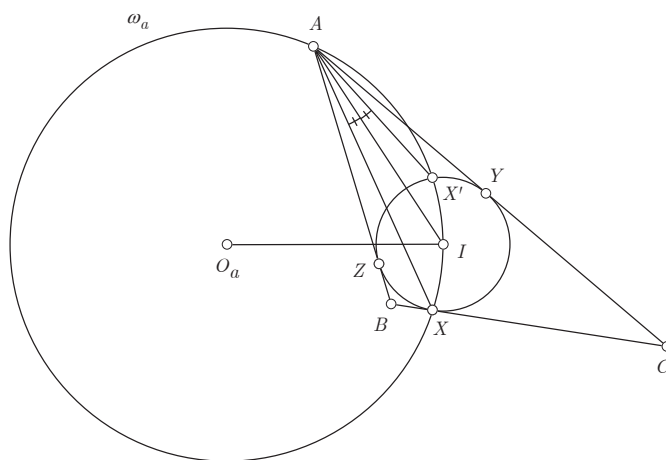


Problema 1864. Let ABC be a scalene triangle, I its incenter, and X , Y and Z the tangency points of its incircle \mathcal{C} with sides BC , CA , and AB , respectively. Denote by $X' \neq A$, $Y' \neq B$, and $Z' \neq C$ the intersections of \mathcal{C} with the circumcircles of triangles AIX , BIY , and CIZ , respectively. Prove that the lines AX' , BY' , and CZ' are concurrent.

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Denote by ω_a the circumcircle of triangle AIX and let O_a be its center.



Since $O_aI \perp XX'$, O_aI is the altitude through O_a of the isosceles triangle XO_aX' . Therefore O_aI is the angle bisector of $\angle XO_aX'$, so the arcs IX , IX' are congruent. Thus $\angle XAI = \angle X'AI$, i.e. the cevians AX and AX' of triangle ABC are isogonal conjugates and similarly it is shown that they are also BY , BY' and CZ , CZ' .

It is well known that AX , BY , CZ concur in a point J (called *Gergonne point* of $\triangle ABC$) and this implies that AX' , BY' , CZ' also concur in the point J' isogonal conjugate of J (see R. Honsberger, *Episodes in Nineteenth and Twentieth Century Euclidean Geometry*, Theorem 2, pag. 55). \square