

Ceva

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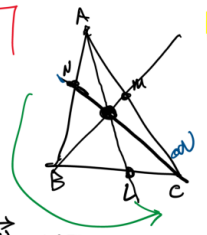
CEVA'S THEOREM (CEVA. ~1679)

TRIANGLE ABC
 L on $\overline{BC}$, M on $\overline{AC}$, N on $\overline{AB}$

THEN THE PRODUCT

$$\frac{|AN|}{|NB|} \cdot \frac{|BL|}{|LC|} \cdot \frac{|CM|}{|MA|} = 1$$

IF AND ONLY IF $\overleftrightarrow{AL}$, $\overleftrightarrow{BM}$, $\overleftrightarrow{CN}$ ARE CONCURRENT



IN FACT, IT STILL WORKS (IF L, M, N ARE NOT ON SIDES, BUT JUST ON LINES (BUT PROOF IS HARDER))



PROOF

ASSUME LINES ARE CONCURRENT & SHOW PRODUCT IS 1.

CREATE $\overleftrightarrow{BD} \parallel \overleftrightarrow{AL}$ WITH D ON $\overleftrightarrow{CN}$ AND $\overleftrightarrow{CE} \parallel \overleftrightarrow{AL}$ WITH E ON $\overleftrightarrow{BM}$



(WHY DO THEY HAVE TO MEET?)

SINCE $\overleftrightarrow{AP} \parallel \overleftrightarrow{DB}$,

$\triangle DBN \sim \triangle PAN$
 (VERT. ANGLES, ALT. INT.)

$$\frac{|AN|}{|NB|} = \frac{|AP|}{|BD|}$$

ALSO $\triangle APM \sim \triangle CME$

$$\frac{|CM|}{|AM|} = \frac{|CE|}{|AP|}$$

SINCE $\overleftrightarrow{PC} \parallel \overleftrightarrow{EE} \Rightarrow \frac{|BL|}{|LC|} = \frac{|BP|}{|PE|}$

MULTIPLY 'S.

$$\frac{|AN|}{|NB|} \cdot \frac{|BL|}{|LC|} \cdot \frac{|CM|}{|MA|} = \frac{|AP|}{|BD|} \cdot \frac{|BP|}{|PE|} \cdot \frac{|CE|}{|AP|} = \frac{|BP|}{|BD|} \cdot \frac{|CE|}{|PE|}$$

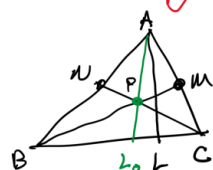
$$\text{ALSO: } \triangle DBP \sim \triangle CEP \Rightarrow \frac{|BP|}{|EP|} = \frac{|DB|}{|CE|}$$

CONVERSE:

$$\text{LET } \frac{|AN|}{|NB|} \cdot \frac{|BL|}{|LC|} \cdot \frac{|CM|}{|MA|} = 1$$

SUPPOSE NOT CONCURRENT. SHOW CONTRADICTION.

LET P BE $\overleftrightarrow{CN} \cap \overleftrightarrow{BM}$, AND LET L_0 BE INTERSECTION OF $\overleftrightarrow{AP}$ WITH $\overleftrightarrow{BC}$. THEN SHOW $L = L_0$.

**LEMMA:**

$$\text{IF } \frac{|BP|}{|PC|} = \frac{|BQ|}{|QC|} \text{ THEN } Q = P.$$

$$\text{IE. } |BQ| \cdot |QC| = |BP| \cdot |PC|$$

SUPPOSE $Q \neq P$ (WITHOUT LOSS OF GENERALITY, WLOG $B \neq Q \neq P$)

$$\text{THEN } |BQ| > |BP|, |QC| > |PC|$$

$$|BQ| \cdot |QC| > |BP| \cdot |PC| \Rightarrow \text{CONTRADICTION}$$

USE

$$\frac{|AN|}{|NB|} \cdot \frac{|BL_0|}{|L_0C|} \cdot \frac{|CM|}{|MA|} = 1 \quad \text{HYP.}$$

SINCE LINES $\overleftrightarrow{AL_0}$, $\overleftrightarrow{CN}$ & $\overleftrightarrow{BM}$ ARE CONCURRENT

APPLY LEMMA $L_0 = L$.

THIS ACTUALLY SHOWS { MEDIAN, ALTITUDES, ANGLE BISECTORS } ARE CONCURRENT

I DON'T RECOMMEND THAT YOU USE CEVA AND SKIP THE DIRECT WAY.

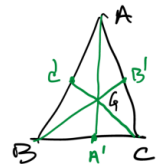
MEDIANS ARE CONCURRENT AT G

(DRAWBACK: DON'T GET G IS 2/3 OF THE WAY FROM VERTEX TO SIDE)

LET $A' = \text{MID}(\overline{BC})$, $C' = \text{MID}(\overline{AB})$, $B' = \text{MID}(\overline{AC})$

SINCE M IDPOINTS, $|AA'| = \frac{1}{2} |AB| = |C'B'|$ ETC.

$$\text{IE } \frac{|AA'|}{|C'B'|} = 1 = \frac{|BA'|}{|A'C|} = \frac{|CB'|}{|B'A|} \text{ SO CONCURRENT AT G}$$



ALTITUDES ARE CONCURRENT

(PROOF WORKS IF ABC IS OBTUSE BUT BE CAREFUL IF $D \neq B \neq C$, NEED THE EXTENDED CEVA)

LOTS OF SIMILAR TRIANGLES.

$\triangle AFC \sim \triangle AEB$ - SO $\frac{|AF|}{|AE|} = \frac{|AC|}{|AB|}$

$\triangle ABD \sim \triangle CBF$ - SO $\frac{|BD|}{|BF|} = \frac{|BA|}{|CB|}$

$\triangle ADC \sim \triangle BEC$ - SO $\frac{|CE|}{|CD|} = \frac{|CB|}{|AC|}$

$$\frac{|AF|}{|BF|} \cdot \frac{|BD|}{|DC|} \cdot \frac{|CE|}{|EA|} = \frac{|AF|}{|AE|} \cdot \frac{|BD|}{|BF|} \cdot \frac{|CE|}{|CD|} = \frac{|AC|}{|AB|} \cdot \frac{|BA|}{|BC|} \cdot \frac{|CB|}{|AC|} = 1$$



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FOR ANGLE BISECTORS, NEED
A THM

THM IN $\triangle ABC$, ANGLE BISECTOR
OF $\angle A$ INTERSECTS BC AT L

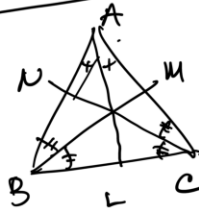
$$\frac{|BL|}{|LC|} = \frac{|AB|}{|AC|}$$



ONCE WE PROVE THIS, THEN
BISECTORS CONCURRENT IS EASY:

$$\frac{|AN|}{|NB|} \cdot \frac{|BL|}{|LC|} \cdot \frac{|CM|}{|MA|} = \frac{|AC|}{|BC|} \cdot \frac{|AB|}{|AC|} \cdot \frac{|BC|}{|AB|}$$

$= 1$ SO CONCURRENT.



SO NOW TO PROVE THM.

TRICK IS TO TURN IT INTO SOMETHING
I CAN USE FTS.

EXTEND $\overrightarrow{CA}$ TO D WITH
 $|AD| = |BA|$

SO $\angle BDA = \angle DBA$



$\angle BAC$ IS EXTERIOR TO $\triangle DBA$

$$\angle BAC = \angle BDA + \angle DBA = 2\angle DBA = 2\angle BAL$$

$$\text{SO } \angle DBA = \angle BAL$$

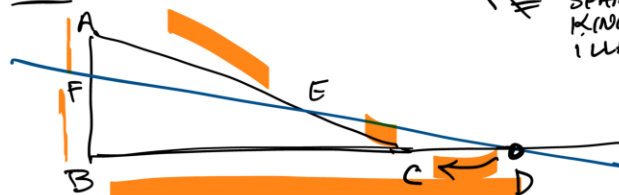
SO BY ALT. INTERIOR, $\overleftrightarrow{DB} \parallel \overleftrightarrow{AL}$
APPLY FTS TO $\triangle ALC$ TO GET

$$\frac{|BL|}{|LC|} = \frac{|DA|}{|AC|} = \frac{|AB|}{|AC|}$$

SO DONE,

LAST: MENELAUS' THM.

(~100 AD
ASTRONOMER
SPARTAN
KING FROM
ILLAD)



$$\frac{|AF|}{|FB|} \cdot \frac{|BD|}{|DC|} \cdot \frac{|CE|}{|EA|} = 1$$

(CAN WRITE AS SIGNED DISTANCES
& PRODUCT IS -1)