Triangle Centres

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The **centroid** is the intersection point of the **medians**.

The **orthocentre** is the intersection point of the **altitudes**.

The **circumcentre** is the intersection point of the **perpendicular bisectors**.

The **incentre** is the intersection point of the **angle bisectors**. *** will not be evaluated ***

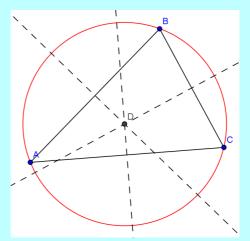
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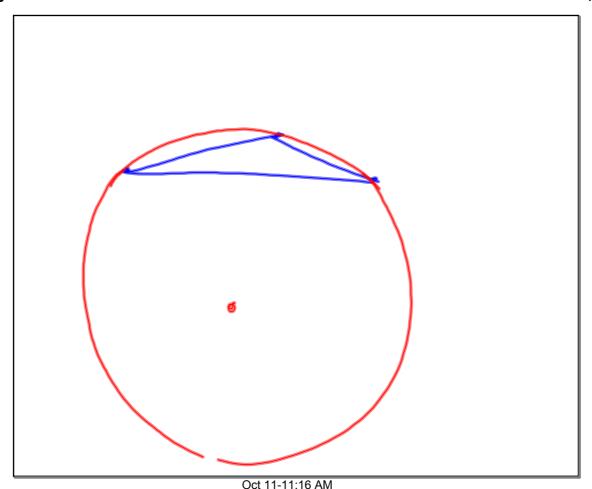
The **centroid** is also known as the <u>centre of mass</u> of the triangle. You could balance the triangle at this point.

The **circumcentre** is the point that is <u>equidistant</u> from all 3 vertices of the triangle.

<u>or</u>

It the centre of the circle that passes through each vertex of the triangle.





- ✓Given triangle FGH with vertices at F(-2,7), G(10,1), and H(1,10):
 - a) <u>List the steps</u> required to determine the coordinates of the circumcentre) and then find it. (draw a sketch first!)
 - b) <u>List the steps</u> required to determine the coordinates of the centroid (draw a sketch... maybe a new one)
 - c) <u>List the steps</u> required to determine the coordinates of the orthocentre.

Assigned Work:

p.120-121 # 6, 8, 9, 10

Triangle ABC has vertices A(3, 4), B(-5, 2) and C(1, -4). Find the coordinates of the

- a) circumcentre. Answer: (-2/5, 3/5)
- b) orthocentre. Answer: (-1/5, 4/5)
- c) centre of mass (centroid). Answer: (-1/3, 2/3)

Test will be Friday: Review:

p124-125 #1, 2, 3, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 13, 15, 16, 18, 20a, 21, 22, 23

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