

Gauss's line and some little applications

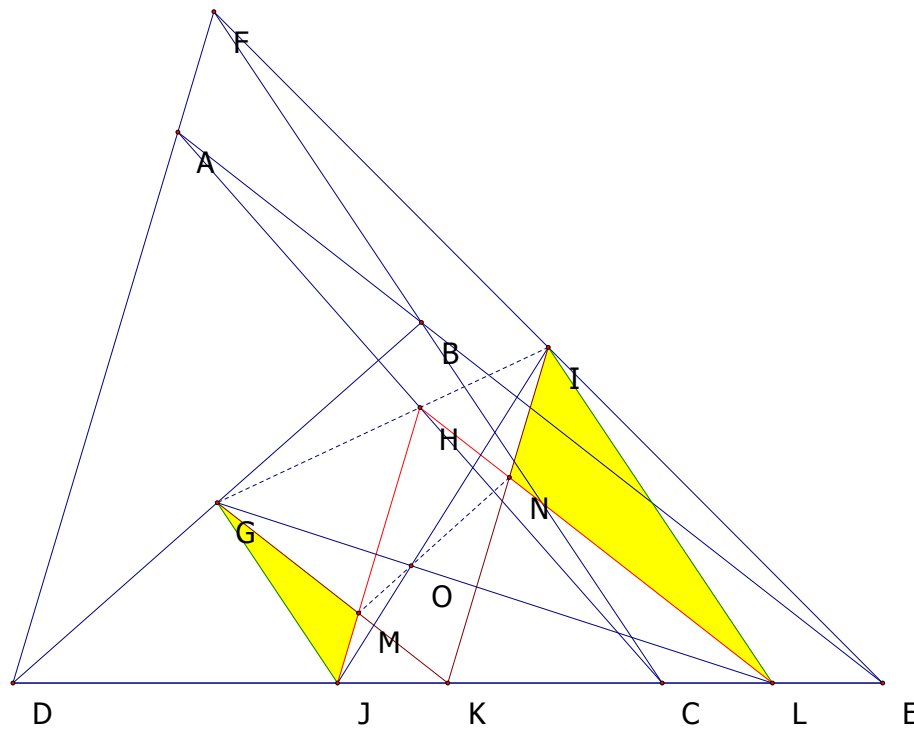
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A/Introduce

Gauss's line: Let $ABCDEF$ be a complete quadrilateral. Then the mid-point of AC ; BD ; EF respectively are collinear

There are many solution of this problem .I'll introduce a interesting solution

Proof



Let $J; L; K$ be the midpoint of $DC; CE; DE$ respectively

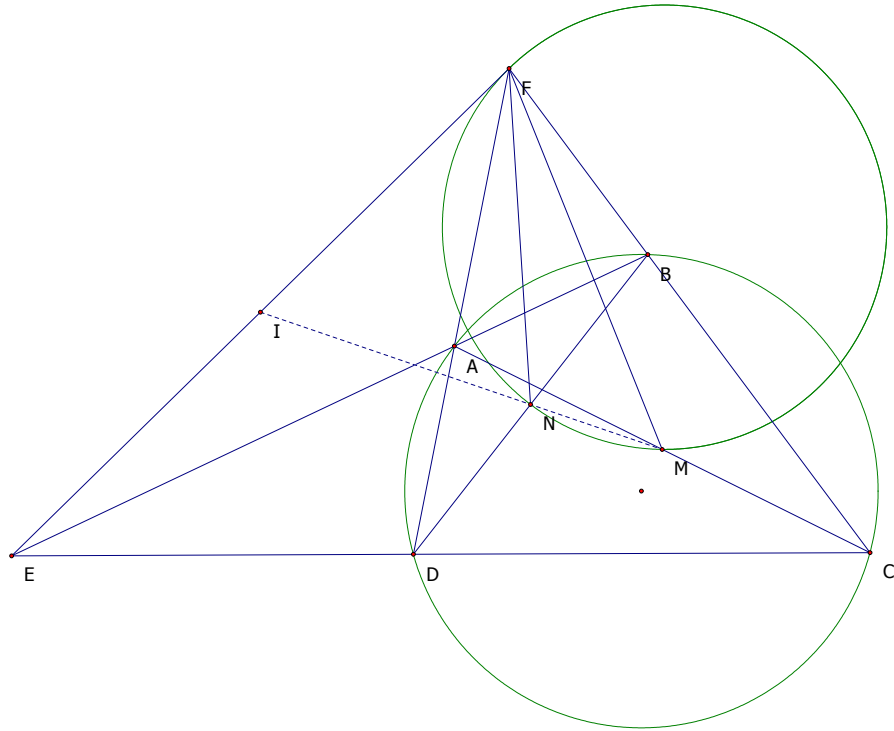
It's easy to see that $GM \parallel NL; GJ \parallel IL; MJ \parallel IN$ which implies that $\triangle GMJ$ and $\triangle INL$ are homothetic

So $M; N; O$ are collinear. Applying Pappus's theorem. We'll get $G; H; I$ are collinear (QED)

B/ Some little appication

Problem 1: Let $ABCD$ be a convex quadrilateral and its circumcircle (O) . $E \equiv AB \cap CD$; $F \equiv AD \cap BC$. $M; N$ be the midpoint of AC ; BD respectively. Prove that EF is the tangency of (MNF)

Proof



The tangency at A meet the tangency at C at G . The tangency at B meet the tangency at D at H (The tangency of (O)). It's easy to see that the pencil $(EFHG) = -1$

Let I be the midpoint of $EF \Rightarrow \overline{INM}$ is the Gauss's line of complete quadrilateral $ABCDEF$

According to Newton's theorem $IF^2 = IG.IH(1)$ Moreover , $GHNM$ is cyclic so $IN.IM = IG.IH(2)$

From (1); (2) $\Rightarrow IF^2 = IM.IN$ which implies that IF is the tangency of (MNF) . Our proof is completed then

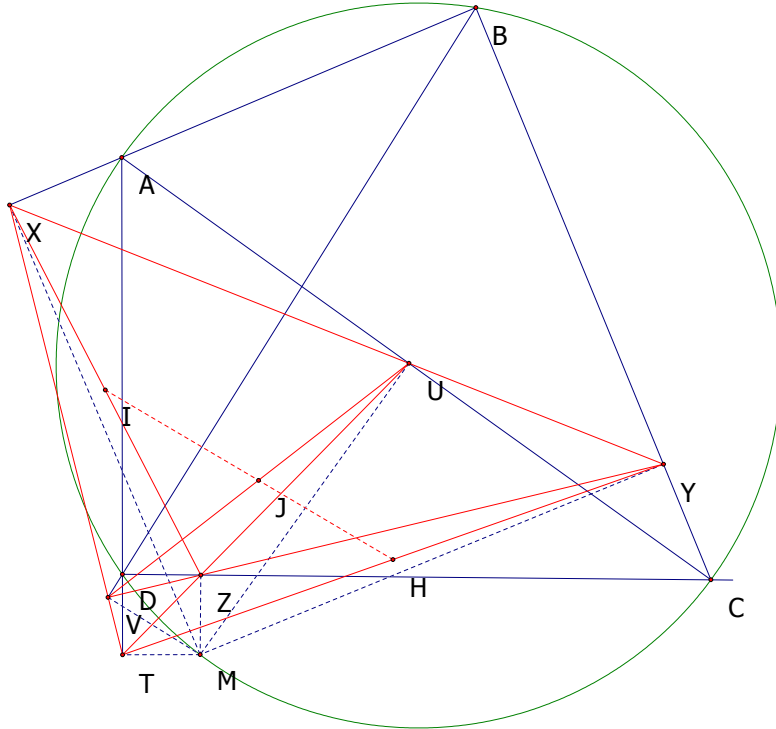
Problem 2: Let $ABCD$ inscribed (O) and a point so-called M . Call $X; Y; Z; T; U; V$ are the projection of M onto $AB; BC; CD; DA; CA; BD$ respectively. Call $I; J; H$ are the midpoint of $XZ; UV; YT$ respectively. Prove that $\overline{NI}; \overline{PJ}; \overline{QH}$

Proof

There are three case for consideration

+Case 1: $M \equiv O$. This case make the problem become trivial

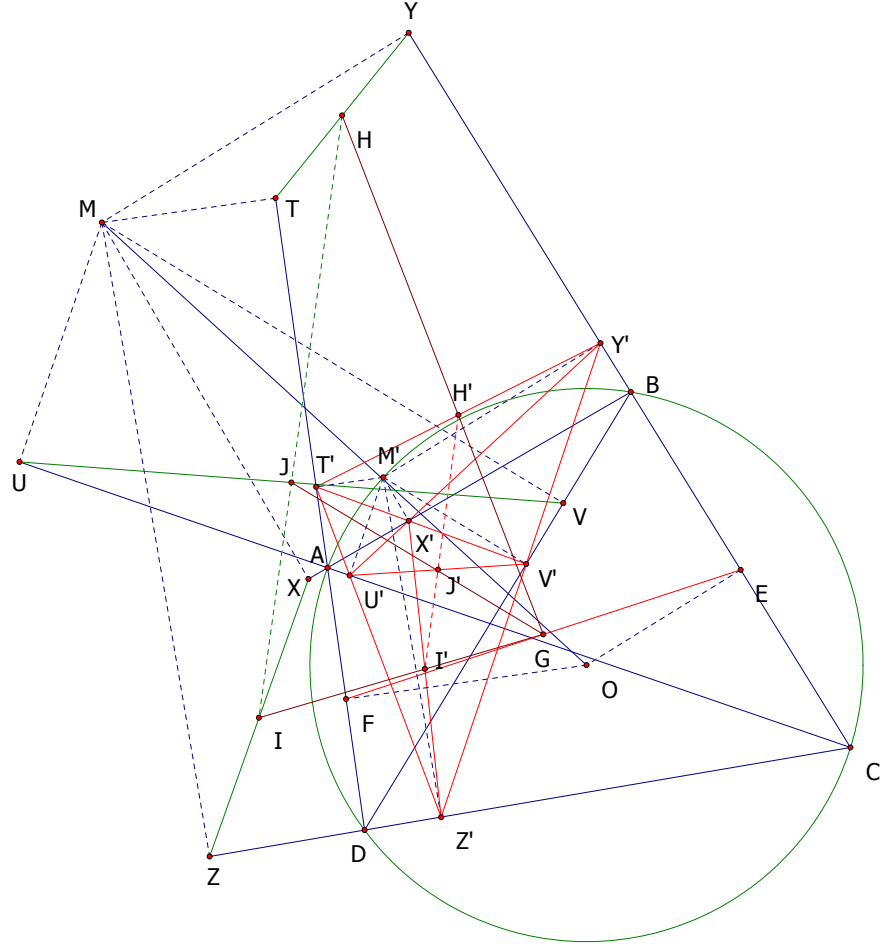
+Case 2: M lies on (O) . According to the Simson's line then $XYZTUV$ become a complete quadrilateral and we can conclude that \overline{IJH} is the Gauss's line of $XYZTUV$ (QED)



+ Case 3: M not coincide O and not lies on (O) . First of all, We need a lemma

Lemma: Given 2 line $\Delta_1; \Delta_2$. $A_1, B_1, C_1 \in \Delta_1$; $A_2, B_2, C_2 \in \Delta_2$, $A_3 \in A_1A_2$; $B_3 \in B_1B_2$; $C_3 \in C_1C_2$
such that: $\frac{A_1B_1}{A_1C_1} = \frac{A_2B_2}{A_2C_2}$ and $\frac{A_3A_1}{A_3A_2} = \frac{B_3B_1}{B_3B_2} = \frac{C_3C_1}{C_3C_2}$
Then $\overline{A_3B_3C_3}$ and $\frac{A_3B_3}{A_3C_3} = \frac{A_2B_2}{A_2C_2} = \frac{A_1B_1}{A_1C_1}$ (I use directed length)

BACK TO OUR PROBLEM



+Let OM meet (O) at M' . Call X', Y', Z', T', U', V' are the projections of M' onto AB, BC, CD, DA, AC, BD . For the same reason at Case 2, We'll have I', J', H' are collinear (With I', J', H' are the midpoint of $X'Z', U'V', Y'T'$ respectively)

+Let $E; F$ be the midpoint of $BC; AD$ respectively and G be the centroid of quadrilateral $ABCD \Rightarrow G$ is the midpoint of EF . We'll have :

$$+\frac{YY'}{YE} = \frac{MM'}{MO} = \frac{TT'}{TF}. \text{Applying Lemma above we'll get } \overline{H, H', G} \text{ and } \frac{GH'}{GH} = \frac{EY'}{EY} = \frac{OM'}{OM} = k$$

+Analogously, We'll get $\overline{I, I', G}; \overline{J, J', G}$ and $\frac{GI'}{GI} = \frac{GJ'}{GJ} = \frac{GH'}{GH} = k(i)$. Moreover, $\overline{I', J', H'}(ii)$

+From $(i); (ii) \Rightarrow \overline{I, J, H}$ (QED)

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