

## 2008 China TST Quiz 2 #1

Tristan Shin

30 Apr 2019

Let  $ABC$  be a triangle; line  $\ell$  cuts its sides  $BC, CA, AB$  at  $D, E, F$ , respectively. Denote by  $O_1, O_2, O_3$  the circumcenters of triangles  $AEF, BFD, CDE$ , respectively. Prove that the orthocenter of triangle  $O_1O_2O_3$  lies on line  $\ell$ .

---

Let  $M$  be the Miquel point of complete quadrilateral  $BFEC$ . Then  $(BFD)$  and  $(CDE)$  meet at  $M, D$ , so  $M$  and  $D$  are reflections over  $O_2O_3$ . Thus you can reflect  $M$  over the sides of  $\triangle O_1O_2O_3$  to get  $D, E, F \in \ell$ , so by homothety the feet of  $M$  on the sides of  $\triangle O_1O_2O_3$  are collinear. By Simson Line, this implies  $M \in (O_1O_2O_3)$ . It is well-known that the Simson Line of  $M$  passes through the midpoint of  $MH$ , where  $H$  is the orthocenter of  $\triangle O_1O_2O_3$ . By the homothety, this implies that  $H \in \ell$  as desired. ■