

Mathematics 226H – Geometry I: Euclidean geometry

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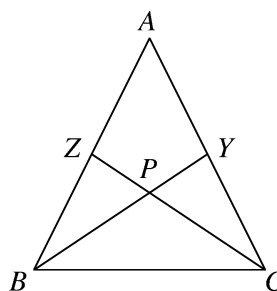
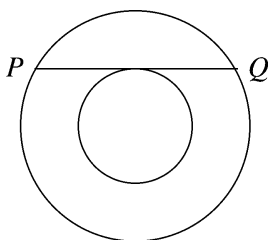
Take-Home Final Examination

Due on Friday, 25 April, 2008.

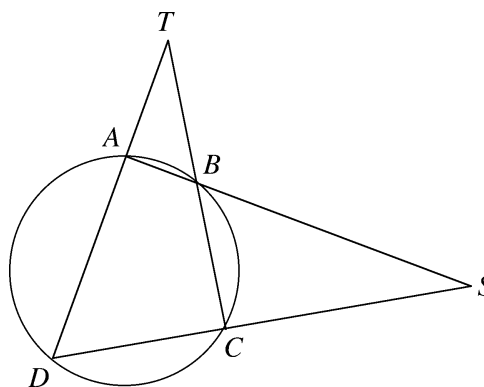
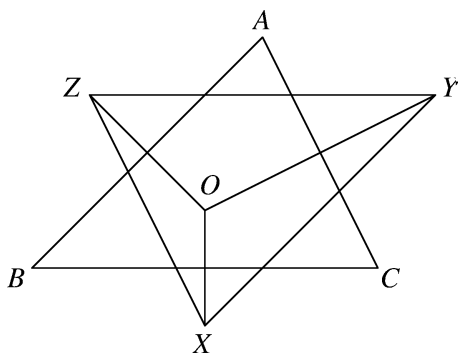
**Instructions:** Do all three of parts **A – C**, and, if you wish, part  $\bigcirc$  as well. Show all your work. You may use your textbooks and notes, as well as any handouts and returned work, from this and any other courses you have taken or are taking now. You may also ask the instructor to clarify the statement of any problem. However, you may not use any other sources, nor consult or work with any other person on this exam.

**Part A.** Do any *three* of problems **1 – 4**. [10 each]

1. A chord  $PQ$  of a circle is tangent to a smaller circle with the same centre. Assuming that  $|PQ| = 4\text{cm}$ , find the area of the annulus between the two circles.



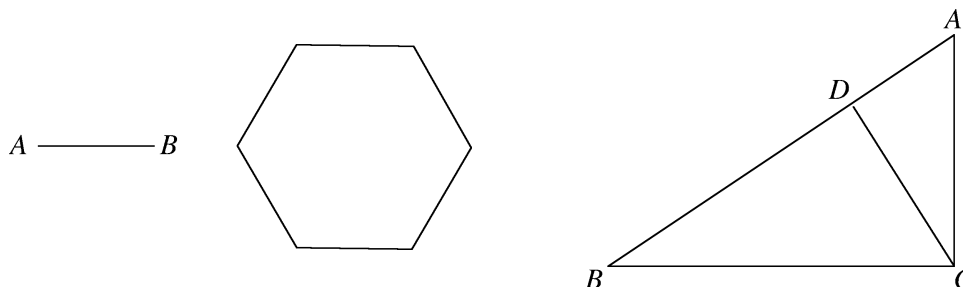
2. Let  $Z$  and  $Y$  be points on the sides  $AB$  and  $AC$ , respectively, of  $\triangle ABC$ , and let  $P$  be the point where  $BY$  and  $CZ$  intersect. Show that if  $|BY| = |CZ|$  and  $|PY| = |PZ|$ , then  $|AB| = |AC|$ .
3. Suppose  $O$  is the circumcentre of  $\triangle ABC$  and points  $X$ ,  $Y$ , and  $Z$  are chosen so that  $BC$  is the perpendicular bisector of  $OX$ ,  $AC$  is the perpendicular bisector of  $OY$ , and  $AB$  is the perpendicular bisector of  $OZ$ . Show that  $\triangle XYZ \cong \triangle ABC$ .



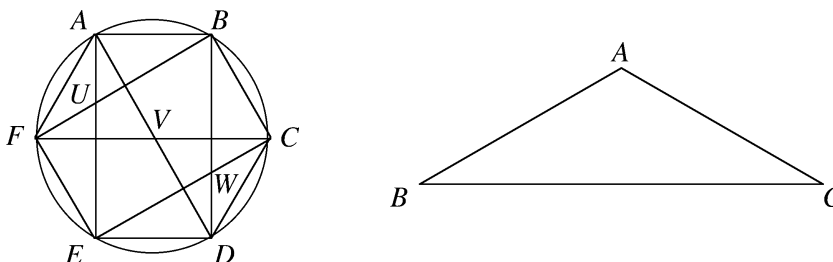
4. Suppose  $ABCD$  is a cyclic quadrilateral such that the lines  $AB$  and  $DC$  intersect in the point  $S$  and the lines  $DA$  and  $BC$  intersect in the point  $T$ . Determine whether  $\triangle ADS$  and  $\triangle CDT$  must or must not have the same incentre.

**Part B.** Do any *three* of problems **5 – 9**. [10 each]

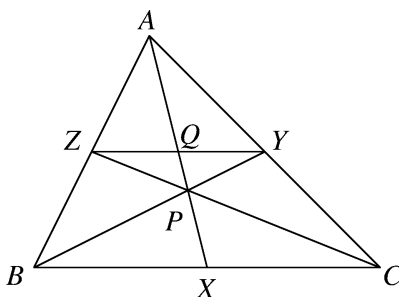
5. Suppose a line segment  $AB$  is given. Using Euclid's axioms, show that there is a regular hexagon with sides of length  $|AB|$ .



6. Suppose  $\triangle ABC$  has a right angle at  $C$  and let  $CD$  be the altitude from  $C$  of this triangle. Let  $r$ ,  $q$ , and  $p$  be the inradii of  $\triangle ABC$ ,  $\triangle CAD$ , and  $\triangle CBD$ , respectively. Show that  $r + q + p = |CD|$ .
7. Suppose  $ABCDEF$  is a cyclic hexagon. Let  $U$  be the intersection of  $AE$  and  $BF$ ,  $V$  be the intersection of  $AD$  and  $CF$ , and  $W$  be the intersection of  $BD$  and  $CE$ . Show that  $U$ ,  $V$ , and  $W$  are collinear.



8. Suppose  $\triangle ABC$  has  $|AB| = |AC| = 1$  and  $|BC| = \sqrt{3}$ , and orthocentre  $H$ . Show that  $\triangle HBC$  is equilateral.
9. Suppose  $AX$ ,  $BY$ , and  $CZ$  are interior Cevians of  $\triangle ABC$  which are concurrent at a point  $P$ , and let  $Q$  be the point at which  $YZ$  intersects  $AX$ . Show that  $|AQ| \cdot |PX| = |PQ| \cdot |AX|$ .



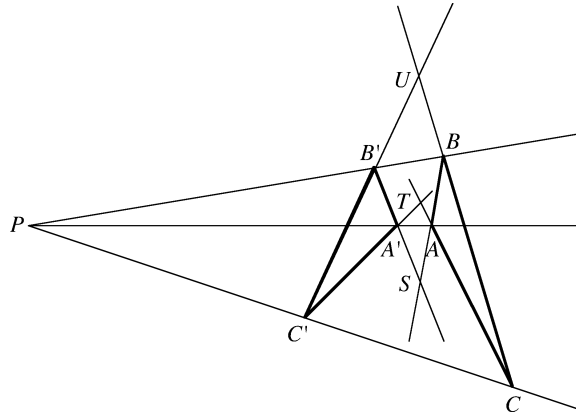
**Part C.** Do either *one* of problems **10** – **11**. [10 each]

- 10.** Suppose  $ABCD$  is a cyclic quadrilateral. Show that if we join each of its vertices to the orthocentre of the triangle formed by the other three vertices, the resulting line segments have a common midpoint  $M$ .

*Draw your own picture for 10!*

- 11.** Use Pappus' Theorem to prove (the 2-D version of) Desargues' Theorem:

Suppose  $\triangle ABC$  and  $\triangle A'B'C'$  are positioned so that the lines  $AA'$ ,  $BB'$ , and  $CC'$  all meet in a point  $P$ , the lines  $AB$  and  $A'B'$  meet in a point  $S$ , the lines  $AC$  and  $A'C'$  meet in a point  $T$ , and the lines  $BC$  and  $B'C'$  meet in a point  $U$ . Then  $S$ ,  $T$ , and  $U$  are collinear.



**Part O.**

- ⊙. Write an original poem about geometry or mathematics in general. [2]

[Total = 70]

I HOPE YOU ENJOYED THE COURSE!  
HAVE A GREAT SUMMER!