

(1) (Problem □6.1)

If a full mesh \mathcal{M} is not empty, then \mathcal{M} contains at least six elements.

Answer: Suppose M is a full mesh. Note that M must have at least 3 points because it is a mesh, this was proven in page 78 problems 3 and 4. Since M is defined as a full mesh, for every pair of distinct points P, Q the line \overline{PQ} must also be in the mesh. It then follows that for each distinct pair of points there must also exist a distinct line. Counting the pairs for the smallest case full mesh,

$$(1) \qquad \qquad \qquad \binom{3}{2} = 3.$$

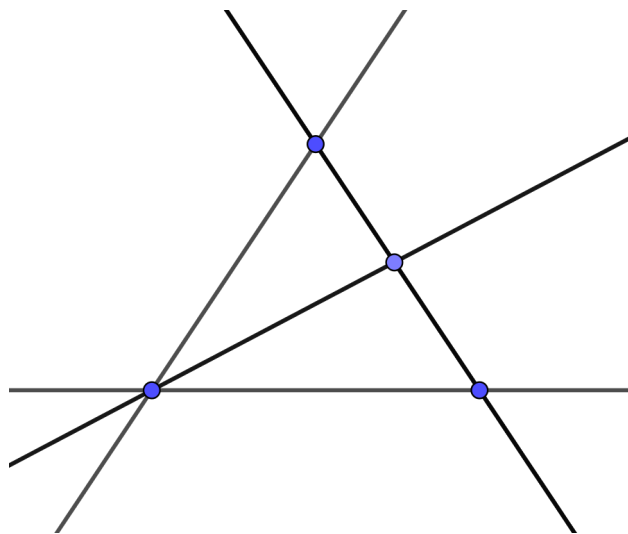
Therefore M must also have at least 3 lines. Thus M must have at least six elements.

(2) (Problem □6.2)

If a full mesh \mathcal{M} contains at least four points, then \mathcal{M} contains infinitely many elements.

Answer: Consider the following full mesh with 4 points, and 4 lines.

FIGURE 1.



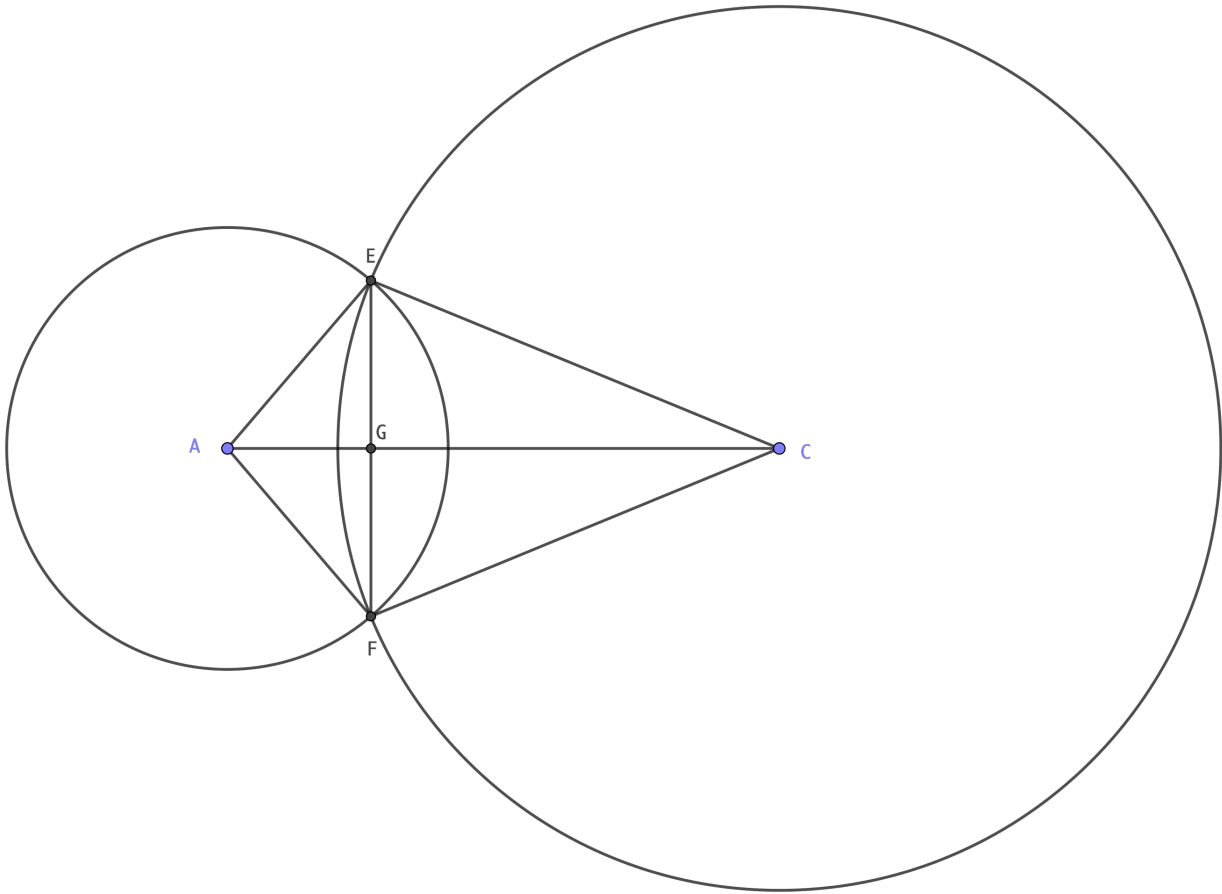
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If two circles intersect, the straight line which joins their centers is the right bisector of their common chord. (Note, a circle is the set of points equidistant from a specified point called the centre.)

Answer: Let 2 circles with center points A and C intersect with common chord

\overline{EF} . Let point G be the intersection of \overline{AC} and \overline{EF} . Consider the following figure.

FIGURE 2.



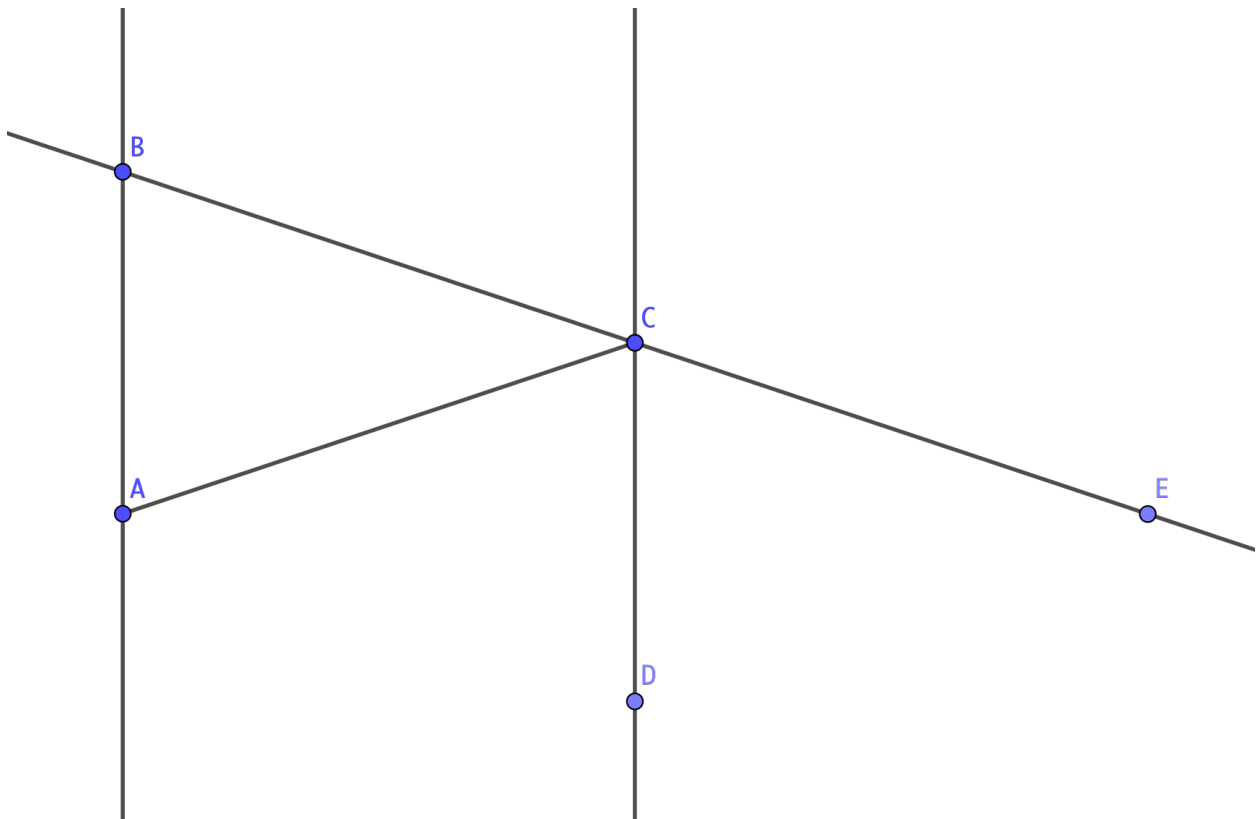
Since lines \overline{AE} and \overline{AF} are radii of circle we know that $\overline{AE} \cong \overline{AF}$ and similarly $\overline{CE} \cong \overline{CF}$. Thus it follows that $\triangle AEC \cong \triangle AFC$ by SSS which gives us that $\angle GAF \cong \angle GAE$. It then follows that $\triangle GAE \cong \triangle GAF$ by SAS. Therefore $\angle EGA = \angle FGA$. We know that $\angle EGA = \angle FGA = \angle EGC = \angle FGC$ by Vertical Angle Theorem. The only way to have 4 equivalent angles divide 360° is if they all equal 90° .

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If the bisector of an exterior angle of a triangle is parallel to the opposite side, the triangle must have two of its angles equal.

Answer: Consider triangle $\triangle ABC$ with exterior angle $\angle ACE$ such that \overline{CD} bisects $\angle ACE$. Also suppose that \overline{CD} is parallel to \overline{BA} .

FIGURE 3.



Since \overline{CD} is a bisector of angle $\angle ACE$ we know that angles $\angle ACD = \angle DCE$.

Since \overline{CD} is parallel to \overline{BA} with transversal \overline{AC} we know by alternate interior angles,

that $\angle BAC = \angle ACD$. Considering the same set of parallel lines but with transversal

\overline{BE} we know by corresponding angles that $\angle ABC = \angle DCE$. Through substitution,

$$(2) \qquad \qquad \qquad \angle ACD = \angle DCE,$$

$$(3) \qquad \qquad \qquad \angle BAC = \angle ABC.$$

Thus $\triangle ABC$ has two equal angles.