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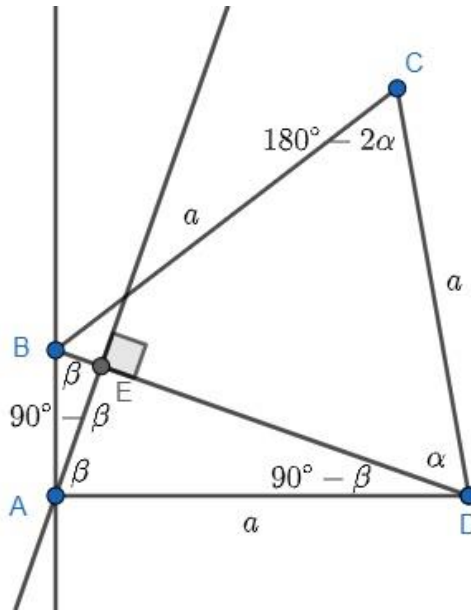
Let ABCD be the convex quadrilateral where the angle $\widehat{BAD} = \frac{\pi}{2}$, $\widehat{C} \in (0, \frac{\pi}{2})$

with $AD = CD = BC = a > 0$. $AE \perp BD$, $E \in (BD)$ and p is the semiperimeter

of ABCD. Prove that : $\left(\sqrt{AC \cdot \cos \widehat{C}} + \sqrt{AE \cdot |\sin(\widehat{B} + \widehat{D})|} \right)^2 < a\sqrt{2} + \sqrt{\frac{a(2p - 3a)}{2}}$

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$$BD^2 = a^2 + a^2 - 2a^2 \cos(180^\circ - 2\alpha) = 4a^2 \cos^2 \alpha \Rightarrow BD \stackrel{(1)}{=} 2a \cos \alpha$$

$$(\because 180^\circ - 2\alpha > 0 \Rightarrow 0 < \alpha < 90^\circ \Rightarrow \cos \alpha > 0) \text{ and } AB^2 = BD^2 - AD^2$$

$$= 4a^2 \cos^2 \alpha - a^2 \Rightarrow AB \stackrel{(2)}{=} a \cdot \sqrt{4 \cos^2 \alpha - 1} \text{ and } \therefore \triangle ABD \sim \triangle EAD \therefore \frac{BD}{AD} = \frac{AB}{AE}$$

$$\stackrel{\text{via (1) and (2)}}{\Rightarrow} \frac{2a \cos \alpha}{a} = \frac{a \cdot \sqrt{4 \cos^2 \alpha - 1}}{AE} \Rightarrow AE \stackrel{(*)}{=} \frac{a \cdot \sqrt{4 \cos^2 \alpha - 1}}{2 \cdot \cos \alpha}$$

Now, via Ptolemy's inequality, $AC \cdot 2a \cos \alpha < a \cdot a \cdot \sqrt{4 \cos^2 \alpha - 1} + a^2$

$$\Rightarrow AC \stackrel{(**)}{<} \frac{a \cdot 1 + \sqrt{4 \cos^2 \alpha - 1}}{2 \cdot \cos \alpha}$$

$$\left(\sqrt{AC \cdot \cos \widehat{C}} + \sqrt{AE \cdot |\sin(\widehat{B} + \widehat{D})|} \right)^2 \stackrel{\text{CBS}}{\leq} (AC + AE)(\cos \widehat{C} + |\sin(\widehat{B} + \widehat{D})|)$$

$$\stackrel{\text{via (*) and (**)}}{<} \frac{a(1 + 2\sqrt{4 \cos^2 \alpha - 1})}{2 \cos \alpha} \cdot (-\cos 2\alpha + |\sin(90^\circ + 2\alpha)|)$$

$$= \frac{a(1 + 2\sqrt{4 \cos^2 \alpha - 1})(-2 \cos 2\alpha)}{2 \cos \alpha}$$

$$(\because 180^\circ - 2\alpha < 90^\circ \Rightarrow 2\alpha > 90^\circ \Rightarrow \cos 2\alpha < 0) \stackrel{?}{<} a\sqrt{2}$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \boxed{\sqrt{2} \cos \alpha \stackrel{?}{>} \frac{1 + 2\sqrt{4 \cos^2 \alpha - 1}}{2} (-\cos 2\alpha)} \quad (*)$$

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$$\begin{aligned}
 &\text{Let } \sqrt{4 \cos^2 \alpha - 1} = t \text{ and } \because \alpha > 45^\circ \Rightarrow \cos \alpha < \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \Rightarrow \sqrt{4 \cos^2 \alpha - 1} < 1 \\
 &\Rightarrow 0 < t < 1 \text{ and } \cos^2 \alpha = \frac{t+1}{4} \Rightarrow \cos \alpha = \frac{\sqrt{t+1}}{2} \therefore (*) \Leftrightarrow \\
 &\sqrt{2} \cdot \frac{\sqrt{t+1}}{2} > \left(1 - \frac{t+1}{2}\right)(1+2t) \Leftrightarrow \sqrt{\frac{t+1}{2}} > \left(\frac{1-t}{2}\right)(1+2t) \\
 &\Leftrightarrow \frac{t+1}{2} > \frac{(1-t)^2(1+2t)^2}{4} \quad (\because (1-t), t > 0) \Leftrightarrow 4t^4 - 4t^3 - 3t^2 - 1 < 0 \\
 &\Leftrightarrow 4t^3(t-1) - 3t^2 - 1 < 0 \rightarrow \text{true } \because 0 < t < 1 \Rightarrow (*) \text{ is true} \\
 &\therefore \left(\sqrt{AC \cdot \cos \hat{C}} + \sqrt{AE \cdot |\sin(\hat{B} + \hat{D})|}\right)^2 < a\sqrt{2} < a\sqrt{2} + \sqrt{\frac{a(2p-3a)}{2}} \quad (\text{QED})
 \end{aligned}$$