

**XII Geometrical Olympiad in honour of I.F.Sharygin**  
**Final round. Solutions. First day. 8 grade**  
*Ratmino, 2016, July 31*

1. (Yu.Blinkov) An altitude  $AH$  of triangle  $ABC$  bisects a median  $BM$ . Prove that the medians of triangle  $ABM$  are sidelengths of a right-angled triangle.

**Solution.** Let  $AH$  and  $BM$  meet at point  $K$ , let  $L$  be the midpoint of  $AM$ , and let  $N$  and  $P$  be the projections of  $L$  and  $M$  respectively to  $BC$  (fig.8.1). Since  $K$  is the midpoint of  $BM$ , it follows that  $KH$  is a midline of triangle  $BMP$ , i.e.  $PH = HB$ . On the other hand, by the Thales theorem  $CP = PH$  and  $PN = NH$ , hence  $N$  is the midpoint of  $BC$ . Therefore  $NK$  is a medial line of triangle  $BMC$ , i.e.  $NK \parallel AC$  and  $ALNK$  is a parallelogram. Hence  $LN = AK$ . Also the median from  $M$  in triangle  $AMB$  is a midline of  $ABC$ , hence it is congruent to  $BN$ . Therefore the sides of right-angled triangle  $BNL$  are congruent to the medians of  $ABM$ .

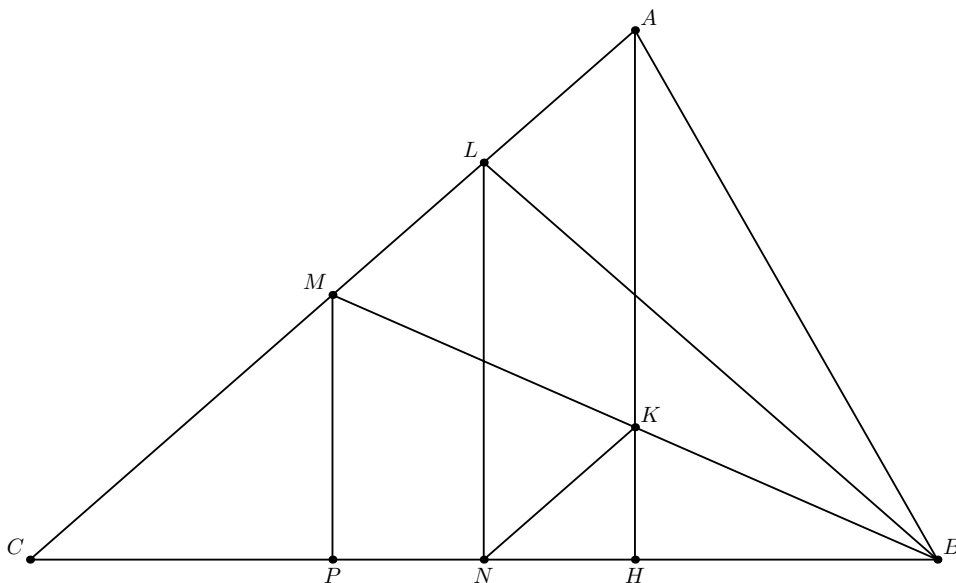


Fig. 8.1

2. (E.Bakaev) A circumcircle of triangle  $ABC$  meets the sides  $AD$  and  $CD$  of a parallelogram  $ABCD$  at points  $K$  and  $L$  respectively. Let  $M$  be the midpoint of arc  $KL$  not containing  $B$ . Prove that  $DM \perp AC$ .

**First solution.** By the assumption we obtain that  $ALCB$  is an isosceles trapezoid, i.e.  $AL = AD$  (fig.8.2). Now  $AM$  is the bisector of isosceles triangle  $ALD$ , thus  $AM$  is also its altitude. Hence  $AM \perp CD$ . Similarly  $CM \perp AD$ . Therefore  $M$  is the orthocenter of triangle  $ACD$  and  $DM \perp AC$ .



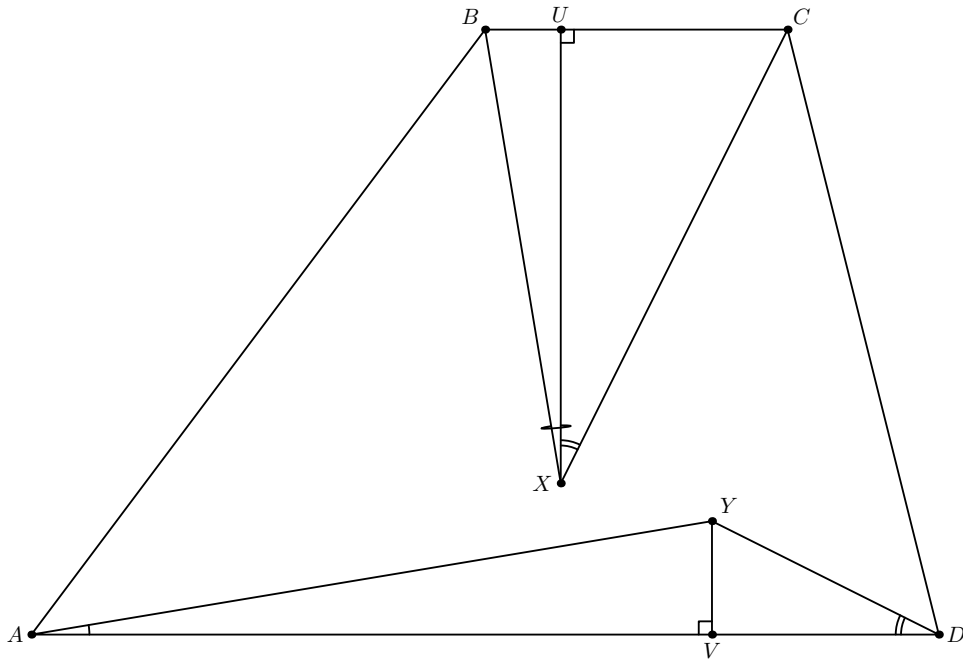


Fig. 8.3

**Second solution.** The locus of points with the constant difference of squares of the distances from the endpoints of a segment is a line perpendicular to this segment. Hence it is sufficient to prove that the difference  $YB^2 - YC^2$  is constant.

Since the lines  $BX$  and  $AY$  are perpendicular, we have  $YB^2 - AB^2 = YX^2 - AX^2$ . Similarly  $DC^2 - YC^2 = DX^2 - YX^2$ . Summing these equalities we obtain that  $YB^2 - YC^2 = (DX^2 - AX^2) + (AB^2 - DC^2)$ . The first difference is constant by the definition of  $X$ . Therefore all points  $Y$  lie on the line perpendicular to  $BC$ .

**Third solution.** Let the lines  $AB$  and  $CD$  meet at point  $P$ . Consider the homothety with center  $P$  mapping the segment  $BC$  to  $AD$ . Let  $X'$  be the image of  $X$ . The homothety maps  $BX$  and  $CX$  to parallel lines  $AX'$  and  $DX'$ . Therefore the angles  $X'AY$  and  $X'DY$  are right and the quadrilateral  $X'AYD$  is cyclic. We obtain also that  $X'$  moves along a fixed line  $l'$  parallel to  $l$ .

Let  $Q, R$  be the projections of  $X'$  and  $Y$  to  $AD$  (fig. 8.3.2). Since the midpoint of diameter  $X'Y$  is projected to the midpoint of chord  $AD$ , we obtain by the Thales theorem that  $AQ = DR$ . The point  $Q$  is fixed, hence  $Y$  moves along the line passing through  $R$  and parallel to the bases.

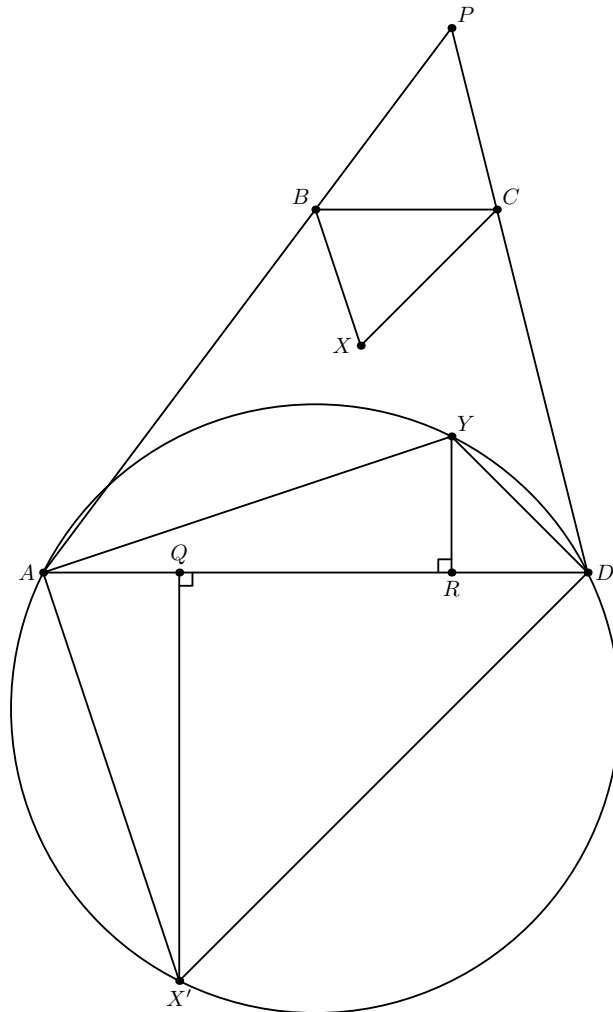


Fig. 8.3.2

4. (N.Beluhov) Is it possible to dissect a regular decagon along some of its diagonals so that the resulting parts can form two regular polygons?

**Answer.** Yes, see fig.8.4

**Remark.** This construction works for all regular  $2n$ -gons with  $n \geq 3$ .

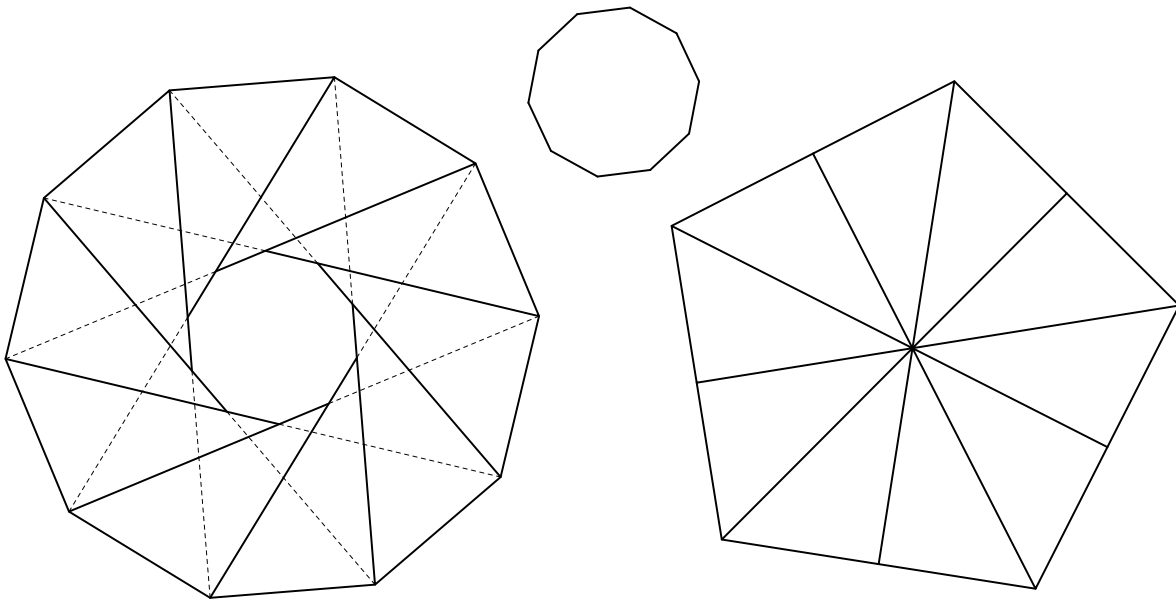


Fig.8.4

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5. (A.Khachatryan) Three points are marked on the transparent sheet of paper. Prove that the sheet can be folded along some line in such a way that these points form an equilateral triangle.

**Solution.** Let  $A, B, C$  be the given points,  $AB$  be the smallest side of triangle  $ABC$ ,  $D$  be the vertex of an equilateral triangle  $ABD$ ,  $l$  be the perpendicular bisector to segment  $CD$ . Since  $AD = AB \leq AC$  and  $BD = AB \leq BC$ , the points  $A, B$  lie on the same side from  $l$  as  $D$ . Thus if we fold the sheet along  $l$  then  $A$  and  $B$  do not move, and  $C$  maps to  $D$ .

6. (E.Bakaev) A triangle  $ABC$  with  $\angle A = 60^\circ$  is given. Points  $M$  and  $N$  on  $AB$  and  $AC$  respectively are such that the circumcenter of  $ABC$  bisects segment  $MN$ . Find the ratio  $AN : MB$ .

**Answer.** 2.

**First solution.** Let  $P, Q$  be the projections of  $N$  and the circumcenter  $O$  respectively to  $AB$  (fig.8.6). From the condition we have  $MQ = QP$ . On the other hand  $Q$  is the midpoint of  $AB$ , thus  $BM = AP$ . But in the right-angled triangle  $APN$  we have  $\angle A = 60^\circ$ . Therefore  $BM = AP = AN/2$ .

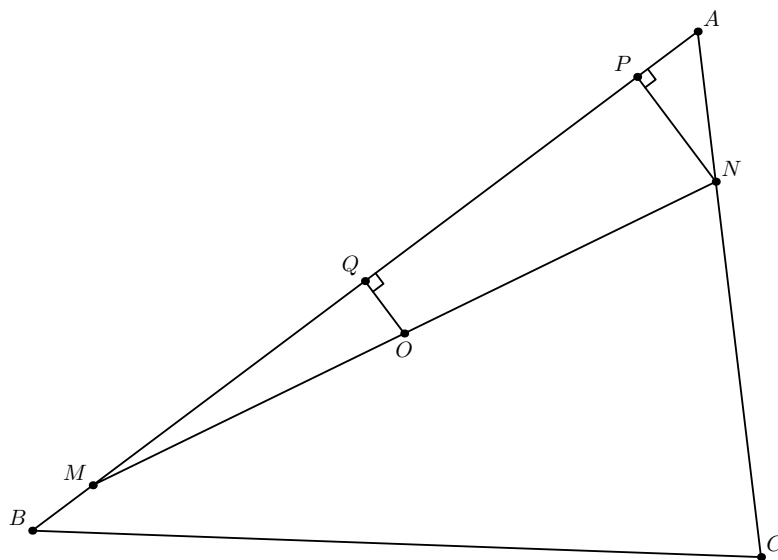


Fig. 8.6

**Second solution.** Let  $P$  be the point on the circumcircle of  $ABC$  opposite to  $A$ . Since  $O$  bisects the segments  $AP$  and  $MN$ , we have that  $AMPN$  is

a parallelogram. The angles  $BAC$  and  $BMP$  are equal because  $AC \parallel MP$ . The angle  $ABP$  is right because  $AP$  is a diameter. Thus  $BMP$  is a right-angled triangle with  $\angle M = 60^\circ$ , therefore  $MP : MB = 2$ . The segments  $MP$  and  $AN$  are the opposite sides of parallelogram, hence  $AN : MB = 2$ .

7. (A.Zaslavsky) Diagonals of a quadrilateral  $ABCD$  are equal and meet at point  $O$ . The perpendicular bisectors to segments  $AB$  and  $CD$  meet at point  $P$ , and the perpendicular bisectors to  $BC$  and  $AD$  meet at point  $Q$ . Find angle  $POQ$ .

**Answer.**  $90^\circ$ .

**Solution.** Since  $PA = PB$  and  $PC = PD$ , the triangles  $PAC$  and  $PBD$  are congruent (fig.8.7). Therefore the distances from  $P$  to the lines  $AC$  and  $BD$  are equal, i.e.  $P$  lies on the bisector of some angle formed by these lines. Similarly  $Q$  also lies on the bisector of some of these angles. Let us prove that these points lie on different bisectors. The bisector of angle  $AOB$  meets the perpendicular bisector to  $AB$  at the midpoint of arc  $AB$  of the circle  $AOB$ . Also this bisector meets the perpendicular bisector to  $CD$  at the midpoint of arc  $CD$  of circle  $COD$ . These two points lie on the different sides from  $O$ , hence  $P$  lies on the bisector of angle  $AOD$ . Similarly  $Q$  lies on the bisector of angle  $AOB$ . It is evident that these bisectors are perpendicular.

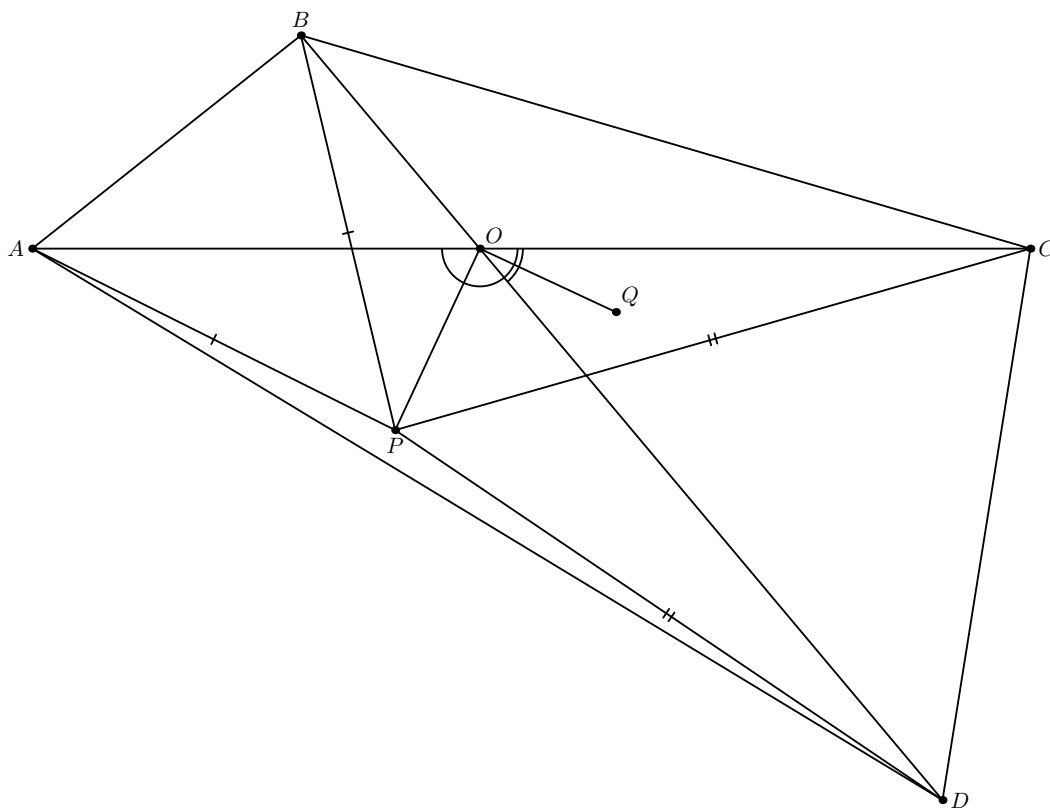


Fig. 8.7

8. (V.Protasov) A criminal is at point  $X$ , and three policemen at points  $A$ ,  $B$  and  $C$  block him up, i.e. the point  $X$  lies inside the triangle  $ABC$ . Each evening one of the policemen is replaced in the following way: a new policeman takes the position equidistant from three former policemen, after this one of the former policemen goes away so that three remaining policemen block up the criminal too. May the policemen after some time occupy again the points  $A$ ,  $B$  and  $C$  (it is known that at any moment  $X$  does not lie on a side of the triangle)?

**Answer.** No.

**First solution.** It is evident that all triangles formed by the policemen after the first evening are isosceles. Thus we can suppose that in the original triangle  $AC = BC$ . Let  $O$ ,  $R$  be the circumcenter and the circumradius of triangle  $ABC$ . Then since  $OC \perp AB$  and  $X$  lies inside  $ABC$ , we obtain that the projection of  $X$  to the altitude  $CD$  lies between  $C$  and  $D$ . Hence  $XC^2 - XO^2 < CD^2 - DO^2 = AC^2 - AO^2$  or  $XC^2 - AC^2 < XO^2 - R^2$ . Similarly  $O'X^2 - R'^2 < OX^2 - R^2$ , where  $O'$ ,  $R'$  are the circumcenter and the circumradius of the new triangle formed by the policemen. Therefore the degree of  $X$  wrt the circumcircle of policemen's triangle decreases each evening and the policemen cannot occupy the initial points.

**Second solution.** Let  $A$  be the vertex of the triangle nearest to  $X$ , and  $O$  be the circumcenter. It is clear that  $X$  cannot lie inside the triangle  $OBC$ , i.e.  $A$  is a vertex of the new triangle containing  $X$ . Therefore the distance from  $X$  to the nearest vertex does not increase. This is also correct for the further steps. If the sequence of triangles is periodic then this distance is constant and  $A$  is the vertex of all triangles containing  $X$ . These triangles are isosceles and  $A$  is the vertex at the base, i.e. the angle at this vertex is acute. Hence one of rays  $BO$ ,  $CO$  passes through the triangle. Let the extension of segment  $AX$  meet  $BC$  at point  $Y$ . Since one of rays  $BO$ ,  $CO$  intersects the segment  $AY$ , we obtain that the distance  $XY$  decreases at each step, therefore the policemen cannot occupy the initial points again.



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### Final round. Solutions. First day. 9 grade

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1. (D.Shvetsov) The diagonals of a parallelogram  $ABCD$  meet at point  $O$ . The tangent to the circumcircle of triangle  $BOC$  at  $O$  meets the ray  $CB$  at point  $F$ . The circumcircle of triangle  $FOD$  meets  $BC$  for the second time at point  $G$ . Prove that  $AG = AB$ .

**Solution.** From the tangency we have  $\angle FOB = \angle BCO = \angle GCA$ , and since  $FGOD$  is cyclic,  $\angle FOB = \angle DGC$ .

We obtain that  $\angle GCA = \angle DGC$ , hence  $AGCD$  is an isosceles trapezoid and  $AG = DC = AB$ .

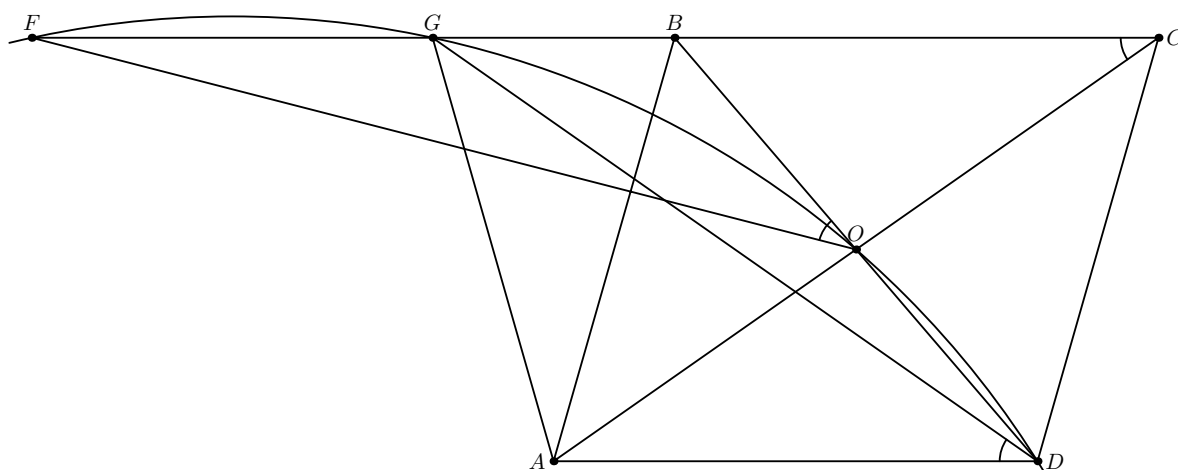


Fig. 9.1

2. (D.Khilko) Let  $H$  be the orthocenter of an acute-angled triangle  $ABC$ . Point  $X_A$  lying on the tangent at  $H$  to the circumcircle of triangle  $BHC$  is such that  $AH = AX_A$  and  $H \neq X_A$ . Points  $X_B$  and  $X_C$  are defined similarly. Prove that the triangle  $X_A X_B X_C$  and the orthotriangle of  $ABC$  are similar.

**Solution.** Let  $O$  be the circumcenter of  $ABC$  (fig. 9.2). Let us prove that  $AO \perp HX_A$ . In fact, the translation by vector  $AH$  maps the circle  $ABC$  to the circle  $BHC$ . Hence the tangent at  $H$  is parallel to the tangent at  $A$  and perpendicular to the radius  $OA$ . Since  $HAX_A$  is an isosceles triangle, its altitude coincides with the median. Thus  $AO$  is the perpendicular bisector to  $HX_A$ . Similarly  $BO, CO$  are the perpendicular bisectors to  $HX_B, HX_C$  respectively. Therefore  $H, X_A, X_B, X_C$  lie on a circle centered at  $O$ . Now we have  $\angle X_A X_C X_B = \angle X_A H X_B = \angle C H X_A + \angle X_B H C = 2(90^\circ -$

$\angle C) = \angle H_1H_3H_2$ . Similarly  $\angle X_A X_B X_C = \angle H_1H_2H_3$  and  $\angle X_B X_A X_C = \angle H_2H_1H_3$ . Since the correspondent angles of triangles  $X_A X_B X_C$  and  $H_1H_2H_3$  are equal, these triangles are similar.

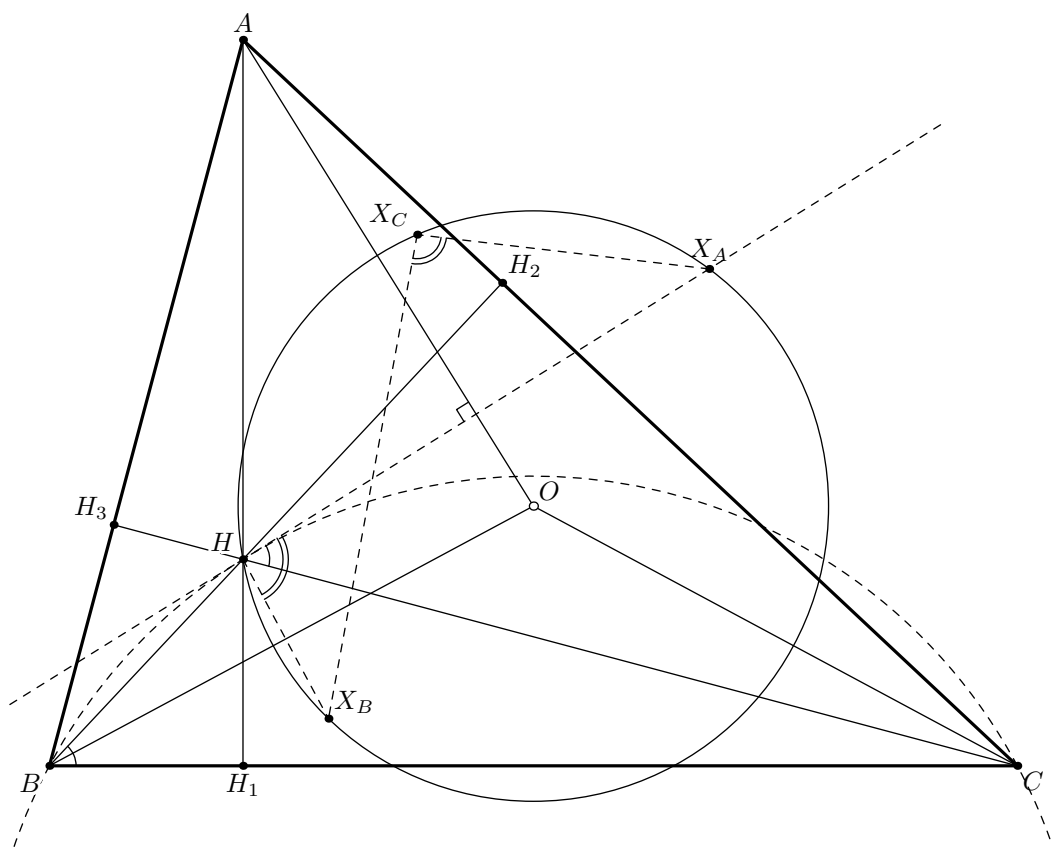


Fig. 9.2.

**Remark.** This solution can be modified. The midpoints of segments  $HX_A$ ,  $HX_B$ ,  $HX_C$  lie on the circle with diameter  $OH$  and form a triangle similar to the orthotriangle (this can be proved as above). This reasoning allows to prove a general assertion: if  $P$  and  $Q$  are isogonally conjugated, and  $A_1, B_1, C_1$  are the projections of  $P$  to  $AQ, BQ$  and  $CQ$ , then the triangle  $A_1B_1C_1$  is similar to the pedal triangle of  $P$ .

- (V.Kalashnikov) Let  $O$  and  $I$  be the circumcenter and the incenter of triangle  $ABC$ . The perpendicular from  $I$  to  $OI$  meets  $AB$  and the external bisector of angle  $C$  at points  $X$  and  $Y$  respectively. In what ratio does  $I$  divide the segment  $XY$ ?

**Answer.** 1 : 2.

**First solution.** Let  $I_a, I_b, I_c$  be the excenters of  $ABC$ . Then  $ABC$  and its circumcircle are the orthotriangle and the nine-points circle of triangle

$I_a I_b I_c$ . Hence the circumcenter of  $I_a I_b I_c$  is symmetric to  $I$  wrt  $O$ , and its circumradius is equal to the double circumradius of  $ABC$ . The triangle  $A'B'C'$  homothetic to  $ABC$  with center  $I$  and coefficient 2 has the same circumcircle. The line  $l$  passing through  $I$  and perpendicular to  $OI$  carves the chord of this circle with midpoint  $I$ , the chords  $I_a A'$  and  $I_b B'$  also pass through it (fig.9.3). By the butterfly theorem  $I_a I_b$  and  $A'B'$  meet  $l$  at two points symmetric about  $I$ , therefore  $IX : IY = 1 : 2$ .

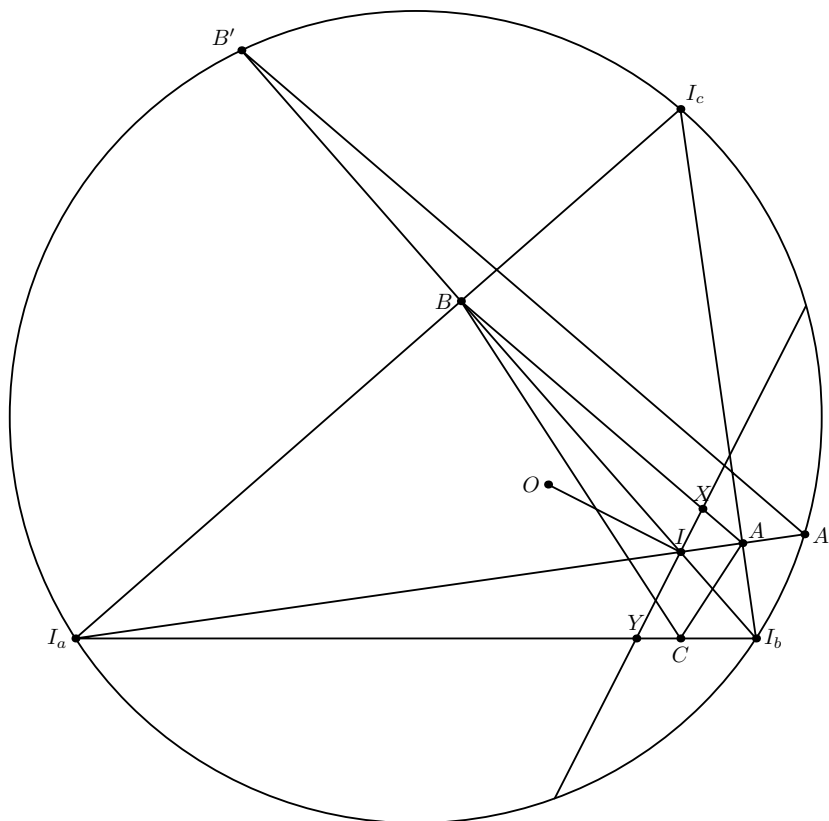


Fig. 9.3

**Second solution.** Consider the points such that the sum of oriented distances from them to the sidelines of  $ABC$  is equal to  $3r$ , where  $r$  is the radius of the incircle. Since the distance is a linear function, the locus of such points is a line passing through  $I$ . Since the sum of the projections of vector  $OI$  to the lines  $AB$ ,  $BC$ ,  $CA$  is zero, this line is perpendicular to  $OI$ . Since  $Y$  lies on the external bisector of angle  $C$ , the sum of distances from  $Y$  to  $AC$  and  $BC$  is zero. Thus the distance from  $Y$  to  $AB$  is equal to  $3r$ , i.e.  $YX = 3IX$ .

4. (N.Beluhov) One hundred and one beetles are crawling in the plane. Some of the beetles are friends. Every one hundred beetles can position themselves so that two of them are friends if and only if they are at the unit distance

from each other. Is it always true that all one hundred and one beetles can do the same?

**Answer.** No.

**First solution.** Let two beetles be friends if and only if they are connected by a solid line in the fig. 9.4.

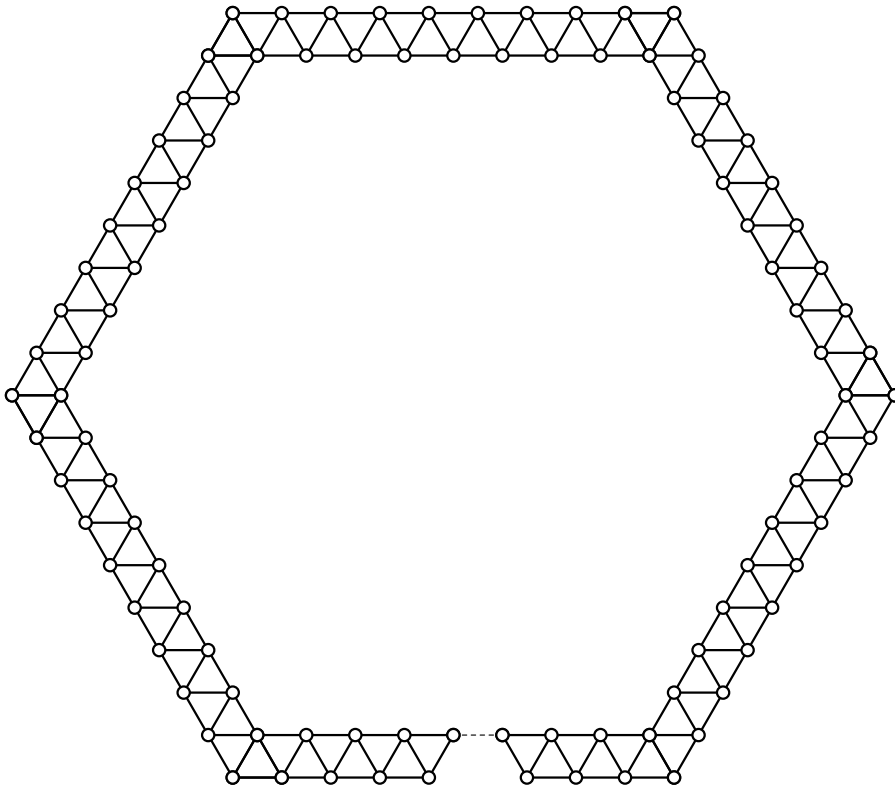


Fig. 9.4.

Suppose that all one hundred and one beetles have positioned themselves so that the only if part is satisfied (if two beetles are friends then they are the unit distance apart). If two beetles occupy the same position then the if part (if two beetles are the unit distance apart then they are friends) fails. Otherwise, friendships determine a unique structure which forces the two beetles connected by a dashed line to be the unit distance apart without being friends and the if part fails again.

If we temporarily forget about any one beetle, the structure becomes flexible enough so that both the if and the only if part can be satisfied.

**Second solution.** Consider the following graph: the trapezoid  $ABCD$  with the bases  $BC = 33$  and  $AD = 34$  and the altitude  $\sqrt{3}/2$  composed from 67 regular triangles with side 1, and the path with length 33 joining  $A$  and

*D.* It is clear that this graph can not be drawn on the plane satisfying the condition of the problem, but we can do it if an arbitrary vertex is removed.

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### Final round. Solutions. Second day. 9 grade

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5. (F.Nilov) The center of a circle  $\omega_2$  lies on a circle  $\omega_1$ . Tangents  $XP$  and  $XQ$  to  $\omega_2$  from an arbitrary point  $X$  of  $\omega_1$  ( $P$  and  $Q$  are the touching points) meet  $\omega_1$  for the second time at points  $R$  and  $S$ . Prove that the line  $PQ$  bisects the segment  $RS$ .

**First solution.** Let  $O$  be the center of  $\omega_2$ . Since  $XO$  is the bisector of angle  $PXQ$ , we have  $OR = OS$ . Thus the right-angled triangles  $OPR$  and  $OQS$  are congruent by a cathetus and the hypotenuse, i.e.  $PR = QS$  (fig.9.5). Since  $\angle XPQ = \angle XQP$ , we obtain that  $R$  and  $S$  lie at equal distances from the line  $PQ$ , which is equivalent to the required assertion.

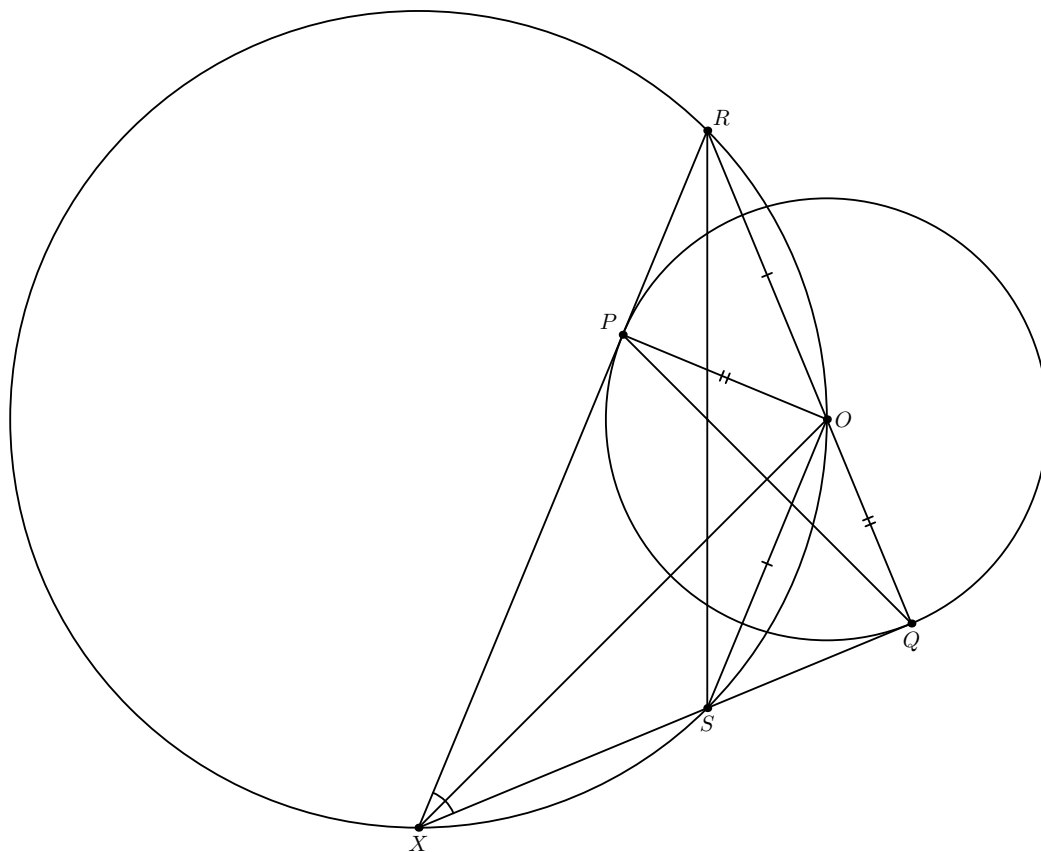


Fig. 9.5

**Second solution.** Let  $O$  be the center of  $\omega_2$ . Since  $XO$  bisects the angle  $PXQ$ , we obtain that  $O$  is the midpoint of arc  $RS$ . Hence the midpoint  $K$  of segment  $RS$  is the projection of  $O$  to  $RS$ . Therefore  $P$ ,  $Q$  and  $K$  lie on the Simson line of point  $O$ .

6. (M. Timokhin) The sidelines  $AB$  and  $CD$  of a trapezoid  $ABCD$  meet at point  $P$ , and the diagonals of this trapezoid meet at point  $Q$ . Point  $M$  on the smallest base  $BC$  is such that  $AM = MD$ . Prove that  $\angle PMB = \angle QMB$ .

**First solution.** Let the lines  $PM$ ,  $QM$  meet  $AD$  at points  $X$ ,  $Y$  respectively, and let  $U$  be the midpoint of  $AD$ . Since  $AX : XD = BM : MC = YD : AY$ , we obtain that  $AX = YD$  and  $XU = UY$  (fig. 9.6). Hence the perpendicular bisector  $UM$  of segment  $AD$  is also the bisector of isosceles triangle  $XMY$ , and  $BC$  is the bisector of angle  $PMQ$ .

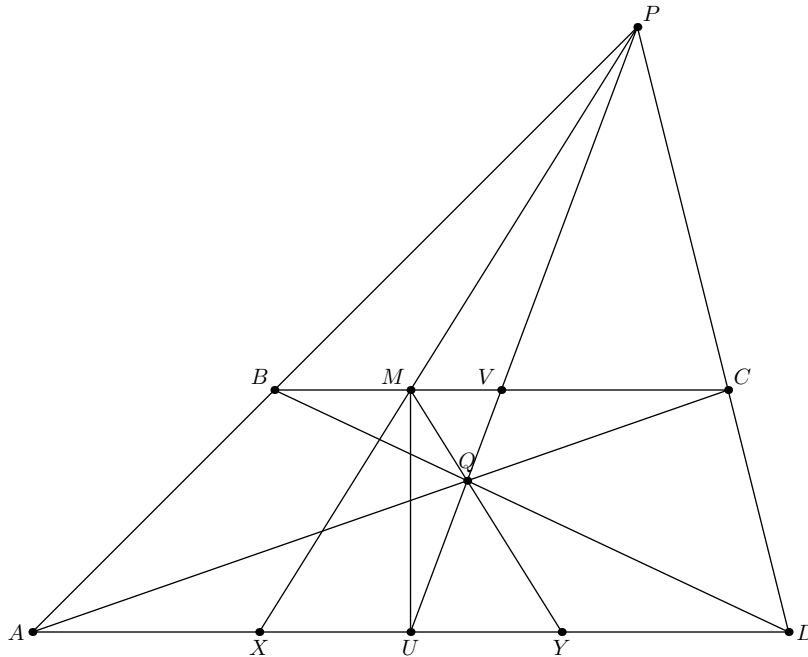


Fig. 9.6

**Second solution.** The line  $PQ$  passes through  $U$  and the midpoint  $V$  of segment  $BC$  (fig. 9.6) so that the quadruple  $P, Q, U, V$  is harmonic. Since the lines  $MU$  and  $MV$  are perpendicular they are the external and the internal bisectors of angle  $PMQ$ .

7. (A. Zaslavsky) From the altitudes of an acute-angled triangle, a triangle can be composed. Prove that a triangle can be composed from the bisectors of this triangle.

**Solution.** Let in a triangle  $ABC$  be  $\angle A \geq \angle B \geq \angle C$ . Then the altitudes  $h_a, h_b, h_c$  satisfy the inequality  $h_a \leq h_b \leq h_c$ , and the similar inequality holds for the bisectors  $l_a, l_b, l_c$ . Consider two cases.

1)  $\angle B \geq 60^\circ$ . Then  $\angle A - \angle B \leq \angle B - \angle C$ . Hence  $h_c/l_c = \cos(\angle A - \angle B)/2 \geq h_a/l_a = \cos(\angle B - \angle C)/2$ . Also  $h_c/l_c > h_b/l_b$ . Now from  $h_c < h_a + h_b$  we obtain that  $l_c < l_a + l_b$ .

2)  $\angle B \leq 60^\circ$ . Then since  $\angle A < 90^\circ$ , we have  $\angle C > 30^\circ$ . Thus  $l_a \geq h_a = AC \sin \angle C > AC/2$  and  $l_b > BC/2$ . But  $l_c$  is not greater than the corresponding median, which is less than the half-sum of  $AC$  and  $BC$ . Therefore  $l_c < l_a + l_b$ .

**Remark.** Note that in the first case we did not use that the triangle is acute-angled, and in the second case we did not use that a triangle can be composed from the altitudes. But both conditions are necessary. An example of an obtuse-angled triangle, for which a triangle can be composed from the altitudes but not from the bisectors is constructed in the solution of problem 9.5 of VII Sharygin Olympiad.

8. (I.Frolov) The diagonals of a cyclic quadrilateral  $ABCD$  meet at point  $M$ . A circle  $\omega$  touches segments  $MA$  and  $MD$  at points  $P, Q$  respectively and touches the circumcircle of  $ABCD$  at point  $X$ . Prove that  $X$  lies on the radical axis of circles  $ACQ$  and  $BDP$ .

**First solution.** The inversion with the center at  $X$  maps the lines  $AC$  and  $BD$  to the circles  $\omega_1$  and  $\omega_2$  intersecting at points  $X$  and  $M'$ . Furthermore this inversion maps  $\omega$  to a line touching these circles at points  $P', Q'$  respectively. Finally it maps the circle  $ABCD$  to a line parallel to  $P'Q'$ , meeting  $\omega_1$  at points  $A', C'$ , and meeting  $\omega_2$  at points  $B', D'$  (fig. 9.8). Since  $M$  lies on the radical axis of circles  $ACQ$  and  $BDP$ , we have to prove that the radical axis of  $A'C'Q'$  and  $B'D'P'$  coincides with the line  $XM'$ .

Let  $K$  be the common point of  $XM'$  and  $A'D'$ . Since  $A'K \cdot KC' = XK \cdot KM' = B'K \cdot KD'$ , we obtain that  $K$  lies on the radical axis of circles  $A'C'Q'$  and  $B'D'P'$ . Also the circle  $A'C'Q'$  meets  $P'Q'$  for the second time at the point symmetric to  $Q'$  about  $P'$ , and the circle  $B'D'P'$  meets it at the point symmetric to  $P'$  about  $Q'$ . Thus the degrees of the midpoint of  $P'Q'$  lying on  $M'X$ , about these circles are also equal, and this completes the proof.



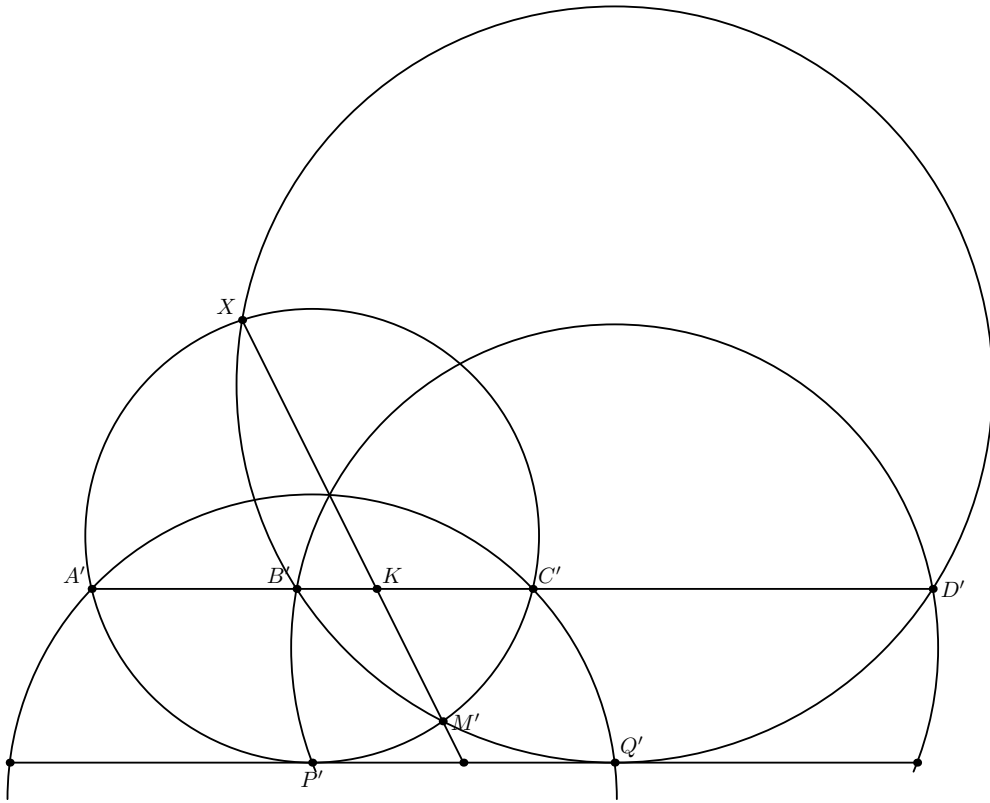


Fig. 9.8

**Second solution.** Let  $l$  be the tangent at  $X$  to the circle  $ABCD$ ; and let  $l$  meet  $AC$  and  $BD$  at the points  $S$  and  $T$  respectively. Then  $SM$  is the radical axis of circles  $ABCD$  and  $ACQ$ ,  $ST$  is the radical axis of circles  $ABCD$  and  $\omega$ , i.e.  $S$  is the radical center of circles  $ABCD$ ,  $ACQ$  and  $\omega$ , hence  $SQ$  is the radical axis of circles  $ACQ$  and  $\omega$  (because  $Q$  lies on the circles  $ACQ$  and  $\omega$ ). Similarly  $TP$  is the radical axis of circles  $BDP$  and  $\omega$ . Therefore the common point  $G$  of  $SQ$  and  $TP$  is the radical center of circles  $ACQ$ ,  $BDP$  and  $\omega$ . On the other hand  $M$  is the radical center of circles  $ACQ$ ,  $BDP$  and  $ABCD$ , i.e.  $MG$  is the radical center of circles  $ACQ$  and  $BDP$ , also  $MG$  passes through  $X$ , because  $G$  is the Gergonne point of triangle  $MST$ .

## XII Geometrical Olympiad in honour of I.F.Sharygin

### Final round. Solutions. First day. 10 grade

*Ratmino, 2016, July 31*

1. V.Yasinsky A line parallel to the side  $BC$  of a triangle  $ABC$  meets the sides  $AB$  and  $AC$  at points  $P$  and  $Q$ , respectively. A point  $M$  is chosen inside the triangle  $APQ$ . The segments  $MB$  and  $MC$  meet the segment  $PQ$  at  $E$  and  $F$ , respectively. Let  $N$  be the second intersection point of the circumcircles of the triangles  $PMF$  and  $QME$ . Prove that the points  $A$ ,  $M$ , and  $N$  are collinear.

**First solution.** Let  $P'$  and  $Q'$  be the second intersection points of the circle  $(PMF)$  with  $AB$  and of the circle  $(QME)$  with  $AC$ . We have  $\angle MP'A = \angle MFP = \angle MCB$ , so the point  $P'$  lies on the circle  $(BMC)$ . Similarly, the point  $Q'$  also lies on the same circle. Therefore, we have  $AP'/AQ' = AC/AB = AQ/AP$ , which means that the powers of the point  $A$  with respect to the two given circles are equal. This yields that  $A$  lies on the line  $MN$ .

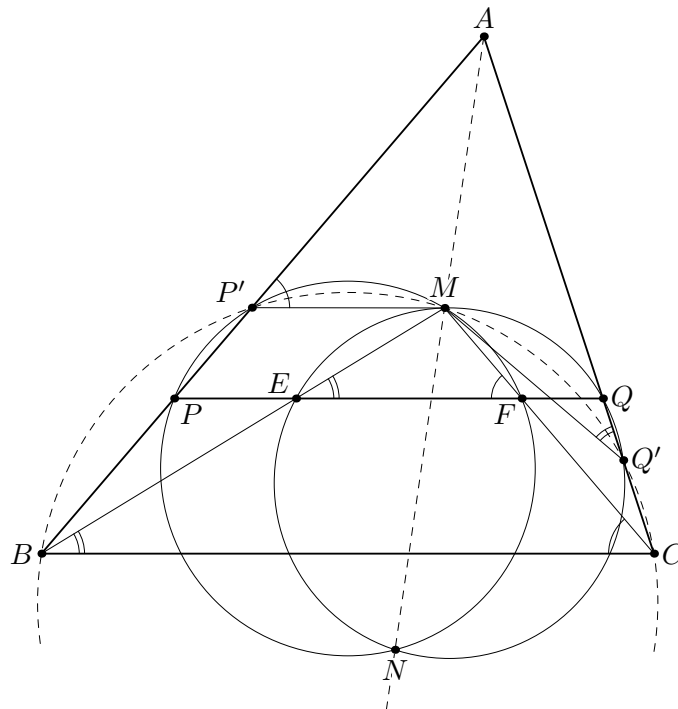


Fig. 10.1

**Second solution.** Let  $AM$  meet  $PQ$  and  $BC$  at points  $K$  and  $L$  respectively. Then  $EK : FK = BL : CL = PK : QK$ . Therefore,  $PK \cdot FK = QK \cdot EK$  and both circles meet  $AM$  at the same point.

2. (P.Kozhevnikov) Let  $I$  and  $I_a$  be the incenter and the excenter of a triangle  $ABC$ ; let  $A'$  be the point of its circumcircle opposite to  $A$ , and  $A_1$  be the base of the altitude from  $A$ . Prove that  $\angle IA'I_a = \angle IA_1I_a$ .

**Solution.** Since  $\angle A_1AB = \angle CAA'$  and  $\angle ACA' = 90^\circ$ , the triangles  $ACA'$  and  $AA_1B$  are similar. Hence  $AA_1 \cdot AA' = AB \cdot AC$ . On the other hand  $\angle AI_aC = \angle ABI$ , thus the triangles  $AIB$  and  $ACI_a$  are similar and  $AI \cdot AI_a = AB \cdot AC$ .

Let  $A_2$  be the reflection of  $A_1$  about the bisector of angle  $A$ . Then  $A_2$  lies on  $AA'$  and as is proved above  $AA_2 \cdot AA' = AI \cdot AI_a$ . Therefore  $IA_2A'I_a$  is a cyclic quadrilateral and  $\angle IA'I_a = \angle IA_2I_a = \angle IA_1I_a$  (fig. 10.2).

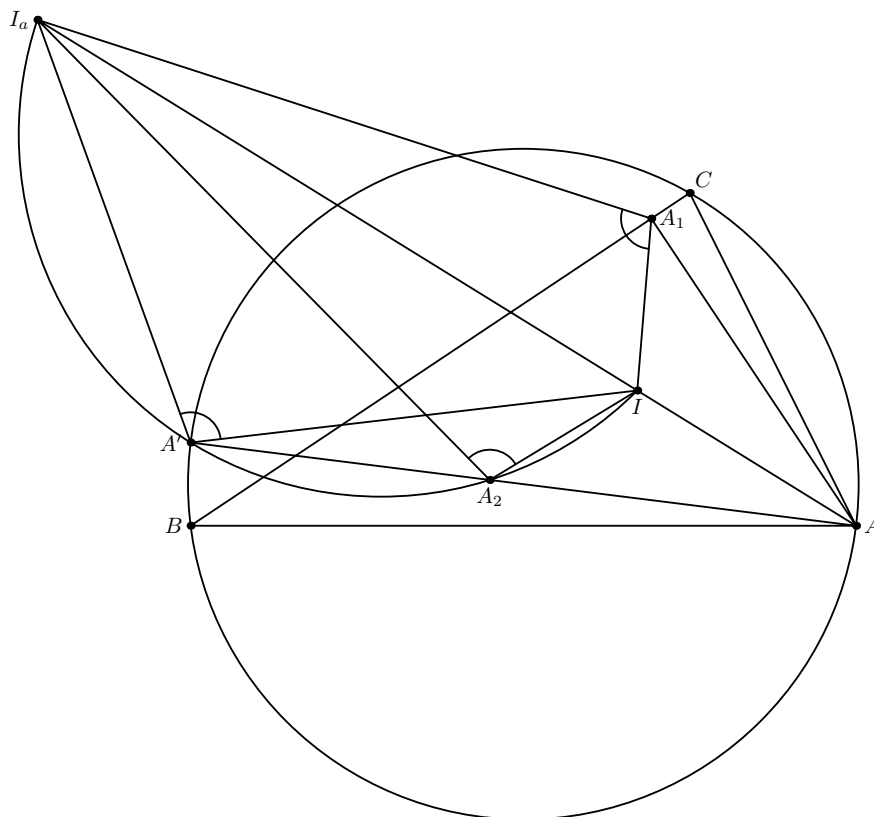


Fig. 10.2

3. (V.Kalashnikov) Let two triangles  $ABC$  and  $A'B'C'$  have the common incircle and circumcircle, and let a point  $P$  lie inside both triangles. Prove that the sum of distances from  $P$  to the sidelines of  $ABC$  is equal to the sum of distances from  $P$  to the sidelines of  $A'B'C'$ .

**Solution.** As is proved in the solution of problem 9.3, the locus of the points with constant sum of oriented distances to the sidelines of triangle  $ABC$  is a

line perpendicular to  $OI$ , where  $O, I$  are the circumcenter and the incenter respectively. Also the sum of distances from  $I$  to the sidelines of both triangles is equal to  $3r$ , and the sum of the corresponding distances from  $O$  is equal to  $R + r$  (the Carnot formula), where  $R$  and  $r$  are the radii of the circumcircle and the incircle. Therefore these sums are equal for all points of the plane.

**Remark.** The assertion remains true if we replace the triangles by two bi-centric  $n$ -gons with an arbitrary  $n$ .

4. (N.Beluhov) Devil and Man are playing a game. Initially, Man pays some sum  $s$  and lists 97 triples (not necessarily distinct)  $A_i A_j A_k$ ,  $1 \leq i < j < k \leq 100$ . After this Devil draws some convex 100-gon  $A_1 A_2 \dots A_{100}$  of area 100 and pays the total area of 97 triangles  $A_i A_j A_k$  to Man. For which maximal  $s$  this game is profitable for Man?

**Answer.** For  $s = 0$ .

**First solution.** *Lemma.* Let  $T$  be a set of at most  $n - 3$  triangles with the vertices chosen among those of the convex  $n$ -gon  $P = A_1 A_2 \dots A_n$ . Then the vertices of  $P$  can be coloured in three colours so that every colour occurs at least once, the vertices of every colour are successive, and  $T$  contains no triangle whose vertices have three different colours.

*Proof of the lemma.* We proceed by induction on  $n$ .

When  $n = 3$ ,  $T$  is empty and the claim holds.

Suppose  $n > 3$ . If  $A_1 A_n$  is not a side of any triangle in  $T$ , then we colour  $A_1$  and  $A_n$  in two different colours and all other vertices in the remaining colour.

Now suppose that  $A_1 A_n$  is a side of at least one triangle in  $T$  and the set  $U$  is obtained from  $T$  by removing all these triangles and replacing  $A_n$  by  $A_1$  in all the remaining ones. By the induction hypothesis for the polygon  $Q = A_1 A_2 \dots A_{n-1}$  and the set  $U$ , there is an appropriate colouring of the vertices of  $Q$ . By further colouring  $A_n$  in the colour of  $A_1$ , we get an appropriate colouring of  $P$ .  $\square$

Now imagine that Devil has chosen a convex 100-gon  $P$  of area 100 such that  $P$  is inscribed in a circle  $k$ , all vertices of  $P$  of colour  $i$  lie within the arc  $c_i$  of this circle with central angle  $\varepsilon^\circ$ , and the midpoints of  $c_1, c_2$ , and  $c_3$  form an equilateral triangle. When  $\varepsilon$  tends to zero, the areas of all triangles listed by the Man also tend to zero, and so does their sum.

**Second solution.** For each triple  $(i, j, k)$  let the vertex  $A_i$  be labelled by the number of sides covered by the angle  $A_j A_i A_k$  (it is the same for all 100-gons), and do the same operation with  $A_j$  and  $A_k$ . The sum of these numbers is 100 for each triple, therefore the total sum is equal to  $97 \cdot 100$ , thus the sum in some vertex (for example  $A_1$ ) is not greater than 97; from this we obtain that there exists a side  $A_k A_{k+1}$  not containing  $A_1$  and such that the angles with vertex  $A_1$  do not cover this side. Now the Devil can draw a 100-gon, in which the vertices  $A_2, \dots, A_{k-1}$  are close to  $A_k$ , and the vertices  $A_{k+2}, \dots, A_{100}$  are close to  $A_{k+1}$ , and make the areas of all 97 triangles arbitrary small.

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5. (A.Blinkov) Does there exist a convex polyhedron having equal numbers of edges and diagonals? (*A diagonal of a polyhedron is a segment between two vertices not lying in one face.*)

**Answer.** Yes. For example each vertex of the upper base of a hexagonal prism is the endpoint of three diagonals joining it with the vertices of the lower base. Hence the common number of diagonals is 18 as well as the number of edges.

6. (I.I.Bogdanov) A triangle  $ABC$  is given. The point  $K$  is the base of an external bisector of angle  $A$ . The point  $M$  is the midpoint of arc  $AC$  of the circumcircle. The point  $N$  on the bisector of angle  $C$  is such that  $AN \parallel BM$ . Prove that  $M$ ,  $N$  and  $K$  are collinear.

**First solution.** Let  $I$  be the incenter. Then  $K$ ,  $M$ ,  $N$  lie on the side-lines of triangle  $BIC$  (fig. 10.6). We have  $KB/KC = AB/AC$ ,  $NC/IN = AC/AB' = (BC + AB)/AB$  (where  $B'$  is the base of bisector from  $B$ ),  $MI/MB = MC/MB = AB'/AB = AC/(AB + BC)$  (the second equality follows from the similarity of triangles  $BMC$  and  $BAB'$ ). By the Menelaus theorem we obtain the required assertion.

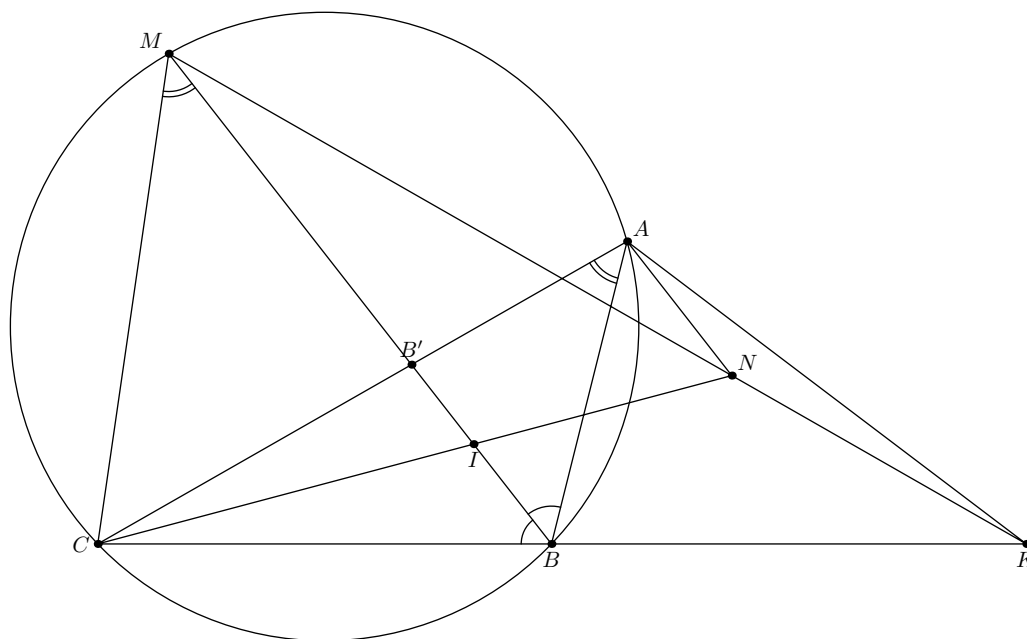


Fig. 10.6

**Second solution.** Note that  $\angle MAC = \angle MBC = \angle ABM = \angle BAN$ , i.e. the lines  $AI$  and  $AK$  are the internal and the external bisector of triangle  $AMN$ . Let  $AI$  meet  $MN$  and  $BC$  at points  $P$  and  $Q$  respectively, and let  $AK$  meet  $MN$  at  $K'$ . Then the quadruples  $(B, C, K, Q)$  and  $(M, N, K', P)$  are harmonic, therefore projecting  $MN$  to  $BC$  from  $I$ , we obtain that  $K'$  coincides with  $K$ .

7. (A.Zaslavsky) Restore a triangle by one of its vertices, the circumcenter and the Lemoine point. (*The Lemoine point is the common point of the lines symmetric to the medians about the correspondent bisectors.*)

**First solution.** Since the vertex  $A$  and the circumcenter  $O$  are given, we can construct the circumcircle. Let  $XY$  be the chord of this circle with the midpoint at the Lemoine point  $L$ , let  $UV$  be the diameter parallel to this chord, and let the diagonals of the trapezoid with bases  $XY$  and  $UV$  meet at point  $K$ . Consider a transformation that maps each point  $P$  of the circumcircle to the second common point  $P'$  of the circle and the line  $KP$ . This transformation preserves the cross-ratios, thus it can be extended to a projective transformation of the plane. Since this transformation maps  $L$  to  $O$ , it maps the triangle in question to a triangle with coinciding Lemoine point and circumcenter. This triangle is regular. From this we obtain the following construction.

Draw line  $AK$  and find its second common point  $A'$  with the circumcircle. Inscribe a regular triangle  $A'B'C'$  into the circle and find the second common points  $B, C$  of lines  $BK, CK$  with the circle. Then  $ABC$  is the required triangle.

**Second solution.** We use the following assertion.

**Lemma.** Let a triangle  $ABC$  and a point  $P$  be given. An inversion with center  $A$  maps  $B, C, P$  to  $B', C', P'$  respectively. Let the circle  $B'C'P'$  meet  $AP$  for the second time at  $Q$ . Then the similarity transforming the triangle  $AC'B'$  to  $ABC$  maps  $Q$  to the point isogonally conjugated to  $P$ .

The assertion of this lemma clearly follows from the equalities  $\angle ABP = \angle B'P'A = \angle B'C'Q$ .

Let us return to the problem. Let an inversion with center  $A$  map  $L$  and the circumcircle to  $L'$  and line  $l$  respectively. Let  $AL$  meet  $l$  at point  $T$ , and let point  $M$  divide the segment  $AT$  in ratio  $2 : 1$ . Then  $M$  is the centroid of triangle  $AB'C'$ , where  $B', C'$  are the images of  $B$  and  $C$ . By the lemma  $M$

lies on the circle  $B'C'L'$ , therefore  $KB'^2 = KC'^2 = KM \cdot KL'$ . Thus we can construct  $B'$ ,  $C'$ , and  $B$ ,  $C$ .

8. (S.Novikov) Let  $ABC$  be a nonisosceles triangle, let  $AA_1$  be its bisector, and let  $A_2$  be the touching point of  $BC$  with the incircle. The points  $B_1, B_2, C_1, C_2$  are defined similarly. Let  $O$  and  $I$  be the circumcenter and the incenter of the triangle. Prove that the radical center of the circumcircles of triangles  $AA_1A_2, BB_1B_2, CC_1C_2$  lies on  $OI$ .

**First solution.** Let  $A'$  be the midpoint of an arc  $BC$  not containing  $A$ . Since the inversion with center  $A'$  and radius  $A'B$  transposes the line  $BC$  and the circumcircle, it maps  $A_1$  and  $A_2$  to  $A$  and the common point  $A''$  of  $A'A_2$  and the circumcircle. Therefore the points  $A, A_1, A_2$  and  $A''$  are concyclic. Furthermore since  $OA' \parallel IA_2$ , the lines  $OI$  and  $A'A_2$  meet at the point  $K$  which is the homothety center of the circumcircle and the incircle (fig. 10.8). Hence the degree of  $K$  wrt the circle  $AA_1A_2$  is equal to

$$(K\vec{A}_2, K\vec{A}'') = \frac{r}{R}(K\vec{A}', K\vec{A}'') = -\frac{r^3R}{(R-r)^2},$$

because  $(K\vec{A}', K\vec{A}'')$  is the degree of  $K$  wrt the circumcircle, equal to  $-R^2r^2/(R-r)^2$ .

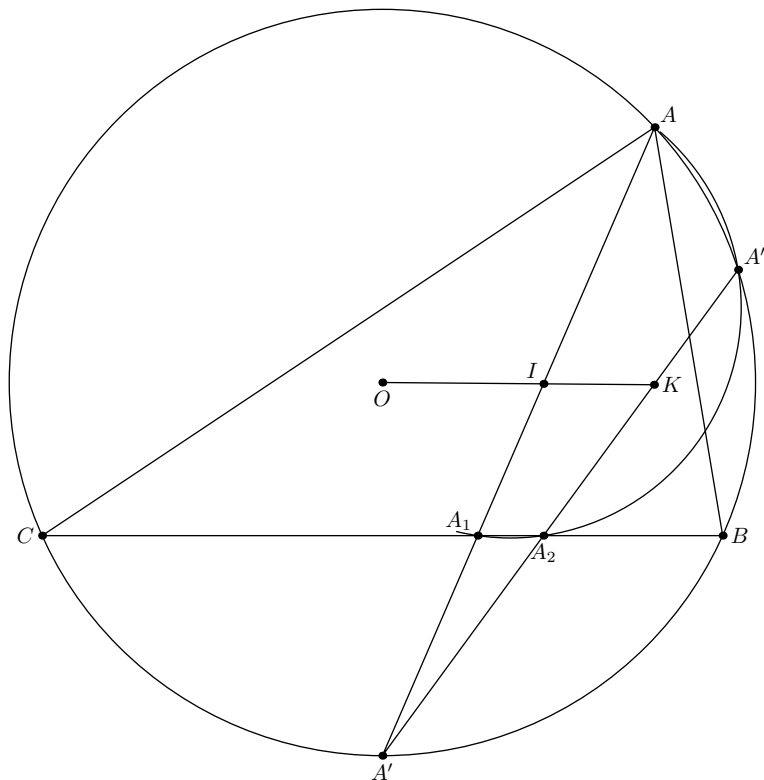


Fig. 10.8



Clearly the degrees of  $K$  wrt the circles  $BB_1B_2$  and  $CC_1C_2$  are the same, i.e.  $K$  is the radical center.

**Second solution.** Let  $A'$ ,  $B'$ ,  $C'$  be the midpoints of the arcs  $BC$ ,  $CA$ ,  $AB$ . Then the triangles  $A'B'C'$  and  $A_2B_2C_2$  are homothetic with a positive coefficient and center  $K$ , i.e.  $KA_2/A'A_2 = KB_2/B'B_2 = KC_2/C'C_2 = k$ . For the points of line  $A'A_2$  consider the difference of the degrees wrt  $AA_1A_2$  and the incircle. This is a linear function. In  $A_2$  this function is equal to zero, and in  $A'$  it is equal to  $r^2$  because  $A'A_1 \cdot A'A = A'B^2 = A'I^2$ . Thus in  $K$  this difference is equal to  $-kr^2$ . Two similar differences in  $K$  are also equal to  $-kr^2$ , and we obtain the required assertion.