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

Double Tangent Tetracardioïds

Morley mentioned in his paper "Extensions of Clifford's Chain-Theorem" for a 4-line 96 tetracardioïds tangent to the four lines and to one line twice. Centers of these tetracardioïds are special intersections of Morley's 64 axes for a 4line. Here a set of 32 tetracardioïds is researched, which contact a line twice in symmetry.



Tetracardioïds

A limaçon is the envelope of circles centered on a circle and through a fixed point. A tetracardioïd can be described as envelope of circles centered on a limaçon and tangent to a circle. Let P_1 be a point, Ci a circle with center P_2 and P_3 the inverse of P_1 wrt Ci. Consider the limaçon wrt Ci and P_3 and a circle Ci round P_1 through P_3 . Circles centered on the limaçon and tangent to Ci envelope a tetracardioïd. If P_1 lies inside Ci, let Ci be inside the contacting circles, if P_1 lies outside Ci, let Ci be outside the contacting circles.



In this way a tetracardioïd is defined by a point P_1 and a circle Ci. P_2 is the center of the tetracardioïd. If P_1 lies inside the

circle, the tetracardioïd is limaçon-similar, if P_1 lies outside the circle the tetracardioïd has two cusps. A construction can be done as follows:

- ... Let Q be a variable point on the circle Ci,
- ... let Ci_1 be a circle round Q through P3,
- ... let X be the second intersection of Ci_1 and the circle Ci',
- ... let Y be the second intersection of XP_1 and Ci_1 ,
- ... let Ci_2 be a circle round Y through X,
- ... let Z be the second intersection of Ci_1 and Ci_2 ,
- ... then Z reflected in Y is a point P of the tetracardioïd
- ... with the same tangent to Ci_2 .



Tetracardioïd with a given double tangent



We consider only double tangents in symmetry. If the double tangent is given, every circle Ci with center P_2 gives a corresponding tetracardioïd, constructed as follows:

- ... Let X be the pedal point of P_2 wrt the double tangent,
- ... let P_3 divide P_2X in the ratio 1:2,
- ... let P_1 be the inverse of P_3 wrt Ci,
- ... further construction see above.

The contact points can be constructed as follows:

... Let *Y* be the reflection of *X* in P_2 ,

... let S_1 and S_2 be the intersections of a perpendicular line in P_2 wrt XY,

... then YS_1 and YS_2 intersect the double tangent in the contact points.

Tetracardioïds with a given double tangent and a 2^{nd} tangent

Let the double tangent be given and a 2^{nd} tangent with contact point *P*. The centers of corresponding tetracardioïds lie on two lines:

... Let u and u' be the angle bisectors of the given tangents,

... let v be a perpendicular in P wrt the 2^{nd} tangent,

... then the perpendiculars wrt the angle bisectors in the intersections with v are the loci for centers of tetracardioïds contacting the 2nd tangent in *P*.



If we chose a center P_2 on these lines, the tetracardioïd can be constructed in a way back:

... Let P_3 divide the distance between P_2 and its pedal point on the double tangent with ratio 1:2,

... a parallel to the locus line of the centers through P_3 intersects the perpendicular in *P* in the point *Y*,

...let Ci_2 be a circle round *Y* through *P* and *Z* the reflection of *P* in *Y*,

... let Ci_1 be the circumcircle of Y, Z, P_3 with second intersection X with Ci_2 ,

... the line XY intersects the perpendicular through P_2 wrt the double tangent in P_1 ,

... then the circle *Ci* for the tetracardioid is a circle round P_2 so that P_1 and P_3 lie inverse.

Tetracardioïds with a given double tangent and two other tangents

This constellation gives a triangle ABC: Let AB be the double tangent and AC, BC two tangents. The described properties and constructions give the following CABRI observation:

• Let J be an in- or excenter of ABC, then the angle bisectors of <AJB are the loci for centers of tetracardioïds tangent to AC, BC and double tangent to AB in symmetry.



There are 8 center lines: 4 pairs of parallels or 4 pairs of orthogonal lines, intersecting in the in- and excenters.

Tetracardioïds with a given double tangent and three other tangents

Background now is Morley's constellation for 96 inscribed tetracardioïds of a 4-line, double tangent to one line. But here are only considered the double contacts in symmetry. If one line of the 4-line is declared as double tangent or basic line, there are three triangles with this side line.

• The centers of inscribed tetracardioïds for a 4-line, double tangent to a basic line in symmetry, are the 32 triple intersections of the 8 center lines for the 3 triangles at the basic line.



On each center line of the three triangles are 4 centers of tetracardioïds. This constellation is already described in EQF-message 1083 with the result:

• The 32 centers of inscribed tetracardioids of a 4-line, double tangent to a basic line in symmetry, are the intersections of orthogonal Morley-axes among Bernard Keizer's 96 points of a 4-line wrt a basic line.

Wrt to 4 possible basic lines for a 4-line there are 96 centers of inscribed tetracardioïds, tangent twice to one side in symmetry.

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