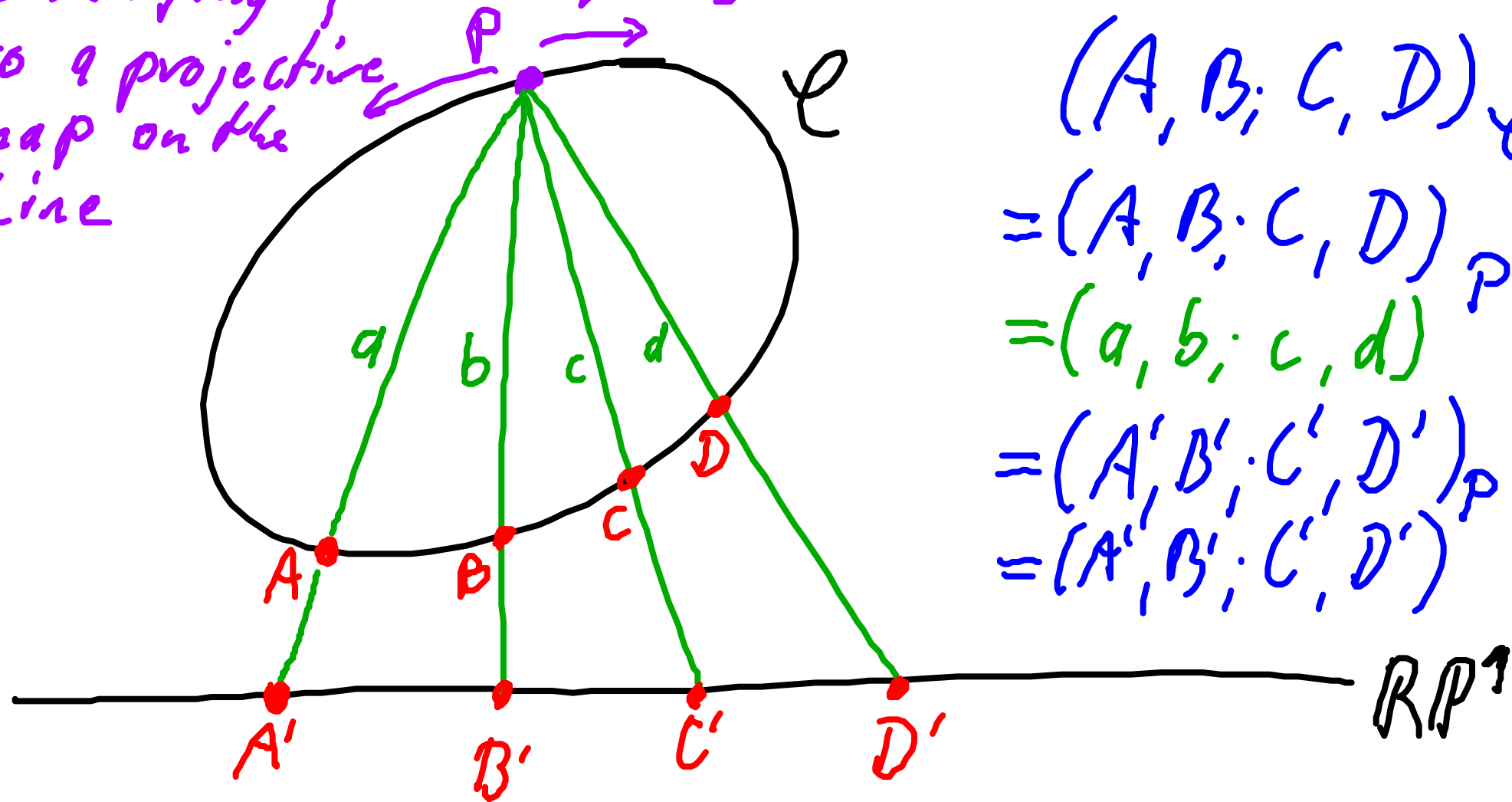


Changing  $P$  corresponds to a projective map on the line



$$\begin{aligned}
 & (A, B; C, D)_E \\
 &= (A, B; C, D)_P \\
 &= (a, b; c, d) \\
 &= (A', B'; C', D')_P \\
 &= (A', B'; C', D')
 \end{aligned}$$

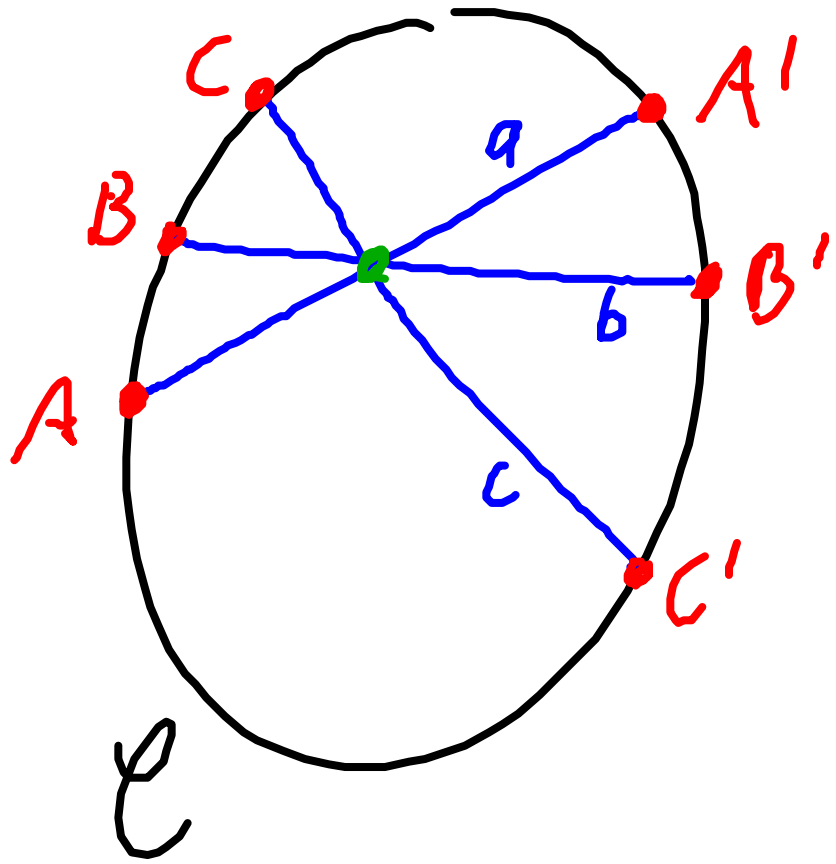
Warnings:

- Only works for non-deg  $E$
- Map from  $E$  to line is not a proj. transf. of  $RP^2$

One-to-one map which preserves cross ratios

$\Rightarrow$  {Points on  $E$ } is isomorphic to  $RP^1$

(One aspect of) Hesse's Übertragungsprinzip (transfer principle)



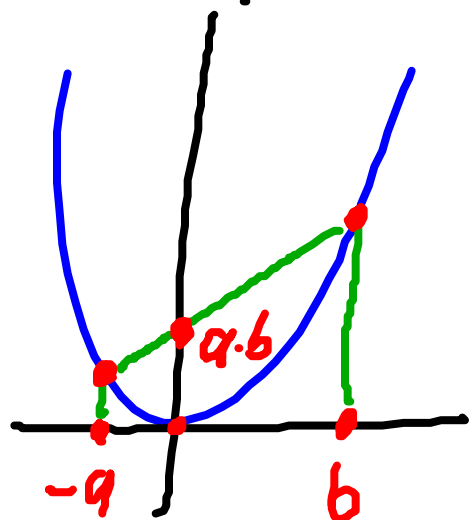
Thm: Let  $\mathcal{C}$  be a real and non-degenerate conic and  $a, b, c$  three lines intersecting  $\mathcal{C}$ . Then  $a, b, c$  intersect in a single point if and only if the six points of intersection form a quadrilateral set

$$(A, A'; B, B'; C, C')$$

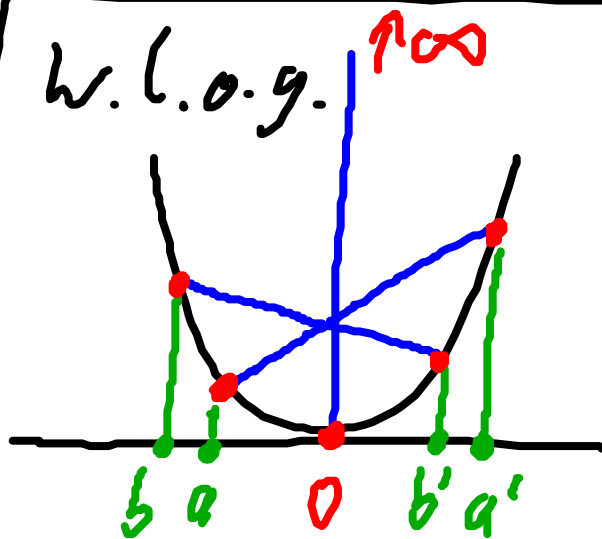
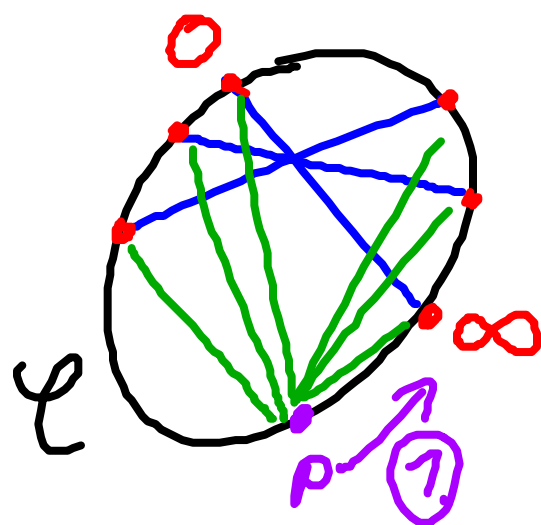
# Proof by reduction to special case

$$yz = x^2$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} -2 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$



$$\begin{vmatrix} -a & b & 0 \\ a^2 & b^2 & a \cdot b \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \end{vmatrix} = 0$$



$(a, a'; b, b'; 0, \infty)$  are quad set if and only if  $a \cdot a' = b \cdot b'$

1. Move  $p$  to one of the six points
2. Move that point to  $\infty$ , its opposite point to zero and  $\mathcal{C}$  to the parabola  $yz = x^2$

$$[a \ b'] [b \ \infty] [0 \ a'] = [a \ \infty] [b \ a'] [0 \ b']$$

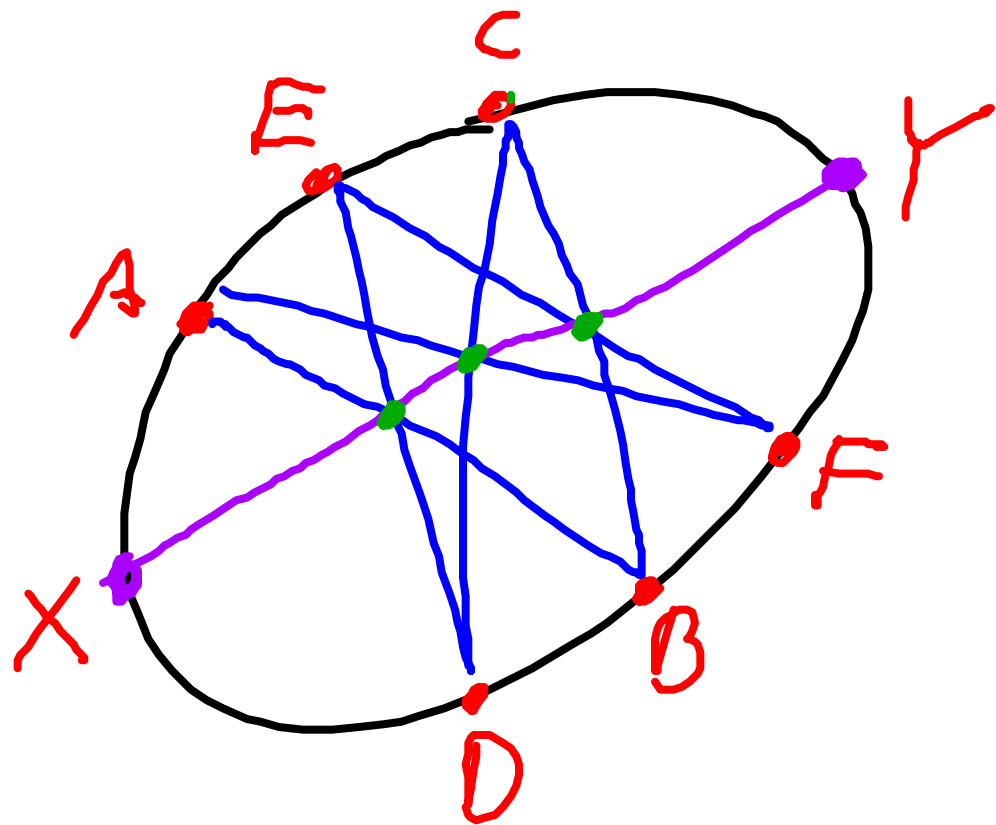
$$\begin{vmatrix} a & b' \\ 1 & 1 \end{vmatrix} \begin{vmatrix} b & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{vmatrix} \begin{vmatrix} 0 & a' \\ 1 & 1 \end{vmatrix} = \begin{vmatrix} a & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{vmatrix} \begin{vmatrix} b & a' \\ 1 & 1 \end{vmatrix} \begin{vmatrix} 0 & b' \\ 1 & 1 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$(a - b') \cdot (-1) \cdot (-a') = (-1) \cdot (b - a') \cdot (-b')$$

$$a a' - a' b' = b b' - a' b'$$

$$a \cdot a' = b \cdot b'$$

# Pascal's Theorem



Proving this from  
using Hesse and quad sets

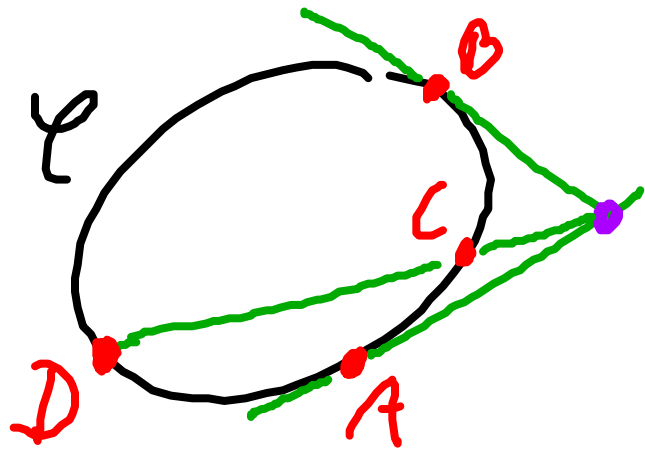
$$(A, B, E, D; X, Y) \Rightarrow \cancel{[AD][EY][XB]} = \cancel{[AY][EB][XD]}$$

$$(C, D; A, F; X, Y) \Rightarrow \cancel{[CF][AY][XD]} = \cancel{[CY][AD][XF]}$$

$$(E, F; C, B; X, Y) \Leftarrow [EY][CF][XB] = [EB][CY][XF]$$

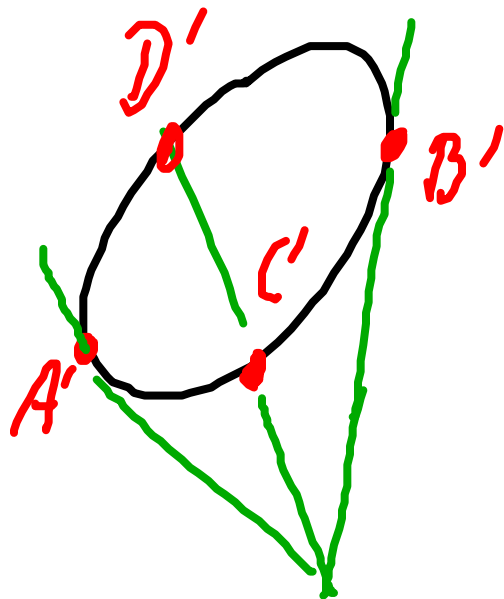
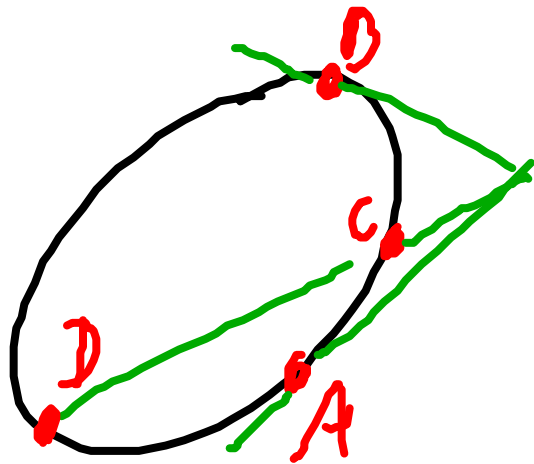
More applications:

- Addition, multiplication à la von Staudt
- Construction of a harmonic point



$(A, A; B, B; C, D)$  are quad set  
 $(A, B; C, D) = -1$

- Finding proj. transformations which fix  $\mathcal{C}$



Theorem: Let  $\mathcal{C}$  be real and non-degenerate conic and  $\tau$  be a projective transformation of  $\mathbb{R}P^2$  which fixes  $\mathcal{C}$

$$\tau: \mathbb{R}P^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}P^2 \quad \tau(\mathcal{C}) = \mathcal{C} \quad (\mathcal{C}: p^T A p = 0)$$

$$\tau: p \mapsto M p \quad (M^{-1})^T A (M^{-1}) = \lambda A$$

Then  $\tau$  acts on  $\mathcal{C}$  as a proj. transt. on  $\mathbb{R}P^1$

Proof:  $(A, B; C, D)_{\mathcal{C}} \stackrel{\text{for any point } p \text{ on } \mathcal{C}}{=} (A, B; C, D)_p = (\tau(A), \tau(B); \tau(C), \tau(D))_{\tau(p)}$

because  $\tau$  is proj. transt. in  $\mathbb{R}P^2$

$$= (\tau(A), \tau(B); \tau(C), \tau(D))_{\mathcal{C}}$$

since  $\tau(p) \in \mathcal{C}$  if  $p \in \mathcal{C}$

$\Rightarrow$  cross ratio is preserved

$\Rightarrow$  projective transformation on  $\mathbb{R}P^1$

□

Thm: Let  $(A, B, C, D)$  and  $(A', B', C', D')$  be two quadruples of points on a real and non-degenerate conic  $\mathcal{C}$  which satisfy  $(A, B; C, D)_{\mathcal{C}} = (A', B'; C', D')_{\mathcal{C}}$ . Then the uniquely determined projective transform.  $\tau$  with  $\tau(A) = A', \dots, \tau(D) = D'$  also satisfies  $\tau(\mathcal{C}) = \mathcal{C}$ .

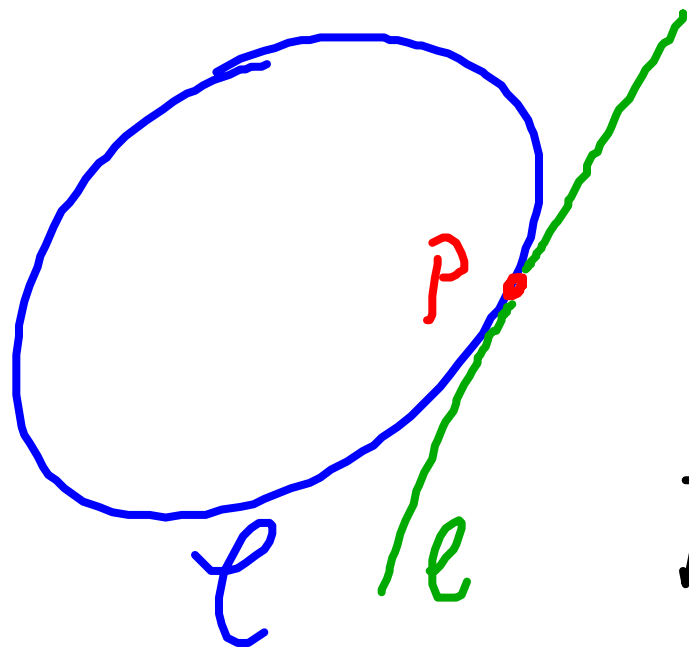
Proof: Uniquely determined  $\tau \rightarrow$  Geometriealküle

$$\forall p \in \mathcal{C} : \tau(p) \in \mathcal{C}$$

$$(A, B; C, D)_p = \begin{cases} (\tau(A), \tau(B); \tau(C), \tau(D))_{\tau(p)} = (A', B'; C', D')_{\tau(p)} \\ (A, B; C, D)_{\mathcal{C}} = (A', B'; C', D')_{\mathcal{C}} \end{cases}$$

↑ by assumption
 ↓  $\tau(p) \in \mathcal{C}$

# Polarity and Duality



$$\mathcal{C}: \{p \in \mathcal{P} \mid p^T \cdot A \cdot p = 0\}$$

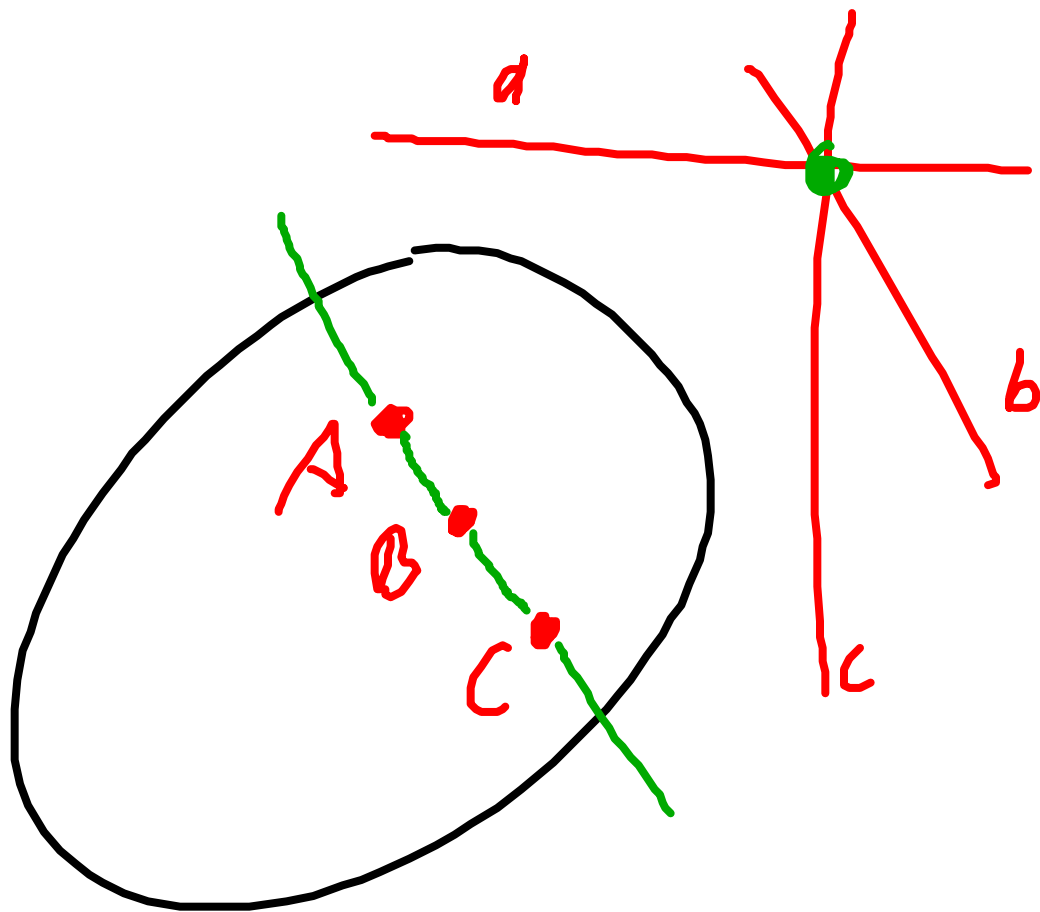
for some symmetric matrix  $A$ ,  $\det(A) \neq 0$

The tangent  $l$  to  $\mathcal{C}$  in  $p$  is  $A \cdot p$   
interpreted as homogeneous coordinates of a line

If  $p$  is not on  $\mathcal{C}$ , then the line  $l = A \cdot p$  is called the polar of  $p$  (with respect to  $\mathcal{C}$ ). Conversely,  $p = A^{-1} \cdot l$  is called the pole of  $l$ .

The map  $\mathcal{P} \rightarrow \mathcal{L}$  is called polarity  
 $p \mapsto A \cdot p = l$





$$p^T M p = 0$$

$$\det(M) \neq 0$$

$$A, B, C \text{ collinear}$$

$$\Leftrightarrow [A, B, C] = 0$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \det(M) \cdot [A, B, C]$$

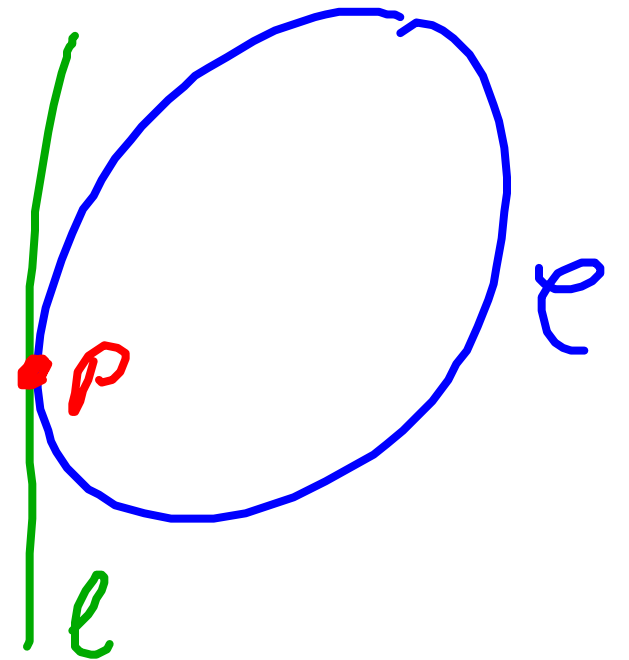
$$\Leftrightarrow [M \cdot A, M \cdot B, M \cdot C] = 0$$

$$\Leftrightarrow [a, b, c] = 0$$

$$\Leftrightarrow a, b, c \text{ are concurrent}$$

The set of all tangents (non-degenerate case)

$l$  is a tangent to  $\mathcal{C}$  if and only if there exists  $p$  on  $\mathcal{C}$  such that  $l$  is its polar line.



$$l = A \cdot p \quad p^T \cdot A \cdot p = 0$$

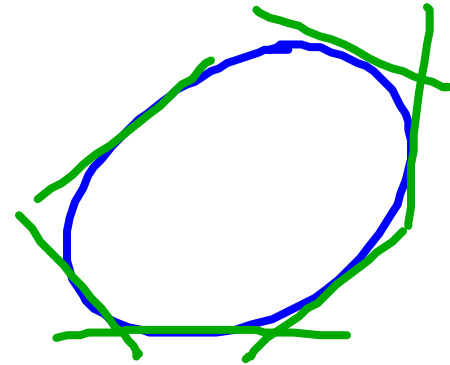
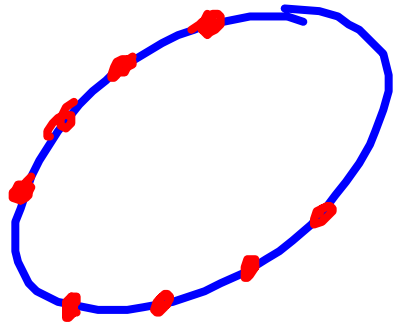
$$p = A^{-1} \cdot l \quad l^T \cdot A^{-1} \cdot A \cdot A^{-1} \cdot l = 0$$

$\{l \in \mathcal{L} \mid l^T \cdot A^{-1} \cdot l = 0\}$  is the set of tangents

primal conic

dual conic

primal  
view



$$\{p \in \mathcal{P} \mid p^T A p = 0\}$$

$$\{l \in \mathcal{L} \mid l^T B l = 0\}$$

$$B = A^{-1}$$

dual  
view

