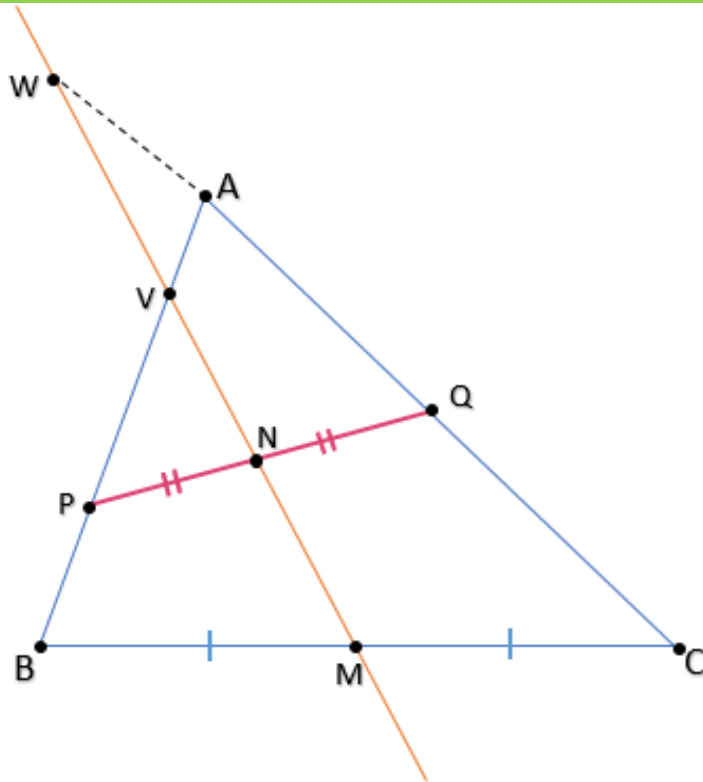


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Prove that:

$$\frac{VP - AV}{AQ} = \frac{PB}{QC} \left(= \frac{AV}{AW} \text{ by Dao Thanh Oai} \right)$$

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In $\triangle APQ$ by theorem Menelaus :

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{WA}{WQ} \cdot \frac{QN}{NP} \cdot \frac{PV}{VA} = 1 &\Rightarrow \frac{PV}{AV} = \frac{WA}{WQ} \Rightarrow \frac{PV}{AV} - 1 = \frac{WQ}{WA} - 1 \Rightarrow \frac{PV - AV}{AV} = \frac{WQ - WA}{WA} \Rightarrow \\ &\Rightarrow \frac{PV - AV}{AV} = \frac{AQ}{WA} \Rightarrow \frac{PV - AV}{AQ} = \frac{AV}{AW} \end{aligned}$$

Now let us prove that :

$$\frac{PB}{QC} = \frac{AV}{AW}$$

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For this also by Menelaus theorem in the triangle ABC

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{WA}{WC} \cdot \frac{CM}{MB} \cdot \frac{BV}{VA} &= 1 \Rightarrow \frac{WC}{WA} = \frac{BV}{AV} \Rightarrow \frac{AV}{AW} = \frac{BV}{WC} = \frac{BP + PV}{WA + AC} \Rightarrow \frac{AV}{WA} = \frac{BP + PV}{WA + AC} \Rightarrow \\ &\Rightarrow \frac{PB + PV}{AV} = \frac{WA + AC}{WA} \Rightarrow \frac{BP}{VA} + \frac{PV}{VA} = \frac{AC}{WA} + 1 \Rightarrow \frac{BP}{VA} = \frac{AC}{WA} + 1 - \frac{WQ}{WA} \Rightarrow \\ &\Rightarrow \frac{BP}{VA} = \frac{AC - WQ}{WA} + 1 \Rightarrow \frac{AC + WA - WQ}{WA} \\ \frac{BP}{VA} &= \frac{AQ + QC + WA - WA - AQ}{WA} = \frac{QC}{WA} \Rightarrow \frac{BP}{QC} = \frac{AV}{AW} \quad (\text{Qed})\end{aligned}$$