Geometry 3 - Miscellaneous

TSS Math Club

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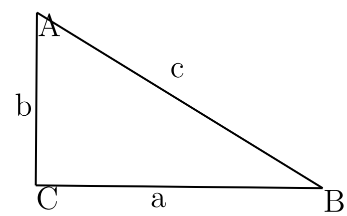
1 Pythagorean Theorem

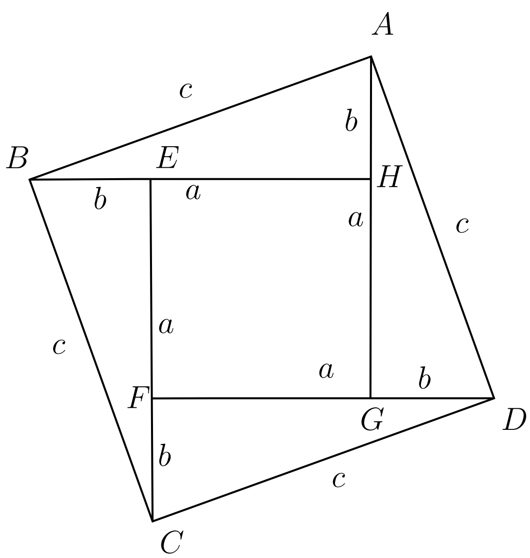
In a right-triangle,

$$a^2 + b^2 = c^2$$

where a and b are two sides and c is the hypotenuse.



1.1 Proof



$[ABCD] = c^2$
$[ABCD] = [EFGH] + 4[AEB]$
$[ABCD] = (a-b)^2 + 4\frac{ab}{2}$
$[ABCD] = a^2 - 2ab + b^2 + 2ab$
$[ABCD] = a^2 + b^2$
Therefore, $a^2 + b^2 = c^2$

2 Trigonometry

2.1 Definitions

Sine or $\sin(\theta)$: A ratio between the opposite side length and the hypotenuse of a triangle.

Cosine or $\cos(\theta)$: A ratio between the adjacent side length and the hypotenuse of a triangle.

Tangent or $\tan(\theta)$: A ratio between the opposite side length and the adjacent side of a triangle.

2.2 Pythagorean Theorem

$$\sin^2(\theta) + \cos^2(\theta) = 1$$

2.3 Triangle Area Formula with Sine

$$S = \frac{ab\sin C}{2}$$

2.3.1 Proof

Since

$$\sin C = \frac{h}{b} \longrightarrow h = b\sin C$$

Therefore,

$$\begin{aligned} S &= \frac{h \times a}{2} \\ &= \frac{\sin C \times b \times a}{2} \\ &= \frac{ab\sin C}{2} \end{aligned}$$

2.4 Law of Sines

$$\frac{a}{\sin A} = \frac{b}{\sin B} = \frac{c}{\sin C} = 2R = d$$

2.4.1 Proof

$$S = \frac{ab\sin C}{2} = \frac{bc\sin A}{2}$$
$$a\sin C = c\sin A$$
$$\frac{c}{\sin C} = \frac{a}{\sin A}$$

$$abc = 4RS$$
$$abd = \frac{4ab\sin C}{2}R$$
$$c = 2\sin CR$$
$$\frac{c}{\sin C} = 2R$$

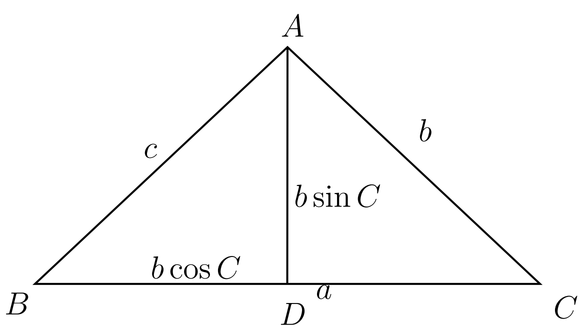
Therefore,

$$\frac{a}{\sin A} = \frac{b}{\sin B} = \frac{c}{\sin C} = 2R = d$$

2.5 Law of Cosines

$$c^2 = a^2 + b^2 - 2ab\cos C$$

2.5.1 Proof



$$\frac{AD}{AC} = \sin C \longrightarrow AD = b\sin C$$
$$\frac{BC}{AC} = \cos C \longrightarrow BC = b\cos C$$
$$DC = BC - BD = a - b\cos C$$

$$\begin{aligned} c^2 &= (b\sin C)^2 + (a - b\cos C)^2 \\ &= b^2\sin^2 C + a^2 - 2ab\cos C + b^2\cos^2 C \\ &= b^2(\sin^2 C + \cos^2 C) + a^2 - 2ab\cos C \\ &= a^2 + b^2 - 2ab\cos C \end{aligned}$$

2.6 Problem

2.6.1 Heron's Formula

$$S = \sqrt{s(s-a)(s-b)(s-c)}, s = \frac{a+b+c}{2}$$

1:

$$c^2 = a^2 + b^2 - 2ab\cos C$$
$$\cos C = \frac{a^2+b^2-c^2}{2ab}$$

2:

$$\sin^2 C + \cos^2 C = 1$$
$$\sin C = \sqrt{1-\cos^2 C}$$

Substitute 1 into 2:

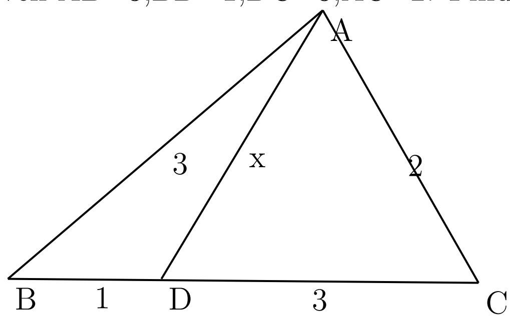
$$\begin{aligned}
\sin C &= \sqrt{1-(\frac{a^2+b^2-c^2}{2ab})^2} \\
&= \frac{\sqrt{(2ab+a^2+b^2-c^2)\times(2ab-a^2-b^2+c^2}}{2ab} \\
&= \frac{\sqrt{(a+b-c)\times(a+b+c)\times(c-a+b)\times(c+a-b)}}{2ab}
\end{aligned}$$

Substitute into $S = \frac{ab\sin C}{2}$:

$$\begin{aligned}
S &= \frac{ab\sqrt{(a+b-c)\times(a+b+c)\times(c-a+b)\times(c+a-b)}}{2ab} \\
&= \sqrt{\frac{(a+b-c)}{2}\times\frac{(a+b+c)}{2}\times\frac{(c-a+b)}{2}\times\frac{(c+a-b)}{2}} \\
&= \sqrt{\frac{(a+b+c-2c)}{2}\times\frac{(a+b+c)}{2}\times\frac{(c+a+b-2a)}{2}\times\frac{(c+a+b-2b)}{2}} \\
&= \sqrt{(\frac{a+b+c}{2}-c)\times(\frac{a+b+c}{2})\times(\frac{a+b+c}{2}-a)\times(\frac{a+b+c}{2}-b)} \\
&= \sqrt{s\times(s-a)\times(s-b)\times(s-c)}
\end{aligned}$$

2.6.2 Problem

Given AB=3,BD=1,DC=3,AC=2. Find AD.



First, use cosine law to find $\angle ACD$ and $\angle ADB$:

$$2^2 = x^2 + 3^2 - 2(x)(3)\cos\theta \tag{1}$$
$$4 = x^2 + 9 - 6x\cos\theta \tag{2}$$

$$3^2 = x^2 + 1^2 - 2(x)(1)\cos 180^\circ - \theta \tag{3}$$
$$9 = x^2 + 1 + 2x\cos\theta \tag{4}$$
$$27 = 3x^2 + 3 + 6x\cos\theta \tag{5}$$

Combine / add (2) and (5) together, therefore cancelling out the $6x\cos\theta$:

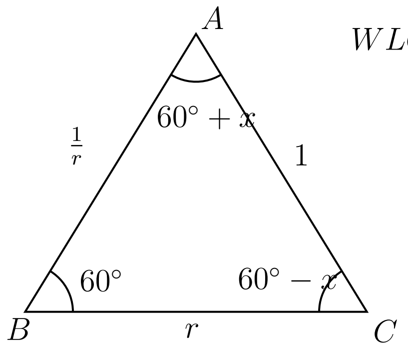
$$\begin{aligned}
4 + 27 &= x^2 + 9 - 6x\cos\theta + 3x^2 + 3 + 6x\cos\theta \\
31 &= 4x^2 + 12 \\
4x^2 &= 19 \\
x^2 &= \frac{19}{4} \\
x &= \frac{\sqrt{19}}{2}
\end{aligned}$$

2.6.3 Problem, Euclid 2022 Q8 b)

Consider the following statement:

> There is a triangle that is not equilateral whose side lengths form a geometric sequence, and the measures of whose angles form an arithmetic sequence.

Show that this statement is true by finding such a triangle or prove that it is false by demonstrating that there cannot be such a triangle.



$WLOG = AC = 1$

First, we are able to assume "Without Loss of Generality" (WLOG) since we know that changing the side lengths by a certain factor wont change its angle. Thus, we can have AC as 1.

$$\frac{\sin(60^\circ)}{1} = \frac{\sin(60^\circ + x)}{r} = \frac{\sin(60^\circ - x)}{\frac{1}{r}} = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}$$

$$\frac{\sin(60^\circ - x)}{\frac{1}{r}} = \sin(60^\circ - x) \times r$$

$$(\sin(60^\circ - x) \times r) \times \frac{\sin(60^\circ + x)}{r} = (\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2})^2$$

$$\sin(60^\circ - x) \times \sin(60^\circ + x) = \frac{3}{4}$$

Trig identities: $\sin a + b = \sin a \cos b + \cos a \sin b$ and $\sin a - b = \sin a \cos b - \cos a \sin b$

$$(\sin 60^\circ \cos x + \cos 60^\circ \sin x) \times (\sin 60^\circ \cos x - \cos 60^\circ \sin x) = \frac{3}{4}$$

$$\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \cos^2 x - \frac{1}{2} \sin^2 x = \frac{3}{4}$$

$$\frac{3}{4} \cos^2 x + \frac{3}{4} \sin^2 x - \sin^2 x = \frac{3}{4}$$

$$\frac{3}{4}(\cos^2 x + \sin^2 x) - \sin^2 x = \frac{3}{4}$$

$$\frac{3}{4} - \sin^2 x = \frac{3}{4}$$

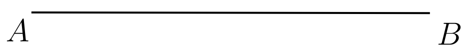
$$\sin^2 x = 0$$

Therefore, $x = 0$, and thus all three angles in the triangle are 60°, proving that no triangle exists that fit the statement provided.

3 Transversals

3.1 Directed Segments

Definition: Lines with a direction.

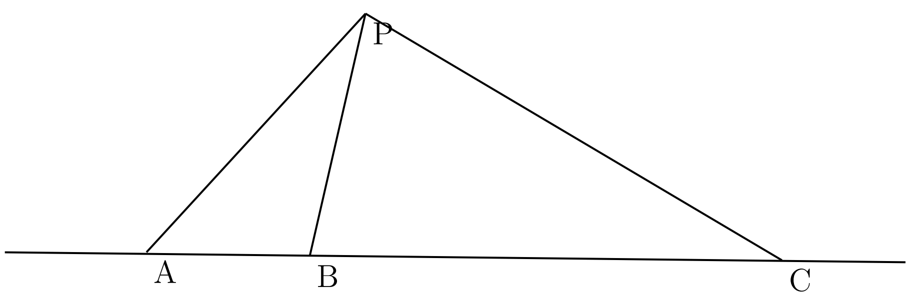


$$AB = -BA$$
$$AB = 5$$
$$BA = -5$$

3.2 Stewart's Theorem

If A,B,C collinear and P is any other point, then

$$PA^2 \cdot BC + PB^2 \cdot CA + PC^2 \cdot AB + BC \cdot CA \cdot AB = 0$$



Apply cosine law in triangle $\triangle ABP$ and $\triangle CBP$

$$AP^2 = BP^2 + AB^2 - 2 \cdot AB \cdot BP \cdot \cos(\angle ABP) \tag{6}$$
$$CP^2 = BP^2 + CB^2 - 2 \cdot CB \cdot BP \cdot \cos(\angle CBP) \tag{7}$$

(6) and (7) $\implies$

$$AP^2 \cdot CB = BP^2 \cdot CB + AB^2 \cdot CB - 2 \cdot AB \cdot BP \cdot CB \cdot \cos(\angle ABP) \tag{8}$$
$$CP^2 \cdot AB = BP^2 \cdot AB + CB^2 \cdot AB - 2 \cdot CB \cdot BP \cdot AB \cdot \cos(\angle CBP) \tag{9}$$

Since $\angle ABP + \angle PBC = \pi$, (8) + (9) $\implies$

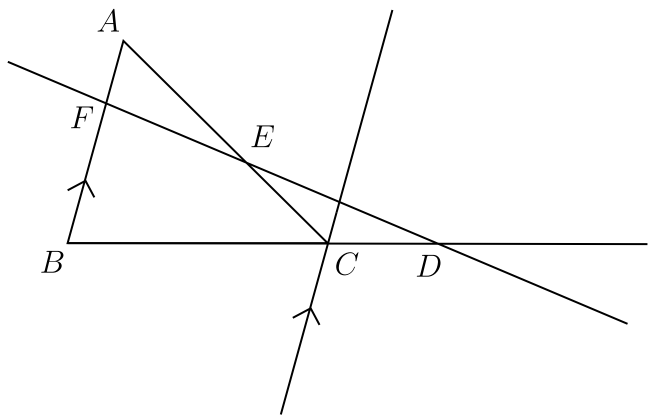
$$AP^2 \cdot CB + CP^2 \cdot AB = BP^2 \cdot CB + AB^2 \cdot CB + BP^2 \cdot AB + CB^2 \cdot AB \tag{10}$$
$$AP^2 \cdot CB + CP^2 \cdot AB = BP^2 \cdot (CB + AB) + AB \cdot CB \cdot (AB + BC) \tag{11}$$
$$AP^2 \cdot CB + CP^2 \cdot AB = BP^2 \cdot AC + AB \cdot CB \cdot AC \tag{12}$$

Checking the direction for these directed segments, (12) implies Stewart's Theorem.

3.3 Menelaus' Theorem

Suppose we have a triangle ABC, and a transversal line that crosses BC, AC, and AB at points D, E, and F respectively, with D, E, and F distinct from A, B, and C, then

$$\frac{AF}{FB} \cdot \frac{BD}{DC} \cdot \frac{CE}{EA} = -1$$



Since CG is parallel to BA, $\triangle AFE$ is similar to $\triangle CGE$, and therefore:

$$\frac{AF}{CG} = \frac{EA}{CE} = \frac{EF}{EG}$$

Since $\triangle FBD$ is similar to $\triangle GCD$, therefore:

$$\frac{GC}{FB} = \frac{DC}{BD} = \frac{DG}{DF}$$

We are able to multiply together certain parts of the relation listed above to get:

$$\frac{AF}{CG} \times \frac{GC}{FB} = \frac{EA}{CE} \times \frac{DC}{BD}$$
$$-\frac{AF}{FB} \times (-\frac{CE}{EA} \times \frac{BD}{DC}) = (\frac{EA}{CE} \times \frac{DC}{BD}) \times (-\frac{CE}{EA} \times \frac{BD}{DC})$$
$$\frac{AF}{FB} \cdot \frac{BD}{DC} \cdot \frac{CE}{EA} = -1$$

3.4 Menelaus' Inverse Theorem

Suppose we have a triangle ABC with D on BC, E on AC, F on AB, such that,

$$\frac{AF}{FB} \cdot \frac{BD}{DC} \cdot \frac{CE}{EA} = -1$$

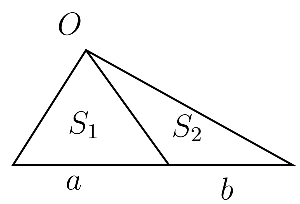
then D,E, F collinear.

3.5 Ceva's Theorem

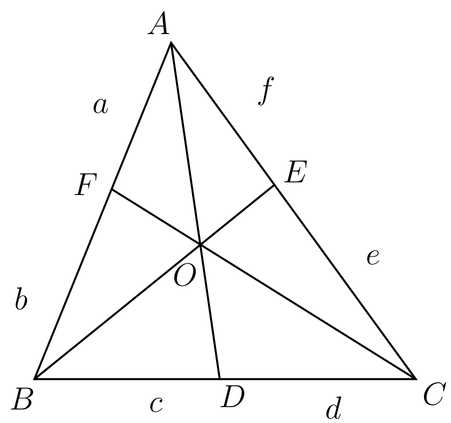
Given a triangle ABC, let the lines AO, BO and CO be drawn from the vertices to a common point O (not on one of the sides of ABC), to meet opposite sides at D, E and F respectively, then

$$\frac{AF}{FB} \cdot \frac{BD}{DC} \cdot \frac{CE}{EA} = 1$$

Note:



If $S_1 = \frac{ah}{2}$ and $S_2 = \frac{bh}{2}$, therefore $\frac{S_1}{S_2} = \frac{\frac{ah}{2}}{\frac{bh}{2}} = \frac{a}{b}$.



$$[BOC] = (c+d)(h/2)$$

$$\frac{[BOC]}{[BOA]} = \frac{e}{f} \tag{13}$$

$$[BOA] = \frac{f(c+d)(h/2)}{e} \tag{14}$$

$$\frac{[AOC]}{[BOC]} = \frac{a}{b} \tag{15}$$

$$[AOC] = \frac{a(c+d)(h/2)}{b} \tag{16}$$

Combine (7) and (9):

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{[AOC]}{[AOB]} &= \frac{d}{c} \\ &= \frac{\frac{a(c+d)(h/2)}{b}}{\frac{f(c+d)(h/2)}{e}} \\ &= \frac{a}{b} \times \frac{e}{f}\end{aligned}$$

Therefore,

$$\frac{d}{c} = \frac{a}{b} \times \frac{e}{f} \longrightarrow \frac{a}{b} \times \frac{c}{d} \times \frac{e}{f} = 1$$

or,

$$\frac{AF}{FB} \times \frac{BD}{DC} \times \frac{CE}{EA} = 1$$

3.6 Ceva's Inverse Theorem

Suppose we have a triangle ABC with D on BC, E on AC, F on AB, such that,

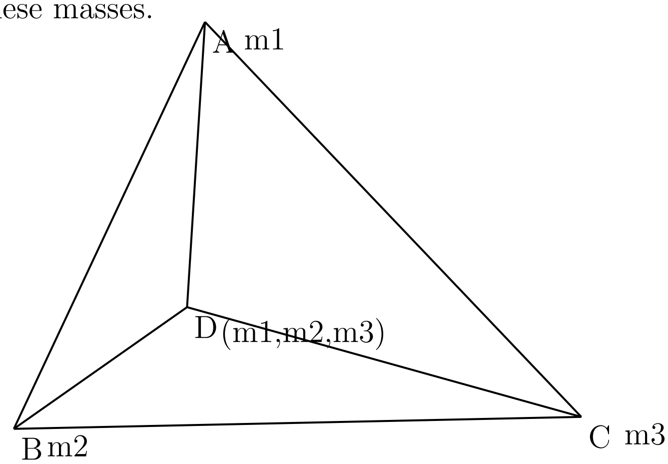
$$\frac{AF}{FB} \cdot \frac{BD}{DC} \cdot \frac{CE}{EA} = 1$$

then AD,BE,CF concurrent.

4 Barycentric Coordinate

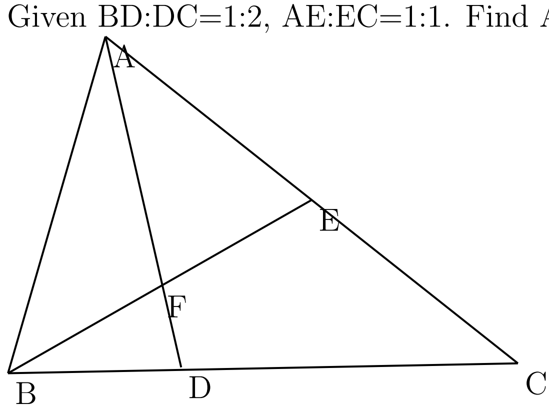
4.1 Definition

The barycentric coordinates of a point can be interpreted as masses placed at the vertices of the simplex, such that the point is the center of mass (or barycenter) of these masses.



4.2 Example

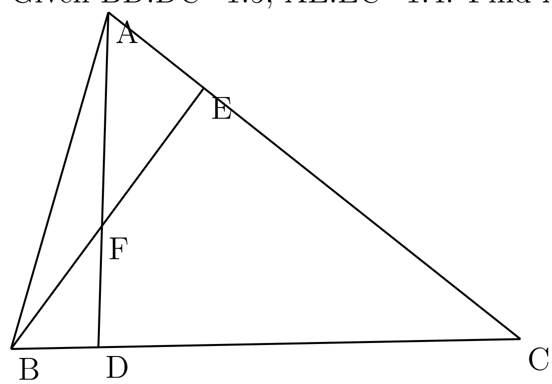
Given BD:DC=1:2, AE:EC=1:1. Find AF:FD.



if $A = m$, then $C = m$
if $C = m$, then $B = 2m$
therefore $D = 3m$, and $AF : FD = 1 : 3$

4.3 Problem

Given BD:DC=1:5, AE:EC=1:4. Find AF:FD.



First, let $C = 1$:
Since C equals 1, B must equal 5 and A must equal 4.
As a result, by adding B and C, D must be 6.
Therefore $AF : FD = 4 : 6 = 2 : 3$

5 Angle Bisector

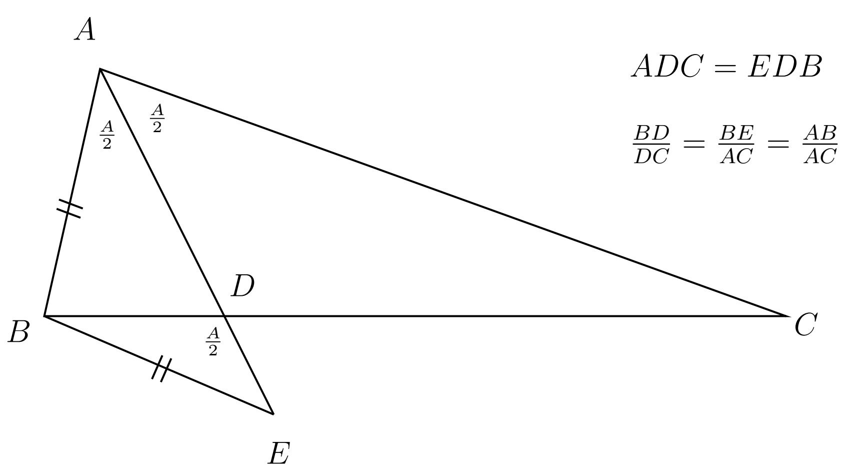
5.1 Definition

A ray that bisects an angle.

5.2 Angle Bisector Theorem

If AD bisects $\angle A$, then

$$\frac{BD}{CD} = \frac{AB}{AC}$$



$ADC = EDB$

$\frac{BD}{DC} = \frac{BE}{AC} = \frac{AB}{AC}$

5.3 Theorem

Angle bisectors of a trinagle are concurrent, the point is called the incenter of the triangle.

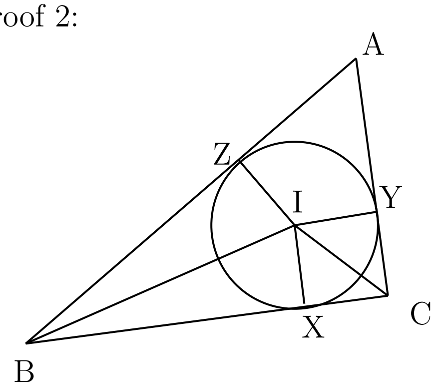
Proof 1:

$$\frac{AF}{FB} \times \frac{BD}{DC} \times \frac{CE}{EA}$$

$$\begin{aligned} &= \frac{b}{a} \times \frac{c}{b} \times \frac{a}{c} \\ &= 1 \end{aligned}$$

By using Ceva's Inverse Theorem (ref. 3.5, 3.6), we can state that AD, BE, and CF are concurrent!

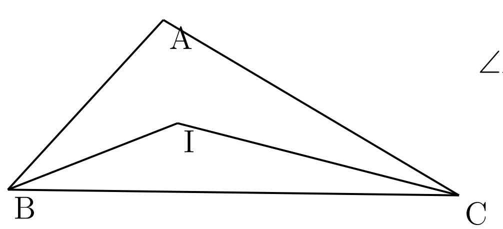
Proof 2:



Let I be the intersection of angle bisector from B and C, we only need to show AI also bisects $\angle A$.
Draw IX,IY,IZ perpendicular to BC, CA, AB.
By hypotenuse-side congruence, $\triangle BIX \cong \triangle BIZ$, $\triangle CIX \cong \triangle CIY$.
Therefore, $IZ = IX = IY$.
Thus, $\triangle AIY \cong \triangle AIZ$, and AI is the angle bisector from A.

5.4 Theorem

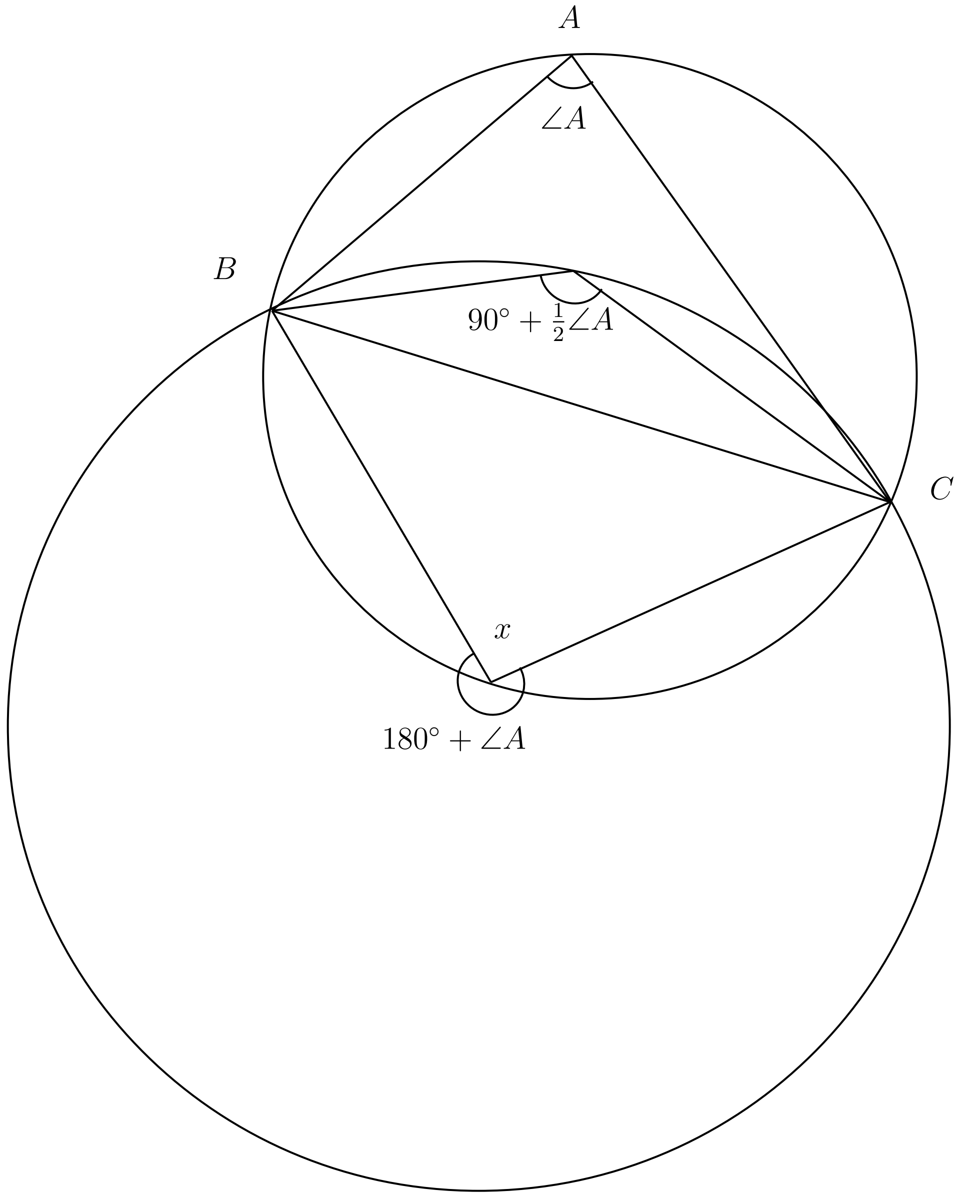
In $\triangle ABC$ with incenter I, $\angle BIC = 90° + \frac{1}{2}\angle A$



$$\begin{aligned} \angle I &= 180° - \frac{1}{2}\angle B - \frac{1}{2}\angle C - \frac{1}{2}\angle A + \frac{1}{2}\angle A \\ &= 180° - \frac{1}{2}(\angle A + \angle B + \angle C) + \frac{1}{2}\angle A \\ &= 90° + \frac{1}{2}\angle A \end{aligned}$$

5.5 Theorem

In $\triangle ABC$ with incenter I, the circumcenter of $\triangle BIC$ is the mid point of the arc $\overset{\frown}{BC}$.



6 Median

6.1 Definition

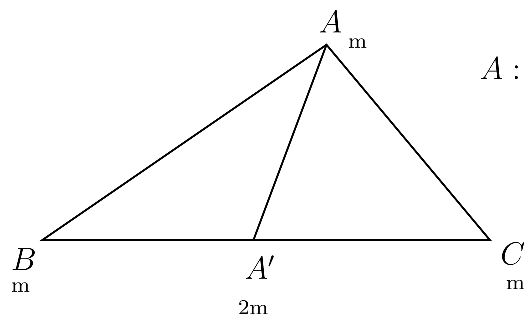
A line segment joins a vertex to the midpoint of the opposite side.

6.2 Theorem

Medians of triangle are concurrent. The point is called the centroid of the triangle.
Proof: This is a simple corollary of Inverse Ceva's Theorem.

6.3 Theorem

In $\triangle ABC$ with centroid G and A' as the midpoint of BC, AG=2GA'.

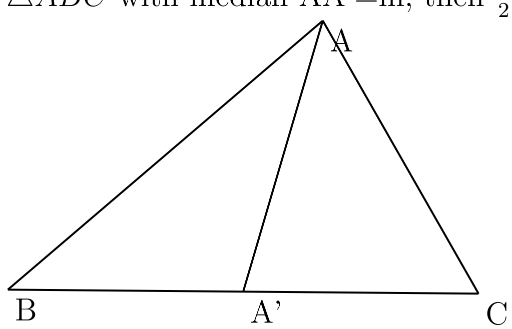


$A : A' = 1 : 2$

Proof: This is a simple corollary of the barycentric coordinate.

6.4 Median Length Formula

In $\triangle ABC$ with median AA'=m, then $\frac{1}{2}m^2 = b^2 + c^2 - \frac{1}{2}a^2$



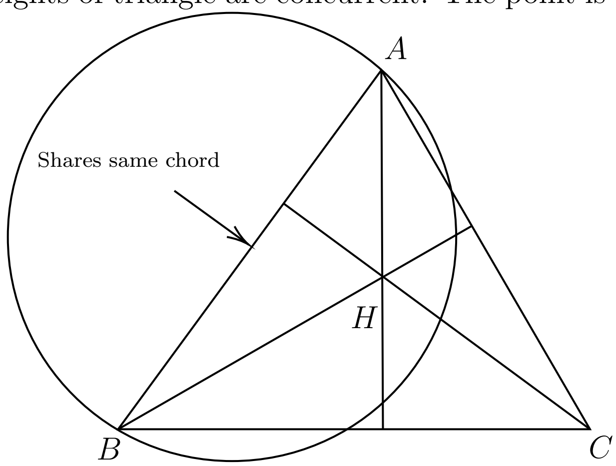
Proof: This is a simple corollary of Stewart's Theorem.

7 Height

7.1 Definition

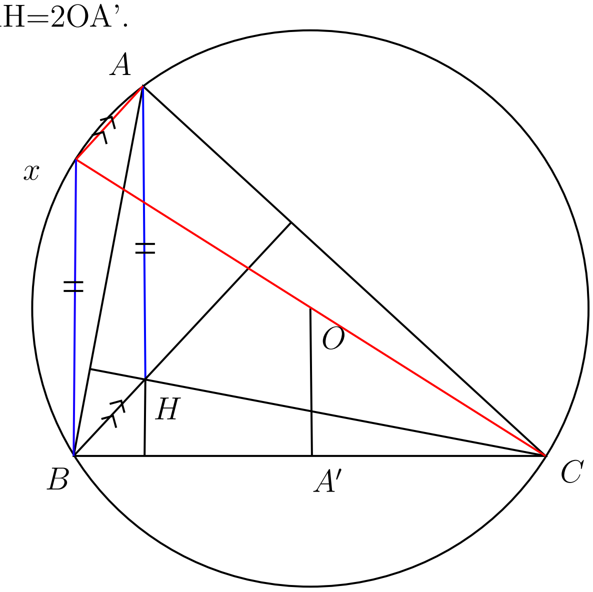
7.2 Theorem

Heights of triangle are concurrent. The point is called the orthocenter of the triangle.



7.3 Theorem

In $\triangle ABC$ with orthocenter H, A' the midpoint of BC, and the circumcenter O, AH=2OA'.



"A' the midpoint of BC" = Homothety!

$$AO = \frac{1}{2}Bx$$
$$Bx = AH$$
$$\therefore\ AO = \frac{1}{2}AH$$

7.4 Theorem:

O the circumcenter,G the centroid,H the orthocenter are collinear. This line is called the Euler line of the triangle.