

Geometry I

MATH 373

FINAL EXAMINATION

(Duration : 110 mins.)

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1.

Find the image of  $y = x$  under the following transformations :

(a)  $Hom((-1, 0), 6)$

(b)  $Rot((0, -2), \pi/6)$

(c)  $Inv((0, 10\sqrt{2}), \sqrt{3200})$

(a)  $y = x - 5$

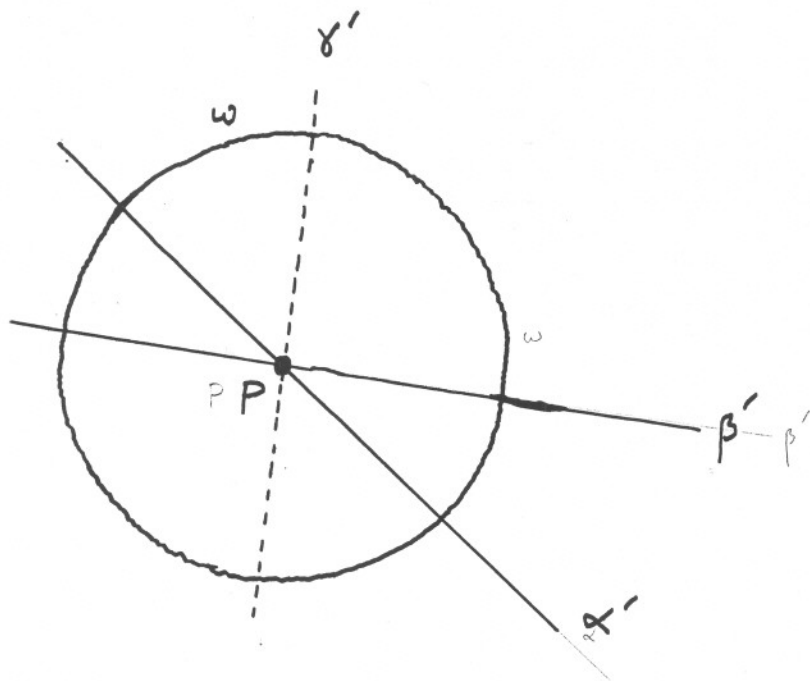
(b)  $y - \sqrt{3} + 2 = \frac{\sqrt{3} + 1}{\sqrt{3} - 1} (x + 1)$

(c)  $(x - 2)^2 + (y - 10\sqrt{2} + 2)^2 = 8$

2.

Consider circles  $\alpha, \beta$  with  $\alpha \cap \beta = \{P, Q\}$ . Let  $\omega$  be a circle which is perpendicular to both  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$ . Prove that any circle through  $P, Q$  is perpendicular to  $\omega$ .

Under an inversion with center  $P$ , the circles  $\alpha, \beta$  are transformed into straight lines  $\alpha', \beta'$  through  $P$ . The image  $\omega'$  of  $\omega$  is a circle perpendicular to



$\alpha'$  and  $\beta'$ . Hence  $P$  is the center of  $\omega'$ . Now, for any circle  $\gamma$  through  $P, Q$ , the image  $\gamma'$  of  $\gamma$  is a straight line through  $P$ .  $P$  being the center of  $\omega'$ ,  $\gamma'$  is perpendicular to  $\omega'$ . Consequently  $\gamma$  is perpendicular to  $\omega$ .

3.

(a) Given a triangle  $UVW$ , consider  $X \in VW - \{V, W\}$ ,  $Y \in WU - \{W, U\}$ ,  $Z \in UV - \{U, V\}$ . Prove that

$$\frac{XV}{XW} \cdot \frac{YW}{YU} \cdot \frac{ZU}{ZV} = \frac{\sin(\angle XUV)}{\sin(\angle XUW)} \cdot \frac{\sin(\angle YVW)}{\sin(\angle YVU)} \cdot \frac{\sin(\angle ZWU)}{\sin(\angle ZWU)}$$

(b) Consider a positively oriented triangle  $ABC$ . Let  $BB''C'C, CC''A'A, AA''B'B$  be positively oriented squares (constructed "outside" on the respective sides  $BC, CA, AB$  of the triangle  $ABC$ ). Let  $C''A'$  and  $A''B'$ ,  $A''B'$  and  $B''C'$ ,  $B''C'$  and  $C''A'$  intersect in  $\tilde{A}, \tilde{B}, \tilde{C}$  respectively. Prove that  $A\tilde{A}, B\tilde{B}, C\tilde{C}$  are concurrent.

(a) Start with  $\frac{XV}{XW}$  — directed!

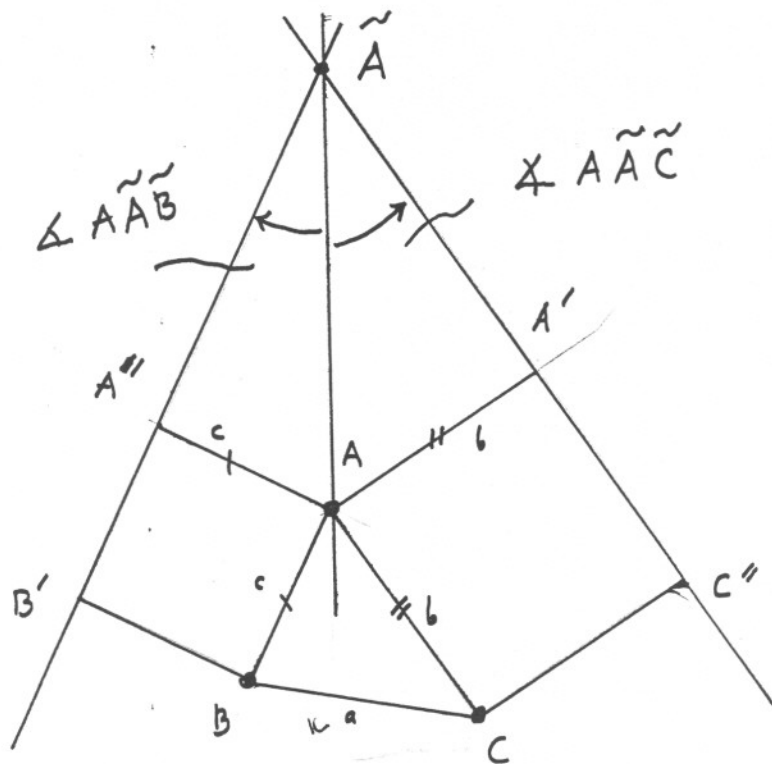
$$\frac{XV}{XW} = \frac{\text{area}(XVU)}{\text{area}(XWU)} = \frac{\frac{1}{2} |UV| |UX| \sin(\angle XUV)}{\frac{1}{2} |UX| |UW| \sin(\angle XUW)} = \frac{|UV| \sin(\angle XUV)}{|UW| \sin(\angle XUW)}$$

and proceed in cyclic manner and multiply out.

(3)

(b) (1) TRIVIAL SOLUTION I HAVE MISSED:  
Desargues' Theorem!

(2)



Observe that 
$$\frac{\sin(\angle A''A'B')}{\sin(\angle A''A'C')} = -\frac{c}{b}.$$

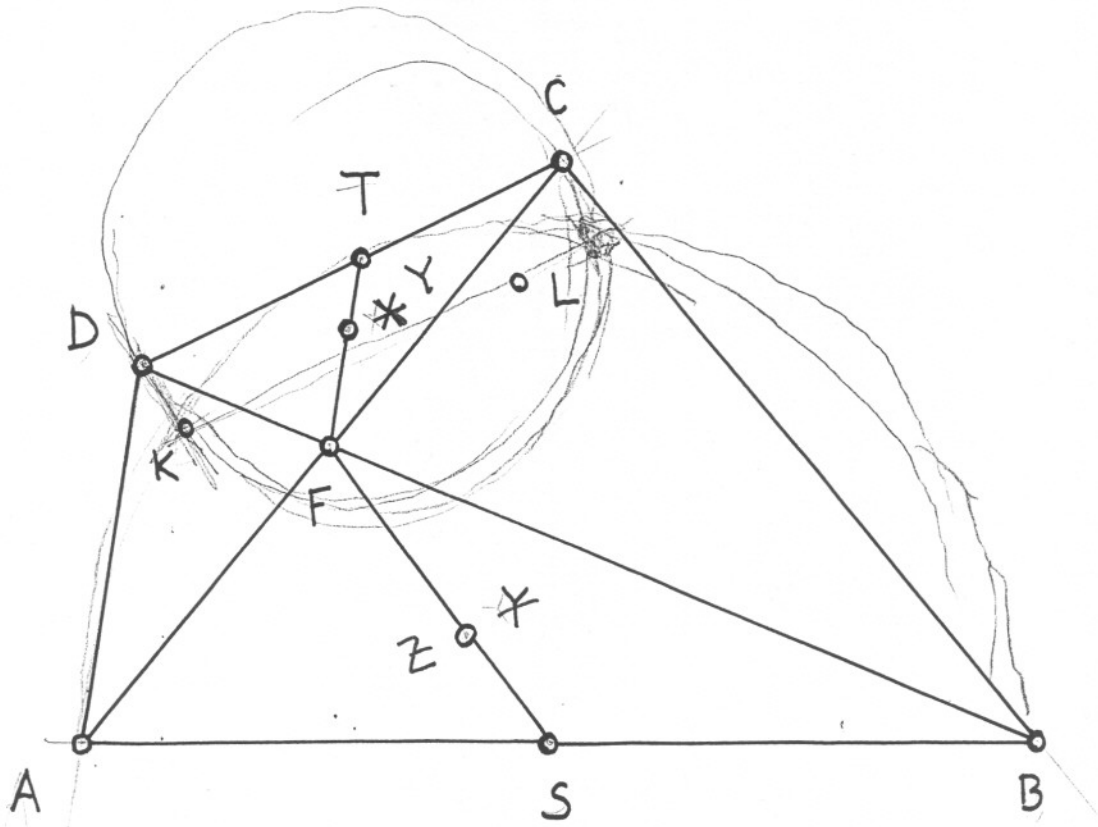
Proceed in cyclic manner, multiply out, apply (a).

4.

(a) Given a triangle  $UVW$  and points  $P \in UW, Q \in UV$ , let  $\beta, \gamma$  be circles with respective diameters  $[V, P], [W, Q]$ . Prove that the orthocenter of  $UVW$  lies on the radical axis of  $\beta$  and  $\gamma$ .

(b) Consider a quadrangle  $ABCD$  with  $AC \cap BD = \{F\}$ . Let  $K, L$  be the orthocenters of  $AFD, BFC$ , let  $S, T$  be the midpoints of  $[A, B], [C, D]$  respectively. Prove that  $KL \perp ST$ . (Hint: Circles of diameters  $[A, B], [C, D]$ .)

(c) Let  $Y, Z$  be the respective centroids of  $CFD, AFB$ . prove that  $KL \perp YZ$ .



(a) My lectures.

(b) Let  $\alpha, \beta$  be the circles of diameters  $[A, B], [C, D]$  respectively. Applying (a) in  $\triangle AFD$  it is seen that the radical axis of  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  passes through  $K$ . Similar argument with  $L$ :  $KL$  is the radical axis of  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$ ; as such it is perpendicular to the line  $ST$  which joins the centers of  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$ .

(c) Since  $\frac{Y \cdot T}{Y \cdot X} = \frac{Z \cdot S}{Z \cdot X} = -\frac{1}{2}$ ,  $\frac{YZ}{XY} \parallel ST \perp KL$ .