

Location of Some Kimberling Centers Respect To Orthocentroidal Circle

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Abstract. By using barycentric coordinates and the computer program “Mathematica”, we give theorems on the locations of some Kimberling centers respect to orthocentroidal circle.

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1. INTRODUCTION

The orthocentroidal circle \mathcal{S}_{GH} has diameter GH , where G is the centroid and H is the orthocenter of triangle ABC [1]. The orthocentroidal disk of the circle on diameter GH is the interior disc punctured at its center. We use the notation \mathcal{D}_{GH} for the orthocentroidal disk.

The incenter X_1 lies in \mathcal{D}_{GH} . Since IGN_a are collinear and $IG : GN_a = 1 : 2$ it follows that Nagel's point X_8 is outside the disk. The symmedian point X_6 lies in the disc \mathcal{D}_{GH} . One Brocard point lies in \mathcal{D}_{GH} and the other lies outside \mathcal{S}_{GH} , or they both lie simultaneously on \mathcal{S}_{GH} (which happens if and only if the reference triangle is isosceles). X_7 , Gergonne's point lies in the orthocentroidal disk \mathcal{S}_{GH} . First Fermat's point X_{13} ranges freely over the orthocentroidal disk \mathcal{D}_{GH} and the second Fermat point X_{14} ranges freely over the region external to \mathcal{S}_{GH} . The Feuerbach point $Fe = X_{11}$ is always outside the orthocentroidal circle [2].

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2. PRELIMINARIES

The Jerabek hyperbola is a circumconic that is the isogonal conjugate of the Euler line [3]. Since it is a circumconic passing through the orthocenter, it is a rectangular hyperbola and has center on the nine-point circle. The Jerabek center is Kimberling center X_{125} [4].

The Kiepert hyperbola is a hyperbola and triangle conic that is related to the solution of Lemoine’s problem and its generalization to isosceles triangles constructed on the sides of a given triangle. Kiepert center is Kimberling center X_{115} [4].

Spieker center is Kimberling center X_{10} . It’s the incenter of medial triangle [4].

Crosspoint of incenter and centroid is Kimberling center X_{37} [4].

Brocard midpoint center is Kimberling center X_{39} [4].

Crosspoint of incenter and symmedian point is Kimberling center X_{42} [4].

Given two points $P = (u_1 : v_1 : w_1)$ and $Q = (u_2 : v_2 : w_2)$ in normalized barycentric coordinates. Denote $x = u_1 - u_2, y = v_1 - v_2$ and $z = w_1 - w_2$. Then the square of the distance between P and Q is as follows [5]:

$$|PQ|^2 = -a^2yz - b^2zx - c^2xy$$

3. THEOREMS

Theorem 3.1. X_{10} , Spieker center lies outside \mathcal{S}_{GH} .

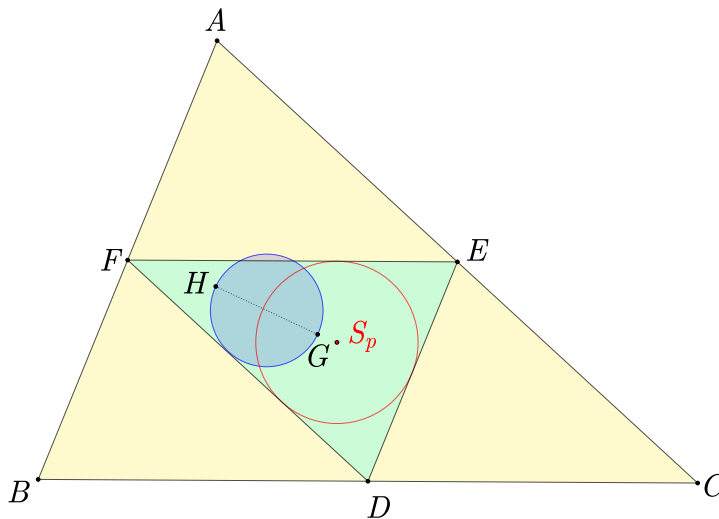


FIGURE 1.

Proof. Let $J = X_{381}$ be midpoint of G and H . J has first barycentric coordinate: $(a^4 - 2(b^2 - c^2)^2 + a^2(b^2 + c^2) ::)$. X_{10} has barycentric coordinates: $(b+c : c+a : a+b)$. We want to show that $JX_{10} > JG$. Using the squared distances $JX_{10}^2 - JG^2$ is equal to:

$$\frac{1}{12} (a^2 - ab - ac + b^2 - bc + c^2)$$

This expression is positive immediately by rearrangement inequality, X_{10} , Spieker center lies outside \mathcal{S}_{GH} . \square

Theorem 3.2. X_{37} , crosspoint of incenter and centroid lies inside \mathcal{D}_{GH} .

Proof. Let $J = X_{381}$ be midpoint of G and H . X_{37} has barycentric coordinates: $(a(b+c) : b(c+a) : c(a+b))$. The squared distance $JX_{37}^2 - JG^2$ is equal to:

$$\frac{abc(-3(a^3 + b^3 + c^3) + (a+b+c)(ab+bc+ca))}{12(a(b+c) + bc)^2}$$

This denominator is positive. The numerator is negative by Chebyshev's inequality. Since sequences (a, b, c) and (a^2, b^2, c^2) are same ordered by Chebyshev's inequality:

$$3(a^3 + b^3 + c^3) \geq (a+b+c)(a^2 + b^2 + c^2)$$

So the expression $JX_{37}^2 - JG^2$ is negative. This proves X_{37} , lies inside \mathcal{D}_{GH} . \square

Theorem 3.3. X_{39} , Brocard Midpoint lies inside \mathcal{D}_{GH} .

Proof. Let $J = X_{381}$ be midpoint of G and H . X_{39} has barycentric coordinates: $(a^2(b^2 + c^2) : b^2(c^2 + a^2) : c^2(a^2 + b^2))$. Using the squared distances $JX_{39}^2 - JG^2$ is equal to:

$$\frac{a^2b^2c^2(-a^4 + a^2b^2 + a^2c^2 - b^4 + b^2c^2 - c^4)}{12(a(b+c) + bc)^2}$$

This denominator is positive. The numerator is negative by Rearrangement Inequality. Since So the expression $JX_{39}^2 - JG^2$ is negative. This proves X_{39} , lies inside \mathcal{D}_{GH} . \square

Theorem 3.4. X_{42} , crosspoint of incenter and symmedian point lies inside \mathcal{D}_{GH} .

Proof. Let $J = X_{381}$ be midpoint of G and H . X_{51} has first barycentric coordinate: $(a^2(b+c) : b^2(c+a) : c^2(a+b))$. Using the squared distances $JX_{42}^2 - JG^2$ is equal to:

$$\frac{-(ab+bc+ca) \left[\sum_{cyc} (ab(a^4 + b^4) + 3a^2b^2c^2) \right] - \left[\sum_{cyc} 2a^3b^3 + abc \sum_{cyc} a^3 \right]}{3(a^2(b+c) + a(b^2 + c^2) + bc(b+c))^2}$$

The denominator is positive. Its sufficient to show:

$$\left[\sum_{cyc} (ab(a^4 + b^4) + 3a^2b^2c^2) \right] - \left[\sum_{cyc} 2a^3b^3 + abc \sum_{cyc} a^3 \right]$$

is positive. Denote $a+b+c = p, ab+bc+ca = q, abc = r$. In terms of p, q, r it is written as:

$$q(p^2 - 2q)^2 - 4q^3 + 16pqr - 2rp^3 - 9r^2 \geq 0$$

Note that if we fix p and q then LHS is a concave function of variable r . So its sufficient to replace r by its extremal values. We have two cases:

$a = x \geq 0$ and $b = c = 1$, the second case is $c = 0$. In the first case inequality becomes:

$$x^2(x-1)^2(2x+3) \geq 0$$

whic is obvious. In the second case we need to prove:

$$ab(a^4 + b^4) \geq 2a^3b^3$$

whic is obvious by $AM-GM$ in equality. Using the squared distances $JX_{42}^2 - JG^2$ is negative. This proves X_{42} , lies inside \mathcal{D}_{GH} . \square

Theorem 3.5. X_{51} , centroid of orthic triangle lies inside \mathcal{D}_{GH} .

Proof. Let $J = X_{381}$ be midpoint of G and H . X_{51} has first barycentric coordinate: $(a^2((b^2 - c^2)^2 - a^2(b^2 + c^2)) : :)$. Using the squared distances $JX_{51}^2 - JG^2$ is equal to:

$$\frac{a^8 - a^6b^2 - a^6c^2 + a^4b^2c^2 - a^2b^6 + a^2b^4c^2 + a^2b^2c^4 - a^2c^6 + b^8 - b^6c^2 - b^2c^6 + c^8}{36a^2b^2c^2}$$

The denominator is positive. Substituting $x = a^2, y = b^2, z = c^2$ we get $-x^4 - y^4 - z^4 - xyz(x + y + z) + (x^3y + xy^3 + y^3z + yz^3 + z^3x + zx^3)$ It's negative since $x^4 + y^4 + z^4 \geq xyz(x + y + z)$ gives;

$$2(x^4 + y^4 + z^4) \geq \sum_{sym} x^3y$$

Applying $AM - GM$ to RHS :

$$2(x^4 + y^4 + z^4) \geq 2(x^2y^2 + y^2z^2 + z^2x^2)$$

$$x^4 + y^4 + z^4 \geq x^2y^2 + y^2z^2 + z^2x^2$$

which is true by rearrangement inequality. $JX_{51}^2 - JG^2$ is negative. This proves X_{51} , lies inside \mathcal{D}_{GH} . \square

Theorem 3.6. X_{115} , center of Kiepert hyperbola lies outside \mathcal{S}_{GH} .

Proof. Let $J = X_{381}$ be midpoint of G and H . X_{115} has barycentric coordinates: $((b^2 - c^2)^2 : (c^2 - a^2)^2 : (a^2 - b^2)^2)$. Using the squared distances $JX_{115}^2 - JG^2$ is equal to:

$$\frac{a^6 - a^4b^2 - a^4c^2 - a^2b^4 + 3a^2b^2c^2 - a^2c^4 + b^6 - b^4c^2 - b^2c^4 + c^6}{12(a^4 - a^2b^2 - a^2c^2 + b^4 - b^2c^2 + c^4)}$$

Numerator is positive by the inequality used in Theorem 2.1. Substituting $x = a^2, y = b^2, z = c^2$ denominator is positive by rearrangement inequality. So this expression is positive. Hence $JX_{115} > JG$. So X_{115} , center of Kiepert hyperbola lies outside \mathcal{S}_{GH} . \square

Theorem 3.7. X_{125} , center of Jerabek hyperbola lies outside \mathcal{S}_{GH} .

Proof. Let $J = X_{381}$ be midpoint of G and H . X_{125} has first barycentric coordinates: $((b^2 - c^2)(a^2(b^2 - c^2) - b^4 + c^4) : :)$. We want to show that $JX_{125} > JG$. Using the squared distance $JX_{125}^2 - JG^2$ is equal to:

$$\frac{a^8 - a^6b^2 - a^6c^2 + a^4b^2c^2 - a^2b^6 + a^2b^4c^2 + a^2b^2c^4 - a^2c^6 + b^8 - b^6c^2 - b^2c^6 + c^8}{12(a^6 - a^4b^2 - a^4c^2 - a^2b^4 + 3a^2b^2c^2 - a^2c^4 + b^6 - b^4c^2 - b^2c^4 + c^6)}$$

It's sufficient to show that this expression is positive. Substituting $x = a^2, y = b^2, z = c^2$ in the denominator gives this quantity is positive for all real a, b, c except $a = b = c$. This follows from the well known inequality for non-negative x, y and z that:

$$x^3 + y^3 + z^3 + 3xyz \geq \sum_{sym} x^2y$$

Again substituting $x = a^2, y = b^2, z = c^2$ in the numerator we get $x^4 + y^4 + z^4 + xyz(x + y + z) - (x^3y + xy^3 + y^3z + yz^3 + z^3x + zx^3)$. It's positive since $x^4 + y^4 + z^4 \geq xyz(x + y + z)$ gives;

$$2(x^4 + y^4 + z^4) \geq \sum_{sym} x^3y$$

Applying $AM - GM$ to RHS :

$$\begin{aligned} 2(x^4 + y^4 + z^4) &\geq 2(x^2y^2 + y^2z^2 + z^2x^2) \\ x^4 + y^4 + z^4 &\geq x^2y^2 + y^2z^2 + z^2x^2 \end{aligned}$$

which is true by rearrangement inequality. \square

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