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AN INNOVATIVE ANALYSIS TO DEVELOP NEW THEOREMS ON IRREGULAR POLYGON

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ABSTRACT

The irregular Polygon is a four sided polygon of two dimensional geometrical figures. The triangle, square, rectangle, tetragon, pentagon, hexagon, heptagon, octagon, nonagon, dodecagon, parallelogram, rhombus, rhomboid, trapezium or trapezoidal, kite and dart are the members of the irregular polygon family. A polygon is a two dimensional example of the more general prototype in any number of dimensions. However the properties are varied from one to another. The author has attempted to develop two new theorems for the property of irregular polygon for a point anywhere inside of the polygon with necessary illustrations, appropriate examples and derivation of equations for better understanding.

Key Words: Irregular Polygon, Triangle, Right-angled triangle, Perpendicular and Vertex

INTRODUCTION

Polygon (Weisstein, 2003) is a closed two dimensional figure formed by connecting three or more straight line segments, where each line segment end connects to only one end of two other line segments. Polygon is one of the most all-encompassing shapes in two- dimensional geometry. The sum of the interior angles is equal to 180 degree multiplied by number of sides minus two. The sum of the exterior angles is equal to 360 degree. From the simple triangle up through square, rectangle, tetragon, pentagon, hexagon, heptagon, octagon, nonagon, dodecagon (Weisstein, 2003,) and beyond is called n-gon. Depending on its interior vertex (Weisstein, 2003) angle, the polygon is divided into various categories viz.,

Convex polygon (Weisstein, 2003) a polygon with all diagonals in the interior of the polygon. All vertices point outward concave, at least one vertex point inward towards the center of the polygon. A convex polygon is defined as a polygon with all its interior angles less than 180°.

Concave polygon (Weisstein, 2003) a non-convex. The concave polygon is a simple polygon having at least one interior angle greater than 180°.

Simple polygon (Weisstein, 2003) it does not cross itself.

Complex polygon (Weisstein, 2003) its path may self-intersect. It looks as combined polygons.

Equiangular polygon: all its corner angles are equal.

Cyclic polygon: all corners lie on a single circle.

Isogonal or vertex-transitive polygon: all corners lie within the same symmetry orbit. The polygon is also cyclic and equiangular.

Equilateral polygon or Regular Polygon (Weisstein, 2003) all edges are of the same length. (A polygon with five or more sides can be equilateral without being convex).

Isotoxal or edge-transitive polygon: all sides lie within the same symmetry orbit. The polygon is also equilateral.

Tangential polygon: all sides are tangent to an inscribed circle.

The particular cases of the polygons are: Square (Weisstein, 2003) and Rhombus (Weisstein, 2003).

NEW THEOREM ON IRREGULAR POLYGON

Theorem 1:

Suppose P is a point anywhere inside of the irregular polygon, points A_1 , A_2 , A_3 , ... A_n are the vertices of the polygon and points M_1 , M_2 , M_3 , ... M_n are the perpendicular projection of the point P on the sides

 $\overline{A_1 A_2}$, $\overline{A_2 A_3}$, $\overline{A_3 A_4}$... $\overline{A_n A_1}$ of the polygon. If $\overline{M_1 A_1}$, $\overline{M_2 A_2}$, $\overline{M_3 A_3}$, ..., $\overline{M_n A_n}$ are left part line segment and $\overline{M_1A_2}$, $\overline{M_2A_3}$, $\overline{M_3A_4}$, ..., $\overline{M_nA_1}$ are right part of the line segment of the sides respectively then the sum of the squares of all the left side line segments is equal to the sum of the squares of all the right side line segments (ref. fig.1). The mathematical form of the theorem is

$$(\overline{M_1 A_1})^2 + (\overline{M_2 A_2})^2 + (\overline{M_3 A_3})^2 + \dots + (\overline{M_n A_n})^2 = (\overline{M_1 A_2})^2 + (\overline{M_2 A_3})^2 + (\overline{M_3 A_4})^2 + \dots + (\overline{M_n A_1})^2$$

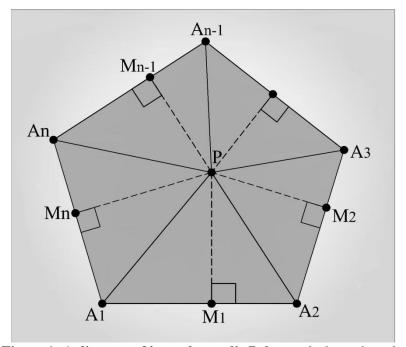


Figure 1: A diagram of irregular cyclic Polygon A_1A_2 ... $A_{n-1}A_n$

Derivation of equations for theorem-1

Point P is anywhere in the ellipse, points A_1 , A_2 , A_3 , ... A_n are the vertices of the polygon and points M_1 , M_2 , M_3 , ... M_n are the projection of the point P on the sides of the polygon $\overline{A_1A_2}$, $\overline{A_2A_3}$, $\overline{A_3A_4}$... $\overline{A_n A_1}$ respectively. Therefore, $\overline{PM_1} \perp \overline{A_1 A_2}$, $\overline{PM_2} \perp \overline{A_2 A_3} \dots \overline{PM_n} \perp \overline{A_n A_1}$. Point P is joined with vertices of the polygon. $\overline{PA_1}$, $\overline{PA_2}$, $\overline{PA_3}$, ... $\overline{PA_n}$ are the distance of the vertices from point P.

Let,
$$\frac{PA_1}{PM_1} = a_1$$
, $\frac{PA_2}{PM_2} = a_2$, $\frac{PA_3}{PM_3} = a_3$, ... $\frac{PA_n}{PM_n} = a_n$
Let, $\frac{PM_1}{A_1A_2} = b_1$, $\frac{PM_2}{A_2A_3} = b_2$, $\frac{PM_3}{A_3A_4} = b_3$, ... $\frac{PM_n}{A_nA_1} = b_n$
Let, $\frac{PM_1}{A_1A_1} = c_1$, $\frac{PM_1}{A_1A_2} = d_1$, $\frac{PM_2}{A_1A_2} = c_2$, $\frac{PM_1}{A_1A_2} = d_2$, ... $\frac{PM_n}{A_nA_n} = c_n$, $\frac{PM_n}{A_nA_1} = d_n$

Referring fig. 2,

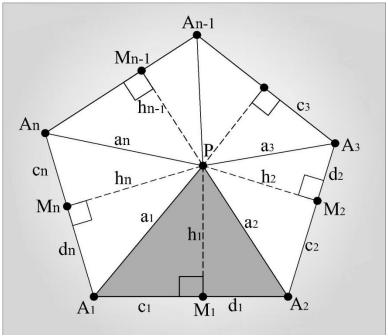


Figure 2: A diagram of irregular polygon with ΔPA_1A_2

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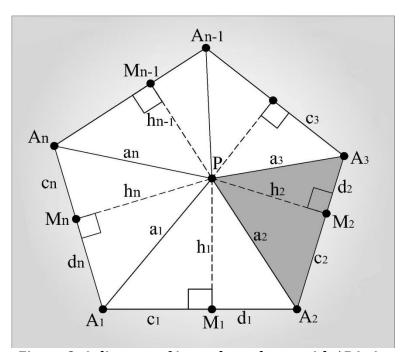


Figure 3: A diagram of irregular polygon with ΔPA_2A_3 In right triangle PM_2A_2 , $\overline{PA_2}^2 = \overline{PM_2}^2 + \overline{M_2A_2}^2$ Substituting, $\overline{PA_2} = a_2$, $\overline{PM_2} = h_2$, $\overline{M_2A_2} = c_2$, we get $a_2^2 = h_2^2 + c_2^2$

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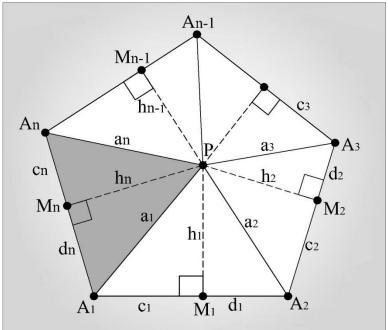


Figure 4: A diagram of irregular polygon with ΔPA_nA_1

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The equation 10 is the mathematical form of the theorem-1.

Theorem 2:

Suppose P is a point anywhere inside of the irregular polygon, points A_1 , A_2 , A_3 , ... A_n are the vertices of the polygon and points M_1 , M_2 , M_3 , ... M_n are the perpendicular projection of the point P on the sides $\overline{A_1 A_2}$, $\overline{A_2 A_3}$, $\overline{A_3 A_4}$... $\overline{A_n A_1}$ of the polygon. If $\overline{M_1 A_1}$, $\overline{M_2 A_2}$, $\overline{M_3 A_3}$, ..., $\overline{M_n A_n}$ are left part line segment and M_1A_2 , M_2A_3 , M_3A_4 , ..., M_nA_1 are right part line segment of the sides respectively then the sum of the squares of all the sides of the polygon and twice the sum of the squares of all the perpendiculars is equal to twice the sum of the squares of the distance of point P from the vertices and twice the sum of the product of right side line segments and right side line segments (ref. fig.1). The mathematical form of the theorem is

$$\begin{split} &\left(\overline{\mathbf{A}_{1}}\overline{\mathbf{A}_{2}}^{2} + \overline{\mathbf{A}_{2}}\overline{\mathbf{A}_{3}}^{2} + \overline{\mathbf{A}_{3}}\overline{\mathbf{A}_{4}}^{2} + \dots + \overline{\mathbf{A}_{n}}\overline{\mathbf{A}_{1}}^{2}\right) + 2\left(\overline{\mathbf{P}}\overline{\mathbf{M}_{1}}^{2} + \overline{\mathbf{P}}\overline{\mathbf{M}_{2}}^{2} + \overline{\mathbf{P}}\overline{\mathbf{M}_{3}}^{2} + \dots + \overline{\mathbf{P}}\overline{\mathbf{M}_{n}}^{2}\right) \\ &= 2\left(\overline{\mathbf{P}}\overline{\mathbf{A}_{1}}^{2} + \overline{\mathbf{P}}\overline{\mathbf{A}_{2}}^{2} + \dots + \overline{\mathbf{P}}\overline{\mathbf{A}_{n}}^{2}\right) + 2\left[\left(\overline{M_{1}}\overline{A_{1}} \times \overline{M_{1}}\overline{A_{2}}\right) + \left(\overline{M_{2}}\overline{A_{2}} \times \overline{M_{2}}\overline{A_{3}}\right) + \dots + \left(\overline{M_{n}}\overline{A_{n}} \times \overline{M_{n}}\overline{A_{1}}\right)\right] \end{split}$$

Derivation of equations for theorem-2

Adding [1] and [2], Adding [4] and [5].

Adding [11] to [13], we get

$$\Rightarrow a_1^2 + a_2^2 + a_2^2 + a_3^2 + \dots + a_n^2 + a_1^2$$

$$= h_1^2 + c_1^2 + h_1^2 + d_1^2 + h_2^2 + c_2^2 + h_2^2 + d_2^2 + \dots + h_n^2 + c_n^2 + h_n^2 + d_n^2$$

$$\Rightarrow 2(a_1^2 + a_2^2 + a_3^2 + \dots + a_n^2)$$

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$$\Rightarrow 2(a_1^2 + a_2^2 + a_3^2 + \dots + a_n^2)$$

$$= 2(h_1^2 + h_2^2 + h_3^2 + \dots + h_n^2) + (c_1^2 + d_1^2 + c_2^2 + d_2^2 + \dots + c_n^2 + d_n^2)$$

$$\Rightarrow 2(a_1^2 + a_2^2 + a_3^2 + \dots + a_n^2)$$

$$= 2(h_1^2 + h_2^2 + h_3^2 + \dots + h_n^2) + (c_1 + d_1)^2 - 2c_1d_1 + (c_2 + d_2)^2 - 2c_2d_2$$

$$+ (c_3 + d_3)^2 - 2c_3d_3 + \dots + (c_n + d_n)^2 - 2c_nd_n$$
Let, $c_1 + d_1 = A_1A_2$, $c_2 + d_2 = A_2A_3$, ... $c_n + d_n = A_nA_1$ and substituting in above eqn.
$$\Rightarrow 2(a_1^2 + a_2^2 + a_3^2 + \dots + a_n^2)$$

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$$= 2(h_1^2 + h_2^2 + h_3^2 + \dots + h_n^2) + \overline{A_1 A_2}^2 - 2c_1 d_1 + \overline{A_2 A_3}^2 - 2c_2 d_2 + \overline{A_3 A_4}^2 - 2c_3 d_3 + \dots + \overline{A_n A_1}^2 - 2c_n d_n$$

$$\Rightarrow 2(a_1^2 + a_2^2 + a_3^2 + \dots + a_n^2)$$

$$= 2(h_1^2 + h_2^2 + h_3^2 + \dots + h_n^2) + (\overline{A_1}\overline{A_2}^2 + \overline{A_2}\overline{A_3}^2 + \overline{A_3}\overline{A_4}^2 + \dots + \overline{A_n}\overline{A_1}^2)$$

$$-2(c_1d_1 + c_2d_2 + c_3d_3 + \dots + c_nd_n)$$

$$\Rightarrow \overline{A_1 A_2}^2 + \overline{A_2 A_3}^2 + \overline{A_3 A_4}^2 + \dots + \overline{A_n A_1}^2$$

$$= 2(a_1^2 + a_2^2 + a_3^2 + \dots + a_n^2) + 2(c_1 d_1 + c_2 d_2 + c_3 d_3 + \dots + c_n d_n)$$

$$-2(h_1^2 + h_2^2 + h_3^2 + \dots + h_n^2)$$

$$\Rightarrow \overline{A_1 A_2}^2 + \overline{A_2 A_3}^2 + \overline{A_3 A_4}^2 + \dots + \overline{A_n A_1}^2$$

$$= 2 \left(\overline{PA_1}^2 + \overline{PA_2}^2 + \dots + \overline{PA_n}^2 \right) + 2 \left(\left(\overline{M_1 A_1} \times \overline{M_1 A_2} \right) + \left(\overline{M_2 A_2} \times \overline{M_2 A_3} \right) + \dots + \left(\overline{M_n A_n} \times \overline{M_n A_1} \right) \right)$$

Eqn.[14] is the mathematical form of theorem-2

RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

Example-1

An irregular hexagon is considered for an example (ref. fig. 5).

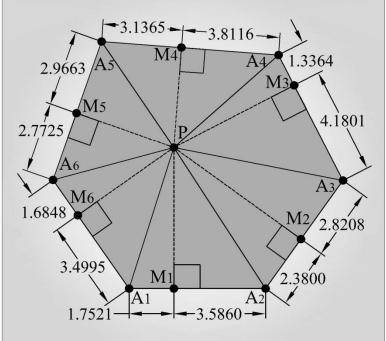


Figure 5: An AutoCAD drawing of irregular hexagon with dimensions

Table 1: Dimesions of an irregular hexagon

Notation of the Side	Length of the side								
$\overline{M_1A_1}$	1.7521	$\overline{M_1A_2}$	3.5860	$\overline{A_1A_2}$	5.3381	$\overline{PA_1}$	5.7839	$\overline{PM_1}$	5.5121
$\overline{M_2A_2}$	2.3800	$\overline{M_2A_3}$	2.8208	$\overline{A_2A_3}$	5.2008	$\overline{PA_2}$	6.5759	$\overline{PM_2}$	6.1301
$\overline{M_3A_3}$	4.1801	$\overline{M_3A_4}$	1.3364	$\overline{A_3A_4}$	5.5165	$\overline{PA_3}$	6.7480	$\overline{PM_3}$	5.2974
$\overline{M_4A_4}$	3.8116	$\overline{M_4A_5}$	3.1365	$\overline{M_4A_4}$	6.9481	$\overline{PA_4}$	5.4634	$\overline{PM_4}$	3.9141
$\overline{M_5A_5}$	2.9663	$\overline{M_5A_6}$	2.7725	$\overline{M_5A_5}$	5.7388	$\overline{PA_5}$	5.0158	$\overline{PM_5}$	4.0446
$\overline{M_6A_6}$	1.6848	$\overline{M_6A_1}$	3.4995	$\overline{M_6A_6}$	5.1843	$\overline{PA_6}$	4.9037	$\overline{PM_6}$	4.6033

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Theorem-1 (eqn.10) is:

$$(\overline{M_1 A_1})^2 + (\overline{M_2 A_2})^2 + (\overline{M_3 A_3})^2 + \dots + (\overline{M_n A_n})^2 = (\overline{M_1 A_2})^2 + (\overline{M_2 A_3})^2 + (\overline{M_3 A_4})^2 + \dots + (\overline{M_n A_n})^2$$

$$LHS = (\overline{M_1 A_1})^2 + (\overline{M_2 A_2})^2 + (\overline{M_3 A_3})^2 + \dots + (\overline{M_n A_n})^2$$

Substituting the values given in table-1 in the above equation,

$$\therefore LHS = 1.7521^2 + 2.3800^2 + 4.1801^2 + 3.8116^2 + 2.9663^2 + 1.6848^2$$

$$\therefore RHS = 3.586^2 + 2.8208^2 + 1.3364^2 + 3.1365^2 + 2.7725^2 + 3.4995^2$$

Comparing eqns. [15] and [16], LHS = RHS

Hence, the theorem-1 is proved.

Theorem-2 (eqn. 14) is:
$$\overline{A_1 A_2}^2 + \overline{A_2 A_3}^2 + \overline{A_3 A_4}^2 + \cdots + \overline{A_n A_1}^2 + 2 \left(\overline{PM_1}^2 + \overline{PM_2}^2 + \overline{PM_3}^2 + \cdots + \overline{PM_n}^2 \right) \\
= 2 \left(\overline{PA_1}^2 + \overline{PA_2}^2 + \cdots + \overline{PA_n}^2 \right) + 2 \left[\left(\overline{M_1 A_1} \times \overline{M_1 A_2} \right) + \left(\overline{M_2 A_2} \times \overline{M_2 A_3} \right) + \cdots + \left(\overline{M_n A_n} \times \overline{M_n A_1} \right) \right] \\
\text{LHS} = \overline{A_1 A_2}^2 + \overline{A_2 A_3}^2 + \overline{A_3 A_4}^2 + \cdots + \overline{A_6 A_1}^2 + 2 \left(\overline{PM_1}^2 + \overline{PM_2}^2 + \overline{PM_3}^2 + \cdots + \overline{PM_6}^2 \right)$$

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RHS =
$$2[5.7839^2 + 6.5759^2 + 6.748^2 + 5.4634^2 + 5.0158^2 + 4.9037^2]$$

$$+2[6.283 + 6.7135 + 5.5863 + 12.826 + 8.2241 + 5.896]$$

Comparing eqns. [17] and [18], LHS = RHS

Hence, the theorem-2 is also proved.

Example-2

A scalene triangle is considered for an example (ref. fig. 6).

Table 2: Dimesions of scalene triangle

Notation of the Side	Length of the side								
$\overline{M_1A_1}$	2.0134	$\overline{M_1A_2}$	7.8001	$\overline{A_1A_2}$	9.8135	$\overline{PA_1}$	3.7453	$\overline{PM_1}$	3.1580
$\overline{M_2A_2}$	8.3789	$\overline{M_2A_3}$	4.9378	$\overline{A_2A_3}$	13.3167	$\overline{PA_2}$	8.4152	$\overline{PM_2}$	0.7802
$\overline{M_3A_3}$	4.9370	$\overline{M_3A_1}$	3.6620	$\overline{A_3A_1}$	8.5990	$\overline{PA_3}$	4.9991	$\overline{PM_3}$	0.7853

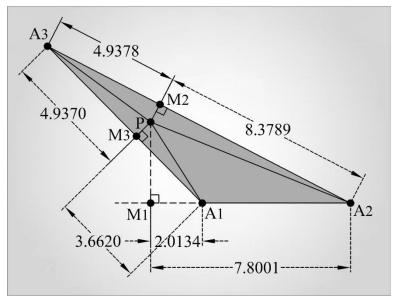


Figure 6: An AutoCAD drawing of scalene triangle with dimensions

(i) Theorem-1 (eqn.10) is:

$$(\overline{M_1 A_1})^2 + (\overline{M_2 A_2})^2 + (\overline{M_3 A_3})^2 + \dots + (\overline{M_n A_n})^2 = (\overline{M_1 A_2})^2 + (\overline{M_2 A_3})^2 + (\overline{M_3 A_4})^2 + \dots + (\overline{M_n A_n})^2$$

$$LHS = (\overline{M_1 A_1})^2 + (\overline{M_2 A_2})^2 + (\overline{M_3 A_3})^2 + \dots + (\overline{M_n A_n})^2$$

Substituting the values given in table-2 in the above equation,

$$\therefore$$
 LHS = $2.0134^2 + 8.3789^2 + 4.937^2$

$$\therefore$$
 LHS = 98.6337 sq. units

Substituting the values given in the table-1 are substituted in the above equation,
$$RHS = \left(\overline{M_1 A_2}\right)^2 + \left(\overline{M_2 A_3}\right)^2 + \left(\overline{M_3 A_4}\right)^2 + \dots + \left(\overline{M_n A_1}\right)^2$$

Substituting the values given in table-2 in the above equation,

$$\therefore$$
 RHS = $7.8001^2 + 4.9378^2 + 3.662^2$

$$\therefore$$
 RHS = 98.6337 sq. units

Comparing eqns. [19] and [20], LHS = RHS

Hence, the theorem-1 is proved.

$$\begin{aligned} & \overline{A_{1}A_{2}}^{2} + \overline{A_{2}A_{3}}^{2} + \overline{A_{3}A_{4}}^{2} + \cdots + \overline{A_{n}A_{1}}^{2} + 2\left(\overline{PM_{1}}^{2} + \overline{PM_{2}}^{2} + \overline{PM_{3}}^{2} + \cdots + \overline{PM_{n}}^{2}\right) \\ & = 2\left(\overline{PA_{1}}^{2} + \overline{PA_{2}}^{2} + \cdots + \overline{PA_{n}}^{2}\right) + 2\left[\left(\overline{M_{1}A_{1}} \times \overline{M_{1}A_{2}}\right) + \left(\overline{M_{2}A_{2}} \times \overline{M_{2}A_{3}}\right) + \cdots + \left(\overline{M_{n}A_{n}} \times \overline{M_{n}A_{1}}\right)\right] \\ & \text{LHS} = \overline{A_{1}A_{2}}^{2} + \overline{A_{2}A_{3}}^{2} + \overline{A_{3}A_{1}}^{2} + 2\left(\overline{PM_{1}}^{2} + \overline{PM_{2}}^{2} + \overline{PM_{3}}^{2} + \cdots + \overline{PM_{n}}^{2}\right) \end{aligned}$$

Substituting the values given in table-2 in the above equation,

$$\therefore LHS = 9.8135^2 + 13.3167^2 + 8.599^2 + 2(3.158^2 + 0.7802^2 + 0.7853^2)$$

$$\therefore$$
 LHS = 347.5821 + 2(11.1984)

$$\therefore$$
 LHS = 369.9789 sq. units

Substituting the values given in table-2 in the above equation,

$$RHS = 2[3.7453^{2} + 8.4152^{2} + 4.9991^{2}] + 2[15.7047 + 41.3733 + 18.0793]$$

$$\therefore$$
 RHS = 2(109.8339) + 2(75.1573)

$$\therefore$$
 RHS = 369.9824 sq. units

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Comparing eqns. [21] and [22], LHS = RHS Hence, the theorem-2 is also proved.

Conclusion

In this article, a new theorem on irregular cyclic polygon with appropriate illustration where it is necessary, including necessary equations derived for new properties including step by step derivations of equations and illustrations where ever necessary. The property discussed in this article has been proved with two appropriate examples. The theorems, which have been defined in this article, may be useful for whose work is related to geometry, research or further study in the irregular Polygon.

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