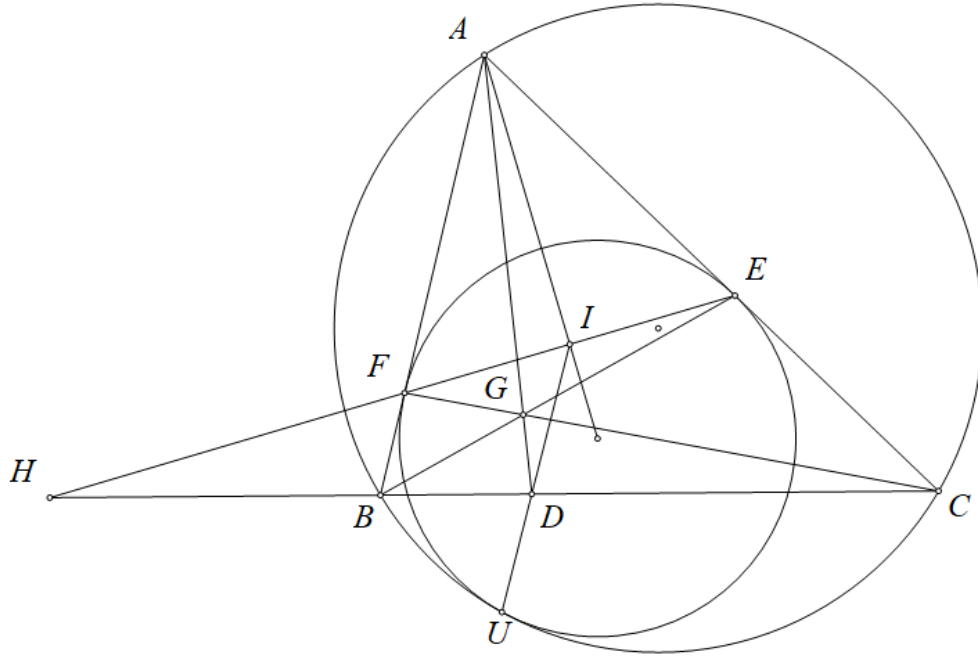


## Problem 7

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Lemma 1: Let triangle  $ABC$  be circumscribed about the incircle  $(I)$ . The  $A$ -mixcircle is tangent to  $AC, AB, (O)$  at points  $E, F, U$ , respectively. Let  $BE$  and  $CF$  intersect at  $G$ . Then lines  $AG, UI, BC$  are concurrent.



Proof: Let  $AG$  intersect  $BC$  at  $D$ , and  $EF$  intersect  $BC$  at  $H$ . Then  $(H, D; B, C) = -1$ , hence

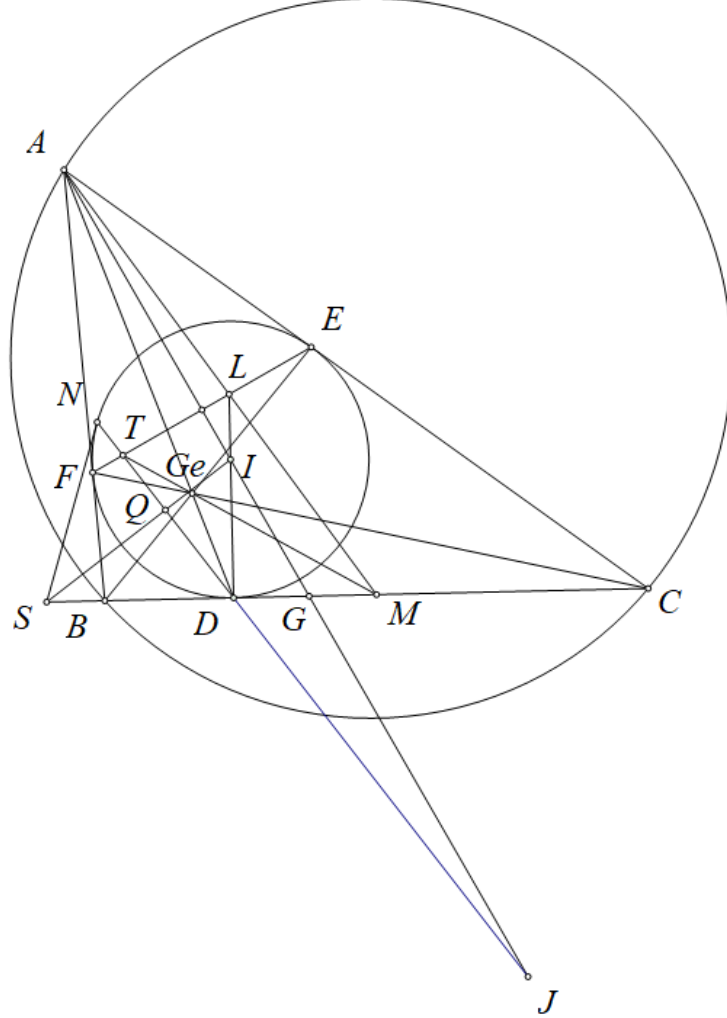
$$\frac{DB}{DC} = \frac{HB}{HC} = \frac{BF}{AF} \cdot \frac{EA}{EC} = \frac{UB}{UA} \cdot \frac{UA}{UC}$$

(since  $UF$  is the bisector of  $\angle AUB$  and  $UE$  is the bisector of  $\angle AUC$ )

$$= \frac{UB}{UC}.$$

Therefore,  $UD$  is the bisector of  $\angle BUC$ . As  $UI$  is also the bisector of  $\angle BUC$ , it follows that  $UI$  passes through  $D$ , as desired.

Lemma 2: Let triangle  $ABC$  be circumscribed about the incircle  $(I)$ . The incircle  $(I)$  is tangent to  $BC, CA, AB$  at  $D, E, F$ , respectively. Let  $BE$  and  $CF$  intersect at  $G_e$ . Let  $N$  be the point on  $(I)$  such that the circle  $(BNC)$  is tangent to  $(I)$  at  $N$ . Prove that lines  $ND, G_eM, EF$  are concurrent.



Proof: Let  $DJ$  intersect  $(I)$  again at  $N'$ , and the line through  $I$  perpendicular to  $DN'$  intersect  $DN'$  and  $BC$  at  $Q$  and  $S$ , respectively. Since  $B, Q, I, C, J$  are concyclic on the circle with diameter  $IJ$ , we have

$$SB \cdot SC = SQ \cdot SI = SD^2 = SN'^2,$$

which implies that  $SN'$  is tangent to  $(BN'C)$ . Therefore,  $SN'$  is the common tangent of  $(N'BC)$  and  $(I)$  at  $N'$ , so  $(BN'C)$  is tangent to  $(I)$  at  $N'$ . Hence  $N' \equiv N$ , and thus  $D, N, J$  are collinear.

It is a well-known result that if  $DI$  intersects  $EF$  at  $L$ , then points  $A, L, M$  are collinear.

Let  $DN$  intersect  $EF$  at  $T$ . Proving the lemma is equivalent to proving that  $T, G_e, M$  are collinear.

Let  $AI$  intersect  $BC$  at  $G$ . We have

$$-1 = D(JI, GA) = D(TL, MA) = T(DL, MA).$$

Moreover,

$$T(DL, G_eA) = F(DE, G_eA) = -1,$$

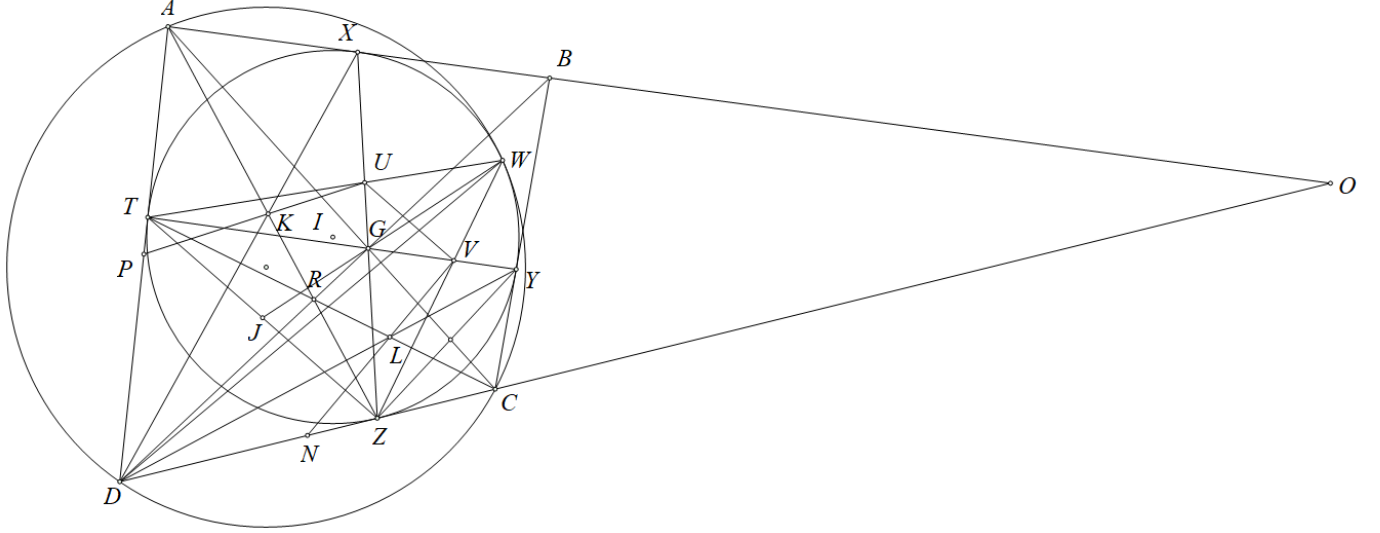
hence

$$T(DL, G_e A) = T(DL, MA) = -1.$$

Therefore, points  $T, G_e, M$  are collinear, as desired.

Hence, the claim is proved.

Back to the main problem,



We have a well-known result regarding tangential quadrilaterals: the lines  $AC, BD, XZ, YT$  are concurrent at  $G$ , and

$$\frac{GA}{GC} = \frac{AX}{CZ} = \frac{AT}{CZ},$$

with  $AT = AZ$ .

Using these ratios and applying Ceva's theorem to triangle  $ADC$ , we deduce that  $DG, CT, AZ$  are concurrent. Let the circle  $(DAC)$  be tangent to  $(I)$  at  $W$ . Since  $(I)$  is tangent to  $DA$  and  $DC$  at  $T$  and  $Z$ , respectively, it follows that  $(I)$  is the  $D$ -mix circle of triangle  $DAC$ .

Let  $J$  be the midpoint of  $TZ$ ; then  $J$  is the incenter of triangle  $DAC$ . By Lemma 1, we obtain that  $J, G, W$  are collinear, which is equivalent to  $WG$  bisects  $TZ$ .

Let  $AB$  intersect  $CD$  at  $O$ . Then  $(AWD)$  is the circle passing through  $A, D$  and tangent to  $(I)$  at  $W$ , while  $(I)$  is the incircle of triangle  $OAD$ , tangent to  $AD, DO, OA$  at  $T, Z, X$ , respectively.

Since  $G$  is the intersection of  $AC$  and  $BD$ , applying Lemma 2 gives that  $TW, PK, XZ$  are concurrent. Let  $U$  be the intersection of  $PK$  and  $XZ$ , then  $T, U, W$  are collinear. Similarly,  $Z, V, W$  are collinear.

Therefore, in triangle  $WTZ$ , points  $U$  and  $V$  lie on  $WT$  and  $WZ$ , respectively, and line  $TV$  intersects  $ZU$  at  $G$ . Since  $WG$  bisects  $TZ$ , it follows that  $UV \parallel TZ$ .

Hence, by Reim's lemma, quadrilateral  $UVYX$  is cyclic, as desired.

Therefore, the problem is proved