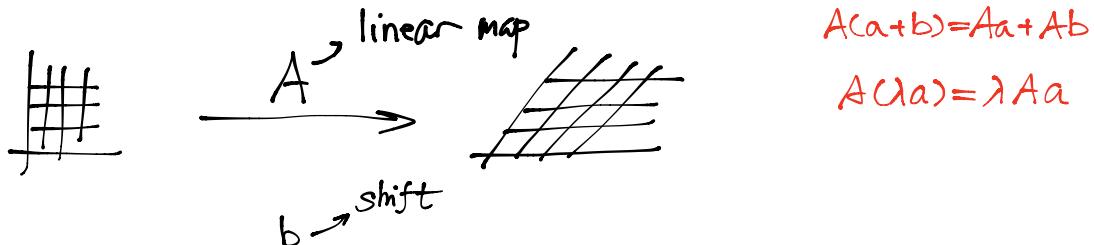


## Lecture 2 Something about affine geometry

Geometrical plane can be represented by a 2-dim vector space, only need to fix one point as the origin.



$$X \rightarrow AX + b \quad (\text{In this case, circle \& ellipse are equal})$$

Sps we have vector  $x$  and  $\lambda x$  then after linear transformation,

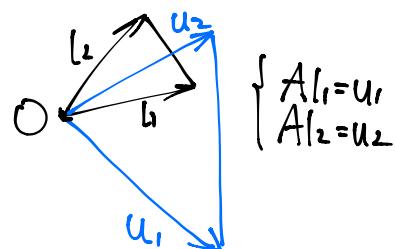
(note that they are on the same line)

$A\lambda x = \lambda Ax$ , their ratio is still  $\lambda$ . However this fails on lines that aren't colinear.

circle, length, angle, curvature preserved.

But things like Ceva still exist in affine geometry.  
Why? b/c  $\Delta$  after linear Trans is still a  $\Delta$ .

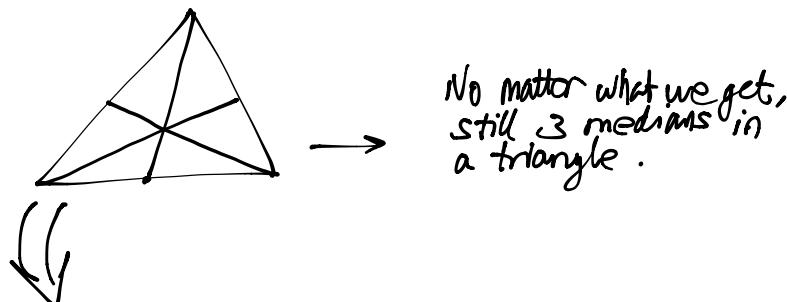
Claim: all triangles in affine geometry are equal.



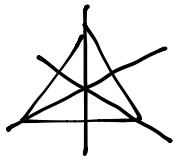
But, ratio preserved: namely,  $\frac{a_1}{a_2} = \frac{a'_1}{a'_2} \dots \Rightarrow l = \frac{a_1 b_1 c_1}{a_2 b_2 c_2}$

Same for Menelaus.

For 3 medians in  $\Delta$ .



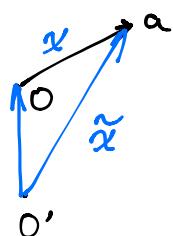
For equilateral triangle



bisector = median = height.

\* every  $\Delta$  = equilateral  $\Delta$ , then every  $\Delta$  has 3 of its median coincide at the same point.

vector combination is independent of the choice of origin.



But for single vector, here is what will happen if changing origin:

$$\tilde{x} = x + O'O$$

new vector = old vector +  $O'O$

Some linear combination is well-defined if their vector sum is 1.  
(note that we cannot sum up two pts, but two vectors)

Uniqueness of centre of masses

$$\frac{m_1}{\sum m_i} a_1 + \dots + \frac{m_n}{\sum m_i} a_n \quad (\text{what?})$$

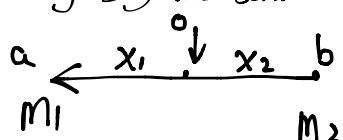
- e.g.

$$\frac{M}{2m} a + \frac{m}{2m} b = \frac{a+b}{2}$$

center of  
masses



- another e.g. say the center is



$$\frac{m_1}{m_1+m_2} a + \frac{m_2}{m_1+m_2} b$$

$$x_1 M_1 = -x_2 M_2 \quad (\text{opposite sign})$$

$$x_1 M_1 + x_2 M_2 = 0$$

$$\frac{x_1 M_1}{m_1+m_2} + \frac{x_2 M_2}{m_1+m_2} = 0$$

$$\bullet \quad \begin{array}{c} a_1, \dots, a_k \\ m_1, \dots \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{c} a_{k+1}, \dots, a_N \\ m_N \end{array}$$

**Two ways**

- ① each point, center of masses
- ② divide into two groups, center of masses

$$\textcircled{2}: M_1 = m_1 + \dots + m_k$$

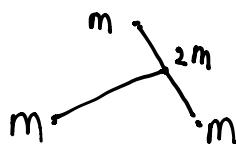
$$M_2 = m_{k+1} + \dots + m_N$$

$$A = \frac{1}{m_1 + \dots + m_k} (m_1 a_1 + \dots + m_k a_k)$$

$$B = \frac{1}{m_{k+1} + \dots + m_N} (m_{k+1} a_{k+1} + \dots + m_N a_N)$$

$$\frac{A \cdot M_1 + B \cdot M_2}{M_1 + M_2} = \frac{m_1 a_1 + \dots + m_k a_k + m_{k+1} a_{k+1} + \dots + m_N a_N}{m_1 + \dots + m_N}$$

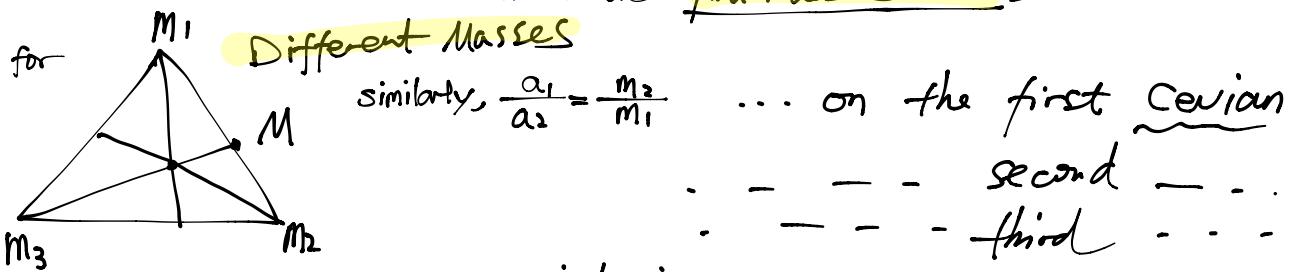
So basically  
2 methods are identical  
uniqueness proved.



! the center of mass belongs to a median!

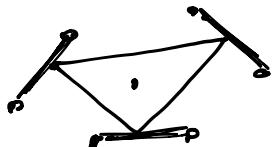
similarly, it belongs to the second & the third median!

(This is the equal mass situation)

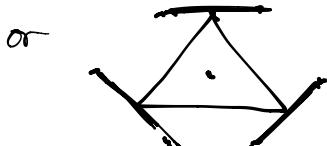


3 Cevian's common point is  
the center of mass

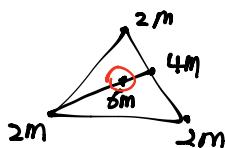
• For hexagon.



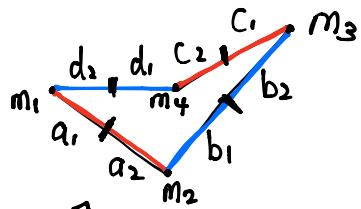
Think in this way



if equal mass on  
each vertex :



Consider 4-gon

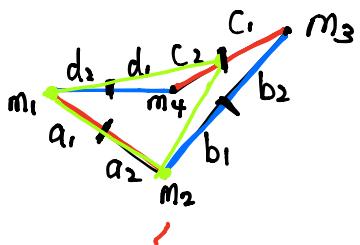


no opposite points,  
but — sides (unlike  $\Delta$ )

$$\text{Ceva: } \frac{a_1}{a_2} \cdot \frac{b_1}{b_2} \cdot \frac{c_1}{c_2} \cdot \frac{d_1}{d_2} = 1 \quad (\text{precondition}) \quad \text{if this is true}$$

put 4 masses into 4 vertices. ||

we can do the  
following



We convert  $m_3$  and  $m_4$  to  
a merged mass, then we  
have a center of mass  
problem in a triangle now.

so all four planes will pass through the center of mass

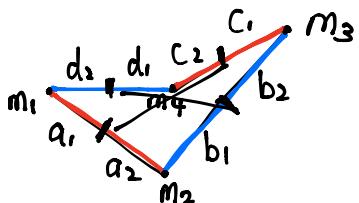
$$\frac{a_1}{a_2} = \frac{m_2}{m_1} \quad \text{if } m_1 \text{ is known, then } m_2 = \frac{a_1}{a_2} m_1$$

$$\frac{b_1}{b_2} = \frac{m_3}{m_2}, \quad m_3 = \frac{b_1}{b_2} \cdot \frac{a_1}{a_2} m_2$$

$$\text{Similarly } m_4 = \frac{a_1}{a_2} \cdot \frac{b_1}{b_2} \cdot \frac{c_1}{c_2}$$

$$\text{and back to } m_1 = \frac{a_1}{a_2} \cdot \frac{b_1}{b_2} \cdot \frac{c_1}{c_2} \cdot \frac{d_1}{d_2} = 1$$

Menelaus: Assume  $\frac{a_1}{a_2} \cdot \frac{b_1}{b_2} \cdot \frac{c_1}{c_2} \cdot \frac{d_1}{d_2} = 1$ , then 4 points || on the same plane.

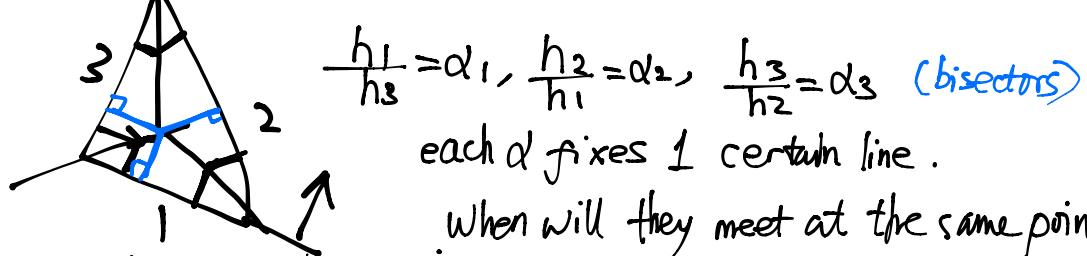
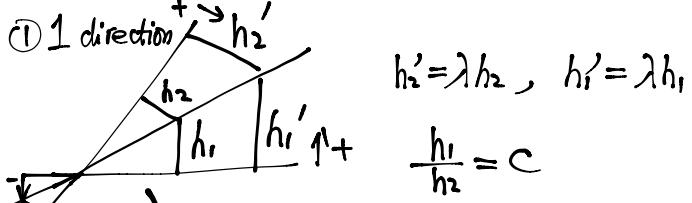


on the same line

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Hence on the same plane.

Proofs of Ceva & Menelaus in different way

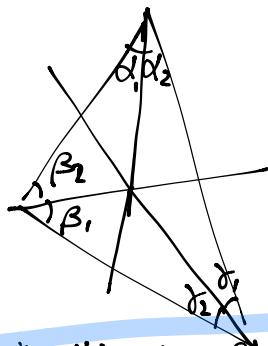


When will they meet at the same point?

When they are all  $d_1 = d_2 = d_3 = 1$

② The other direction is trivial. (like Ceva)

Statement:  $d_1 = d_2 = d_3 = 1 \Rightarrow 3$  bisectors pass through the same point.

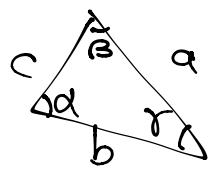


Claim:  $\frac{h_1}{h_2} = \frac{\sin \alpha_1}{\sin \alpha_2}$  (by trigonometry)

then we can rewrite Ceva:

$$\frac{\sin \alpha_1}{\sin \alpha_2} \cdot \frac{\sin \beta_1}{\sin \beta_2} \cdot \frac{\sin \gamma_1}{\sin \gamma_2} = 1 \Leftrightarrow 3 \text{ lines pass } 1 \text{ point.}$$

Why this true?



$$\frac{\sin \alpha}{a} = \frac{\sin \beta}{b} = \frac{\sin \gamma}{c} \quad \text{sine theorem}$$

we only prove

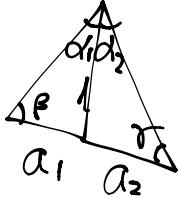
$$\& \quad S = \frac{1}{2} bc \sin \alpha = \frac{1}{2} ac \sin \beta$$

$$\Rightarrow b \sin \alpha = a \sin \beta$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\sin \alpha}{a} = \frac{\sin \beta}{b}$$

Recall:  
 First condition for Ceva/Menelaus :  $\frac{a_1}{a_2} \dots = 1$   
 Second ...  $\frac{\sin\alpha_1}{\sin\alpha_2} \dots = 1$

Similarities?



$$\frac{\sin\alpha_1}{a_1} = \frac{\sin\beta}{l}$$

$$\frac{\sin\alpha_2}{a_2} = \frac{\sin\gamma}{l}$$

$$\frac{\sin\alpha_1}{a_1} = \frac{\sin\beta}{\sin\gamma}$$

$$\frac{\sin\alpha_1}{\sin\alpha_2} = \frac{a_1}{a_2} \cdot \frac{\sin\beta}{\sin\gamma}$$

$$\text{Similarly, } \frac{\sin\beta_1}{\sin\beta_2} = \frac{b_1}{b_2} \cdot \frac{\sin\gamma}{\sin\alpha}$$

$$\frac{\sin\gamma_1}{\sin\gamma_2} = \frac{c_1}{c_2} \cdot \frac{\sin\alpha}{\sin\beta}$$



Next time: for menelaus and why this new form of condition is better.