EXAM 2 - MATH 325

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Read each problem very carefully before starting to solve it. Each question is worth 10 points. It is necessary to show your work. Correct answers without explanations are worth 0 points.

GOOD LUCK!!

- 1. (a) List the nine points that give the nine-point circle its name.
 - (b) Let *H* be the orthocenter and *O* the circumcenter of a triangle ABC. Show that $\widehat{HAO} = |\hat{B} \hat{C}|$.
- 2. (a) Give the definition of a pedal triangle.
 - (b) Let ABC be an equilateral triangle. Let M be a point on its circumcircle lying between B and C. Prove that MB + MC = MA.
- 3. (a) Define the power of a point with respect to a circle and describe, given a fixed circle, which point has the minimum possible power.
 - (b) Let MA and MB be the two tangents from a point M outside a circle to the circle. Let also C, D be the points where a third line through M intersects the same circle. Show that (AC)(BD) = (AD)(BC).
- 4. (a) Define the radical axis of two circles.
 - (b) Show that if two circles are not intersecting, then their radical axis does not intersect either of them.
- 5. (a) Define the radical center of three circles.
 - (b) Prove that the radical axes of three circles whose centers are not collinear, taken two at a time, are concurrent.