

# ROMANIAN MATHEMATICAL MAGAZINE

**In any  $\Delta ABC$ , the following relationship holds :**

$$\frac{a^2}{b^2 + c^2} \cdot \left( \tan \frac{B}{2} + \tan \frac{C}{2} \right) + \frac{b^2}{c^2 + a^2} \cdot \left( \tan \frac{C}{2} + \tan \frac{A}{2} \right) + \frac{c^2}{a^2 + b^2} \cdot \left( \tan \frac{A}{2} + \tan \frac{B}{2} \right) \geq \sqrt{3}$$

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$\forall A, B, C > 0, (A + B), (B + C), (C + A)$  form sides of a triangle

( $\because (A + B) + (B + C) > (C + A)$  and analogs)  $\Rightarrow \sqrt{A + B}, \sqrt{B + C}, \sqrt{C + A}$  form sides of a triangle with area  $F$  (say) and  $16F^2 =$

$$\begin{aligned} 2 \sum_{\text{cyc}} (A + B)(B + C) - \sum_{\text{cyc}} (A + B)^2 &= 2 \sum_{\text{cyc}} \left( \sum_{\text{cyc}} AB + B^2 \right) - 2 \sum_{\text{cyc}} A^2 - 2 \sum_{\text{cyc}} AB \\ &= 6 \sum_{\text{cyc}} AB + 2 \sum_{\text{cyc}} A^2 - 2 \sum_{\text{cyc}} A^2 - 2 \sum_{\text{cyc}} AB \Rightarrow 4F = 2 \sqrt{\sum_{\text{cyc}} AB} \rightarrow (1) \end{aligned}$$

Now,  $\forall x, y, z > 0, \sqrt{\sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{xy}{(y+z)(z+x)}} \stackrel{?}{\geq} \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \Leftrightarrow \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{x^2 y^2}{xy(y+z)(z+x)} \stackrel{?}{\geq} \frac{3}{4}$

Via Bergstrom, LHS of (\*)  $\geq \frac{(\sum_{\text{cyc}} xy)^2}{\sum_{\text{cyc}} (xy(\sum_{\text{cyc}} xy + z^2))} = \frac{(\sum_{\text{cyc}} xy)^2}{(\sum_{\text{cyc}} xy)^2 + xyz \sum_{\text{cyc}} x}$

$$\stackrel{?}{\geq} \frac{3}{4} \Leftrightarrow \left( \sum_{\text{cyc}} xy \right)^2 \stackrel{?}{\geq} 3xyz \sum_{\text{cyc}} x \rightarrow \text{true} \therefore \sqrt{\sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{xy}{(y+z)(z+x)}} \stackrel{?}{\geq} \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \rightarrow (2)$$

We have :  $\frac{a^2}{b^2 + c^2} \cdot \left( \tan \frac{B}{2} + \tan \frac{C}{2} \right) + \frac{b^2}{c^2 + a^2} \cdot \left( \tan \frac{C}{2} + \tan \frac{A}{2} \right) + \frac{c^2}{a^2 + b^2} \cdot \left( \tan \frac{A}{2} + \tan \frac{B}{2} \right) = \frac{x}{y+z} (B + C) + \frac{y}{z+x} (C + A) + \frac{z}{x+y} (A + B)$

$\left( x = a^2, y = b^2, z = c^2, A = \tan \frac{A}{2}, B = \tan \frac{B}{2}, C = \tan \frac{C}{2} \right)$   
 $= \frac{x}{y+z} \cdot \sqrt{B+C}^2 + \frac{y}{z+x} \cdot \sqrt{C+A}^2 + \frac{z}{x+y} \cdot \sqrt{A+B}^2 \stackrel{\text{Oppenheim}}{\geq}$

$$4F \cdot \sqrt{\sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{xy}{(y+z)(z+x)}} \stackrel{\text{via (1) and (2)}}{\geq} 2 \sqrt{\sum_{\text{cyc}} AB} \cdot \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} = \sqrt{3} \cdot \sqrt{\sum_{\text{cyc}} \left( \tan \frac{A}{2} \cdot \tan \frac{B}{2} \right)}$$

$$= \sqrt{3} \cdot \sqrt{\frac{1}{s^2} \sum_{\text{cyc}} r_a r_b} = \sqrt{3} \cdot \sqrt{\frac{1}{s^2} \cdot s^2} = \sqrt{3}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore \frac{a^2}{b^2 + c^2} \cdot \left( \tan \frac{B}{2} + \tan \frac{C}{2} \right) + \frac{b^2}{c^2 + a^2} \cdot \left( \tan \frac{C}{2} + \tan \frac{A}{2} \right) + \frac{c^2}{a^2 + b^2} \cdot \left( \tan \frac{A}{2} + \tan \frac{B}{2} \right) \\ \geq \sqrt{3} \forall \Delta ABC, " = " \text{ iff } \Delta ABC \text{ is equilateral (QED)} \end{aligned}$$