# ON TRIANGLES WITH COORDINATES OF VERTICES FROM THE TERMS OF THE SEQUENCES $\{U_{kn}\}$ AND $\{V_{kn}\}$

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ABSTRACT. In this paper, we determine some results of the triangles with coordinates of vertices involving the terms of the sequences  $\{U_{kn}\}$  and  $\{V_{kn}\}$  where  $U_{kn}$  are terms of a second order recurrent sequence and  $V_{kn}$  are terms in the companion sequence for odd positive integer k, generalizing works of Čerin. For example, the cotangent of the Brocard angle of the triangle  $\Delta_{kn}$  is

$$\cot(\Omega_{\Delta_{kn}}) = \frac{U_{k(2n+3)}V_{2k} - V_{k(2n+3)}U_k}{(-1)^n U_{2k}}$$

### 1. INTRODUCTION

The second order sequence  $\{W_n(a,b;p,q)\}$ , or briefly  $\{W_n\}$  is defined for n > 0 by

$$W_{n+1} = pW_n + qW_{n-1}$$

in which  $W_0 = a$ ,  $W_1 = b$ , where a, b are arbitrary integers and p, q are nonzero integers. We denote  $W_n(0, 1; p, 1)$ ,  $W_n(2, p; p, 1)$  by  $U_n$  and  $V_n$ , respectively. When p = 1,  $U_n = F_n$  (the *n*th Fibonacci number) and  $V_n = L_n$  (the *n*th Lucas number).

If  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  are the roots of equation  $x^2 - px - 1 = 0$ , then the Binet formulas of the sequences  $\{U_n\}$  and  $\{V_n\}$  have the forms

$$U_n = \frac{\alpha^n - \beta^n}{\alpha - \beta}$$
 and  $V_n = \alpha^n + \beta^n$ ,

respectively.

In [9], the authors derived the following recurrence relations for the sequences  $\{U_{kn}\}$  and  $\{V_{kn}\}$  for  $k \ge 0$  and n > 1

$$U_{kn} = V_k U_{k(n-1)} + (-1)^{k+1} U_{k(n-2)}$$

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and

$$V_{kn} = V_k V_{k(n-1)} + (-1)^{k+1} V_{k(n-2)}$$

where the initial conditions of the sequences  $\{U_{kn}\}$  and  $\{V_{kn}\}$  are 0,  $U_k$  and 2,  $V_k$ , respectively.

If  $\alpha^k$  and  $\beta^k$  are the roots of equation  $x^2 - V_k x + (-1)^k = 0$ , then the Binet formulas of the sequences  $\{U_{kn}\}$  and  $\{V_{kn}\}$  are given by

$$U_{kn} = \frac{\alpha^{kn} - \beta^{kn}}{\alpha - \beta}$$
 and  $V_{kn} = \alpha^{kn} + \beta^{kn}$ ,

respectively.

In [2], author defined triangles  $\Delta_k$  and  $\Gamma_k$  with vertices  $A_k = (F_k, F_{k+1})$ ,  $B_k = (F_{k+1}, F_{k+2})$ ,  $C_k = (F_{k+2}, F_{k+3})$  and  $P_k = (L_k, L_{k+1})$ ,  $Q_k = (L_{k+1}, L_{k+2})$ ,  $R_k = (L_{k+2}, L_{k+3})$ , respectively. He gave some interesting results of the triangles  $\Delta_k$  and  $\Gamma_k$  and introduced geometric properties of these triangles. In [3], authors defined triangles  $\Delta_k$  and  $\Gamma_k$  with vertices  $A_k = (P_k, P_{k+1})$ ,  $B_k = (P_{k+1}, P_{k+2})$ ,  $C_k = (P_{k+2}, P_{k+3})$  and  $X_k = (Q_k, Q_{k+1})$ ,  $Y_k = (Q_{k+1}, Q_{k+2})$ ,  $Z_k = (Q_{k+2}, Q_{k+3})$ , respectively, where  $P_k$  and  $Q_k$  are Pell and Pell-Lucas numbers, respectively. The numbers  $Q_k$  make the integer sequence A002203 from [11] while the numbers  $\frac{1}{2}P_k$  make A000129. They explored some common properties of the triangles  $\Delta_k$  and  $\Gamma_k$ . There is a great similarity between these two papers in statements of some results in methods of their proofs. But in [3], they gave some new observations like the possibility to consider triangles with mixed coordinates of vertices and the involvement of the homology relation.

ABC and A'B'C' are orthologic triangles if the perpendiculars at vertices of ABC onto corresponding sides of A'B'C' are concurrent. [ABC, A'B'C'] is called the orthology center. It is well known that the relation of orthology for triangles is reflexive and symmetric. Hence, perpendiculars at vertices of A'B'C' onto corresponding sides of ABC are concurrent at the point [A'B'C', ABC] (see [5] and [6]).

By replacing in the above definition perpendiculars with parallels, we get the *paralogic* triangles and the point of concurrence is shown by  $\langle ABC, A'B'C' \rangle$  (see [5]).

In this paper, for odd positive integer k and positive integer n, we define the triangles  $\Delta_{kn}$  and  $\Gamma_{kn}$  with vertices

$$A_{kn} = (U_{kn}, U_{k(n+1)}), \ B_{kn} = (U_{k(n+1)}, U_{k(n+2)}), \ C_{kn} = (U_{k(n+2)}, U_{k(n+3)})$$

and

$$A'_{kn} = (V_{kn}, V_{k(n+1)}), \ B'_{kn} = (V_{k(n+1)}, V_{k(n+2)}), \ C'_{kn} = (V_{k(n+2)}, V_{k(n+3)}),$$

respectively. We determine some results of the triangles with coordinates of vertices from the sequences  $\{U_{kn}\}$  and  $\{V_{kn}\}$ , generalizing works of Čerin [2]. Some computations are done with MAPLE 13 [1].

## 2. Main Results

In this section, we will obtain some results of the triangles with coordinates of vertices involving second order recurrences  $\{U_{kn}\}$  and  $\{V_{kn}\}$ . Firstly, we can give the following generalized Fibonacci identities in [10] used throughout the proofs of Theorems:

LEMMA 2.1. For every positive integers n and m, the following equalities are satisfied:

$$\begin{array}{l} i) \ V_{k(m+n)} + V_{k(m-n)} \ = \ \left\{ \begin{array}{c} V_{km}V_{kn}, & \text{if } n \ is \ even, \\ \left(V_k^2 + 4\right) U_{km}U_{kn}, & \text{if } n \ is \ odd, \end{array} \right. \\ ii) \ V_{k(m+n)} - V_{k(m-n)} \ = \ \left\{ \begin{array}{c} \left(V_k^2 + 4\right) U_{km}U_{kn}, & \text{if } n \ is \ even, \\ V_{km}V_{kn}, & \text{if } n \ is \ odd, \end{array} \right. \\ iii) \ U_{k(m+n)} + U_{k(m-n)} \ = \ \left\{ \begin{array}{c} U_{km}V_{kn}, & \text{if } n \ is \ even, \\ V_{km}U_{kn}, & \text{if } n \ is \ odd, \end{array} \right. \\ \end{array} \right.$$

THEOREM 2.2. For positive integers n and m, the pairs of triangles  $(\Delta_{km}, \Delta_{kn}), (\Delta_{km}, \Gamma_{kn})$  and  $(\Gamma_{km}, \Gamma_{kn})$  are orthologic.

PROOF. It is well-known [4] that the triangles ABC and A'B'C' with coordinates of points  $(a_1, a_2)$ ,  $(b_1, b_2)$ ,  $(c_1, c_2)$  and  $(a'_1, a'_2)$ ,  $(b'_1, b'_2)$ ,  $(c'_1, c'_2)$  are orthologic if and only if

(2.1) 
$$\begin{vmatrix} a_1 & b_1 & c_1 \\ a'_1 & b'_1 & c'_1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \end{vmatrix} + \begin{vmatrix} a_2 & b_2 & c_2 \\ a'_2 & b'_2 & c'_2 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

Since  $U_{kn} = \frac{\alpha^{kn} - \beta^{kn}}{\alpha - \beta}$  and  $V_{kn} = \alpha^{kn} + \beta^{kn}$ , when substitute the coordinates of the vertices of  $\Delta_{km}$  and  $\Delta_{kn}$  in Equation (2.1), we have

$$\frac{\left(\alpha^{k}+\beta^{k}\right)\left(\alpha^{k}\beta^{k}+1\right)\left(\beta^{k}-\alpha^{k}\right)\left(\alpha\beta\right)^{km}\left(\alpha^{k(n-m)}-\beta^{k(n-m)}\right)}{(\alpha-\beta)^{2}}$$

Since  $\alpha^k \neq \beta^k$ ,  $(-1)^k = -1$ , the desired result is obtained. We obtain similar results for  $(\Delta_{km}, \Gamma_{kn})$  and  $(\Gamma_{km}, \Gamma_{kn})$ .

THEOREM 2.3. For positive integer n, the following case for the orthocenters  $H(\Delta_{kn})$  and  $H(\Gamma_{kn})$ , and the orthology centers  $[\Delta_{kn}, \Gamma_{kn}]$  and  $[\Gamma_{kn}, \Delta_{kn}]$ of the triangles  $\Delta_{kn}$  and  $\Gamma_{kn}$  is valid:

$$\frac{|H(\Delta_{kn})[\Delta_{kn},\Gamma_{kn}]|}{|H(\Gamma_{kn})[\Gamma_{kn},\Delta_{kn}]|} = \frac{U_k}{\sqrt{V_k^2 + 4}}$$

PROOF. Using Binet formulas for sequences  $\{U_{kn}\}$  and  $\{V_{kn}\}$ ,  $H(\Delta_{kn})$  has the coordinates

$$\begin{split} &[(-1)^{n+1}(\beta^k)^{12} + 2(-1)^n(\beta^k)^{11} - (-1)^n(\beta^k)^{10} - 2(\alpha^{kn})^2(\beta^k)^7 \\ &+ 2(-1)^n(\alpha^{kn})^4(\beta^k)^5 - (\alpha^{kn})^6(\beta^k)^2 - 2(\alpha^{kn})^6(\beta^k) - (\alpha^{kn})^6] \\ &/[(\beta^k)^5(1 + (\beta^k)^2)(-1)^n(\alpha - \beta)(\alpha^{kn})^3] \end{split}$$

and

$$\begin{split} &[(-1)^{n}(\beta^{k})^{10} - 2(-1)^{n}(\beta^{k})^{9} + (-1)^{n}(\beta^{k})^{8} - 2(\alpha^{kn})^{2}(\beta^{k})^{7} \\ &- 2(-1)^{n}(\alpha^{kn})^{4}(\beta^{k})^{3} - (\alpha^{kn})^{6}(\beta^{k})^{2} - 2(\alpha^{kn})^{6}(\beta^{k}) - (\alpha^{kn})^{6}] \\ &/[(\beta^{k})^{4}(1 + (\beta^{k})^{2})(-1)^{n}(\alpha - \beta)(\alpha^{kn})^{3}]. \end{split}$$

Similarly, the orthocenter  $H(\Gamma_{kn})$  has coordinates

$$\begin{split} &[(-1)^{n+1}(\beta^k)^{12} + 2(-1)^n(\beta^k)^{11} - (-1)^n(\beta^k)^{10} + 2(\alpha^{kn})^2(\beta^k)^7 \\ &+ 2(-1)^n(\alpha^{kn})^4(\beta^k)^5 + (\alpha^{kn})^6(\beta^k)^2 + 2(\alpha^{kn})^6(\beta^k) + (\alpha^{kn})^6] \\ &/[(\beta^k)^5(1 + (\beta^k)^2)(-1)^n(\alpha^{kn})^3] \end{split}$$

and

$$\begin{split} &[(-1)^{n}(\beta^{k})^{10} - 2(-1)^{n}(\beta^{k})^{9} + (-1)^{n}(\beta^{k})^{8} + 2(\alpha^{kn})^{2}(\beta^{k})^{7} \\ &- 2(-1)^{n}(\alpha^{kn})^{4}(\beta^{k})^{3} + (\alpha^{kn})^{6}(\beta^{k})^{2} + 2(\alpha^{kn})^{6}(\beta^{k}) + (\alpha^{kn})^{6}] \\ &/[(\beta^{k})^{4}(1 + (\beta^{k})^{2})(-1)^{n}(\alpha^{kn})^{3}]. \end{split}$$

The orthology center  $[\Delta_{kn}, \Gamma_{kn}]$  has the coordinates

$$\begin{split} &[(-1)^{n}(\beta^{k})^{12} - 2(-1)^{n}(\beta^{k})^{11} + (-1)^{n}(\beta^{k})^{10} - 2(\alpha^{kn})^{2}(\beta^{k})^{7} \\ &+ 2(-1)^{n}(\alpha^{kn})^{4}(\beta^{k})^{5} + (\alpha^{kn})^{6}(\beta^{k})^{2} + 2(\alpha^{kn})^{6}(\beta^{k}) + (\alpha^{kn})^{6}] \\ &/[(\beta^{k})^{5}(1 + (\beta^{k})^{2})(-1)^{n}(\alpha - \beta)(\alpha^{kn})^{3}] \end{split}$$

and

$$\begin{split} &[(-1)^{n+1}(\beta^k)^{10}+2(-1)^n(\beta^k)^9-(-1)^n(\beta^k)^8-2(\alpha^{kn})^2(\beta^k)^7\\ &-2(-1)^n(\alpha^{kn})^4(\beta^k)^3+(\alpha^{kn})^6(\beta^k)^2+2(\alpha^{kn})^6(\beta^k)+(\alpha^{kn})^6]\\ &/[(\beta^k)^4(1+(\beta^k)^2)(-1)^n(\alpha-\beta)(\alpha^{kn})^3]. \end{split}$$

Finally, the orthology center  $[\Gamma_{kn}, \Delta_{kn}]$  has coordinates

$$\begin{split} &[(-1)^n (\beta^k)^{12} - 2(-1)^n (\beta^k)^{11} + (-1)^n (\beta^k)^{10} + 2(\alpha^{kn})^2 (\beta^k)^7 \\ &+ 2(-1)^n (\alpha^{kn})^4 (\beta^k)^5 - (\alpha^{kn})^6 (\beta^k)^2 - 2(\alpha^{kn})^6 (\beta^k) - (\alpha^{kn})^6] \\ &/[(\beta^k)^5 (1 + (\beta^k)^2) (-1)^n (\alpha^{kn})^3] \end{split}$$

and

$$\begin{split} &[(-1)^{n+1}(\beta^k)^{10} + 2(-1)^n(\beta^k)^9 - (-1)^n(\beta^k)^8 + 2(\alpha^{kn})^2(\beta^k)^7 \\ &- 2(-1)^n(\alpha^{kn})^4(\beta^k)^3 - (\alpha^{kn})^6(\beta^k)^2 - 2(\alpha^{kn})^6(\beta^k) - (\alpha^{kn})^6] \\ &/[(\beta^k)^4(1 + (\beta^k)^2)(-1)^n(\alpha^{kn})^3]. \end{split}$$

The square of the distance between the points  $H(\Delta_{kn})$  and  $[\Delta_{kn}, \Gamma_{kn}]$  is

$$|H(\Delta_{kn})[\Delta_{kn},\Gamma_{kn}]|^{2} = 4[(\beta^{k})^{22} - 4(\beta^{k})^{21} + 6(\beta^{k})^{20} - 4(\beta^{k})^{19} + (\beta^{k})^{18} + (\alpha^{kn})^{12}(\beta^{k})^{4} + 4(\alpha^{kn})^{12}(\beta^{k})^{3} + 6(\alpha^{kn})^{12}(\beta^{k})^{2} + 4(\alpha^{kn})^{12}(\beta^{k}) + (\alpha^{kn})^{12}] /[(\alpha^{kn})^{6}(1 + (\beta^{k})^{2})(\beta^{k})^{10}],$$

and the square of the distance between the points  $H(\Gamma_{kn})$  and  $[\Gamma_{kn}, \Delta_{kn}]$  is

$$|H(\Gamma_{kn})[\Gamma_{kn}, \Delta_{kn}, ]|^{2} = 4[(\beta^{k})^{22} - 4(\beta^{k})^{21} + 6(\beta^{k})^{20} - 4(\beta^{k})^{19} + (\beta^{k})^{18} + (\alpha^{kn})^{12}(\beta^{k})^{4} + 4(\alpha^{kn})^{12}(\beta^{k})^{3} + 6(\alpha^{kn})^{12}(\beta^{k})^{2} + 4(\alpha^{kn})^{12}(\beta^{k}) + (\alpha^{kn})^{12}] /[(\alpha^{kn})^{6}(1 + (\beta^{k})^{2})(\beta^{k})^{10}(\alpha - \beta)^{2}].$$
(2.3)

Since (2.2) is exactly  $1/(\alpha - \beta)^2$  multiple of (2.3), the proof is obtained.

THEOREM 2.4. For positive integer n, the oriented areas  $|\Delta_{kn}|$  and  $|\Gamma_{kn}|$  of the triangles  $\Delta_{kn}$  and  $\Gamma_{kn}$  are given as follows :

$$|\Delta_{kn}| = \frac{(-1)^n U_k^2 V_k}{2}$$
 and  $|\Gamma_{kn}| = \frac{(-1)^{n+1} (V_k^2 + 4) V_k}{2}.$ 

PROOF. Since the oriented area of the triangle with vertices whose coordinates are  $(a_1, a_2)$ ,  $(b_1, b_2)$  and  $(c_1, c_2)$  is equal to

$$\frac{(c_1-b_1)a_2+(a_1-c_1)b_2+(b_1-a_1)c_2}{2},$$

we get

$$|\Delta_{kn}| = -\frac{\alpha^{kn}\beta^{kn}(\alpha^k - 1)(\beta^k - 1)(\alpha^k - \beta^k)^2}{2(\alpha - \beta)^2}.$$

Using  $(\alpha\beta)^{kn} = (-1)^n$ , we get desired equality. Similarly, we obtain the oriented area formula for  $\Gamma_{kn}$ .

THEOREM 2.5. For every positive integer n, the triangles  $\Delta_{kn}$  and  $\Gamma_{kn}$  are reversely similar and the sides of  $\Gamma_{kn}$  are  $\frac{\sqrt{V_k^2+4}}{U_k}$  times longer than the corresponding sides of  $\Delta_{kn}$ .

PROOF. Recall that two triangles are reversely similar if and only if they are orthologic and paralogic (see [5]). By Theorem 2.2, we know that the triangles  $\Delta_{kn}$  and  $\Gamma_{kn}$  are orthologic, it remains to see that they are paralogic. It is well known that the triangles ABC and A'B'C' with coordinates of

points  $(a_1, a_2)$ ,  $(b_1, b_2)$ ,  $(c_1, c_2)$  and  $(a'_1, a'_2)$ ,  $(b'_1, b'_2)$  and  $(c'_1, c'_2)$ , respectively are paralogic if and only if the expression X - Y is equal to zero, where

$$X = \begin{vmatrix} a_1 & b_1 & c_1 \\ a'_2 & b'_2 & c'_2 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \end{vmatrix}, \quad Y = \begin{vmatrix} a_2 & b_2 & c_2 \\ a'_1 & b'_1 & c'_1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \end{vmatrix}.$$

Using coordinates of vertices of triangles  $\Delta_{kn}$  and  $\Gamma_{kn}$ , we get that X - Y = 0. Therefore these triangles are paralogic. In similar way, one can clearly show that  $|A'_{kn}B'_{kn}|^2 = (\alpha - \beta)^2 |A_{kn}B_{kn}|^2$ . Thus, the proof is completed.  $\Box$ 

THEOREM 2.6. For every positive integer n, the centers  $[\Delta_{kn}, \Gamma_{kn}]$  and  $<\Delta_{kn}, \Gamma_{kn} >$  are antipodal points on the circumcircle of  $\Delta_{kn}$ . The centers  $[\Gamma_{kn}, \Delta_{kn}]$  and  $<\Gamma_{kn}, \Delta_{kn} >$  are antipodal points on the circumcircle of  $\Gamma_{kn}$ .

PROOF. We shall prove that the orthology center  $[\Delta_{kn}, \Gamma_{kn}]$  lies on the circumcircle of  $\Delta_{kn}$ . We show that it has the same distance from its circumcenter  $O(\Delta_{kn})$  as the vertex  $A_{kn}$  and that the reflection of the point  $\langle \Delta_{kn}, \Gamma_{kn} \rangle$  in the circumcenter  $O(\Delta_{kn})$  agrees with the point  $[\Delta_{kn}, \Gamma_{kn}]$ .

The circumcenter  $O(\Delta_{kn})$  has coordinates

$$\begin{split} & [(-1)^n (\beta^k)^{12} - 2(-1)^n (\beta^k)^{11} + (-1)^n (\beta^k)^{10} - (\alpha^{kn})^2 (\beta^k)^9 \\ & - (\alpha^{kn})^2 (\beta^k)^8 + (-1)^n (\beta^k)^7 (\alpha^{kn})^4 - (\alpha^{kn})^2 (\beta^k)^6 \\ & - (-1)^n (\alpha^{kn})^4 (\beta^k)^6 - (\alpha^{kn})^2 (\beta^k)^5 - (-1)^n (\alpha^{kn})^4 (\beta^k)^4 \\ & + (-1)^n (\alpha^{kn})^4 (\beta^k)^3 + (\alpha^{kn})^6 (\beta^k)^2 + 2(\alpha^{kn})^6 (\beta^k) + (\alpha^{kn})^6] \\ / [2(-1)^n (\beta^k)^5 (\alpha^{kn})^3 ((\beta^k)^2 + 1) (\alpha - \beta)] \end{split}$$

and

$$\begin{split} & [-(-1)^{n}(\beta^{k})^{10} - (\alpha^{kn})^{2}(\beta^{k})^{9} + 2(-1)^{n}(\beta^{k})^{9} - (-1)^{n}(\beta^{k})^{8} \\ & - (\alpha^{kn})^{2}(\beta^{k})^{8} - (\beta^{k})^{6}(\alpha^{kn})^{2} - (-1)^{n}(\alpha^{kn})^{4}(\beta^{k})^{5} \\ & - (\alpha^{kn})^{2}(\beta^{k})^{5} + (-1)^{n}(\alpha^{kn})^{4}(\beta^{k})^{4} + (-1)^{n}(\alpha^{kn})^{4}(\beta^{k})^{2} \\ & + (\alpha^{kn})^{6}(\beta^{k})^{2} + 2(\alpha^{kn})^{6}(\beta^{k}) - (-1)^{n}(\alpha^{kn})^{4}(\beta^{k}) + (\alpha^{kn})^{6}] \\ / [2(-1)^{n}(\beta^{k})^{4}(\alpha^{kn})^{3}((\beta^{k})^{2} + 1)(\alpha - \beta)]. \end{split}$$

We give the coordinates of the center  $[\Delta_{kn}, \Gamma_{kn}]$  in the proof of Theorem 2.3. The coordinates of the center  $\langle \Delta_{kn}, \Gamma_{kn} \rangle$  are

$$-[-(\alpha^{kn})^{2} + (\alpha^{kn})^{2}(\beta^{k}) + 2(\alpha^{kn})^{2}(\beta^{k})^{2} + (-1)^{n}(\beta^{k})^{3} - 2(-1)^{n}(\beta^{k})^{4} + (\alpha^{kn})^{2}(\beta^{k})^{3} + (-1)^{n}(\beta^{k})^{2} + (-1)^{n}(\beta^{k})^{5} - (\alpha^{kn})^{2}(\beta^{k})^{4} + (-1)^{n}(\beta^{k})^{6}] /[(\beta^{k})^{2}(\alpha^{kn})((\beta^{k})^{2} + 1)(\alpha - \beta)]$$

and

$$-[(-1)^{n}(\beta^{k})^{8} + (-1)^{n}(\beta^{k})^{7} - 2(-1)^{n}(\beta^{k})^{6} + (-1)^{n}(\beta^{k})^{5} + (-1)^{n}(\beta^{k})^{4} - 2(\alpha^{kn})^{2}(\beta^{k})^{2} + (\alpha^{kn})^{2}(\beta^{k})^{4} - (\alpha^{kn})^{2}(\beta^{k})^{3} - (\alpha^{kn})^{2}(\beta^{k}) + (\alpha^{kn})^{2}] /[(\beta^{k})^{3}(\alpha^{kn})((\beta^{k})^{2} + 1)(\alpha - \beta)].$$

Now, we have

$$|[\Delta_{kn}, \Gamma_{kn}]O(\Delta_{kn})|^2 - |O(\Delta_{kn})A_{kn}|^2 = 0.$$

On the other hand, if R denotes the reflection of the point  $\langle \Delta_{kn}, \Gamma_{kn} \rangle$  in the circumcenter  $O(\Delta_{kn})$  (i.e. R divides the segment  $\langle \Delta_{kn}, \Gamma_{kn} \rangle O(\Delta_{kn})$  in ratio -2), then  $|W[\Delta_{kn}, \Gamma_{kn}]|^2 = 0$ . The second claim has a similar proof.

Define the first Brocard point as the interior point  $\Omega$  of a triangle ABCfor which the angles  $\angle \Omega AB$ ,  $\angle \Omega BC$ ,  $\angle \Omega CA$  are equal to an angle  $\omega$ . Similarly, define the second Brocard point as the interior point  $\Omega'$  for which the angles  $\angle \Omega' AC$ ,  $\angle \Omega' CB$ ,  $\angle \Omega' BA$  are equal to an angle  $\omega'$ . Thus,  $\omega = \omega'$ , and this angle is called the Brocard angle [8].

THEOREM 2.7. The cotangent of the Brocard angle of the triangle  $\Delta_{kn}$  is equal to

$$\cot\left(\Omega_{\Delta_{kn}}\right) = \frac{U_{k(2n+3)}V_{2k} - V_{k(2n+3)}U_k}{(-1)^n U_{2k}}$$

PROOF. Since the cotangent of the Brocard angle of the triangle with vertices  $A(a_1, a_2)$ ,  $B(b_1, b_2)$  and  $C(c_1, c_2)$  is equal to

$$\frac{(a_1-b_1)^2 + (a_1-c_1)^2 + (b_1-c_1)^2 + (a_2-b_2)^2 + (a_2-c_2)^2 + (b_2-c_2)^2}{2\begin{vmatrix} a_1 & b_1 & c_1 \\ a_2 & b_2 & c_2 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \end{vmatrix}},$$

we get

$$\cot(\Omega_{\Delta_{kn}}) = [\alpha^{2kn}(1-\alpha^k+\alpha^{2k}-2\alpha^{3k}+\alpha^{4k}-\alpha^{5k}+\alpha^{6k})+\beta^{2kn}(1-\beta^k+\beta^{2k}-2\beta^{3k}+\beta^{4k}-\beta^{5k}+\beta^{6k})]/[(-1)^n(\alpha^k-\beta^k)^2(\alpha^k+\beta^k)].$$

Using Binet formulas of sequences  $\{U_{kn}\}$  and  $\{V_{kn}\}$  and Lemma 2.1 (i) and (ii), we have

$$\cot(\Omega_{\Delta_{kn}}) = (V_{2kn} - V_{k(2n+1)} + V_{k(2n+2)} - 2V_{k(2n+3)} + V_{k(2n+4)} - V_{k(2n+5)} + V_{k(2n+6)} / [(-1)^n V_k (V_k^2 + 4)]$$

$$= \frac{\frac{(V_k^2 + 4)}{U_k} (U_{k(2n+1)} - U_{k(2n+2)} + U_{k(2n+5)} - U_{k(2n+4)})}{(-1)^n V_k (V_k^2 + 4)}$$

$$= \frac{\frac{(V_k^2 + 4)}{U_k} (U_{k(2n+3)} V_{2k} - V_{k(2n+3)} U_k)}{(-1)^n V_k (V_k^2 + 4)}$$

$$= \frac{U_{k(2n+3)} V_{2k} - V_{k(2n+3)} U_k}{(-1)^n U_{2k}}.$$

Thus the proof is complete.

For odd positive integer k and every positive integers n, let  $\Phi_{kn}$  and  $\Psi_{kn}$  be the triangles with vertices

$$D_{kn} = (-U_{kn}, V_{kn}), E_{kn} = (-U_{k(n+2)}, V_{k(n+2)}), F_{kn} = (-U_{k(n+4)}, V_{k(n+4)})$$
  
and

and

$$D'_{kn} = (U_{k(n+2)}, V_{k(n+2)}), \ E'_{kn} = (U_{k(n+4)}, V_{k(n+4)}), \ F'_{kn} = (U_{k(n+6)}, V_{k(n+6)})$$

respectively. Recall that triangles ABC and XYZ are homologic provided lines AX, BY and CZ are concurrent. The point P in which they concur is called their homology *center* and the line l containing intersection points  $BC \cap YZ$ ,  $CA \cap ZX$  and  $AB \cap XY$  is called their homology *axis*.

THEOREM 2.8. For every positive integer n, the lines  $D_{kn}D'_{kn}$ ,  $E_{kn}E'_{kn}$ and  $F_{kn}F'_{kn}$  are parallel to the line  $y = \frac{V_k^2 + 4}{U_{2k}}x$  so that the triangles  $\Phi_{kn}$  and  $\Psi_{kn}$  are homologic. Their homology center is the point at infinity and their homology axis is the line  $y = \frac{V_k^2 + 4}{U_{2k}}x$ . They are paralogic but not orthologic. The oriented areas of the triangles  $\Phi_{kn}$  and  $\Psi_{kn}$  are  $2(-1)^n(2-V_{2k})U_{2k}$  and  $2(-1)^{n+1}(2-V_{2k})U_{2k}$ , respectively.

PROOF. The lines  $D_{kn}D'_{kn}$ ,  $E_{kn}E'_{kn}$  and  $F_{kn}F'_{kn}$  have equations

$$V_k x - U_k y + 2U_{k(n+1)} = 0,$$
  
 $V_k x - U_k y + 2U_{k(n+3)} = 0,$ 

and

$$V_k x - U_k y + 2U_{k(n+5)} = 0$$

It is clearly seen that they are parallel to the line  $y = \frac{V_k^2 + 4}{U_{2k}}x$ .

Intersection points are

$$D_{kn}E_{kn} \cap D'_{kn}E'_{kn} = \left(\frac{(-1)^{kn}U_{2k}}{V_{k(n+2)}}, \frac{(-1)^{kn}(V_k^2+4)}{V_{k(n+2)}}\right),$$
$$E_{kn}F_{kn} \cap E'_{kn}F'_{kn} = \left(\frac{(-1)^{kn}U_{2k}}{V_{k(n+4)}}, \frac{(-1)^{kn}(V_k^2+4)}{V_{k(n+4)}}\right)$$

and

$$F_{kn}D_{kn} \cap F'_{kn}D'_{kn} = \left(-\frac{v_k d}{2(V_k^2 + 4)U_{k(n+3)}}, -\frac{d}{2U_k U_{k(n+3)}}\right),$$

where  $d = 2(-1)^{n+1} \frac{2V_{2k}+V_{4k}+2}{V_k^2+4} U_k^2$ . We conclude that the homology axis of the triangles  $\Phi_{kn}$  and  $\Psi_{kn}$  is the line  $y = \frac{V_k^2+4}{U_{2k}}x$ . From simple calculations, it is seen that the triangles  $\Phi_{kn}$  and  $\Psi_{kn}$  are paralogic but not orthologic. Also the oriented areas of the triangles  $\Phi_{kn}$  and  $\Psi_{kn}$  are easily obtained from the area formula.

For odd positive integer k and every positive integer n, let  $\Theta_{kn}$  and  $\Lambda_{kn}$  be the triangles with vertices

$$R_{kn} = (U_{kn}, U_{k(n+4)}), \ S_{kn} = (U_{k(n+2)}, U_{k(n+6)}), \ T_{kn} = (U_{k(n+4)}, U_{k(n+8)})$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} R'_{kn} &= (U_k V_{k(n+1)}, U_k V_{k(n+3)}), \ S'_{kn} &= (U_k V_{k(n+3)}, U_k V_{k(n+5)}), \\ T'_{kn} &= (U_k V_{k(n+5)}, U_k V_{k(n+7)}), \end{aligned}$$

respectively.

THEOREM 2.9. For every positive integer n, the lines  $R_{kn}R'_{kn}$ ,  $S_{kn}S'_{kn}$ and  $T_{kn}T'_{kn}$  are parallel to the line y = -x so that the triangles  $\Theta_{kn}$  and  $\Lambda_{kn}$  are homologic. Their homology center is the point at infinity and their homology axis is the line y = -x. They are orthologic but not paralogic. The oriented areas of the triangles  $\Theta_{kn}$  and  $\Lambda_{kn}$  are  $(-1)^{n+1}(2-V_{2k})U_{4k}U_{2k}$  and  $(-1)^{n+1}(4-V_{2k}^2)U_{2k}$ , respectively.

**PROOF.** The lines  $R_{kn}R'_{kn}$ ,  $S_{kn}S'_{kn}$  and  $T_{kn}T'_{kn}$  have equations

 $x - y + U_{2k}V_{k(n+2)} = 0$ ,  $x - y + U_{2k}V_{k(n+4)} = 0$  and  $x - y + U_{2k}V_{k(n+6)} = 0$ .

It is clearly seen that they are parallel to line y = -x. Since the intersection points are

$$R_{kn}S_{kn} \cap R'_{kn}S'_{kn} = \left(\frac{(-1)^{n+1}U_{2k}U_k}{U_{k(n+3)}}, \frac{(-1)^n V_k U_k^2}{U_{k(n+3)}}\right),$$

$$S_{kn}T_{kn} \cap S'_{kn}T'_{kn} = \begin{pmatrix} U_{k(n+3)}, & U_{k(n+3)} \end{pmatrix}$$
$$S_{kn}T_{kn} \cap S'_{kn}T'_{kn} = \begin{pmatrix} (-1)^{n+1}U_{2k}U_k, & (-1)^nV_kU_k^2 \\ U_{k(n+5)}, & U_{k(n+5)} \end{pmatrix}$$

and

$$T_{kn}R_{kn} \cap T'_{kn}R'_{kn} = \left(\frac{(-1)^{n+1}U_{2k}V_{2k}}{V_{k(n+4)}}, \frac{(-1)^n U_{2k}V_{2k}}{V_{k(n+4)}}\right),$$

we conclude that the homology axis of the triangles  $\Theta_{kn}$  and  $\Lambda_{kn}$  is the line y = -x. From simple calculations, it is seen that the triangles  $\Theta_{kn}$  and  $\Lambda_{kn}$  are orthologic but not paralogic. Also the oriented areas of the triangles  $\Theta_{kn}$  and  $\Lambda_{kn}$  are easily obtained from the area formula.

Theorem 2.10. For every positive integer n, we have

(i) The distance between the centroids  $G(\Delta_n)$  and  $G(\Gamma_n)$  of the triangles  $\Delta_n$  and  $\Gamma_n$  is equal to

$$\frac{(p^2+3)}{3}\sqrt{U_{2n+3}}$$

(ii) The square of the diameter of the circumcircle of the triangle  $\Delta_m$  is equal to

$$\frac{U_{2n+3}((p^2+8)U_{2n+3}^2-4+p^2-4U_{2(2n+3)})}{4}.$$

**PROOF.** (i) Using Binet formulas of sequences  $\{U_n\}$  and  $\{V_n\}$ , we have

$$G(\Delta_n) = \left(\frac{U_n + U_{n+1} + U_{n+2}}{3}, \frac{U_{n+1} + U_{n+2} + U_{n+3}}{3}\right)$$
$$= \left(\frac{\beta^n - \alpha^n - \alpha^{n+1} + \beta^{n+1} - \alpha^{n+2} + \beta^{n+2}}{3(\beta - \alpha)}, \frac{\beta^{n+1} - \alpha^{n+1} - \alpha^{n+3} + \beta^{n+3} - \alpha^{n+2} + \beta^{n+2}}{3(\beta - \alpha)}\right)$$

and

$$G(\Gamma_n) = \left(\frac{V_n + V_{n+1} + V_{n+2}}{3}, \frac{V_{n+1} + V_{n+2} + V_{n+3}}{3}\right)$$
$$= \left(\frac{\beta^n + \alpha^n + \alpha^{n+1} + \beta^{n+1} + \alpha^{n+2} + \beta^{n+2}}{3}, \frac{\beta^{n+1} + \alpha^{n+1} + \alpha^{n+3} + \beta^{n+3} + \alpha^{n+2} + \beta^{n+2}}{3}\right)$$

From the distance formula between two points, we get

$$\begin{aligned} |G(\Delta_n)G(\Gamma_n)| &= \left[\alpha^{2n}(\alpha^8 + 3\alpha^6 + 5\alpha^4 + 5\alpha^2 + \beta^2 + 3) + \beta^{2n}(\beta^8 + 3\beta^6 + 5\beta^4 + 5\beta^2 + \alpha^2 + 3)\right] / \left[9(\alpha - \beta)^2\right] \\ &= \frac{V_{2n+8} + 3V_{2n+6} + 5V_{2n+4} + 5V_{2n+2} + V_{2n-2} + 3V_{2n}}{9(\alpha - \beta)^2}. \end{aligned}$$

From the Binet formulas of sequences  $\{U_n\}$  and  $\{V_n\},$  and using Lemma 2.1, we get

$$\begin{split} |G(\Delta_n)G(\Gamma_n)| &= [5U_{2n+3}U_1 \left(\alpha - \beta\right)^2 + U_{2n-1}U_1 \left(\alpha - \beta\right)^2 \\ &+ U_{2n+7}U_1 \left(\alpha - \beta\right)^2 + 2V_{2n} + 2V_{2n+6}]/[9 \left(\alpha - \beta\right)^2] \\ &= [5U_{2n+3}U_1 \left(\alpha - \beta\right)^2 + U_1 \left(\alpha - \beta\right)^2 U_{2n+3}V_4 \\ &+ 2U_{2n+3}U_3 \left(\alpha - \beta\right)^2]/[9 \left(\alpha - \beta\right)^2] \\ &= \frac{(\alpha - \beta)^2 U_{2n+3} \left[5U_1 + U_1V_4 + 2U_3\right]}{9 \left(\alpha - \beta\right)^2} \\ &= \frac{U_{2n+3} \left[5U_1 + U_1V_4 + 2U_3\right]}{9} = \frac{(p^2 + 3)}{3} \sqrt{U_{2n+3}}. \end{split}$$

(ii) The circumcenter  $O(\Delta_n)$  has the coordinates

$$\begin{split} &[(\alpha^{n})^{2}(\alpha^{n}(\alpha^{8}-2\alpha^{7}+\alpha^{6}-\alpha^{4}+2\alpha^{3}-\alpha^{2})+\beta^{n}(-\alpha^{5}-\alpha^{4}-\alpha^{2}\\ &-\beta^{3}+\beta^{2}+1))-(\beta^{n})^{2}(\beta^{n}(\beta^{8}-2\beta^{7}+\beta^{6}-\beta^{4}+2\beta^{3}-\beta^{2})\\ &+\alpha^{n}(-\beta^{5}-\beta^{4}-\beta^{2}-\alpha^{3}+\alpha^{2}+1))]/(2(\alpha-\beta)^{3}(-1)^{n+1}(\alpha+\beta)) \end{split}$$

and

$$\begin{split} &[(\alpha^{n})^{2}(\alpha^{n}(\alpha^{7}-2\alpha^{6}+\alpha^{5}-\alpha^{3}+2\alpha^{2}-\alpha)+\beta^{n}(\alpha^{6}+\alpha^{5}+\alpha^{3}-\alpha\\ &-\beta^{2}+\beta))-(\beta^{n})^{2}(\beta^{n}(\beta^{7}-2\beta^{6}+\beta^{5}-\beta^{3}+2\beta^{2}-\beta)+\alpha^{n}(\beta^{6}+\beta^{5}\\ &+\beta^{3}-\beta-\alpha^{2}+\alpha))]/(2(\alpha-\beta)^{3}(-1)^{n}(\alpha+\beta)). \end{split}$$

Hence, the square of the distance between circumcenter  $O(\ \Delta_n)$  and vertex  $A_n$  is

$$\begin{aligned} |O(\Delta_n)A_n|^2 &= ((\beta^n)^2(\beta^4 - 2\beta^3 + 2\beta^2 - 2\beta + 1) + (\alpha^n)^2(\alpha^4 - 2\alpha^3 + 2\alpha^2 \\ &- 2\alpha + 1))((\beta^n)^2(\beta^6 - \beta^4 - \beta^2 + 1) + (\alpha^n)^2(\alpha^6 - \alpha^4 - \alpha^2 \\ &+ 1))((\beta^n)^2(\beta^6 - 2\beta^5 + 2\beta^4 - 2\beta^3 + \beta^2) + (\alpha^n)^2(\alpha^6 - 2\alpha^5 \\ &+ 2\alpha^4 - 2\alpha^3 + \alpha^2))/(4(\alpha - \beta)^6(\beta - 1)^2(\alpha - 1)^2). \end{aligned}$$

From the Binet formulas of sequences  $\{U_n\}$  and  $\{V_n\}$ , we get

$$|O(\Delta_{n})A_{n}|^{2} = [(V_{2n+4} - 2V_{2n+3} + 2V_{2n+2} - 2V_{2n+1} + V_{2n}) \\ \times (V_{2n+6} - V_{2n+4} - V_{2n+2} + V_{2n}) \\ \times (V_{2n+6} - 2V_{2n+5} + 2V_{2n+4} - 2V_{2n+3} + V_{2n+2})] \\ /[4(\alpha - \beta)^{6}(\beta - 1)^{2}(\alpha - 1)^{2}].$$

By Lemma 2.1, we get

$$|O(\Delta_n)A_n|^2 = [((p^2+4) U_{2n+3} + V_{2n+2} - 2(p^2+4) U_{2n+2} + V_{2n}) \times p(V_{2n+5} - V_{2n+1})((p^2+4)U_{2n+5} + V_{2n+4} - 2(p^2+4)U_{2n+4} + V_{2n+2})]/[4p^2(p^2+4)^3]$$

$$= [(p^{2}+4) (U_{2n+3} - 2U_{2n+2} + U_{2n+1}) p ((p^{2}+4) U_{2n+3}U_{2}) (p^{2}+4) \times (U_{2n+5} - 2U_{2n+4} + U_{2n+3})]/[4p^{2} (p^{2}+4)^{3}]$$

$$= \frac{(V_{2n+2} - 2U_{2n+2})U_{2n+3}(V_{2n+4} - 2U_{2n+4})}{4}$$

$$= \frac{U_{2n+3} (V_{2n+2}V_{2n+4} - 4U_{4n+6} + 4U_{2n+2}U_{2n+4})}{4}$$

$$= \frac{U_{2n+3} (2V_{2(2n+3)} - p^{2}U_{2n+3}^{2} + p^{2} - 4U_{2(2n+3)})}{4}$$

$$= \frac{U_{2n+3} (2 ((p^{2}+4) U_{2n+3}^{2} - 2) - p^{2}U_{2n+3}^{2} + p^{2} - 4U_{2(2n+3)})}{4},$$
haimed.

as claimed.

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# O trokutima s koordinatama vrhova u nizovima $\{U_{kn}\}$ i $\{V_{kn}\}$

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SAŽETAK. U ovom članku su dobiveni neki rezultati o trokutima čije su koordinate vrhova članovi nizova  $\{U_{kn}\}$  i  $\{V_{kn}\}$ , gdje su  $U_{kn}$  članovi rekurzivnog niza drugog reda, a  $V_{kn}$  su članovi njemu pridruženog niza, za neparan prirodan broj k, čime su poopćeni rezultati Z. Čerina. Primjerice, kogantens Brocardovog kuta trokuta  $\Delta_{kn}$  je  $\cot(\Omega_{\Delta_{kn}}) = \frac{U_{k(2n+3)}V_{2k}-V_{k(2n+3)}U_k}{(-1)^n U_{2k}}$ .

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