

These are some notes (written by Tejaswi Navilarekallu) used at the International Mathematical Olympiad Training Camp (IMOTC) 2013 held in Mumbai during April-May, 2013.

1 Definition and some useful facts

Definition 1.1. Given four points A, B, C, D on a line, the *cross-ratio* of these points is

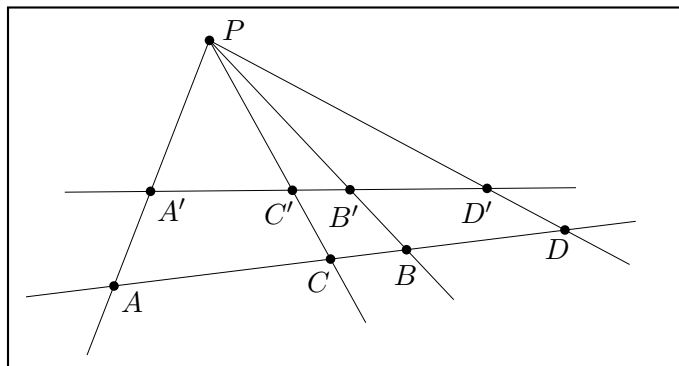
$$(A, B; C, D) = \frac{AC \cdot BD}{BC \cdot AD},$$

where the sign of a length is taken appropriately after fixing a particular orientation of the line. If $(A, B; C, D) = -1$ then the points are said to be in *harmonic range*, or we say that $(A, B; C, D)$ is a *harmonic bundle*. For any point P and a harmonic bundle $(A, B; C, D)$, the lines PA, PB, PC, PD are said to form a *harmonic pencil*.

Lemma 1.2. Let A, B, C, D be points on a line, and P a point not on the line. Then

$$(A, B; C, D) = \frac{\sin \angle APC}{\sin \angle APD} \cdot \frac{\sin \angle BPD}{\sin \angle BPC}.$$

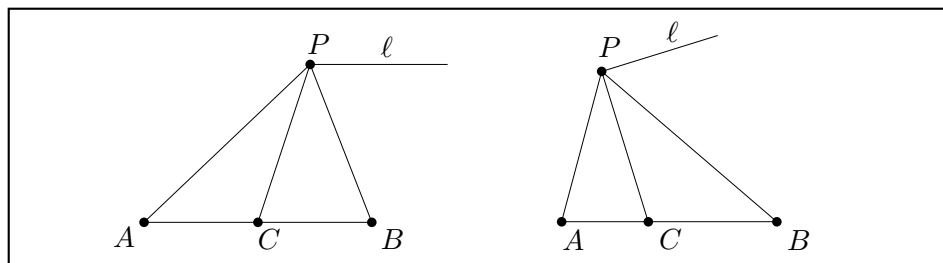
Further, if a line not passing through P intersects PA, PB, PC, PD at A', B', C', D' , respectively, then $(A, B; C, D) = (A', B'; C', D')$. In particular, if $(A, B; C, D)$ is a harmonic bundle, then so is $(A', B'; C', D')$.



Lemma 1.3. Let A, B, C points on a line, P a point not on that line and l a line through P . Then

- (a) if $AC = BC$ and l is parallel to the line AB then PA, PB, PC, l form a harmonic pencil;
- (b) if the line PC bisects $\angle APB$ and l is perpendicular to line PC then PA, PB, PC, l form a harmonic pencil.

Proof. The statements follow directly from the definition and the previous lemma.

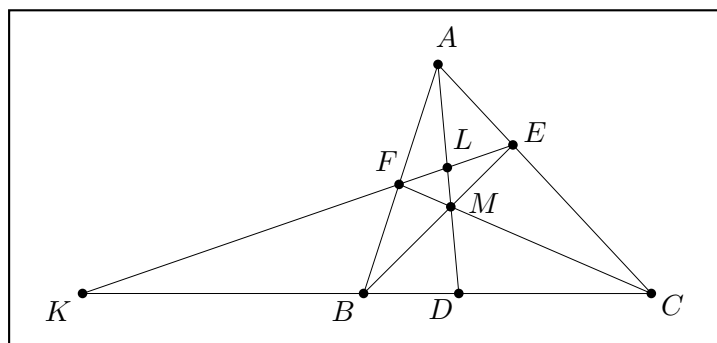


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Lemma 1.4. *In a triangle ABC , points D, E, F lie on the lines BC, CA, AB respectively, such that AD, BE, CF are concurrent. The lines EF intersects BC at K . Then*

- (a) $(B, C; D, K)$ is a harmonic bundle;
- (b) AB, AC, AD, AK form a harmonic pencil;
- (c) DE, DF, DA, DB form a harmonic pencil.

Proof. The first statement follows from Ceva's and Menelaus' theorems. The second statement follows from the first immediately. The third statement follows from the fact that $(E, F; L, K)$ is a harmonic bundle where L is the point of intersection of the lines AD and EF .



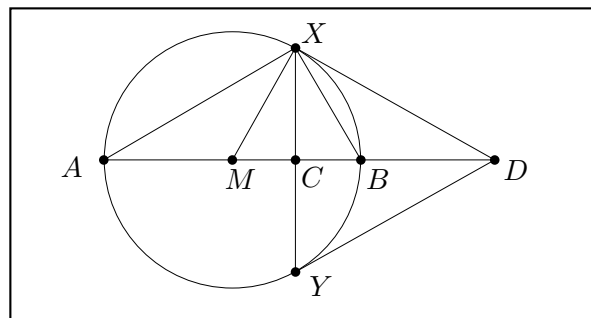
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Lemma 1.5. *Let $(A, B; C, D)$ be a harmonic bundle, and M the midpoint AB . Then $MC \cdot MD = MA^2$ and $DC \cdot DM = DB \cdot DA$.*

Proof. Let X be a point on the circle with AB as diameter such that DX is tangent to that circle. Let C' be on AB such that XC' is perpendicular to AB . Then it is easy to verify that

$$\frac{\sin \angle AXC'}{\sin \angle BXC'} = \frac{\sin \angle AXD}{\sin \angle BXD},$$

and hence $C' = C$. Therefore $MC \cdot MD = MX^2 = MA^2$ and $DC \cdot DM = DX^2 = DB \cdot DA$.

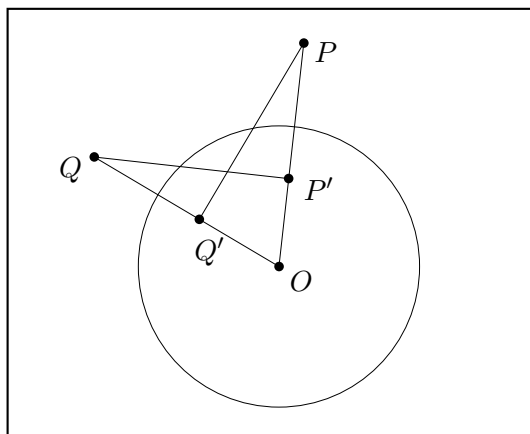


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Definition 1.6. Given a circle Γ with center O and a point P different from O , let P' be the inversion of point P with respect to Γ , i.e., P' is a point on the ray OP such that $OP \cdot OP' = r^2$, where r is the radius of Γ . The line l perpendicular to OP and passing through P' is called the *polar* of point P with respect to Γ , and the point P is called the *pole* of l with respect to Γ .

Lemma 1.7. Let Γ be a circle and P, Q points different from the center of Γ . If the polar of P with respect to Γ passes through Q then the polar of Q with respect to Γ passes through P .

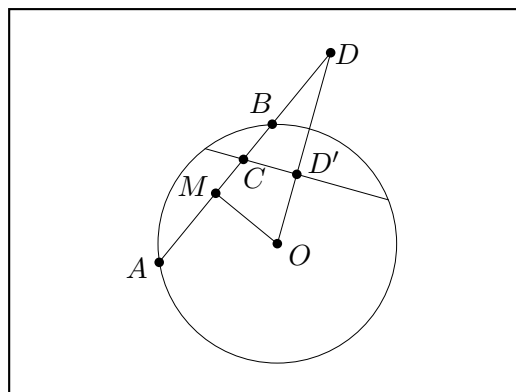
Proof. Let O and r denote the center and radius of Γ , respectively, and P', Q' the inversion of points P, Q , respectively, with respect to Γ . Then $OP \cdot OP' = OQ \cdot OQ' = r^2$. Therefore $QPQ'P'$ is a cyclic quadrilateral. Since Q lies on the polar of P we have $\angle QP'P = 90^\circ$ and hence $\angle QQ'P = 90^\circ$. This proves that P lies on the polar of Q .



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Lemma 1.8. Let Γ be a circle and D a point not lying on Γ and different from its center. Let l be the polar of D with respect to Γ . A line drawn through D intersects l at C and Γ at A and B . Then $(A, B; C, D)$ is a harmonic bundle.

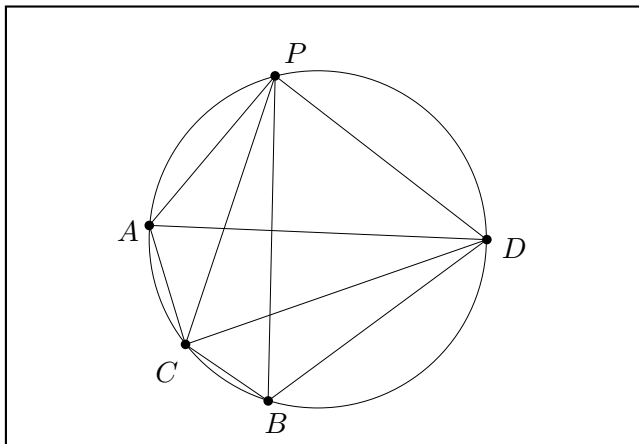
Proof. Let O denote the center of Γ , D' the inversion of point D with respect to Γ and M the midpoint of AB . Then $OMCD'$ is a cyclic quadrilateral, so $DC \cdot DM = DD' \cdot DO = DB \cdot DA$ and hence $(A, B; C, D)$ is a harmonic bundle by Lemma 1.5.



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Lemma 1.9. *Let P, A, B, C, D be points on a circle. Then PA, PB, PC, PD form a harmonic pencil if and only if $\frac{AC}{BC} = \frac{AD}{BD}$. And in this case, the lines QA, QB, QC, QD form a harmonic pencil for any point Q on the circle.*

Proof. The first part is immediate from Sine rule and Lemma 1.2. The second part follows from the first part since the condition $\frac{AC}{BC} = \frac{AD}{BD}$ is independent of point P .

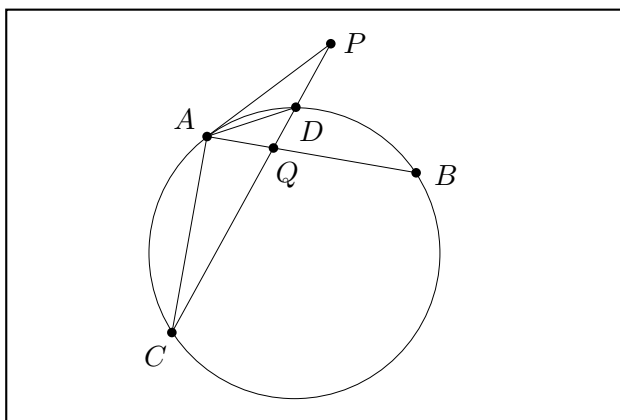


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Definition 1.10. A cyclic quadrilateral $ACBD$ is called a *harmonic quadrilateral* if $\frac{AC}{BC} = \frac{AD}{BD}$.

Lemma 1.11. *Let Γ be a circle and P a point not lying on it and different from its center. Let A, B be points on Γ such that the line AB is the polar of P . A line through P intersects the circle at points C and D . Then $ACBD$ is a harmonic cyclic quadrilateral.*

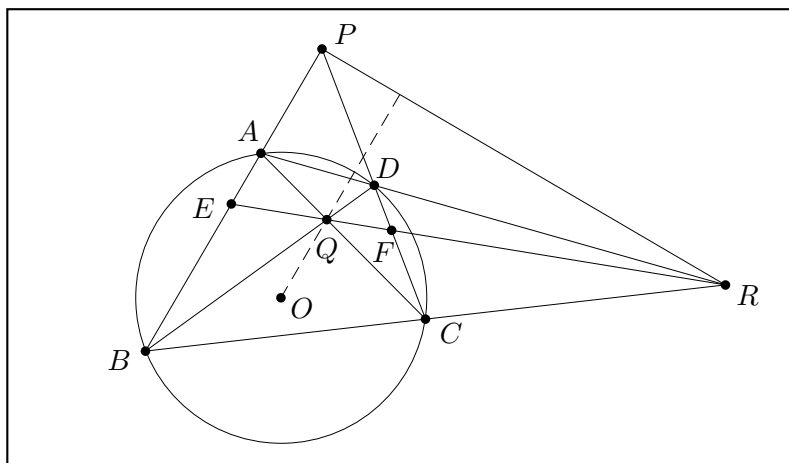
Proof. Let Q be the point of intersection of line CD and AB . Then by Lemma 1.8 it follows that $(P, Q; C, D)$ is a harmonic bundle. Therefore AP, AQ, AC, AD form a harmonic pencil. Applying Lemma 1.9 with points A, A, B, C, D it follows that $ACBD$ is a harmonic quadrilateral.



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Lemma 1.12. Drawn from a point P not lying on circle Γ are two lines intersecting the circle at A, B and C, D respectively. Then the point Q of intersection of the lines AC and BD lie on the polar of point P . Moreover, if the lines AD and BC intersect at point R then O is the orthocenter of triangle PQR , where O is the center of Γ .

Proof. Let the lines QR intersect the lines AB and CD at E and F respectively. Then $(P, E; A, B)$ and $(P, F; C, D)$ are harmonic bundles by Lemma 1.4 and therefore E and F lie on the polar of point P by Lemma 1.8. Hence it also follows that PO is perpendicular to QR , and by similar argument QO is perpendicular to PR . This proves that O is the orthocenter of triangle PQR .



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2 Problems

Problem 2.1. (Sharygin, Selected problems 133) In a triangle ABC points D, E, F are taken on sides BC, CA, AB respectively such that AD, BE, CF concur at a point. If AD bisects $\angle EDF$ then prove that AD is perpendicular to BC .

Problem 2.2. (Sharygin, Selected problems 175) Let M and N denote the projections of the orthocenter of a triangle ABC on the internal and the external bisectors of $\angle B$. Prove that MN bisects AC .

Problem 2.3. (Sharygin, Selected problems 176) Given two points A and B on a circle Γ . Let C denote the intersection of tangents to Γ at A and B . The circle passing through C and touch AB at B intersects Γ again at M . Prove that AM bisects BC .

Problem 2.4. (Sharygin, Selected problems 177) Drawn to a circle from a point A , situated outside the circle, are two tangents AM and AN with M and N the points of tangency, and a secant intersecting the circle at K and L . An arbitrary line l is drawn parallel to AM . Let KM and LM intersect l at P and Q respectively. Prove that the line MN bisects the segment PQ .

Problem 2.5. (Sharygin, Selected problems 183) In a triangle ABC , constructed with the altitude BD as the diameter is a circle intersecting AB and AC at K and L , respectively. The lines touching the circle at K and L intersect at M . Prove that BM bisects AC .

Problem 2.6. (Sharygin, Selected problems 184) A straight line l is perpendicular to the line segment AB and passes through B . A circle centered on l passes through A and intersects l at points C and D . The tangents to the circles at points A and C intersect at N . Prove that the line DN bisects the line segment AB .

Problem 2.7. (Sharygin, Selected problems 185) Let N denote the intersection point of the tangents drawn to the circumcircle Γ of a triangle ABC at B and C . Let M be a point on Γ such that AM is parallel to BC . Let Γ intersect MN again at K . Prove that AK bisects BC .

Problem 2.8. (Sharygin, Selected problems 189) Let AB be the diameter of a semicircle and M a point on the diameter AB . Points C, D, E, F lie on the semicircle so that $\angle AMD = \angle EMB$ and $\angle CMA = \angle FMB$. Let P denote the intersection point of the lines CD and EF . Prove that the line PM is perpendicular to AB .

Problem 2.9. (Vietnam National Olympiad 2003, Problem 2) The circles C_1 and C_2 touch externally at M and the radius of C_2 is larger than that of C_1 . Let A be a point on C_2 which does not lie on the line joining the centers of the circles, B and C points on C_1 such that AB and AC are tangent to C_1 . The lines BM, CM intersect C_2 again at E, F respectively. Let D be the intersection of the tangent at A and the line EF . Show that the locus of D as A varies is a straight line.

Problem 2.10. (Vietnam National Olympiad 2009, Problem 3) Let A, B be two fixed points and C is a variable point on the plane such that $\angle ACB$ is a constant. Let D, E, F be the projections of the incenter I of triangle ABC to its sides BC, CA, AB , respectively. Denoted by M, N the intersections of AI, BI with DE , respectively. Prove that the length of the segment MN is constant and the circumcircle of triangle FMN always passes through a fixed point.

Problem 2.11. (IX Geometrical Olympiad in honour of I. F. Sharygin, 2013, Problem 21) Let A be a point inside a circle ω . One of two lines drawn through A intersects ω at points B and C , the second intersects at points D and E . The line passing through D and parallel to BC intersects ω for the second time at point F , and the line AF meets ω at point T . Let M be the common point of the lines ET and BC , and N the reflection of A across M . Prove that the circumcircle of triangle DEN passes through the midpoint of BC .

Problem 2.12. (IMO 1985, Problem 5) A circle with center O passes through the vertices A and C of the triangle ABC and intersects the segments AB and BC again at distinct points K and N respectively. Let M be the point of intersection of the circumcircles of triangles ABC and KBN (apart from B). Prove that $\angle OMB = 90^\circ$.

Problem 2.13. (IMO 1998, Problem 5) Let I be the incenter of triangle ABC . Let the incircle of ABC touch the sides BC, CA, AB at K, L, M respectively. The line through B parallel to MK intersects LM and LK at R and S respectively. Prove that $\angle RIS$ is acute.

Problem 2.14. (IMO 2004, Problem 5) In a convex quadrilateral $ABCD$ the diagonal BD does not bisect the angles ABC and CDA . The point P lies inside $ABCD$ and satisfies

$$\angle PBC = \angle DBA \quad \text{and} \quad \angle PDC = \angle BDA.$$

Prove that $ABCD$ is a cyclic quadrilateral if and only if $AP = CP$.

Problem 2.15. (IMO 2012, Problem 1) In the triangle ABC the point J is the center of the excircle opposite to A . This excircle is tangent to the side BC at M , and to the lines AB and AC at K and L respectively. The lines LM and BJ meet at F , and the lines KM and CJ meet at G . Let S be the point of intersection of the lines AF and BC , and let T be the point of intersection of the lines AG and BC . Prove that M is the midpoint of ST .

Problem 2.16. (IMO ShortList 1998, Problem G8) Let ABC be a triangle such that $\angle A = 90^\circ$ and $\angle B < \angle C$. The tangent at A to the circumcircle ω of triangle ABC meets the line BC at D . Let E be the reflection of A in the line BC , let X be the foot of the perpendicular from A to BE , and let Y be the midpoint of the segment AX . Let the line BY intersect the circle ω again at Z .

Prove that the line BD is tangent to the circumcircle of triangle ADZ .

Problem 2.17. (IMO ShortList 2004, Problem G8) Given a cyclic quadrilateral $ABCD$, M is the midpoint of CD , E is the point of intersection of lines AC and BD , F is the point of intersection of lines AD and BC , and $N \neq M$ is a point on the circumcircle of triangle ABM such that $AN/BN = AM/BM$. Prove that E, F, N are collinear.

Problem 2.18. (IMO ShortList 2009, Problem G4) Given a cyclic quadrilateral $ABCD$, let the diagonals AC and BD meet at E and the lines AD and BC meet at F . The midpoints of AB and CD are G and H , respectively. Show that EF is tangent at E to the circle through the points E, G and H .

Problem 2.19. In a triangle ABC , a circle Γ is drawn with AH as diameter, where H is the orthocenter. Points P and Q are on Γ such that the lines BP and BQ are tangents to Γ . Prove that P, Q, C are collinear.

Problem 2.20. In a triangle ABC , let O be its circumcenter and P a point (different from O) on the circumcircle of triangle BOC such that OP is perpendicular to BC . Prove that the symmedian point of triangle ABC lies on the line AP .

Problem 2.21. The point D is the foot of perpendicular from A in triangle ABC , P a point on AD , F a point on AC . Lines BP and CP intersect AC and AB at M and N respectively; lines MN and AD intersect at Q ; and, lines FQ and CN intersect at E . Prove that $\angle EDA = \angle FDA$.

Problem 2.22. Point M lies on diagonal BD of a parallelogram $ABCD$. Line AM intersects lines CD and BC at K and N respectively. Denote by Γ_1 the circle with M as center and MA as radius, and by Γ_2 the circumcircle of triangle CKN . If P and Q are the points of intersection of these two circles then prove that MP and MQ are tangents to Γ_2 .