

# Some results on tangential triangle

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Let  $AtBtCt$  be the tangential triangle of triangle  $ABC$ , as shown in Fig. 1.

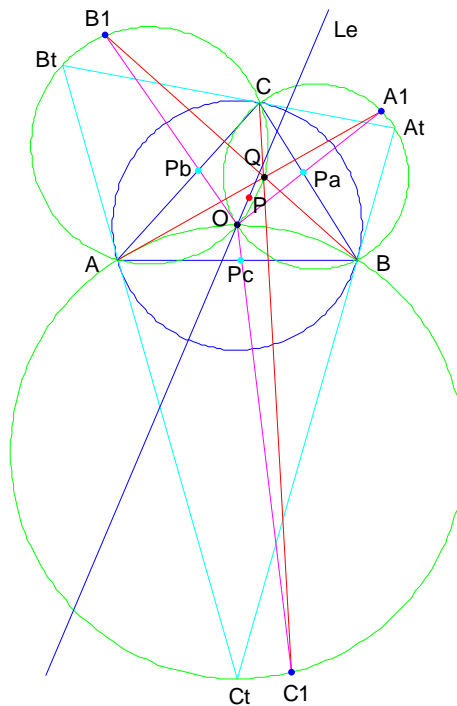


Fig. 1

Let  $P = (1-t) \cdot O + t \cdot G$  be an arbitrary point on Euler line  $Le$  of triangle  $ABC$ , where  $O$  and  $G$  are respectively the circumcenter and centroid of triangle  $ABC$ . Let  $P_a$ ,  $P_b$ ,  $P_c$  be the traces of  $P$  on the respective sides of triangle  $ABC$ . Let  $A_1$ ,  $B_1$ ,  $C_1$  be the intersection points of lines  $OP_a$ ,  $OP_b$ ,  $OP_c$  with the circumcircles of triangles  $AtBC$ ,  $ABtC$ ,  $ABCt$  respectively. Then lines  $AA_1$ ,  $BB_1$ ,  $CC_1$  are concurrent at the point  $Q$  with barycentric coordinates  $(u : v : w)$ , where

$$u = a^2 \cdot ((1-t) \cdot 3 \cdot a^2 \cdot (b^2 + c^2 - a^2) + t \cdot 4 \cdot S^2) \cdot ((1-t) \cdot 3 \cdot b^2 \cdot c^2 + t \cdot 4 \cdot S^2), \quad (1)$$

where  $S$  is twice the area of triangle  $ABC$ .

From (1) follows that  $O$  is a fixed point, and for  $t = 1$ , that means  $P = G$ , we obtain  $Q = X(6)$ , the Symmedian point.

For  $t = 3/2$ , that means  $P = X(5)$ , the Nine-point center of triangle  $ABC$ , we obtain  $Q = X(143)$ , the Nine-point center of orthic triangle of triangle  $ABC$ .

Let  $\text{Circ}(At)$ ,  $\text{Circ}(Bt)$ ,  $\text{Circ}(Ct)$  be the circumcircles of triangles  $AtBC$ ,  $ABtC$ ,  $ABCt$  respectively, see Fig. 2.

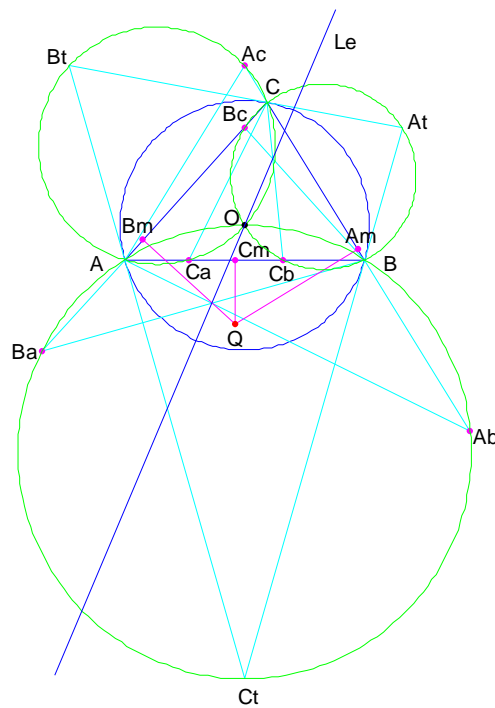


Fig. 2

Let  $Ac$ ,  $Ab$  be the intersection points of the line  $BC$  with  $\text{Circ}(Bt)$ ,  $\text{Circ}(Ct)$  respectively. Points  $Ac$ ,  $Ab$  are also the intersection points of line  $BC$  with lines  $CtO$ ,  $BtO$  respectively. The barycentric coordinates of  $Ac$ ,  $Ab$  are

$$\begin{aligned} Ac &= ( 0 : a^2 - b^2 : c^2 ) \\ Ab &= ( 0 : b^2 : a^2 - c^2 ) \end{aligned} \quad (2)$$

Let  $A_m$  be the middle point of segment  $AcAb$ . Similarly we obtain  $B_m, C_m$  as middle points of segments  $BaBc, CbCa$  respectively. The lines through  $A_m, B_m, C_m$  and perpendicular to the sides  $BC, CA, AB$  respectively, are concurrent at the point  $Q$  with barycentric coordinates  $(u : v : w)$ , where

$$u = a^2 \cdot ((c^2 - a^2) \cdot b^2 \cdot S_b^2 + (b^2 - a^2) \cdot c^2 \cdot S_c^2 + a^4 \cdot S_a^2) , \quad (3)$$

where  $S_a = b^2 + c^2 - a^2$ ,  $S_b = c^2 + a^2 - b^2$ ,  $S_c = a^2 + b^2 - c^2$ .

The intersection points of lines  $AA_b$  and  $BB_a$ ,  $BB_c$  and  $CC_b$ ,  $CC_a$  and  $AA_c$  are collinear and lie on the Euler line  $Le$  of triangle  $ABC$ . The circumcenter of tangential triangle  $AtBtCt$  also lies on  $Le$ .

Triangles  $AtBtCt, AAbAc, BBcBa, CCaCb$  are similar and their respective incircles are concentric with center  $O$ , the circumcenter of triangle  $ABC$ .