM = \frac{1}{2} \cos A$ .

$$AD \left( 2R^2 - \frac{a^2 + b^2 + c^2}{4} \right) + \left( \frac{1}{2} \cos A \right) \left( \frac{AD^2}{\tan B \tan C} \right) = 0 \rightarrow \left( 1 - \frac{a^2 + b^2 + c^2}{2} \right) + \frac{\cos A \cdot \frac{bc}{a} \sin A}{\tan B \tan C} = 0$$

$$\rightarrow (2 - (a^2 + b^2 + c^2)) + 2 \cos A \cos B \cos C = 0$$

Since  $A + B + C = 180$ ,  $\cos^2 A + \cos^2 B + \cos^2 C + 2 \cos A \cos B \cos C = 1$  (2013 AIME II)

Thus,  $(2 - (a^2 + b^2 + c^2)) + (1 - \cos^2 A - \cos^2 B - \cos^2 C) = 0$

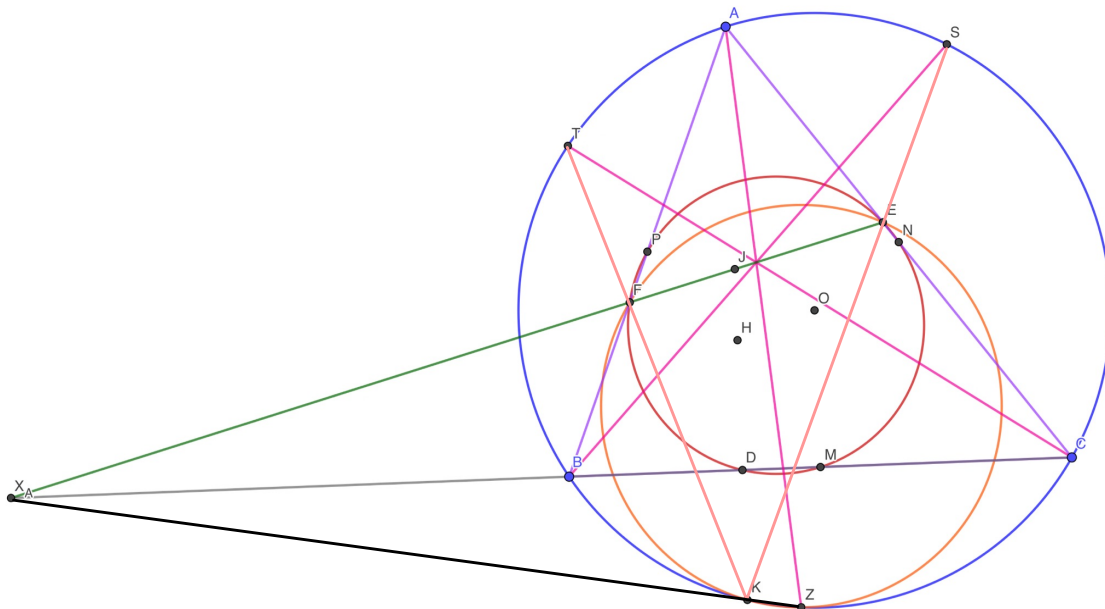
$$\rightarrow (-a^2 - b^2 - c^2) + (1 - \cos^2 A) + (1 - \cos^2 B) + (1 - \cos^2 C) = 0$$

which is true as  $\sin A = a$ .

3.39 Vietnam 2019/6

**Problem 3.39** (Vietnam 2019/6). Given an acute triangle  $ABC$  and  $(O)$  be its circumcircle, and  $H$  is its orthocenter. Let  $M, N, P$  be midpoints of  $BC, CA, AB$ , respectively.  $D, E, F$  are the feet of the altitudes from  $A, B$  and  $C$ , respectively. Let  $K$  symmetry with  $H$  through  $BC$ .  $DE$  intersects  $MP$  at  $X$ ,  $DF$  intersects  $MN$  at  $Y$ .

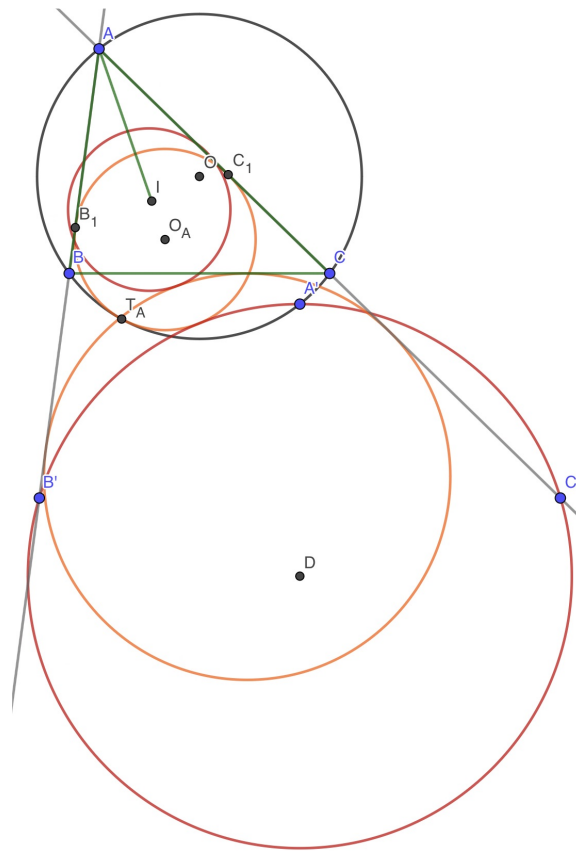
- a  $XY$  intersects smaller arc  $BC$  of  $(O)$  at  $Z$ . Prove that  $K, Z, E, F$  are concyclic.
- b  $KE, KF$  intersect  $(O)$  at  $S, T$  ( $S, T \neq K$ ), respectively. Prove that  $BS, CT, XY$  are concurrent.



By Configs, we know that  $X, Y$  are on the Asymmedian  
 Thus,  $\overline{XAKZ}$  and  $\overline{XAEF}$  so  $XAE \cdot XAF = XAK \cdot XAZ$  or  $(KEFZ)$ .  
 Additionally, pascals on  $KTCBAZ$  and  $KSBCAZ$   
 gives  $AZ \cap SB \cap CT \cap EF$  as desired.

3.40 AOPS tutubixu9198 (BOC) is tangent to 1/2 homothety of mixtilinear incircle

**Problem 3.40** (AoPS user tutubixu9198). Let  $ABC$  be a triangle with circumcenter  $O$  and incenter  $I$ . Let  $(O_1)$  be a circle ex-tangent to  $(BOC)$  and tangent to  $AB, AC$  at  $M, N$ . Prove that  $MN$  passes through midpoint of  $AI$ .

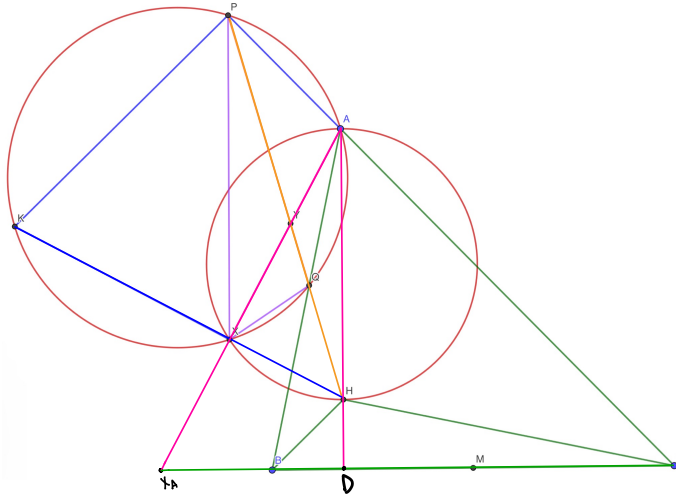


First consider a  $2x$  homothety of  $(O_1)$  to the mixtilinear incircle and a  $2x$  homothety of  $(BOC)$ . Now, consider a  $\sqrt{bc}$  inversion about  $A$ , which sends our mixt incircle to the  $A$ -excicle and  $(BOC)$  to the 9 point circle. By Confgs, we know the excicle is tangent to the 9 point circle as desired.



### 3. 41 Sharygin Correspondence Round 2020/15

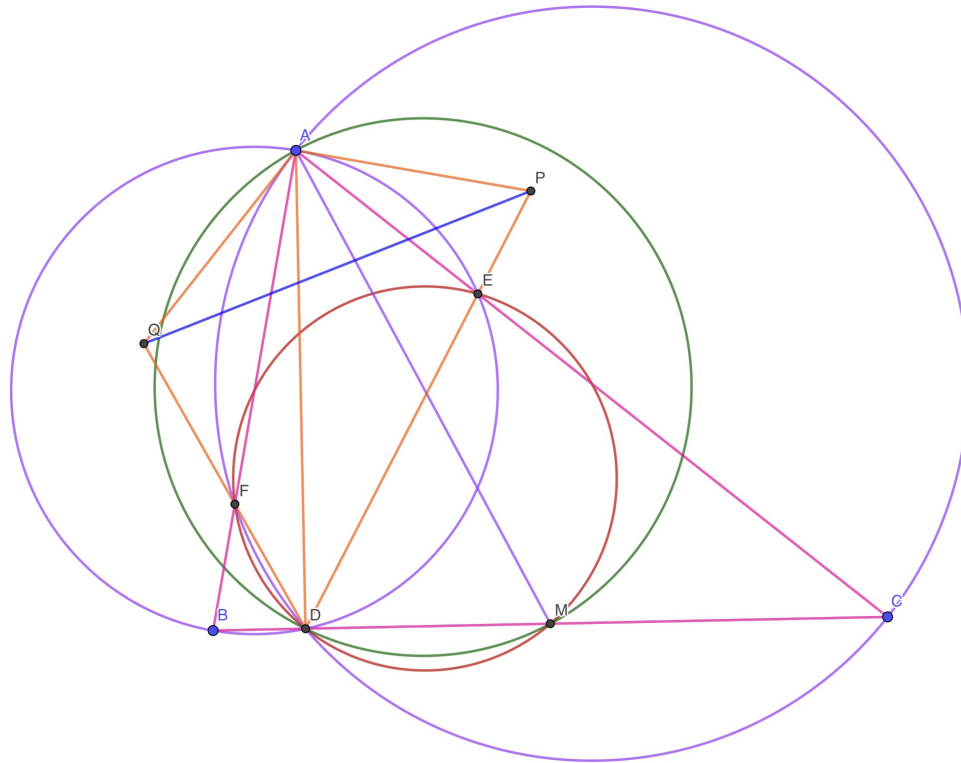
**Problem 3.41** (Sharygin Correspondence Round 2020/15). Let  $H$  be the orthocenter of a nonisosceles triangle  $ABC$ . The bisector of angle  $BHC$  meets  $AB$  and  $AC$  at points  $P$  and  $Q$  respectively. The perpendiculars to  $AB$  and  $AC$  from  $P$  and  $Q$  meet at  $K$ . Prove that  $KH$  bisects the segment  $BC$ .



Let  $X = (AK) \cap KH$ . Note that  $AP = AQ$ , as  $\angle QBH = \angle HCP$  and  $\angle QHB = \angle CHP$ . Thus,  $AX$  is an angle bisector, and  $KX$  is an exterior angle bisector so  $(KA; PQ) \cong (PQ; KH) \stackrel{A}{=} (CB; DX) = -1$ , Thus,  $X$  is the Qneue Point and thus  $\overline{XHM}$  by Configs.

### 3.42 GOTEEM 2

**Problem 3.42** (GOTEEM 2). Let  $ABC$  be an acute triangle with  $AB \neq AC$ , and let  $D, E, F$  be the feet of the altitudes from  $A, B, C$ , respectively. Let  $P$  be a point on  $DE$  such that  $AP \perp AB$  and let  $Q$  be a point on  $DF$  such that  $AQ \perp AC$ . Lines  $PQ$  and  $BC$  intersect at  $T$ . If  $M$  is the midpoint of  $\overline{BC}$ , prove that  $\angle MAT = 90^\circ$ .

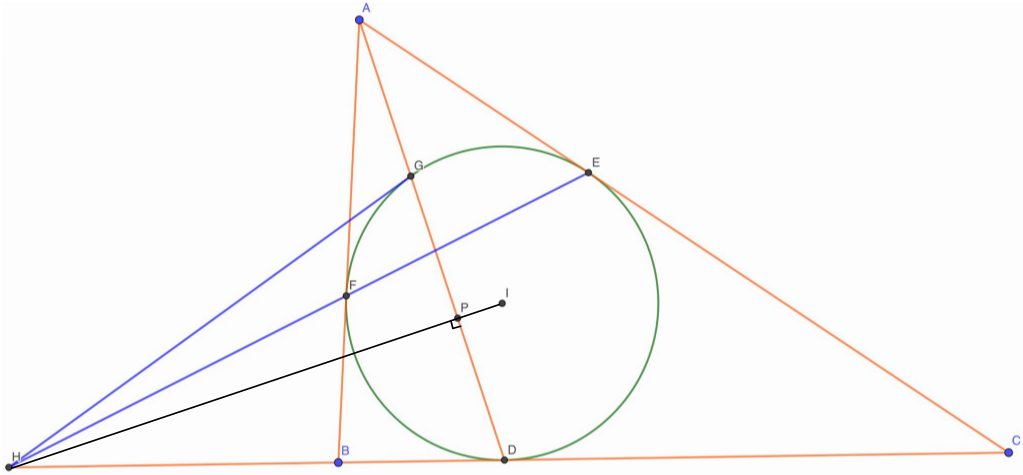


We have  $QA$  is tangent to  $(ADC)$  and  $PA$  is tangent to  $(ADB)$ , so  $QA^2 = QF \cdot QD$ ,  $PA^2 = PE \cdot PD$ .

Consider the radical center of  $(A)$ ,  $(DEF)$ ,  $(ADM)$ . We see the radical axis of  $(A)$  and  $(DEF)$  is  $PQ$ , and  $(DEF)$  and  $(ADM)$  is  $BC$ , so the radical center is  $T$ . Thus, since  $(ADM)$  has diameter  $AM$ ,  $AT \perp AM$  as desired (radical axis of  $(A)$  and  $(ADM)$  is tangent through  $A$ , so  $\angle MAT = 90^\circ$ ).

### 3.43 2012 ELMO SL G3

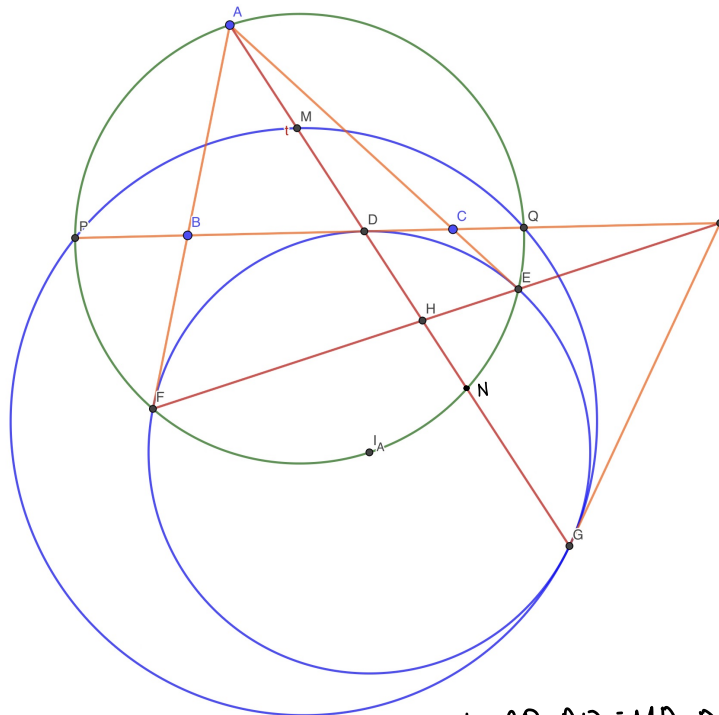
**Problem 3.43** (2012 ELMO SL G3).  $ABC$  is a triangle with incenter  $I$ . The foot of the perpendicular from  $I$  to  $BC$  is  $D$ , and the foot of the perpendicular from  $I$  to  $AD$  is  $P$ . Prove that  $\angle BPD = \angle DPC$ .



We have  $(EF;GD) = -1$ , so  $H = DD \cap EF \cap GG \cap IP$  (as  $H = GG \cap DD$ )  
 so  $(H;D;BC) = -1 \rightarrow \angle BPD = \angle DPC$ .

### 3.44 2017 ISL G4

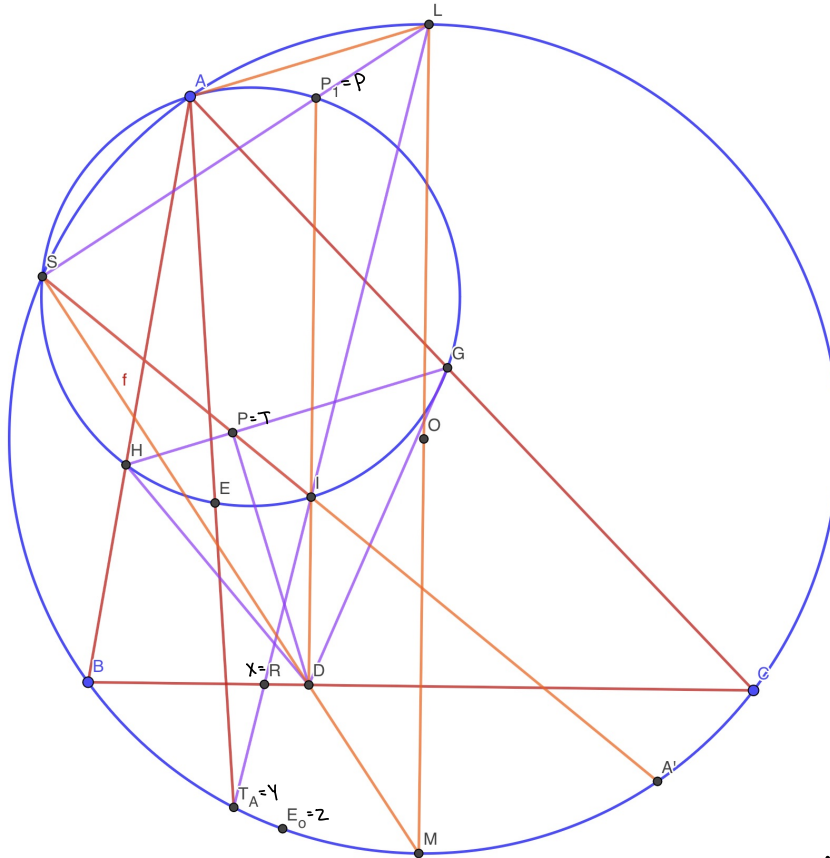
**Problem 3.44** (2017 ISL G4). In triangle  $ABC$ , let  $\omega$  be the excircle opposite to  $A$ . Let  $D, E$  and  $F$  be the points where  $\omega$  is tangent to  $BC, CA$ , and  $AB$ , respectively. The circle  $AEF$  intersects line  $BC$  at  $P$  and  $Q$ . Let  $M$  be the midpoint of  $AD$ . Prove that the circle  $MPQ$  is tangent to  $\omega$ .



Let  $N = (AEF) \cap AD$  we have  $AD \cdot DN = PQ \cdot DQ = MD \cdot DG$  so  $(MPQ) \perp (AEF)$ .  
 Let  $G = AD \cap (DEF)$ . We have  $(DG) \perp (EF)$  so  $DD \perp EF \cap DG = I$ . Consider  
 the radical center of  $(AEF), (MPQ), (DEF)$ , which is  $I$ . Thus,  
 $IG$  is the common tangent to  $(DEF)$  and  $(MPQ)$  as desired (meaning the  
 two circles are tangent).

3.45 GGG3 6

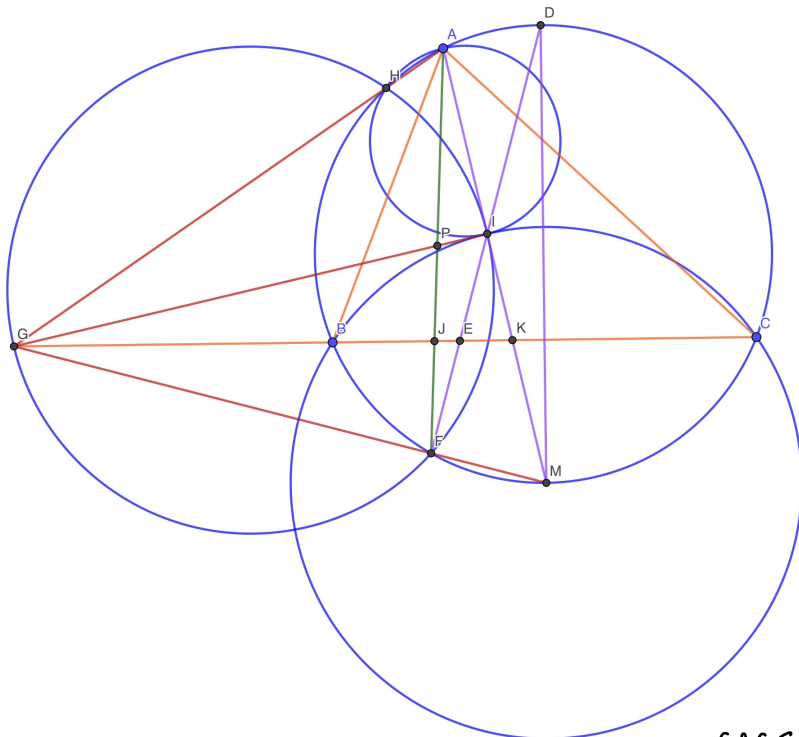
**Problem 3.45** (GGG3 6). Let  $ABC$  be a scalene triangle with incenter  $I$  and circumcircle  $\Omega$ ;  $L$  is the midpoint of arc  $BAC$  and  $A'$  is diametrically opposite  $A$  on  $\Omega$ .  $D$  is the foot of the perpendicular from  $I$  to  $\overline{BC}$ .  $\overleftrightarrow{LI}$  meets  $\overline{BC}$  and  $\Omega$  at  $X$  and  $Y$ , respectively, and  $\overleftrightarrow{LD}$  meets  $\Omega$  again at  $Z$ .  $\overleftrightarrow{XZ}$  meets  $\overline{AI}$  at  $T$ .  $\overleftrightarrow{DI}$  meets the circle with diameter  $\overline{AI}$  again at  $P$ . Show that the second intersection between  $\overleftrightarrow{PT}$  and the circle with diameter  $\overline{AI}$  lies on  $\overline{AV}$ .



Replace the given variable names with our config ones, and the following collinearities all result from configs. Let  $E = AT \cap (AI)$ , and we have  $\angle SPE = \angle SAT = \angle SLT$  so  $PE \parallel LA$ . We show  $PE \parallel LA$ . We have  $\frac{SP}{SL} = \frac{SD}{SM} = \frac{SP}{SI}$  as desired, so  $PE$  as desired.

### 3.46 Iran TST 2012 Day 1 P2

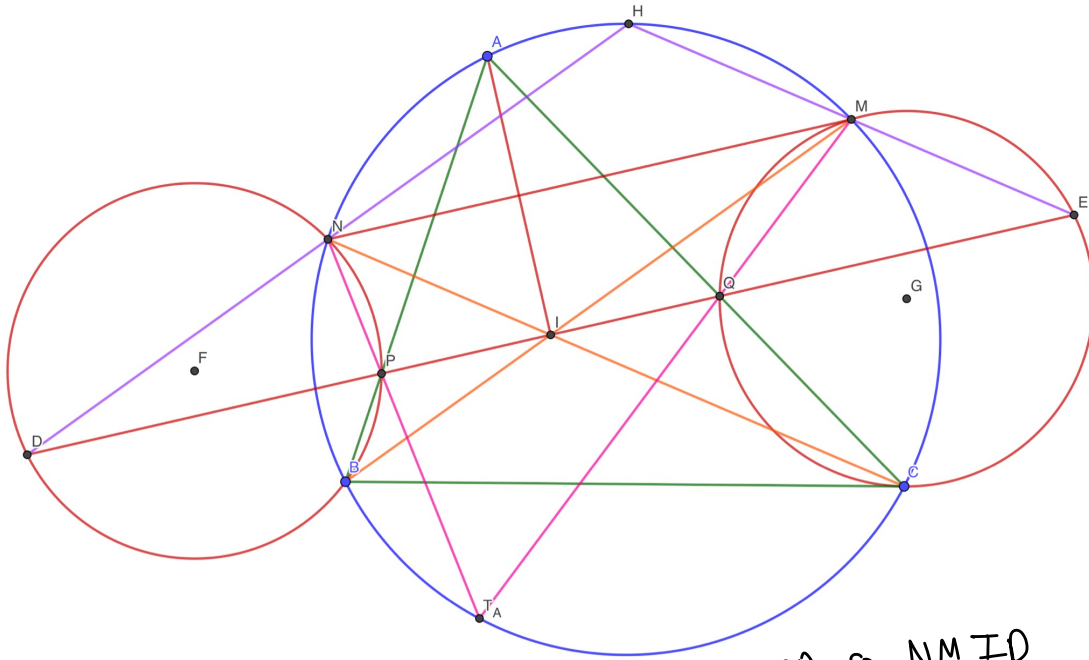
**Problem 3.46** (Iran TST 2012 Day 1 P2). Consider  $\omega$ , the circumcircle of a triangle  $ABC$ .  $D$  is the midpoint of arc  $BAC$  and  $I$  is the incenter of  $\triangle ABC$ . Let  $DI$  intersect  $BC$  at  $E$  and  $\omega$  for the second time at  $F$ . Let  $P$  be a point on line  $AF$  such that  $PE$  is parallel to  $AI$ . Prove that  $PE$  is the angle bisector of angle  $BPC$ .



Let  $G = MF \cap BC$ . We have  $\angle PEG + \angle EFG = 180^\circ$  so  $(PEFG)$ .  
 Thus,  $EP \perp TP$  and since  $TI \perp AM$ ,  $\overline{TP} \perp \overline{TI}$ . Thus,  $(G, E, B, C) \stackrel{F}{=} (M, D, A, C)$   
 $= -1$  so as  $\angle GPE = 90^\circ$ ,  $\angle BPE = \angle EPC$  as desired.

3.47 Centraoamerican Olympiad 2016/6

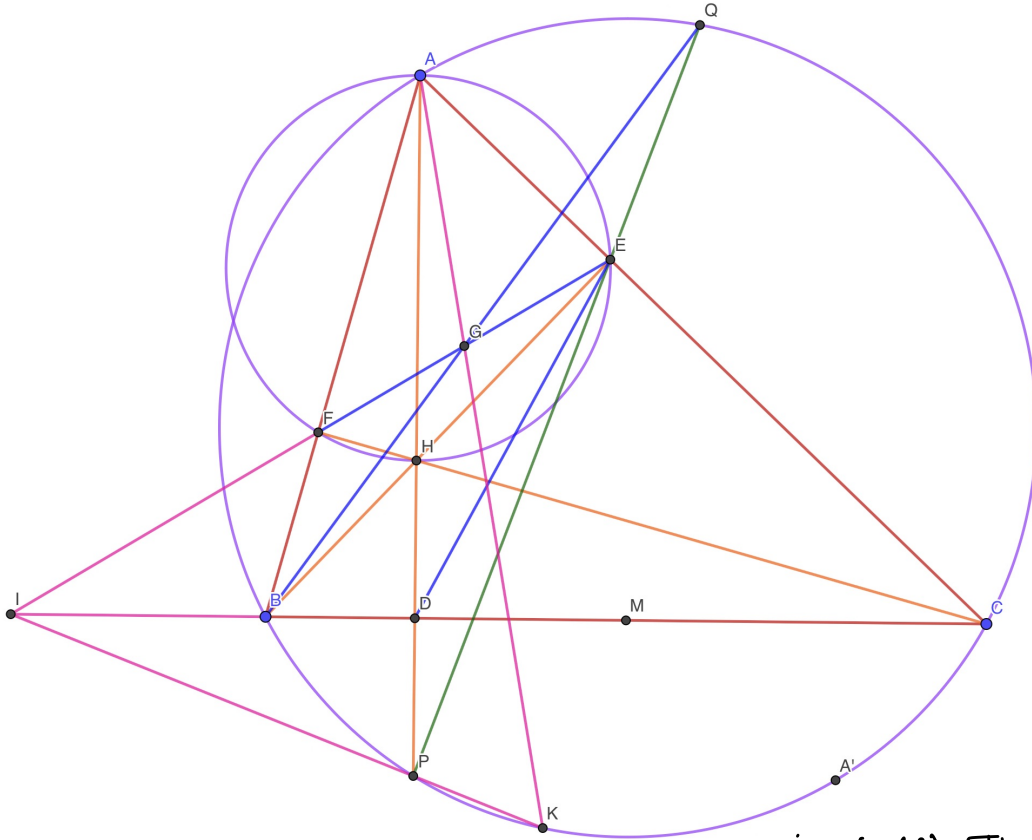
**Problem 3.47** (Centraoamerican Olympiad 2016/6). Let  $\triangle ABC$  be triangle with incenter  $I$  and circumcircle  $\Gamma$ . Let  $M = BI \cap \Gamma$  and  $N = CI \cap \Gamma$ , the line parallel to  $MN$  through  $I$  cuts  $AB, AC$  in  $P$  and  $Q$ . Prove that the circumradius of  $\odot(BNP)$  and  $\odot(CMQ)$  are equal.



We have  $\angle NDP = \angle NBP = \angle NMB$  and  $NM \parallel PQ$  so  $NMID$  and  $NMIE$  are parallelograms. Thus,  $ID = NM = IE$  and since  $IP = IQ$ ,  $DP = QE$ . Since  $AI$  is the perp bisector of  $BC$ ,  $ND$  and  $ME$  intersect on  $BC$ . Thus,  $\angle PND = \angle HNT_A = \angle HMT_A = \angle QME$ , so  $(NPB)$  and  $(MQE)$  have the same radius

3.48 2019 ELMO SL G1

**Problem 3.48** (2019 ELMO SL G1). Let  $ABC$  be an acute triangle with orthocenter  $H$  and circumcircle  $\Gamma$ . Let  $BH$  intersect  $AC$  at  $E$ , and let  $CH$  intersect  $AB$  at  $F$ . Let  $AH$  intersect  $\Gamma$  again at  $P \neq A$ . Let  $PE$  intersect  $\Gamma$  again at  $Q \neq P$ . Prove that  $BQ$  bisects segment  $\overline{EF}$ .

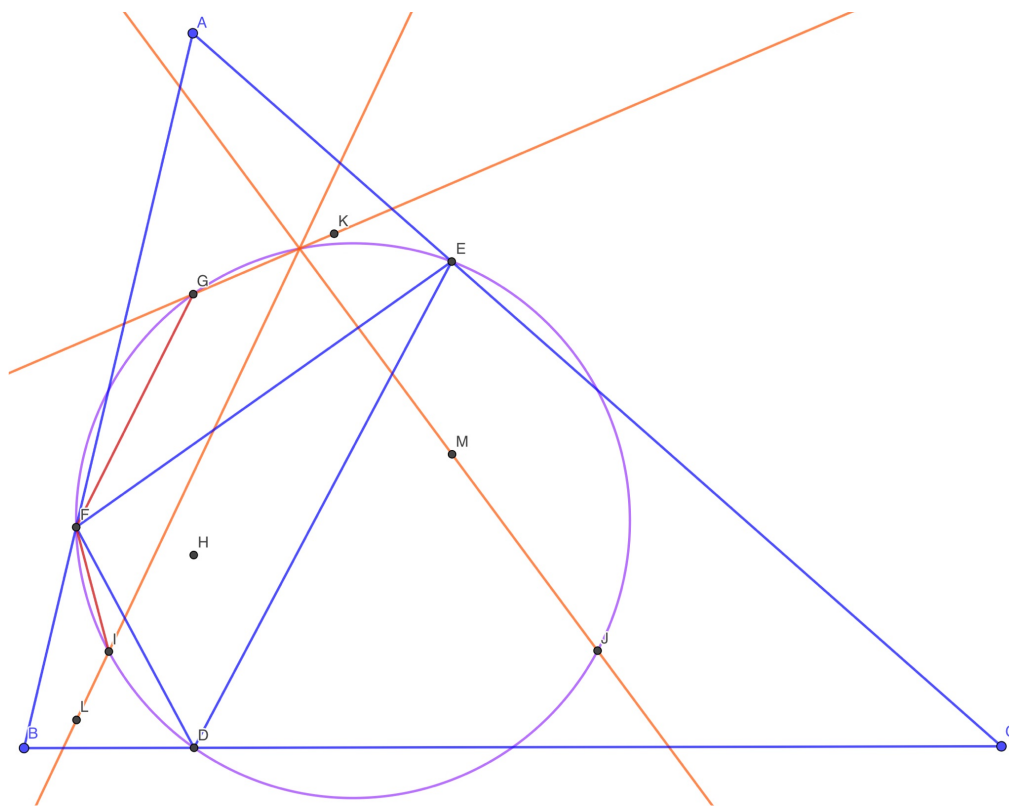


Let  $K$  be the intersection of the  $A$ -symmedian with  $(ABC)$ . Thus,  $PK \cap BC \cap EF = I$  by Configs. Pascal on  $CAKPQB$  gives that  $BQ \cap AK$  is on  $\overline{EI}$ , thus, since  $AK$  bisects  $EF$ , so does  $BQ$ .



### 3.49 Wolfram Alpha Euler lines of AEF, BDF, CDE are concurrent

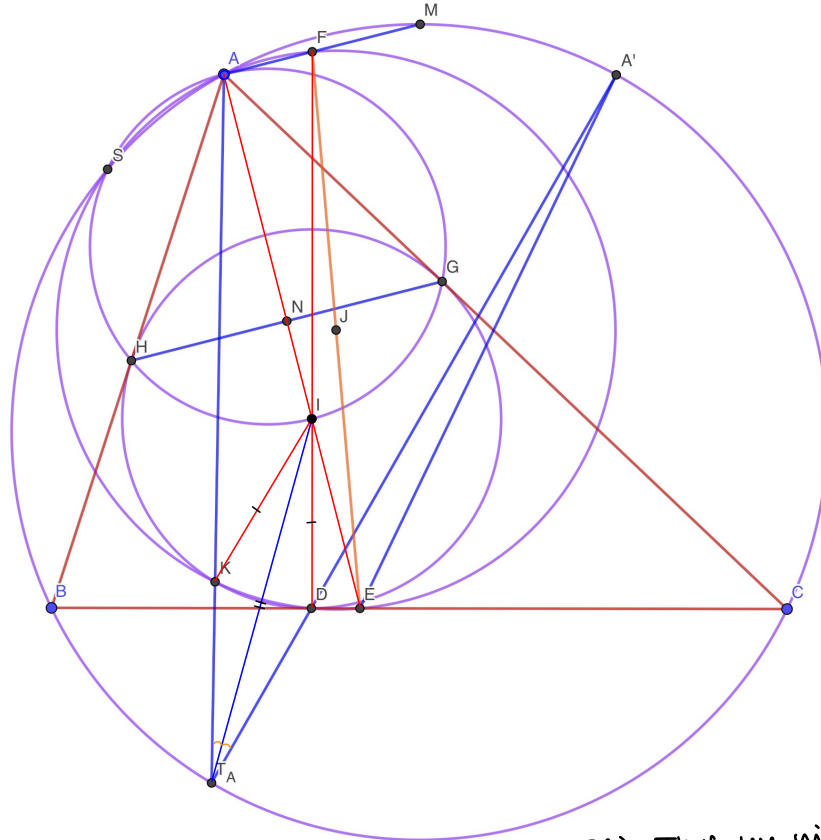
**Problem 3.49** (Our one true god Wolfram Alpha). Let  $\triangle ABC$  have orthic triangle  $DEF$ . Prove that the Euler lines of  $\triangle AEF$ ,  $\triangle BDF$ ,  $\triangle CDE$  are all concurrent.



Note that the centers of  $AEF$ ,  $BDF$ ,  $CDE$  are on the 9 point circle as they are the midpoints of  $AH$ ,  $BH$ ,  $CH$ . Since  $\triangle AEF$  and  $\triangle BDF$  are similar,  $\angle(GF, KG) = \angle(LF, LI)$  so  $\angle(FI, GF) = \angle(LI, KG)$ , so  $LI$  and  $KG$  intersect on the 9 point circle. Thus,  $LI$ ,  $KG$ ,  $JM$  all intersect on the 9 point circle as desired.

### 3.50 Romania JBMO TST 2019/1.3

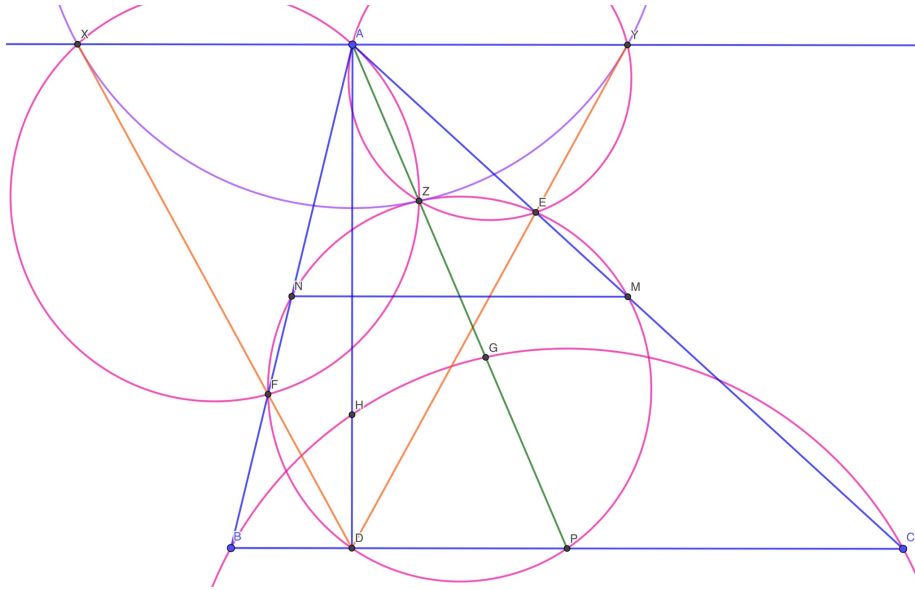
**Problem 3.50** (Romania JBMO TST 2019/1.3). Let  $ABC$  a triangle,  $I$  the incenter,  $D$  the contact point of the incircle with the side  $BC$  and  $E$  the foot of the bisector of the angle  $A$ . If  $M$  is the midpoint of the arc  $BC$  which contains the point  $A$  of the circumcircle of the triangle  $ABC$  and  $\{F\} = DI \cap AM$ , prove that  $MI$  passes through the midpoint of  $[EF]$ .



Since  $\angle MAI = 90^\circ$  and  $\angle FDE = 90^\circ$ , we have  $(DEFA)$ . Thus, we wish to show that  $MI$  passes through the center of  $(ADEFK)$ . (The point  $K$  lies on our circle due to (on figs)). However, note that  $\overline{TA}$  bisects  $\angle A$ . Since  $IK = ID$  and  $\angle IDA, \angle IKA > 90^\circ$ , we have (by (OS)),  $\angle IDA = \angle IKA$  and  $\angle TAK = \angle TAD$ ,  $\overline{TAIM}$  is the perpendicular bisector of  $KD$ , so  $MI$  passes through the center of  $(ADEFD)$  and thus  $EF$ .

### 3. 51 MMOSL G3

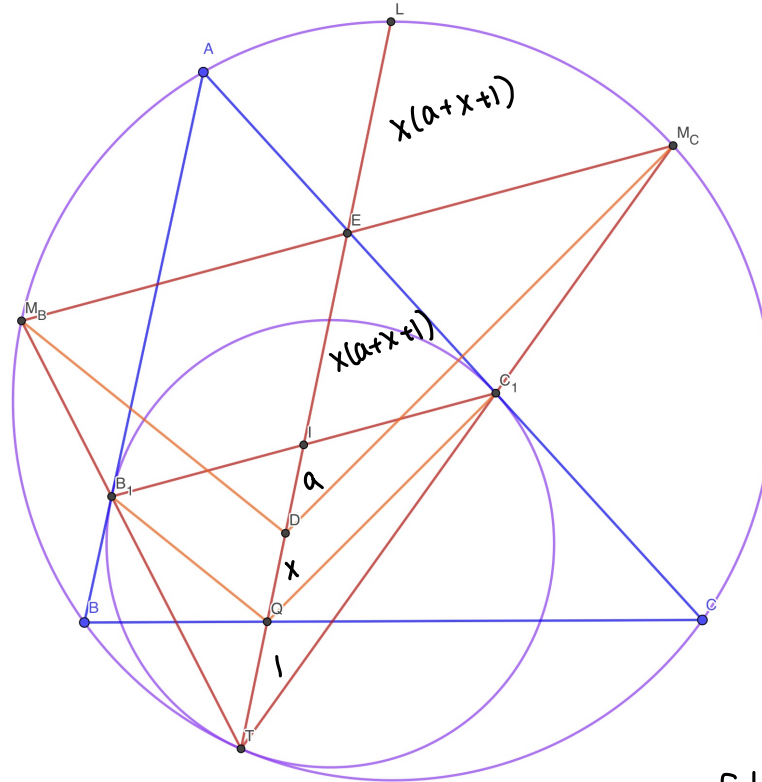
**Problem 3.51** (MMOSL G3). Let  $D, E,$  and  $F$  be the respective feet of the  $A, B,$  and  $C$  altitudes in  $\triangle ABC$ , and let  $M$  and  $N$  be the respective midpoints of  $\overline{AC}$  and  $\overline{AB}$ . Lines  $DF$  and  $DE$  intersect the line through  $A$  parallel to  $BC$  at  $X$  and  $Y$ , respectively. Lines  $MX$  and  $YN$  intersect at  $Z$ . Prove that the circumcircles of  $\triangle EFZ$  and  $\triangle XYZ$  are tangent.



Let  $Z'$  be a  $\frac{1}{2}$  homothety at  $A$  of  $\Omega$  (the circumcircle). We have  $\angle A Z' F = \angle F Z' P = \angle F D B = \angle A X F$  so  $(A Z' F X)$  and similarly,  $(A Z' E Y)$ .  
 Thus,  $\angle A Z' X + \angle A Z' M = \angle A F X + 180 - \angle M Z' P = 180$  so  $\overline{X Z' M}$  and similarly  $\overline{Y Z' N}$  so  $Z' = Z$  as desired. Thus,  $(E F Z) = (M N Z)$ , and since  $M N \parallel X Y$ , a homothety at  $Z$  means  $(M N Z)$  and  $(X Y Z)$  are tangent.

### 3.52 AoPS MP8148 mixtilinear homothety sends Q to the midpoint of IQ

**Problem 3.52** (AoPS user MP8148). In triangle  $ABC$  let the incenter be  $I$ . Suppose that the  $A$ -mixtilinear incircle  $\omega$  touches  $(ABC)$  at  $T$ , and  $Q = \overline{IT} \cap \overline{BC}$ . Show that the homothety sending  $\omega$  to  $(ABC)$  sends  $Q$  to the midpoint of  $\overline{IQ}$ .



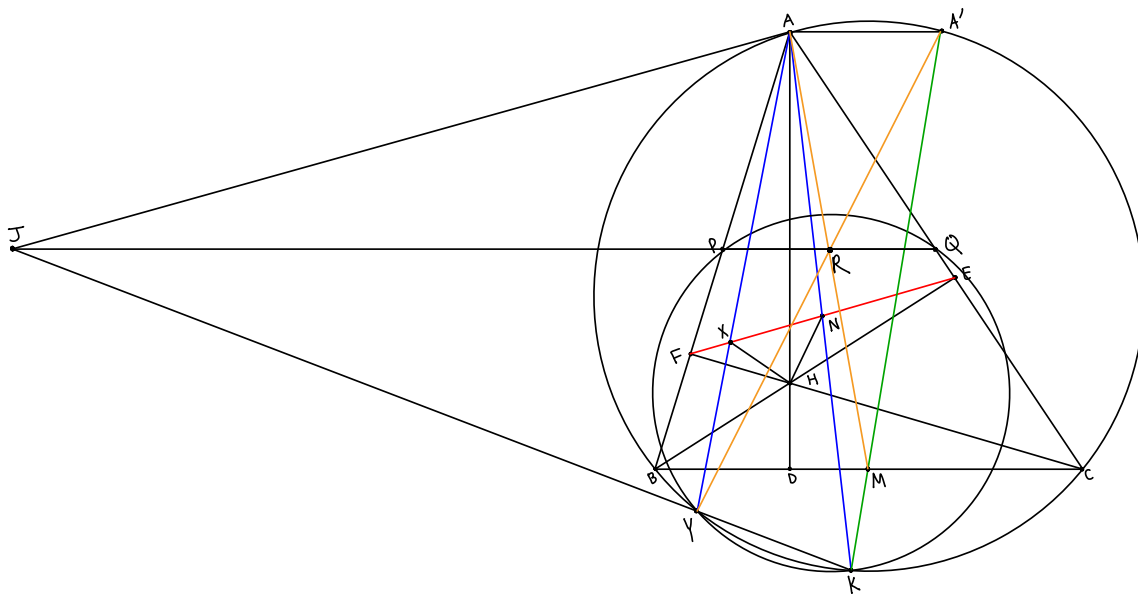
We let the factor of homothety be  $x$ . Since  $EI = EL$ , and  $M_B M_C \parallel BC$ , we have  $LE \cdot ET = \frac{1}{4} LQ \cdot LT = \frac{LQ^2}{4}$

$$4x(a+x+1)(x+1)(a+x+1) = (2ax + 2x^2 + 3x + a)(2ax + 2x^2 + 3x + a + 1)$$

$\hookrightarrow a^2 + a - x^2 - x = 0 \rightarrow (a-x)(a+x+1) = 0 \rightarrow a = x$  as desired.

3.53 AoPS i3435 A'Y bisects AM

**Problem 3.53** (Myself (i3435)). Let  $ABC$  be a triangle with orthocenter  $H$ . Let  $\overline{BH} \cap \overline{AC} = E$ , and  $\overline{CH} \cap \overline{AB} = F$ . Let  $N$  be the midpoint of  $EF$  and let  $X$  be the point besides  $N$  on  $\overline{EF}$  such that  $HN = HX$ . Let  $\overline{AX}$  intersect  $(ABC)$  at  $Y$ . Let  $A'$  be the point on  $(ABC)$  such that  $\overline{AA'} \parallel \overline{BC}$  and let  $M$  be the midpoint of  $BC$ . Prove that  $\overline{A'Y}$  bisects  $AM$ .

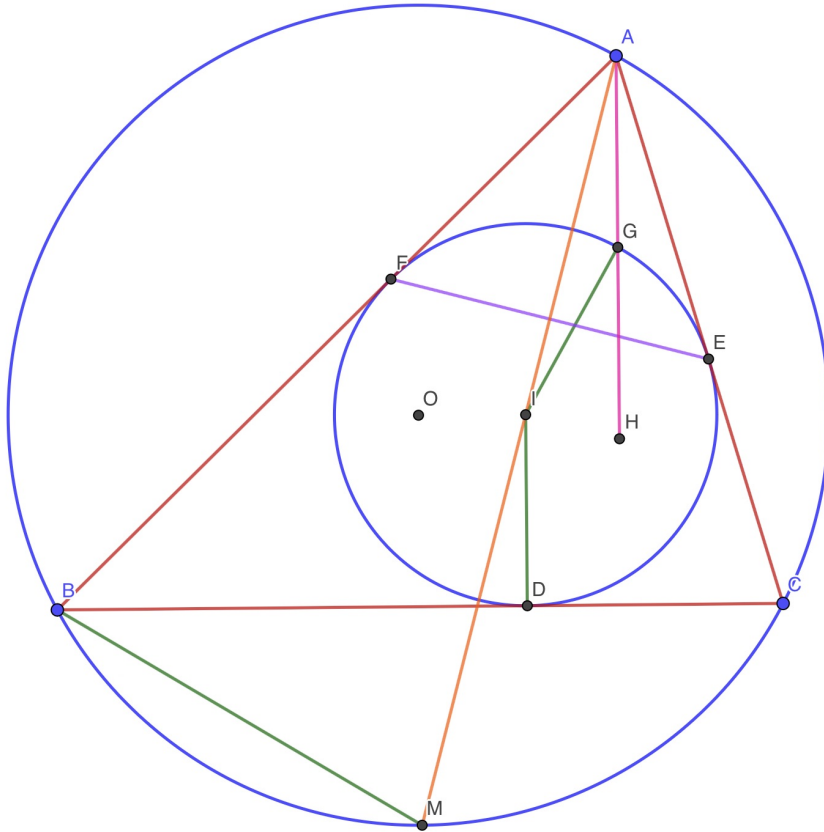


We see that  $AN$  intersects  $(ABC)$  at the point  $K$  such that  $(AK|BC) = -1$ . Consider a  $\sqrt{AH \cdot AD}$  inversion. We see that  $X \leftrightarrow Y$ ,  $N \leftrightarrow K$ , since  $EF \leftrightarrow (ABC)$ . We see that  $P, Q$  are the 2x homotheties of  $F, E$  about  $A$ . Let these points be  $F', E'$ . Note that  $H$  is on the perp bisectors of  $AF', AE'$  so  $H$  is the circumcenter of  $AF'E'$ , so  $H$  is on the perp bisector of  $F'E'$ . Thus,  $(XYF'E')$  or  $(PQKY)$ .

Radical Axis on  $(APQ)$ ,  $(PQKY)$ ,  $(ABC)$  gives  $AA \cap PQ \cap KY = J$ . Additionally, since  $\overline{KMA'}$ , we have  $\sphericalangle JYA = \sphericalangle KYA = \sphericalangle KA'A = \sphericalangle AA'R = \sphericalangle JRA$  so  $(JYAR)$ . We then have  $\sphericalangle AYR = \sphericalangle AJR = \sphericalangle B - \sphericalangle C$  and  $\sphericalangle AY'A = \sphericalangle ABA' = \sphericalangle B - \sphericalangle C$  so  $\overline{AY}$  as desired.

3.54 I on (AH) iff midpoint of H on incircle

**Problem 3.54** (Error: Not Found). Let  $ABC$  be an acute scalene triangle with orthocenter  $H$ . Prove that the midpoint of  $AH$  lies on the incircle of  $ABC$  if and only if the incenter of  $ABC$  lies on the circle with diameter  $AH$ .



We show both conditions imply  $AH = 2r$ . Let  $R = \frac{1}{2}$ . If I on (AH), then  $AM = \frac{AI}{AH}$ ,  $AI = \frac{r}{\sin(\frac{A}{2})}$ ,  
 $IM = \sin(\frac{A}{2}) \rightarrow AH = \frac{AI}{\sin(\frac{A}{2})} = \frac{\frac{r}{\sin(\frac{A}{2})}}{\sin(\frac{A}{2})} = \frac{r}{\sin^2(\frac{A}{2})} = \frac{2r}{1 - \cos A} = \cos A \rightarrow \cos A = \frac{2r}{2r + 1 - \cos A} \rightarrow \cos A = 2r (AH = 2r)$ .

If the midpoint of AH is on the incircle, then

$\cos(\frac{A}{2} + C - 90) = AM = \frac{AI^2 + AG^2 - IG^2}{2AI \cdot IG}$ . We have  $AI = \frac{r}{\sin(\frac{A}{2})}$ ,  $AG = \frac{\cos A}{2}$ ,  $IG = r$ .

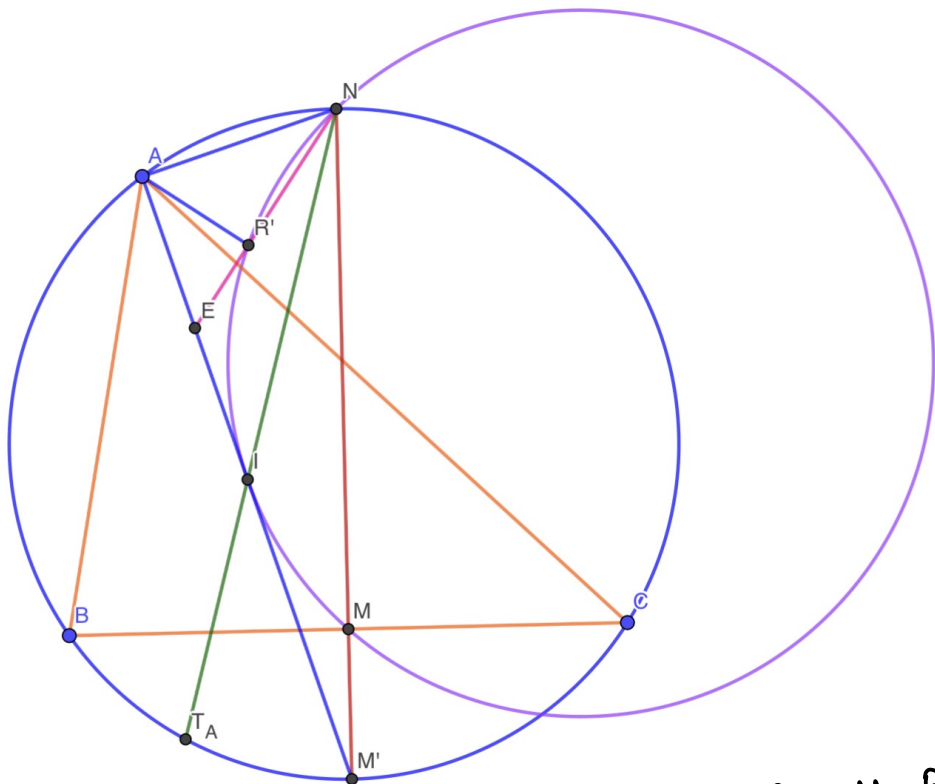
Thus,  $(\frac{r}{\sin(\frac{A}{2})} + \sin(\frac{A}{2})) \cdot \frac{r}{\sin(\frac{A}{2})} \cos A = \frac{r^2}{\sin^2(\frac{A}{2})} + \frac{\cos^2 A}{4} - r^2$ , or  $(\frac{2r + 1 - \cos A}{1 - \cos A}) r \cos A = \frac{2r^2}{1 - \cos A} + \frac{\cos^2 A}{4} - r^2$

Simplifying,  $r^2(\cos A - 1) + r \cos A(1 - \cos A) = \frac{\cos^2 A(1 - \cos A)}{4} \rightarrow r^2 - r \cos A + \frac{\cos^2 A}{4} = 0$  or  $r = \frac{\cos A}{2} \rightarrow AH = 2r$ .

Thus, the 2 conditions are equivalent as desired.

3.55 IGO Advanced 2020/2

**Problem 3.55** (IGO Advanced 2020/2). Let  $\triangle ABC$  be an acute-angled triangle with its incenter  $I$ . Suppose that  $N$  is the midpoint of the arc  $\widehat{BAC}$  of the circumcircle of triangle  $\triangle ABC$ , and  $P$  is a point such that  $ABPC$  is a parallelogram. Let  $Q$  be the reflection of  $A$  over  $N$  and  $R$  the projection of  $A$  on  $\overline{QI}$ . Show that the line  $\overline{AI}$  is tangent to the circumcircle of triangle  $\triangle PQR$ .

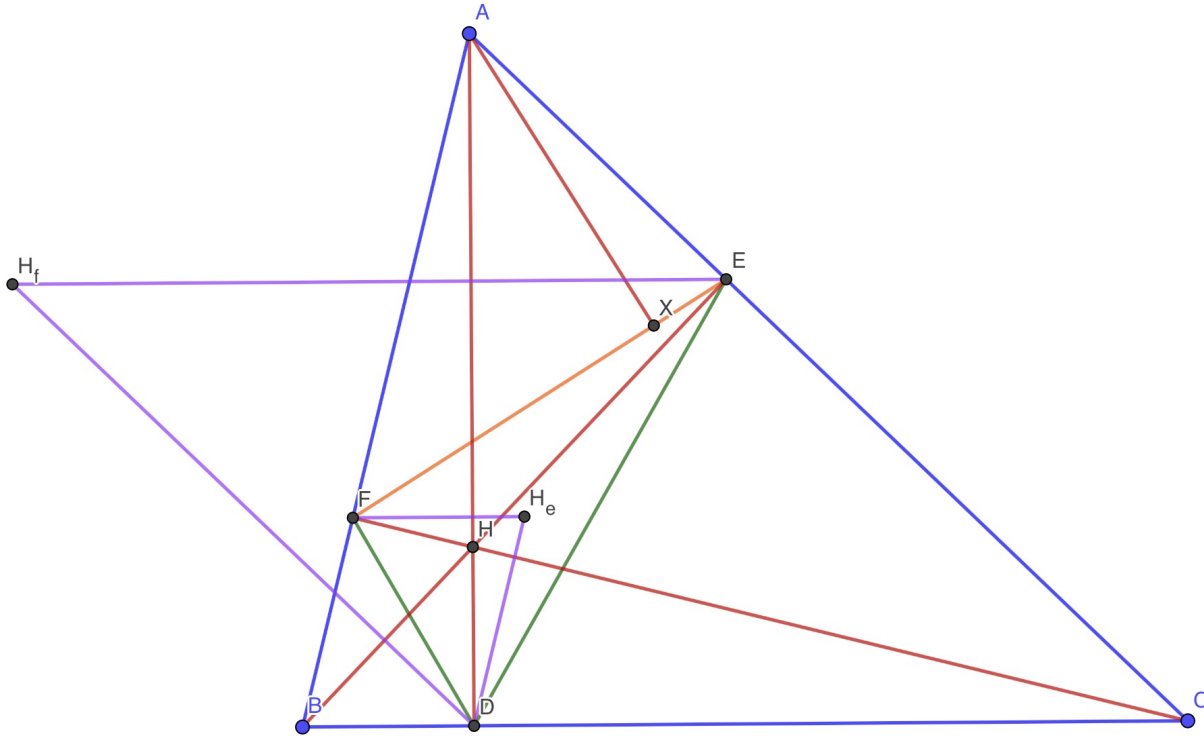


Take a  $\frac{1}{2}$  homothety at  $A$ . Then  $P \rightarrow M$ ,  $Q \rightarrow N$ ,  $R \rightarrow$  proj of  $A$  onto  $EN$ , where  $E$  is the midpoint of  $AI$ . Thus,  $ER' \cdot EN = EA^2 = EI^2$ , so  $AM'$  is tangent to  $(R'NI)$ . Note that  $IM'^2 = M'B^2 = M'M \cdot M'N$ , so  $AM'$  is tangent to  $(INM)$ . Thus,  $R', M$  are both on the unique circle through  $I, N$  tangent to  $AM'$ , so we have  $(MNR'I)$  tangent to  $AI \rightarrow (PQR)$  tangent to  $AI$  by homothety.



3.56 AOPS user jayme HeHf perp DX

**Problem 3.56** (AoPS user jayme). Let  $ABC$  be an acute triangle with orthocenter  $H$ ,  $DEF$  as the orthic triangle, and  $X$  as the foot from  $A$  to  $\overline{EF}$ .  $H_e$  and  $H_f$  are the orthocenters of  $\triangle HFD$ ,  $\triangle HED$  respectively. Prove that  $\overline{H_eH_f} \perp \overline{DX}$ .

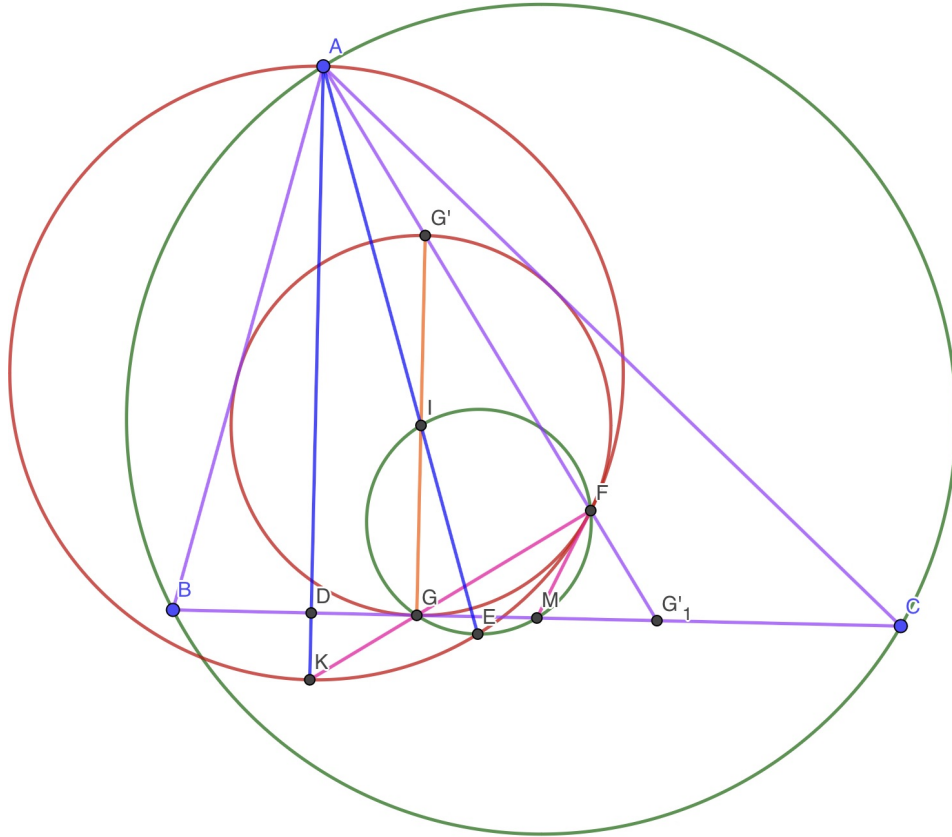


We have  $D = \frac{1}{2}(a+b+c - \frac{bc}{a})$ ,  $E = \frac{1}{2}(a+b+c - \frac{ac}{b})$ ,  $F = \frac{1}{2}(a+b+c - \frac{ab}{c})$ .  
 The altitude from  $A$  to  $EF$  is  $X = \frac{(\bar{e} - \bar{f})(a) + \frac{e-f}{a} + \bar{e}f - e\bar{f}}{2(\bar{e} - \bar{f})}$ .  
 Simplifying,  $X = \frac{a^2b + a^2c - ab^2 - ac^2 + b^2c + bc^2 + 2abc}{4bc}$ , so  $D - X = \frac{(a-b)(a-c)(ab+ac+2bc)}{4abc}$   
 we have  $H_e - H_f = (f+b-d) - (d+e-c) = (c-b) \left( \frac{ab+ac+2bc}{2bc} \right)$ .  
 Thus,  $\frac{D-X}{H_e-H_f} = \frac{(a-b)(a-c)}{2a(c-b)}$ ,  $\frac{D-X}{H_e-H_f} = (c-b) \left( \frac{ab+ac+2bc}{2bc} \right)$  as desired.



3.57 Japan 2019/4

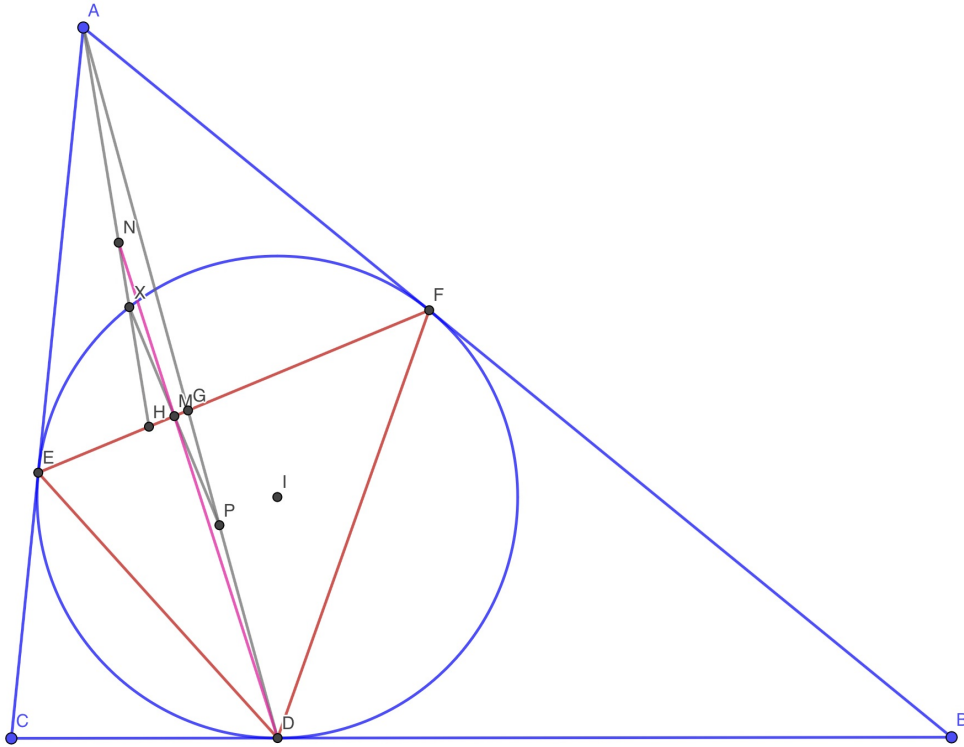
**Problem 3.57** (Japan 2019/4). Let  $ABC$  be a triangle with its incenter  $I$ , incircle  $w$ , and let  $M$  be a midpoint of the side  $BC$ . A line through the point  $A$  perpendicular to the line  $BC$  and a line through the point  $M$  perpendicular to the line  $AI$  meet at  $K$ . Show that a circle with line segment  $AK$  as the diameter touches  $w$ .



Let  $G'$  be the antipode of  $G$ , and  $F$  be the intersection of  $AG'$  and the incircle.  
 Let  $K$  be  $FG \cap AD$ , so note  $(FG'G)$  and  $(AFK)$  are tangent by homothety, and that  $\angle AFK = 90^\circ$ .  
 Now we just need to prove  $MK \perp AI$ . Let  $E = (AK) \cap (IM)$  ( $MG, MF$  are tangents to the incircle). Note  
 $\angle EIG = \angle KFG = \angle KAG \Rightarrow \overline{AIE}$ , and since  $\angle AEG = \angle IEM = \angle AEM = 90^\circ$ ,  $\overline{MEK}$  is so  $MK \perp AI$  as desired.

3.58 Brazil 2013/6

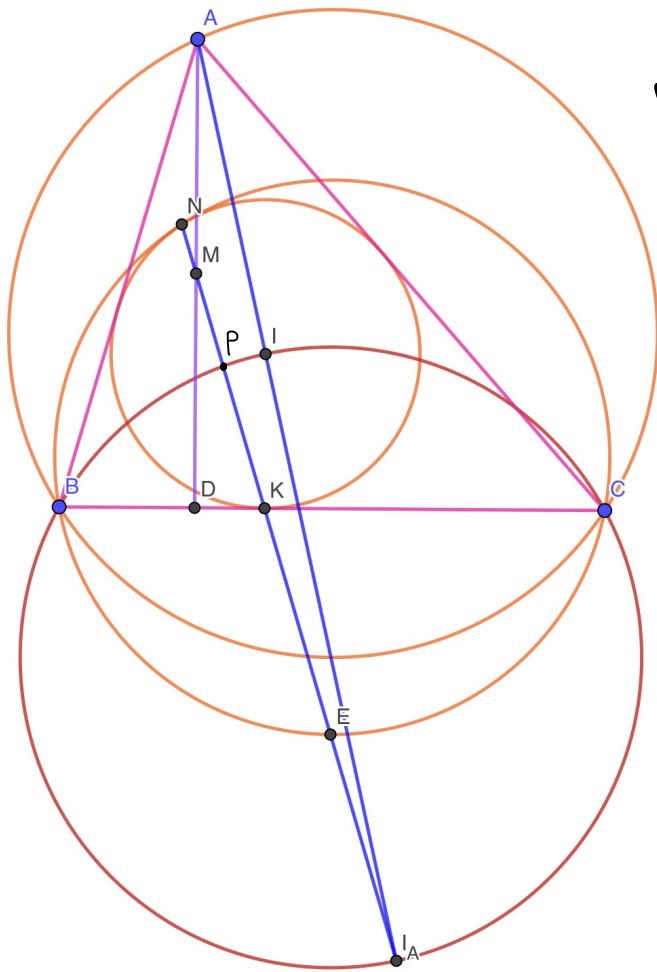
**Problem 3.58** (Brazil 2013/6). The incircle of triangle  $ABC$  touches sides  $BC, CA$  and  $AB$  at points  $D, E$  and  $F$ , respectively. Let  $P$  be the intersection of lines  $AD$  and  $BE$ . The reflections of  $P$  with respect to  $EF, FD$  and  $DE$  are  $X, Y$  and  $Z$ , respectively. Prove that lines  $AX, BY$  and  $CZ$  are concurrent at a point on line  $IO$ , where  $I$  and  $O$  are the incenter and circumcenter of triangle  $ABC$ .



Note  $P$  is the Gergonne point, so  $(AP;GD) \stackrel{M}{=} (AX;HN) = -1$ , where  $N = DM \cap AX$ .  
 Note  $(XP;M\infty) \stackrel{?}{=} (XA;ND) = -1$ , so  $DH \parallel XP$ , so  $H$  is the foot of the altitude from  $D$  to  $EF$ . The orthic triangle of  $DEF$  is homothetic to  $ABC$  (which gives the desired).

3.59 ISL 2002 G7

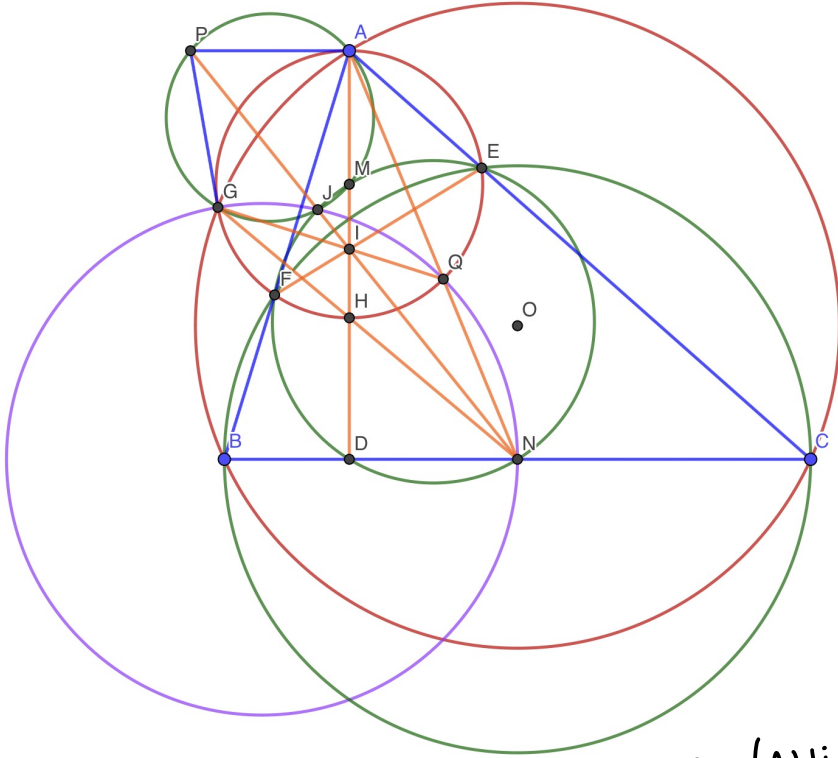
**Problem 3.59** (ISL 2002 G7). The incircle  $\Omega$  of the acute-angled triangle  $ABC$  is tangent to its side  $BC$  at a point  $K$ . Let  $AD$  be an altitude of triangle  $ABC$ , and let  $M$  be the midpoint of the segment  $AD$ . If  $N$  is the common point of the circle  $\Omega$  and the line  $KM$  (distinct from  $K$ ), then prove that the incircle  $\Omega$  and the circumcircle of triangle  $BCN$  are tangent to each other at the point  $N$ .



Let the midpoint of  $KA$  be  $E$ .  
 We have  $(BNCE)$  since  $NK \cdot KE = PK \cdot KA$   
 $= BK \cdot KC$ .  
 Note that  $BE = EC$ , since  $K, I, A$  are symmetric  
 about the midpoint of  $BC$ . By shooting  
 lemma, since our circle goes through  
 $N$  and is tangent to  $BC$  at  $K$ , we see  
 it is also tangent to  $(NBC)$  as  $\overline{NKE}$ .

3.60 USA TSTST 2016/2

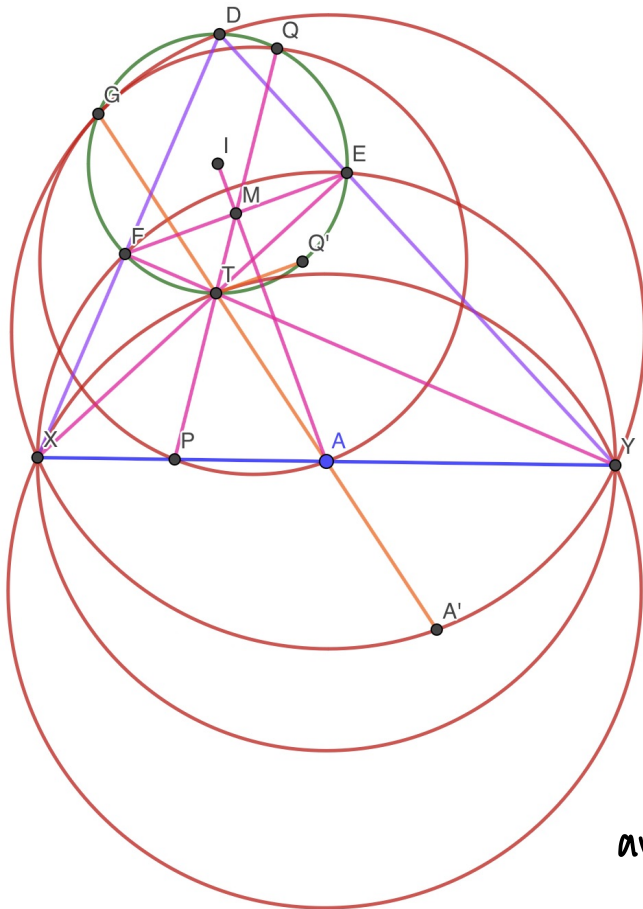
**Problem 3.60** (USA TSTST 2016/2). Let  $ABC$  be a scalene triangle with orthocenter  $H$  and circumcenter  $O$ . Denote by  $M, N$  the midpoints of  $\overline{AH}, \overline{BC}$ . Suppose the circle  $\gamma$  with diameter  $\overline{AH}$  meets the circumcircle of  $ABC$  at  $G \neq A$ , and meets line  $AN$  at a point  $Q \neq A$ . The tangent to  $\gamma$  at  $G$  meets line  $OM$  at  $P$ . Show that the circumcircles of  $\triangle GNQ$  and  $\triangle MBC$  intersect at a point  $T$  on  $\overline{PN}$ .



We see that  $P = AA \cap GG$ . Let  $I = EF \cap MD$ , so  $(AH, ID) = -1 \rightarrow \text{since } \angle AGH = 90^\circ$ ,  
 $\angle IGH = \angle NGD = \angle DAN = \angle HAQ \rightarrow \overline{GIQ}$ . PASCALS on  $AAQGGH$  gives  $\overline{PIN}$ .  
 Let  $J = PN \cap (MEFN)$ , so  $FI \cdot IE = JI \cdot IN = GI \cdot IQ \rightarrow (GJQN)$ .  
 We also have  $(PAMJG)$  since  $\angle MJN = \angle PJM = 90^\circ$ .  
 Thus, radical axis on  $(PAG), (AEF), (MEF)$  gives  $AG \cap MJN \cap EF \cap BC$ , and by  $POAP$ , we see that  $(MJBC)$ , as  
 desired. (since  $G$  is queue point)

3.61 CAMO 2020/3

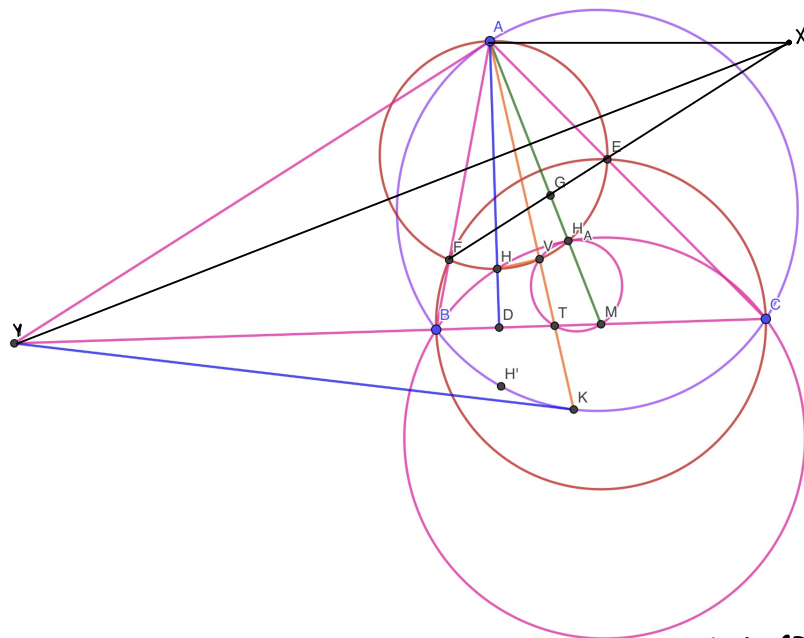
**Problem 3.61** (CAMO 2020/3). Let  $ABC$  be a triangle with incircle  $\omega$ , and let  $\omega$  touch  $\overline{BC}, \overline{CA}, \overline{AB}$  at  $D, E, F$  respectively. Point  $M$  is the midpoint of  $EF$ , and  $T$  is the point on  $\omega$  such that  $\overline{DT}$  is a diameter of  $\omega$ . Line  $\overline{MT}$  meets the line through  $A$  parallel to  $\overline{BC}$  at  $P$  and  $\omega$  again at  $Q$ . Lines  $\overline{DF}$  and  $\overline{DE}$  intersect line  $AP$  at  $X$  and  $Y$  respectively. Prove that the circumcircles of  $\triangle APQ$  and  $\triangle DXY$  are tangent.



Let  $DXY$  be the reference triangle. Note that we have  $AF = AG = AX = AY$ , so  $\angle XEY = \angle XFY = 90^\circ$ , so we have  $T = YF \cap XE$ .  
 $G$  is the Qveve point, so  $\angle FQT = \angle FET = \angle FYP \rightarrow (PYQF), (XPEQ)$ . Thus,  
 $PT \cdot TQ = YF \cdot TF = AX \cdot TG \rightarrow (APGQ)$ .  
 $\angle GTF = \angle ATY = \angle XTP = \angle QTE \rightarrow GQ \parallel FE$ .  
 We have  $AT = AQ'$ , where  $Q' = AQ \cap (DEF)$ .  
 So,  $TQ' \parallel EF$ , so  $TQ'$  is tangent to  $(TXY)$ , as  $\angle Q'TY = \angle EFY = \angle TXY$ .  
 Inverting about  $(EFXY), (DGYX) \rightarrow (TXY)$  and  $(APQG) \rightarrow TQ'$ , as desired.

3.62 AQGO 2020/6

**Problem 3.62** (AQGO 2020/6). Let  $\triangle ABC$  be a triangle with orthocenter  $H$  and  $\overline{BH}$  meet  $\overline{AC}$  at  $E$  and  $\overline{CH}$  meet  $\overline{AB}$  at  $F$ . Let  $\overline{EF}$  intersect the line through  $A$  parallel to  $\overline{BC}$  at  $X$  and the tangent to  $(ABC)$  at  $A$  intersect  $\overline{BC}$  at  $Y$ . Let  $\overline{XY}$  intersect  $AB$  at  $P$  and let  $XY$  meet  $AC$  at  $Q$ . Let  $O$  be the circumcenter of  $\triangle APQ$  and  $\overline{AO}$  meet  $\overline{BC}$  at  $T$ . Let  $V$  be the projection of  $H$  on  $\overline{AT}$  and  $M$  be the midpoint of  $BC$ . Then prove that  $(BHC)$  and  $(TVM)$  are tangent to each other.

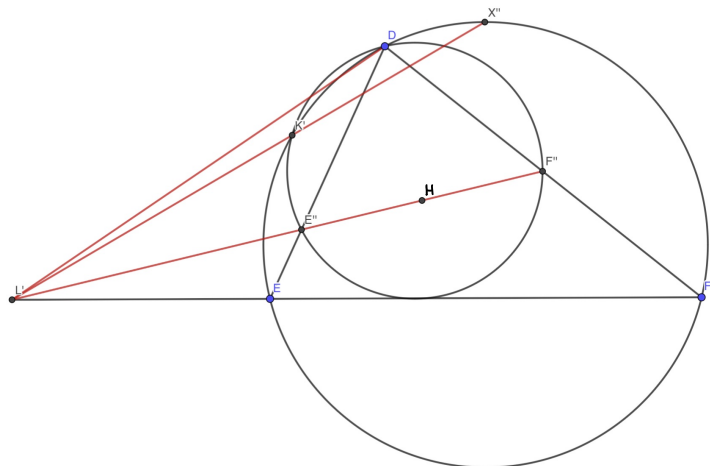
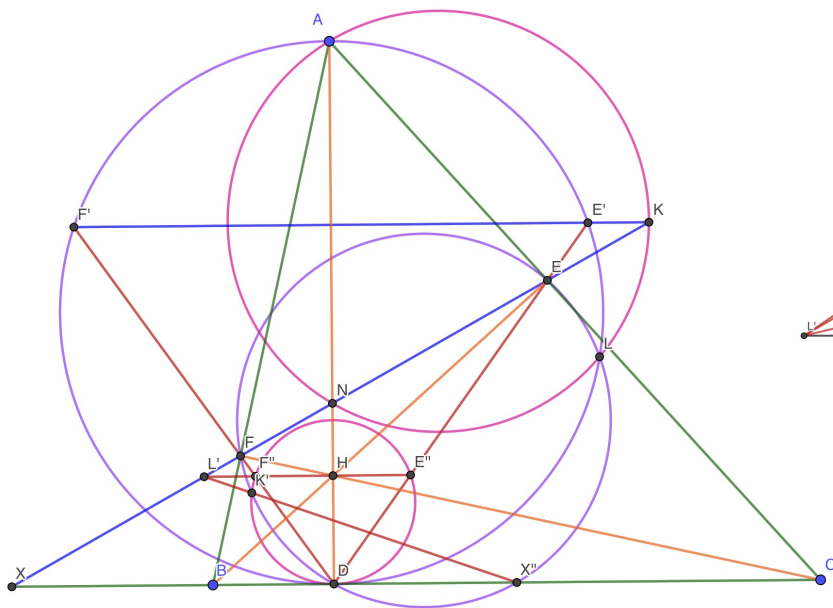


Theorem 1.4.13 gives  $AH_A$  has perp bisector  $XY$ , thus,  $PQ \perp AM$ , so  $AO$  is the symmedian of  $ABC$ . Note that  $(HVT)$ ,  $(HDMH_A)$  are cyclic so by  $POAP$ ,  $(VH_A MT)$ . So we wish to show  $(H_A VM)$  is tangent to  $(BMAC)$  at  $H_A$ . What about  $(BCEF)$ . Note that  $(Y T_j BC) = -1$ , so  $Y$  and  $T$  swap ( $Y = AA \cap KK$ ). So,  $(H_A MT) \leftrightarrow YA$ , which is tangent to  $(BMAC)$  as desired.



3.63 i3435 X, D, L, K cyclic

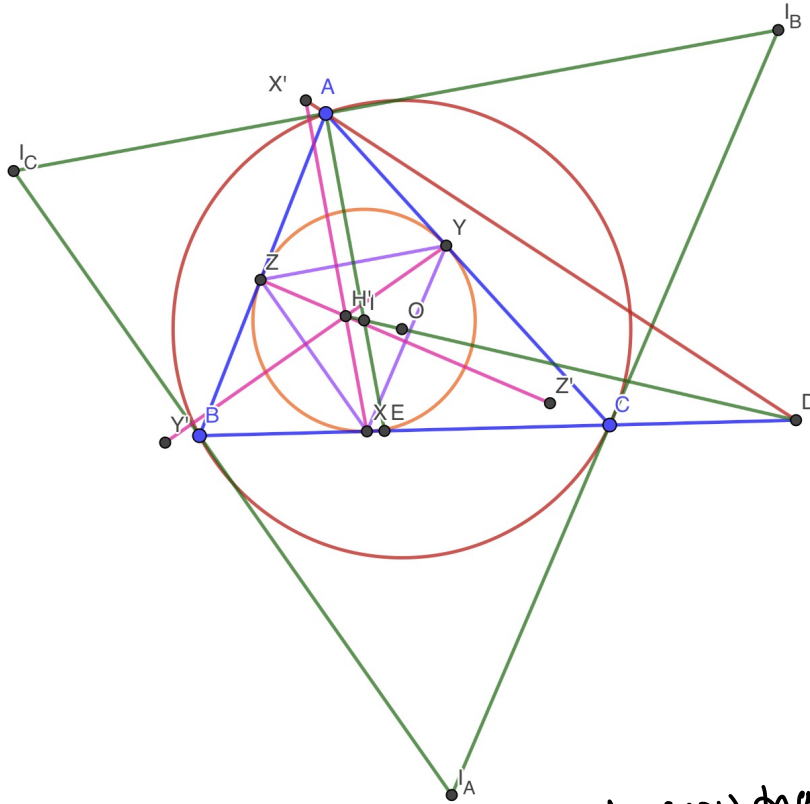
**Problem 3.63** (Myself (i3435)). Let  $ABC$  be a triangle such that the foot of the altitude from  $A$  to  $\overline{BC}$  is  $D$ , the foot of the altitude from  $B$  to  $\overline{AC}$  is  $E$ , and the foot of the altitude from  $C$  to  $\overline{AB}$  is  $F$ . Let  $X = \overline{EF} \cap \overline{BC}$ . Let the circle with diameter  $AD$  hit  $\overline{DE}$  at  $E'$ ,  $\overline{DF}$  at  $F'$ , and  $(DEF)$  at the non- $D$  point  $L$ . Let  $\overline{GI} \cap \overline{EF} = K$ . Then prove that  $X, D, L, K$  are concyclic.



Consider  $\triangle DEF$  as our reference triangle and perform a  $\sqrt{bc}$  inversion. Note that  $DE' = DF'$ . We have  $EF \leftrightarrow (DEF)$  so  $X \leftrightarrow X''$  (midpoint of arc  $EF$ ). We have  $(AD) \leftrightarrow$  the line through  $H$  parallel to  $BC$  (since  $\overleftrightarrow{BC} \leftrightarrow \overleftrightarrow{BC}$  and  $DH \cdot DA = DE \cdot DF$ ). Then,  $E'' \leftrightarrow l \cap DE$  and  $F'' \leftrightarrow l \cap DF$ . We have  $K' = (DE''F'') \cap (DEF)$  and  $L' = E''F'' \cap EF$  ( $K'$  and  $L'$  are the inverted  $K, L$ ). By configs, we have,  $L'K'X''$  as desired. (Let this line be  $l$ )

3.64 Romania TST 2009 Day 3 P3

**Problem 3.64** (Romania TST 2009 Day 3 P3). Let  $ABC$  be a non-isosceles triangle, in which  $X, Y,$  and  $Z$  are the tangency points of the incircle of center  $I$  with sides  $BC, CA$  and  $AB$  respectively. Denoting by  $O$  the circumcircle of  $\triangle ABC$ , line  $OI$  meets  $BC$  at a point  $D$ . The perpendicular dropped from  $X$  to  $YZ$  intersects  $AD$  at  $E$ . Prove that  $YZ$  is the perpendicular bisector of  $[EX]$ .



Let  $X'$  be the reflection of  $X$  over  $YZ$ . We show that  $\frac{X'H'}{XH'} = \frac{AI}{IE}$  in order to show that  $AX \cap H'I \cap XE = D$ . We have  $\frac{X'H'}{XH'} = \frac{(2 \times \text{height of } X'YZ) - XH'}{XH'} \cdot \frac{YZ}{YZ}$

$$= \frac{(2 \times \text{area}) - XH' \cdot YZ}{XH' \cdot YZ} = \frac{2r^2(\sin(2x) + \sin(2y) + \sin(2z))}{2r \sin x \cdot 2r \cos x} - 1 = \frac{\sin(2y) + \sin(2z)}{\sin(2x)}$$

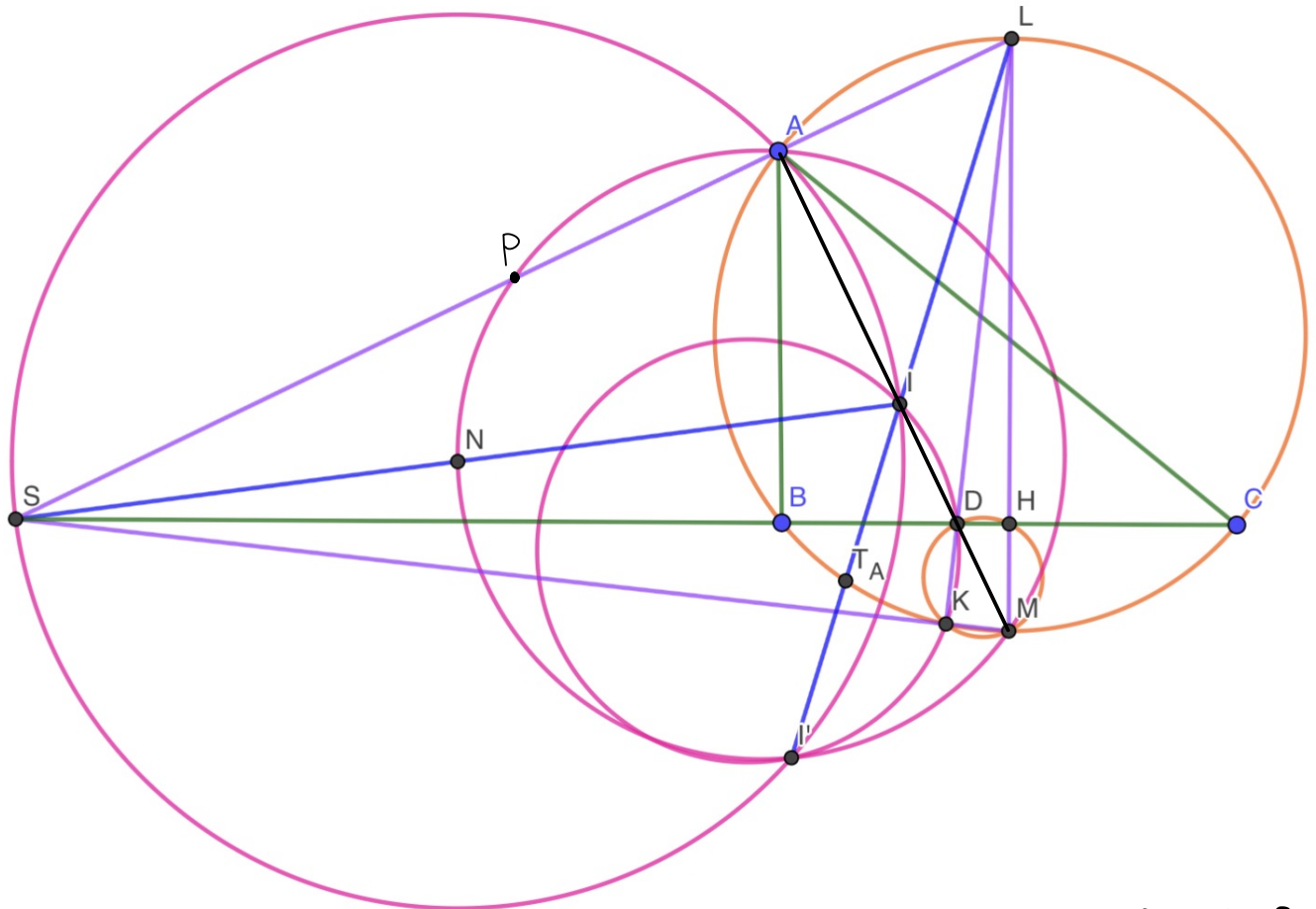
And  $\frac{AI}{IE} = \frac{\sin B + \sin C}{\sin A}$  (mass points) =  $\frac{\sin(2y) + \sin(2z)}{\sin(2x)}$  as desired.



3.65 2017 USAMO P3 MAN and KID

**Problem 3.65** (2017 USAMO P3). Let  $ABC$  be a scalene triangle with circumcircle  $\Omega$  and incenter  $I$ . Ray  $AI$  meets  $\overline{BC}$  at  $D$  and meets  $\Omega$  again at  $M$ ; the circle with diameter  $DM$  cuts  $\Omega$  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  $\Omega$  passes through  $L_1$  or  $L_2$ .

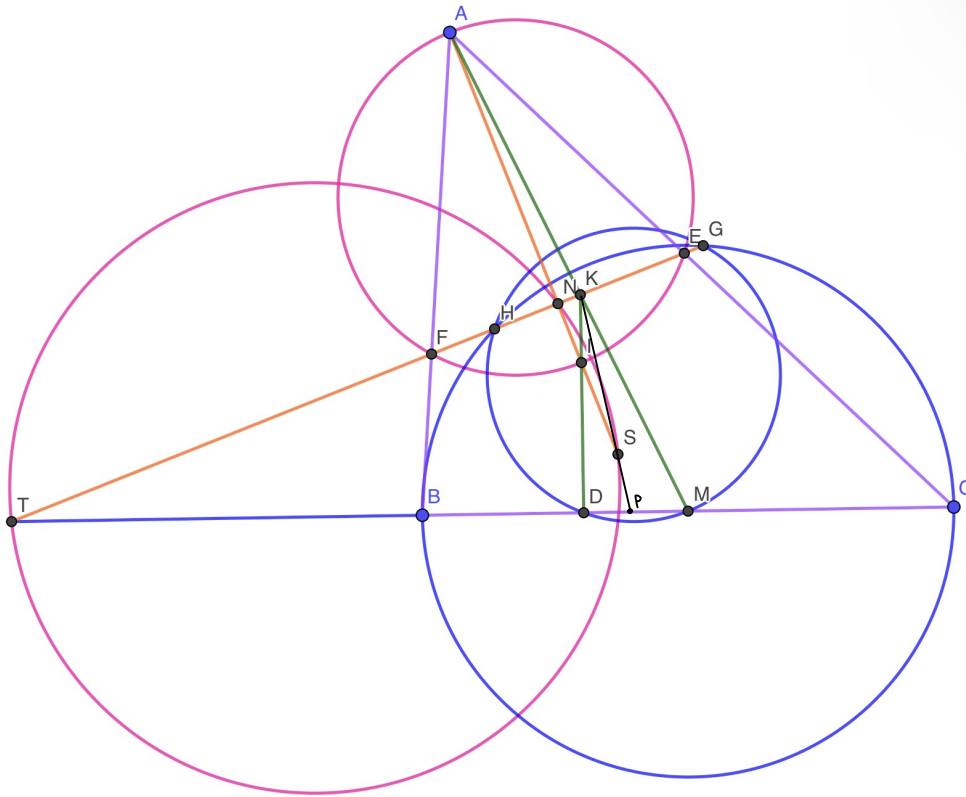
the midpoint of  $IL_1$  or  $I$



we have  $\overline{IAS}$ , since  $K = LD \cap (ABC)$ , since  $MA \perp LA$ , we have  $LA \cap DH \cap KM = S$ , so  $(H = LM \cap BC)$ . let  $I' = (IBC) \cap AI$ . we also have  $LD \cdot LK = LI \cdot LI' = LI^2 \rightarrow (IDKI')$ , by configs. we also let  $\angle AMN = x$  and  $\angle ALTA = x \rightarrow \angle AIT_A = 90^\circ - x$  so  $\angle ANI' = 180^\circ - 2x \rightarrow \angle AI'N = x$ . Thus,  $(MANI')$ . since  $T_A$  is the midpoint of  $II'$ , we are done.

3.66 Taiwan TST 2015 Round 3 Quiz 3 P2

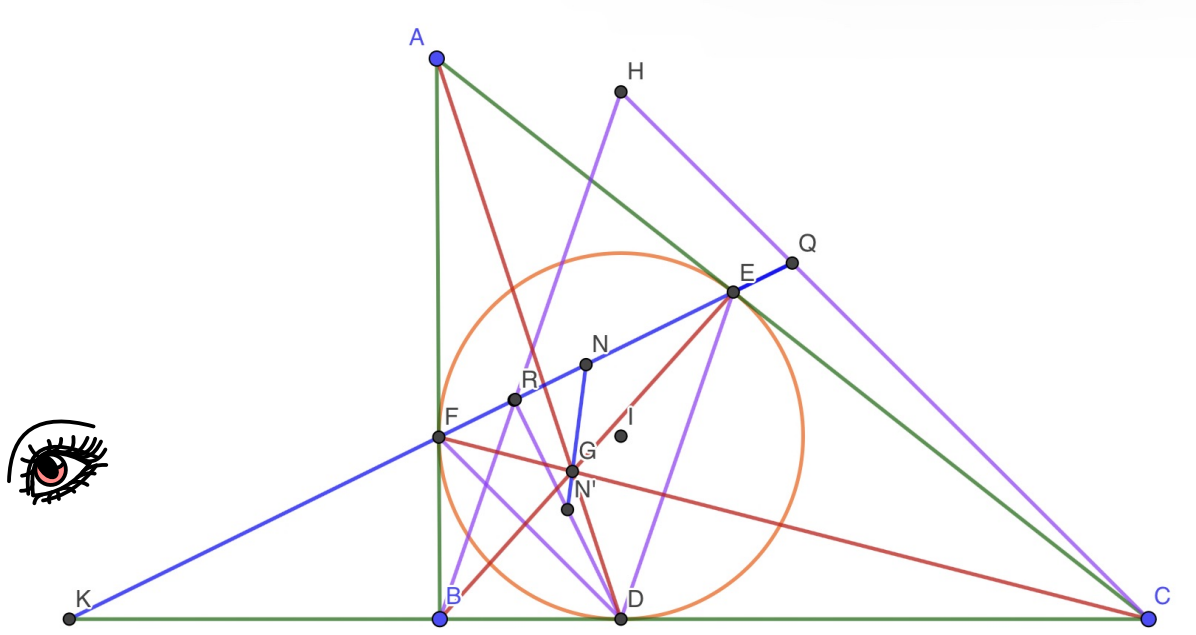
**Problem 3.66** (Taiwan TST 2015 Round 3 Quiz 3 P2). In a scalene triangle  $ABC$  with incenter  $I$ , the incircle is tangent to sides  $CA$  and  $AB$  at points  $E$  and  $F$ . The tangents to the circumcircle of triangle  $AEF$  at  $E$  and  $F$  meet at  $S$ . Lines  $EF$  and  $BC$  intersect at  $T$ . Prove that the circle with diameter  $ST$  is orthogonal to the nine-point circle of triangle  $BIC$ .



We have  $(A; I; NS) \stackrel{K}{=} (MD; T, P) = -1$ . and  $(TK; H; G)$  ( $G, H$  are the feet from  $B, C$  to  $(C, B)$ )  $\stackrel{I}{=} (TD; BC) = -1$ . Thus,  $T$  is on the polar of  $S$  wrt  $(DM; GH)$ , (since  $S$  is on  $KP$ ). Thus, we know that the circle with diameter  $ST$  is orthogonal to the 9 point circle

3.67 Modified Iran TST 2009/9

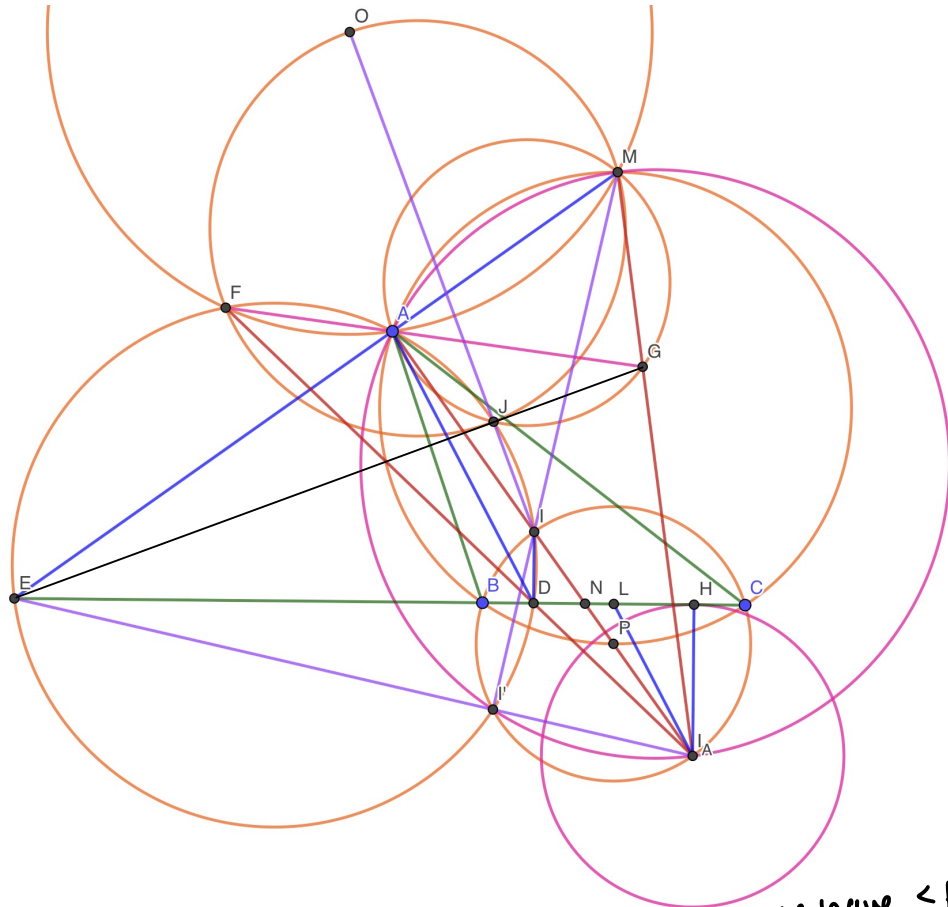
**Problem 3.67** (Modified Iran TST 2009/9). Let  $\triangle ABC$  have incenter  $I$  and contact triangle  $DEF$ . Let  $H$  be the orthocenter of  $\triangle BIC$ , and let  $P$  be the foot from  $D$  to  $\overline{EF}$ . If the midpoint of  $EF$  is  $N$ , the midpoint of  $DP$  is  $N^*$ , and  $G_e$  is the gergonne point of  $\triangle ABC$ , then prove that  $N^* - G_e - N - H$ .



Note by Iran lemma,  $R = CI \cap EF$ ,  $Q = BI \cap EF$  and are the feet of the altitudes. Thus,  $H$  is  $BP \cap CQ$ . Also, since  $I$  is the circumcenter of  $\triangle BIC$ , it is the center of  $\triangle DPQ$ . By midpoints of altitudes, since  $IN \perp PQ$ ,  $H$  lies on  $N'I$ . Now, since  $N, I, N'$  is the Simson line of  $\triangle DEF$ , we know that  $\overline{HN'GN}$  as desired.

3.68 POGCHAMP 6

**Problem 3.68** (POGCHAMP 6). Triangle  $ABC$  has incenter  $I$ ,  $A$ -excenter  $I_A$ , and let  $D$  be the foot of  $I$  onto  $BC$ .  $M$  is the midpoint of arc  $\widehat{BAC}$  in  $\odot(ABC)$ ,  $MA$  intersects  $BC$  at  $E$ , and line  $I_A D$  intersects  $\odot(AID)$  again at  $F \neq D$ . Let  $O$  be the circumcenter of  $\triangle AMF$  and suppose the line through  $E$  perpendicular to  $OI$  meets  $MI_A$  at  $G$ . Find, with proof, the value of  $\frac{I_A G}{MG}$ .



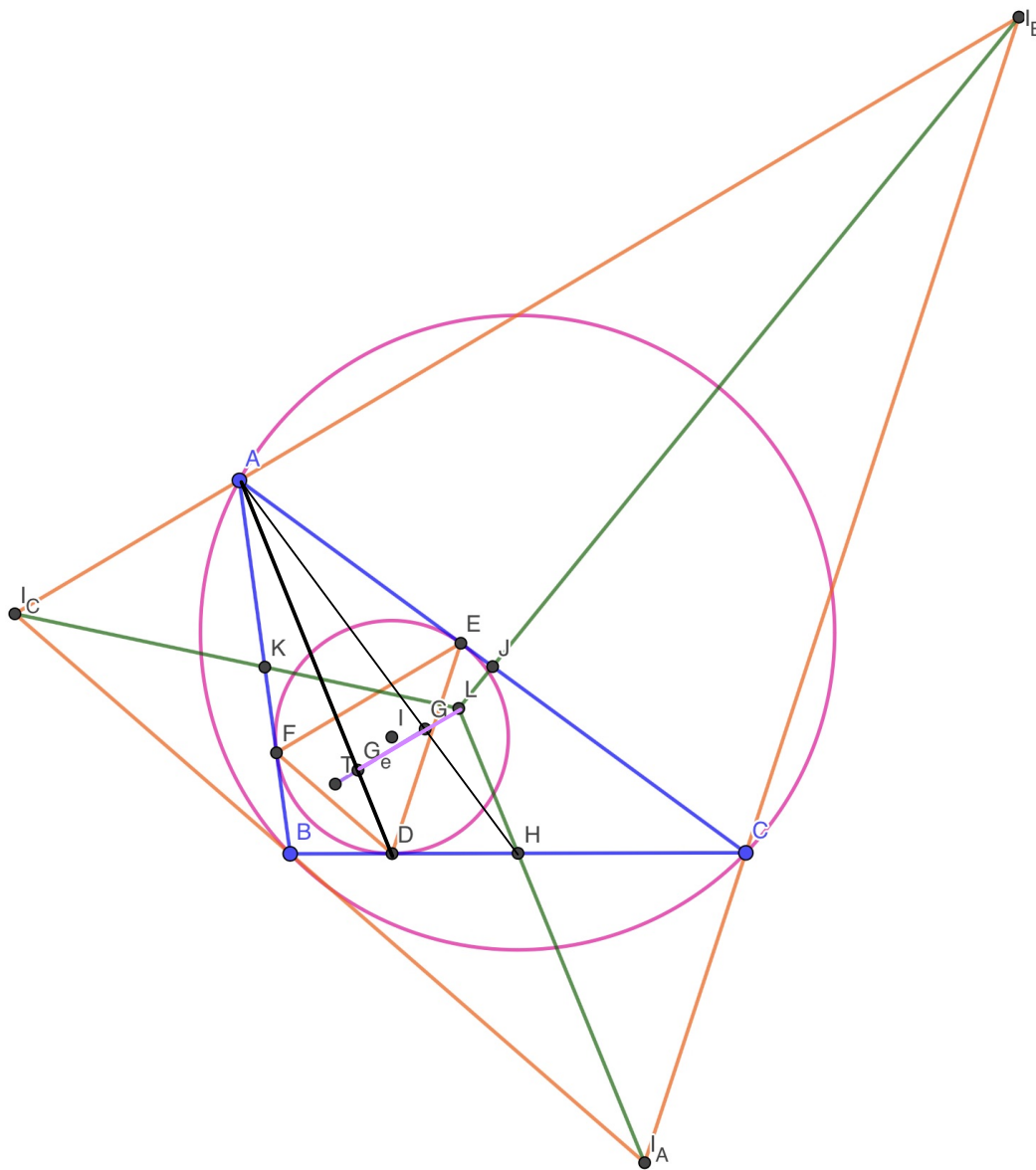
we have  $J = O \cap NEG$ , and  $\angle IJE = 90^\circ$  so  $J \in (AID)$ . we have  $\angle AJG = \angle AJE = \angle AI'E$   
 $= \angle AMI_A$  since  $(MAI'I_A)$  (by radical axis). we let  $\angle FAE = x$ , so  $\angle OJF = 90 - \angle FJE = 90 - x$ ,  
 and  $\angle FAM = 180 - x$ , so  $\angle FOM = 2x \rightarrow \angle OMF = \angle OFM = 90 - x$ , so  $(OMFJ)$ . thus,  $\angle OJF = \angle OJM$   
 so  $\angle FJE = \angle MJG = \angle FAE = \angle MAG \rightarrow \overline{FAG}$ . This problem can now be reduced  
 to a trig bash.

we have  $\frac{GI_A}{GM} = \frac{AI_A \sin \angle GAI_A}{AM \sin \angle MAG} = \frac{AI_A \sin \angle FAI_A}{AM \sin \angle FAE} = \frac{AI_A \sin \angle DIA}{AM \sin \angle DIA} = \frac{AI_A}{AM} \tan \angle DIAH$ . we prove

this is equal to 2. we have  $\frac{AI_A}{AI} = \frac{RA}{\sin(\frac{A}{2})}$ ,  $\frac{DH}{HI} = \frac{c-b}{RA}$ , so  $AI_A \tan \angle DIAH = \frac{c-b}{\sin(\frac{A}{2})}$ . we have  $AM = \cos(B + \frac{A}{2}) = \frac{NL}{NP}$   
 (let  $R = \frac{c}{2}$ )  
 $\frac{NP}{\sin(\frac{A}{2})} = \frac{NL}{\sin B} \rightarrow NP = \frac{NL \sin(\frac{A}{2})}{b}$ . thus,  $AM = \frac{NL \cdot b}{NL \sin(\frac{A}{2})} = \frac{c-b}{2 \sin(\frac{A}{2})}$ , as desired.

3.69 proglote T (nomothetic center) collinear with G and Ge

**Problem 3.69** (AoPS user proglote). Let  $T$  be the homothetic center of the intouch and ex-central triangle of a triangle  $ABC$ . Prove that  $T$  is collinear with the centroid of  $\triangle ABC$ ,  $G$  and the Gergonne Point of  $\triangle ABC$ ,  $Ge$ .

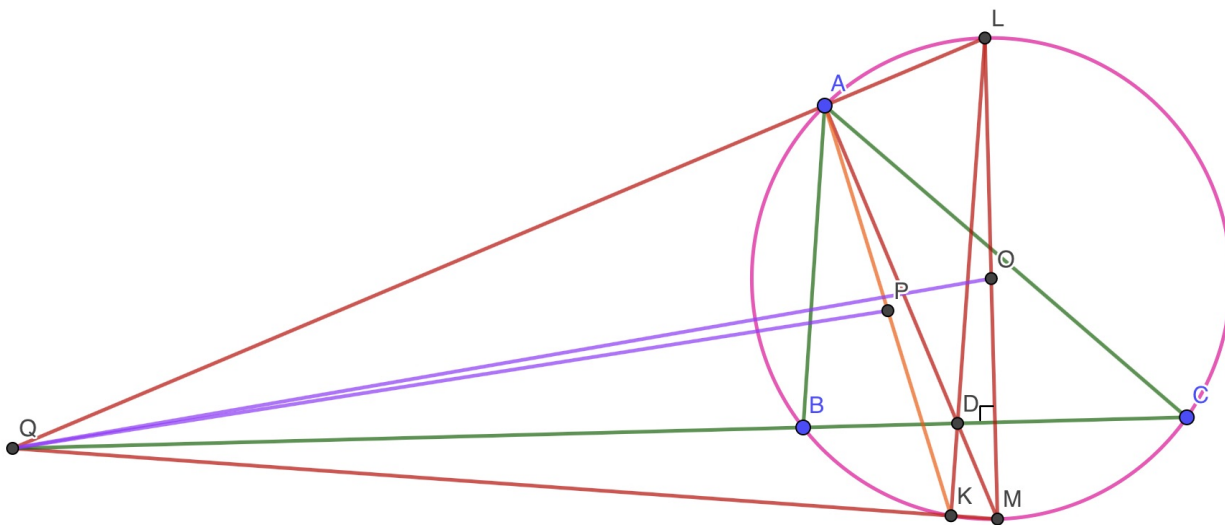


Notice that  $Ge$  is the symmedian point of  $DEF$ , and  $T$  is the symmedian point of  $I_A I_B I_C$ , so  $\overline{GeLT}$ .

Note  $G$  is the center of homothety that sends  $AD$  to  $H I_A$ ,  $J I_B$  to  $BE$ ,  $I_C K$  to  $CF$ , so it sends  $CF \cap AD \cap BE = Ge$  to  $I_C K \cap H I_A \cap J I_B$  to  $L$ , so  $\overline{GeGT} \rightarrow \overline{GeLT}$ .

3.70 2012 ELMO SL G7

**Problem 3.70** (2012 ELMO SL G7). Let  $\triangle ABC$  be an acute triangle with circumcenter  $O$  such that  $AB < AC$ , let  $Q$  be the intersection of the external bisector of  $\angle A$  with  $BC$ , and let  $P$  be a point in the interior of  $\triangle ABC$  such that  $\triangle BPA$  is similar to  $\triangle APC$ . Show that  $\angle QPA + \angle OQB = 90^\circ$ .

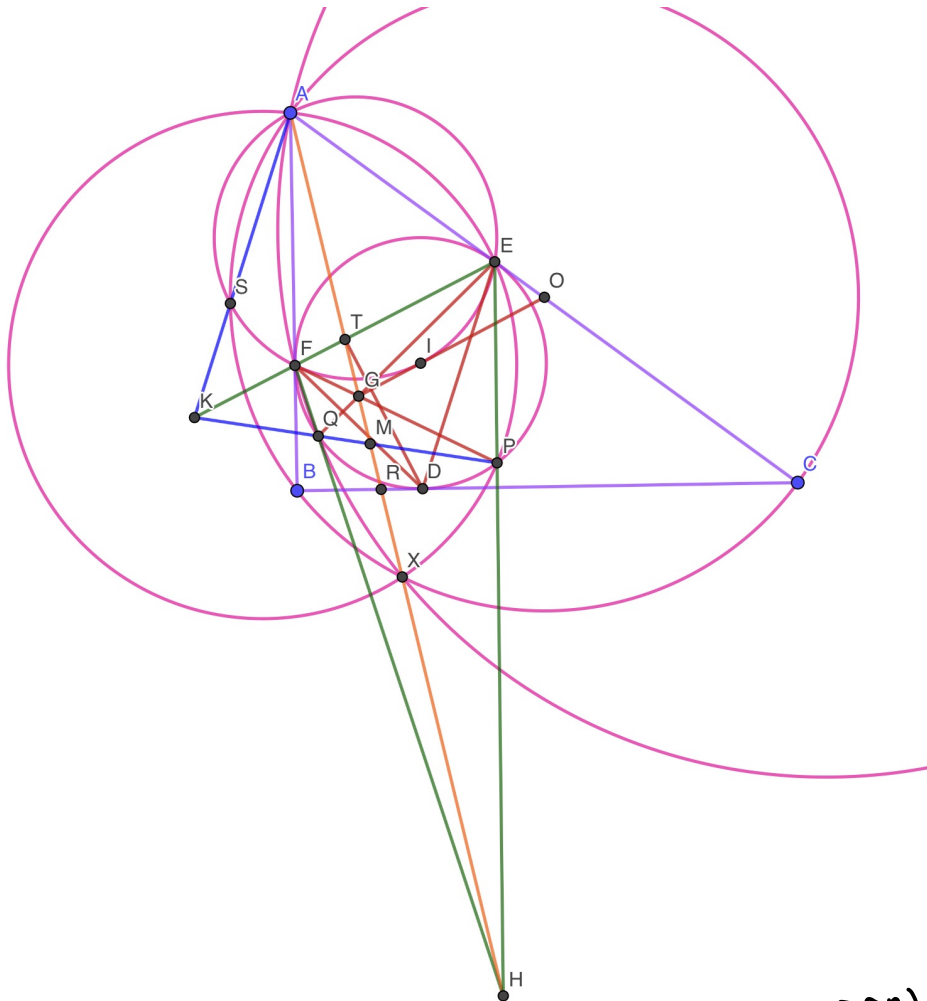


Note  $P$  is the Humpty Point, and let  $K = AP \cap (ABC)$ , so  $(AK|BC) = -1$ .  
 Additionally, by configs,  $\overline{QKM}$ , and  $BL \cap AM \cap LK$ , as if we let  $D = LK \cap BC$ ,  
 $(AK|BC) \stackrel{D}{=} (ML|BC) = -1 \rightarrow \overline{ALM}$ . Thus,  $Q$  is the circumcenter of  $\triangle LDM$ .  
 Thus,  $Q$  and  $O$  are isogonal conjugates w)  $\triangle QAK \sim \triangle QML$ .  
 Thus,  $\angle QPA = \angle QOM$ , and  $\angle QOM + \angle OQB = 90^\circ$  as desired.



3.71 Fake USAMO 2020/3

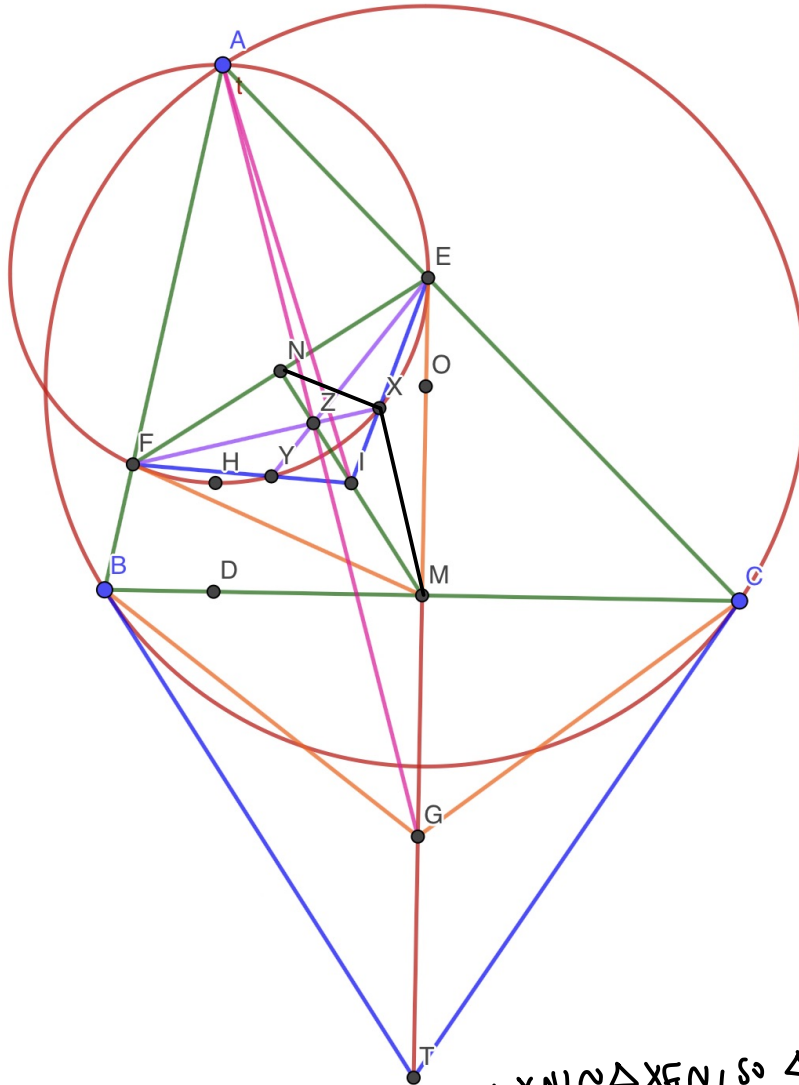
**Problem 3.71** (Fake USAMO 2020/3). Let  $\triangle ABC$  be a scalene triangle with circumcenter  $O$ , incenter  $I$ , and incircle  $\omega$ . Let  $\omega$  touch the sides  $\overline{BC}$ ,  $\overline{CA}$ , and  $\overline{AB}$  at points  $D$ ,  $E$ , and  $F$  respectively. Let  $T$  be the projection of  $D$  to  $\overline{EF}$ . The line  $AT$  intersects the circumcircle of  $\triangle ABC$  again at point  $X \neq A$ . The circumcircles of  $\triangle AEX$  and  $\triangle AFX$  intersect  $\omega$  again at points  $P \neq E$  and  $Q \neq F$  respectively. Prove that the lines  $EQ$ ,  $FP$ , and  $OI$  are concurrent.



Radical Axis gives us  $FQ \cap EP \cap AX = H$  (or Pascals on  $FFQEEP$ ). Now, notice that  $(K=ASNEF)$   $(KT;FE) \stackrel{H}{=} (KM;QP) = -1$ , so  $TM$  is the polar of  $K$ , or  $KI \perp AR$  and  $KH$  is the polar of  $G$  wrt the incircle (Brocard's on  $FEQP$ ). However, notice that  $KH$  is the radical axis of the incircle + circumcircle since  $KS \cdot KA = KF \cdot KE$  and  $HQ \cdot HF = HX \cdot HA$ , so  $KH \perp OI$ , and since  $KH \perp IG$ ,  $\overline{IOG}$ .

3.72 i3435 AZ bisects MT

**Problem 3.72** (Myself (i3435)). Let  $ABC$  be a triangle. Let  $E, F$  be the feet of the altitudes of  $\triangle ABC$  from  $B, C$  respectively. Let  $M$  be the midpoint of  $BC$  and let  $N$  be the midpoint of  $EF$ . Let  $X$  be the point such that  $\triangle XMN$  is similar and similarly oriented to  $\triangle XFE$ . Let  $Y$  be the point such that  $\triangle YMN$  is similar and similarly oriented to  $\triangle YEF$ . Let  $Z = \overline{FX} \cap \overline{EY}$  and let  $T$  be the intersection of the tangents to  $(ABC)$  at  $B$  and  $C$ . Prove  $\overline{AZ}$  bisects  $MT$ .

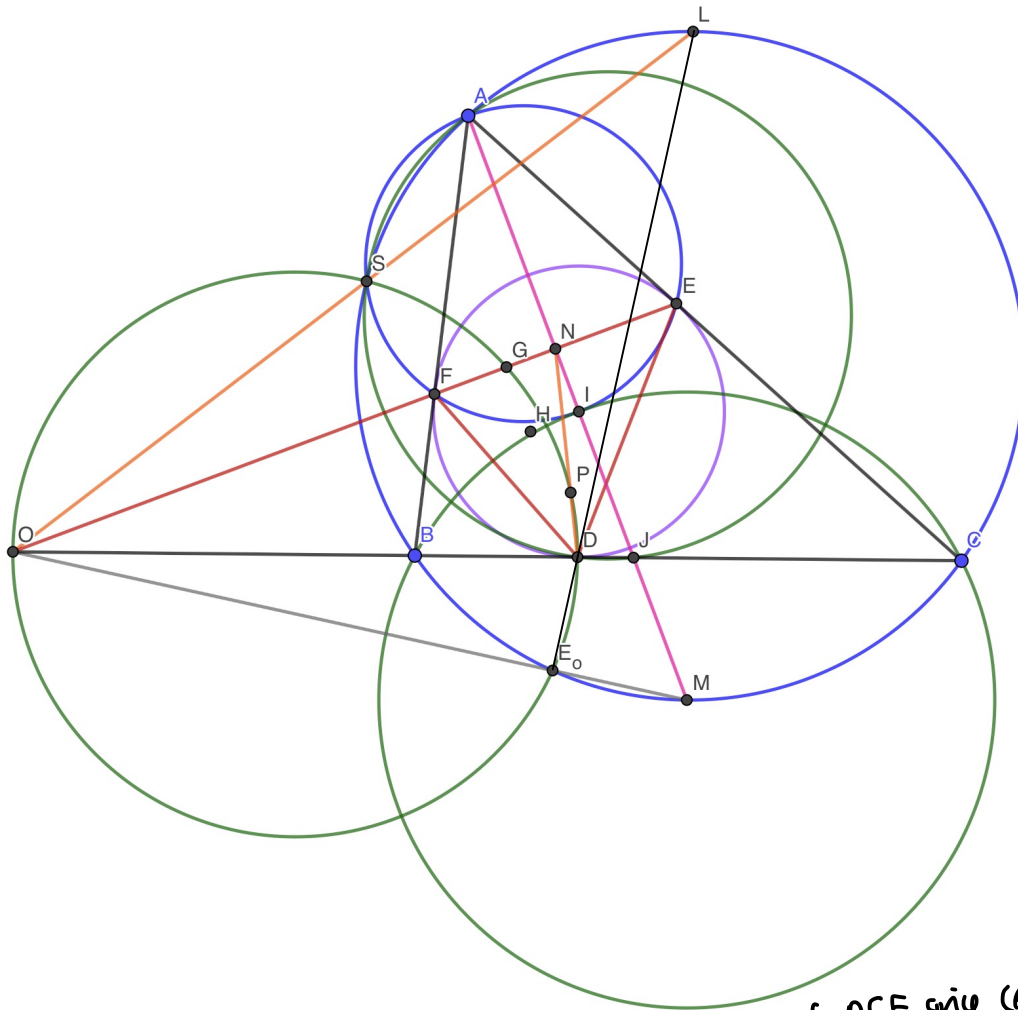


Let  $I$  be the midpoint of  $MN$ . Note  $\triangle XNI \sim \triangle XFI$ , so  $\triangle XNI \sim \triangle XFI$ , so  $\triangle XNI \sim \triangle XFI$ . ( $X$  is foot from  $N$  to  $FI$ ). Similarly  $Y$  (the foot from  $N$  to  $FE$ ) satisfies these properties. By the second isogonality lemma,  $A_2$  and  $A_1$  are isogonal conjugates. Note  $AEMF$  is similar to  $ABTC$ , so  $A_2$  bisects  $MT$  since  $A_1$  bisects  $MN$ .



3.73 i3435 P on 9 point of DEF

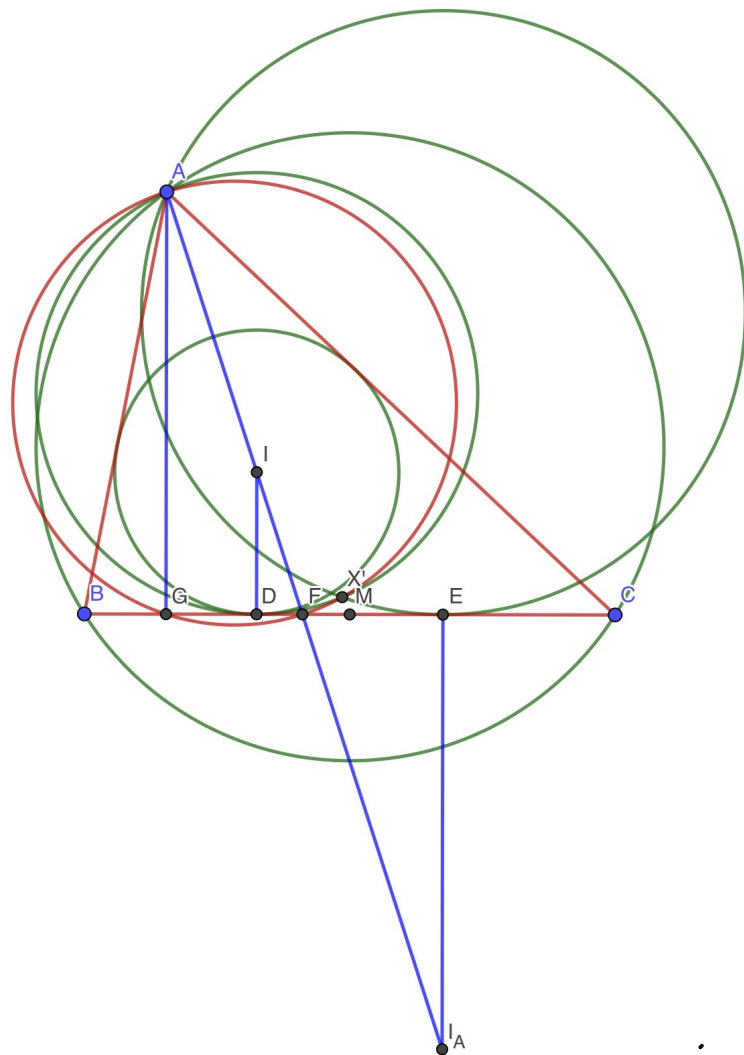
**Problem 3.73** (Myself(i3435)). In triangle  $ABC$ , let  $I$  be the incenter, and let the incircle hit the sides  $\overline{BC}$ ,  $\overline{AC}$ , and  $\overline{AB}$  at  $D, E, F$  respectively. Let  $S$  be the non- $A$  intersection of  $(AEF)$  and  $(ABC)$ , let  $J = \overline{AI} \cap \overline{BC}$ , and let  $N$  be the midpoint of  $EF$ . Let  $\overline{SJ}$  and  $\overline{DN}$  intersect at  $P$ . Prove  $P$  is on the 9-point circle of  $DEF$ .



let  $P$  be the inverse of  $E_0$  wrt  $(DEF)$  (lies on 9 point of  $DEF$  since  $(ABC)$  invert to it).  
 we have  $(SGDE_0)$ , where  $DG \perp EF$ . If we let  $O = LS \cap EF \cap BC$  then note  $(SOE_0D)$   
 by configs, so  $(SOE_0DG)$ . Pascals on  $PSDDOEO_0$  gives that  $SP \cap DO$  is on  $AM$   
 as desired.

3.74 2015 Taiwan TST Round3 Quiz 1 P2 X, M, A' are collinear

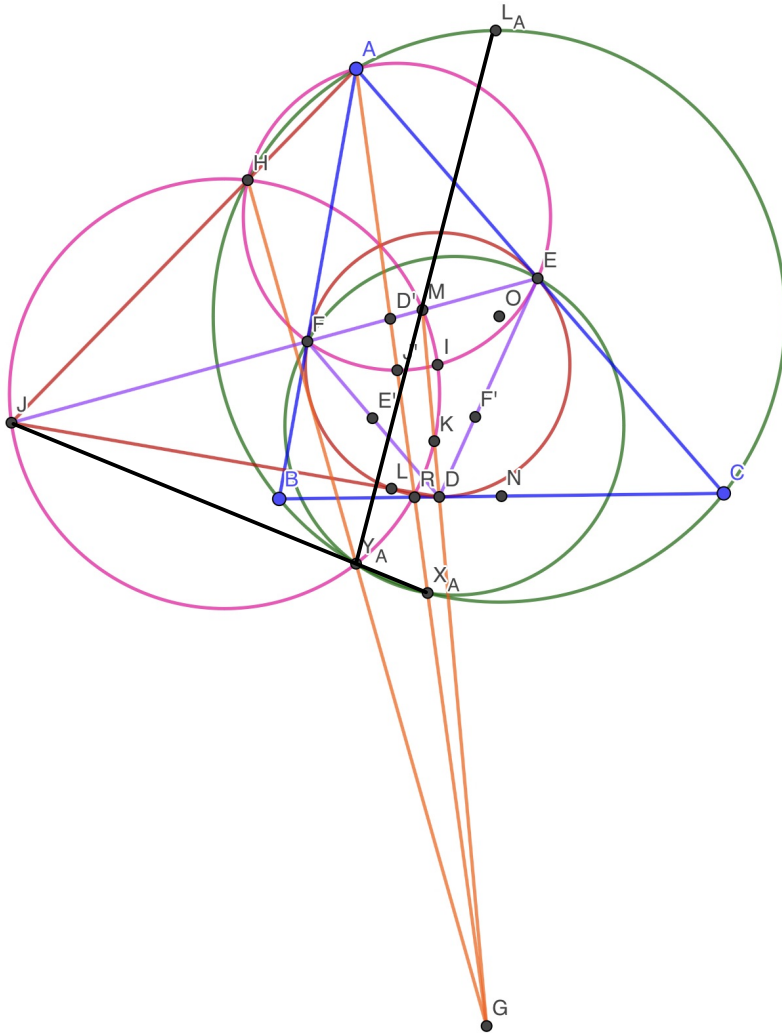
**Problem 3.74** (2015 Taiwan TST Round 3 Quiz 1 P2). Let  $O$  be the circumcircle of the triangle  $ABC$ . Two circles  $O_1, O_2$  are tangent to each of the circle  $O$  and the rays  $\overrightarrow{AB}, \overrightarrow{AC}$ , with  $O_1$  interior to  $O$ ,  $O_2$  exterior to  $O$ . The common tangent of  $O, O_1$  and the common tangent of  $O, O_2$  intersect at the point  $X$ . Let  $M$  be the midpoint of the arc  $BC$  (not containing the point  $A$ ) on the circle  $O$ , and the segment  $\overline{AA'}$  be the diameter of  $O$ . Prove that  $X, M$ , and  $A'$  are collinear.



Do a  $\sqrt{bc}$  inversion. Note that  $O_1$  and  $O_2$  invert to the incircle + excircle, and the common tangents invert to  $w_1, w_2$ , which are tangent to  $BC$  at  $D, E$  (incircle + excircle touchpoints) through  $A$ . We need to show  $G \leftrightarrow A', X' \leftrightarrow X, F, A$  are cyclic, or  $MX' \cdot MA = MF \cdot MG = MD^2$ . However, note that  $(AFj|l_A)^{BC} = (GFj|D E)$ , so  $MF \cdot MG = MD^2$  as desired.

3.75 i3435 concur on OI

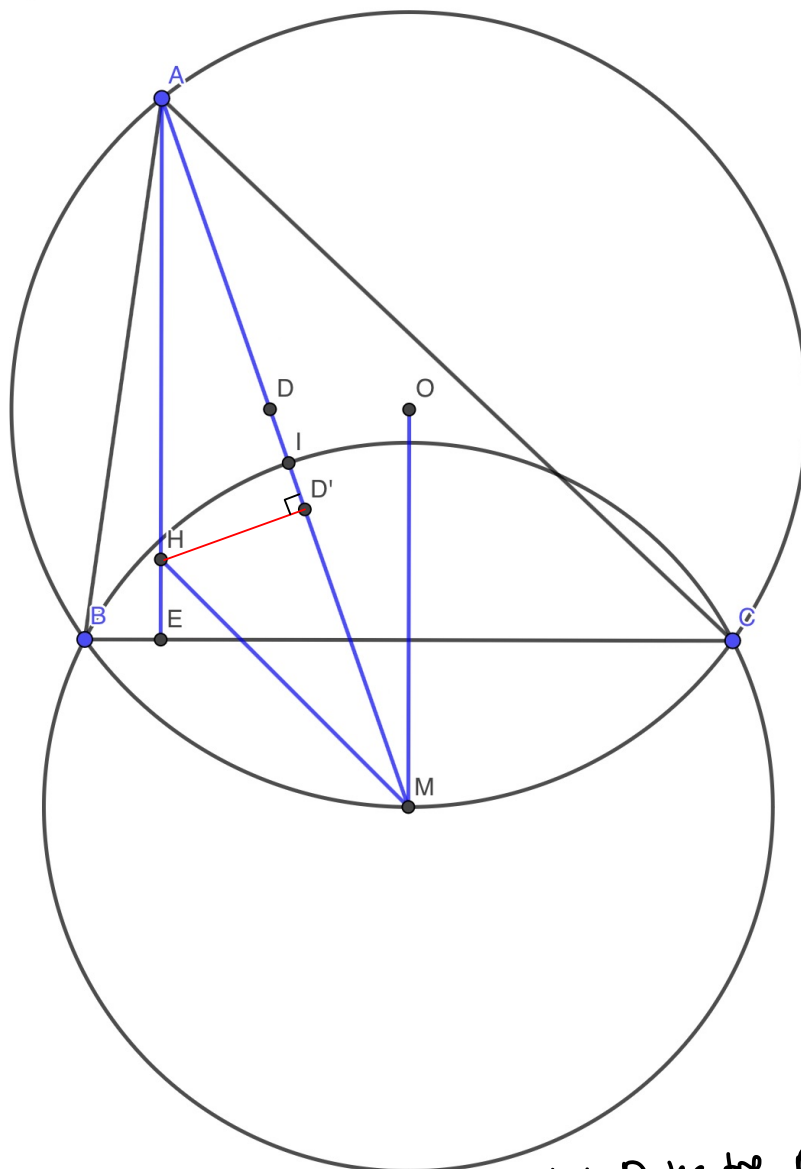
**Problem 3.75** (Myself(i3435)). Let  $ABC$  be a triangle with circumcenter  $O$ , incenter  $I$ , and intouch triangle  $DEF$ . Let  $L$  be the midpoint of arc  $\widehat{BAC}$ , and let  $\overline{LD}$  intersect  $(ABC)$  again at  $X$ . Let  $(EFX)$  meet  $(ABC)$  again at  $Y$ . Then let  $\overline{AX} = \ell_A$  and  $\overline{LY} = m_A$ . Define  $\ell_B, \ell_C, m_B, m_C$  similarly. Prove that  $\ell_A, \ell_B, \ell_C, m_A, m_B, m_C$ , and  $\overline{OI}$  all concur at one point.



Note  $K_A'$  is the  $E_0$  point, so  $\overline{AK_A'}$ . Note  $ABC$  is homothetic to  $D'E'F'$ , so  $AD', BE', CF'$  intersect at the center of homothety between the two triangles  $L_A \cap L_B \cap L_C$  on  $OI$ . Consider  $(H|KM)$ , the image of line  $AD'$  after inverting about the incircle. Note  $X_A \leftrightarrow K$ ,  $(2.5.17)$ ,  $M$  lies on  $DM$ . Note  $J = AH \cap EF \cap X_A$  by radical axis, lies on our circle since  $\angle IMJ = \angle IAJ = 90^\circ$ . We also have  $(H|AN)$  by our 2.5.16 config, so  $\angle HMJ = \angle ANR = \angle HXA = \angle HMAJ$ , so  $(Y_A|KIM)$  Note by inversion,  $(MA|KXA)$ , so by rad axis in  $(ABC)$ ,  $(MA|K)$ ,  $(MK)$ , we have  $MKN \cap AX \cap HYA = G$ . Finally, Pascal's on  $AM \cap HYA \cap L_A X_A$  gives  $\overline{LAMMA}$ , and since  $L_A L_B L_C$  is homothetic to the midpoint triangle of  $DEF$ , we see  $\ell_A, \ell_B, \ell_C, m_A, m_B, m_C, OI$  intersect at the center of homothety between the 9-point circle of  $DEF$  and  $(ABC)$ .

3.76 MP8148 polar or H WRT BIC

**Problem 3.76** (AoPS user MP8148). Let  $ABC$  be a triangle with incenter  $I$ , orthocenter  $H$ , and circumcenter  $O$ . Show that the line parallel through  $O$  parallel to  $\overline{BC}$  and the polar of  $H$  with respect to  $(BIC)$  meet on  $\overline{AI}$ .

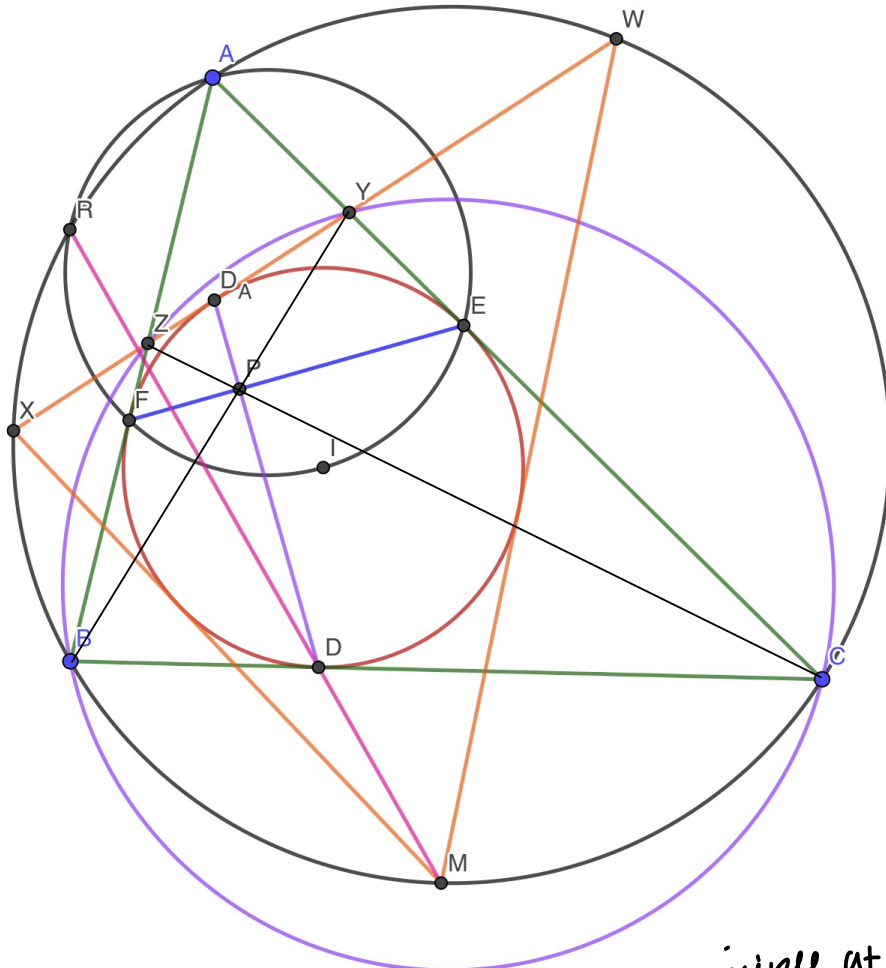


Let  $D'$  be the foot from  $H$  to  $AI$ . Let  $R = \frac{1}{2}$ . Let  $D$  be the point on  $AI$  st  $OD \parallel BC$ .  
 We show  $MD \cdot MD' = MI^2$ . We have  $AH = \cos A$ , so  $AD' = \cos A \sin(C + \frac{A}{2})$ . We have  
 $D'M = AM - AD' = \sin(C + \frac{A}{2})(1 - \cos A)$ . Note  $\frac{DM}{MD} = \sin(C + \frac{A}{2})$ , so  $MD = \frac{1}{2 \sin(C + \frac{A}{2})}$   
 Thus,  $MD \cdot MD' = \frac{1}{2}(1 - \cos A) = \sin^2(\frac{A}{2}) = MC^2 = MI^2$ . Thus,  $HO'$  is the polar of  $D$ , so  
 $D$  lies on the polar of  $H$ .

3.77 SORY P6

**Problem 3.77 (SORY P6).** Let  $\triangle ABC$  be a triangle with incenter  $I$ . Let the incircle be tangent to the sides  $BC, CA, AB$  at  $D, E, F$  respectively. Let  $P$  be the foot of the perpendicular from  $D$  onto  $\overline{EF}$ . Assume that  $BP, CP$  intersect the sides  $AC, AB$  at  $Y, Z$  respectively. Finally let the rays  $IP, YZ$  meet the circumcircle of  $\triangle ABC$  in  $R, X$  respectively.

Prove that the tangent from  $X$  to the incircle and  $RD$  intersect on the circumcircle of  $\triangle ABC$ .



By theorem 2.73, we know  $XW$  is tangent to our incircle at  $D_A$  (or  $DP \perp (DEF)$ )  
 We wish to show  $XMW$  has  $(DEF)$  as the incircle. Note  $YZ$  is antiparallel to  $BC$ , so  $A$  is the midpoint of arc  $ZW$ . Since  $(DEF)$  is tangent to  $XW$  and  $\overline{MIA}$ , so  $MXW$  is the unique triangle with  $M$  as a vertex with circumcircle  $(ABC)$  and incircle  $(DEF)$ , so  $XM$  is tangent to  $(DEF)$  as desired.

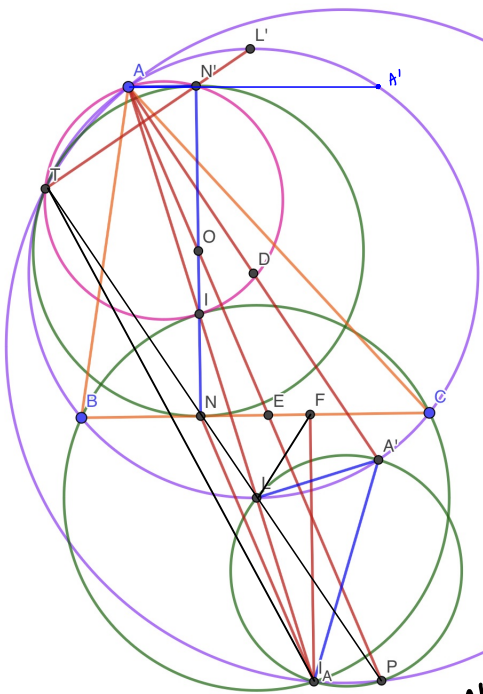


### 3.78 Beiqiang

**Problem 3.78** (AoPS user beiqiang). Let acute triangle  $ABC$  be inscribed in a circle  $\omega$ , and suppose the incircle of  $ABC$  touches side  $BC$  at  $N$ . Let  $\omega'$  be a circle tangent to  $BC$  at  $N$ , and tangent to  $\omega$  at  $T$  such that  $\omega'$  is on the same side of  $BC$  as  $A$ . Let  $O$  be the center of  $\omega'$  and  $I_a$  be the  $A$ -excenter. Let the midpoint of smaller arc  $BC$  be  $L$ , and  $A'$  be the  $A$ -antipode. Let  $TN$  and  $AO$  intersect at  $P$ .

Show that:

1.  $T$  is on  $NL$  and  $IA'$ ,
2.  $\{AO, NI_a\}, \{BC, PI_a\}, \{ON, A'P\}$  are parallel,
3.  $LI_aPA'$  and  $ATI_aP$  are cyclic, and
4.  $AT, A'L$  and  $I_aP$  are concurrent.



1. We have  $T$  is the Shokyo devil point since  $T = NL \cap (\omega BC)$ , so  $TN \perp IA'$  as well.

We show  $\triangle AND \sim \triangle NFA$ .

Notice that if you construct the line through  $A$  tangent to our circle, it intersects at  $A'$ , the reflection of  $A$  over the perp bisector of  $BC$  (showing lemma), let the tangency point be  $N'$ . Thus,  $ON' \perp AA'$  and  $ON \perp BC$ , so  $NON'$ . Now, we can show  $\triangle AND \sim \triangle NFA$ .

we show  $\frac{NO}{AN'} = \frac{AF}{NF}$ .  $AN' = (s-b) - c \cos B$ ,  $NN' = c \sin B$ ,  
 $NO = \frac{c \sin B}{2}$  (let  $R = \frac{1}{2}$ ), we wish to show  $\frac{\frac{a+c-b}{2} - c \cos B}{\frac{c \sin B}{2}} = \frac{\frac{b-c}{2}}{\frac{s-a}{s-a} \cdot r}$

we have  $\frac{c \sin B}{2} = \frac{K}{a}$  ( $K = [ABC]$ ) and  $r = \frac{K}{s}$ , so  $\frac{(s-b) - c \cos B}{\frac{a}{2}} = \frac{\frac{b-c}{2}}{\frac{s-a}{s-a} \cdot \frac{a}{s}}$ . we substitute

$\cos B = \frac{a^2 + c^2 - b^2}{2ac}$  to get  $\left( (s-b) - c \left( \frac{a^2 + c^2 - b^2}{2ac} \right) \right) \cdot a = (s-a) \left( \frac{b-c}{2} \right)$  which is true.

now  $\angle N'AE = \angle OEN = \angle FNA$  so  $AO \parallel N'A$ ,  $\angle PNA = \angle TIA = \angle TPA \rightarrow (TIA PA)$  (since  $AL^2 = LB^2 = LN \cdot LT$ ). we have  $\angle IPT = \angle TCL = \angle TNB$ , and from  $ELMO$   $2011/b$ ,  $\angle LFB = \angle LA'A$ , so  $\angle LPA = \angle LAT = \angle LCB = \angle LNB = \angle LNF = \angle LFN = \angle LA'A \rightarrow (LA'AP)$ .

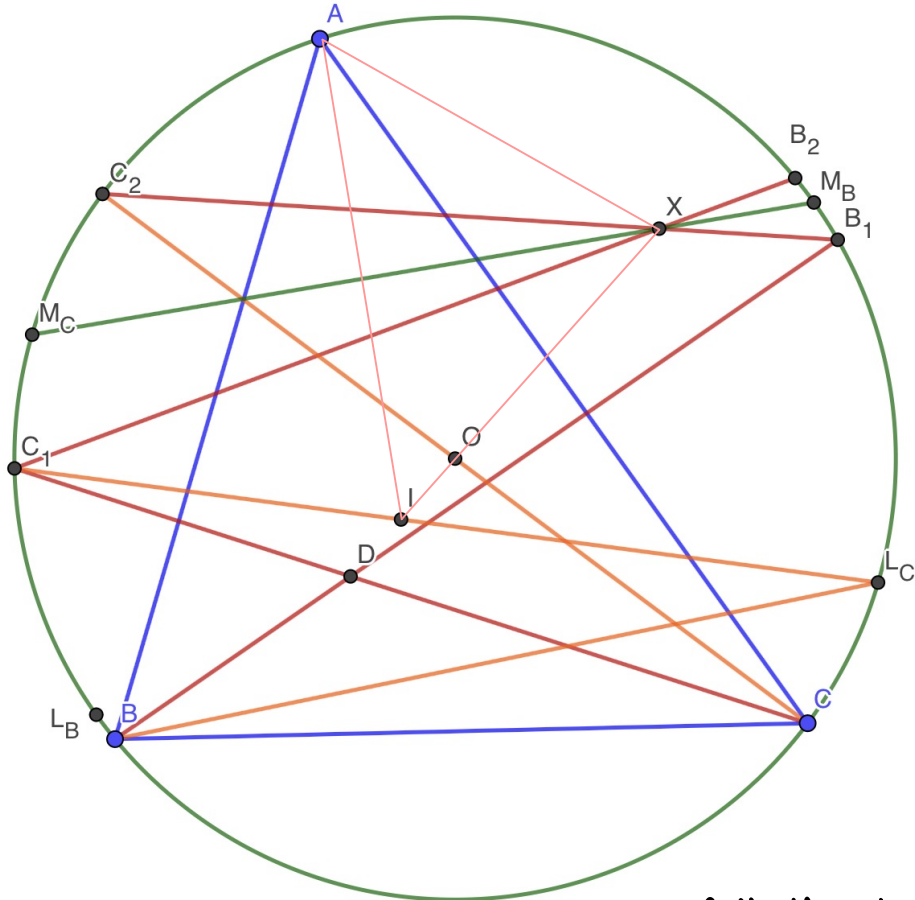
$\hookrightarrow \angle LNC = \angle LA'A = \angle NPA \rightarrow AP \parallel BC$

$\angle A'PA = \angle A'LA = 90^\circ \rightarrow A'P \perp LAP$ , so  $ON \parallel A'P$ .

finally, radical axis on  $(ATAP), (LA'AP), (ATLA')$  gives  $AT \cap A'L \cap LAP$ .

3.79 2017 ELMO SL G4

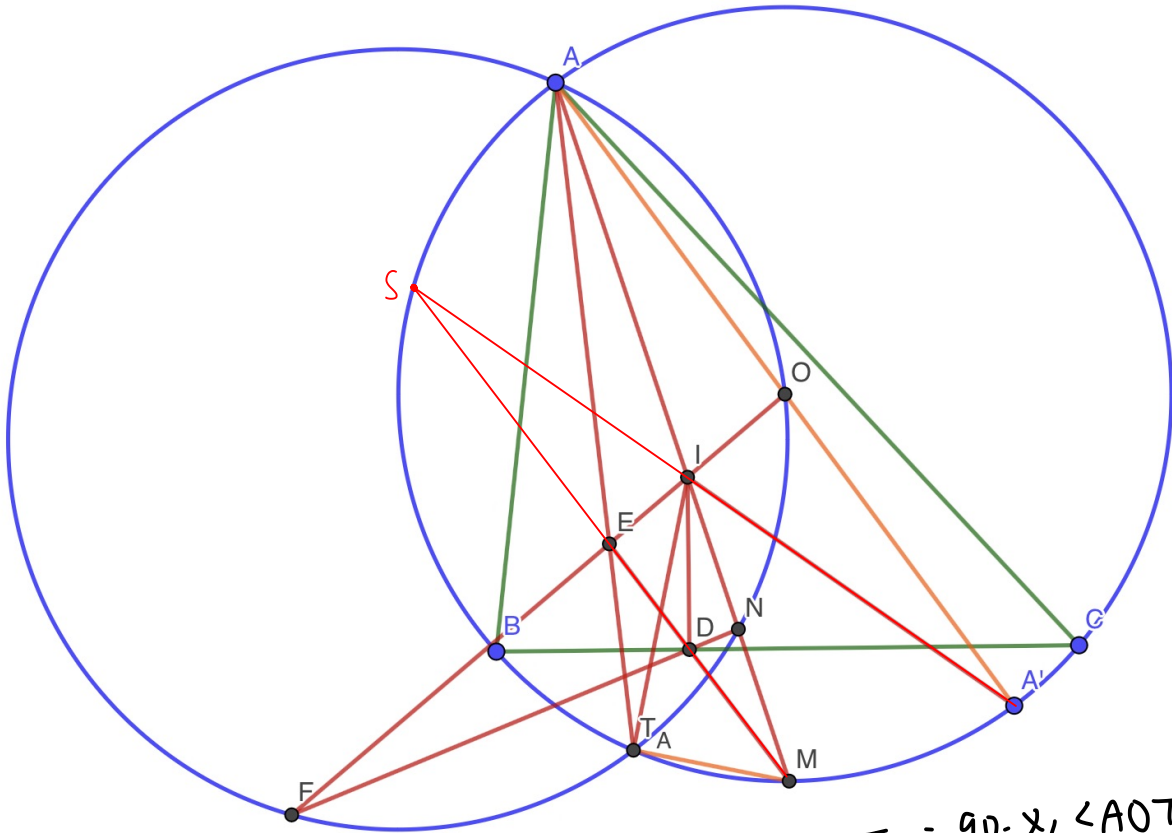
**Problem 3.79** (2017 ELMO SL G4). Let  $ABC$  be an acute triangle with incenter  $I$  and circumcircle  $\omega$ . Suppose a circle  $\omega_B$  is tangent to  $BA, BC$ , and internally tangent to  $\omega$  at  $B_1$ , while a circle  $\omega_C$  is tangent to  $CA, CB$ , and internally tangent to  $\omega$  at  $C_1$ . If  $B_2, C_2$  are the points opposite to  $B, C$  on  $\omega$ , respectively, and  $X$  denotes the intersection of  $B_1C_2, B_2C_1$ , prove that  $XA = XI$ .



Consider Pascal on  $B_2C_1L_C M_C M_B B \rightarrow B_2C_1 \cap M_B M_C$  on  $OI$   
 $C_2B_1L_B M_B M_C C \rightarrow B_1C_2 \cap B_2C_1$  on  $OI$   
 Thus,  $M_B M_C \cap B_2C_1 \cap B_1C_2 = X$ , so  $X$  lies on the perpendicular bisector of  $AI$  ( $M_B M_C$ ) as desired.

**Problem 3.80** (AoPS User MP8148). Let  $ABC$  be a triangle with incenter  $I$ , circumcenter  $O$ , and circumcircle  $\Gamma$ . Let  $M$  be the midpoint of the arc  $BC$  not containing  $A$ . Suppose the incircle is tangent to  $\overline{BC}$  at  $D$ , and  $N$  is the midpoint of  $\overline{IM}$ . Denote  $\Omega$  to be the circumcircle of  $\triangle AON$ . Show that

- a Lines  $\overline{OI}$  and  $\overline{MD}$  meet on the radical axis of  $\Gamma$  and  $\Omega$ .
- b Lines  $\overline{OI}$  and  $\overline{ND}$  meet on  $\Gamma$ .



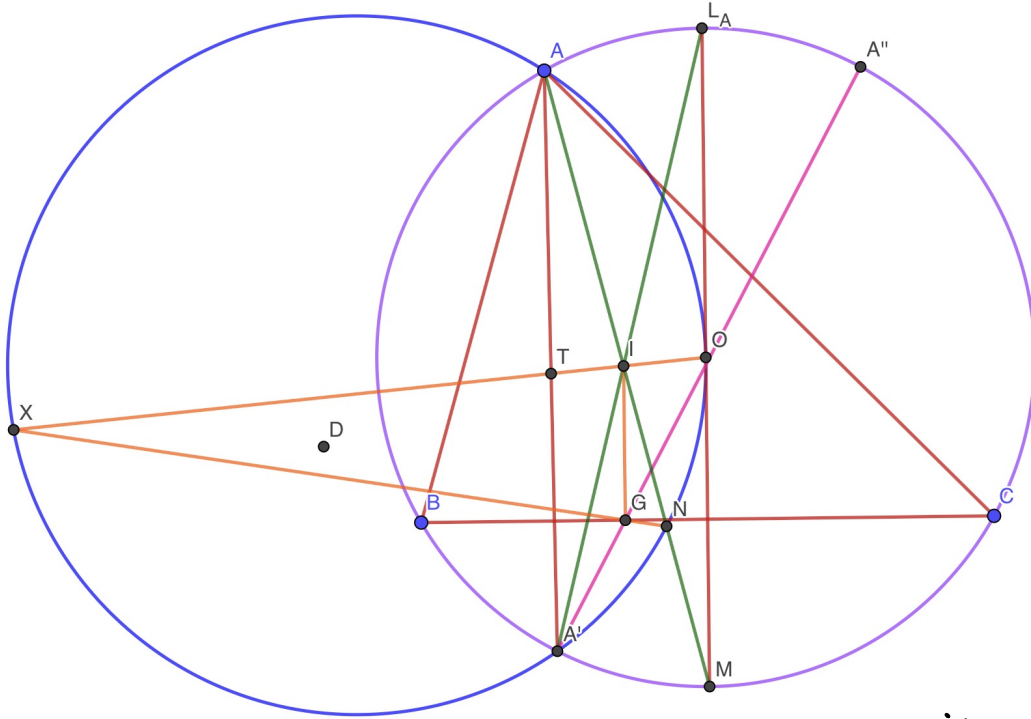
We have  $\angle TANM = 2x$ ,  $\angle ANTA = 180 - 2x$ ,  $\angle AMTA = 90 - x$ ,  $\angle AOTA = 180 - 2x$ , so  $(AONTA)$ . Note that  $MD \cap OI$  on the center of homothety between the incircle + the triangle composed of  $MA, MB, MC$ , which also lies on  $A'TA$ .

Let  $F = OI \cap ND$ . Notice that  $\triangle MDI \sim \triangle MIS \sim \triangle A'IA$ , so  $\triangle IDN \sim \triangle AIO$   
 so  $\angle A'OI = \angle IND \rightarrow (FON A)$



3.81 2014 ELMO SL G8

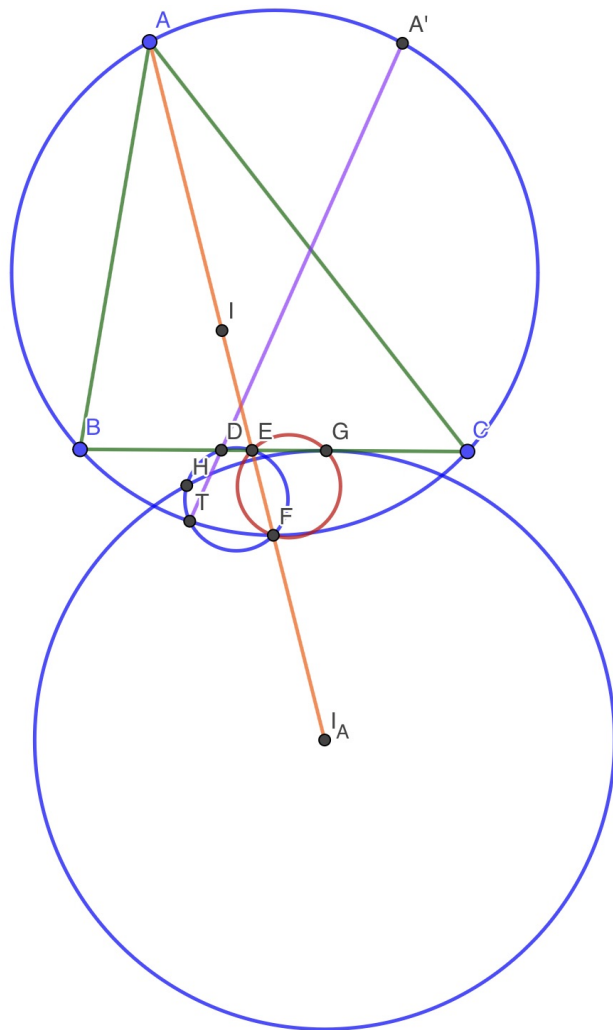
**Problem 3.81** (2014 ELMO SL G8). In triangle  $ABC$  with incenter  $I$  and circumcenter  $O$ , let  $A', B', C'$  be the points of tangency of its circumcircle with its  $A, B, C$ -mixtilinear circles, respectively. Let  $\omega_A$  be the circle through  $A'$  that is tangent to  $AI$  at  $I$ , and define  $\omega_B, \omega_C$  similarly. Prove that  $\omega_A, \omega_B, \omega_C$  have a common point  $X$  other than  $I$ , and that  $\angle AXO = \angle OXA'$ .



(3.80)  
 The previous problem tells us that the midpoint of  $IM$  is on  $(ADA')$ , and that  $OI \cap NG$  is  $M$  on  $(AOA')$ . Let  $X = IO \cap NG$ . We have  $\triangle AOI \sim \triangle ING$ .  
 So  $\angle OAN = \angle GIN = \angle IXN \rightarrow (XI G)$  is tangent to  $AN$ . We have  
 $\angle IXN = \angle NAO = \angle AMO = \angle AA'LA = \angle LA'A'G$ , so  $(AI XG)$ . Note that  $OI \cdot IX = AI \cdot IN$   
 $= AI \cdot IM \cdot \frac{1}{2} = \frac{1}{2} \text{Pow}(I)$ , a fixed value so  $X$  is a fixed point (symmetric  
 wrt  $B, C$ ) so we are done ( $\angle AXO = \angle OXA'$  by fact 5).

3.82 USA TST 2016/2

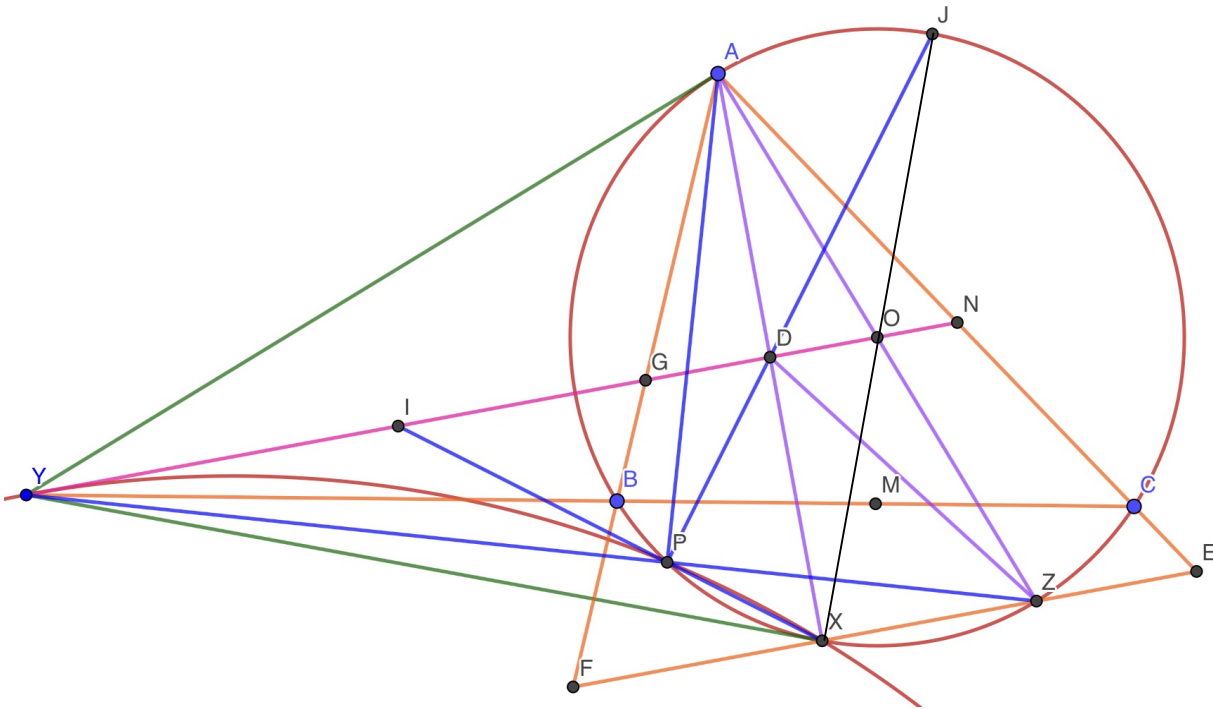
**Problem 3.82** (USA TST 2016/2). Let  $ABC$  be a scalene triangle with circumcircle  $\Omega$ , and suppose the incircle of  $ABC$  touches  $BC$  at  $D$ . The angle bisector of  $\angle A$  meets  $BC$  and  $\Omega$  at  $E$  and  $F$ . The circumcircle of  $\triangle DEF$  intersects the  $A$ -excircle at  $S_1, S_2$ , and  $\Omega$  at  $T \neq F$ . Prove that line  $AT$  passes through either  $S_1$  or  $S_2$ .



We have  $\angle TFE = \angle AA'D = \angle A'DB = \angle EDT$ , so  $T$  is the mixtilinear touchpoint ( $AA' \parallel BC$ ). Let  $H$  be the reflection of  $G$  over  $EF$ . Then,  
 $AH \cdot AT = AE \cdot AF$  ( $\overline{AHT}$  since  $AG, AT$  are isog conjugates), so  $H \in (EFD)$  and  $H$  on excircle.

3.83 EMMO Juniors 2016/5

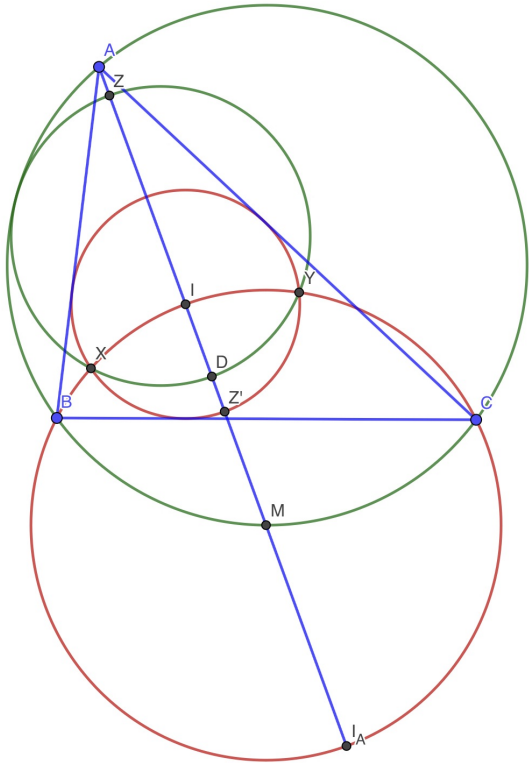
**Problem 3.83** (EMMO Juniors 2016/5). Let  $\triangle ABC$  be a triangle with circumcenter  $O$  and circumcircle  $\Gamma$ . The point  $X$  lies on  $\Gamma$  such that  $AX$  is the  $A$ -symmedian of triangle  $\triangle ABC$ . The line through  $X$  perpendicular to  $AX$  intersects  $AB, AC$  in  $F, E$ , respectively. Denote by  $\gamma$  the nine-point circle of triangle  $\triangle AEF$ , and let  $\Gamma$  and  $\gamma$  intersect again in  $P \neq X$ . Further, let the tangent to  $\Gamma$  at  $A$  meet the line  $BC$  in  $Y$ , and let  $Z$  be the antipode of  $A$  with respect to circle  $\Gamma$ . Prove that the points  $Y, P, Z$  are collinear.



We have  $YO \parallel EF$  since  $AX \perp EF$  and  $AX \perp YO$ . Let  $G, N$  be the midpoints of  $AF$  and  $AE$ , so we have  $\overline{GN}$ . Let  $D$  be the  $A$ -symmedian point, and  $I = YO \cap X\Gamma$  let  $P = YZ \cap (ABC)$ . Note that  $\angle YP = \angle PZX = \angle PXY$  so  $Y^2 = IP \cdot IX$ . Note that Pascal on  $PJXXAZ$  gives  $(J = PD \cap (ABC)) \quad JX \cap AZ = O$ . Thus,  $\angle DPX = \angle IOX = 90^\circ$  so  $IO^2 = IP \cdot IX$ , so  $YI = YD$ . Note that  $(YDGN)^A = (AXBC) = -1$ , so by Harmonic Bundles,  $IG \cdot IN = YI^2 = IP \cdot IX$  so  $PE(GNX)$  as desired.

3.84 All Russian 2013 Grade 11 P8

**Problem 3.84** (All Russian 2013 Grade 11 (12 in American System) P8 (why am I putting Russia problems in an American Geo handout?)). Let  $\omega$  be the incircle of  $\triangle ABC$  and with center  $I$ . Let  $\Gamma$  be the circumcircle of the triangle  $BIC$ . Circles  $\omega$  and  $\Gamma$  intersect at the points  $X$  and  $Y$ . Let  $Z$  be the intersection of the common tangents of the circles  $\omega$  and  $\Gamma$ . Show that the circumcircle of the triangle  $XYZ$  is tangent to the circumcircle of  $\triangle ABC$ .

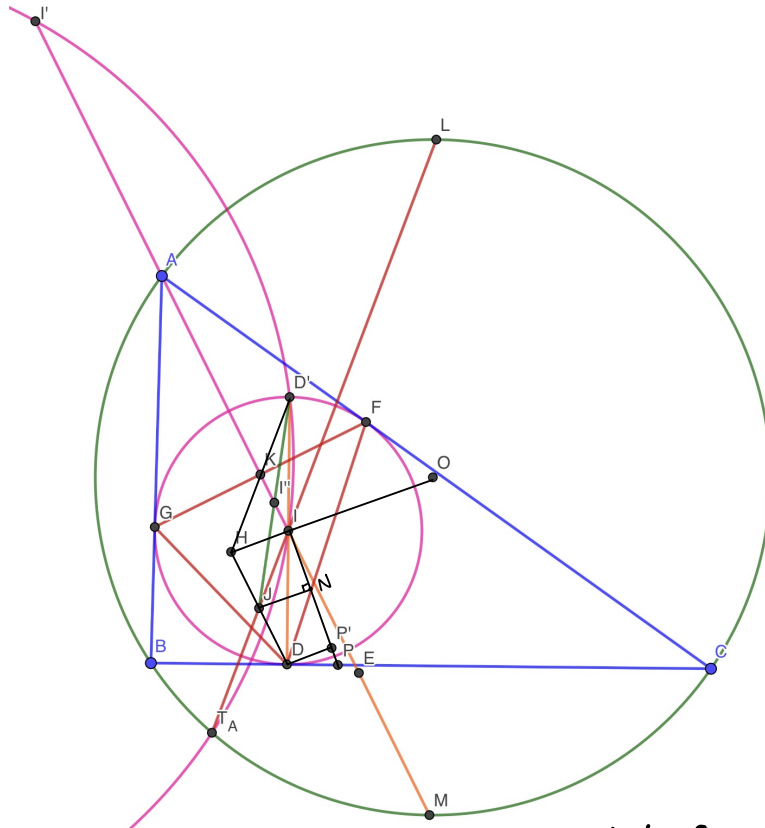


We show that  $(XYZ)$  inverts to itself under the inversion about  $(BIC)$ . Note  $\frac{ZI}{ZI+IM} = \frac{r}{IM}$ , let  $IM = R$ , so  $ZI = \frac{Rr}{R-r}$ . Thus,  $MZ' \cdot MZ = (ZI+IM)(IM-r) = (\frac{Rr}{R-r} + R)(R-r) = R^2$  so  $(Z' = AM \cap \text{circle})$ , we see  $(XYZ) \leftrightarrow (XYZ')$  and  $(AMC) \leftrightarrow BC$  as desired.

3.85 MP8148 QD'=QI

**Problem 3.85** (AoPS user MP8148). In scalene triangle  $ABC$  with  $AB \neq AC$ ,  $I$  is the incenter, and  $O$  is the circumcenter. Let  $L$  be the midpoint of arc  $BAC$ ,  $P$  be the point on  $\overline{BC}$  such that  $\overline{PI} \perp \overline{OI}$ , and  $Q$  be the point on  $\overline{AL}$  such that  $\overline{QP} \perp \overline{LI}$ .

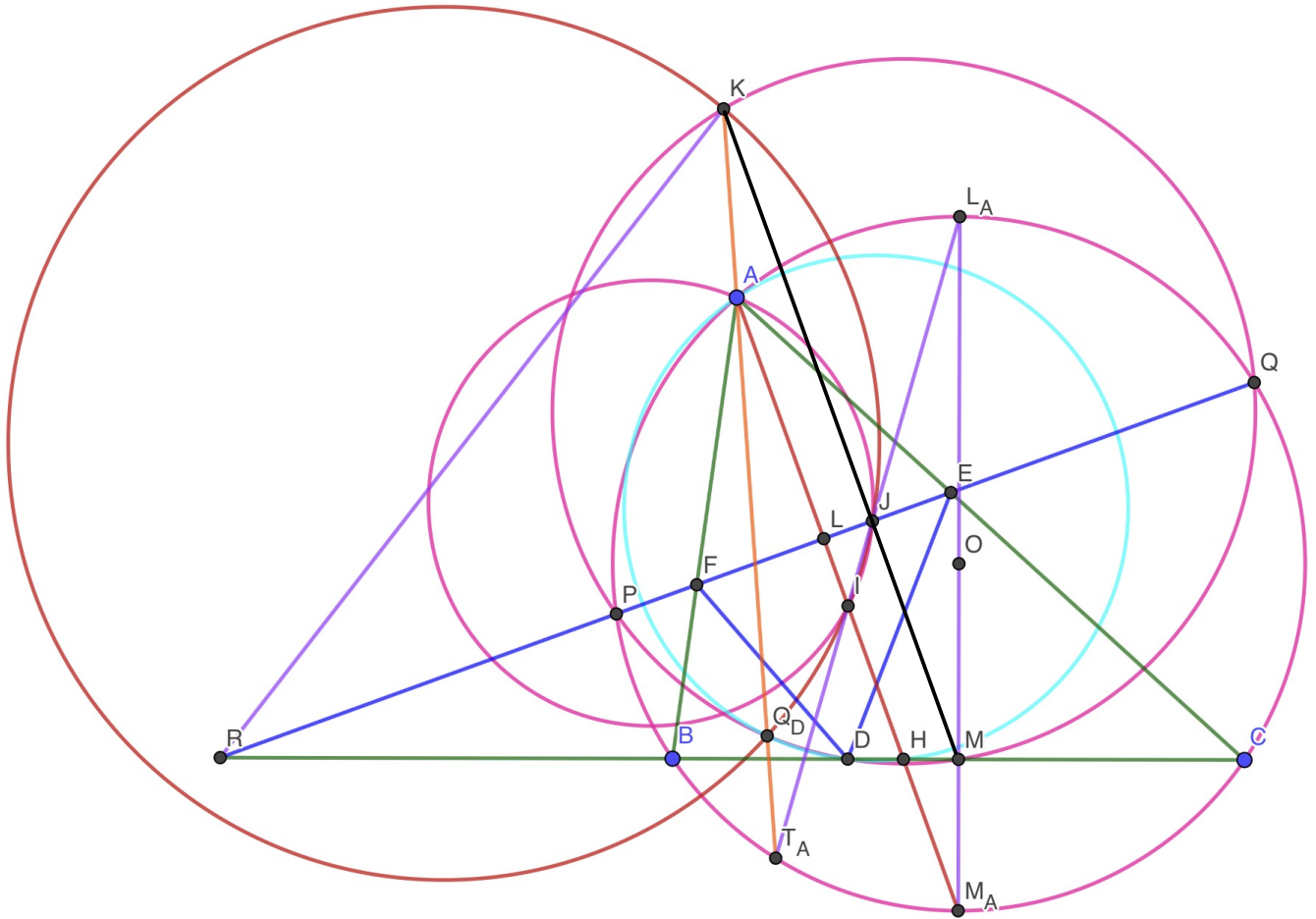
If the incircle is tangent to  $\overline{BC}$  at  $D$  and  $D'$  is the reflection of  $D$  over  $I$ , show that  $QD' = QI$ .



Let  $I'$  be the reflection of  $I$  over  $A$ . Then, we want to show  $Q$  is the center of  $(I'D'I)$ . Consider an inversion about the incircle. If  $H$  is the circumcenter of  $DGF$ , we know  $T_A$  inverts to the midpoint of  $DH$ , where  $H$  is the circumcenter of  $DGF$ , we know then  $IH \perp IP'$ , and  $DP' \perp IP'$  (where  $P'$  is the image of  $P$  under inversion). Thus, the projection of  $J$  onto  $IP'$  is  $N$ , where  $IN = NP'$ , as  $HJ = JD$ . Thus,  $IJ = JP'$ . Thus,  $\angle JP'I = \angle PTA = \angle TAIP$ . So  $IP = PT_A$ , so  $Q$  is on the perpendicular bisector of  $IT_A$ , and since  $AL \perp IA$ , it is also on the perpendicular bisector of  $II'$ . Now, note that  $\overline{O'KH}$  and  $\overline{D'ID}$ , and  $I'$  inverts to the midpoint of  $IK$ , so we have  $\overline{II'J} \leftrightarrow (I'D'T_A)$ , so  $Q$  is the center of this circle as desired.

3.86 Mathematical Reflections O451

**Problem 3.86** (Mathematical Reflections O451). Let  $ABC$  be a triangle,  $\Gamma$  be its circumcircle,  $\omega$  its incircle, and  $I$  the incenter. Let  $M$  be the midpoint of  $BC$ . The incircle  $\omega$  is tangent to  $\overline{AB}$  and  $\overline{AC}$  at  $F$  and  $E$  respectively. Suppose  $\overline{EF}$  meets  $\Gamma$  at distinct points  $P$  and  $Q$ . Let  $J$  denote the point on  $EF$  such that  $MJ$  is perpendicular on  $EF$ . Show that  $IJ$  and the radical axis of  $(MPQ)$  and  $(AJI)$  intersect on  $\Gamma$ .



Let  $J = M_A T_A \cap EF$ , and we know  $\frac{L_A M_A}{M_A I} = \frac{L_A M}{M J}$ . Note that  $M R \cos(\frac{A}{2} + C) = M J$ . Since  $(R O; BC) = -1$ , we have  $M R = \frac{a^2}{2(b-c)} = \frac{a^2}{2(b-c)}$ . We have  $M_A I = M_A C = \sin(\frac{A}{2})$  (let  $R = \frac{1}{2}$ ) and  $L_A M = M C \cdot \frac{\cos(\frac{A}{2})}{\sin(\frac{A}{2})}$ , and  $L_A M_A = 1$ . We wish to show  $\frac{1}{\sin(\frac{A}{2})} = \frac{M C \cos(\frac{A}{2})}{\frac{a^2}{2(b-c)} \cos(\frac{A}{2} + C)}$

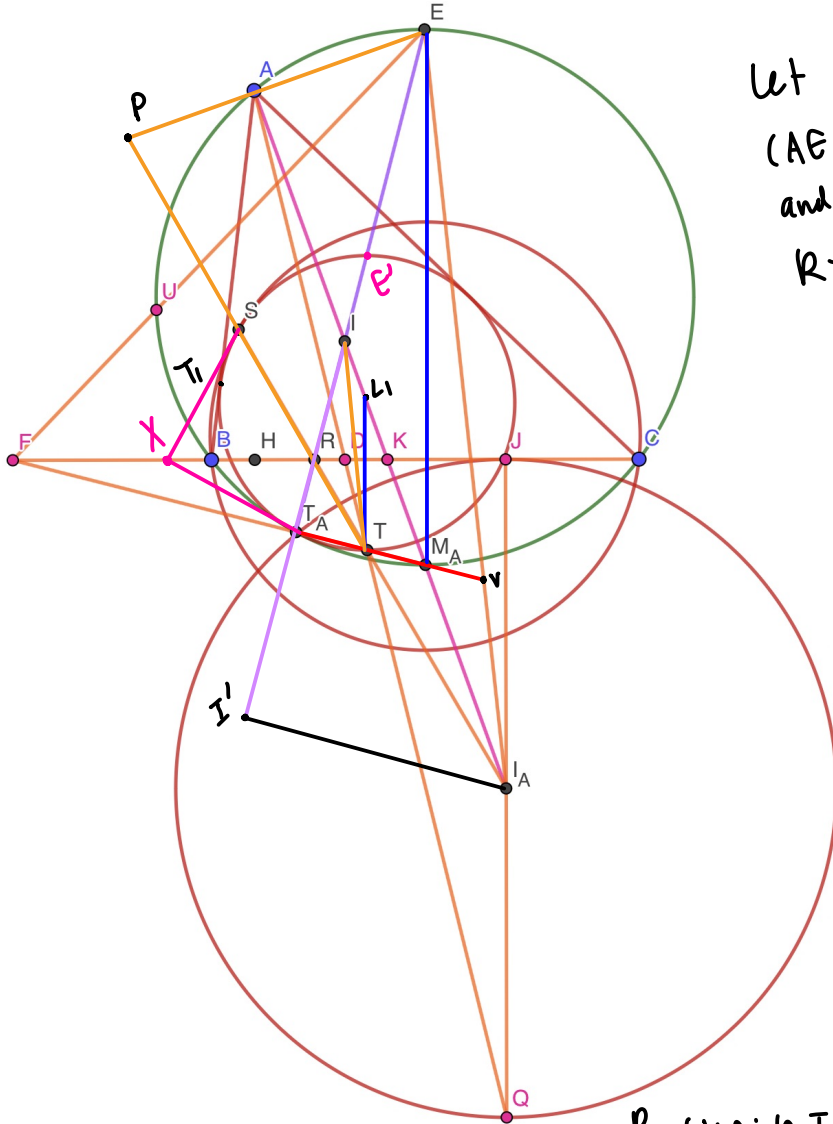
We have  $\cos(\frac{A}{2} + C) = \frac{H M}{H M_A} = \frac{H M \sin B}{H C \cos(\frac{A}{2})} = \frac{b-c}{2b} \frac{\sin B}{\sin(\frac{A}{2})} = \frac{b-c}{2 \sin(\frac{A}{2})}$ . Simplifying, we see this is true, so  $M J \perp EF$  (arg def of  $J$ ). Now note by 3.15, we have  $K M \perp P Q$  so  $\overline{K J M}$ , and note  $\angle M K Q_D = M_A A T_A = \angle T_A L_A M_A = \angle T_A I D = \angle T_A I Q_D$ , so  $(Q_D I; K)$ , so  $T_A Q_D \cdot T_A K = T_A I \cdot T_A J \rightarrow T_A$  on rad axis as desired.



3.87 AoPS Problem Making Contest 2016/7

**Problem 3.87** (AoPS Problem Making Contest 2016/7). Let  $\triangle ABC$  be given, its  $A$ -mixtilinear incircle,  $\omega$ , and its excenter  $I_A$ . Let  $H$  be the foot of altitude from  $A$  to  $BC$ ,  $E$  midpoint of arc  $\widehat{BAC}$  and denote by  $M$  and  $N$ , midpoints of  $BC$  and  $AH$ , respectively. Suppose that  $MN \cap AE = \{P\}$  and that line  $I_A P$  meet  $\omega$  at  $S$  and  $T$  in this order:  $I_A - T - S - P$ .

Prove that circumcircle of  $\triangle BSC$  and  $\omega$  are tangent to each other.

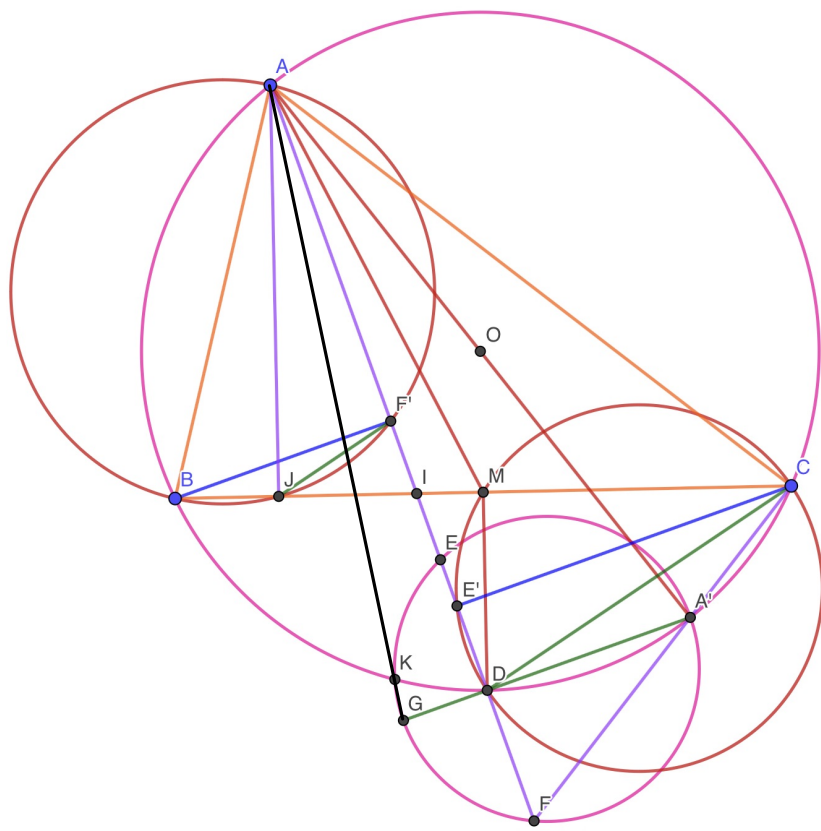
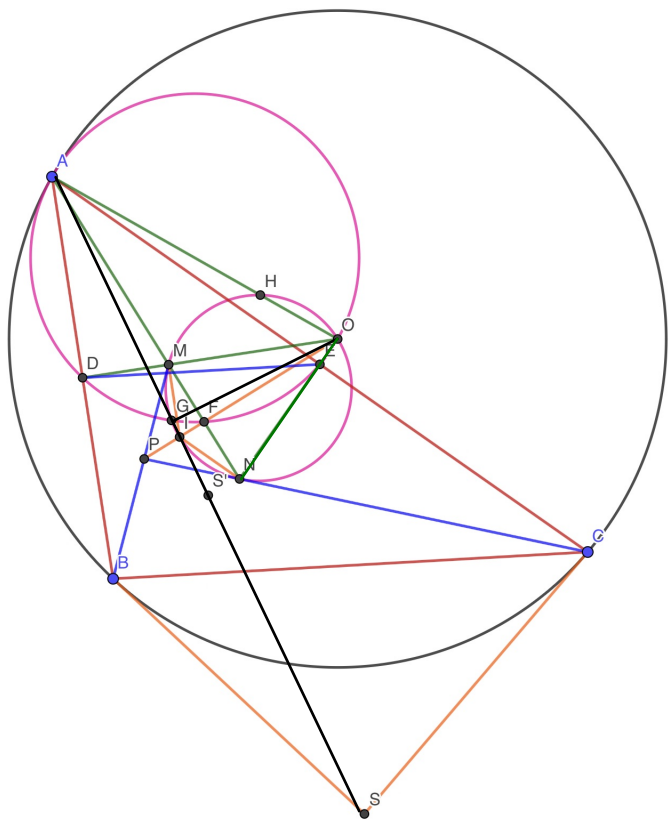


Let  $L = AE \cap BC$ . We have  $(AEI_A)$  by radical axis + configs, and  $AI'L \parallel MATA$ .  
 $R = BC \cap \omega$ .

Let  $T = PI_A \cap T_{MA}$ . We have  $(AH; N \infty) \stackrel{M}{=} (L; P; E) \stackrel{R}{=} (KA; I_A I) = -1$  so  $\overline{IA} \perp PR$ . If we let  $T'$  be the  $MATA \cap \omega$ , then  $LI'T' \parallel IA E$ . We also have  $\frac{LI'}{L'T'} = \frac{LI}{L'T} = \sin \angle TIL = \sin \angle BAMA$   
 $= \frac{MAC}{MAE} = \frac{MA \cdot A}{MAE}$ . Thus, since  $\angle LI'T' = \angle IAMA E$ , we have  $\triangle LI'T' \sim \triangle IAMA E$  so  $IT' \parallel IA E$  so  
 Since  $IMA = MAIA$ ,  $T'_{MA} = MAV'$ , where  $V' = T_{MA} \cap EA$ . If we let  $V = TAT \cap EA$ , then  
 $(L; P; E) \stackrel{IA}{=} (T; V; MA \infty)$ , so  $T_{MA} = MAV \rightarrow T = T'$ . Thus,  $T$  is the midpoint of the arc  
 made by  $BC$  in  $\omega$ . We have  $(S; T; A; B; C) \stackrel{R}{=} (T; E'; K; U) = -1$  so  $SS \cap TATA = X$ .  
 We have  $XTA^2 = XB \cdot XC = XS^2$  as desired.

3.88 tutubixu

**Problem 3.88** (AoPS user tutubixu9198). Let  $ABC$  be a triangle with circumcircle  $(O)$ . The tangents to  $(O)$  at the vertices  $B$  and  $C$  meet at a point  $S$ . Let  $d$  be the internal bisector of the angle  $BAC$ . Let the perpendicular bisector of  $AB, AC$  intersect  $d$  at  $M, N$  respectively and  $P = BM \cap CN$ . Prove that  $A, I, S$  are collinear where  $I$  is the incenter of triangle  $PMN$ .

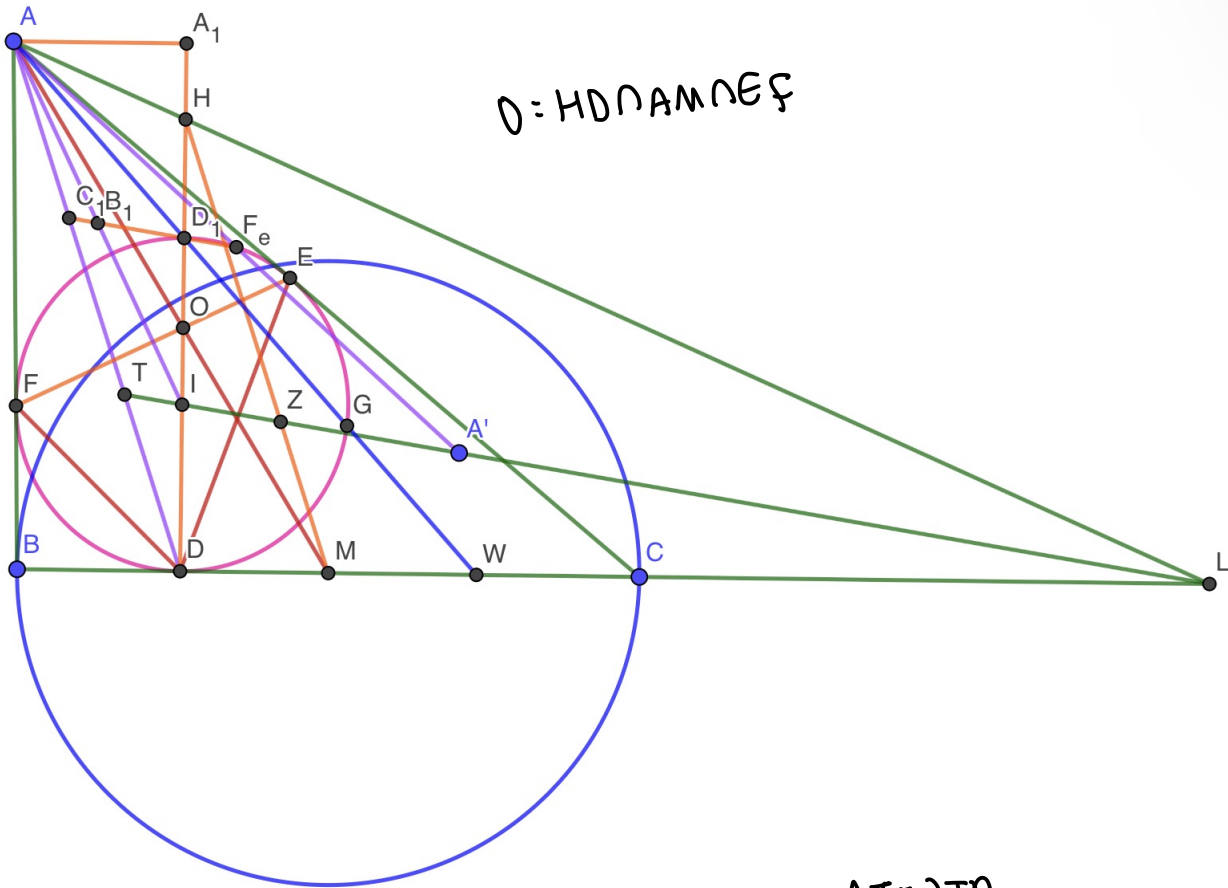


Note that  $\angle PMN = \angle PNM$  and that  $DM, IN$  are the external angle bisectors of  $\angle PMN, \angle PNM$ , so  $\angle IMO = \angle INO = 90^\circ$ . Choose  $\triangle ADE$  as the reference triangle instead, and redraw the problem as follows:  
 Let  $ABC$  be a triangle. Let  $A'$  be the antipode of  $A$ , and let  $AD$  be the angle bisector. Then, let  $F = AD \cap (A')$ ,  $E = A'B \cap AD$ . Then, let  $G$  be the antipode of  $A$  in  $(AEF)$ . A  $\sqrt{bc}$  mixtilinear gives  $A' \rightarrow J$ , and  $F \rightarrow (AOJ) \cap AD = F'$ , the foot from  $B$  to  $AD$ , and  $E' =$  the foot from  $C$  to  $AD$ . Let  $K = (ABC) \cap (AEF)$ , or the foot from  $A'$  to  $AG$ . However, note that  $(JF' \parallel ME')$ , since  $\triangle JKF' \sim \triangle E'DM$  so  $\angle F'JM = \angle FE'M$ , so  $K \leftrightarrow M$ , so  $\overline{AKG}$  is the  $A$ -symmedian as desired.



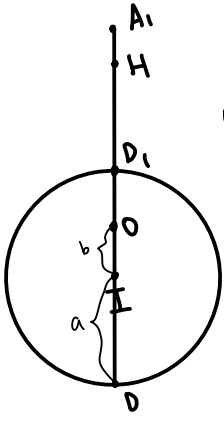
3.89 Supercali

**Problem 3.89** (AoPS User Supercali). In  $\triangle ABC$ , let  $F_e$  be the Feuerbach point, let  $I$  be the incentre, let  $H$  be orthocentre of  $\triangle BIC$  and let  $A'$  be reflection of  $A$  in  $F_e$ . Then, prove that  $AH$ ,  $IA'$  and  $BC$  are concurrent.



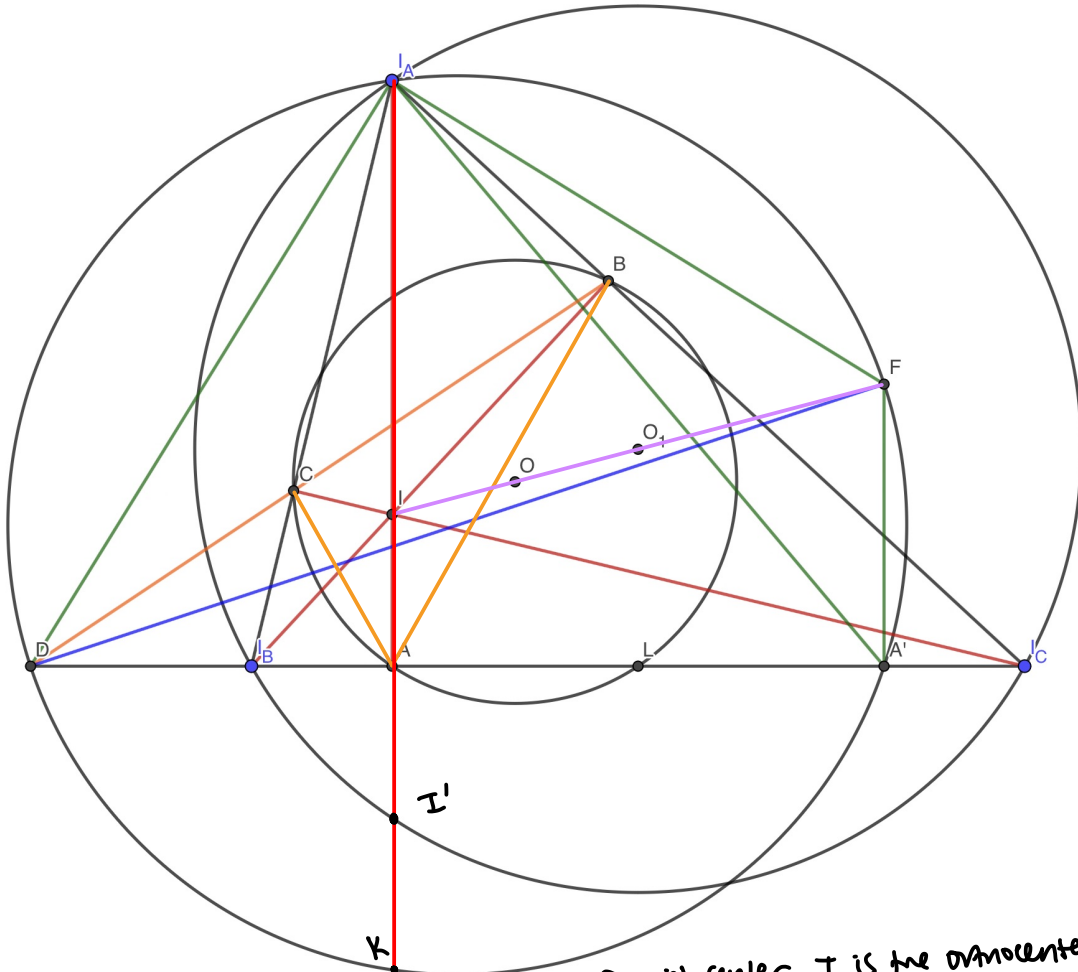
$$O = HD \cap AM \cap EF$$

If  $AH$  intersects  $BC$  at  $L$  and  $LI \cap AD = T$ , we show  $AT = 2TD$ .  
 We have  $\frac{TD}{HZ} = \frac{HI}{OI} \rightarrow TD = HZ \cdot \frac{HI}{OI} = AT \cdot \frac{OM}{AO} \cdot \frac{HI}{ID}$ , as  $\frac{AO}{OM} = \frac{AD}{HM} = \frac{AT}{HZ}$   
 Thus, we wish to show  $\frac{OM}{AO} \cdot \frac{HI}{ID} = \frac{OD}{OA_1} \cdot \frac{HI}{ID} = 2$ . Note that  $AA_1$  is the  
 polar of  $O$ , so  $IO \cdot IA_1 = ID^2$ . We also have  $(HI \perp OD)$ , since  $I$  is the  
 circumcenter of  $\triangle HBC$ . Thus  $DH = \frac{b(a+b)}{a-b}$ , using mass ratios. Thus,  
 $OD = a+b$ ,  $OA_1 = \frac{a^2}{b} - b = \frac{(a^2-b^2)}{b}$ ,  $HI = \frac{b(a+b)}{a-b} + b = \frac{2ab}{a-b}$ ,  $ID = a$ , so we see this  
 is true.  
 To finish, notice by configs,  $\overline{FeD_1C_1}$  where  $C_1$  is the midpoint of  $AT$ . Note  
 $AC' = C'T$ , and since  $D_1I = ID_1$  and  $DT = TC_1$ ,  $FeC_1 \parallel \overline{LI}$ , so since  
 $AFe = FeA'$ ,  $A' \in \overline{LI}$  as desired.



3.90 Iran TST Third Round 2020 Geometry P4

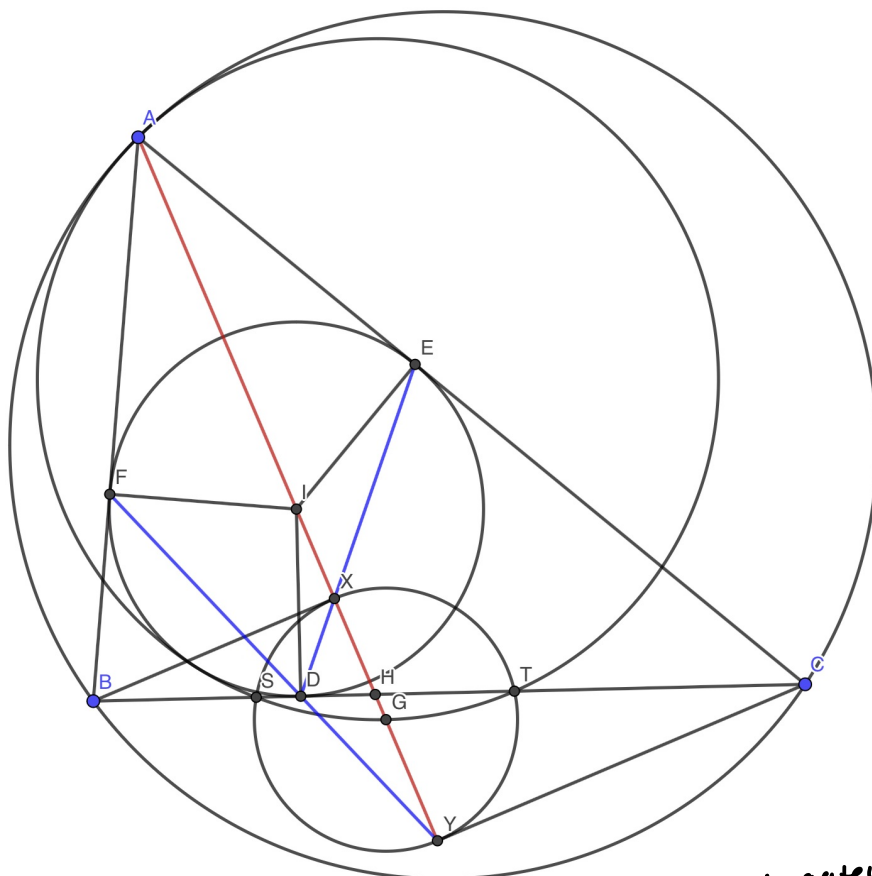
**Problem 3.90** (Iran TST Third Round 2020 Geometry P4). Triangle  $ABC$  is given. Let  $O$  be its circumcenter. Let  $I$  be the center of its incircle. The external angle bisector of  $A$  meet  $BC$  at  $D$ . And  $I_A$  is the  $A$ -excenter. The point  $K$  is chosen on the line  $AI$  such that  $AK = 2AI$  and  $A$  is closer to  $K$  than  $I$ . If the segment  $DF$  is the diameter of the circumcircle of triangle  $DKI_A$ , then prove  $OF = 3OI$ .



We work in terms of  $I_A I_B I_C$ .  $O$  is the 9 point center,  $I$  is the circumcenter.  
 Note that  $(DA; I_B I_C) = -1$ , so we can verify that  $DA \cdot AL = I_B A \cdot A I_C$ , so  $(I' D L I_A)$  and  
 thus,  $(K O I A A')$  where  $A'$  is the reflection of  $A$  over  $L$ . We can find that  
 $DI_B = \frac{ac \cos B}{b \cos C - c \cos B}$  using our harmonic bundle, and we let  $F$  be the reflection of  $I$  over  
 $O$ , and prove  $\angle OFA' = \angle O I A A'$  by proving  $\tan(\angle OFA') = \tan(\angle O I A A')$ . We have  $AI = \cos B \cos C$ ,  
 $O I L = \frac{1}{2} \cos A$ , so  $FA' = \cos A - \cos B \cos C$ . This reduces to a trig bash ( $\tan(\angle O I A A')$   
 $= \tan(\angle O I A A' + A I A')$ ) which is relatively clean.

**Problem 3.91** (ELMO 2016/6). Elmo is now learning olympiad geometry. In triangle  $ABC$  with  $AB \neq AC$ , let its incircle be tangent to sides  $BC$ ,  $CA$ , and  $AB$  at  $D$ ,  $E$ , and  $F$ , respectively. The internal angle bisector of  $\angle BAC$  intersects lines  $DE$  and  $DF$  at  $X$  and  $Y$ , respectively. Let  $S$  and  $T$  be distinct points on side  $BC$  such that  $\angle XS Y = \angle XTY = 90^\circ$ . Finally, let  $\gamma$  be the circumcircle of  $\triangle AST$ .

- a Help Elmo show that  $\gamma$  is tangent to the circumcircle of  $\triangle ABC$ .
- b Help Elmo show that  $\gamma$  is tangent to the incircle of  $\triangle ABC$ .

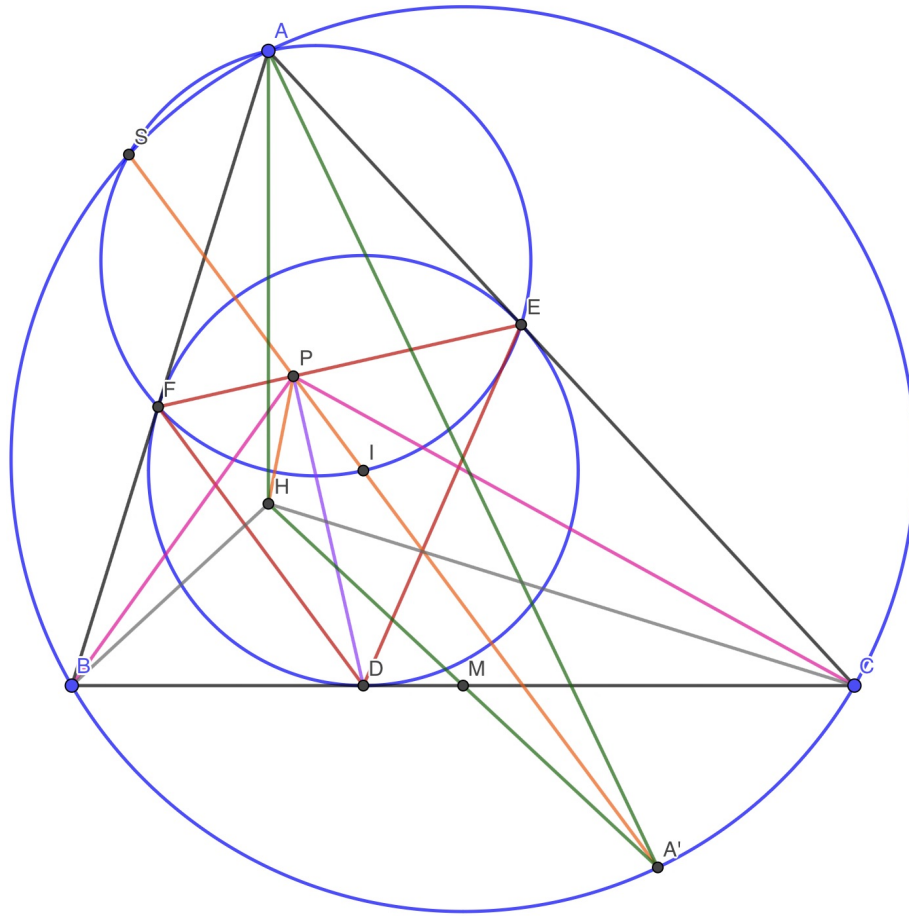


We have  $\frac{BS}{SC} \cdot \frac{BT}{TC} = \frac{BX^2}{CY^2} = \frac{AX^2}{AY^2}$  so  $AS, AT$  are isogonal conjugates. Note that if  $AS \cap (ABC) = S', AT \cap (ABC) = T'$ , then  $S'T' \parallel ST$ , so  $(AST)$  is homothetic to  $(AS'T')$  at  $A$ . Note  $AS = AT$  so they are tangent.

So by fact 7,  $(AGST)$ . We will show  $(DGF)$  and  $(XY)$  are orthogonal, or  $IX \cdot IY = r^2$ . We have  $AX = c \cos(\frac{A}{2}), AY = b \cos(\frac{A}{2}) \rightarrow \sin(\frac{A}{2}) (c \cos(\frac{A}{2}) - \frac{r}{\sin(\frac{A}{2})}) (b \cos(\frac{A}{2}) - \frac{r}{\sin(\frac{A}{2})}) = r^2$ . Let  $R = \frac{1}{2}$ , so  $(\frac{AC}{2} - r)(\frac{AB}{2} - r) = r^2 (\sin(\frac{A}{2}))^2 \rightarrow r (\frac{ab+ac}{2}) - \frac{a^2bc}{4} = r^2 (1 - \sin^2(\frac{A}{2})) = r^2 (\frac{1+\cos A}{2})$ . Plugging in  $r = \frac{abc}{a+b+c}$  and  $\cos A = \frac{b^2+c^2-a^2}{2bc}$ , we see this is true. Thus,  $DEF$  inverts to itself under  $\sigma(XY)$  inversion, and  $(AST)$  inverts to  $BC$ , as desired.

3.92 AoPS Community <HPI bisected by PD

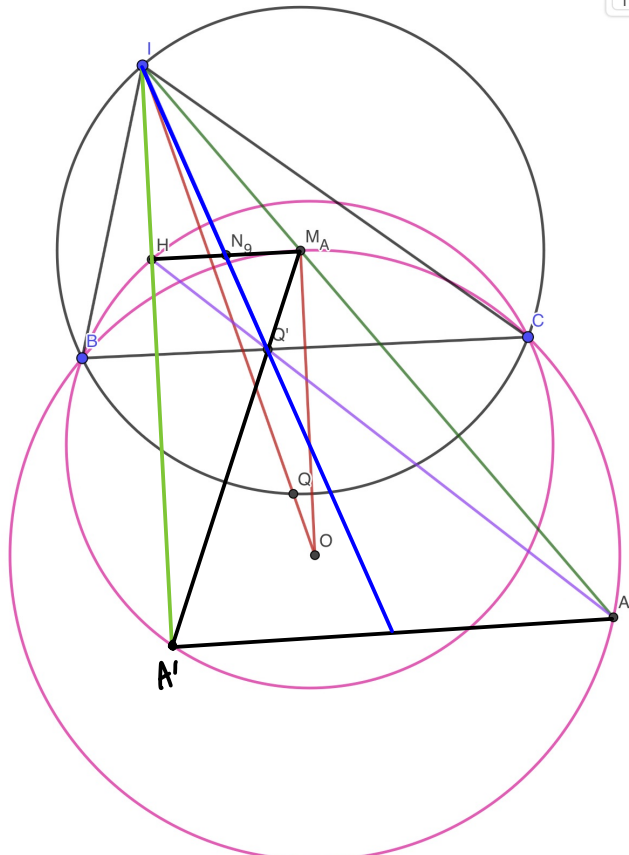
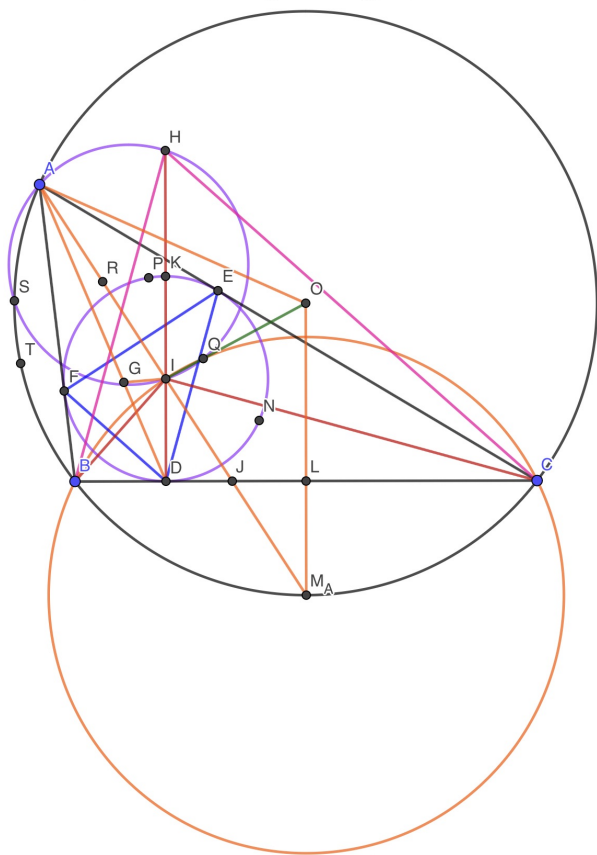
**Problem 3.92** (AoPS Community). In a triangle  $ABC$ , let  $\triangle DEF$  be the intouch triangle. Let  $P$  be the foot from  $D$  to  $\overline{EF}$ , and let  $I$  and  $H$  be the incenter and orthocenter respectively of  $\triangle ABC$ . Prove that  $\angle HPI$  is bisected by  $\overline{PD}$ .



Let  $X = EF \cap BC$ . We have  $\angle XDI = 90^\circ$  by 2012 ELMO SL G3, so  $\angle XPD$  is right,  $\angle BPD = \angle DPC$ . Additionally, note  $\overline{PA'}$ , and by isogonality lemma, since  $BHCA'$  is a parallelogram,  $\angle BPH = \angle CPA'$ . Thus,  $PD$  bisects  $\angle HPI$ .

3.93 2020 Taiwan TST Round 2 Mock IMO Day 6

**Problem 3.93** (2020 Taiwan TST Round 2 Mock IMO Day 6). Let  $I, O, \omega, \Omega$  be the incenter, circumcenter, the incircle, and the circumcircle, respectively, of a scalene triangle  $ABC$ . The incircle  $\omega$  is tangent to side  $BC$  at point  $D$ . Let  $S$  be the point on the circumcircle  $\Omega$  such that  $AS, OI, BC$  are concurrent. Let  $H$  be the orthocenter of triangle  $BIC$ . Point  $T$  lies on  $\Omega$  such that  $\angle ATI$  is a right angle. Prove that the points  $D, T, H, S$  are concyclic.

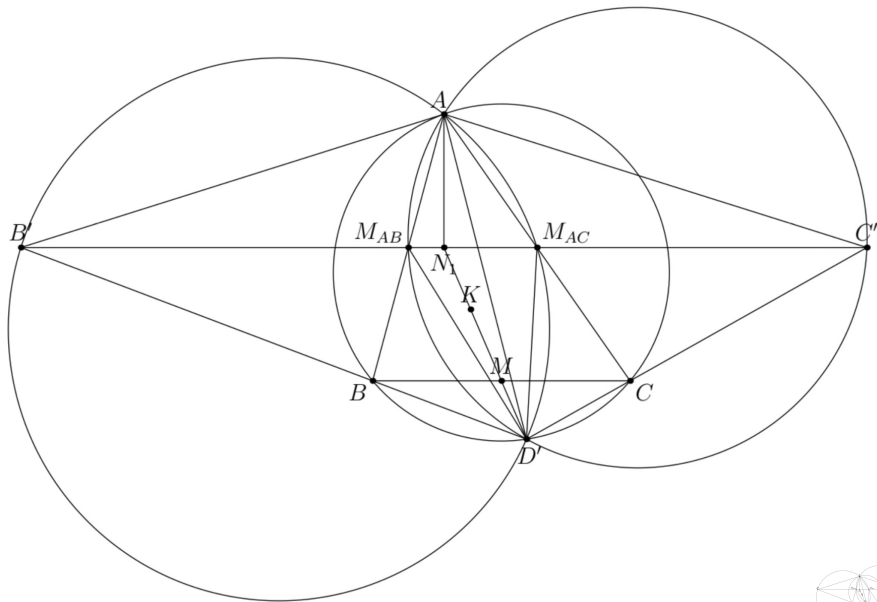
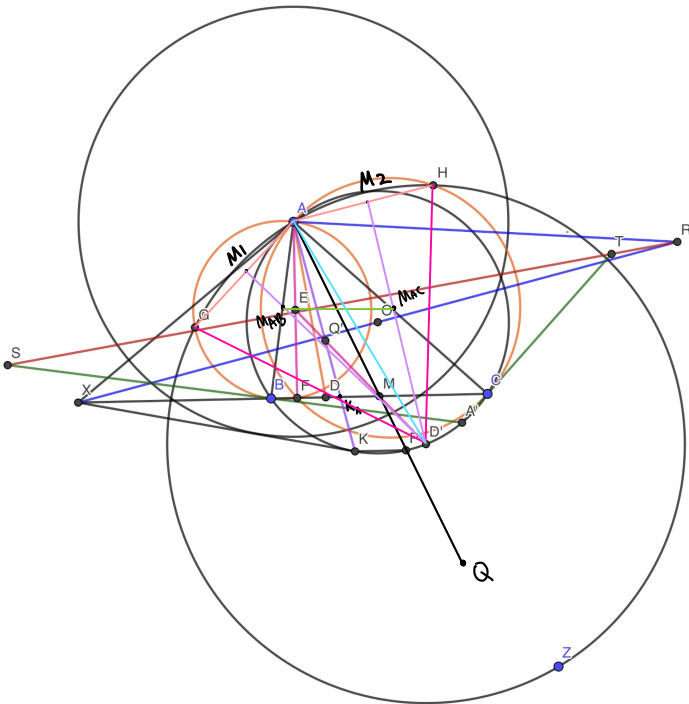


Note that  $T$  is the Simson-Darwin point, so  $\angle STD = \angle STMA = \angle SAI$ . Thus, we wish to prove  $\angle SAI = \angle SHI$ , or  $(AISH)$ . Let  $OI \cap (BIC) = Q$ . Then, by radical axis,  $(AISQ)$ . Thus, we prove  $(AIQH)$ . Now, perform a  $\sqrt{BC}$  inversion about  $BC$ . Note that  $\triangle AIB \sim \triangle CIH$ , so  $AI \cdot IH = IB \cdot IC$ , so  $A \leftrightarrow H$ . We see that  $M_A \leftrightarrow A'$ , the reflection of  $I$  over  $BC$ . Note that  $BOC$  and  $BHC$  swap, so if  $O_A$  is the center of  $BHC$ , then  $IO_A$  and  $IO$  are isogonal conjugates. Thus,  $Q \leftrightarrow IN_Q \cap BC = Q'$ . We wish to show  $HQ'A$ . Note that  $M_A A'$  is the reflection of  $IN_Q$  over  $BC$ , and  $IH \cdot IA = IM_A \cdot IA' \rightarrow HM_A \parallel A'A \rightarrow$  by Ceva,  $A'M_A \cap HA \cap IN_Q$ , and thus, intersect on  $BC$ , as desired.



3.94 buratinogigle ASDT rhombus

**Problem 3.94** (Posted by AoPS user buratinogigle). Let  $ABC$  be a triangle inscribed in circle  $(O)$ . Tangent at  $A$  meets  $BC$  at  $X$ . Median  $AM$  meets  $(O)$  again at  $P$ .  $Q$  lies on ray  $MP$  such that  $PQ = 2PM$ . Choose the points  $R$  on line  $OX$  and  $D$  on segment  $BC$  such that  $RD = RA = RQ$ . Let  $S, T$  be on perpendicular bisector of  $AD$  such that  $BS \perp BA$  and  $CT \perp CA$ . Prove that  $ASDT$  is a rhombus.

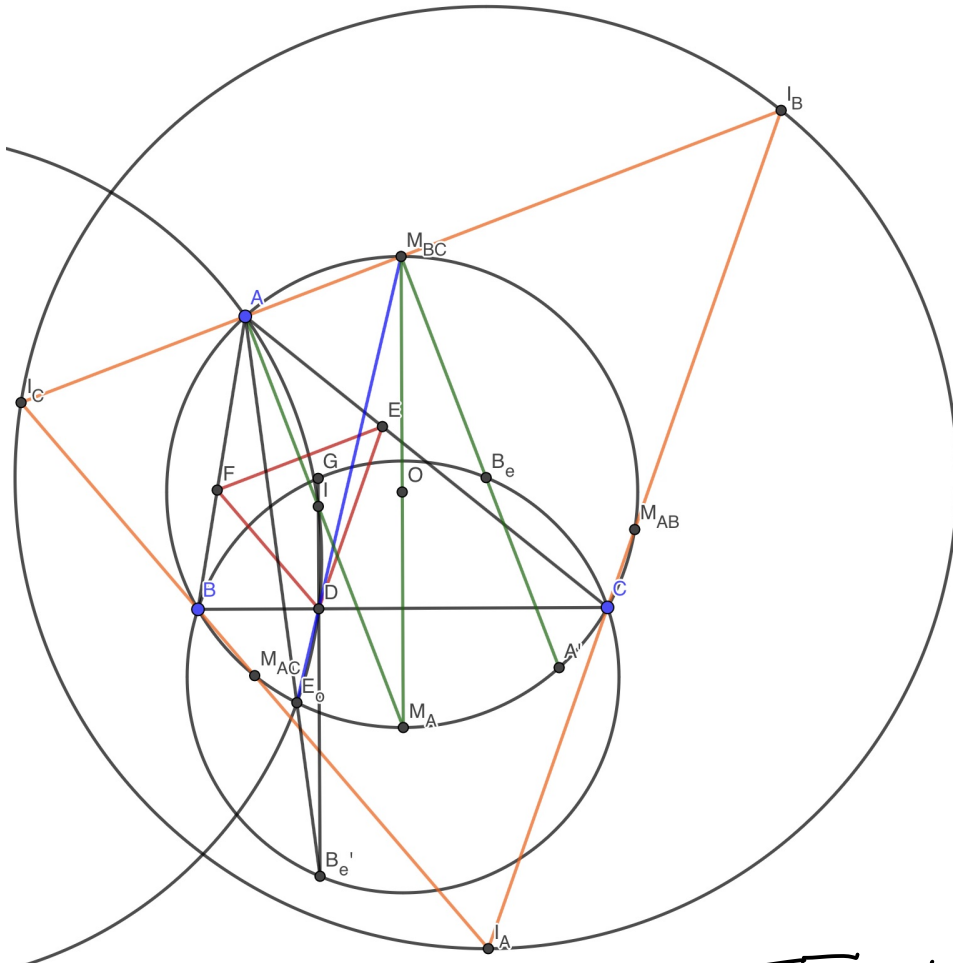


We show  $Q$  inverts to  $Q'$ , the symmedian point. we have  $KA \leftrightarrow P$ , and  $\overline{AKA} = \overline{a^2b^2+c^2}$  (under  $\sqrt{\text{circum}}$ ) and  $AKA \cdot AP = bc$ , so we show  $AKA \cdot AP = AQ' \cdot AQ$  or  $\frac{AQ'}{AKA} = \frac{AP}{AQ}$ , which is relatively simple via Stewart + PAPP. We have  $K \in (ADQ)$  since  $R \in OX$ , so  $(AKOQ) \leftrightarrow O'M$ , the Simson line of  $ABC$ . Let  $E$  be the midpoint of altitude  $AD$ , then,  $D' \leftrightarrow \overline{DEM} \cap (ABC)$ . We see that  $BS, TC$  go to  $(ABE), (CFA)$ , and the perpendicular bisector of  $AD$  goes to a circle centered at  $D'$  through  $A$ . Now, we just need to show  $\angle AD'M_1 = \angle AD'M_2$  or  $\angle AD'MAB = \angle AD'MAC$ .

Let  $D'B$  and  $D'C$  intersect  $MAB, MAC$  at  $B', C'$ . We have  $\angle D'AMAC = \angle D'BC = \angle DB'C'$  so  $(AMAD'O')$ ,  $(AMAB'D'C')$ . we also have  $D'MN_1$ , so  $N_1$  is the midpoint of  $B'C'$ , and since  $AN_1 \perp B'C'$ ,  $\angle AB'MAC = \angle AC'MB = \angle AD'MAB = \angle AD'MAC$ , as desired.

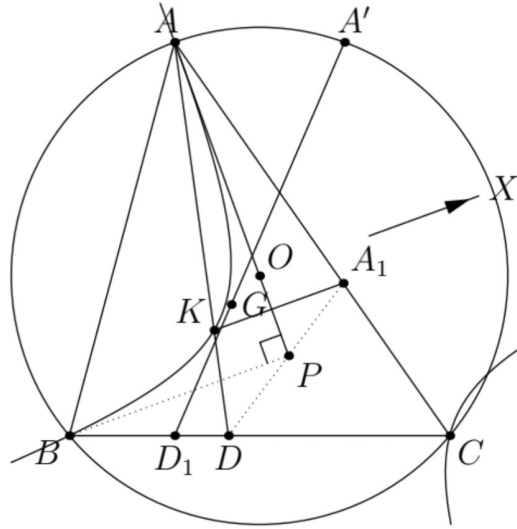
### 3.95 Encyclopedia of Triangle Centers Be (bevan point)

**Problem 3.95** (Encyclopedia of Triangle Centers). In  $\triangle ABC$ , let  $Be$  be the Bevan Point, or the reflection of the incenter over the circumcenter. If  $Be'$  is the antipode of  $Be$  on  $(BCBe)$ , then prove that  $\overline{ABe'}$  goes through the homothety center between the intouch and excentral triangle.



Since  $\overline{MAOM_{BC}}$ ,  $\overline{AIM}$ ,  $\overline{AOA'}$ ,  $\overline{IOBe}$  then  $\overline{A'BeM_{BC}}$ , because the two lines are each other's reflection over  $O$ . Let  $G = ID \cap (BCBe)$ . Note  $G$  is  $CB$  is an isosceles trapezoid, since the feet from  $Be$  and  $G$  are symmetric w.r.t.  $BC$ . Thus,  $Be' \in ID$  ( $Be' = G \overline{IO} \cap (BCBe)$ ). Note that  $M_{BC}A'IMA$  is a parallelogram, so  $MAI = M_{BC}Be = M_{BC}G$ , so  $\angle M_{BC}GI = \angle GMA = \angle AID = \angle AE_0D$ . Thus,  $AE_0 \cap ID = X$  has  $(XE_0GM_{BC})$  is cyclic, so  $E_0D \cdot DM = BD \cdot DC = GD \cdot DX$ , so  $X \in (BCBe)$ , so  $X = Be'$ , as desired ( $AE_0$  passes through the altitude from  $D$  to  $EP$  and  $A$ , so the center of homothety lies on it).

**Problem 3.96** (Myself (i3435)). Let  $ABC$  be a triangle with circumcenter  $O$  and let the  $A$ -symmedian intersect  $\overline{BC}$  at  $D$ . Let  $P$  be the foot from  $B$  to  $\overline{AO}$  and let  $Q$  be the foot from  $C$  to  $\overline{AO}$ . Let  $A_1$  be the intersection of  $\overline{DP}$  and  $\overline{AC}$  and let  $A_2$  be the intersection of  $\overline{DQ}$  and  $\overline{AB}$ . Define  $B_1, B_2, C_1, C_2$  similarly. Prove that  $A_1, A_2, B_1, B_2, C_1, C_2$  are all concyclic.



Let  $A'$  be the reflection of  $A$  over the perpendicular bisector of  $BC$ , let  $G$  be the centroid of  $\triangle ABC$ , and let  $D_1$  be the foot from  $A$  to  $\overline{BC}$ . Then  $A' - G - D_1$ .

Isogonally conjugate this line.  $A'$  goes to  $X$ , the point at infinity of the  $A$ -antiparallels of  $\triangle ABC$ ,  $G$  goes to  $K$ , the symmedian point of  $\triangle ABC$ , and  $\overline{AD_1}$  is isogonal to  $\overline{AO}$ , so the conic through  $A, B, C, K, X$  is tangent to  $\overline{AO}$ .

Pascal's on  $AAKXBC$  gives that  $A_1$  is the intersection of the  $A$ -antiparallel of  $\triangle ABC$  through  $K$  and  $AC$ . We now finish by Second Lemoine Circle.

However, using a bunch of projections, there is another method, which the hints hopefully led you towards.

Let  $A'_1$  be the intersection of the  $A$ -antiparallel through  $K$  and  $\overline{AC}$ . We want to show that  $D - P - A'_1$ . Let  $K'$  be the intersection of  $\overline{KA_1}$  and  $\overline{BC}$ , let  $K_A = \overline{AK} \cap (ABC)$ , and let  $Y_A$  be the  $A$ -Why Point. We first try to show that  $K' - Y_A - K_A$

Let  $T$  be the intersection of the  $A$ -tangent to  $(ABC)$  and  $\overline{BC}$ . Then let  $N$  be the midpoint of  $AT$  and let  $A^*$  be the antipode of  $A$  on  $(ABC)$ .  $(A, A^*; Y_A, \overline{Y_A P_{\infty AT}}) - 1 = (A, T; N, P_{\infty AT}) \stackrel{Y_A}{=} (A, A^*; \overline{NY_A} \cap (ABC), \overline{Y_A P_{\infty AT}} \cap (ABC))$ , so  $\overline{NY_A}$  is tangent to  $(ABC)$  at  $Y_A$ . Thus projecting  $-1 = (Y_A, A^*; A, K_A)$  through  $Y_A$  to  $\overline{AT}$  gives that  $\overline{K_A Y_A}$  trisects  $AT$ .

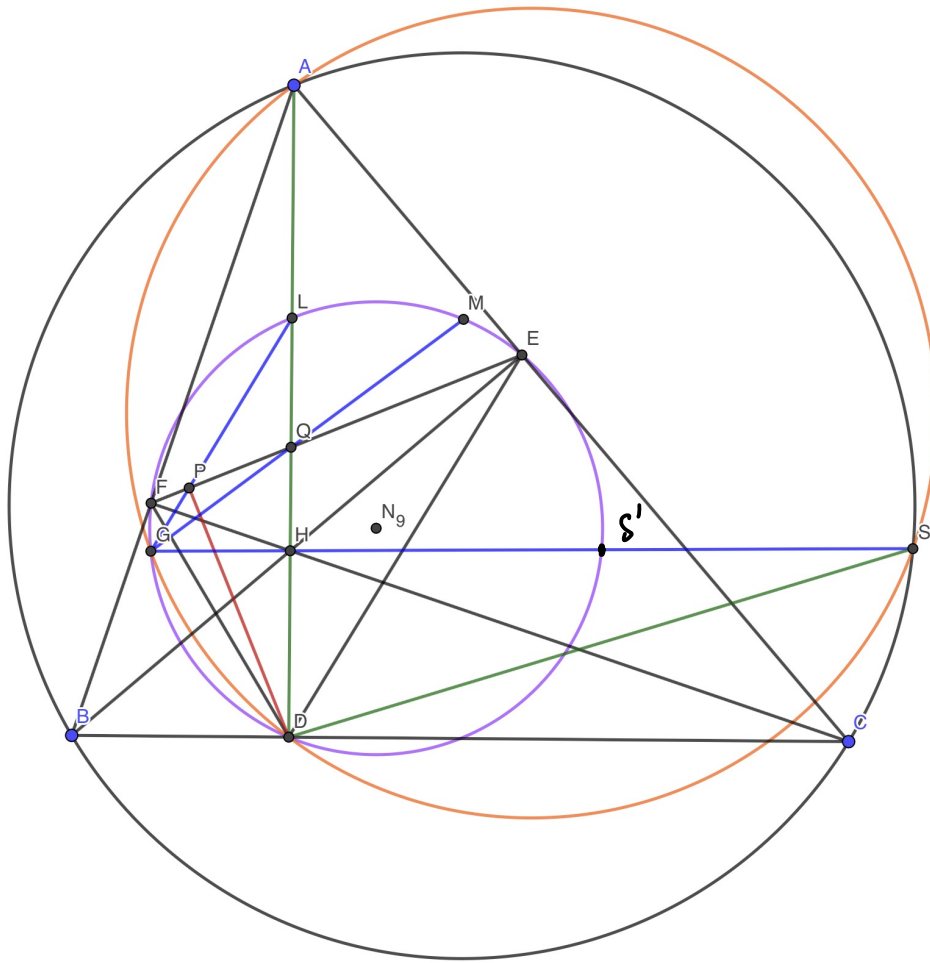
Let  $T' = \overline{TK_A} \cap \overline{K'K_A}$ . Then by homothety it suffices to show that  $K'$  trisects  $KT'$ .  $(K, T'; K', P_{\infty}) \stackrel{T}{=} (K, K_A; D, A)$ . Let  $K_C = \overline{CK} \cap (ABC)$  and let  $M$  be the midpoint of  $BC$ . Then  $(K, K_A; D, A) \stackrel{C}{=} (K_C, K_A; B, A) = \frac{\frac{K_C B}{K_C A}}{\frac{K_A B}{K_A A}} = \frac{\frac{AC}{MC}}{\frac{AC}{AC}} = 2$  as desired.

Now onto the main problem. Let  $O' = \overline{AO} \cap \overline{BC}$  and let  $Q'_A = \overline{K_A O'} \cap (ABC)$ . Then  $-1 = (A, K_A; B, C) \stackrel{O'}{=} (A^*, Q'_A; B, C) \stackrel{Y_A}{=} (T, \overline{Y_A Q'_A} \cap \overline{BC}; B, C)$  so  $Y_A - D - Q'_A$ .  $(A, P; \overline{K'K} \cap \overline{AO}, O') \stackrel{P_{\infty AT}}{=} (T, B; K', O') \stackrel{K_A}{=} (K_A, B; Y_A, Q'_A) \stackrel{D}{=} (A, C; Q'_A, Y_A) \stackrel{K_A}{=} (D, C; O', K') = (C, D; K', O') \stackrel{A'_1}{=} (A, \overline{A'_1 D} \cap \overline{AO}; \overline{K'K} \cap \overline{AO}, O')$  as desired.



3.97 India TST SH, MQ, PL concurrent

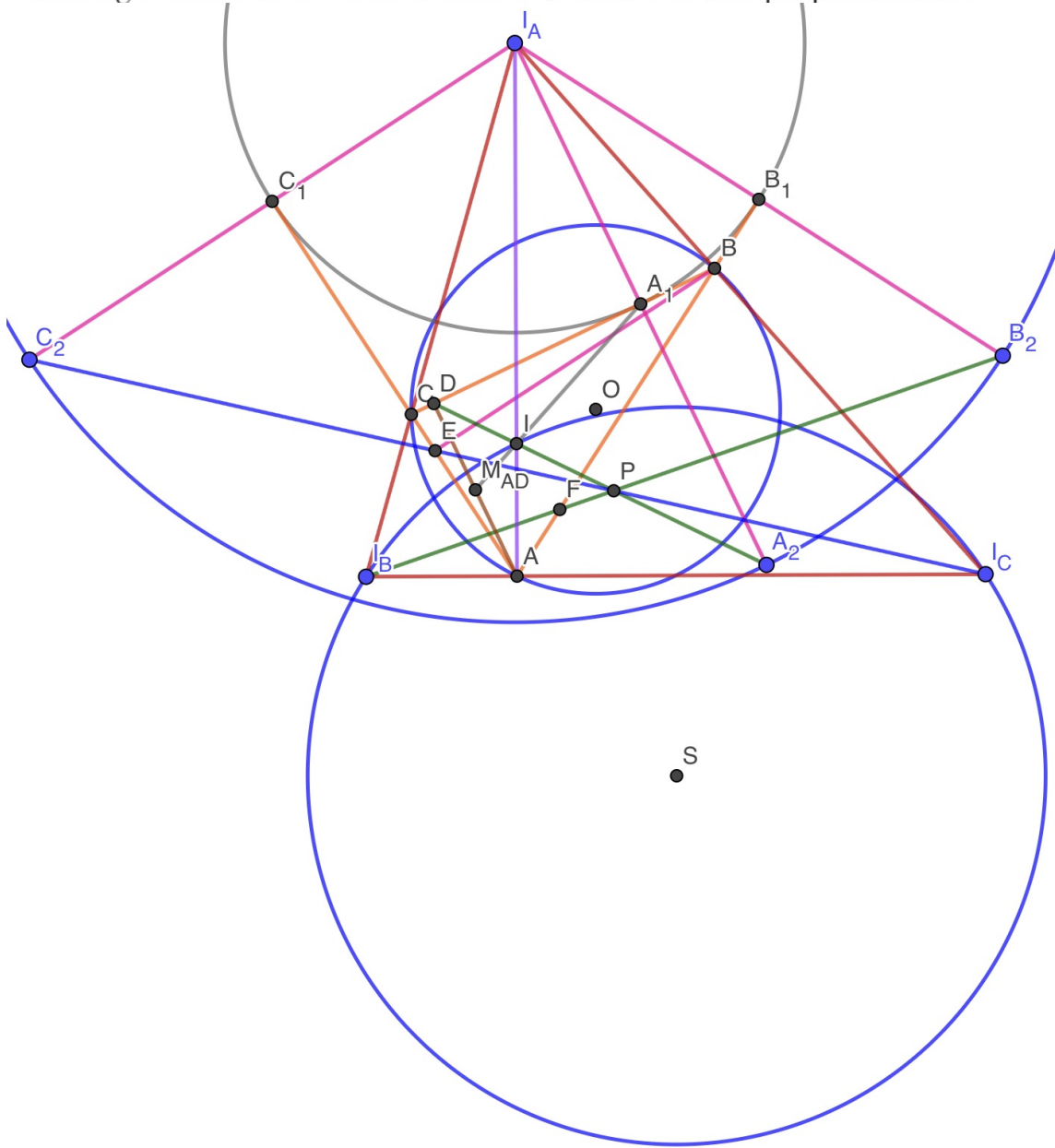
**Problem 3.97** (India TST???). Let  $ABC$  be a triangle with circumcircle  $\Gamma$  and altitudes  $\overline{AD}, \overline{BE}, \overline{CF}$  meeting at  $H$ . Let  $\omega$  be the circumcircle of  $\triangle DEF$ . Point  $S \neq A$  lies on  $\Gamma$  such that  $DS = DA$ . Line  $\overline{AD}$  meets  $\overline{EF}$  at  $Q$ , and meets  $\omega$  at  $L \neq D$ . Point  $M$  is chosen such that  $DM$  is a diameter of  $\omega$ . Point  $P$  lies on  $\overline{EF}$  with  $\overline{DP} \perp \overline{EF}$ . Prove that lines  $SH, MQ, PL$  are concurrent.



Let  $G = LP \cap MQ$ . Note that by a  $\sqrt{bc}$  line,  $DP \cdot DM = DB \cdot DL \rightarrow \frac{DP}{PL} = \frac{DB}{DM}$  and since  $\angle DPL = \angle LDM$ , we have  $\angle PLD = \angle QMD$ . Thus,  $LP$  and  $QM$  intersect on  $(DEF)$ . Now, note  $(AH, QD) = -1$ , because  $\angle QEH = \angle HED$  and  $\angle AEH = 90^\circ$ . Thus,  $\angle AGQ = \angle QGH$ . Let  $G \in (DAG)$  be  $S$ , so  $\angle SGQ = \angle AGQ \rightarrow DA = DS$ . Now, since  $GH \cdot HS' = DH \cdot HL$  and  $GH \cdot HS = DH \cdot HA$ , we have  $HS = 2HS' \rightarrow S$  on  $(ABC)$  as desired.

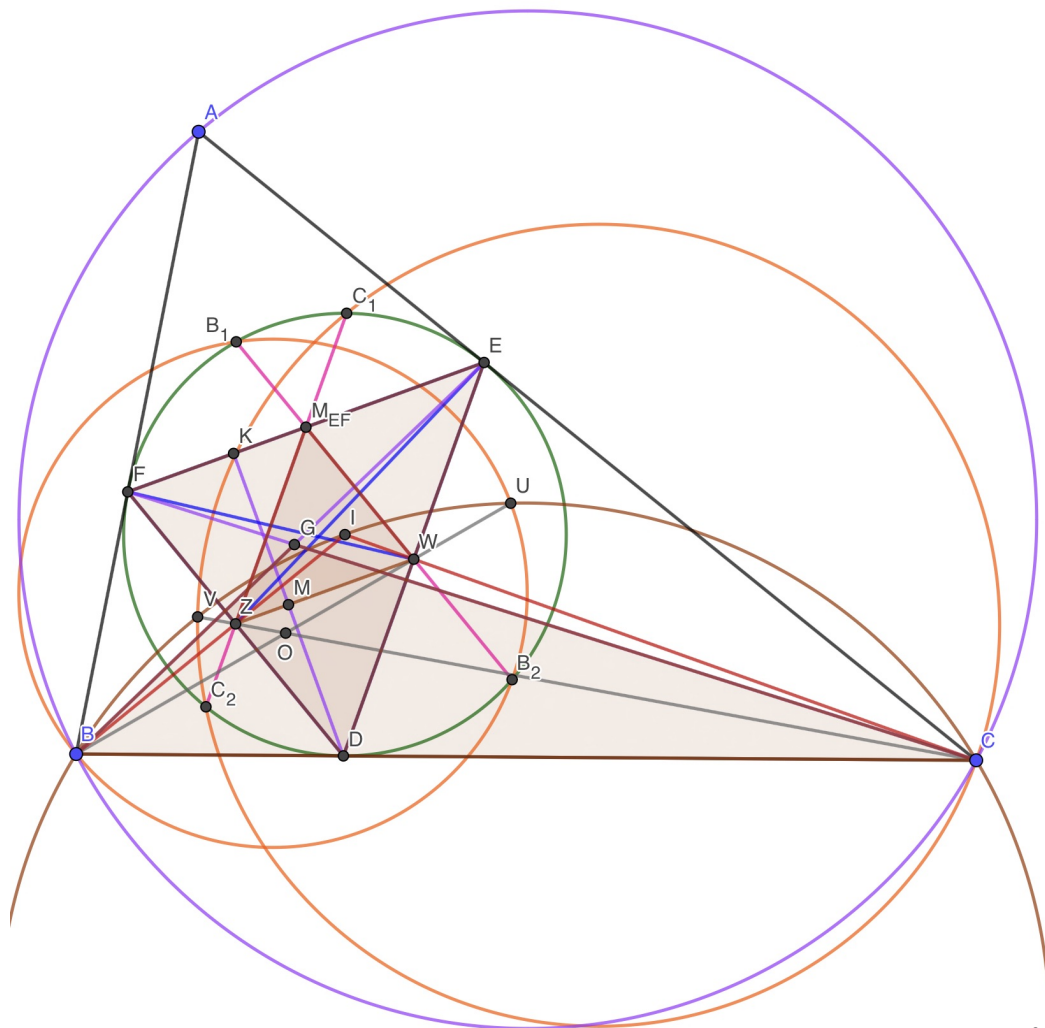
**Problem 3.98** (USAMO 2016/3). Let  $\triangle ABC$  be an acute triangle, and let  $I_B, I_C$ , and  $O$  denote its  $B$ -excenter,  $C$ -excenter, and circumcenter, respectively. Points  $E$  and  $Y$  are selected on  $\overline{AC}$  such that  $\angle ABY = \angle CBY$  and  $\overline{BE} \perp \overline{AC}$ . Similarly, points  $F$  and  $Z$  are selected on  $\overline{AB}$  such that  $\angle ACZ = \angle BCZ$  and  $\overline{CF} \perp \overline{AB}$ .

Lines  $\overleftrightarrow{I_B F}$  and  $\overleftrightarrow{I_C E}$  meet at  $P$ . Prove that  $\overline{PO}$  and  $\overline{YZ}$  are perpendicular.



We have by Theorem 2.72 that  $SAO \perp YZ$ , we will show  $P$  lies on  $\overline{SA}$ . Consider the excircle of  $ABC$  and let the tangency points be  $A_1, B_1, C_1$ . Now, let  $A_2, B_2, C_2$  be the reflections of  $A$  over the tangency points. We show that  $P$  is the center of homothety between  $(A_2 B_2 C_2)$  and  $(I B_1 C_1)$ , which proves the desired. Note that  $M$  is the midpoint of  $AD$ , and since  $A_1 A_2$ , we have  $\overline{D A_2}$ . We know that  $BE = b - 2k$ , and  $GA = \frac{s-a}{s-a} r = \frac{s}{s-a} \cdot \frac{k}{s} = \frac{k}{s-a}$ . Thus,  $BE = \frac{2k}{b}$ ,  $GA = \frac{2k}{s-a}$ . We have  $\angle A_2 B_2 C_2 = \angle A_1 B_1 C_1$  and  $\angle C_2 A_2 B_2 = \angle C_1 A_1 B_1$ . However, note that  $B_2 C_2 \parallel B_1 C_1$ , so  $P$  is the center of homothety mapping  $(A_2 B_2 C_2)$  to  $(I B_1 C_1)$  as desired (we also have  $A_2 B_2 \parallel I B_1$ ,  $A_2 C_2 \parallel I A_1$  and we're done by homothety).

**Problem 3.99** (USA TSTST 2016/6). Let  $ABC$  be a triangle with incenter  $I$ , and whose incircle is tangent to  $\overline{BC}$ ,  $\overline{CA}$ ,  $\overline{AB}$  at  $D$ ,  $E$ ,  $F$ , respectively. Let  $K$  be the foot of the altitude from  $D$  to  $\overline{EF}$ . Suppose that the circumcircle of  $\triangle AIB$  meets the incircle at two distinct points  $C_1$  and  $C_2$ , while the circumcircle of  $\triangle AIC$  meets the incircle at two distinct points  $B_1$  and  $B_2$ . Prove that the radical axis of the circumcircles of  $\triangle BB_1B_2$  and  $\triangle CC_1C_2$  passes through the midpoint  $M$  of  $\overline{DK}$ .



Radical axis of  $(AIE)$ ,  $(AIB)$ ,  $(DEF)$  gives  $\overline{B_1B_2} \perp IM_B$   
 ( $M_B =$  midpoint of  $arc$ ), so  $B_1B_2 \parallel DF$ , and thus, if we let  $M_{EF}, U, Z$  be the medial triangle  
 from  $B_1, B_2, C_1, C_2$ . We have that by Radical axis in  $(BB_1B_2), (BC), (CC_1C_2)$   
 that the radical center is on  $BW$  and  $CZ$  so  $BW \cap CZ$  is on our radical axis.  
 ( $WB_2 \cdot WB_1 = UW \cdot WB$ , and  $\overline{UM_B}$  by symmetry from before).  
 By Cevian Bundles in  $DEF, GBC, MEF, ZW$  ( $DMEF, E_2, FW$  concur and so do  $DG_1,$   
 $FB, EC$ , so  $DMEF \cap G \cap Z \cap WB$ , is on the radical axis). Thus,  $\overline{GM_{EF}}$   
 is our radical axis  $\rightarrow$  Schwartz line, so  $M$  is also on the radical axis.