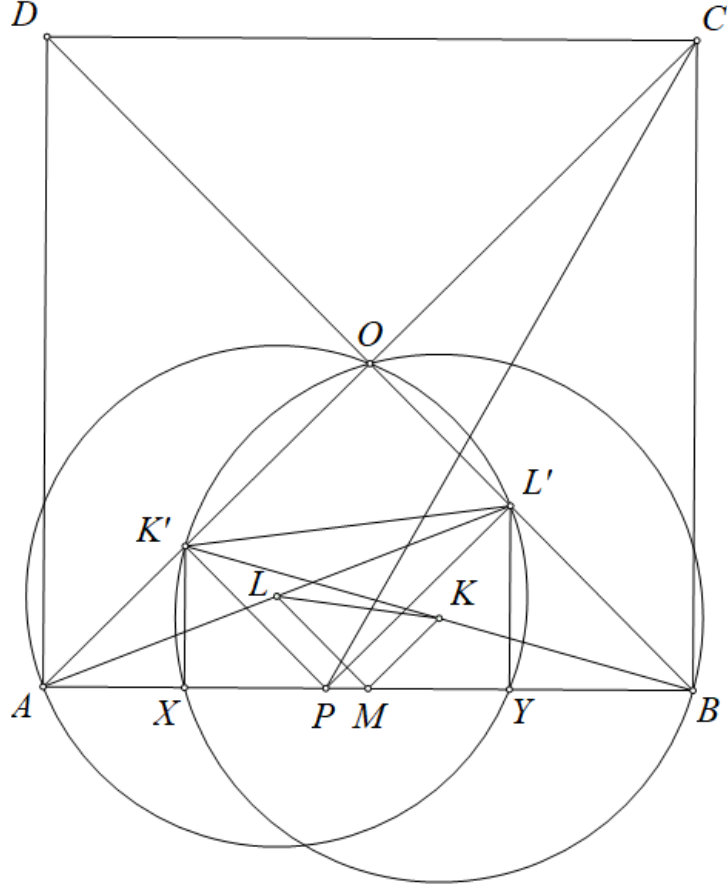


## Problem 3

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Let  $O$  be the center of  $ABCD$ , let  $X, Y$  be the midpoint of  $PA, PB$  respectively. Then we get:  $(OAY)$  and  $(OBX)$  are the Euler circles of  $\triangle PBD$  and  $\triangle PAC$ , respectively. Therefore,  $K$  and  $L$  are the centers of  $(OBX)$  and  $(OAY)$ , respectively. Therefore, let  $K', L'$  be the reflections of  $B, A$  through  $K, L$ , respectively, then we get  $K' \in OA, K'X \perp AB$  and  $L' \in OB, L'Y \perp AB$ .

Let  $M$  the midpoint of  $AB$  then  $\overrightarrow{ML} = \frac{1}{2} \cdot \overrightarrow{BL'}$  and  $\overrightarrow{MK} = \frac{1}{2} \cdot \overrightarrow{AK'}$ .

Therefore,  $ML \perp MK \implies KL^2 = ML^2 + MK^2 = \frac{1}{4} \cdot (BL'^2 + AK'^2)(1)$ .

Let  $PA = x, PB = y (x, y \in \mathbb{Z}^+)$ , then we have

$$\begin{aligned} AL^4 &= \frac{1}{16} \cdot AL'^2 = \frac{1}{16} \cdot (AY^2 + YL'^2)^2 \\ &= \frac{1}{16} \cdot \left[ \left(x + \frac{y}{2}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{y}{2}\right)^2 \right]^2. \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Similarly } BK^4 = \frac{1}{16} \cdot \left[ \left(y + \frac{x}{2}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{x}{2}\right)^2 \right]^2.$$

From (1), we get  $KL^4 = \frac{1}{16} \cdot (BL'^2 + AK'^2) = \frac{1}{16} \cdot (\frac{x^2}{2} + \frac{y^2}{2})$   
Therefore:

$$\begin{aligned}
S &= \frac{32}{3} \cdot (AL^4 + BK^4 + KL^4) \\
&= \frac{2}{3} \cdot \left( (x^2 + y^2)^2 + [(x + \frac{y}{2})^2 + (\frac{y}{2})^2]^2 + [(y + \frac{x}{2})^2 + (\frac{x}{2})^2]^2 \right) \\
&= x^4 + y^4 + 3x^2y^2 + 2x^3y + 2xy^3 \\
&= (x^2 + y^2)^2 + x^2y^2 + 2xy(x^2 + y^2) \\
&= (x^2 + y^2 + xy)^2, \text{ which is a perfect square.}
\end{aligned}$$

Hence,  $S = \frac{32}{3} \cdot (AL^4 + BK^4 + KL^4)$  is a perfect square, as desired.