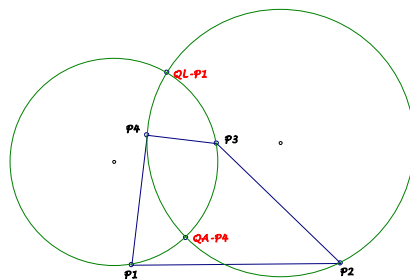


Background for these notes is:
 Chris van Tienhoven: Encyclopedia of Quadri-Figures
<http://chrisvantienhoven.nl/>

A Quartic for Quadrilaterals

The fixed points of a simple quadrilateral transformation give an interesting quartic, anallagmatic and invariant wrt the Clawson-Schmidt Conjugate QL-Tf1. Construction and equation shall be given.



The transformation

Consider for a quadrilateral circles through opposite vertices and a given point P . The second intersection of these circles shall be the image of P .

Let $P_1P_2P_3P_4$ be the quadrilateral, $P_1P_2P_3$ the reference triangle for barycentric coordinates and $P_4(p:q:r)$. For a point $P(x:y:z)$ the image has somewhat extensive coordinates:

$$\left\{ \frac{b^2 (p+q+r) z (r x - p z) + c^2 (p+r) x y + (a^2 p + a^2 r - b^2 p) z y}{a^2 r y z + b^2 r x z + c^2 r (p+q+r) x y - c^2 p q z (x+y+z)}, \right.$$

$$\frac{b^2 y (x+y+z)}{c^2 x y + b^2 x z + a^2 y z} ,$$

$$\left. \frac{b^2 (p+q+r) x (p z - r x) + a^2 (p+r) z y + (-b^2 r + c^2 r + c^2 p) x y}{b^2 p z x + c^2 p y x + a^2 p (p+q+r) y z - a^2 q r x (x+y+z)} \right\}$$

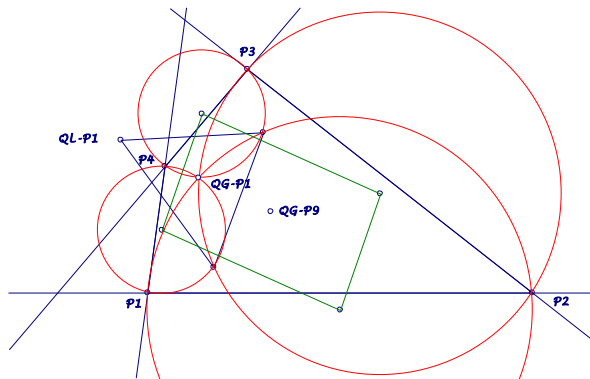
with

$$x := x (q+r) - p (y+z) ; y := y (r+p) - q (z+x) ; z := z (p+q) - r (x+y)$$

Some properties:

- Fixed points of the transformation give a quartic (see below).
- The image of the Miquel Point $QL-P1$ is the Isogonal Center $QA-P4$ (see above).

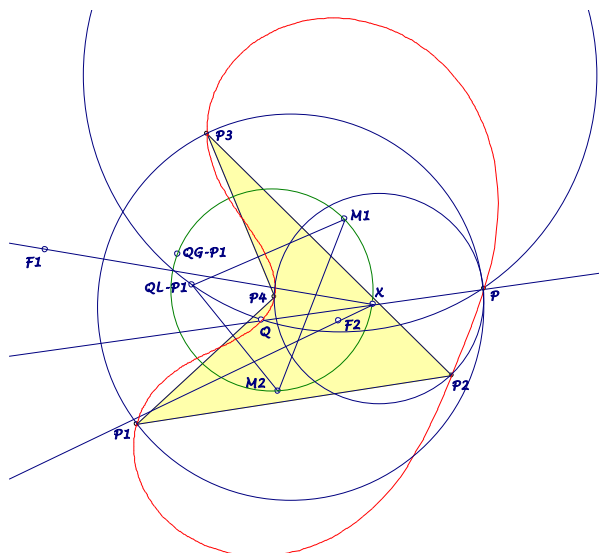
- The images of the intersections of opposite sidelines are vertices M_1 and M_2 (unequal $QL-P1$) of the Miquel Triangle $QA-Tr2$.
- The diagonals are invariant wrt this transformation.
- The images of the sidelines are circles, containing the vertices of the opposite side, the Diagonal Crosspoint $QG-P1$ and a vertex (unequal $QL-P1$) of the Miquel Triangle.
- The midpoints of these circles give a parallelogram with center $QG-P9$ and sidelines perpendicular to the diagonals of the quadrigon.



The Quartic of the Fixed Points

For fixed points P of the transformation the circles through opposite vertices of the quadrigon are tangent in P . These points give a quartic with the equation (X, Y, Z see above):

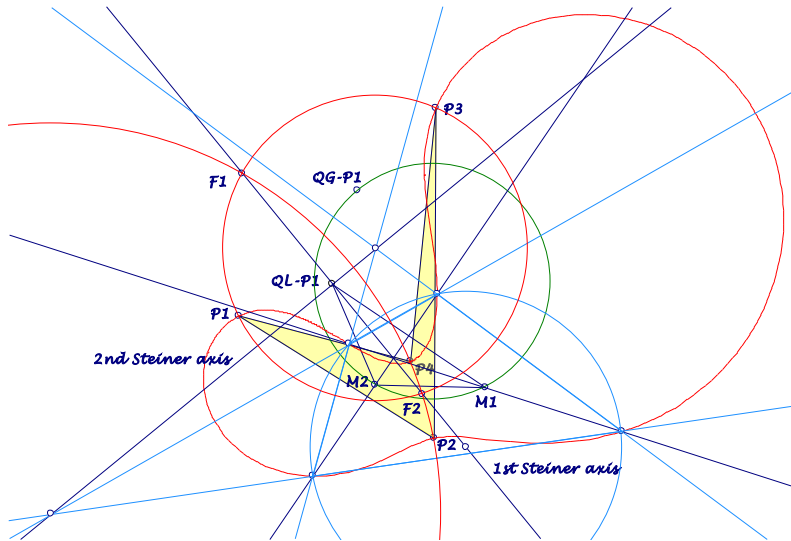
$$\begin{aligned}
 & (p+r) y^2 (a^4 z z + c^4 x x) + a^2 c^2 (p+r) y^2 (x z + z x) \\
 & - b^4 x z (r (x+y) X + p (y+z) Z) \\
 & - a^2 b^2 z (p Z y (z+y-x) + r (Z y (z-x) + Y (x+z) (y+x))) \\
 & - b^2 c^2 x (r X y (x+y-z) + p (X y (x-z) + Y (x+z) (y+z))) = 0
 \end{aligned}$$



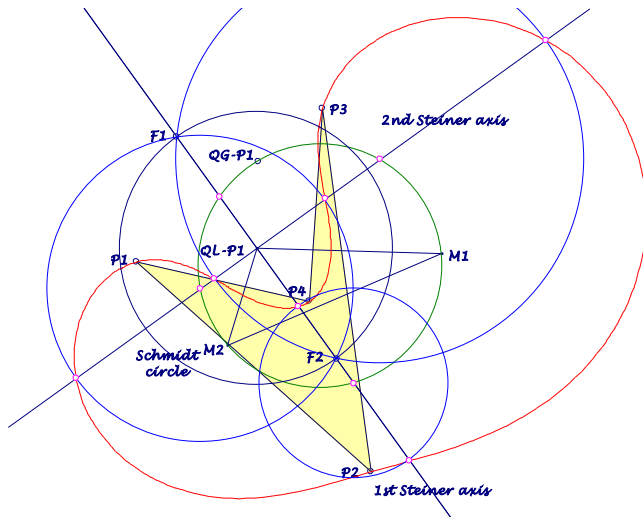
Construction of the quartic: For the construction we need the vertices M_1 and M_2 (unequal $QL-P1$) of the Miquel triangle and the fixed points F_1 and F_2 of the Clawson-Schmidt Conjugate $QL-Tf1$.

1. Circle through $QG-P1$, M_1 , M_2 with a point X
2. L_x angle bisector of $\angle F_1XF_2$
3. P , Q as intersections of L_x and its image-circle wrt $QL-Tf1$ are points of the quartic.

Properties:



- The quartic is the locus of points, where circles through opposite vertices of the quadrigon are tangent.
- The quartic is a circumquartic of the quadrigon.
- The quartic is invariant wrt $QL-Tf1$.
- For $QL-Tf1$ partners on the quartic the midpoints lie on the circumcircle of M_1 , M_2 , $QG-P1$.
- The angle bisectors of the Miquel triangle at $M_{1,2}$ cut their $QL-Tf1$ image on the quartic in points of a cyclic quadrigon.
- Midpoint of the circumcircle of this cyclic quadrigon is the excenter wrt $QL-P1$ of the Miquel triangle.
- The quartic is anallagmatic, that means: The quartic is invariant wrt a reflection in a circle. There are two those circles with midpoints in the intersections of the opposite sidelines of the cyclic quadrigon (on the 2^{nd} Steiner axis), containing F_1 and F_2 .
- The 1^{st} Steiner axis cuts the circle through M_1 , M_2 , $QG-P1$ in two points. One point is the center of a circle orthogonal to the Schmidt circle, which cuts the 1^{st} Steiner line on the quartic.
- The 2^{nd} Steiner axis cuts the circle through M_1 , M_2 , $QG-P1$ in two points. They are centers of circles through F_1 and F_2 , which cut the 2^{nd} Steiner axis on the quartic.



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