

Geometric Automated Theorem Proving

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Geometric Automated Theorem Proving (GATP)

GATPs—Two major lines of research [CGZ94, CG01, Wan96]:

- ▶ Synthetic methods;
- ▶ Algebraic methods.

▶ Seminar 1

▶ Seminar 2

Formalization & Automated Discovery:

▶ Seminar 3

- ▶ Formalisation;
- ▶ Automated Discovery.

Geometric Tools & Geometric Knowledge Management:

▶ Seminar 4

- ▶ Geometric Tools: DGS/GATP/CAS/RGK/eLearning;
- ▶ Geometric Knowledge Management.

Gelernter's GATP

Backward chaining approach.

$$\forall \text{geometric elements } [(H_1 \wedge \dots \wedge H_r) \Rightarrow G]$$

To prove G we search the *axiom rule set* to find a rule of the following form

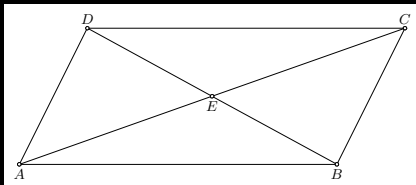
$$[(G_1 \wedge \dots \wedge G_r) \Rightarrow G]$$

until the sub-goals are hypothesis.

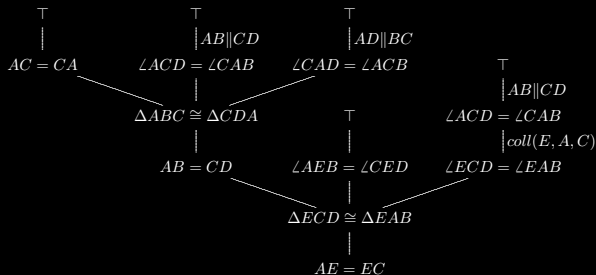
The proof search will generate an and-or-proof-tree.

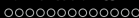
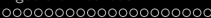
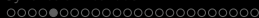


Example 1 - Gelernter

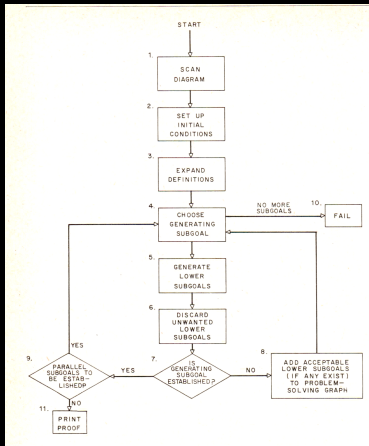


$$points(A, B, C) \wedge AB \parallel CD \wedge AD \parallel BC \wedge coll(E, A, C) \wedge coll(E, B, D) \Rightarrow AE = EC$$





Galernter (1959): Algorithm & Proof



****PREMISES****

ANGLE ABD EQUALS ANGLE DBC
 SEGMENT AD PERPENDICULAR SEGMENT AB
 SEGMENT DC PERPENDICULAR SEGMENT BC

****DEFINITION****

RIGHT-ANGLE DAB
 RIGHT-ANGLE DCB

****SYNTACTIC SYMMETRIES****

 CA
 BB
 AC
 DD



Fig. 4.

****GOALS****

SEGMENT AD EQUALS SEGMENT CD

****SOLUTION ****

ANGLE ABD EQUALS ANGLE DBC
****PREMISE****
 RIGHT-ANGLE DAB
****DEFINITION OF PERPENDICULAR****
 RIGHT-ANGLE DCB
****DEFINITION OF PERPENDICULAR****
 ANGLE BAD EQUALS ANGLE CBD
****ALL RIGHT ANGLES ARE EQUAL****
 SEGMENT DB
****ASSUMPTION BASED ON DIAGRAM****
 SEGMENT BD EQUALS SEGMENT BD
****IDENTITY****
 TRIANGLE BCD
****ASSUMPTION BASED ON DIAGRAM****
 TRIANGLE BAD
****ASSUMPTION BASED ON DIAGRAM****
 TRIANGLE ADB CONGRUENT TRIANGLE CDB
****SIDE-ANGLE-ANGLE****
 SEGMENT AD EQUALS SEGMENT CD
****CORRESPONDING ELEMENTS OF CONGRUENT**
 TRIANGLES ARE EQUAL**

TOTAL ELAPSED TIME = 0.3200



Example - GEOM

GEOM is a Prolog program that generates proofs for problems in high school plane geometry [CP86].

A user presents problems to GEOM by declaring the hypotheses, the optional diagram and the goal.

GEOM starts from the goal, top-down and with a depth-first strategy, outputting its deductions and reasons for each step of the proof.

The diagram works mostly as **a source of counter-examples for pruning unprovable goals**, and so proofs need not depend on it (...). However, **the diagram may also be used in a positive guiding way.**



Example - GEOM

The geometric knowledge of GEOM, i.e. some of the axioms and theorems of elementary plane geometry, is embodied in nine procedures.

They are: **equal angles** (EAI), **right angles** (RAI), **equal magnitude** (EM, EM1), **equal segments** (ESI), **midpoints** (MP), **parallel segments** (PRI), **parallelogram** (PG), **congruence** (DIRCON) and **diagram routines**.

Because each procedure may call itself through others, **the search space can grow quite large**, in particular when the clause for differences of segments is used.



GEOM: proof tree

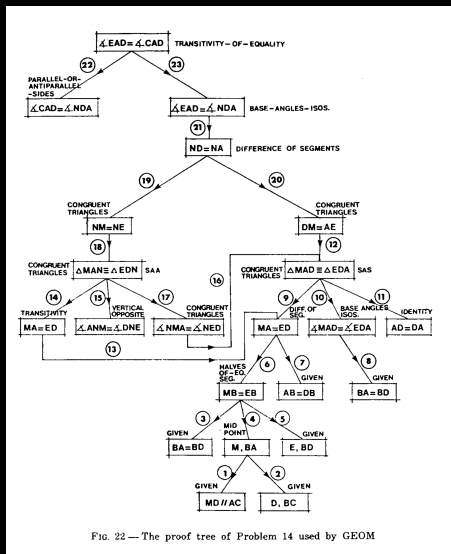


FIG. 22 — The proof tree of Problem 14 used by GEOM



Coordinate-free Methods

Instead of coordinates, some basic geometric quantities, e.g. the ratio of parallel line segments, the signed area, and the Pythagorean difference (vector methods).

- ▶ Area method [CGZ93, JNQ12, QJ06b];
- ▶ Full-angle method [CGZ94, CGZ96b];
- ▶ Solid geometry [CGZ95].

Pros: Geometric proofs, small and human-readable.

Cons:

- ▶ not the “normal” high-school geometric reasoning;
- ▶ for many conjectures these methods still deal with extremely complex expressions.



Area Method — Basic Geometric Quantities

Definition (Ratio of directed parallel segments)

For four collinear points P , Q , A , and B , such that $A \neq B$, the ratio of directed parallel segments, denoted $\frac{\overline{PQ}}{\overline{AB}}$ is a real number.

Definition (Signed Area)

The *signed area* of triangle ABC , denoted S_{ABC} , is the area of the triangle with a sign depending on its orientation in the plane.

Definition (Pythagoras difference)

For three points A , B , and C , the *Pythagoras difference*, is defined in the following way: $\mathcal{P}_{ABC} = \overline{AB}^2 + \overline{CB}^2 - \overline{AC}^2$.



Properties of the Ratio of Directed Parallel Segments

▶ $\frac{\overline{PQ}}{\overline{AB}} = -\frac{\overline{QP}}{\overline{AB}} = \frac{\overline{QP}}{\overline{BA}} = -\frac{\overline{PQ}}{\overline{BA}};$

▶ $\frac{\overline{PQ}}{\overline{AB}} = 0$ iff $P = Q$;

▶ (...)

EL1 (The Co-side Theorem) Let M be the intersection of two non-parallel lines AB and PQ and $Q \neq M$. Then it holds that

$$\frac{\overline{PM}}{\overline{QM}} = \frac{S_{PAB}}{S_{QAB}}; \quad \frac{\overline{PM}}{\overline{PQ}} = \frac{S_{PAB}}{S_{PAQB}}; \quad \frac{\overline{QM}}{\overline{PQ}} = \frac{S_{QAB}}{S_{PAQB}}.$$



Properties of the Signed Area

- ▶ $S_{ABC} = S_{CAB} = S_{BCA} = -S_{ACB} = -S_{BAC} = -S_{CBA}$.
- ▶ $S_{ABC} = 0$ iff A , B , and C are collinear.
- ▶ $PQ \parallel AB$ iff $S_{PAB} = S_{QAB}$, i.e., iff $S_{PAQB} = 0$.
- ▶ Let $ABCD$ be a parallelogram, P and Q be two arbitrary points. Then it holds that $S_{APQ} + S_{CPQ} = S_{BPQ} + S_{DPQ}$ or $S_{PAQB} = S_{PDQC}$.
- ▶ Let R be a point on the line PQ . Then for any two points A and B it holds that $S_{RAB} = \frac{\overline{PR}}{\overline{PQ}} S_{QAB} + \frac{\overline{RQ}}{\overline{PQ}} S_{PAB}$.
- ▶ (...)



Properties of the Pythagoras Difference

- ▶ $\mathcal{P}_{AAB} = 0$.
- ▶ $\mathcal{P}_{ABC} = \mathcal{P}_{CBA}$.
- ▶ If A , B , and C are collinear then, $\mathcal{P}_{ABC} = 2\overline{BA} \overline{BC}$.
- ▶ $AB \perp BC$ iff $\mathcal{P}_{ABC} = 0$.
- ▶ Let AB and PQ be two non-perpendicular lines, and Y be the intersection of line PQ and the line passing through A and perpendicular to AB . Then, it holds that

$$\frac{\overline{PY}}{\overline{QY}} = \frac{\mathcal{P}_{PAB}}{\mathcal{P}_{QAB}}, \quad \frac{\overline{PY}}{\overline{PQ}} = \frac{\mathcal{P}_{PAB}}{\mathcal{P}_{PAQB}}, \quad \frac{\overline{QY}}{\overline{PQ}} = \frac{\mathcal{P}_{QAB}}{\mathcal{P}_{PAQB}}.$$

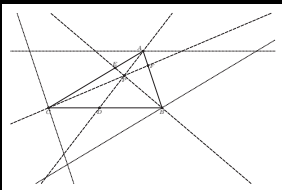
- ▶ (...)



The Area Method — The Proof Algorithm

Express the hypothesis of a theorem using a set of constructive statements.

Each constructive statement introduces a new point.



The conclusion is expressed by a polynomial in some geometry quantities (defined above), without any relation to a given system of coordinates.

The proof is then developed by eliminating, in reverse order, the point introduced before, using for that purpose a set of lemmas.



Constructive Geometric Statements

ECS1 construction of an arbitrary point U ; (...).

ECS2 construction of a point Y such that it is the intersection of two lines ($\text{LINE } U V$) and ($\text{LINE } P Q$);
ndg-condition: $UV \not\parallel PQ$; $U \neq V$; $P \neq Q$.
degree of freedom for Y : 0

ECS3 construction of a point Y such that it is a foot from a given point P to ($\text{LINE } U V$); (...).

ECS4 construction of a point Y on the line passing through point W and parallel to ($\text{LINE } U V$), such that $\overline{WY} = r\overline{UV}$, (...).

ECS5 construction of a point Y on the line passing through point U and perpendicular to ($\text{LINE } U V$), such that $r = \frac{4S_{UVY}}{P_{UVU}}$, (...).



Forms of Expressing the Conclusion

property	in terms of geometric quantities
points A and B are identical	$\mathcal{P}_{ABA} = 0$
points A, B, C are collinear	$S_{ABC} = 0$
AB is perpendicular to CD	$\mathcal{P}_{ABA} \neq 0 \wedge \mathcal{P}_{CDC} \neq 0 \wedge \mathcal{P}_{ACD} = \mathcal{P}_{BCD}$
AB is parallel to CD	$\mathcal{P}_{ABA} \neq 0 \wedge \mathcal{P}_{CDC} \neq 0 \wedge S_{ACD} = S_{BCD}$
O is the midpoint of AB	$S_{ABO} = 0 \wedge \mathcal{P}_{ABA} \neq 0 \wedge \frac{\overline{AO}}{\overline{AB}} = \frac{1}{2}$
AB has the same length as CD	$\mathcal{P}_{ABA} = \mathcal{P}_{CDC}$
points A, B, C, D are harmonic	$S_{ABC} = 0 \wedge S_{ABD} = 0 \wedge \mathcal{P}_{BCB} \neq 0 \wedge \mathcal{P}_{BDB} \neq 0 \wedge \frac{\overline{AC}}{\overline{CB}} = \frac{\overline{DA}}{\overline{DB}}$
angle ABC has the same measure as DEF	$\mathcal{P}_{ABA} \neq 0 \wedge \mathcal{P}_{ACA} \neq 0 \wedge \mathcal{P}_{BCB} \neq 0 \wedge \mathcal{P}_{DED} \neq 0 \wedge \mathcal{P}_{DFD} \neq 0 \wedge \mathcal{P}_{EFE} \neq 0 \wedge S_{ABC} \cdot \mathcal{P}_{DEF} = S_{DEF} \cdot \mathcal{P}_{ABC}$
A and B belong to the same circle arc CD	$S_{ACD} \neq 0 \wedge S_{BCD} \neq 0 \wedge S_{CAD} \cdot \mathcal{P}_{CBD} = S_{CBD} \cdot \mathcal{P}_{CAD}$

Elimination Lemmas

EL2 Let $G(Y)$ be a linear geometric quantity and point Y is introduced by the construction $(\text{PRATIO } Y \ W \ (\text{LINE } U \ V) \ r)$. Then it holds

$$G(Y) = G(W) + r(G(V) - G(U)).$$

EL3 Let $G(Y)$ be a linear geometric quantity and point Y is introduced by the construction $(\text{INTER } Y \ (\text{LINE } U \ V) \ (\text{LINE } P \ Q))$. Then it holds

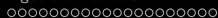
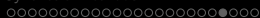
$$G(Y) = \frac{S_{UPQ}G(V) - S_{VPQ}G(U)}{S_{UPVQ}}.$$

► (...)



Constructive Steps & Elimination Lemmas

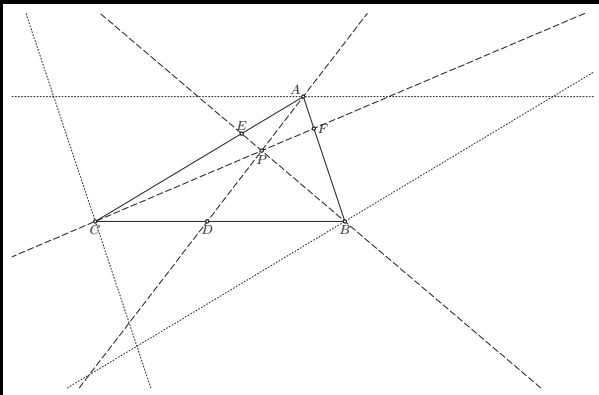
		Geometric Quantities					
		\mathcal{P}_{AYB}	\mathcal{P}_{ABY}	\mathcal{P}_{ABCY}	\mathcal{S}_{ABY}	\mathcal{S}_{ABCY}	$\frac{\overline{AY}}{\overline{CD}}$
Constructive Steps	ECS2	EL5	EL3			EL11	EL1
	ECS3	EL6	EL4			EL12	
	ECS4	EL7	EL2			EL13	
	ECS5	EL10	EL9		EL8		EL14
		Elimination Lemmas					



An Example (Ceva's Theorem)

Let $\triangle ABC$ be a triangle and P be an arbitrary point in the plane. Let D be the intersection of AP and BC , E be the intersection of BP and AC , and F the intersection of CP and AB . Then:

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



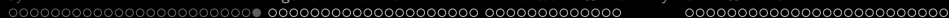
Example — Proof

The proof of a conjecture is based on eliminating all the constructed points, in reverse order, until an equality in only the free points is reached.

$$\begin{aligned}
 \frac{\overline{AF}}{\overline{FB}} \frac{\overline{BD}}{\overline{DC}} \frac{\overline{CE}}{\overline{EA}} &= \frac{S_{APC}}{S_{BCP}} \frac{\overline{BD}}{\overline{DC}} \frac{\overline{CE}}{\overline{EA}} && \text{the point } F \text{ is eliminated} \\
 &= \frac{S_{APC}}{S_{BCP}} \frac{S_{BPA}}{S_{CAP}} \frac{\overline{CE}}{\overline{EA}} && \text{the point } D \text{ is eliminated} \\
 &= \frac{S_{APC}}{S_{BCP}} \frac{S_{BPA}}{S_{CAP}} \frac{S_{CPB}}{S_{ABP}} && \text{the point } E \text{ is eliminated} \\
 &= 1
 \end{aligned}$$

Elimination Steps: 3; Geometric Steps: 6; Algebraic Steps: 23;
 Total Steps: 32; CPU Time 0.004s. The GATP also provide the
 ndg conditions.





Solid Geometry

Solid Geometry Method — For any points A , B , C and D in the space, the signed volume V_{ABCD} of the tetrahedron $ABCD$ is a real number which satisfies the following properties [CGZ95].

- V.1 When two neighbor vertices of the tetrahedron are interchanged, the signed volume of the tetrahedron will change signs, e.g.,
$$V_{ABCD} = -V_{ABDC}.$$
- V.2 Points A , B , C and D are coplanar iff $V_{ABCD} = 0$.
- V.3 There exist at least four points A , B , C and D such that $V_{ABCD} \neq 0$.
- V.4 For five points A , B , C , D and O , we have
$$V_{ABCD} = V_{ABCO} + V_{ABOD} + V_{AOCD} + V_{OBCD}.$$
- V.5 If A , B , C , D , E and F are six coplanar points and $S_{ABC} = \lambda S_{DEF}$ then for any point T we have $V_{TABC} = \lambda V_{TDEF}$.

Algebraic Methods

Algebraic Methods: are based on reducing geometry properties to algebraic properties expressed in terms of Cartesian coordinates.

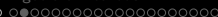
The biggest successes in automated theorem proving in geometry were achieved (i.e., the most complex theorems were proved) by algebraic provers based on:

- ▶ Wu's method [Cho85, Cho88];
- ▶ Gröbner bases method [Buc98, Kap86].

Decision procedures.

No readable, traditional geometry proofs, only a yes/no answer (with a corresponding algebraic argument).





Wu's Method

An elementary version of Wu's method is simple:
Geometric theorem T transcribed as polynomial equations and inequations of the form:

- ▶ H: $h_1 = 0, \dots, h_s = 0, d_1 \neq 0, \dots, d_t \neq 0$;
- ▶ C: $c=0$.

Proving T is equivalent to deciding whether the formula

$$\forall_{x_1, \dots, x_n} [h_1 = 0 \wedge \dots \wedge h_s \wedge d_1 \neq 0 \wedge \dots \wedge d_t \neq 0 \Rightarrow c = 0] \quad (1)$$

is valid.

Gröbner Basis

A Gröbner basis of an ideal is a special basis using which the membership problem of the ideal as well as the membership problem of the radical of the ideal can be easily decided.

(...) to decide whether **a finite set of geometry hypotheses expressed as polynomial equations**, in conjunction with a finite set of subsidiary conditions expressed as negations of polynomial equations which rule out degenerate cases, **imply another geometry relation given as a conclusion**.

Such a problem is shown to be **equivalent to deciding whether a finite set of polynomials does not have a solution in an algebraically closed field**. Using Hilbert's Nullstellensatz, this problem can be decided by checking whether 1 is in the ideal generated by these polynomials

This test can be done **by computing a Gröbner basis of the ideal**.



GCLC Implementation of Gröbner Basis Method (cont)

iteration 1; iteration 2.

Gröbner basis has 7 polynomials:

$$p_0 = -u_3 x_2 + (u_2 - u_1)x_1 + u_3 u_1$$

$$p_1 = u_5 x_2 - u_4 x_1$$

$$p_2 = -u_3 x_4 + u_2 x_3$$

$$p_3 = u_5 x_4 + (-u_4 + u_1)x_3 - u_5 u_1$$

$$p_4 = (u_5 - u_3)x_6 + (-u_5 u_2 + u_4 u_3)$$

$$p_5 = (u_5 u_2 - u_5 u_1 - u_4 u_3)x_1 + u_5 u_3 u_1$$

$$p_6 = (u_5 u_2 - u_4 u_3 + u_3 u_1)x_3 - u_5 u_3 u_1$$

(...)

Status: The conjecture has been proved.

Space Complexity: The biggest polynomial obtained during proof process contained 259 terms.

Time Complexity: Time spent by the prover is 0.101 seconds.

Geometry Deductive Database

- ▶ In the general setting: structured deductive database and the data-based search strategy to improve the search efficiency.¹
- ▶ Selection of a good set of rules; adding auxiliary points and constructing numerical diagrams as models automatically.

The result program can be used to find fix-points for a geometric configuration, i.e. the program can find all the properties of the configuration that can be deduced using a fixed set of geometric rules.

Generate ndg conditions.

Structured deductive database (graphs) reduce the size of the database in some cases by one thousand times.

¹Semantic Graphs are an alternative!?

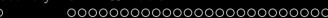
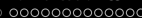
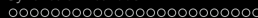
Deductive Databases

- ▶ Use canonical form for predicates;
- ▶ Use equivalent classes to represent some predicates;
- ▶ Use representative elements for equivalent classes;
- ▶ breadth-first forward chaining search:
where D_0 is the hypotheses of the geometry statement and R is the rule set.

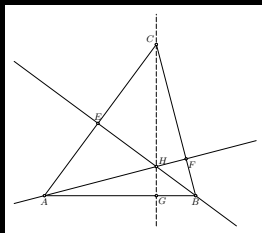
For each rule r in R , apply it to D_0 to obtain new facts. Let D_1 be the union of D_0 and the set of new facts obtained.

Repeat the above process for D_1 to obtain D_2 , and so on.

If at certain step $D_k = D_{k+1}$, we say that a fix-point for D_0 and R is reached.



Geometry Deductive Database – The Orthocenter Theorem

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \text{points}(A, B, C) \wedge \text{coll}(E, A, C) \wedge \text{perp}(B, E, A, C) \wedge \text{coll}(F, B, C) \wedge \\
 & \text{perp}(A, F, B, C) \wedge \text{coll}(H, A, F) \wedge \text{coll}(H, B, E) \wedge \text{coll}(G, A, B) \wedge \\
 & \text{coll}(G, C, H)
 \end{aligned}$$


The fix-point contains two of the most often encountered properties of this configuration:

- ▶ $\text{perp}(C, G, A, B)$;
- ▶ $\angle FGC = \angle CGE$

Quaife's GATP

Tarski axiomatic system: is, or rather its algebraic equivalent, complete and decidable.

Quaife developed a GATP for Euclidean plane geometry within the automated reasoning system OTTER (a resolution theorem prover) [Qua89].

(A1) Reflexivity axiom for equidistance.

$$\rightarrow u \cdot v \equiv v \cdot u$$

(A2) Transitivity axiom for equidistance.

$$u \cdot v \equiv w \cdot x, u \cdot v \equiv y \cdot z \rightarrow w \cdot x \equiv y \cdot z$$

(A4) Segment construction axiom, two clauses.

$$\text{(A4.1)} \rightarrow B(u, v, \text{Ext}(u, v, w, x))$$

$$\text{(A4.2)} \rightarrow v \cdot \text{Ext}(u, v, w, x) \equiv w \cdot x$$

(...)



Probabilistic Verification

Probabilistic verification of elementary geometry statements [CFG97, RGK99].

Cinderella (...) use (...) a technique called “Randomized Theorem Checking”. First the conjecture (...) is generated. Then the configuration is moved into many different [random] positions and for each of these it is checked whether the conjecture still holds. (...) generating enough(!) random (!) examples where the theorem holds is at least as convincing as a computer-generated symbolic proof.

User Manual for the Interactive Geometry Software Cinderella, Jürgen Richter-Gebert, Ulrich H. Kortenkamp

Formalisation

Full formal proofs mechanically verified by generic theorem proof assistants (e.g. Isabelle [Pau94, PN90], Coq [Tea09]).

- ▶ Hilbert's *Foundations of Geometry* [Hil77, MF03, DDS00];
- ▶ Jan von Plato's constructive geometry [Kah95, vP95];
- ▶ French high school geometry [Gui04];
- ▶ Tarski's geometry [Nar07b, BBN16];
- ▶ An axiom system for compass and ruler geometry [BNW18];
- ▶ Projective geometry [MNS11, FT11];
- ▶ Area Method [JNQ12, Nar06];
- ▶ Algebraic methods in geometry [MPPJ12].

Area Method: Formalisation

Formalisation [JNQ12, Nar06, Nar09];

1. $\overline{AB} = 0$ if and only if the points A and B are identical
2. $S_{ABC} = S_{CAB}$
3. $S_{ABC} = -S_{BAC}$
4. If $S_{ABC} = 0$ then $\overline{AB} + \overline{BC} = \overline{AC}$ (Chasles's axiom)
5. There are points A, B, C such that $S_{ABC} \neq 0$ (dimension; not all points are collinear)
6. $S_{ABC} = S_{DBC} + S_{ADC} + S_{ABD}$ (dimension; all points are in the same plane)
7. For each element r of F , there exists a point P , such that $S_{ABP} = 0$ and $\overline{AP} = r\overline{AB}$ (construction of a point on the line)
8. If $A \neq B, S_{ABP} = 0, \overline{AP} = r\overline{AB}, S_{ABP'} = 0$ and $\overline{AP'} = r\overline{AB}$, then $P = P'$ (unicity)
9. If $PQ \parallel CD$ and $\frac{PQ}{CD} = 1$ then $DQ \parallel PC$ (parallelogram)
10. If $S_{PAC} \neq 0$ and $S_{ABC} = 0$ then $\frac{\overline{AB}}{\overline{AC}} = \frac{S_{PAB}}{S_{PAC}}$ (proportions)
11. If $C \neq D$ and $AB \perp CD$ and $EF \perp CD$ then $AB \parallel EF$
12. If $A \neq B$ and $AB \perp CD$ and $AB \parallel EF$ then $EF \perp CD$
13. If $FA \perp BC$ and $S_{FBC} = 0$ then $4S_{ABC}^2 = \overline{AF}^2 \overline{BC}^2$ (area of a triangle)

Using this axiom system all the properties of the geometric quantities required by the area method were *formally verified* (within the *Coq* proof assistant), demonstrating the correctness of the system and eliminating all concerns about provability of the lemmas [Nar09].



Area Method: Formalization in Coq

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Require Export field.
Require Import Classical.

Ltac Geometry := auto with Geom field_hints.

Parameter Point : Set. // The set of Points
Parameter S : Point -> Point -> Point -> F. // The signed area
Parameter DSeg : Point -> Point -> F. // The signed distance

Infix "**" := DSeg (left associativity, at level 20) : F_scope.

Definition Col (A B C : Point) : Prop := S A B C = 0.
Definition S4 (A B C D : Point) : F := S A B C + S A C D.
Definition parallel (A B C D : Point) : Prop := S4 A C B D = 0.

Axiom A1b : forall A B : Point, A ** B = 0 <-> A = B.

Axiom A2a : forall (A B : Point) (r : F),
  {P : Point | Col A B P /\ A ** P = r * A ** B}.
Axiom A2b : forall (A B P Pl : Point) (r : F),
  A <> B ->
  Col A B P ->
  A ** P = r * A ** B -> Col A B Pl -> A ** Pl = r * A ** B -> P = Pl.

Axiom chasles : forall A B C : Point, Col A B C -> A ** B + B ** C = A ** C.
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Automated Discovery

- ▶ Locus Generation: to determine the implicit equation of a locus set [BAE07, BA12].

The set of points determined by the different positions of a point, the *tracer*, as a second point in which the tracer depends on, called the *mover*, runs along the one dimensional object to which it is restrained.

- ▶ Automated Finding of Theorems: the discovery of new facts about a given geometric configuration.



Loci Finding: Algorithm

A statement is considered where the conclusion does not follow from the hypotheses.

Symbolic coordinates are assigned to the points of the construction (where every free point gets two new free variables u_i , u_{i+1} , and every bounded point gets up to two new dependent variables x_j , x_{j+1}) so the hypotheses and thesis are rewritten as polynomials h_1, \dots, h_n and t in $\mathbb{Q}[u, x]$.

Eliminating the dependent variables in the ideal (*hypotheses*, *thesis*), the vanishing of every element in the elimination ideal $(\textit{hypotheses}, \textit{thesis}) \cap \mathbb{Q}[u]$ is a necessary condition for the statement to hold.



Locus Finding: Implementation

A Sage worksheet integrating GeoGebra

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A Symbolic Companion for GeoGebra

Automatic determination of geometric loci and (certified) proofs for GeoGebra

Create or upload (File -> Open) a property checking or a locus construction in the following GeoGebra applet. Sage will be used to (symbolically) establish the truth of the statement or compute the locus equation.

The **allowed GeoGebra elements** (currently) are: free points, Midpoint(point-point), Point(on Circle and on Line), Segment(point-point), Line(point-point, point-line (making a parallel), OrthogonalLine, Circle(center-radius, center-point, center-radius_as_segment), Intersect(object-object), Locus and Relation between Two Objects (parallelism, perpendicularity).

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Free Objects

- ⊙ A = (-1.52, 1.36)
- ⊙ B = (-1.58, 3.52)
- ⊙ D = (-3.62, 5.16)
- ⊙ E = (-5.18, 5.34)

Dependent Objects

- ⊙ C = (-1.56, 1.94)
- ⊙ F = (-4.64, 6.38)
- ⊙ G = (-1.82, 1.81)
- ⊙ a = 1.56
- ln: 1.56x - 2.14y = -5.88
- cc: $(x - 1.52)^2 + (y - 1.36)^2 = 4.67$
- dd: $(x + 0.56)^2 + (y - 1.94)^2 = 2.43$

[Math]



Implementation (cont.)

Two different tasks are performed over GeoGebra constructions:

- ▶ the computation of the equation of a geometric locus in the case of a locus construction;

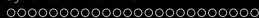
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- ▶ the study of the truth of a general geometric statement included in the GeoGebra construction as a Boolean variable.

Both tasks are implemented using algebraic automatic deduction techniques based on Gröbner bases computations.

The algorithm, based on a recent work on the Gröbner cover of parametric systems, identifies degenerate components and extraneous adherence points in loci, both natural byproducts of general polynomial algebraic methods [BA12].





JGEX: Automated Finding of Theorems

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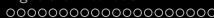
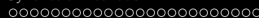
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Fixpoint

- lines (4)
 - A, C, E are collinear
 - B, D, F are collinear
 - A, B, G are collinear
 - C, F, G are collinear
- parallel lines (2)
 - ptlines[A, B, G; C, D; E, F]
 - ptlines[B, C; D, G]
- midpoints (3)
 - midpoints[E, CA]
 - midpoints[F, BD]
 - midpoints[F, GC]
- congruent segments (5)
 - AE = CE
 - BF = DF
 - CF = FG
 - BG = CD
 - BC = DG
- congruent angles (11)
 - $\angle ACD = \angle CAB = \angle AEF$
 - $\angle ADC = \angle DAB$
 - $\angle BCD = \angle CBA = \angle DGA = \angle GDC$
 - $\angle BDC = \angle DBA = \angle BFE$
 - $\angle FCD = \angle CGA = \angle CFE$
 - $\angle EDC = \angle DEF$
 - $\angle FAB = \angle AFE$
 - $\angle EBA = \angle BEF$
 - $\angle FCB = \angle BCF$
 - $\angle DBC = \angle BDG$
- similar triangles (3)
 - $\{D, BFG\} \sim \{D, DFC\}$
 - $\{D, BFC\} \sim \{D, DFC\}$
 - $\{D, ACG\} \sim \{D, ECF\}$
- congruent triangles (4)
 - $\{D, DFC\} \cong \{D, BFG\}$

Thm F D A M Fix Wu

Time to build fixpoint: 0.003 Second(s)



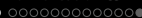
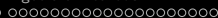
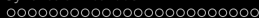
Automated Geometer

*The **Automated Geometer**, AG, (also meaning Amateur Geometer) intends to be a **GeoGebra module where pure automatic discovery is performed.***

*It includes a generator of **further geometric elements from those of a given construction**, and a set of rules for producing conjectures on the whole set of elements.*

*But **the ultimate AG aim is not just performing a systematic exploration of the space of possible conjectures, but mimicking human thought when doing elementary geometry.***

Francisco Botana, Zoltan Kovacs, and Tomas Recio. Towards an automated geometer. AISC 2018, LNCS 11110, Springer, 2018.



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Welcome to the Automated Geometer!

Let us consider this initial input construction (you may freely edit the construction or upload another one as well; only the visible points will be observed):

● D = Midpoint (A, B)
→ (0.5, 1)

● E = Midpoint (B, C) ✕
→ (3, 2.5)

● F = Midpoint (C, A) ✕
→ (-0.5, 2.5)

● G = Midpoint (D, E) ✕
→ (1.75, 1.75)

Select relations to check:

- Collinearity of three points
- Equality of distances between two points
- Perpendicularity of segments defined by two points
- Parallelism of segments defined by two points

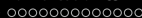
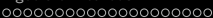
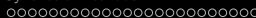
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Geometric Tools

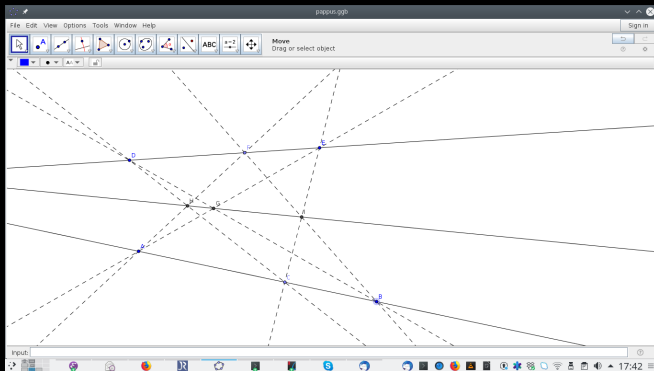
Geometric tools: Dynamic Geometry Software (DGS) & Geometry Automated Theorem Provers (GATP) & Computer Algebra Systems (CAS) & Repositories of Geometric Knowledge (RGK) & eLearning in Geometry.

- ▶ DGS: Cabri Geometry; C.a.R.; Cinderella; GCLC; GeoGebra; The Geometer's Sketchpad; JGEX [Gro11, CGY04, Hoh02, Jac01, Jan06, LS90, RGK99]; ...
- ▶ GATP; GCLC; OpenGeoProver; JGEX; GeoProof; ...
 - ▶ verification of the soundness of a geometric construction [JQ07].
 - ▶ reason about a given DGS construction [CGZ96a, JQ06, Nar07a, QJ06b].
 - ▶ human-readable proofs [JNQ12, QJ06a].
- ▶ RGK [QJ07, Qua11].
- ▶ eLearning [ABY86, HLY86, QJ06b, SQ08, QSM18, SQMC18]



Dynamic Geometry Software

DGS are computer environments which allow one to create and then manipulate geometric constructions, primarily in plane geometry.



Geometry Automated Theorem Provers: GCLC

Proving geometrical theorems by computer programs.

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*** Ceva s theorem
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point A 80 10
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point B 50 80
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point C 100 80
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point P 75 65
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line a B C
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line b A C
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line c A B
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line pa P A
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line pb P B
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line pc P C
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*** constructed point
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intersec D a pa
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intersec E b pb
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intersec F c pc
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*** conjecture
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prove {equal{mult{mult{sratio A F F B}}{sratio B D D C}}{sratio C E E A}}1}
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Geometry Automated Theorem Provers: GCLC

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A5exemplos: bash — Konsole

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pedro@nomada:A5exemplos$ gclc ceva.gcl

GCLC 2015 (GC language (R) -> LaTeX Converter)
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Input file: ceva.gcl
Output file: ceva.pic

Starting point number: 1

The theorem prover based on the area method used.
Number of elimination proof steps:      3
Number of geometric proof steps:       6
Number of algebraic proof steps:       23
Total number of proof steps:           32

Time spent by the prover: 0.001 seconds
The conjecture successfully proved.
The prover output is written in the file ceva_proof.tex.

File 'ceva.gcl' successfully processed.
Ending point number: 151

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Integration: DGSs & GATPs

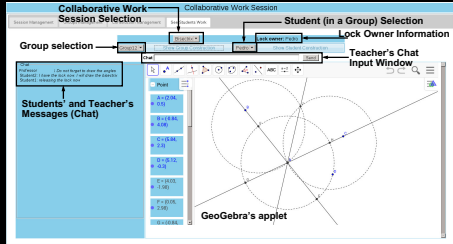
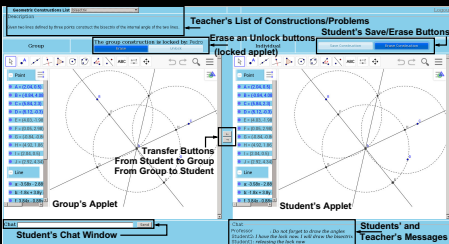
- ▶ GCLC/WinGCLC - A DGS tool that integrates three GATPs: Area Method, Wu's Method and Gröbner Bases Method [JQ06, Jan06].
- ▶ JGEX - is a software which combines a DGS and some GATPs (full angle, Wu's Method, Deductive Databases for the full angle) [YCG10a, YCG10b, CGY04].
- ▶ GeoProof - DGS tool that integrates three GATPs Area Method, Wu's Method and Gröbner Bases Method [Nar07a].
- ▶ GeoGebra - DGS + CAS + GATPs [ABK⁺16, BHJ⁺15, Kov15].
- ▶ Theorema Project - Theorema is a project that aims at supporting the entire process of mathematical theory exploration within one coherent logic and software system [BCJ⁺06]. Implementation of the Area Method[Rob02, Rob07].

Others: The Geometry Tutor, Mentoniez, Defi, Chypre, Cabri-Euclide, Geometrix, Baghera, MMP-Geometer, Geometry Explorer, Cinderella.

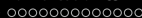
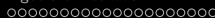
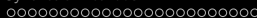


Integration/eLearning (DGSs & GATPs & RGP)

WebGeometryLab: A Web environment incorporating a DGS (GATPs) and a repository of geometric problems, that can be used in a synchronous and asynchronous fashion and with some adaptive and collaborative features. [QSM18, SQ08, SQMC18].

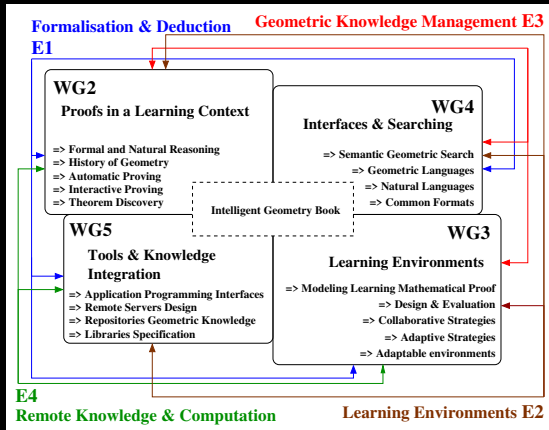


Others: Tabulae [MSB05]; GeoThink [MSM08]; Advanced Geometry Tutor [MV05]; AgentGeom [CFPR07]; geogebraTUTOR [RFHG07].



iGEOMETRYBOOK

The “Road to an Intelligent Geometry Book” (COST) Action is dedicated to the study of how current developing methodologies and technologies of knowledge representation, management, and discovery in mathematics, can be incorporated effectively into the learning environments of the future.



Repositories of Geometric Problems

GeoThms: a Web-based framework for exploring geometrical knowledge that integrates Dynamic Geometry Software (DGS), Automatic Theorem Provers (ATP), and a repository of geometrical constructions, figures and proofs. [JQ06, QJ07].

TGTP: a Web-based library of problems in geometry to support the testing and evaluation of geometric automated theorem proving (GATP) systems [Qua11].

Sets of Examples and Comunities: Intergeo; GeoGebra; Geometriagon; examples in the DGSs/GATPs.)

Readability of a Proof

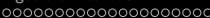
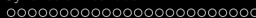
- ▶ According to [CGZ94, p.442] a formal proof, done using the area method, is considered readable if one of the following conditions holds:
 - ▶ the maximal term in the proof is less than or equal to 5;
 - ▶ the number of deduction steps of the proof is less than or equal to 10;
 - ▶ the maximal term in the proof is less than or equal to 10 and the deduction step is less than or equal to 20.
- ▶ The de Bruijn factor [deB94, Wie00], the quotient of the *size* of corresponding informal proof and the *size* of the formal proof, could also be used as a measure of readability. Using this quotient a proof can be considered readable if the value is less than or equal to 2 (the formal proof is at most twice as larger then a given informal proof).



GATP, Readable Proofs: GCLC Area Method

- (1) $\left(\left(\frac{\vec{AF}}{\vec{FB}} \cdot \frac{\vec{BD}}{\vec{DC}}\right) \cdot \frac{\vec{CE}}{\vec{EA}}\right) = 1$, by the statement
- (2) $\left(\left(\left(-1 \cdot \frac{\vec{AF}}{\vec{BF}}\right) \cdot \frac{\vec{BD}}{\vec{DC}}\right) \cdot \frac{\vec{CE}}{\vec{EA}}\right) = 1$, by geometric simplifications
- (3) $\left(-1 \cdot \left(\frac{\vec{AF}}{\vec{BF}} \cdot \left(\frac{\vec{BD}}{\vec{DC}} \cdot \frac{\vec{CE}}{\vec{EA}}\right)\right)\right) = 1$, by algebraic simplifications
- (4) $\left(-1 \cdot \left(\frac{S_{APC}}{S_{BPC}} \cdot \left(\frac{\vec{BD}}{\vec{DC}} \cdot \frac{\vec{CE}}{\vec{EA}}\right)\right)\right) = 1$, by Lemma 8 (point F eliminated)
- (5) $\left(-1 \cdot \left(\frac{S_{APC}}{S_{BPC}} \cdot \left(\frac{\vec{BD}}{\vec{DC}} \cdot \left(-1 \cdot \frac{\vec{CE}}{\vec{AE}}\right)\right)\right)\right) = 1$, by geometric simplifications
- (6) $\frac{\left(S_{APC} \cdot \left(\frac{\vec{BD}}{\vec{DC}} \cdot \frac{\vec{CE}}{\vec{AE}}\right)\right)}{S_{BPC}} = 1$, by algebraic simplifications
- (7) $\frac{\left(S_{APC} \cdot \left(\frac{\vec{BD}}{\vec{DC}} \cdot \frac{S_{CPB}}{S_{APB}}\right)\right)}{S_{BPC}} = 1$, by Lemma 8 (point E eliminated)
- (8) $\frac{\left(S_{APC} \cdot \left(\left(-1 \cdot \frac{\vec{BD}}{\vec{CD}}\right) \cdot \frac{S_{CPB}}{S_{APB}}\right)\right)}{\left(-1 \cdot S_{CPB}\right)} = 1$, by geometric simplifications
- (9) $\frac{\left(S_{APC} \cdot \frac{\vec{BD}}{\vec{CD}}\right)}{S_{APB}} = 1$, by algebraic simplifications
- (10) $\frac{\left(S_{APC} \cdot \frac{S_{BPA}}{S_{CPA}}\right)}{S_{APB}} = 1$, by Lemma 8 (point D eliminated)
- (11) $\frac{\left(S_{APC} \cdot \frac{S_{BPA}}{\left(-1 \cdot S_{APC}\right)}\right)}{\left(-1 \cdot S_{BPA}\right)} = 1$, by geometric simplifications
- (12) $1 = 1$, by algebraic simplifications





GATP, Proofs With Visual Support

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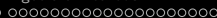
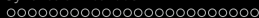
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4. $\angle[HIC] = \angle[ADF]$
6. $\angle[HIC] = \angle[HED]$
7. $\angle[ADF] = \angle[HED]$
5. $BC \parallel DF$ (r35)
- midp(F, AC) (by HYP)
- midp(D, BA) (by HYP)
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10. $\angle[HED] = \angle[efd]$
8. $AC \parallel DE$ (r35)
- midp(E, CB) (by HYP)
- midp(D, BA) (by HYP)
9. $\angle[ADF] = \angle[efd]$ (r2)
11. $AB \parallel EF$
10. $\angle[HED] = \angle[efd]$ (r14)
- cyclic(G, E, D, F) (by HYP)
- $HE \perp EG$ (by HYP)
11. $AB \parallel EF$ (r35)
- midp(F, AC) (by HYP)
- midp(E, CB) (by HYP)

JGEX – Example 84, Step 2



GATP, Visual Proofs

36-13.gex - Geometry Expert

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Theorem

Given: $\triangle ABC$
 D: the midpoint of AB
 E: the midpoint of AC
 Draw line DE
 BF is bisector of $\angle ABC$ and F is on line DE
 Draw line AF
To Prove: $AF \perp FB$

- $\angle ABF = \angle FBC = \angle BFD$
- $DB = DF$
- Midpoint D, A, B
- $DB = DF = DA$
- AB is the diameter of $\odot AFB$
- $AF \perp FB$ Q.E.D.

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JGEX – Example 36-13 & PYTH-cnm14

Geometrography

Considering the modifications proposed by Mackay [Mac93], the following ruler-and-compass constructions and the corresponding coefficients can be considered.

To place the edge of the ruler in coincidence with one point R_1

To place the edge of the ruler in coincidence with two points . . $2R_1$

To draw a straight line R_2

To put one point of the compasses on a determinate point C_1

To put one point of the compasses on two determinate points. $2C_1$

To describe a circle C_2

For a given construction with $l_1R_1 + l_2R_2 + m_1C_1 + m_2C_2$ steps.

$cs = l_1 + l_2 + m_1 + m_2$, is called the coefficient of simplicity.

$ce = l_1 + m_1$ is called the coefficient of exactitude.

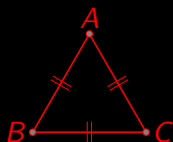
Geometric Search

When accessing RGK it should be possible to do geometric searches, i.e. we should be able to provide a geometric construction and look for similar constructions [QH12, HQ14, HQ18].

Given (in the RGK) a *triangle with three equal sides*, the query about a *triangle with three equal angles* (which is geometrically equivalent) should be successful.

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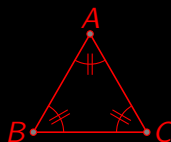
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$$\xrightarrow[\text{closure}]{\text{inferential}} \bar{c}$$

$$\xleftarrow[\text{isomorphism}]{\text{sub-graph}} c'$$

$$\xleftarrow[\text{to CG}]{\text{conversion}}$$


Conference & Journals

CADE (IJCAR/FLoC) International Conference on Automated Deduction
<http://www.cadeinc.org/conferences>, every year.

ADG International Conference on Automated Deduction in
Geometry, <http://adg2018.cc4cm.org/> (ADG2018),
every two years.

ThEdu Theorem Proving Components for Educational Software
<http://www.uc.pt/en/congressos/thedu/>, workshop
at CADE, every year.

JAR Journal of Automated Reasoning,
<https://link.springer.com/journal/10817>,
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