

Ceva's Theorem

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Abstract

This entry contains a definition of the area the triangle constructed by three points. Building on this, some basic geometric properties about the area of a triangle are derived. These properties are used to prove Ceva's theorem.

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theory *Ceva*

imports

Triangle.Triangle

begin

definition *Triangle-area* :: '*a*::*real-inner* ⇒ '*a* ⇒ '*a* ⇒ *real*

where *Triangle-area* *x y z* = *abs(sin (angle x y z)) * dist x y * dist y z*

lemma *Triangle-area-per1* : *Triangle-area a b c* = *Triangle-area b c a*

<proof>

lemma *Triangle-area-per2* : *Triangle-area a b c* = *Triangle-area b a c*

<proof>

lemma *collinear-angle*:

fixes *a b c* :: '*a*::*euclidean-space*

shows *collinear {a, b, c} ⇒ a ≠ b ⇒ b ≠ c ⇒ angle a b c ∈ {0, pi}*

<proof>

lemma *Triangle-area-0* :

fixes *c* :: '*a*::*euclidean-space*

shows *Triangle-area a b c = 0 ↔ collinear {a,b,c}*

<proof>

lemma *Angle-longer-side* :

fixes *a* :: '*a*::*euclidean-space*

assumes $Col : \textit{between} (b,d) c$
assumes $NeqBC : b \neq c$
shows $\textit{angle} a b c = \textit{angle} a b d$
 <proof>

lemma $\textit{Triangle-area-comb} :$
fixes $c :: 'a::\textit{euclidean-space}$
assumes $Col : \textit{between} (b,c) m$
shows $\textit{Triangle-area} a b m + \textit{Triangle-area} a c m = \textit{Triangle-area} a b c$
 <proof>

lemma $\textit{Triangle-area-cal} :$
fixes $a :: 'a::\textit{euclidean-space}$
assumes $Col : \textit{collinear} \{a,m,b\}$
shows $\exists k. \textit{dist} a m * k = \textit{Triangle-area} a c m \wedge \textit{dist} b m * k = \textit{Triangle-area} b c m$
 <proof>

lemma $\textit{Triangle-area-comb-alt} :$
fixes $a :: 'a::\textit{euclidean-space}$
assumes $Col1 : \textit{collinear} \{a,m,b\}$
assumes $Col2 : \textit{collinear} \{c,k,m\}$
shows $\textit{Goal} : \exists h. \textit{dist} a m * h = \textit{Triangle-area} a c k \wedge \textit{dist} b m * h = \textit{Triangle-area} b c k$
 <proof>

lemma $\textit{Cevas} :$
fixes $a :: 'a::\textit{euclidean-space}$
assumes $\textit{MidCol} : \textit{collinear} \{a,k,d\} \wedge \textit{collinear} \{b,k,e\} \wedge \textit{collinear} \{c,k,f\}$
assumes $\textit{TriCol} : \textit{collinear} \{a,f,b\} \wedge \textit{collinear} \{a,e,c\} \wedge \textit{collinear} \{b,d,c\}$
assumes $\textit{Triangle} : \neg \textit{collinear} \{a,b,c\}$
shows $\textit{dist} a f * \textit{dist} b d * \textit{dist} c e = \textit{dist} f b * \textit{dist} d c * \textit{dist} e a$
 <proof>

end