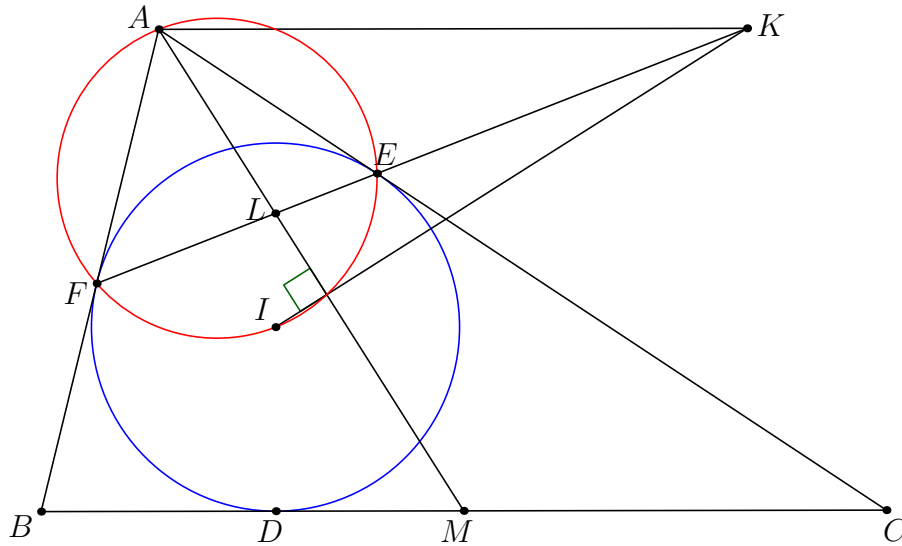


Sharygin 2013

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Problem (Sharygin 2013). Define $\triangle ABC$ and its intouch points D , E , and F . Let the line through I perpendicular to the A -median intersect EF at a point K . Prove that AK is parallel to BC .



¶ **Main Idea** Use projective geometry, harmonics, and pole-polar to use the midpoint condition(+point at infinity) and perpendicularity(right angles and bisectors OR pole-polar)

¶ **Solution** Let AM intersect EF at L . Redefine K to be the intersection of the parallel line to BC through A and EF . Note that it suffices to prove that $IK \perp AM$. Now we project (B, C, M, ∞) . In particular,

$$-1 = (B, C, M, \infty) \stackrel{A}{=} (F, E, L, K)$$

This in fact implies that L lies on the polar of K . Moreover, because $A \in EF$, A also lies on the polar of K . This implies that AL is the polar of K , or that $AL = AM \perp IK$, and we're done.