

ERRATUM TO
“AN ELEMENTARY PROOF OF LESTER’S THEOREM”
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In my paper [1], the next-to-last paragraph of the proof of the Lemma contains one error, as follows.

Let S be such a point that $\overrightarrow{TS} = \overrightarrow{QL} = \overrightarrow{MA}$ and $\triangle ALS \simeq \triangle MQT$. It follows that $\angle LAS = \angle QMT =$ (as $TQAM \sim TAPK$) $= \angle TKA =$ (as $KA \parallel LQ$) $= \angle TLQ = \angle LTS$, i.e., that the quadrilateral $LATS$ is cyclic.

This argument is circular: It assumes that point T lies on line KL , which in reality is the end goal it was supposed to help establish. One correction would be as follows.

Let S be such a point that $\overrightarrow{TS} = \overrightarrow{QL} = \overrightarrow{MA}$ and $\triangle ALS \simeq \triangle MQT$. It follows that $\angle LST$ equals the angle between the lines PT and KA , which (as $TAPK \sim TQAM$) equals the angle between the lines MQ and AT , which in turn equals the angle between the lines AL and AT , i.e., that the quadrilateral $LATS$ is cyclic.

With this change, the proof of the Lemma becomes fully correct.

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One more (though much less significant) issue was observed during the preparation of this erratum. The sentence which precedes the above paragraph contains the following typo: Instead of “ $\angle BAC = \angle AQB$ ”, the chain of equal angles should have been concluded with “ $\angle BAC = \angle QAB$ ”.

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