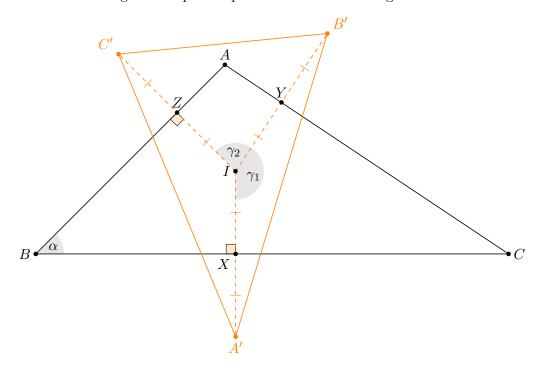
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Question 5

The in-center of a triangle is the point equidistant from the triangles sides.



Let $\alpha = \angle ABC$, $\gamma_1 = \angle A'IB'$ and $\gamma_2 = \angle B'IC'$, let $X = BC \cap A'I$, $Y = AC \cap B'I$, $Z = AB \cap C'I$.

Since C' is the reflection of the point I about the line AB, it follows that $\angle IZB = 90^\circ$ and |IZ| = |ZC'|, similarly, $\angle IXC = 90^\circ$, |IX| = |XA'|, $\angle IYA = 90^\circ$ and |IY| = |YB'|. Since IX is perpendicular to BC, it follows that the distance from I to the line BC is equal to the length of the segment IX, by similar reasoning, the distance from I to AC is |IY|, and the distance from I to AB is |IZ|, since I is the in-center of $\triangle ABC$, it follows that |IX| = |IY| = |IZ|. From this it follows that |IA'| = |IB'| = |IC'|.

Looking at quadrilateral BXIZ, we can deduce that $\angle XIZ = 180^{\circ} - \alpha$, hence $\gamma_1 + \gamma_2 = 360^{\circ} - \angle XIZ = 180^{\circ} + \alpha$. Now $\triangle IC'B'$ is isosceles, so $\angle IB'C' = \frac{180^{\circ} - \gamma_2}{2}$, similarly, $\angle IB'A' = \frac{180^{\circ} - \gamma_1}{2}$. Hence

$$\angle A'B'C' = \angle IB'C' + \angle IB'A'$$

$$= \frac{360^{\circ} - (\gamma_1 + \gamma_2)}{2}$$

$$= \frac{360^{\circ} - (180^{\circ} + \alpha)}{2}$$

$$= 90^{\circ} - \frac{\alpha}{2}$$

$$= 90^{\circ} - \frac{\angle ABC}{2}$$

Hence $\angle A'B'C'$ depends on $\angle ABC$ only, and therefore does not depend on $\angle BAC$