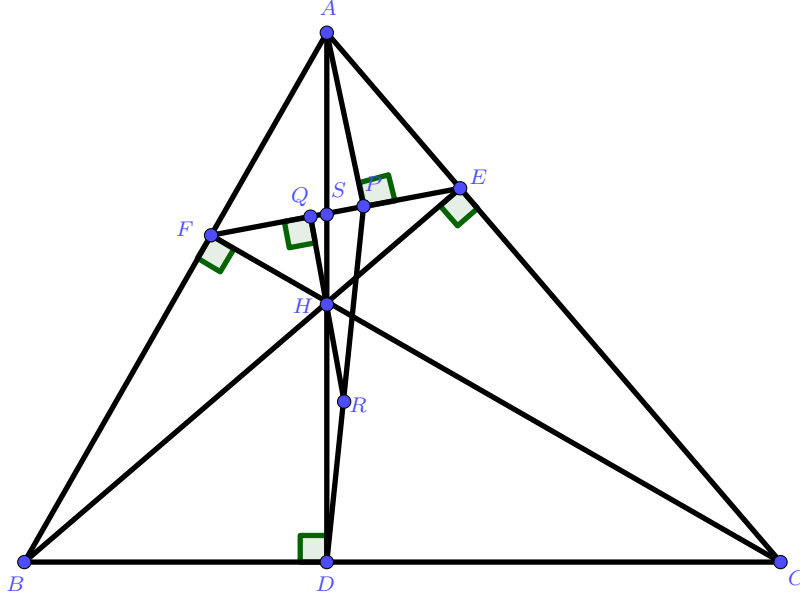


Presentation 1 from Seminar 2:

In a non-isosceles acute angled triangle $\triangle ABC$, consider the heights AD , BE , CF and let H be the orthocenter. AD and EF intersect at S . Draw $AP \perp EF$ and $HQ \perp EF$ with $P, Q \in EF$. If the lines DP and QH intersect at R , show that $HQ = HR$.



$$\left. \begin{array}{l} HQ \perp EF \\ AP \perp EF \end{array} \right| \Rightarrow \left. \begin{array}{l} HQ \parallel AP \\ R \in HQ \end{array} \right| \Rightarrow HR \parallel AP.$$

From $HQ \parallel AP$, by the Fundamental Theorem of Similar Triangles, we have:

$$\triangle HQS \sim \triangle APS \Rightarrow \frac{HQ}{AP} = \frac{HS}{AS} = \frac{SQ}{SP}. \quad (1)$$

Similarly, from $HR \parallel AP$, by the Fundamental Theorem of Similar Triangles, we have:

$$\triangle DHR \sim \triangle DAP \Rightarrow \frac{HR}{AP} = \frac{HD}{AD} = \frac{DR}{DP}. \quad (2)$$

From (1) and (2), we can observe that:

$$\text{If } HQ = HR \iff \frac{HQ}{AP} = \frac{HR}{AP} \iff \frac{HS}{AS} = \frac{HD}{AD}. \quad (3)$$

We look for a triangle in which we can find one of those ratios. The triangle we can work with is $\triangle AHC$.

We apply Menelaus' theorem in $\triangle AHC$ for the transversal $F - S - E$.

We get:

$$\frac{AE}{EC} \cdot \frac{FC}{FH} \cdot \frac{HS}{AS} = 1. \quad (4)$$

From (3) and (4), we get:

$$\frac{AE}{EC} \cdot \frac{FC}{FH} \cdot \frac{HD}{AD} = 1. \quad (5)$$

Now, if we show that (5) is true, then $HQ = HR$.

We can express each ratio in terms of areas. We get:

$$\frac{HD}{AD} = \frac{HD \cdot BC \cdot \frac{1}{2}}{AD \cdot BC \cdot \frac{1}{2}} = \frac{[\triangle HBC]}{[\triangle ABC]},$$

$$\frac{FC}{FH} = \frac{BA \cdot FC \cdot \frac{1}{2}}{BA \cdot FH \cdot \frac{1}{2}} = \frac{[\triangle ABC]}{[\triangle AHB]},$$

$$\frac{AE}{EC} = \frac{AE \cdot BH \cdot \frac{1}{2}}{CE \cdot BH \cdot \frac{1}{2}} = \frac{[\triangle AHB]}{[\triangle HBC]}.$$

Now, if we substitute this relations in (5), we get that $\frac{AE}{EC} \cdot \frac{FC}{FH} \cdot \frac{HD}{AD} = 1$.
Hence $HQ = HR$.