

**CRUX MATHEMATICORUM CHALLENGES-(VII)**

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**4679.** Let  $(x_n)_{n \geq 1}$  be a sequence of real numbers such that  $x_1 = \frac{1}{7}, x_2 = \frac{1}{5}$  and for  $n \geq 2$ ,

$$2nx_{n+1} \cdot x_{n-1} = (n+1)x_n \cdot x_{n-1} + (n-1)x_n \cdot x_{n+1}.$$

Find

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left( \frac{2}{3} + x_n \right)^{nx_n}$$

*Proof.*

The answer is  $e^{-\frac{4}{27}}$ , which is about 0.86230.

Let  $y_n = \frac{n}{x_n}$ . Then  $y_1 = 7, y_2 = 10$  and  $2y_n = y_{n+1} + y_{n-1}$ , so that  $y_n = 3n + 4$ , an arithmetic progression with common difference 3. Hence

$$x_n = \frac{n}{3n+4} = \frac{1}{3} - u_n$$

and

$$nx_n = \frac{n^2}{3n+4} = \left( \frac{1}{u_n} \right) \left( \frac{4n^2}{3(3n+4)^2} \right),$$

where  $u_n = \frac{4}{3(3n+4)}$ . Therefore

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left( \frac{2}{3} + x_n \right)^{nx_n} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left[ (1 - u_n)^{\frac{1}{u_n}} \right]^{\frac{4n^2}{3(3n+4)^2}} = (e^{-1})^{\frac{4}{27}} = e^{-\frac{4}{27}}.$$

□

**B104.** Find all real roots of the equation:

$$5x^3 - 9x^2 - 15x + 3 = 0$$

*Proof.*

$$\begin{aligned} 5x^3 - 9x^2 - 15x + 3 &= 0 \\ 5x^3 - 9x^2 - 15x + 3 + 5(3x - x^3) &= 5(3x - x^3) \\ 3 - 9x^2 &= 5(3x - x^3) \\ 3(1 - 3x^2) &= 5(3x - x^3) \end{aligned}$$

Let's observe that  $x = \pm \frac{\sqrt{3}}{3}$  are not solutions, so we can divide by  $1 - 3x^2$  the equation:

$$(1) \quad \frac{3x - x^3}{1 - 3x^2} = \frac{5}{3}$$

$$\begin{aligned} x \in \mathbb{R} \setminus \left\{ \pm \frac{\sqrt{3}}{3} \right\} \Rightarrow (\exists) \alpha \in \left( -\frac{\pi}{2}, \frac{\pi}{2} \right) \setminus \left\{ \pm \frac{\pi}{6} \right\} \\ x = \tan \alpha \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
(1) &\Leftrightarrow \frac{3 \tan \alpha - \tan^3 \alpha}{1 - 3 \tan^2 \alpha} = \frac{5}{3} \\
\tan 3\alpha &= \frac{5}{3} \Rightarrow 3\alpha \in \left\{ \arctan \frac{5}{3} + k\pi \mid k \in \mathbb{Z} \right\} \\
\alpha &\in \left\{ \frac{1}{3} \arctan \frac{5}{3} + \frac{k\pi}{3} \mid k \in \mathbb{Z} \right\} \cap \left( -\frac{\pi}{2}, \frac{\pi}{2} \right) \setminus \left\{ \pm \frac{\pi}{6} \right\} \\
k = 0 &\Rightarrow \alpha_1 = \frac{1}{3} \arctan \frac{5}{3} \Rightarrow x_1 = \tan \left( \frac{1}{3} \arctan \frac{5}{3} \right) \\
k = 1 &\Rightarrow \alpha_2 = \frac{1}{3} \arctan \frac{5}{3} + \frac{\pi}{3} \Rightarrow x_2 = \tan \left( \frac{1}{3} \arctan \frac{5}{3} + \frac{\pi}{3} \right) \\
k = -1 &\Rightarrow \alpha_3 = \frac{1}{3} \arctan \frac{5}{3} - \frac{\pi}{3} \Rightarrow x_3 = \tan \left( \frac{1}{3} \arctan \frac{5}{3} - \frac{\pi}{3} \right)
\end{aligned}$$

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**B107.** In  $\Delta ABC$  ( $a, b, c$  - sides;  $s$  - semiperimeter;  $r$  - inradii) the following relationship holds:

$$\frac{a}{\sqrt{s+b}} + \frac{b}{\sqrt{s+c}} + \frac{c}{\sqrt{s+a}} \geq \frac{108r^2}{a\sqrt{s+b} + b\sqrt{s+c} + c\sqrt{s+a}}$$

*Solution 1 by proposer.*

$$\begin{aligned}
&\left( \sum_{cyc} a \right) \left( \sum_{cyc} \frac{a}{\sqrt{s+b}} \right) \left( \sum_{cyc} a\sqrt{s+b} \right) = \\
&= \left( \sum_{cyc} (\sqrt[3]{a})^3 \right) \left( \sum_{cyc} \left( \sqrt[3]{\frac{a}{\sqrt{s+b}}} \right)^3 \right) \left( \sum_{cyc} (\sqrt[3]{a\sqrt{s+b}})^3 \right) \geq \\
&\stackrel{\text{HÖLDER}}{\geq} \left( \sum_{cyc} \sqrt[3]{a} \cdot \sqrt[3]{\frac{a}{\sqrt{s+b}}} \cdot \sqrt[3]{a\sqrt{s+b}} \right)^3 = \\
&= \left( \sum_{cyc} (\sqrt[3]{a})^3 \right)^3 = (a+b+c)^3 \\
&\left( \sum_{cyc} a \right) \left( \sum_{cyc} \frac{a}{\sqrt{s+b}} \right) \left( \sum_{cyc} a\sqrt{s+b} \right) \geq \left( \sum_{cyc} a \right)^3 \\
&\left( \sum_{cyc} \frac{a}{\sqrt{s+b}} \right) \left( \sum_{cyc} a\sqrt{s+b} \right) \geq \left( \sum_{cyc} a \right)^2 = (2s)^2 = \\
&= 4s^2 \stackrel{\text{MITRINOVICI}}{\geq} 4(3\sqrt{3}r)^2 = 108r^2 \\
&\left( \sum_{cyc} \frac{a}{\sqrt{s+b}} \right) \left( \sum_{cyc} a\sqrt{s+b} \right) \geq 108r^2 \\
&\sum_{cyc} \frac{a}{\sqrt{s+b}} \geq \frac{108r^2}{\sum_{cyc} a\sqrt{s+b}} \\
&\frac{a}{\sqrt{s+b}} + \frac{b}{\sqrt{s+c}} + \frac{c}{\sqrt{s+a}} \geq \frac{108r^2}{a\sqrt{s+b} + b\sqrt{s+c} + c\sqrt{s+a}}
\end{aligned}$$

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*Solution 2 by Marin Chirciu - Romania.*

Inequality can be written:

$$\left( \frac{a}{\sqrt{s+b}} + \frac{b}{\sqrt{s+c}} + \frac{c}{\sqrt{s+a}} \right) (a\sqrt{s+b} + b\sqrt{s+c} + c\sqrt{s+a}) \geq 108r^2$$

Which results by CBS:

$$\begin{aligned} & \left( \frac{a}{\sqrt{s+b}} + \frac{b}{\sqrt{s+c}} + \frac{c}{\sqrt{s+a}} \right) (a\sqrt{s+b} + b\sqrt{s+c} + c\sqrt{s+a}) \stackrel{\text{CBS}}{\geq} \\ & \geq (a+b+c)^2 = 4p^2 \stackrel{(1)}{\geq} 108r^2, \text{ where } (1) \Leftrightarrow 4p^2 \geq 108r^2 \Leftrightarrow p^2 \geq 27r^2, (\text{Mitrinovici}). \end{aligned}$$

Equality holds for an equilateral triangle.

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**B120.** If  $x, y, z \in (0, 1); xy + yz + zx = 1$  then:

$$\frac{(1+x^2)(1+y^2)}{x^2y^2} + \frac{(1+y^2)(1+z^2)}{y^2z^2} + \frac{(1+z^2)(1+x^2)}{z^2x^2} \geq \frac{48}{x^2 + y^2 + z^2}$$

*Solution 1 by proposer.*

Lemma 1:

In  $\Delta ABC$  the following relationship holds:

$$\tan^2 \frac{A}{2} + \tan^2 \frac{B}{2} + \tan^2 \frac{C}{2} \geq 1$$

*Proof.* Let be  $f : (0, \pi) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}; f(x) = \tan^2 \frac{x}{2}$

$$f'(x) = \frac{\sin \frac{x}{2}}{\cos^3 \frac{x}{2}}; f''(x) = \frac{1}{2 \cos^4 \frac{x}{2}} > 0; f \text{ convexe}$$

By Jensen:

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{cyc} \tan^2 \frac{A}{2} & \geq 3 \tan^2 \left( \frac{\frac{A+B+C}{3}}{2} \right) = \\ & = 3 \tan^2 \left( \frac{\pi}{6} \right) = 3 \cdot \left( \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} \right)^2 = 1 \end{aligned}$$

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Lemma 2:

In  $\Delta ABC$  the following relationship holds:

$$\frac{1}{\sin^2 \frac{B}{2} \sin^2 \frac{C}{2}} + \frac{1}{\sin^2 \frac{C}{2} \sin^2 \frac{A}{2}} + \frac{1}{\sin^2 \frac{A}{2} \sin^2 \frac{B}{2}} \geq 48$$

*Proof.*

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{cyc} \frac{1}{\sin^2 \frac{B}{2} \sin^2 \frac{C}{2}} & = \sum_{cyc} \frac{ac \cdot ab}{(s-a)(s-c) \cdot (s-a)(s-b)} = \\ & = \frac{abc}{(s-a)(s-b)(s-c)} \cdot \sum_{cyc} \frac{a}{s-a} = \\ & = \frac{abc}{(s-a)^2(s-b)^2(s-c)^2} \cdot \sum_{cyc} a(s-b)(s-c) = \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= \frac{abcs^2}{s^2(s-a)^2(s-b)^2(s-c)^2} \cdot \sum_{cyc} a(s^2 - s(b+c) + bc) = \\
&= \frac{4RFs^2}{F^4} \sum_{cyc} (as^2 - as(2s-a) + abc) = \\
&= \frac{4Rs^2}{F^3} \sum_{cyc} (a^2s - as^2 + abc) = \\
&= \frac{4Rs^2}{F \cdot r^2 s^2} \cdot \left( s \sum_{cyc} a^2 - s^2 \sum_{cyc} a + 3abc \right) = \\
&= \frac{4R}{Fr^2} (s \cdot 2(s^2 - r^2 - 4Rr) - 2s^3 + 12RF) = \\
&= \frac{4R}{Fr^2} (2s^3 - 2sr^2 - 8Rrs - 2s^3 + 12RF) = \\
&= \frac{4R}{Fr^2} (-2rF - 8RF + 12RF) = \\
&= \frac{4R}{r^2} (-2r - 8R + 12R) = \frac{4R(4R - 2r)}{r^2} = \\
&= \frac{8R(2R - r)}{r^2} \stackrel{\text{EULER}}{\geq} \frac{8 \cdot 2r \cdot (2 \cdot 2r - r)}{r^2} = \\
&= \frac{16r \cdot 3r}{r^2} = \frac{48r^2}{r^2} = 48
\end{aligned}$$

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Back to the main problem:

$$\begin{aligned}
x, y, z \in (0, 1) &\Rightarrow (\exists) \alpha, \beta, \gamma \in \left(0, \frac{\pi}{4}\right); \\
x = \tan \alpha; y = \tan \beta; z = \tan \gamma \\
xy + yz + zx = 1 &\Rightarrow x(y+z) = 1 - yz \Rightarrow x = \frac{1 - yz}{y+z} \\
\tan \alpha &= \frac{1 - \tan \beta \tan \gamma}{\tan \beta + \tan \gamma} \Rightarrow \tan \alpha = \cot(\beta + \gamma) \\
\tan \alpha &= \tan\left(\frac{\pi}{2} - (\beta + \gamma)\right) \Rightarrow \alpha = \frac{\pi}{2} - (\beta + \gamma) \\
2\alpha + 2\beta + 2\gamma &= \pi
\end{aligned}$$

Denote:  $A = 2\alpha; B = 2\beta; C = 2\gamma$

$$\begin{aligned}
\alpha &= \frac{A}{2}; \beta = \frac{B}{2}; \gamma = \frac{C}{2}; A + B + C = \pi \\
x &= \tan \frac{A}{2}; y = \tan \frac{B}{2}; z = \tan \frac{C}{2} \\
\sin^2 \frac{A}{2} &= \frac{x^2}{1+x^2}; \sin^2 \frac{B}{2} = \frac{y^2}{1+y^2}; \sin^2 \frac{C}{2} = \frac{z^2}{1+z^2} \\
\frac{(1+x^2)(1+y^2)}{x^2y^2} + \frac{(1+y^2)(1+z^2)}{y^2z^2} + \frac{(1+z^2)(1+x^2)}{z^2x^2} &\geq \frac{48}{x^2 + y^2 + z^2} \Leftrightarrow \\
\Leftrightarrow \left( \sum_{cyc} x^2 \right) \cdot \left( \sum_{cyc} \frac{(1+x^2)(1+y^2)}{x^2y^2} \right) &\geq 48
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} &\Leftrightarrow \left( \sum_{cyc} \tan^2 \frac{A}{2} \right) \cdot \left( \sum_{cyc} \frac{1}{\frac{x^2}{1+x^2} \cdot \frac{y^2}{1+y^2}} \right) \geq 48 \\ &\Leftrightarrow \left( \sum_{cyc} \tan^2 \frac{A}{2} \right) \cdot \left( \sum_{cyc} \frac{1}{\sin^2 \frac{A}{2} \sin^2 \frac{B}{2}} \right) \geq 48 \end{aligned}$$

By lemma 1 and lemma 2:

$$(1) \quad \sum_{cyc} \tan^2 \frac{A}{2} \geq 1$$

$$(2) \quad \sum_{cyc} \frac{1}{\sin^2 \frac{A}{2} \sin^2 \frac{B}{2}} \geq 48$$

By multiplying (1); (2):

$$\left( \sum_{cyc} \tan^2 \frac{A}{2} \right) \cdot \left( \sum_{cyc} \frac{1}{\sin^2 \frac{A}{2} \sin^2 \frac{B}{2}} \right) \geq 48$$

Equality holds if  $A = B = C = \frac{\pi}{3} \Rightarrow x = y = z = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{3}$ .  $\square$

*Solution 2 by Marin Chirciu - Romania.*

In the identity  $\sum \tan \frac{B}{2} \tan \frac{C}{2} = 1$  replace:

$$\begin{aligned} (x, y, z) &= \left( \tan \frac{A}{2}, \tan \frac{B}{2}, \tan \frac{C}{2} \right) \\ \sum \frac{(1+y^2)(1+z^2)}{y^2 z^2} &= \sum \frac{(1+\tan^2 \frac{B}{2})(1+\tan^2 \frac{C}{2})}{\tan^2 \frac{B}{2} \tan^2 \frac{C}{2}} = \\ &= \frac{\sum \sin^2 \frac{A}{2}}{\prod \sin^2 \frac{A}{2}} = \frac{1 - \frac{r}{2R}}{\frac{r^2}{4R^2}} = \frac{8R(2R-r)}{r^2} \\ x^2 + y^2 + z^2 &= \sum \tan^2 \frac{A}{2} = \frac{(4R+r)^2}{p^2} - 2 \end{aligned}$$

Inequality can be written:

$$\frac{8R(2R-r)}{r^2} \geq \frac{48}{\frac{(4R+r)^2}{p^2} - 2} \Leftrightarrow \frac{8R(2R-r)}{r^2} \cdot \left[ \frac{(4R+r)^2}{p^2} - 2 \right] \geq 48$$

Which results by Blundon-Gerretsen:

$$p^2 \leq \frac{R(4R+r)^2}{2(2R-r)}$$

Remains to prove:

$$\frac{8R(2R-r)}{r^2} \left[ \frac{(4R+r)^2}{\frac{R(4R+r)^2}{2(2R-r)}} - 2 \right] \geq 48 \Leftrightarrow \frac{R(2R-r)}{r^2} \cdot \left[ \frac{2(2R-r)}{R} - 2 \right] \geq 6 \Leftrightarrow$$

$$\Leftrightarrow (2R-r)(R-r) \geq r^2 \Leftrightarrow 2R^2 - 3Rr - 2r^2 \geq 0 \Leftrightarrow (R-2r)(2R+r) \geq 0,$$

obviously by Euler  $R \geq 2r$ .

Equality holds by an equilateral triangle. In the initial inequality the equality holds for:

$$x = y = z = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}.$$

□

**B124.** In  $\Delta ABC$  the following relationship holds:

$$\frac{a^4}{w_a} + \frac{b^4}{w_b} + \frac{c^4}{w_c} \geq 144r^3$$

( $w_a, w_b, w_c$  - internal bisectors;  $r$  - inradii)

*Solution 1 by proposer.*

$$w_a = \frac{2bc}{b+c} \cos \frac{A}{2} = \frac{2\sqrt{bc}}{b+c} \sqrt{s(s-a)} \leq \sqrt{s(s-a)}$$

$$\text{because } \frac{2\sqrt{bc}}{b+c} \leq 1 \Leftrightarrow 0 \leq (\sqrt{b} - \sqrt{c})^2$$

$w_a \leq \sqrt{s(s-a)}$  and analogous:

$$w_b \leq \sqrt{s(s-b)}; w_c \leq \sqrt{s(s-c)}$$

$$(w_a + w_b + w_c)^2 \leq (\sqrt{s(s-a)} + \sqrt{s(s-b)} + \sqrt{s(s-c)})^2 \leq$$

$$\begin{aligned} &\stackrel{\text{CAUCHY-SCHWARZ}}{\leq} (1^2 + 1^2 + 1^2)(s(s-a) + s(s-b) + s(s-c)) = \\ &= 3(3s^2 - s(a+b+c)) = 3(3s^2 - s \cdot 2s) = 3s^2 \end{aligned}$$

$$(w_a + w_b + w_c)^2 \leq 3s^2 = \frac{3}{4}(a+b+c)^2 \leq$$

$$\leq \frac{3}{4}(3a^2 + 3b^2 + 3c^2) = \frac{9}{4}(a^2 + b^2 + c^2)$$

$$(1) \quad w_a + w_b + w_c \leq \frac{3}{2}\sqrt{a^2 + b^2 + c^2}$$

$$\frac{a^4}{w_a} + \frac{b^4}{w_b} + \frac{c^4}{w_c} = \frac{(a^2)^2}{w_a} + \frac{(b^2)^2}{w_b} + \frac{(c^2)^2}{w_c} \geq$$

$$\stackrel{\text{BERGSTÖM}}{\geq} \frac{(a^2 + b^2 + c^2)^2}{w_a + w_b + w_c} \stackrel{(1)}{\geq} \frac{(a^2 + b^2 + c^2)}{\frac{3}{2}\sqrt{a^2 + b^2 + c^2}} =$$

$$= \frac{2}{3}(a^2 + b^2 + c^2)^{\frac{3}{2}} \stackrel{\text{WEITZENBOCK}}{\geq} \frac{2}{3}(4F\sqrt{3})^{\frac{3}{2}} =$$

$$= \frac{2}{3}(4\sqrt{3}rs)^{\frac{3}{2}} \stackrel{\text{MITRINOVICI}}{\geq} \frac{2}{3}(4\sqrt{3}r \cdot 3\sqrt{3}r)^{\frac{3}{2}} =$$

$$= \frac{2}{3}(36r^2)^{\frac{3}{2}} = \frac{2}{3} \cdot (6r)^3 = \frac{2}{3} \cdot 216r^3 = 144r^3$$

Equality holds for  $a = b = c$ . □

*Solution 2 by Marin Chirciu - Romania.*

By Bergström's inequality:

$$\begin{aligned}
 LHS &= \sum \frac{a^4}{w_a} \stackrel{\text{CS}}{\geq} \frac{(\sum a^2)^2}{\sum w_a} \stackrel{m_a \geq w_a}{\geq} \frac{(\sum a^2)^2}{\sum m_a} \stackrel{\text{Leuenberger}}{\geq} \\
 &\geq \frac{(\sum a^2)^2}{4R+r} = \frac{(2(p^2 - r^2 - 4Rr))^2}{4R+r} \stackrel{\text{Gerretsen}}{\geq} \\
 &\geq \frac{4(16Rr - 5r^2 - r^2 - 4Rr)^2}{4R+r} = \frac{4(12Rr - 6r^2)^2}{4R+r} = \frac{4 \cdot 36r^2(2R-r)^2}{4R+r} \stackrel{(1)}{\geq} 144r^3, \\
 \text{where (1)} &\Leftrightarrow \frac{4 \cdot 36r^2(2R-r)^2}{4R+r} \geq 144r^3 \Leftrightarrow (2R-r)^2 \geq r(4R+r) \Leftrightarrow \\
 &\quad 4R^2 - 4Rr + r^2 \geq 4Rr + r^2 \Leftrightarrow R \geq 2r, \text{ (Euler).}
 \end{aligned}$$

Equality holds for an equilateral triangle.

Remark.

The problem can be generalized:

In  $\Delta ABC$ :

$$\frac{a^{2n}}{w_a} + \frac{b^{2n}}{w_b} + \frac{c^{2n}}{w_c} \geq 12^n r^{2n-1}, n \in \mathbb{N}^*.$$

*Proposed by Marin Chirciu - Romania*

*Proof.*

By Hölder:

$$\begin{aligned}
 LHS &= \sum \frac{a^{2n}}{w_a} \stackrel{\text{CS}}{\geq} \frac{(\sum a^2)^n}{3^{n-2} \sum w_a} \stackrel{m_a \geq w_a}{\geq} \frac{(\sum a^2)^n}{3^{n-2} \sum m_a} \stackrel{\text{Leuenberger}}{\geq} \\
 &\geq \frac{(\sum a^2)^n}{3^{n-2}(4R+r)} = \frac{(2(p^2 - r^2 - 4Rr))^n}{3^{n-2}(4R+r)} \stackrel{\text{Gerretsen}}{\geq} \\
 &\geq \frac{2^n (16Rr - 5r^2 - r^2 - 4Rr)^n}{3^{n-2}(4R+r)} = \frac{2^n (12Rr - 6r^2)^n}{3^{n-2}(4R+r)} = \\
 &= \frac{2^n \cdot (6r)^n (2R-r)^n}{3^{n-2}(4R+r)} \stackrel{(1)}{\geq} 12^n r^{2n-1}, \\
 \text{where (1)} &\Leftrightarrow \frac{2^n \cdot (6r)^n (2R-r)^n}{3^{n-2}(4R+r)} \geq 12^n r^{2n-1} \Leftrightarrow \frac{(6r)^n (2R-r)^n}{3^{n-2}(4R+r)} \geq 6^n r^{2n-1} \Leftrightarrow \\
 &\Leftrightarrow \frac{r^n (2R-r)^n}{3^{n-2}(4R+r)} \geq r^{2n-1} \Leftrightarrow \frac{(2R-r)^n}{3^{n-2}(4R+r)} \geq r^{n-1} \Leftrightarrow \left(\frac{2R-r}{3r}\right)^n \geq \frac{4R+r}{9r},
 \end{aligned}$$

Which will be proved by mathematical induction:

$$P(n) : \left(\frac{2R-r}{3r}\right)^n \geq \frac{4R+r}{9R}, n \in \mathbb{N}^*.$$

$$P(1) : \frac{2R-r}{3r} \geq \frac{4R+r}{9r} \Leftrightarrow R \geq 2r, \text{ (Euler).}$$

$P(k) \Rightarrow P(k+1), k \geq 1$  it is equivalent with

$$P(1) : \frac{2R-r}{3r} \geq \frac{4R+r}{9r} \Leftrightarrow R \geq 2r, \text{ (Euler).}$$

Equality holds for an equilateral triangle.

Note.

For  $n = 2$  it's obtained Problem B124 from Crux Mathematicorum, No. 48 (3),

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In  $\Delta ABC$ :

$$\frac{a^4}{w_a} + \frac{b^4}{w_b} + \frac{c^4}{w_c} \geq 144r^3$$

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Remark.

Problem can be developed:

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*Proof.*

By Hölder:

$$\begin{aligned} LHS &= \sum \frac{a^{2n}}{m_a} \stackrel{CS}{\geq} \frac{(\sum a^2)^n}{3^{n-2} \sum m_a} \stackrel{\text{Leuenberger}}{\geq} \frac{(\sum a^2)^n}{3^{n-2}(4R+r)} = \\ &= \frac{(2(p^2 - r^2 - 4Rr))^n}{3^{n-2}(4R+r)} \stackrel{\text{Gerretsen}}{\geq} \frac{2^n(16Rr - 5r^2 - r^2 - 4Rr)^n}{3^{n-2}(4R+r)} = \\ &= \frac{2^n(12Rr - 6r^2)^n}{3^{n-2}(4R+r)} = \frac{2^n \cdot (6r)^n (2R - r)^n}{3^{n-2}(4R+r)} \stackrel{(1)}{\geq} 12^n r^{2n-1}, \\ \text{where (1)} &\Leftrightarrow \frac{2^n \cdot (6r)^n (2R - r)^n}{3^{n-2}(4R+r)} \geq 12^n r^{2n-1} \Leftrightarrow \frac{(6r)^n (2R - r)^n}{3^{n-2}(4R+r)} \geq 6^n r^{2n-1} \Leftrightarrow \\ &\frac{r^n (2R - r)^n}{3^{n-2}(4R+r)} \geq r^{2n-1} \Leftrightarrow \frac{(2R - r)^n}{3^{n-2}(4R+r)} \geq r^{n-1} \Leftrightarrow \left(\frac{2R - r}{3r}\right)^n \geq \frac{4R + r}{9r}, \end{aligned}$$

Which can be proved by mathematical induction.

$$P(n) : \left(\frac{2R - r}{3r}\right)^n \geq \frac{4R + r}{9R}, n \in \mathbb{N}^*.$$

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$P(k) \Rightarrow P(k+1), k \geq 1$  it's equivalent with

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