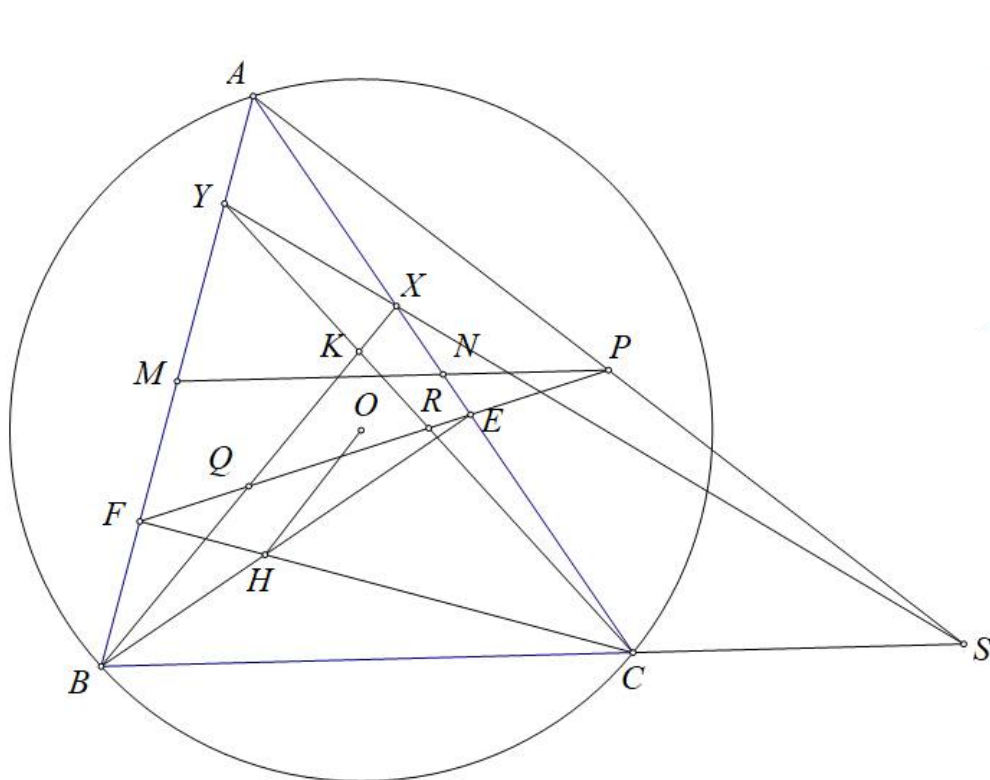


## Problem 12

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Lemma 1: Triangle  $ABC$  is inscribed in  $(O)$  with  $K$  as the orthocenter of  $\triangle BOC$ , and  $H$  as the orthocenter of  $\triangle ABC$

Let the line through  $A$  perpendicular to  $OH$  be  $Ax$ , then  $(AK, Ax, AB, AC) = -1$



Proof:  $BK, CK$  intersect  $AB, AC$  at  $X, Y$ ;  $XY$  intersects  $BC$  at  $S$

Since  $\angle AEF = \angle ABC = \angle BXC$ ,  $EF$  bisects  $BX$  at  $Q$ , and similarly  $EF$  bisects  $CY$  at  $R$

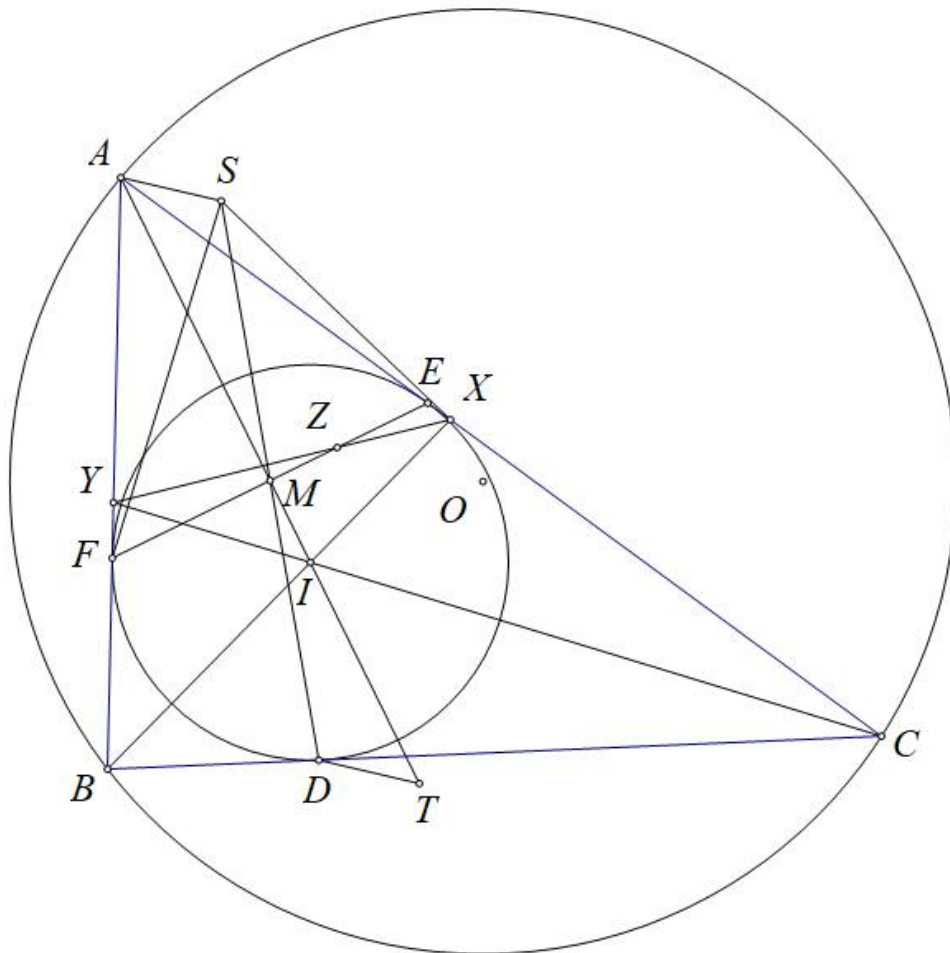
Let  $P$  be the midpoint of  $AS$ , then  $P, R, Q$  are collinear, so  $E, F, P$  are collinear

Let  $M, N$  be midpoints of  $AB, AC$ , then  $P \in MN$

Hence  $P$  lies on the radical axis of  $(AH)$  and  $(AO)$ , so  $AS \perp OH$  or  $Ax \equiv AS$

Therefore  $-1 = A(KS, BC) = (AK, Ax, AB, AC)$ , as desired.

(I) touches  $BC, CA, AB$  at  $D, E, F$ ;  $EF$  intersects  $XY$  at  $Z$ , then  $I(ZO, BC) = -1$



Proof: Let  $M$  be the midpoint of  $EF$ ,  $S$  the reflection of  $D$  across  $M$ , then  $SF \parallel DE$

Hence  $SF \perp YI$ , so  $S$  lies on the polar of  $Y$  with respect to  $(I)$

Similarly,  $S$  lies on the polar of  $X$  with respect to  $(I)$ , so  $XY$  is the polar of  $S$  with respect to  $(I)$

Therefore,  $Z$  lies on the polar of  $S$  with respect to  $(I)$ , by La Hire's theorem,  $S$  lies on the polar of  $Z$  with respect to  $(I)$ .

Similarly, since  $EF$  is the polar of  $A$  with respect to  $(I)$ ,  $A$  lies on the polar of  $Z$  with respect to  $(I)$ .

Thus  $AS$  is the polar of  $Z$  with respect to  $(I)$ , or  $AS \perp IZ$ .

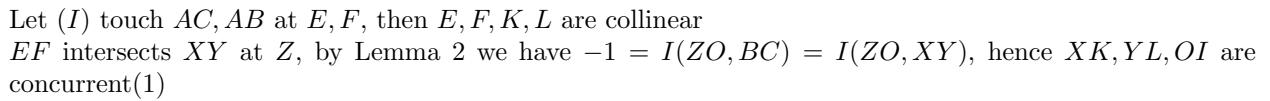
Let  $T$  be the reflection of  $A$  across  $M$ , then  $T$  is the orthocenter of  $\triangle IEF$

Since  $OI$  is the Euler line of  $\triangle DEF$ , by Lemma: Let  $Dx$  be the line perpendicular to  $OI$

Then the four lines  $DT, Dx, DF, DE$  through point  $D$  form a harmonic bundle with two pairs of lines perpendicular

Hence  $-1 = (DT, Dx, DF, DE) = I(ZO, BC)$ , as desired.

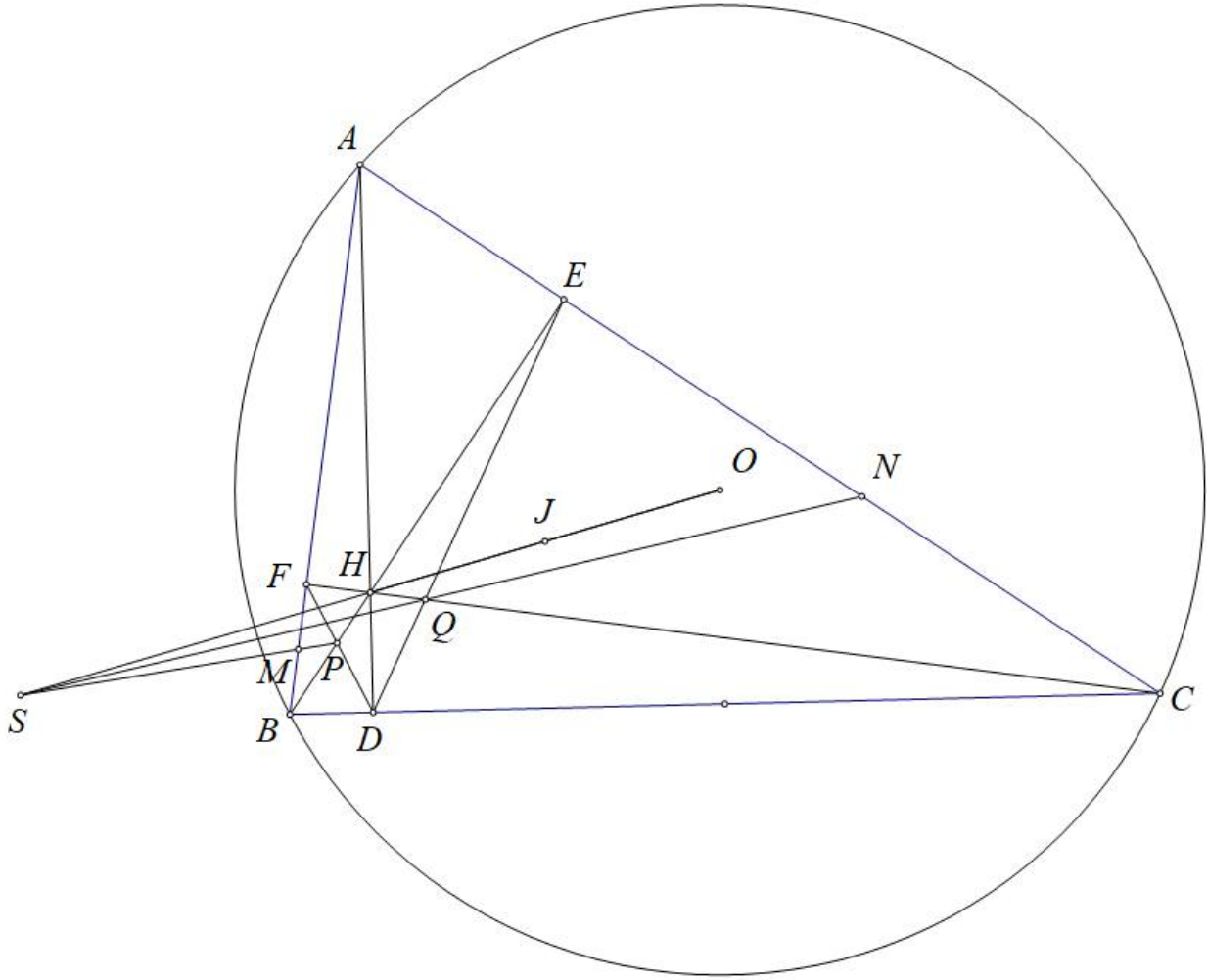
Claim: The median from  $X$  of  $\triangle AXI$ , the median from  $Y$  of  $\triangle AYI$ , and  $OI$  are concurrent



Moreover,  $\triangle XIA \sim \triangle X'B'B$  (angle-angle), so  $XK$  is the median from  $X$  of  $\triangle AXI$ , similarly  $YL$  is the median from  $Y$  of  $\triangle AYI$ .

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Back to the main problem,



To see that  $H$  is the incenter of  $\triangle DEF$

$PM$  is the median from  $P$  of  $\triangle PHD$ ,  $QN$  is the median from  $Q$  of  $\triangle QHD$

Let  $J$  be the circumcenter of  $(DEF)$ , then  $J$  is the midpoint of  $HO$

Applying Lemma 3 to  $\triangle DEF$ , we get  $HJ, PM, QN$  are concurrent

Hence  $HO, PM, QN$  are concurrent, or the problem is proven.