

COMPLEMENTS OF GEOMETRY - SEMINAR 4

1. In triangle ABC , denote by M the midpoint of the segment $[BC]$ and let (AD) be the interior bisector of the angle A , where $D \in BC$. Show that

$$m_a^2 := AM^2 = \frac{b^2 + c^2}{2} - \frac{a^2}{4} \text{ and } l_a^2 := AD^2 = bc \left(1 - \left(\frac{a}{b+c} \right)^2 \right).$$

2. In an acute triangle ABC , AD , BE and CF are heights. Show that the line AD is the angle bisector of $\angle EDF$

3. Let $ABCD$ be a cyclic quadrilateral. A line parallel to BC intersects AB , CD at E , F respectively. Show that A, D, F, E are concyclic.

Problems for presentation

Presentation 1. (a) Let ABC be a triangle inscribed in a circle ω . Let l be a line passing through A different from AB . Let L be a point on l such that AB separates the points C and L . Show that AL is tangent to ω if and only if $\angle LAB \equiv \angle ACB$.

(b) Let ABC be a triangle. Denote by ω_a the circle tangent to AB at A and passing through C . Similarly, denote by ω_b the circle tangent to BC at B and passing through A , and ω_c the circle tangent to CA at C and passing through B . Prove that the circles ω_a , ω_b and ω_c intersect at one point. (This point is called the “Brocard point” of the triangle $\triangle ABC$)

Presentation 2. Let ABC be a triangle which is not right. Denote by H the orthocenter of this triangle and let M and N be points on its sides AB and AC . Prove that the common chord of circles with diameters CM and BN passes through H .