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### ABOUT AN INEQUALITY BY NGUYEN VAN CANH-VI

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**1) In  $\Delta ABC$  the following relationship holds:**

$$\sum \frac{a}{b+c} + \sqrt{\frac{2abc}{(a+b)(b+c)(c+a)}} \geq 2$$

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**Solution by Marin Chirciu-Romania**

Using identities:  $\sum \frac{a}{b+c} = \frac{2(s^2 - r^2 - Rr)}{s^2 + r^2 + 2Rr}$ ,  $abc = 4Rrs$ ,  $\prod(b+c) = 2s(s^2 + r^2 + 2Rr)$ ,

the desired inequality becomes:

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{2(s^2 - r^2 - Rr)}{s^2 + r^2 + 2Rr} + \sqrt{\frac{2 \cdot 4Rrs}{2s(s^2 + r^2 + 2Rr)}} \geq 2 \Leftrightarrow \\ & \frac{s^2 - r^2 - Rr}{s^2 + r^2 + 2Rr} + \sqrt{\frac{Rr}{s^2 + r^2 + 2Rr}} \geq 1 \Leftrightarrow \sqrt{\frac{Rr}{s^2 + r^2 + 2Rr}} \geq 1 - \frac{s^2 - r^2 - Rr}{s^2 + r^2 + 2Rr} \\ & \Leftrightarrow \sqrt{\frac{Rr}{s^2 + r^2 + 2Rr}} \geq \frac{r(3R + 2r)}{s^2 + r^2 + 2Rr} \Leftrightarrow \frac{Rr}{s^2 + r^2 + 2Rr} \geq \frac{r^2(3R + 2r)^2}{(s^2 + r^2 + 2Rr)^2} \Leftrightarrow \end{aligned}$$

$R(s^2 + r^2 + 2Rr) \geq r(3R + 2r)^2$ , which follows from  $s^2 \geq 16Rr - 5r^2$  (Gerretsen).

Remains to prove that:

$$\begin{aligned} & R(16Rr - 5r^2 + r^2 + 2Rr) \geq r(3R + 2r)^2 \Leftrightarrow 2R(9R - 2r) \geq (3R + 2r)^2 \\ & \Leftrightarrow 9R^2 - 16Rr - 4r^2 \geq 0 \Leftrightarrow (R - 2r)(9R + 2r) \geq 0, \text{ which is true from} \\ & R \geq 2r (\text{Euler}). \end{aligned}$$

Equality holds if and only if triangle is equilateral.

Remark. Let's find an reverse inequality.

**2) In  $\Delta ABC$  the following relationship holds:**



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$$\sum \frac{a}{b+c} + \sqrt{\frac{2abc}{(a+b)(b+c)(c+a)}} \leq \frac{R}{r}$$

*Proposed by Marin Chirciu-Romania*

### **Solution by proposer**

Using identities:  $\sum \frac{a}{b+c} = \frac{2(s^2 - r^2 - Rr)}{s^2 + r^2 + 2Rr}$ ,  $abc = 4Rrs$ ,  $\prod(b+c) = 2s(s^2 + r^2 + 2Rr)$ ,

the desired inequality becomes:

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \frac{2(s^2 - r^2 - Rr)}{s^2 + r^2 + 2Rr} + \sqrt{\frac{2 \cdot 4Rrs}{2s(s^2 + r^2 + 2Rr)}} \leq \frac{R}{r} \Leftrightarrow \\
 & \frac{s^2 - r^2 - Rr}{s^2 + r^2 + 2Rr} + \sqrt{\frac{Rr}{s^2 + r^2 + 2Rr}} \leq \frac{R}{2r} \Leftrightarrow \sqrt{\frac{Rr}{s^2 + r^2 + 2Rr}} \leq \frac{R}{2r} - \frac{s^2 - r^2 - Rr}{s^2 + r^2 + 2Rr} \\
 & \Leftrightarrow \sqrt{\frac{Rr}{s^2 + r^2 + 2Rr}} \leq \frac{s^2(R - 2r) + r(2R^2 + 3Rr + 2r^2)}{2r(s^2 + r^2 + 2Rr)} \\
 & \Leftrightarrow \frac{Rr}{s^2 + r^2 + 2Rr} \leq \frac{[s^2(R - 2r) + r(2R^2 + 3Rr + 2r^2)]^2}{4r^2(s^2 + r^2 + 2Rr)^2} \Leftrightarrow \\
 & s^4(R - 2r)^2 + s^2r(4R^3 - 2R^2r - 12Rr^2 - 8r^3) \\
 & + r^2(4R^4 + 12R^3r + 9R^2r^2 + 8Rr^3 + 4r^4) \geq 0 \Leftrightarrow \\
 & s^2[s^2(R - 2r)^2 + r(4R^3 - 2R^2r - 12Rr^2 - 8r^3)] \\
 & + r^2(4R^4 + 12R^3r + 9R^2r^2 + 8Rr^3 + 4r^4) \geq 0
 \end{aligned}$$

We distinguish the cases:

**Case 1)** If  $[s^2(R - 2r)^2 + r(4R^3 - 2R^2r - 12Rr^2 - 8r^3)] \geq 0$  inequality is obviously true.

**Case 2)** If  $[s^2(R - 2r)^2 + r(4R^3 - 2R^2r - 12Rr^2 - 8r^3)] < 0$  inequality can be written:  
 $r^2(4R^4 + 12R^3r + 9R^2r^2 + 8Rr^3 + 4r^4) \geq s^2[-r(4R^3 - 2R^2r - 12Rr^2 - 8r^3) - s^2(R - 2r)^2]$  which follows from

$$16Rr - 5r^2 \leq s^2 \leq 4R^2 + 4Rr + 3r^2 \text{ (Gerretsen).}$$

Remains to prove that:



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$$\begin{aligned} r^2(4R^4 + 12R^3r + 9R^2r^2 + 8Rr^3 + 4r^4) &\geq \\ \geq (4R^2 + 4Rr + 3r^2)[-r(4R^3 - 2R^2r - 12Rr^2 - 8r^3) - (16Rr - 5r^2)(R - 2r)^2] &\Leftrightarrow \\ r^2(4R^4 + 12R^3r + 9R^2r^2 + 8Rr^3 + 4r^4) &\geq \\ \geq (4R^2 + 4Rr + 3r^2)(-20R^3 + 71R^2r - 72Rr^2 + 28r^3) &\Leftrightarrow \\ r^2(4R^4 + 12R^3r + 9R^2r^2 + 8Rr^3 + 4r^4) &\geq \\ \geq -80R^5 + 204R^4r - 64R^3r^2 + 37R^2r^3 - 104Rr^4 + 84r^5 &\Leftrightarrow \\ 20R^5 - 50R^4r + 19R^3r^2 - 7R^2r^3 + 28Rr^4 - 20r^5 \geq 0 &\Leftrightarrow \\ (R - 2r)(20R^4 - 10R^3r - R^2r^2 - 9Rr^3 + 10r^4) \geq 0 \text{ true from } R \geq 2r(Euler). \end{aligned}$$

Equality holds if and only if triangle is equilateral.

3) In  $\Delta ABC$  the following relationship holds:

$$2 \leq \sum \frac{a}{b+c} + \sqrt{\frac{2abc}{(a+b)(b+c)(c+a)}} \leq \frac{R}{r}$$

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*Solution by proposer*

See up these inequalities.

Equality holds if and only if triangle is equilateral.

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