

EGMO TST Day 1

Date: 29 December 2023

Instructions:

- i) You have 4 hours and 30 minutes for three problems.
- ii) Each problem is worth 10 points. Attempt all three.
- iii) Any claim you make must be accompanied by a proper justification.

Rubric P1 Problem and Solution

Problem 1.

Let ABC be a triangle with circumcentre O and centroid G . Let M be the midpoint of BC and N be the reflection of M across O . Prove that $NO = NA$ iff $\angle AOG = 90^\circ$. *Pranjal Srivastava*

Solution 1. Let H be the orthocenter of $\triangle ABC$ and let X be the midpoint of AH . Then we know that $AXON$ is a parallelogram.

Now, observe that $\angle AOH = \angle AOG$. Now,

$$NO = NA \iff XA = XO \iff \angle AOH = 90^\circ$$

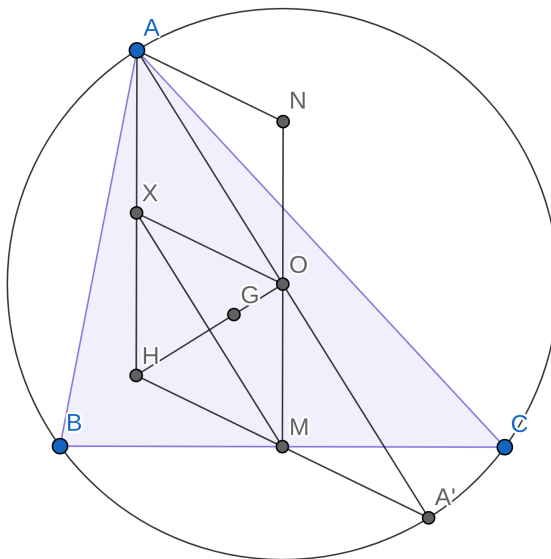
Thus, we are done. \square

Solution 2. Let H be the orthocenter of $\triangle ABC$ and let A' be the antipode of A in (ABC) . Then we know that $ANA'M$ is a parallelogram as the common midpoint of AA' and NM is O . We also know that $MH = MA'$.

Now, observe that $\angle AOH = \angle AOG$. Now,

$$NO = NA \iff MA' = MO \iff MA' = MO' = MH \iff \angle A'OH = 90^\circ \iff \angle AOH = 90^\circ$$

Thus, we are done. \square



Rubric

Solution 1.

- A **+1**: Introducing H (check diagram, angle chases, rough and see if H is introduced).
- B **+1**: Noticing G is not important, that is, $\angle AOG = \angle AOH$.
- C **+1**: Introducing midpoint of AH (say X)
- D **+2**: showing $AXON$ is a parallelogram (this can have various ways of showing, but if unable to show it is parallelogram but made significant progress which can lead to a way then give +1)
- E **+2**: Proving $NA = NO$ iff $XA = XO$
- F **+2**: Proving $XA = XO$ iff $XH = XO = XA$ iff $\angle XOH = 90^\circ$
- G **+1**: Using the above two to conclude the proof

All points are additive.

Solution 2.

- A **+1**: Introducing H and A' (check diagram, angle chases, rough and see if H is introduced).
- B **+1**: Noticing G is not important, that is, $\angle AOG = \angle AOH$.
- C **+2**: Showing $ANA'M$ is a parallelogram. (this can have various ways of showing, but if unable to show it is parallelogram but made significant progress which can lead to a way then give +1)
- D **+2**: Proving $NA = NO$ iff $MA' = MO$
- E **+2**: Proving $MA' = MO$ iff $MA' = MO = MH$ iff $\angle A'OH = 90^\circ$
- F **+1**: Proving that $\angle A'OH = 90^\circ$ iff $\angle AOH = 90^\circ$
- G **+1**: Using the above three to conclude the problem.

All points are additive.