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1401. In any ΔABC , the following relationship holds :

$$\sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{w_a^k}{b^2 + c^2} \geq \frac{(3r)^k}{2R^2}, k \in \mathbb{N}, k \geq 2$$

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$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{w_a^k}{b^2 + c^2} &= \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{\left(w_a^{\frac{k}{2}}\right)^2}{b^2 + c^2} \stackrel{\text{Bergstrom}}{\geq} \frac{\left(\sum_{\text{cyc}} w_a^{\frac{k}{2}}\right)^2}{2 \sum_{\text{cyc}} a^2} \stackrel{\text{Leibnitz}}{\geq} \frac{\left(\sum_{\text{cyc}} w_a^{\frac{k}{2}}\right)^2}{18R^2} \stackrel{?}{\geq} \frac{(3r)^k}{2R^2} \\ &\Leftrightarrow \sum_{\text{cyc}} w_a^{\frac{k}{2}} \stackrel{?}{\geq} 3(3r)^{\frac{k}{2}} \quad (*) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Now, } \sum_{\text{cyc}} w_a^{\frac{k}{2}} &\stackrel{\text{A-G}}{\geq} 3 \cdot \sqrt[k]{\left(\prod_{\text{cyc}} w_a\right)^{\frac{k}{2}}} \stackrel{?}{\geq} 3(3r)^{\frac{k}{2}} \Leftrightarrow \left(\prod_{\text{cyc}} w_a\right)^{\frac{k}{2}} \stackrel{?}{\geq} (27r^3)^{\frac{k}{2}} \\ &\Leftrightarrow \frac{k}{2} \cdot \ln\left(\frac{\prod_{\text{cyc}} w_a}{27r^3}\right) \stackrel{?}{\geq} 0 \Leftrightarrow \ln\left(\frac{\prod_{\text{cyc}} w_a}{27r^3}\right) \stackrel{?}{\geq} 0 \quad (\because k \in \mathbb{N}, k \geq 2) \Leftrightarrow \prod_{\text{cyc}} w_a \stackrel{?}{\geq} 27r^3 \quad (**) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Again, } \prod_{\text{cyc}} w_a &\geq \prod_{\text{cyc}} h_a = \frac{2r^2 s^2}{R} \stackrel{?}{\geq} 27r^3 \Leftrightarrow 2s^2 \stackrel{?}{\geq} 27Rr \rightarrow \text{true} \\ \because 2s^2 &\stackrel{\text{Gerretsen}}{\geq} 27Rr + 5r(R - 2r) \stackrel{\text{Euler}}{\geq} 27Rr \Rightarrow (**)\Rightarrow (*) \text{ is true} \\ \therefore \text{ in any } \Delta ABC, &\sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{w_a^k}{b^2 + c^2} \geq \frac{(3r)^k}{2R^2}, k \in \mathbb{N}, k \geq 2, \\ \text{" = " iff } \Delta ABC &\text{ is equilateral (QED)} \end{aligned}$$

1402. AD – altitude in acute ΔABC , DE, DF, O_1, O_2 – altitudes and circumcenters in $\Delta ABD, \Delta ACD$. Prove that:

$$4\sqrt{[ABD] \cdot [ACD]} \leq (\sqrt{DE \cdot DO_2} + \sqrt{DF \cdot DO_1})^2 \leq \frac{RF}{r}$$

Proposed by Radu Diaconu – Romania

Solution by Tapas Das – India

Since ΔABD is right angle triangle

$\therefore O_1 =$ circumcentre of $\Delta ABD =$ Mid point of AB . Similarly, $O_2 =$ Mid point of AC

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$$\Delta ABC = \Delta ABD + \Delta DC.$$

$$F = \frac{1}{2} \cdot C \cdot DE + \frac{1}{2} \cdot b \cdot DF \Rightarrow 2F = C \cdot DE + b \cdot DF$$

$$\therefore DO_1 = \frac{c}{2}, \quad DO_2 = \frac{b}{2}$$

$$4\sqrt{[ABD] \cdot [ACD]} = 4\sqrt{\frac{1}{2}AB \cdot DE \cdot \frac{1}{2}AC \cdot DF} = 2\sqrt{C \cdot DE \cdot b \cdot DF} \quad (1)$$

$$\text{Now } (\sqrt{DE \cdot DO_2} + \sqrt{DF \cdot DO_1})^2 \stackrel{AM-GM}{\geq} 4(\sqrt{DE \cdot DO_2 \cdot DF \cdot DO_1})$$

$$= 4\sqrt{\frac{c}{2} \cdot DE \cdot \frac{b}{2} \cdot DF} = 2\sqrt{c \cdot DE \cdot b \cdot DF} \quad (2)$$

From (1) and (2):

$$4\sqrt{[ABD] \cdot [ACD]} \leq (\sqrt{DE \cdot DO_2} + \sqrt{DF \cdot DO_1})^2$$

$$[\sqrt{DE \cdot DO_2} + \sqrt{DF \cdot DO_1}]^2 = \left[\sqrt{DE \cdot \frac{b}{2}} + \sqrt{DF \cdot \frac{c}{2}} \right]^2 = \left[\sqrt{\frac{DE \cdot c}{2} \cdot \frac{b}{c}} + \sqrt{\frac{DF \cdot b}{2} \cdot \frac{c}{b}} \right]^2$$

$$= \left[\sqrt{[ABD] \cdot \frac{b}{c}} + \sqrt{[ACD] \cdot \frac{c}{b}} \right]^2 \stackrel{\text{Cauchy-Schwarz}}{\leq} ([ABD] + [ACD]) \left(\frac{b}{c} + \frac{c}{b} \right) =$$

$$= [ABC] \cdot \left(\frac{b}{c} + \frac{c}{b} \right) \leq F \cdot \frac{R}{r}$$

1403. In ΔABC the following relationship holds:

$$\sum \left(\frac{m_a^2}{bc \cdot \csc \frac{B}{2}} \right)^2 \geq \left(\frac{3r}{2R} \right)^3$$

Proposed by Marin Chirciu – Romania

Solution 1 by Myagmarsuren Yadamsuren-Darkhan-Mongolia

$$\begin{aligned} \sum \frac{m_a^2}{bc \cdot \csc \frac{B}{2}} &\geq \sum \frac{s(s-a)}{bc} \cdot \sin \frac{B}{2} = \\ &= \sum \cos^2 \frac{A}{2} \cdot \sin \frac{B}{2} \stackrel{AM-GM}{\geq} 3 \sqrt{\prod \left(\cos^2 \frac{A}{2} \cdot \sin \frac{B}{2} \right)} = \end{aligned}$$

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$$= 3 \cdot 3 \sqrt{\frac{\prod \cos^2 \frac{A}{2}}{\left(\frac{s}{4R}\right)^2} \cdot \frac{\prod \sin \frac{A}{2}}{\frac{r}{4R}}} = 3^3 \sqrt{\left(\frac{s}{4R}\right)^2 \cdot \frac{r}{4R}} =$$

$$= 3^3 \sqrt{\frac{s^2 \cdot r}{(4R)^3}} \stackrel{s^2 \geq 27r^2}{\geq} 3^3 \sqrt{\frac{27r^3}{(4R)^3}} = 3 \left(\frac{3r}{4R}\right) \quad (*)$$

$$\sum \left(\frac{m_a^2}{bc \cdot \csc \frac{B}{2}} \right)^2 \stackrel{(*)}{\geq} 3 \left(\frac{3r}{4R}\right)^2 = \frac{3}{4} \left(\frac{3r}{2R}\right)^2 = \frac{3}{4} \left(\frac{3r}{2R}\right)^2 \stackrel{Euler}{\geq} \frac{3}{4} \cdot \frac{2r}{R} \cdot \left(\frac{3r}{2R}\right)^2 = \left(\frac{3r}{2R}\right)^3$$

Solution 2 by Tapas Das-India

NOTE:- $m_a \cdot m_b \cdot m_c \geq \sqrt{r_a r_b} \cdot \sqrt{r_b r_c} \cdot \sqrt{r_c r_a} = (r_a r_b r_c) = s^2 r$

NOTE:- $\prod \sin \frac{A}{2} = \frac{r}{4R}$

Now: $\sum \left(\frac{m_a^2}{bc \cdot \csc \frac{B}{2}} \right)^2 \stackrel{AM-GM}{\geq} 3 \left[\left(\frac{m_a m_b m_c}{abc} \right)^2 \cdot \prod \sin \frac{A}{2} \right]^{\frac{2}{3}} = 3 \left[\left(\frac{s^2 r}{4R^3} \right)^2 \cdot \frac{r}{4R} \right]^{\frac{2}{3}}$

$$\geq 3 \left[\left(\frac{s^2 \cdot r}{4R \cdot r \cdot s} \right)^2 \cdot \frac{r}{4R} \right]^{\frac{2}{3}} = 3 \left[\frac{s^2}{16R^2} \cdot \frac{r}{4R} \right]^{\frac{2}{3}} \geq 3 \left[\frac{27r^2 \cdot r^2}{64R^3} \right] \quad (\because s^2 \geq 27r^2)$$

$$= 3 \cdot \frac{9r^2}{16R^2} = \frac{27r^2}{16R^2} = \frac{27r^2 \cdot r}{16R^2 \cdot r} \stackrel{Euler}{\geq} \frac{27r^3}{16R^2 \cdot \frac{R}{2}} = \left(\frac{3r}{2R}\right)^3$$

1404. In any triangle ABC we have the inequality:

$$\left(\tan \frac{\hat{A}}{2} \tan \frac{\hat{B}}{2} \right)^{\tan \frac{\hat{A}}{2} \tan \frac{\hat{B}}{2}} \cdot \left(\tan \frac{\hat{B}}{2} \tan \frac{\hat{C}}{2} \right)^{\tan \frac{\hat{B}}{2} \tan \frac{\hat{C}}{2}} \cdot \left(\tan \frac{\hat{C}}{2} \tan \frac{\hat{A}}{2} \right)^{\tan \frac{\hat{C}}{2} \tan \frac{\hat{A}}{2}} \leq \frac{s^2 - 2r^2 - 8Rr}{s^2}$$

Proposed by Radu Diaconu – Romania

Solution by Tapas Das – India

Note: $\sum \tan \frac{A}{2} = \frac{4R+r}{s}$

$$\sum \tan \frac{A}{2} \cdot \tan \frac{B}{2} = 1$$

$$\therefore \left(\tan \frac{A}{2} \tan \frac{B}{2} \right)^{\tan \frac{A}{2} \tan \frac{B}{2}} \cdot \left(\tan \frac{B}{2} \tan \frac{C}{2} \right)^{\tan \frac{B}{2} \tan \frac{C}{2}} \cdot \left(\tan \frac{C}{2} \tan \frac{A}{2} \right)^{\tan \frac{C}{2} \tan \frac{A}{2}} \leq$$

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$$\begin{aligned} \stackrel{AM-GM}{\leq} \left[\frac{\sum \tan^2 \frac{A}{2} \tan^2 \frac{B}{2}}{\sum \tan \frac{A}{2} \cdot \tan \frac{B}{2}} \right]^{\sum \tan \frac{A}{2} \tan \frac{B}{2}} &= \sum \tan^2 \frac{A}{2} \tan^2 \frac{B}{2} = 1 - \frac{2r^2 + 8Rr}{s^2} \\ &= \frac{s^2 - 2r^2 - 8Rr}{s^2} \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Note:- } \sum \tan^2 \frac{A}{2} \tan^2 \frac{B}{2} = 1 - \frac{2r^2 + 8Rr}{s^2}$$

1405. In $\triangle ABC$ the following relationship holds:

$$9 \leq \sum \frac{w_a}{h_a} \sum \frac{h_a}{w_a} \leq 9 \left(\frac{R}{2r} \right)^2$$

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Solution by Tapas Das – India

1st part:

$$\sum \frac{w_a}{h_a} \cdot \sum \frac{h_a}{w_a} \stackrel{\text{Cauchy-Schwarz}}{\geq} (1 + 1 + 1)^2 = 9$$

2nd part: Now

$$\sum \frac{w_a}{h_a} \stackrel{CBS}{\leq} \sqrt{\left(\sum w_a^2 \right) \left(\sum \frac{1}{h_a^2} \right)} \leq \sqrt{\left(\sum r_b r_c \right) \cdot \frac{\sum a^2}{4F^2}} \stackrel{\text{Leibniz}}{\leq} \sqrt{\frac{s^2 9R^2}{4r^2 s^2}} = \frac{3R}{2r}$$

$$\sum \frac{h_a}{w_a} \leq \sum \frac{h_a}{h_a} (\because h_a \leq w_a) \text{ (analog)} = 3$$

$$\therefore \sum \frac{w_a}{h_a} \cdot \sum \frac{h_a}{w_a} \leq \frac{3R}{2r} \cdot 3 = 9 \left(\frac{R}{2r} \right) \leq 9 \cdot \frac{R \cdot R}{2rR} \stackrel{\text{Euler}}{\leq} 9 \frac{R^2}{2r \cdot 2r} = 9 \left(\frac{R}{2r} \right)^2$$

1406. In $\triangle ABC$ the following relationship holds:

$$\cos A + \cos B - \cos C + 1 \geq \frac{3\sqrt{3}r^2}{(s-c)R}$$

Proposed by Daniel Sitaru – Romania

Solution 1 by Tapas Das-India

$$\cos A + \cos B - \cos C + 1 = 4 \cos \frac{A}{2} \cos \frac{B}{2} \sin \frac{C}{2}$$

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$$\begin{aligned}
 &= 4 \sqrt{\frac{s(s-a)}{bc}} \cdot \sqrt{\frac{s(s-b)}{ca}} \cdot \sqrt{\frac{(s-a)(s-b)}{ab}} \\
 &= \frac{4 \cdot s \cdot (s-a)(s-b)}{abc} = \frac{4s(s-a)(s-b)(s-c)}{abc(s-c)} = \frac{4 \cdot s \cdot sr^2}{abc(s-c)} \\
 &= \frac{4 \cdot s^2 r^2}{4R \cdot r \cdot s \cdot (s-c)} = \frac{sr}{R(s-c)} \stackrel{s^2 \geq 27r^2}{\geq} \frac{3\sqrt{3}r \cdot r}{R(s-c)} = \frac{3\sqrt{3}r^2}{R(s-c)}
 \end{aligned}$$

Note:

$$\begin{aligned}
 \cos A + \cos B - \cos C &= 2 \cos \frac{A+B}{2} \cos \frac{A-B}{2} - \cos C \\
 &= 2 \cos \frac{\pi-C}{2} \cos \frac{A-B}{2} - \cos \left(2 \cdot \frac{C}{2} \right) = 2 \sin \frac{C}{2} \cos \frac{A-B}{2} + 2 \sin^2 \frac{C}{2} - 1 \\
 &= 2 \sin \frac{C}{2} \left(\cos \frac{A-B}{2} + \sin \frac{\pi-(A+B)}{2} \right) - 1 = 2 \sin \frac{C}{2} \left(\cos \frac{A-B}{2} + \cos \frac{A+B}{2} \right) - 1 \\
 &= 2 \sin \frac{C}{2} \cdot 2 \cos \frac{A}{2} \cdot \cos \frac{B}{2} - 1 = 4 \cos \frac{A}{2} \cdot \cos \frac{B}{2} \cdot \sin \frac{C}{2} - 1
 \end{aligned}$$

Solution 2 by Myagmarsuren Yadamsuren-Darkhan-Mongolia

$$\sin^2 \frac{C}{2} = \frac{rc-r}{4R} \quad (1)$$

$$s \geq 3\sqrt{3}r \quad (2)$$

$$\cos A + \cos B - \cos C + 1 \geq \frac{3\sqrt{3}r^2}{(s-c)R}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \nabla: \sum \cos A + 1 - 2 \cos C &= \frac{r}{R} + 2 \cdot 2 \sin^2 \frac{C}{2} = \frac{r}{R} + 4 \cdot \sin^2 \frac{C}{2} \stackrel{(1)}{=} \\
 &= \frac{r}{R} + 4 \cdot \frac{(rc-r)}{4R} = \frac{rc}{R} = \frac{F}{(s-c)R} = \frac{s \cdot r}{(s-c)R} \stackrel{(2)}{\geq} \frac{3\sqrt{3}r^2}{(s-c)R}
 \end{aligned}$$

Solution 3 by Ertan Yildirim-Izmir-Turkiye

$$\text{Lemma 1: } \cos \frac{A}{2} = \sqrt{\frac{s(s-a)}{bc}}$$

$$\text{Lemma 2: } \tan \frac{A}{2} = \frac{r}{s-a}$$

$$\cos A + \cos B - \cos C + 1 = 2 \cos \left(\frac{A+B}{2} \right) \cdot \cos \left(\frac{A-B}{2} \right) + 1 - \cos C$$

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$$\begin{aligned}
 &= 2 \cdot \sin \frac{C}{2} \cdot \cos \left(\frac{A-B}{2} \right) + 2 \sin^2 \frac{C}{2} = 2 \cdot \sin \frac{C}{2} \cdot \left(\cos \left(\frac{A-B}{2} \right) + \sin \frac{C}{2} \right) \\
 &= 2 \cdot \sin \frac{C}{2} \cdot \left(\cos \left(\frac{A-B}{2} \right) + \cos \left(\frac{A+B}{2} \right) \right) = 2 \cdot \sin \frac{C}{2} \cdot 2 \cdot \cos \frac{A}{2} \cdot \cos \frac{B}{2} \\
 &= 4 \cdot \cos \frac{A}{2} \cdot \cos \frac{B}{2} \cdot \cos \frac{C}{2} \cdot \tan \frac{C}{2} = 4 \cdot \sqrt{\frac{s(s-a)}{bc}} \cdot \sqrt{\frac{s(s-b)}{ac}} \cdot \sqrt{\frac{s(s-c)}{ab}} \cdot \frac{r}{s-c} \\
 &= 4 \cdot \frac{s \cdot sr}{abc} \cdot r = 4 \cdot \frac{s \cdot sr}{4R \cdot sr} \cdot \frac{r}{s-c} = \frac{s \cdot r}{(s-c)R} \stackrel{\text{Mitrinovic}}{\geq} \frac{3\sqrt{3}r^2}{(s-c)R}
 \end{aligned}$$

Solution 4 by Aissa Hiyab-Morocco

$$\begin{aligned}
 \sum \cos A &= 1 + \frac{r}{R} \quad (\text{Lemma 1}), \quad \sin^2 \frac{C}{2} = \frac{c}{s-c} + \frac{r}{4R} \quad (\text{Lemma 2}) \\
 s &\geq 3\sqrt{3}r \quad (\text{Lemma 3}) \\
 \cos A + \cos B - \cos C + 1 &= \left(\sum \cos A \right) - 2 \cos C + 1 \\
 &= \left(1 + \frac{r}{R} \right) - 2 \cos C + 1 \quad (\text{Lemma 1}) \\
 &= \frac{r}{R} + 2(1 - \cos C) = \frac{r}{R} + 4 \sin^2 \frac{C}{2} = \frac{r}{R} + 4 \times \frac{c}{s-c} \times \frac{r}{4R} \quad (\text{Lemma 2}) \\
 &= \frac{r}{R} \left(1 + \frac{c}{s-c} \right) \\
 &= \frac{r}{R} \times \frac{s}{s-c} \stackrel{\text{Lemma 3}}{\leq} \frac{r \times 3\sqrt{3}r}{R \times (s-c)} = \frac{3\sqrt{3}r^2}{(s-c)R}
 \end{aligned}$$

Solution 5 by Soumitra Mandal-India

$$\begin{aligned}
 \cos A + \cos B - \cos C + 1 &= 2 \cos \left(\frac{A+B}{2} \right) \cos \left(\frac{A-B}{2} \right) + 2 \sin^2 \left(\frac{C}{2} \right) \\
 &= 2 \cos \left(\frac{A+B}{2} \right) \cos \left(\frac{A-B}{2} \right) + 2 \sin^2 \left(\frac{\pi - A - B}{2} \right) \\
 &= 2 \cos \left(\frac{A+B}{2} \right) \cos \left(\frac{A-B}{2} \right) + 2 \cos^2 \left(\frac{A+B}{2} \right) \\
 &= 2 \cos \left(\frac{A+B}{2} \right) \left[\cos \left(\frac{A-B}{2} \right) + \cos \left(\frac{A+B}{2} \right) \right] \\
 &= 2 \cos \left(\frac{A+B}{2} \right) \cdot 2 \cos \left(\frac{\frac{A-B}{2} + \frac{A+B}{2}}{2} \right) \cos \left(\frac{\frac{A+B}{2} - \frac{A-B}{2}}{2} \right)
 \end{aligned}$$

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$$\begin{aligned}
 &= 4 \cos\left(\frac{\pi - C}{2}\right) \cos\frac{A}{2} \cos\frac{B}{2} = 4 \cos\frac{A}{2} \cos\frac{B}{2} \sin\frac{C}{2} \\
 &= 4 \cdot \sqrt{\frac{s(s-a)}{bc}} \cdot \sqrt{\frac{s(s-b)}{ca}} \cdot \sqrt{\frac{(s-a)(s-b)}{ab}} = \frac{4}{c} \cdot \frac{s(s-a)(s-b)}{ab} \\
 &= \frac{4s(s-a)(s-b)(s-c)}{abc} \cdot \frac{1}{s-c} = \frac{4\Delta^2}{abc} \cdot \frac{1}{s-c} = \frac{4s^2r^2}{4Rrs} \cdot \frac{1}{s-c} [\because \Delta = sr] \\
 &= \frac{sr}{R(s-c)} \geq \frac{3\sqrt{3}r^2}{R(s-c)} [\because s \geq 3\sqrt{3}r] \text{ (proved)}
 \end{aligned}$$

1407. In any ΔABC , the following relationship holds :

$$\sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{(r_b^4 + 2r_b r_c (r_b^2 + r_c^2) + r_c^4)^3}{r_b^6 + 2r_b r_c (r_b^4 + r_c^4) + r_c^6} \geq \frac{9 \cdot 6^7 r^{11}}{81R^5 - 2560r^5}$$

Proposed by Zaza Mzhavanadze-Georgia

Solution 1 by Tapas Das-India

$$\begin{aligned}
 &\sum (r_a^4 + 2r_b r_a (r_a^2 + r_b^2) + r_b^4) = \left[2 \left(\sum r_a^3 \right) \left(\sum r_a \right) \right] \\
 &\sum [r_a^6 + 2r_b r_a (r_a^4 + r_b^4) + r_b^6] = \left[2 \left(\sum r_a^4 \right) \left(\sum r_a \right) \right] \\
 &\sum \frac{(r_a^4 + 2r_a r_b (r_a^2 + r_b^2) + r_b^4)^3}{r_a^6 + 3r_a r_b (r_a^4 + r_b^4) + r_b^6} \stackrel{\text{Holder 1}}{\geq} \frac{[2(\sum r_a^3) \cdot (\sum r_a)]^3}{2(\sum r_a^5)(\sum r_a)} = \frac{4}{3} \cdot \frac{(\sum r_a^3)^3 \cdot (\sum r_a)^2}{\sum r_a^5} \\
 &\stackrel{\text{AM-GM}}{\geq} \frac{4}{3} \cdot \frac{(3r_a r_b r_c)^3 (4R+r)^2}{\sum r_a^5} \stackrel{\text{Euler}}{\geq} \frac{4}{3} \cdot \frac{27(s^2r)^3 (9r)^2}{\sum r_a^5} \\
 &\stackrel{\text{Mitrinovic}}{\geq} \frac{4}{3} \cdot \frac{27(27r^3)^3 (9)^2 \cdot r^2}{\sum r_a^5} \geq \frac{4}{3} \cdot \frac{27 \cdot 3^9 \cdot r^9 \cdot 9^2 \cdot r^2}{\frac{3^6}{32} (81R^5 - 2560r^5)} \\
 &= (9) \cdot \frac{279936 \cdot r^{11}}{(81R^5 - 2560r^5)} = \frac{9 \cdot 6^7 \cdot r^{11}}{81R^5 - 2560r^5}
 \end{aligned}$$

Now let $a = x + y + z, b = xy + yz + zx, c = xyz$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &\therefore \sum x^5 = a^5 - 5a^3b + 5ab^2 + 5a^2c - 5bc \\
 &\Rightarrow \sum x^5 = \left(\sum x \right)^5 - 5(x+y)(y+z)(z+x)(x^2 + y^2 + z^2 + xy + yz + zx) \\
 &\therefore \Rightarrow \sum r_a^5 = \left(\sum r_a \right)^5 - 5(r_a + r_b)(r_b + r_c)(r_c + r_a)
 \end{aligned}$$

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$$\stackrel{AM-GM}{\geq} = (4R + r)^5 - 5 \cdot (8 \cdot r_a r_b r_c) \left(2 \cdot 3 (r_a r_b r_c)^{\frac{2}{3}} \right)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \stackrel{Mitrinovic}{=} (4R + r)^5 - 5 \cdot (8 \cdot s^2 r) \left(2 \cdot 3 (s^2 r)^{\frac{2}{3}} \right) &\stackrel{Euler}{\leq} \left(\frac{9R}{2} \right)^5 - 5(8 \cdot 3^3 r^3)(2 \cdot 3^3 r^2) \\ &= 3^6 \frac{(81R^5 - 2560r^5)}{32} \end{aligned}$$

Solution 2 by Soumava Chakraborty-Kolkata-India

$$\begin{aligned} &\sum_{cyc} \frac{(r_b^4 + 2r_b r_c (r_b^2 + r_c^2) + r_c^4)^3}{r_b^6 + 2r_b r_c (r_b^4 + r_c^4) + r_c^6} \stackrel{\text{Holder}}{\geq} \frac{8(\sum_{cyc} r_a^4 + \sum_{cyc} r_b r_c (r_b^2 + r_c^2))^3}{6(\sum_{cyc} r_a^6 + \sum_{cyc} r_b r_c (r_b^4 + r_c^4))} \\ &= \frac{4(\sum_{cyc} r_a^3)^3 (\sum_{cyc} r_a)^3}{3(\sum_{cyc} r_a)(\sum_{cyc} r_a^5)} \stackrel{\text{Reverse Chebyshev}}{\geq} \frac{4(\sum_{cyc} r_a^3)^3 (\sum_{cyc} r_a)^3}{9(\sum_{cyc} r_a^6)} \stackrel{\text{Holder}}{\geq} \frac{4(\sum_{cyc} r_a)^9 (\sum_{cyc} r_a)^3}{9^4 (\sum_{cyc} r_a^6)} \\ &= \frac{4(4R + r)^9 (4R + r)^3}{9^4 (\sum_{cyc} r_a^6)} \stackrel{\text{Euler}}{\geq} \frac{4 \cdot 9^9 \cdot r^9 \cdot (4R + r)^3}{9^4 (\sum_{cyc} r_a^6)} \stackrel{?}{\geq} \frac{9 \cdot 6^7 r^{11}}{81R^5 - 2560r^5} \\ &= \frac{3^9 \cdot 2^7 \cdot r^{11}}{81R^5 - 2560r^5} \Leftrightarrow \frac{3(81R^5 - 2560r^5)(4R + r)^3}{32r^2} \stackrel{?}{\geq} \sum_{cyc} r_a^6 \quad (*) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Now, } \sum_{cyc} r_a^6 &= \left(\sum_{cyc} r_a^2 \right)^3 - 3 \prod_{cyc} (r_b^2 + r_c^2) \stackrel{\text{Cesaro}}{\leq} ((4R + r)^2 - 2s^2)^3 - 24r_a^2 r_b^2 r_c^2 \\ &\stackrel{\text{Gerretsen}}{\leq} ((4R + r)^2 - 2(16Rr - 5r^2))^3 - 6r^2 (2s^2)^2 \stackrel{\text{Gerretsen}}{\leq} \\ &\quad (16R^2 - 24Rr + 11r^2)^3 - 6r^2 (27Rr + 5r(R - 2r))^2 \\ &\quad \left(\begin{array}{l} \because 16R^2 - 24Rr + 11r^2 = 16R(R - 2r) \\ + 8Rr + 11r^2 \geq 8Rr + 11r^2 > 0 \end{array} \right) \stackrel{\text{Euler}}{\leq} (16R^2 - 24Rr + 11r^2)^3 \\ &\quad - 6r^2 (27Rr)^2 \stackrel{?}{\leq} \frac{3(81R^5 - 2560r^5)(4R + r)^3}{32r^2} \\ &\Leftrightarrow 15552t^8 + 11664t^7 - 128156t^6 + 590067t^5 - 1155072t^4 + 761856t^3 \\ &\quad - 1022784t^2 + 186624t - 50272 \stackrel{?}{\geq} 0 \quad \left(t = \frac{R}{r} \right) \\ &\Leftrightarrow (t - 2) \left((t - 2) \left(\begin{array}{l} 15552t^6 + 73872t^5 + 105124t^4 + 715075t^3 \\ + 1284732t^2 + 3040484t + 6000224 \\ + 12025584 \end{array} \right) \right) \stackrel{?}{\geq} 0 \rightarrow \text{true} \\ &\quad \because t \stackrel{\text{Euler}}{\geq} 2 \Rightarrow (*) \text{ is true } \therefore \text{ in any } \Delta ABC, \sum_{cyc} \frac{(r_b^4 + 2r_b r_c (r_b^2 + r_c^2) + r_c^4)^3}{r_b^6 + 2r_b r_c (r_b^4 + r_c^4) + r_c^6} \\ &\quad \geq \frac{9 \cdot 6^7 r^{11}}{81R^5 - 2560r^5}, '' = '' \text{ iff } \Delta ABC \text{ is equilateral (QED)} \end{aligned}$$

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1408. If $x, y, z > 0$ and $n \in \mathbb{N}$, then in $\triangle ABC$ holds:

$$\frac{a^{4n-1} \cdot x^{2n}}{h_a} + \frac{b^{4n-1} \cdot y^{2n}}{h_b} + \frac{c^{4n-1} \cdot z^{2n}}{h_c} \geq \frac{3}{2F} \left(\frac{16}{9} F^2 \sum yz \right)^n$$

Proposed by Marin Chirciu – Romania

Solution by Tapas Das – India

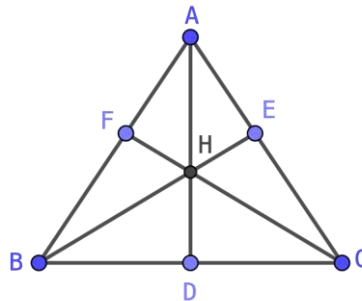
$$\begin{aligned} \frac{a^{4n-1} \cdot x^{2n}}{h_a} + \frac{b^{4n-1} \cdot y^{2n}}{h_b} + \frac{c^{4n-1} \cdot z^{2n}}{h_c} &= \frac{a^{4n} x^{2n}}{2F} + \frac{b^{4n} y^{2n}}{2F} + \frac{c^{4n} z^{2n}}{2F} \\ (\because h_a &= \frac{2F}{a}) \\ &= \frac{1}{2F} [(a^2 x)^{2n} + (b^2 y)^{2n} + (c^2 z)^{2n}] \stackrel{CBS}{\geq} \frac{1}{2F} \cdot \frac{1}{3^{2n-1}} (a^2 x + b^2 y + c^2 z)^{2n} \\ &\geq \frac{1}{2F} \cdot \frac{1}{3^{2n-1}} (4F \sqrt{xy + yz + zx})^{2n} \text{ (Oppenheim)} \\ &= \frac{1}{2F} \cdot \frac{3}{3^{2n}} \left(16F^2 \left(\sum xy \right) \right)^n = \frac{3}{2F} \left(\frac{16}{9} \left(\sum xy \right) \right)^n \end{aligned}$$

1409. $\triangle DEF, \triangle XYZ$ – are the orthic and the circumcevian triangle of altitudes in acute $\triangle ABC$. Prove that:

$$6RF \cdot \sqrt[3]{\frac{2r}{R} \cdot \prod_{cyc} \cos(B-C)} \leq \sum_{cyc} AD \cdot AX \cdot (s-a) \leq s(s^2 + r^2 - 8Rr)$$

Proposed by Radu Diaconu – Romania

Solution by Tapas Das – India



From $\triangle ABD$ we get

$$\sin B = \frac{AD}{AB}$$

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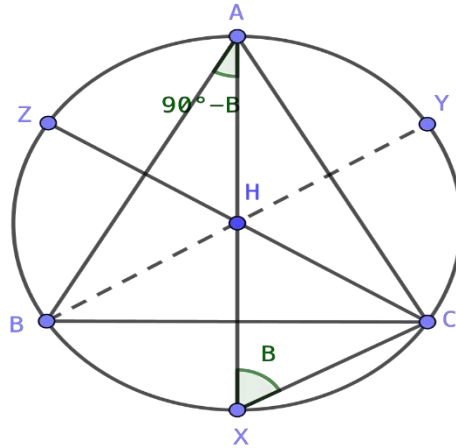
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$$\sin B = \frac{AD}{c}$$

$$\therefore AD = c \sin B$$

(analog)



$$\angle BAX = \angle BCX = 90^\circ - B$$

(angles are on the same arc)

$$\therefore \angle ACX = C + 90^\circ - B = 90^\circ - (B - C)$$

From $\triangle ACX$ we get:

$$\frac{AX}{\sin \angle ACX} = \frac{AC}{\sin \angle AXC}$$

$$[\angle AXC = \angle ABC = B] \Rightarrow \frac{AX}{\sin[90^\circ - (B - C)]} = \frac{b}{\sin B}$$

$$\therefore AX = \frac{b \cos(B - C)}{\sin B} \quad (\text{analog})$$

$$\therefore AD \cdot AX \cdot (s - a) = c \sin B \cdot \frac{b \cos(B - C)}{\sin B} \cdot (s - a) = bc(s - a) \cos(B - C)$$

RHS

$$\therefore \sum AD \cdot AX \cdot (s - a) = \sum bc(s - a) \cos(B - C) \leq bc(s - a) \cdot 1$$

[Note: $\cos(B - C) \leq 1$]

$$= s \left(\sum ab \right) - 3abc = s(s^2 + r^2 + 4Rr) - 12Rrs = s[s^2 + r^2 - 8Rr]$$

$$\sum AD \cdot AX \cdot (s - a) = \sum_{\text{LHS}} bc(s - a) \cos(B - C)$$

$$= abc \sum \frac{(s - a)}{a} \cdot \cos(B - C)$$

$$\stackrel{\text{AM-GM}}{\geq} 3abc \left[\frac{(s - a)(s - b)(s - c)}{abc} \cdot \prod \cos(B - C) \right]^{\frac{1}{3}}$$

$$\geq 12RF \left[\frac{sr^2}{4Rrs} \prod \cos(B - C) \right]^{\frac{1}{3}} = 12RF \left[\frac{r}{4R} \prod \cos(B - C) \right]^{\frac{1}{3}}$$

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$$\begin{aligned}
 &= 12RF \left[\frac{2r}{8R} \prod \cos(B-C) \right]^{\frac{1}{3}} = \frac{12RF}{2} \left[\frac{2r}{R} \prod \cos(B-C) \right]^{\frac{1}{3}} \\
 &= 6RF \sqrt[3]{\frac{2r}{R} \prod \cos(B-C)}
 \end{aligned}$$

1410. In $\triangle ABC$ the following relationship holds:

$$\sum \sin \frac{B}{2} \sin \frac{C}{2} \leq \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{3\sqrt{3}} \cdot \frac{R}{2r} \sum \sin \frac{A}{2} \sqrt{\cos \frac{B}{2} \cos \frac{C}{2}}$$

Proposed by Marin Chirciu – Romania

Solution by Tapas Das – India

$$\text{Let } f(x) = \sin \frac{x}{2}, x \in (0, \pi)$$

$$\therefore f'(x) = \frac{1}{2} \cos \frac{x}{2}, \quad f''(x) = -\frac{1}{4} \sin \frac{x}{2} < 0$$

$\therefore f$ is concave, using Jensen's

$$\therefore \frac{\sin \frac{A}{2} + \sin \frac{B}{2} + \sin \frac{C}{2}}{3} \leq \sin \left(\frac{A+B+C}{6} \right) = \sin \left(\frac{\pi}{6} \right) = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\therefore \sum \sin \frac{A}{2} \leq \frac{3}{2}$$

$$\therefore \sum \sin \frac{A}{2} \sin \frac{B}{2} \leq \frac{(\sin \frac{A}{2} + \sin \frac{B}{2} + \sin \frac{C}{2})^2}{3} \leq \frac{(\frac{3}{2})^2}{3} = \frac{3}{4} \quad (1)$$

$$[\text{Note: } \sum xy \leq \frac{(\sum x)^2}{3}]$$

Now,

$$\begin{aligned}
 &\sum \sin \frac{A}{2} \sqrt{\cos \frac{B}{2} \cos \frac{C}{2}} \stackrel{AM-GM}{\geq} 3 \left[\prod \sin \frac{A}{2} \cdot \prod \cos \frac{A}{2} \right]^{\frac{1}{3}} = 3 \left[\frac{r}{4R} \cdot \frac{s}{4R} \right]^{\frac{1}{3}} \\
 &\geq 3 \left[\frac{r}{4R} \cdot \frac{3\sqrt{3}r}{4R} \cdot \frac{4R}{4R} \right]^{\frac{1}{3}} \quad (\because s \geq 3\sqrt{3}r) \stackrel{Euler}{\geq} 3 \left[\frac{r}{4R} \cdot \frac{3\sqrt{3}r}{4R} \cdot \frac{8r}{4R} \right]^{\frac{1}{3}} = \frac{3\sqrt{3}r \cdot 2}{4R} \\
 &\therefore \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{3\sqrt{3}} \cdot \frac{R}{2r} \sum \sin \frac{A}{2} \sqrt{\cos \frac{B}{2} \cos \frac{C}{2}} \geq \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{3\sqrt{3}} \cdot \frac{R}{2r} \cdot \frac{3\sqrt{3}r \cdot 2}{4R} = \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{4} = \frac{3}{4} \quad (2)
 \end{aligned}$$

From (1) and (2) we get the desired result.

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1411. Prove that in any triangle ABC holds the inequality

$$\left(\frac{a}{2m_a}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{b}{2m_b}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{c}{2m_c}\right)^2 \geq 1$$

Proposed by D.M.Bătinețu-Giurgiu, Neculai Stanciu – Romania

Solution by Tapas Das-India

Let $a > b > c$

$$\therefore m_a < m_b < m_c$$

$$\therefore \left(\frac{a}{2m_a}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{b}{2m_b}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{c}{2m_c}\right)^2 \geq$$

$$\stackrel{\text{Chebyshev}}{\geq} \frac{1}{3}(a^2 + b^2 + c^2) \cdot \frac{1}{4} \left(\frac{1}{m_a^2} + \frac{1}{m_b^2} + \frac{1}{m_c^2} \right)$$

$$\geq \frac{1}{3}(a^2 + b^2 + c^2) \cdot \frac{1}{4} \cdot \frac{(1+1+1)^2}{m_a^2 + m_b^2 + m_c^2} = \frac{1}{3}(a^2 + b^2 + c^2) \cdot \frac{1}{4} \cdot \frac{9}{3(a^2 + b^2 + c^2)}$$

$$= \frac{1}{3}(a^2 + b^2 + c^2) \cdot \frac{1}{4} \cdot \frac{3 \times 4}{(a^2 + b^2 + c^2)} = 1$$

1412. In any acute ΔABC , the following relationship holds :

$$8 \prod_{\text{cyc}} \frac{m_a s_a}{h_a r_a} \leq \prod_{\text{cyc}} \frac{r_a + r_b}{r_c}$$

Proposed by Bogdan Fuștei-Romania

Solution 1 by Soumava Chakraborty-Kolkata-India

$$r_b + r_c = s \left(\frac{\sin \frac{B}{2}}{\cos \frac{B}{2}} + \frac{\sin \frac{C}{2}}{\cos \frac{C}{2}} \right) = \frac{s \sin \left(\frac{B+C}{2} \right) \cos \frac{A}{2}}{\cos \frac{A}{2} \cos \frac{B}{2} \cos \frac{C}{2}} = \frac{s \cos^2 \frac{A}{2}}{\left(\frac{s}{4R} \right)} = 4R \cos^2 \frac{A}{2}$$

$$\therefore r_b + r_c \stackrel{(i)}{=} 4R \cos^2 \frac{A}{2}$$

$$\text{Now, } \frac{m_a^2}{s(s-a)} - 1 \stackrel{?}{\leq} \frac{b^2 + c^2}{2bc} - 1 \Leftrightarrow \frac{(b-c)^2 + 4s(s-a) - 4s(s-a)}{4s(s-a)} \stackrel{?}{\leq} \frac{(b-c)^2}{2bc}$$

$$\Leftrightarrow (b-c)^2 \cdot \left(\frac{1}{2bc} - \frac{1}{4s(s-a)} \right) \stackrel{?}{\geq} 0 \Leftrightarrow (b-c)^2 \cdot \left(\frac{4s(s-a) - 2bc}{8sbc(s-a)} \right) \stackrel{?}{\geq} 0$$

$$\Leftrightarrow (b-c)^2 \cdot \frac{b^2 + c^2 - a^2}{8sbc(s-a)} \stackrel{?}{\geq} 0 \Leftrightarrow (b-c)^2 \cdot \frac{\cos A}{4s(s-a)} \stackrel{?}{\geq} 0 \rightarrow \text{true} \because \cos A > 0$$

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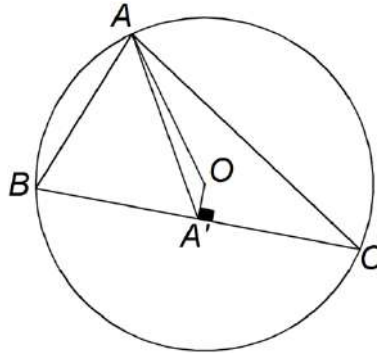
in acute triangles $\Rightarrow \frac{m_a^2}{s(s-a)} \leq \frac{b^2 + c^2}{2bc} \Rightarrow m_a^2 \cdot \frac{2bc}{b^2 + c^2} \leq s(s-a)$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{m_a s_a}{h_a r_a} = \frac{m_a^2 \cdot \frac{2bc}{b^2 + c^2}}{h_a r_a} \leq \frac{s(s-a)}{h_a r_a} = \frac{2R \cdot s(s-a)}{b c r_a} \stackrel{\text{via (i)}}{=} \frac{r_b + r_c}{2r_a} \Rightarrow \frac{2m_a s_a}{h_a r_a} \leq \frac{r_b + r_c}{r_a}$$

and analogs $\Rightarrow 8 \prod_{\text{cyc}} \frac{m_a s_a}{h_a r_a} \leq \prod_{\text{cyc}} \frac{r_b + r_c}{r_a} = \prod_{\text{cyc}} \frac{r_a + r_b}{r_c} \therefore$ in any acute ΔABC ,

$$8 \prod_{\text{cyc}} \frac{m_a s_a}{h_a r_a} \leq \prod_{\text{cyc}} \frac{r_a + r_b}{r_c}, \text{ " = " iff } \Delta ABC \text{ is equilateral (QED)}$$

Solution 2 by Mohamed Amine-Tanger-Morocco



Let A' be the midpoint of BC and O the circumcenter of ΔABC . In $\Delta AA'O$, we have

$$m_a = AA' \leq AO + OA' = R + R \cos A = R(1 + \cos A) = 2R \cos^2 \frac{A}{2}$$

Using this result, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{h_a}{m_a s_a} &= \frac{bc}{2R} \cdot \frac{b^2 + c^2}{2bc m_a^2} = \frac{b^2 + c^2}{R \cdot 4m_a^2} = \frac{1}{2R} \left(1 + \frac{a^2}{4m_a^2} \right) \geq \frac{1}{2R} \left(1 + \frac{\left(4R \sin \frac{A}{2} \cos \frac{A}{2} \right)^2}{4 \left(2R \cos^2 \frac{A}{2} \right)^2} \right) \\ &= \frac{1}{2R} \left(1 + \tan^2 \frac{A}{2} \right) = \frac{1}{2R \cos^2 \frac{A}{2}} = \frac{bc}{2Rs(s-a)} = \frac{2r(s-b)(s-c)}{a \cdot sr^2} = \frac{2}{\frac{sr}{s-b} + \frac{sr}{s-c}} = \frac{2}{r_b + r_c} \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Thus, } \frac{2m_a s_a}{h_a r_a} \leq \frac{r_b + r_c}{r_a}$$

Multiplying this inequality with similar ones yields the desired result.

Equality holds if and only if ΔABC is equilateral.

Solution 3 by Myagmarsuren Yadamsuren-Darkhan-Mongolia

$$8 \cdot \prod \frac{m_a \cdot s_a}{h_a \cdot r_a} \leq \prod \frac{r_b + r_c}{r_a}, \quad b^2 + c^2 \leq 4R \cdot m_a \quad (1)$$

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$$m_a \leq 2R \cos^2 \frac{A}{2}$$

$$\begin{aligned} 4R \cdot \cos^2 \frac{A}{2} &= \frac{2a}{\sin A} \cdot \cos^2 \frac{A}{2} = a \cdot \cot \frac{A}{2} = \frac{a \cdot F}{(s-b)(s-c)} = \\ &= \frac{(s-b+s-c) \cdot F}{(s-b)(s-c)} = \frac{F}{s-b} + \frac{F}{s-c} = r_b + r_c \end{aligned}$$

$$4R \cdot \cos^2 \frac{A}{2} = r_b + r_c \quad (3)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow \frac{2 \cdot m_a \cdot s_a}{h_a \cdot r_a} &= \frac{2m_a \cdot \frac{2bc}{b^2+c^2} \cdot m_a}{h_a \cdot r_a} = \frac{4bc}{h_a} \cdot \frac{m_a^2}{(b^2+c^2)r_a} = \\ &= \frac{8R}{r_a} \left(\frac{2(b^2+c^2) - a^2}{4(b^2+c^2)} \right) = \frac{2R}{r_a} \cdot \left(2 - \frac{a^2}{b^2+c^2} \right) \stackrel{(1)}{\leq} \end{aligned}$$

$$\leq \frac{2R}{r_a} \cdot \left(2 - \frac{a^2}{4R \cdot m_a} \right) \stackrel{(2)}{\leq} \frac{2R}{r_a} \cdot \left(2 - \frac{a^2}{8R^2 \cdot \cos^2 \frac{A}{2}} \right) =$$

$$= \frac{2R}{r_a} \left(2 - \frac{\sin^2 \frac{A}{2}}{2 \cos^2 \frac{A}{2}} \right) = \frac{2R}{r_a} \left(2 - 2 \sin^2 \frac{A}{2} \right) = \frac{4R \cdot \cos^2 \frac{A}{2}}{r_a} \stackrel{(3)}{=} \frac{r_b + r_c}{r_a}$$

1413. In any ΔABC , the following relationship holds :

$$\sum_{\text{cyc}} \left(\frac{n_a^2}{w_a^2} + \frac{4r_a}{r_b + r_c} \right) \geq 1 + \frac{4R}{r}$$

Proposed by Bogdan Fuștei-Romania

Solution 1 by Soumava Chakraborty-Kolkata-India

$$\begin{aligned} r_b + r_c &= s \left(\frac{\sin \frac{B}{2}}{\cos \frac{B}{2}} + \frac{\sin \frac{C}{2}}{\cos \frac{C}{2}} \right) = \frac{s \sin \left(\frac{B+C}{2} \right) \cos \frac{A}{2}}{\cos \frac{A}{2} \cos \frac{B}{2} \cos \frac{C}{2}} = \frac{s \cos^2 \frac{A}{2}}{\left(\frac{s}{4R} \right)} = 4R \cos^2 \frac{A}{2} \\ \therefore r_b + r_c &\stackrel{(i)}{=} 4R \cos^2 \frac{A}{2} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Stewart's theorem} &\Rightarrow b^2(s-c) + c^2(s-b) = an_a^2 + a(s-b)(s-c) \\ \Rightarrow s(b^2+c^2) - bc(2s-a) &= an_a^2 + a(s^2 - s(2s-a) + bc) \Rightarrow s(b^2+c^2) - 2sbc \\ &= an_a^2 + a(as-s^2) \Rightarrow s(b^2+c^2 - a^2 - 2bc) = an_a^2 - as^2 \\ \Rightarrow an_a^2 &= as^2 + s(2bccosA - 2bc) = as^2 - 4sbcsin^2 \frac{A}{2} \\ &= as^2 - \frac{4sbc(s-b)(s-c)(s-a)}{bc(s-a)} = as^2 - \frac{4\Delta^2}{s-a} = as^2 - 2a \left(\frac{2\Delta}{a} \right) \left(\frac{\Delta}{s-a} \right) \end{aligned}$$

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$$\begin{aligned}
 &= as^2 - 2ah_a r_a \Rightarrow n_a^2 = s^2 - 2h_a r_a \text{ and analogs} \Rightarrow \sum_{\text{cyc}} \left(\frac{n_a^2}{w_a^2} + \frac{4r_a}{r_b + r_c} \right) \\
 &= s^2 \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{1}{w_a^2} - \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{2h_a r_a}{w_a^2} + 4 \left(\left(\sum_{\text{cyc}} r_a \right) \left(\sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{1}{r_b + r_c} \right) - 3 \right) \stackrel{\text{via (i)}}{=} \\
 &s^2 \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{(b+c)^2 a}{4abcs(s-a)} - \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{4r^2 s^2 (b+c)^2}{a(s-a) \cdot 4bcs(s-a)} + 4 \left((4R+r) \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{1}{4R \cos^2 \frac{A}{2}} - 3 \right) \\
 &= \frac{s^2}{16Rr s^2} \sum_{\text{cyc}} \left(\frac{a(s^2 + (s-a)^2 + 2s(s-a))}{s-a} \right) \\
 &- \frac{r^2 s^2}{4Rr s^2} \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{s^2 + (s-a)^2 + 2s(s-a)}{(s-a)^2} + \frac{(4R+r)(s^2 + (4R+r)^2) - 12Rs^2}{Rs^2} \\
 &= \frac{1}{16Rr} \left(s^2 \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{a-s+s}{s-a} + s(2s) - 2(s^2 - 4Rr - r^2) + 2s \cdot 2s \right) \\
 &- \frac{r}{4R} \left(\frac{1}{r^2} \sum_{\text{cyc}} r_a^2 + 3 + \frac{2s(4Rr + r^2)}{r^2 s} \right) + \frac{(4R+r)(s^2 + (4R+r)^2) - 12Rs^2}{Rs^2} \\
 &= \frac{1}{16Rr} \left(s^2 \left(-3 + \frac{s(4Rr + r^2)}{r^2 s} \right) + 2(4Rr + r^2) + 4s^2 \right) \\
 &- \frac{r}{4R} \left(\frac{(4R+r)^2 - 2s^2 + 3r^2}{r^2} + \frac{2(4R+r)}{r} \right) + \frac{(4R+r)(s^2 + (4R+r)^2) - 12Rs^2}{Rs^2} \\
 &= \frac{(2R+5r)s^4 - rs^2(32R^2 + 92Rr + 3r^2) + 8r^2(4R+r)^3}{8Rr^2 s^2} \geq 1 + \frac{4R}{r} = \frac{4R+r}{r} \\
 &\Leftrightarrow (2R+5r)s^4 - rs^2(64R^2 + 100Rr + 3r^2) + 8r^2(4R+r)^3 \geq 0 \text{ and} \\
 &\because (2R+5r)(s^2 - 16Rr + 5r^2)^2 \stackrel{\text{Gerretsen}}{\geq} 0 \therefore \text{in order to prove } (*), \\
 &\text{it suffices to prove : LHS of } (*) \geq (2R+5r)(s^2 - 16Rr + 5r^2)^2 \\
 &\Leftrightarrow (40R-53r)s^2 \stackrel{(**)}{\geq} r(576R^2 - 846Rr + 117r^2) \text{ and again, LHS of } (**) \stackrel{\text{Gerretsen}}{\geq} \\
 &(40R-53r)(16Rr-5r^2) \stackrel{?}{\geq} r(576R^2 - 846Rr + 117r^2) \\
 &\Leftrightarrow 32R^2 - 101Rr + 74r^2 \stackrel{?}{\geq} 0 \Leftrightarrow (32R-37r)(R-2r) \stackrel{?}{\geq} 0 \rightarrow \text{true} \because R \stackrel{\text{Euler}}{\geq} 2r \\
 &\Rightarrow (**)\Rightarrow (*) \text{ is true} \therefore \text{in any } \Delta ABC, \sum_{\text{cyc}} \left(\frac{n_a^2}{w_a^2} + \frac{4r_a}{r_b + r_c} \right) \geq 1 + \frac{4R}{r}, \\
 &\text{"=" iff } \Delta ABC \text{ is equilateral (QED)}
 \end{aligned}$$

Solution 2 by Mohamed Amine Ben Ajiba-Tanger-Morocco

By AM – GM inequality, we have $w_a^2 = \frac{4bc}{(b+c)^2} \cdot r_b r_c \leq r_b r_c$.

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Also, we have $n_a^2 = s(s-a) + \frac{s(b-c)^2}{a} = s^2 - \frac{s[a^2 - (b-c)^2]}{a}$
 $= s^2 - \frac{4s(s-b)(s-c)}{a}$

$= s^2 - \frac{4s \cdot sr^2}{a(s-a)} = s^2 - 2h_a r_a$, then $n_a^2 + 2h_a r_a = s^2$.

And since $\frac{1}{r_b} + \frac{1}{r_c} = \frac{a}{F} = \frac{2}{h_a}$, then we have $r_b + r_c = \frac{2r_b r_c}{h_a}$.

Using these results, we have :

$$\frac{n_a^2}{w_a^2} + \frac{4r_a}{r_b + r_c} \geq \frac{n_a^2}{r_b r_c} + \frac{2h_a r_a}{r_b r_c} = \frac{s^2}{r_b r_c} = \frac{r_a}{r} \text{ (and analogs)}$$

Therefore,

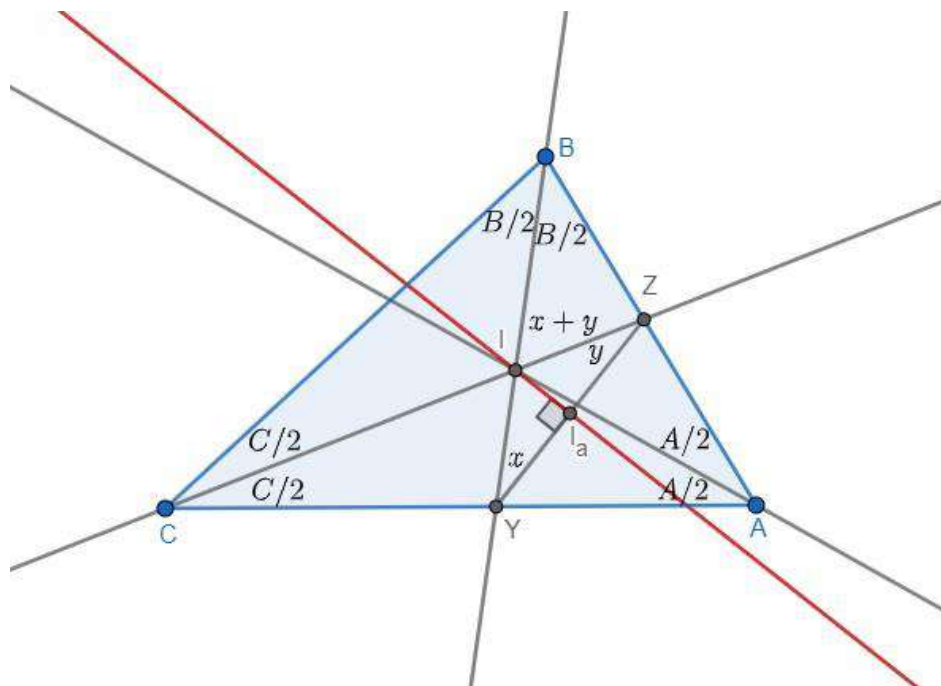
$$\sum_{cyc} \left(\frac{n_a^2}{w_a^2} + \frac{4r_a}{r_b + r_c} \right) \geq \sum_{cyc} \frac{r_a}{r} = 1 + \frac{4R}{r}.$$

Equality holds if and only if $\triangle ABC$ is equilateral.

1414.

In $\triangle ABC$ pictured in the diagram, the following relationship holds

$$2\sqrt{2} \cdot \Pi_a < IA$$



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Solution by Soumava Chakraborty-Kolkata-India

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Via sine law on } \triangle AIY, \frac{AI}{\sin\left(C + \frac{B}{2}\right)} &= \frac{YI}{\sin\frac{A}{2}} \\ \Rightarrow \frac{AI}{\sin\frac{180^\circ - A + C}{2}} &= \frac{YI}{\sin\frac{A}{2}} \Rightarrow YI = \frac{AI \sin\frac{A}{2}}{\cos\frac{A-C}{2}} \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Via sine law on } \triangle AIZ, \frac{AI}{\sin\left(B + \frac{C}{2}\right)} = \frac{ZI}{\sin\frac{A}{2}} \Rightarrow \frac{AI}{\sin\frac{180^\circ - A + B}{2}} = \frac{ZI}{\sin\frac{A}{2}} \Rightarrow ZI = \frac{AI \sin\frac{A}{2}}{\cos\frac{A-B}{2}}$$

Via $\triangle II_aY, II_a = YI \sin x$ and via $\triangle II_aZ, II_a = ZI \sin y \therefore II_a^2 = YI \cdot ZI \cdot \sin x \sin y$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{via (i),(i)} \Rightarrow 8II_a^2 &= 8 \sin x \sin y \cdot \frac{AI^2 \sin^2\frac{A}{2}}{\cos\frac{A-C}{2} \cdot \cos\frac{A-B}{2}} \stackrel{?}{<} AI^2 \\ &\Leftrightarrow (\cos(x-y) - \cos(x+y)) \cdot 8 \sin^2\frac{A}{2} \stackrel{?}{<} \cos\frac{2A - (180^\circ - A)}{2} \\ &+ \cos\frac{B-C}{2} \left(\because \frac{-\pi}{2} < \frac{A-C}{2}, \frac{A-B}{2} < \frac{\pi}{2} \Rightarrow \cos\frac{A-C}{2}, \cos\frac{A-B}{2} > 0 \right) \\ &\Leftrightarrow \left(\cos(x-y) - \cos\frac{B+C}{2} \right) \cdot 8 \sin^2\frac{A}{2} \stackrel{?}{<} \sin\frac{3A}{2} + \frac{b+c}{a} \cdot \sin\frac{A}{2} \\ &= 3 \sin\frac{A}{2} - 4 \sin^3\frac{A}{2} + \frac{b+c}{a} \cdot \sin\frac{A}{2} \\ &\Leftrightarrow \left(\cos(x-y) - \cos\frac{B+C}{2} \right) \cdot 8 \sin^2\frac{A}{2} \stackrel{?}{<} 3 - 4 \sin^2\frac{A}{2} + \frac{b+c}{a} \\ &\Leftrightarrow 8 \sin\frac{A}{2} \cdot \cos(x-y) - 8 \sin^2\frac{A}{2} \stackrel{?}{<} 3 - 4 \sin^2\frac{A}{2} + \frac{b+c}{a} \\ &\Leftrightarrow \boxed{8 \sin\frac{A}{2} \cdot \cos(x-y) \stackrel{?}{<} 3 + 4 \sin^2\frac{A}{2} + \frac{b+c}{a}} \end{aligned}$$

Now, $x < x+y = \frac{B+C}{2} = 90^\circ - \frac{A}{2} < 90^\circ$ and similarly, $y < 90^\circ \therefore 0 < x < 90^\circ$
 and $-90^\circ < -y < 0 \Rightarrow -90^\circ < x-y < 90^\circ \therefore 0 < \cos(x-y) < 1$
 $\Rightarrow 8 \sin\frac{A}{2} \cdot \cos(x-y) < 8 \sin\frac{A}{2} \Rightarrow \text{LHS of } (*) \stackrel{(*)}{<} 8 \sin\frac{A}{2}$ and $3 + 4 \sin^2\frac{A}{2} + \frac{b+c}{a}$
 $> 3 + 4 \sin^2\frac{A}{2} + 1 \Rightarrow \text{RHS of } (*) \stackrel{(**)}{>} 4 + 4 \sin^2\frac{A}{2} \therefore (*), (**) \Rightarrow$ in order
 to prove $(*)$, it suffices to prove : $4 + 4 \sin^2\frac{A}{2} > 8 \sin\frac{A}{2} \Leftrightarrow 4 \left(1 - \sin\frac{A}{2}\right)^2 > 0$
 $\rightarrow \text{true} \Rightarrow (*) \text{ is true} \Rightarrow 8II_a^2 < AI^2 \Rightarrow 2\sqrt{2} * II_a < IA \text{ (QED)}$

1415. In $\triangle ABC$ the following relationship holds:

$$\left(\sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{n_a}{h_a} \right)^2 \cdot \sum_{\text{cyc}} (s - n_b)(s - n_c) > 4s^2$$

Proposed by Bogdan Fuștei-Romania

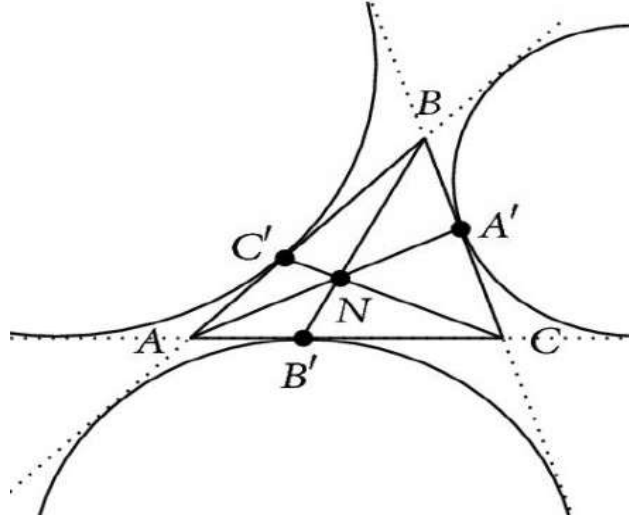
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Solution by Mohamed Amine Ben Ajiba-Tanger-Morocco

Let N be the Nagel's point of $\triangle ABC$ and AA' , BB' , CC' be the Nagel's cevians.



Since $AB' = s - c$, $AC' = s - b$, $BC' = CB' = s - a$,

and using Van Aubel's theorem, we have

$$\frac{NA}{NA'} = \frac{AC'}{C'B} + \frac{AB'}{B'C} = \frac{s-b}{s-a} + \frac{s-c}{s-a} = \frac{a}{s-a}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{n_a}{NA} = 1 + \frac{NA}{NA'} = 1 + \frac{s-a}{a} = \frac{s}{a} \Rightarrow NA = \frac{an_a}{s} = 2r \cdot \frac{n_a}{h_a} \text{ (and analogs).}$$

Also, in $\triangle NBC$, we have

$$a < NB + NC = 2r \left(\frac{n_b}{h_b} + \frac{n_c}{h_c} \right) \text{ (and analogs), (see, for example, Bogdan}$$

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Now, we have

$$s^2 - n_a^2 = s^2 - \left(s(s-a) + \frac{s(b-c)^2}{a} \right) = \frac{s[a^2 - (b-c)^2]}{a} = \frac{4s(s-b)(s-c)}{a}$$

$$= \frac{4s \cdot sr^2}{a(s-a)} = 2r_a h_a.$$

Using these results, we have,

$$s - n_a = \frac{s^2 - n_a^2}{s + n_a} = \frac{2r_a h_a}{s + n_a} = \frac{2r_a}{\frac{a}{2r} + \frac{n_a}{h_a}} > \frac{2r_a}{\left(\frac{n_b}{h_b} + \frac{n_c}{h_c} \right) + \frac{n_a}{h_a}}$$

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$$\Rightarrow \left(\frac{n_a}{h_a} + \frac{n_b}{h_b} + \frac{n_c}{h_c} \right) (s - n_a) > 2r_a \text{ (and analogs).}$$

Therefore

$$\left(\sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{n_a}{h_a} \right)^2 \cdot \sum_{\text{cyc}} (s - n_b)(s - n_c) \geq \sum_{\text{cyc}} 2r_b \cdot 2r_c = 4s^2.$$

1416. In any $\Delta ABC, \Delta A'B'C'$ the following relationship holds :

$$\begin{aligned} & \min \left\{ \sum_{\text{cyc}}^3 \sqrt{\frac{w_a}{w_b + w_c}}, \sum_{\text{cyc}}^3 \sqrt{\frac{m_a'}{m_b' + m_c'}} \right\} + \frac{R^2 R'}{r^2 r'} \\ & \geq 8 + \max \left\{ \sum_{\text{cyc}}^3 \sqrt{\frac{w_a'}{w_b' + w_c'}}, \sum_{\text{cyc}}^3 \sqrt{\frac{m_a}{m_b + m_c}} \right\} \end{aligned}$$

Proposed by Nguyen Van Canh-BenTre-Vietnam

Solution by Soumava Chakraborty-Kolkata-India

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{\text{cyc}}^3 \sqrt{\frac{w_a}{w_b + w_c}} &= \frac{1}{\sqrt[3]{2}} \sum_{\text{cyc}}^3 \sqrt{\frac{2w_a}{w_b + w_c}} \cdot 1 \cdot 1 \stackrel{\text{G-H}}{\geq} \frac{1}{\sqrt[3]{2}} \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{\frac{6w_a}{w_b + w_c}}{\frac{2w_a}{w_b + w_c} + \frac{2w_a}{w_b + w_c} + 1} \\ & \stackrel{\text{Bergstrom and}}{\geq} \frac{6}{\sqrt[3]{2}} \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{w_a^2}{4w_a^2 + w_a w_b + w_a w_c} \stackrel{\sum_{\text{cyc}} w_a w_b \leq \sum_{\text{cyc}} w_a^2}{\geq} \frac{1}{\sqrt[3]{2}} \cdot \frac{6(\sum_{\text{cyc}} w_a)^2}{4 \sum_{\text{cyc}} w_a^2 + 2 \sum_{\text{cyc}} w_a^2} \\ & \stackrel{w_a \geq h_a = \frac{2rs}{a} \text{ and analogs}}{\geq} \frac{1}{\sqrt[3]{2}} \cdot \frac{(2rs \cdot \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{1}{a})^2}{\sum_{\text{cyc}} s(s-a)} \stackrel{\text{Bergstrom and Mitrinovic}}{\geq} \frac{1}{\sqrt[3]{2}} \cdot \frac{4(2rs \cdot \frac{9}{2s})^2}{27R^2} \\ & \Rightarrow \sum_{\text{cyc}}^3 \sqrt{\frac{w_a}{w_b + w_c}} \stackrel{(*)}{\geq} \frac{1}{\sqrt[3]{2}} \cdot \frac{12r^2}{R^2} \stackrel{?}{\geq} \frac{3}{\sqrt[3]{2}} - \frac{2(R^2 - 4r^2)}{r^2} \\ \Leftrightarrow \frac{2(R^2 - 4r^2)}{r^2} \stackrel{?}{\geq} \frac{3}{\sqrt[3]{2}} \left(1 - \frac{4r^2}{R^2} \right) &= \frac{3}{\sqrt[3]{2}} \cdot \frac{R^2 - 4r^2}{R^2}, \text{ and proving it will be complete} \end{aligned}$$

if we can show : $2 \cdot \sqrt[3]{2} \cdot R^2 > 3r^2 \left(\because R^2 - 4r^2 \stackrel{\text{Euler}}{\geq} 0 \right) \rightarrow \text{true}$

$$\because 2 \cdot \sqrt[3]{2} \cdot R^2 \stackrel{\text{Euler}}{\geq} 8 \cdot \sqrt[3]{2} \cdot r^2 > 3r^2 \therefore \sum_{\text{cyc}}^3 \sqrt{\frac{w_a}{w_b + w_c}} \stackrel{(*)}{\geq} \frac{3}{\sqrt[3]{2}} - \frac{2(R^2 - 4r^2)}{r^2}$$

$$\sum_{\text{cyc}}^3 \sqrt{\frac{m_a}{m_b + m_c}} = \frac{1}{\sqrt[3]{2}} \sum_{\text{cyc}}^3 \sqrt{\frac{2m_a}{m_b + m_c}} \cdot 1 \cdot 1 \stackrel{\text{G-H}}{\geq} \frac{1}{\sqrt[3]{2}} \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{\frac{6m_a}{m_b + m_c}}{\frac{2m_a}{m_b + m_c} + \frac{2m_a}{m_b + m_c} + 1}$$

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$$= \frac{6}{\sqrt[3]{2}} \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{m_a^2}{4m_a^2 + m_a m_b + m_a m_c} \stackrel{\sum_{\text{cyc}} m_a m_b \leq \sum_{\text{cyc}} m_a^2}{\geq} \frac{1}{\sqrt[3]{2}} \cdot \frac{6(\sum_{\text{cyc}} m_a)^2}{4 \sum_{\text{cyc}} m_a^2 + 2 \sum_{\text{cyc}} m_a^2}$$

$$\stackrel{m_a \geq h_a = \frac{2rs}{a} \text{ and analogs}}{\geq} \frac{1}{\sqrt[3]{2}} \cdot \frac{\left(2rs \cdot \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{1}{a}\right)^2}{\frac{3}{4} \sum_{\text{cyc}} a^2} \stackrel{\text{Bergstrom and Leibnitz}}{\geq} \frac{1}{\sqrt[3]{2}} \cdot \frac{4\left(2rs \cdot \frac{9}{2s}\right)^2}{27R^2}$$

$$\Rightarrow \sum_{\text{cyc}} \sqrt[3]{\frac{m_a}{m_b + m_c}} \stackrel{(\bullet\bullet)}{\geq} \frac{1}{\sqrt[3]{2}} \cdot \frac{12r^2}{R^2} \stackrel{?}{\geq} \frac{3}{\sqrt[3]{2}} - \frac{4(R-2r)}{r}$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \frac{4(R-2r)}{r} \stackrel{?}{\geq} \frac{3}{\sqrt[3]{2}} \cdot \frac{(R-2r)(R+2r)}{R^2} \text{ and proving it will be complete}$$

if we can show : $4R^2 > 3r(R+2r)$ ($\because R^2 - 4r^2 \stackrel{\text{Euler}}{\geq} 0$ and $\sqrt[3]{2} > 1$)

$$\Leftrightarrow (R-2r)(4R+5r) + 4r^2 > 0 \rightarrow \text{true} \because R \stackrel{\text{Euler}}{\geq} 2r$$

$$\therefore \sum_{\text{cyc}} \sqrt[3]{\frac{w_a}{w_b + w_c}} \stackrel{(\bullet\bullet)}{\geq} \frac{3}{\sqrt[3]{2}} - \frac{4(R-2r)}{r}$$

$$\sum_{\text{cyc}} \sqrt[3]{\frac{w_a}{w_b + w_c}} = \frac{1}{\sqrt[3]{2}} \sum_{\text{cyc}} \sqrt[3]{\frac{2w_a}{w_b + w_c}} \cdot 1 \cdot 1 \stackrel{\text{A-G}}{\leq} \frac{1}{\sqrt[3]{2}} \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{2w_a}{w_b + w_c} + 2$$

$$= \frac{2}{3} \cdot \frac{1}{\sqrt[3]{2}} \left(\sum_{\text{cyc}} w_a \right) \left(\sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{1}{w_b + w_c} \right) \stackrel{\text{A-G}}{\leq} \frac{1}{3} \cdot \frac{1}{\sqrt[3]{2}} (\sqrt{3}s) \left(\sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{1}{\sqrt{w_b w_c}} \right) \stackrel{w_a \geq h_a \text{ and analogs + CBS and Mitrinovic}}{\leq}$$

$$\frac{1}{3} \cdot \frac{1}{\sqrt[3]{2}} \cdot \sqrt{3} \cdot \frac{3\sqrt{3}R}{2} \cdot \sqrt{\sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{1}{h_a}} \cdot \sqrt{\sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{1}{h_a}} \Rightarrow \sum_{\text{cyc}} \sqrt[3]{\frac{w_a}{w_b + w_c}} \stackrel{(\bullet\bullet\bullet)}{\leq}$$

$$\frac{3}{2} \cdot \frac{R}{\sqrt[3]{2}} \cdot \frac{1}{r} \stackrel{?}{\leq} \frac{3}{\sqrt[3]{2}} + \frac{4(R-2r)}{r} \Leftrightarrow \frac{4(R-2r)}{r} \stackrel{?}{\geq} \frac{3}{\sqrt[3]{2}} - \frac{R-2r}{2r} \text{ and proving it will be}$$

complete if we can show : $8 \cdot \sqrt[3]{2} > 3$ ($\because R-2r \stackrel{\text{Euler}}{\geq} 0$ and $\sqrt[3]{2} > 1$) \rightarrow true

$$\therefore \sum_{\text{cyc}} \sqrt[3]{\frac{w_a}{w_b + w_c}} \stackrel{(\bullet\bullet\bullet)}{\leq} \frac{3}{\sqrt[3]{2}} + \frac{4(R-2r)}{r}$$

$$\sum_{\text{cyc}} \sqrt[3]{\frac{m_a}{m_b + m_c}} = \frac{1}{\sqrt[3]{2}} \sum_{\text{cyc}} \sqrt[3]{\frac{2m_a}{m_b + m_c}} \cdot 1 \cdot 1 \stackrel{\text{A-G}}{\leq} \frac{1}{\sqrt[3]{2}} \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{2m_a}{m_b + m_c} + 2$$

$$= \frac{2}{3} \cdot \frac{1}{\sqrt[3]{2}} \left(\sum_{\text{cyc}} m_a \right) \left(\sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{1}{m_b + m_c} \right) \stackrel{\text{A-G}}{\leq} \frac{1}{3} \cdot \frac{1}{\sqrt[3]{2}} (4R+r) \left(\sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{1}{\sqrt{m_b m_c}} \right)$$

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$m_a \geq h_a$ and analogs + CBS

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$$\frac{1}{3} \cdot \frac{1}{\sqrt[3]{2}} \left(\frac{9R}{2} \right) \cdot \sqrt{\sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{1}{h_a}} \cdot \sqrt{\sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{1}{h_a}}$$

$$\Rightarrow \sum_{\text{cyc}}^3 \sqrt{\frac{m_a}{m_b + m_c}} \stackrel{(\bullet\bullet\bullet\bullet)}{\leq} \frac{3}{2} \cdot \frac{R}{\sqrt[3]{2}} \cdot \frac{1}{r} \leq \frac{3}{\sqrt[3]{2}} + \frac{2(R^2 - 4r^2)}{r^2}$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \frac{2(R^2 - 4r^2)}{r^2} \stackrel{?}{\geq} \frac{3}{\sqrt[3]{2}} \cdot \frac{R - 2r}{2r} \text{ and proving it will be complete if we can show :}$$

$$4(R + 2r) > 3r \stackrel{\text{Euler}}{(\because R - 2r \geq 0 \text{ and } \sqrt[3]{2} > 1)} \Leftrightarrow 4R + 5r > 0 \rightarrow \text{true}$$

$$\therefore \sum_{\text{cyc}}^3 \sqrt{\frac{m_a}{m_b + m_c}} \stackrel{(\bullet\bullet\bullet)}{\leq} \frac{3}{\sqrt[3]{2}} + \frac{2(R^2 - 4r^2)}{r^2}$$

$$\text{Again, } \frac{R^2 R'}{r^2 r'} = \frac{(R^2 - 4r^2 + 4r^2)(R' - 2r' + 2r')}{r^2 r'}$$

$$= \frac{2r'(R^2 - 4r^2) + 4r^2(R' - 2r') + 8r^2 r' + (R^2 - 4r^2)(R' - 2r')}{r^2 r'}$$

$$= 8 + \frac{2(R^2 - 4r^2)}{r^2} + \frac{4(R' - 2r')}{r'} + \frac{(R^2 - 4r^2)(R' - 2r')}{r^2 r'}$$

$$\stackrel{\text{Euler}}{\geq} 8 + \frac{2(R^2 - 4r^2)}{r^2} + \frac{4(R' - 2r')}{r'} \stackrel{(\text{Euler})}{\because \frac{R^2 R'}{r^2 r'} \geq 8} \geq 8 + \frac{2(R^2 - 4r^2)}{r^2} + \frac{4(R' - 2r')}{r'}$$

$$\text{Let } m = \min \left\{ \sum_{\text{cyc}}^3 \sqrt{\frac{w_a}{w_b + w_c}}, \sum_{\text{cyc}}^3 \sqrt{\frac{m_a'}{m_b' + m_c'}} \right\} \text{ and}$$

$$M = \max \left\{ \sum_{\text{cyc}}^3 \sqrt{\frac{w_a'}{w_b' + w_c'}}, \sum_{\text{cyc}}^3 \sqrt{\frac{m_a}{m_b + m_c}} \right\}$$

$$\boxed{\text{Case 1}} \quad m = \sum_{\text{cyc}}^3 \sqrt{\frac{w_a}{w_b + w_c}}; M = \sum_{\text{cyc}}^3 \sqrt{\frac{m_a}{m_b + m_c}} \text{ and then, via } (\bullet), (\bullet\bullet\bullet\bullet),$$

$$\text{LHS} - \text{RHS} \geq \frac{1}{\sqrt[3]{2}} \cdot \frac{12r^2}{R^2} - \frac{3}{2} \cdot \frac{R}{\sqrt[3]{2}} \cdot \frac{R^2 R'}{r^2 r'} - 8 \stackrel{\text{Euler}}{\geq} -\frac{3}{\sqrt[3]{2}} \left(\frac{R}{2r} - \frac{4r^2}{R^2} \right)$$

$$+ \frac{2(R^2 - 4r^2)}{r^2} \stackrel{?}{\geq} 0 \Leftrightarrow \frac{2(R^2 - 4r^2)}{r^2} \stackrel{?}{\geq} \frac{3}{\sqrt[3]{2}} \cdot \frac{R^3 - 8r^3}{2R^2 r} \text{ and proving it will be complete}$$

$$\text{if we can show : } 4R^2(R + 2r) > 3r(R^2 + 4r^2 - 2Rr)$$

$$\left(\because R - 2r \stackrel{\text{Euler}}{\geq} 0 \text{ and } \sqrt[3]{2} > 1 \right) \Leftrightarrow 4R^3 + 5R^2 r + 6r^2(R - 2r) > 0 \rightarrow \text{true}$$

$$\therefore R \stackrel{\text{Euler}}{\geq} 2r \therefore \min \left\{ \sum_{\text{cyc}}^3 \sqrt{\frac{w_a}{w_b + w_c}}, \sum_{\text{cyc}}^3 \sqrt{\frac{m_a'}{m_b' + m_c'}} \right\} + \frac{R^2 R'}{r^2 r'}$$

$$\geq 8 + \max \left\{ \sum_{\text{cyc}}^3 \sqrt{\frac{w_a'}{w_b' + w_c'}}, \sum_{\text{cyc}}^3 \sqrt{\frac{m_a}{m_b + m_c}} \right\}$$

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Case 2 $m = \sum_{\text{cyc}}^3 \sqrt[3]{\frac{m_a'}{m_b' + m_c'}}; M = \sum_{\text{cyc}}^3 \sqrt[3]{\frac{w_a'}{w_b' + w_c'}}$ and then, via (■), (■■■),

$$\text{LHS} - \text{RHS} \geq \frac{1}{\sqrt[3]{2}} \cdot \frac{12r'^2}{R'^2} - \frac{3}{2 \cdot \sqrt[3]{2}} \cdot \frac{R'}{r'} + \frac{R^2 R'}{r^2 r'} - 8 \stackrel{\text{Euler}}{\geq} -\frac{3}{\sqrt[3]{2}} \left(\frac{R'}{2r'} - \frac{4r'^2}{R'^2} \right) + \frac{4(R' - 2r')}{r'} \stackrel{?}{\geq} 0 \Leftrightarrow \frac{4(R' - 2r')}{r'} \stackrel{?}{\geq} \frac{3}{\sqrt[3]{2}} \cdot \frac{R^3 - 8r'^3}{2R'^2 r'}$$

and proving it will be complete if we can show : $8R'^2 > 3(R'^2 + 4r'^2 - 2R'r')$

$$\left(\because R' - 2r' \stackrel{\text{Euler}}{\geq} 0 \text{ and } \sqrt[3]{2} > 1 \right) \Leftrightarrow 5R'^2 + 6r'(R' - 2r') > 0 \rightarrow \text{true}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \because R' &\stackrel{\text{Euler}}{\geq} 2r' \therefore \min \left\{ \sum_{\text{cyc}}^3 \sqrt[3]{\frac{w_a}{w_b + w_c}}, \sum_{\text{cyc}}^3 \sqrt[3]{\frac{m_a'}{m_b' + m_c'}} \right\} + \frac{R^2 R'}{r^2 r'} \\ &\geq 8 + \max \left\{ \sum_{\text{cyc}}^3 \sqrt[3]{\frac{w_a'}{w_b' + w_c'}}, \sum_{\text{cyc}}^3 \sqrt[3]{\frac{m_a}{m_b + m_c}} \right\} \end{aligned}$$

Case 3 $m = \sum_{\text{cyc}}^3 \sqrt[3]{\frac{w_a}{w_b + w_c}}; M = \sum_{\text{cyc}}^3 \sqrt[3]{\frac{w_a'}{w_b' + w_c'}}$, then, via (•), (•••), (⊗),

$$\begin{aligned} \text{LHS} - \text{RHS} &\geq \frac{3}{\sqrt[3]{2}} - \frac{2(R^2 - 4r^2)}{r^2} + 8 + \frac{2(R^2 - 4r^2)}{r^2} + \frac{4(R' - 2r')}{r'} - 8 - \frac{3}{\sqrt[3]{2}} \\ &\quad - \frac{4(R' - 2r')}{r'} = 0 \therefore \min \left\{ \sum_{\text{cyc}}^3 \sqrt[3]{\frac{w_a}{w_b + w_c}}, \sum_{\text{cyc}}^3 \sqrt[3]{\frac{m_a'}{m_b' + m_c'}} \right\} + \frac{R^2 R'}{r^2 r'} \\ &\geq 8 + \max \left\{ \sum_{\text{cyc}}^3 \sqrt[3]{\frac{w_a'}{w_b' + w_c'}}, \sum_{\text{cyc}}^3 \sqrt[3]{\frac{m_a}{m_b + m_c}} \right\} \end{aligned}$$

Case 4 $m = \sum_{\text{cyc}}^3 \sqrt[3]{\frac{m_a'}{m_b' + m_c'}}; M = \sum_{\text{cyc}}^3 \sqrt[3]{\frac{m_a}{m_b + m_c}}$, then, via (••), (••••), (⊗),

$$\begin{aligned} \text{LHS} - \text{RHS} &\geq \frac{3}{\sqrt[3]{2}} - \frac{4(R' - 2r')}{r'} + 8 + \frac{2(R^2 - 4r^2)}{r^2} + \frac{4(R' - 2r')}{r'} - 8 - \frac{3}{\sqrt[3]{2}} \\ &\quad - \frac{2(R'^2 - 4r'^2)}{r'^2} = 0 \therefore \min \left\{ \sum_{\text{cyc}}^3 \sqrt[3]{\frac{w_a}{w_b + w_c}}, \sum_{\text{cyc}}^3 \sqrt[3]{\frac{m_a'}{m_b' + m_c'}} \right\} + \frac{R^2 R'}{r^2 r'} \\ &\geq 8 + \max \left\{ \sum_{\text{cyc}}^3 \sqrt[3]{\frac{w_a'}{w_b' + w_c'}}, \sum_{\text{cyc}}^3 \sqrt[3]{\frac{m_a}{m_b + m_c}} \right\} \end{aligned}$$

in any $\Delta ABC, \Delta A'B'C'$,

$$\min \left\{ \sum_{\text{cyc}}^3 \sqrt[3]{\frac{w_a}{w_b + w_c}}, \sum_{\text{cyc}}^3 \sqrt[3]{\frac{m_a'}{m_b' + m_c'}} \right\} + \frac{R^2 R'}{r^2 r'}$$

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$$+ \max \left\{ \sum_{\text{cyc}}^3 \sqrt{\frac{\mathbf{w}_a'}{\mathbf{w}_b' + \mathbf{w}_c'}}, \sum_{\text{cyc}}^3 \sqrt{\frac{\mathbf{m}_a}{\mathbf{m}_b + \mathbf{m}_c}} \right\}, '' = '' \text{ iff } \Delta ABC, \Delta A'B'C' \text{ are each equilateral (QED)}$$

1417. In acute ΔABC the following relationship holds:

$$\sqrt{3} \sum_{\text{cyc}} \sec A + 9 \sum_{\text{cyc}} \csc A \geq 24\sqrt{3}$$

Proposed by Daniel Sitaru – Romania

Solution 1 by Adrian Popa-Romania

$$\begin{aligned} f(x) &= \frac{1}{\cos x} \Rightarrow f'(x) = \frac{\sin x}{\cos^2 x} > 0 \quad (\forall) x \in \left[0; \frac{\pi}{2}\right] \\ f''(x) &= \frac{\cos^3 x + 2 \cos x \sin^2 x}{\cos^4 x} > 0 \quad (\forall) x \in \left[0; \frac{\pi}{2}\right] \Rightarrow \\ \Rightarrow f &\rightarrow \text{convex on } \left[0; \frac{\pi}{2}\right] \Rightarrow \frac{f(A)+f(B)+f(C)}{3} \stackrel{\text{Jensen}}{\geq} f\left(\frac{A+B+C}{3}\right) \Rightarrow \\ &\Rightarrow \sum \sec A \geq 3 \sec \frac{\pi}{3} = \frac{3}{\cos \frac{\pi}{3}} = \frac{3}{\frac{1}{2}} = 6 \quad (1) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} g(x) &= \csc x = \frac{1}{\sin x} \Rightarrow g'(x) = \frac{-\cos x}{\sin^2 x} \Rightarrow g''(x) = \frac{\sin^3 x + 2 \sin x \cos^3 x}{\sin^4 x} > 0 \\ \Rightarrow g(x) &\rightarrow \text{convex on } \left[0; \frac{\pi}{2}\right] \Rightarrow \frac{g(A)+g(B)+g(C)}{3} \geq g\left(\frac{A+B+C}{3}\right) \\ \Rightarrow \sum \csc A &\geq 3 \frac{1}{\sin \frac{\pi}{3}} = 3 \cdot \frac{1}{\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}} = \frac{6}{\sqrt{3}} = \frac{6\sqrt{3}}{3} = 2\sqrt{3} \quad (2) \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{From (1) and (2)} \Rightarrow \sqrt{3} \sum \sec A + 9 \sum \csc A \geq 6\sqrt{3} + 18\sqrt{3} = 24\sqrt{3}$$

Solution 2 by Marin Chirciu-Romania

Lemma: In ΔABC holds:

$$\begin{aligned} \sum \sec A &\geq 6 \\ \sum \csc A &\geq 2\sqrt{3} \end{aligned}$$

Proof.

$$\sum \sec A = \sum \frac{1}{\cos A} = \frac{p^2 + r^2 - 4R^2}{p^2 - (2R + r)^2} \stackrel{\text{Gerretsen}}{\geq} 6,$$

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$$\sum \csc A = \sum \frac{1}{\sin A} = \frac{p^2 + r^2 + 4Rr}{2pr} \stackrel{\substack{\text{Gerretsen} \\ \text{Mitrinovic}}}{\geq} 2\sqrt{3}.$$

Let's get back to the main problem. Using the Lemma we obtain:

$$LHS = \sqrt{3} \sum \sec A + 9 \sum \csc A \geq 24\sqrt{3} \stackrel{\text{Lemma}}{\geq} \sqrt{3} \cdot 6 + 9 \cdot 2\sqrt{3} = 24\sqrt{3}$$

Equality holds if and only if the triangle is equilateral.

Solution 3 by Sanong Huayrerai-Nakon Pathom-Thailand

For acute triangle ABC

$$\begin{aligned} & \sqrt{3}(\sec A + \sec B + \sec C) + 9(\csc A + \csc B + \csc C) \\ &= \sqrt{3} \left(\frac{1}{\cos A} + \frac{1}{\cos B} + \frac{1}{\cos C} \right) + 9 \left(\frac{1}{\sin A} + \frac{1}{\sin B} + \frac{1}{\sin C} \right) \\ & \geq \sqrt{3}(6) + 9(2\sqrt{3}) = \sqrt{3}(24) \text{ ok} \end{aligned}$$

Because $\cos A + \cos B + \cos C \leq \frac{3}{2}$

$$\Rightarrow 1 \leq \frac{3}{2} \cdot \frac{1}{\cos A + \cos B + \cos C} \Rightarrow 1 \leq \frac{3}{2} \left(\frac{1}{9} \left(\frac{1}{\cos A} + \frac{1}{\cos B} + \frac{1}{\cos C} \right) \right)$$

$$\Rightarrow 6 \leq \frac{1}{\cos A} + \frac{1}{\cos B} + \frac{1}{\cos C}$$

$$\text{and } \sin A + \sin B + \sin C \leq \frac{3\sqrt{3}}{2} \Rightarrow 1 \leq \frac{3\sqrt{3}}{2} \left(\frac{1}{\sin A + \sin B + \sin C} \right)$$

$$\Rightarrow 1 \leq \frac{3\sqrt{3}}{2} \left(\frac{1}{9} \left(\frac{1}{\sin A} + \frac{1}{\sin B} + \frac{1}{\sin C} \right) \right) \Rightarrow 2\sqrt{3} \leq \frac{1}{\sin A} + \frac{1}{\sin B} + \frac{1}{\sin C}$$

Therefore it is to be true.

Solution 4 by Hikmat Mammadov-Azerbaijan

$$\sum \sec A \geq 3^3 \sqrt[3]{\prod \sec A} \geq 3^3 \sqrt[3]{\sec^3 \frac{\pi}{3}} = 6$$

$$\sum \csc A \geq 3^3 \sqrt[3]{\prod \csc A} \geq 3^3 \sqrt[3]{\csc^3 \frac{\pi}{3}} = 2\sqrt{3} \Rightarrow LHS = \sqrt{3} \cdot 6 + 9 \cdot 2\sqrt{3} = 24\sqrt{3}$$

$$\text{Therefore } \Rightarrow \sqrt{3} \sum_{cyc} \sec A + 9 \sum_{cyc} \csc A \geq 24\sqrt{3}$$

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1418. In any $\triangle ABC$ the following relationship holds:

$$\sqrt{\frac{a^2 + bc}{b^2 + ac}} + \sqrt{\frac{b^2 + ac}{c^2 + ab}} + \sqrt{\frac{c^2 + ab}{a^2 + bc}} + \frac{R^2}{4r^2} \geq 1 + \frac{2a}{b+c} + \frac{2b}{a+c} + \frac{2c}{a+b}$$

Proposed by Nguyen Van Canh-BenTre-Vietnam

Solution 1 by Tapas Das-India

First of all, we can easily prove the following equality

$$\frac{a}{b+c} + \frac{b}{c+a} + \frac{c}{a+b} = \frac{2(s^2 - Rr - r^2)}{s^2 + 2Rr + r^2}$$

Consequently, it is sufficient to prove

$$\frac{2(s^2 - Rr - r^2)}{s^2 + 2Rr + r^2} \leq \frac{R}{6r} + \frac{7}{6}. \text{ Let } f(s^2) = \frac{R}{6r} + \frac{7}{6} - \frac{2(s^2 - Rr - r^2)}{s^2 + 2Rr + r^2}$$

f is a decreasing function and we need to prove $f(s^2) \geq 0$

Applying Gerretsen's inequality we deduce that: $s^2 \leq 4R^2 + 4Rr + 3r^2$

Therefore, it is sufficient to prove $f(4R^2 + 4Rr + 3r^2) \geq 0$

After some simplification, we get

$$(R - 2r)(2(R - 2r) + 5(R - 2r) + r^2) \geq 0$$

(Euler)

$$\therefore \frac{a}{b+c} + \frac{b}{c+a} + \frac{c}{a+b} \leq \frac{R}{6r} + \frac{7}{6}$$

We need to show: $1 + 2\left(\frac{R}{6r} + \frac{7}{6}\right) \leq \frac{R^2}{4r^2} + 3$

$$\text{or } \frac{R^2}{4r^2} + 3 - 1 - 2\left(\frac{R}{6r} + \frac{7}{6}\right) \geq 0 \text{ or } \frac{R^2}{4r^2} - \frac{R}{3r} - \frac{1}{3} \geq 0$$

or $(R - 2r)(3R + 2r) \geq 0$ (True) Euler

$$\text{Note: } \sqrt{\frac{a^2+bc}{b^2+ac}} + \sqrt{\frac{b^2+ac}{c^2+ab}} + \sqrt{\frac{c^2+ab}{a^2+bc}} \geq 3$$

By (AM-GM)

Solution 2 by Myagmarsuren Yadamsuren-Darkhan-Mongolia

$$1) \sum \sqrt{\frac{a^2+bc}{b^2+ca}} + \frac{R^2}{4r^2} \stackrel{AM \geq GM}{\geq} 3 + \frac{R^2}{4r^2} \quad (1)$$

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$$\begin{aligned}
 2) \quad & 1 + 2 \sum \frac{a}{b+c} = 1 + \frac{1}{2} \sum a \cdot \frac{4}{b+c} \leq 1 + \frac{1}{2} \sum a \left(\frac{1}{b} + \frac{1}{c} \right) \\
 & = 1 + \frac{1}{2abc} \cdot \sum a^2 (b+c) = 1 + \frac{\sum a \sum ab - 3abc}{2abc} = \\
 & = 1 - \frac{3}{2} + \frac{\sum a \cdot \sum ab}{2abc} = -\frac{1}{2} + \frac{2p(p^2 + 4Rr + r^2)}{8p \cdot Rr} \leq \\
 & \stackrel{\text{Gerretsen}}{\leq} -\frac{1}{2} + \frac{4R^2 + 8Rr + 4r^2}{4Rr} = 2 - \frac{1}{2} + \frac{R}{r} + \frac{r}{R} = \\
 & = \frac{3}{2} + \frac{R}{r} + \frac{r}{R} \stackrel{?}{\leq} 3 + \frac{R^2}{4r^2} \\
 & \quad \frac{R}{r} = y \\
 & \quad \frac{y^2}{4} + \frac{3}{2} - y - \frac{1}{y} \geq 0 \\
 & \quad y^3 - 4y^2 + 6y - 4 \geq 0 \\
 & \quad (y-2)(y^2 - 2y + 2) = \underbrace{(y-2)}_{\geq 0} \underbrace{((y-1)^2 + 1)}_{> 0} \geq 0
 \end{aligned}$$

1419. In any ΔABC , the following relationship holds :

$$\min \left\{ \sum_{\text{cyc}} \sqrt{\frac{n_a}{n_b}}, \sum_{\text{cyc}} \sqrt{\frac{w_a}{w_b}} \right\} + \frac{R + \sqrt{3}s}{r} \geq 11 + 2 \cdot \max \left\{ \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{a^2}{b^2 + c^2}, \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{a}{b+c} \right\}$$

Proposed by Nguyen Van Canh-BenTre-Vietnam

Solution 1 by Soumava Chakraborty-Kolkata-India

$$\sum_{\text{cyc}} \sqrt{\frac{n_a}{n_b}}, \sum_{\text{cyc}} \sqrt{\frac{w_a}{w_b}} \stackrel{\text{A-G}}{\geq} 3 \therefore \min \left\{ \sum_{\text{cyc}} \sqrt{\frac{n_a}{n_b}}, \sum_{\text{cyc}} \sqrt{\frac{w_a}{w_b}} \right\} \geq 3$$

$$\therefore \text{it suffices to prove : } \boxed{\frac{R + \sqrt{3}s}{r} \stackrel{(*)}{\geq} 8 + 2 \cdot \max \left\{ \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{a^2}{b^2 + c^2}, \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{a}{b+c} \right\}}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{Now, } 8 + 2 \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{a^2}{b^2 + c^2} & \stackrel{\text{A-G}}{\leq} 8 + \frac{\sum_{\text{cyc}} a^3}{abc} = 8 + \frac{2s(s^2 - 6Rr - 3r^2)}{4Rr} \\
 & = \frac{s^2 + 10Rr - 3r^2}{2Rr} \stackrel{?}{\leq} \frac{R + \sqrt{3}s}{r} \Leftrightarrow \frac{R^2 + 3s^2 + 2\sqrt{3}Rs}{r^2} \stackrel{?}{\geq} \frac{(s^2 + 10Rr - 3r^2)^2}{4R^2r^2} \stackrel{(*)}{\geq}
 \end{aligned}$$

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$$\begin{aligned} & \text{Now, LHS of (*)} \stackrel{\text{Mitrinovic}}{\geq} \frac{R^2 + 3s^2 + 2\sqrt{3}s \cdot \frac{2s}{3\sqrt{3}}}{r^2} \\ = & \frac{3R^2 + 13s^2}{3r^2} \stackrel{?}{\geq} \frac{(s^2 + 10Rr - 3r^2)^2}{4R^2r^2} \Leftrightarrow 4R^2(3R^2 + 13s^2) \stackrel{?}{\geq} 3(s^2 + 10Rr - 3r^2)^2 \\ \Leftrightarrow & 12R^4 - 300R^2r^2 + 180Rr^3 - 27r^4 + (52R^2 - 60Rr + 18r^2)s^2 \stackrel{?}{\geq} 3s^4 \end{aligned} \quad (**)$$

$$\begin{aligned} & \text{Now, } 3s^4 \stackrel{\text{Gerretsen}}{\leq} (12R^2 + 12Rr + 9r^2)s^2 \\ \stackrel{?}{\leq} & 12R^4 - 300R^2r^2 + 180Rr^3 - 27r^4 + (52R^2 - 60Rr + 18r^2)s^2 \\ \Leftrightarrow & (40R^2 - 72Rr + 9r^2)s^2 + 12R^4 - 300R^2r^2 + 180Rr^3 - 27r^4 \stackrel{?}{\geq} 0 \end{aligned} \quad (***)$$

$$\begin{aligned} & \text{Again, LHS of (***)} \stackrel{\text{Gerretsen}}{\geq} \\ (40R^2 - 72Rr + 9r^2)(16Rr - 5r^2) + 12R^4 - 300R^2r^2 + 180Rr^3 - 27r^4 & \stackrel{?}{\geq} 0 \\ \Leftrightarrow & 3t^4 + 160t^3 - 413t^2 + 171t - 18 \stackrel{?}{\geq} 0 \left(t = \frac{R}{r} \right) \end{aligned}$$

$$\Leftrightarrow (t-2)(3t^3 + 125t^2 + 41t(t-2) + t + 9) \stackrel{?}{\geq} 0 \rightarrow \text{true} \because t \stackrel{\text{Euler}}{\geq} 2$$

$$\Rightarrow (***) \Rightarrow (**) \Rightarrow (*) \text{ is true} \cdot \boxed{\frac{R + \sqrt{3}s}{r} \stackrel{(\blacksquare)}{\geq} 8 + 2 \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{a^2}{b^2 + c^2}}$$

$$\text{Also, } \frac{R + \sqrt{3}s}{r} \stackrel{\text{Mitrinovic}}{\geq} \frac{R}{r} + 9 \stackrel{?}{\geq} 8 + 2 \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{a}{b+c}$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \frac{R}{r} + 1 \stackrel{?}{\geq} 2 \left(\sum_{\text{cyc}} a \right) \left(\sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{1}{b+c} \right) - 6$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \frac{R}{r} + 7 \stackrel{?}{\geq} \frac{4s}{2s(s^2 + 2Rr + r^2)} \cdot \left(\left(\sum_{\text{cyc}} a^2 + 2 \sum_{\text{cyc}} ab \right) + \sum_{\text{cyc}} ab \right)$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \frac{R + 7r}{r} \stackrel{?}{\geq} \frac{5s^2 + 4Rr + r^2}{s^2 + 2Rr + r^2} \Leftrightarrow (R - 3r)s^2 + r(2R^2 + 7Rr + 5r^2) \stackrel{?}{\geq} 0 \quad (***)$$

Case 1 $R - 3r \geq 0$ and then : LHS of (***) $\geq r(2R^2 + 7Rr + 5r^2) > 0$
 \Rightarrow (***) is true (strict inequality)

Case 2 $R - 3r < 0$ and then : LHS of (***)
 $= -(3r - R)s^2 + r(2R^2 + 7Rr + 5r^2)$

$$\begin{aligned} & \stackrel{\text{Gerretsen}}{\geq} -(3r - R)(4R^2 + 4Rr + 3r^2) + r(2R^2 + 7Rr + 5r^2) \stackrel{?}{\geq} 0 \\ \Leftrightarrow & 2t^3 - 3t^2 - t - 2 \stackrel{?}{\geq} 0 \Leftrightarrow (t-2)(2t^2 + t + 1) \stackrel{?}{\geq} 0 \rightarrow \text{true} \because t \stackrel{\text{Euler}}{\geq} 2 \end{aligned}$$

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$$\Rightarrow (\text{****}) \text{ is true } \therefore \boxed{\frac{R + \sqrt{3}s}{r} \geq 8 + 2 \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{a}{b+c}}$$

$$\therefore (\blacksquare), (\blacksquare\blacksquare) \Rightarrow \frac{R + \sqrt{3}s}{r} \geq 8 + 2 \cdot \max \left\{ \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{a^2}{b^2 + c^2}, \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{a}{b+c} \right\} \Rightarrow (\bullet) \text{ is true}$$

$$\therefore \min \left\{ \sum_{\text{cyc}} \sqrt{\frac{n_a}{n_b}}, \sum_{\text{cyc}} \sqrt{\frac{w_a}{w_b}} \right\} + \frac{R + \sqrt{3}s}{r} \geq 11 + 2 \cdot \max \left\{ \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{a^2}{b^2 + c^2}, \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{a}{b+c} \right\}$$

" = " iff ΔABC is equilateral (QED)

Solution 2 by Tapas Das-India

We show that:

$$\sum \frac{a^2}{b^2 + c^2} \geq \sum \frac{a}{b+c}$$

$$\text{We have, } \frac{a^2}{b^2 + c^2} - \frac{a}{b+c} = \frac{ab(a-b) + ac(a-c)}{(b^2 + c^2)(b+c)}$$

$$\frac{b^2}{c^2 + a^2} - \frac{b}{c+a} = \frac{bc(b-c) + ab(b-a)}{(c^2 + a^2)(b+c)}$$

$$\frac{c^2}{a^2 + b^2} - \frac{c}{a+b} = \frac{ac(c-a) + bc(c-b)}{(b^2 + a^2)(b+a)}$$

Now we obtain,

$$\frac{a^2}{b^2 + c^2} + \frac{b^2}{c^2 + a^2} + \frac{c^2}{a^2 + b^2} - \left(\frac{a}{b+c} + \frac{b}{c+a} + \frac{c}{a+b} \right) = \sum \frac{ab(a-b) + ac(b-c)}{(b^2 + c^2)(b+c)}$$

$$= (a^2 + b^2 + c^2 + ab + bc + ca) \sum \frac{ab(a-b)^2}{(b+c)(c+a)(b^2 + c^2)(c^2 + a^2)} \geq 0$$

$$\therefore \sum \frac{a^2}{b^2 + c^2} \geq \sum \frac{a}{b+c}$$

$$\therefore \max \left\{ \sum \frac{a^2}{b^2 + c^2}; \sum \frac{a}{b+c} \right\} \leq \sum \frac{a^2}{b^2 + c^2}$$

$$\sum \sqrt{\frac{r_a}{r_b}} \geq 3 \text{ (AM-GM)}, \sum \sqrt{\frac{w_a}{w_b}} \geq 3 \text{ (AM-GM)}$$

$$\therefore \min \left\{ \sum \sqrt{\frac{r_a}{r_b}}, \sum \sqrt{\frac{w_a}{w_b}} \right\} \geq 3$$

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We need to show

$$3 + \frac{R+\sqrt{3}s}{r} \geq 11 + 2 \sum \frac{a^2}{b^2+c^2} \quad \text{or} \quad \frac{R+\sqrt{3}s}{r} \geq 8 + 2 \sum \frac{a^2}{b^2+c^2}$$

$$\text{now } \frac{R+\sqrt{3}s}{r} \geq \frac{R+\sqrt{3} \cdot 3\sqrt{3}r}{r} = \frac{R}{r} + 9 \quad (1)$$

$$(\because s^2 \geq 27r^2)$$

$$\sum \frac{a^2}{b^2+c^2} = \sum_{cyc} \left(\frac{a^2}{b^2+c^2} - \frac{1}{2} \right) + \frac{3}{2} = \sum \frac{2a^2 - b^2 - c^2}{2(b^2+c^2)} + \frac{3}{2}$$

$$= \sum_{cyc} \frac{a^2 - b^2}{2(b^2+c^2)} + \sum_{cyc} \frac{a^2 - c^2}{2(b^2+c^2)} + \frac{3}{2}$$

$$= \sum (a^2 - b^2) \left(\frac{1}{2(b^2+c^2)} - \frac{1}{2(a^2+c^2)} \right) + \frac{3}{2}$$

$$= \sum \frac{(a-b)^2(a+b)^2}{2(a^2+c^2)(b^2+c^2)} + \frac{3}{2}$$

According Cauchy – Schwarz,

$$(a^2 + c^2)(c^2 + b^2) \geq c^2(a + b)^2$$

By AM-GM

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

$$\therefore (a^2 + c^2)(c^2 + b^2) \geq (c+a-b)(c+b-a)(a+b)^2$$

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore \sum \frac{a^2}{b^2+c^2} &= \sum \frac{(a-b)^2(a+b)^2}{2(a^2+c^2)(b^2+c^2)} + \frac{3}{2} \leq \sum \frac{(a-b)^2}{2(c+a-b)(c+a-b)} + \frac{3}{2} \\ &= \frac{\sum (a+b-c)(a-b)^2}{2(a+b-c)(b+c-a)(c+a-b)} + \frac{3}{2} = \frac{abc}{(a+b-c)(b+c-a)(c+a-b)} + \frac{1}{2} \\ &= \frac{R}{2r} + \frac{1}{2} \end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore 2 \sum \frac{a^2}{b^2+c^2} \leq \frac{R}{r} + 1$$

$$\therefore 8 + 2 \sum \frac{a^2}{b^2+c^2} \leq 8 + \frac{R}{r} + 1 = 9 + \frac{R}{r} \leq \frac{R+\sqrt{3}s}{r}$$

(using (1))

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1420. In $\triangle ABC$ the following relationship holds:

$$5 - \frac{4r}{R} \leq \frac{a^2}{bc} + \frac{b^2}{ca} + \frac{c^2}{ab} \leq \frac{2R}{r} - 1$$

Proposed by Marin Chirciu – Romania

Solution by Tapas Das – India

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{a^2}{bc} + \frac{b^2}{ca} + \frac{c^2}{ab} &= \frac{a^3 + b^3 + c^3}{abc} = \frac{2(s^3 - 3r^2s - 6Rrs)}{4Rrs} = \frac{s^2 - 3r^2 - 6Rr}{2Rr} \\ \stackrel{\text{Gerretsen}}{\leq} &\frac{4R^2 + 4Rr + 3r^2 - 3r^2 - 6Rr}{2Rr} = \frac{4R^2 + 4Rr - 6Rr}{2Rr} = \frac{4R^2 - 2Rr}{2Rr} \\ &= \frac{2R}{r} - 1 \end{aligned}$$

Again,

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{a^2}{bc} + \frac{b^2}{ca} + \frac{c^2}{ab} &= \frac{s^2 - 3r^2 - 6Rr}{2Rr} \stackrel{\text{Gerretsen}}{\geq} \frac{16Rr - 5r^2 - 3r^2 - 6Rr}{2Rr} \\ &= \frac{10Rr - 8r^2}{2Rr} = 5 - \frac{4r}{R} \end{aligned}$$

1421. In any $\triangle ABC$, and $\forall n \geq 2$, the following relationship holds :

$$\sum_{\text{cyc}} \sqrt[3]{\frac{a}{2b+3c}} + \left(\frac{R}{2r}\right)^n \geq 1 + \sum_{\text{cyc}} \sqrt[3]{\frac{a}{2c+3b}}$$

Proposed by Nguyen Van Canh-BenTre-Vietnam

Solution by Soumava Chakraborty-Kolkata-India

Let $s - a = x, s - b = y$ and $s - c = z \therefore s = x + y + z \Rightarrow a = y + z,$
 $b = z + x$ and $c = x + y$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Now, } \frac{s^2}{r^2} &= \frac{s^4}{\Delta^2} = \frac{s^4}{s(s-a)(s-b)(s-c)} \stackrel{(1)}{=} \frac{(\sum_{\text{cyc}} x)^3}{xyz} \text{ and } 1 + \frac{4R}{r} \\ &= 1 + \frac{4sabc}{4s(s-a)(s-b)(s-c)} = 1 + \frac{\prod_{\text{cyc}}(y+z)}{xyz} \\ &\Rightarrow 1 + \frac{4R}{r} \stackrel{(2)}{=} \frac{xyz + \prod_{\text{cyc}}(y+z)}{xyz} \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Now, } \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{b}{a} = \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{z+x}{y+z} \Rightarrow \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{b}{a} \stackrel{(3)}{=} \frac{\sum_{\text{cyc}}(x+y)^2(y+z)}{\prod_{\text{cyc}}(y+z)} \therefore (1), (2), (3) \Rightarrow \frac{s^2}{r^2}$$

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$$\begin{aligned} &\geq \left(\sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{\mathbf{b}}{\mathbf{a}} \right) \left(1 + \frac{4\mathbf{R}}{\mathbf{r}} \right) \Leftrightarrow \frac{(\sum_{\text{cyc}} x)^3}{xyz} \geq \left(\frac{xyz + \prod_{\text{cyc}}(y+z)}{xyz} \right) \left(\frac{\sum_{\text{cyc}}(x+y)^2(y+z)}{\prod_{\text{cyc}}(y+z)} \right) \\ &\Leftrightarrow \left(\prod_{\text{cyc}}(y+z) \right) \left(\sum_{\text{cyc}} x \right)^3 \geq \left(xyz + \prod_{\text{cyc}}(y+z) \right) \left(\sum_{\text{cyc}}(x+y)^2(y+z) \right) \\ &\Leftrightarrow \sum_{\text{cyc}} x^4 y^2 + \sum_{\text{cyc}} x^3 y^3 \stackrel{(i)}{\geq} xyz \left(\sum_{\text{cyc}} xy^2 \right) + 3x^2 y^2 z^2 \end{aligned}$$

Now $\forall u, v, w > 0, u^3 + u^3 + v^3 \stackrel{A-G}{\geq} 3u^2 v, v^3 + v^3 + w^3 \stackrel{A-G}{\geq} 3v^2 w$ and $w^3 + w^3 + u^3 \stackrel{A-G}{\geq} 3w^2 u \therefore$ summing up : $\sum_{\text{cyc}} u^3 \geq \sum_{\text{cyc}} u^2 v$ and choosing $u = xy,$

$$v = yz \text{ and } w = zx, \sum_{\text{cyc}} x^3 y^3 \geq xyz \left(\sum_{\text{cyc}} xy^2 \right) \text{ and } \sum_{\text{cyc}} x^4 y^2 \geq 3x^2 y^2 z^2$$

$$\therefore \sum_{\text{cyc}} x^4 y^2 + \sum_{\text{cyc}} x^3 y^3 \geq xyz \left(\sum_{\text{cyc}} xy^2 \right) + 3x^2 y^2 z^2 \Rightarrow (i) \text{ is true}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\mathbf{s}^2}{\mathbf{r}^2} \geq \left(\sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{\mathbf{b}}{\mathbf{a}} \right) \left(1 + \frac{4\mathbf{R}}{\mathbf{r}} \right) \Rightarrow \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{\mathbf{b}}{\mathbf{a}} \leq \frac{\mathbf{s}^2}{\mathbf{r}(4\mathbf{R} + \mathbf{r})}$$

$$\text{Also, } \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{\mathbf{a}}{\mathbf{b}} = \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{\mathbf{y} + \mathbf{z}}{\mathbf{z} + \mathbf{x}} \Rightarrow \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{\mathbf{a}}{\mathbf{b}} \stackrel{(4)}{=} \frac{\sum_{\text{cyc}}(x+y)(y+z)^2}{\prod_{\text{cyc}}(y+z)} \therefore (1), (2), (4) \Rightarrow \frac{\mathbf{s}^2}{\mathbf{r}^2}$$

$$\geq \left(\sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{\mathbf{a}}{\mathbf{b}} \right) \left(1 + \frac{4\mathbf{R}}{\mathbf{r}} \right) \Leftrightarrow \frac{(\sum_{\text{cyc}} x)^3}{xyz} \geq \left(\frac{xyz + \prod_{\text{cyc}}(y+z)}{xyz} \right) \left(\frac{\sum_{\text{cyc}}(x+y)(y+z)^2}{\prod_{\text{cyc}}(y+z)} \right)$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \left(\prod_{\text{cyc}}(y+z) \right) \left(\sum_{\text{cyc}} x \right)^3 \geq \left(xyz + \prod_{\text{cyc}}(y+z) \right) \left(\sum_{\text{cyc}}(x+y)(y+z)^2 \right)$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \sum_{\text{cyc}} x^2 y^4 + \sum_{\text{cyc}} x^3 y^3 \stackrel{(ii)}{\geq} xyz \left(\sum_{\text{cyc}} x^2 y \right) + 3x^2 y^2 z^2$$

Now $\forall u, v, w > 0, v^3 + v^3 + u^3 \stackrel{A-G}{\geq} 3v^2 u, w^3 + w^3 + v^3 \stackrel{A-G}{\geq} 3w^2 v$ and $u^3 + u^3 + w^3 \stackrel{A-G}{\geq} 3u^2 w \therefore$ summing up : $\sum_{\text{cyc}} u^3 \geq \sum_{\text{cyc}} uv^2$ and choosing $u = xy,$

$$v = yz \text{ and } w = zx, \sum_{\text{cyc}} x^3 y^3 \geq xyz \left(\sum_{\text{cyc}} x^2 y \right) \text{ and } \sum_{\text{cyc}} x^2 y^4 \geq 3x^2 y^2 z^2$$

$$\therefore \sum_{\text{cyc}} x^2 y^4 + \sum_{\text{cyc}} x^3 y^3 \geq xyz \left(\sum_{\text{cyc}} x^2 y \right) + 3x^2 y^2 z^2 \Rightarrow (ii) \text{ is true}$$

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$$\begin{aligned} &\Rightarrow \frac{s^2}{r^2} \geq \left(\sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{a}{b} \right) \left(1 + \frac{4R}{r} \right) \Rightarrow \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{a}{b} \stackrel{(\heartsuit)}{\leq} \frac{s^2}{r(4R+r)} \\ \sum_{\text{cyc}} \sqrt[3]{\frac{a}{2b+3c}} &= \frac{1}{\sqrt[3]{5}} \cdot \sum_{\text{cyc}} \sqrt[3]{\frac{5a}{2b+3c}} \cdot 1 \cdot 1 \stackrel{\text{G-H}}{\geq} \frac{1}{\sqrt[3]{5}} \cdot \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{\frac{15a}{2b+3c}}{\frac{5a}{2b+3c} + \frac{5a}{2b+3c} + 1} \\ &= \frac{15}{\sqrt[3]{5}} \cdot \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{a^2}{10a^2 + 2ab + 3ca} \stackrel{\text{Bergstrom}}{\geq} \frac{1}{\sqrt[3]{5}} \cdot \frac{15(\sum_{\text{cyc}} a)^2}{10\sum_{\text{cyc}} a^2 + 5\sum_{\text{cyc}} ab} \\ &= \frac{1}{\sqrt[3]{5}} \cdot \frac{15(\sum_{\text{cyc}} a)^2}{10\sum_{\text{cyc}} a^2 + 5\sum_{\text{cyc}} ab} = \frac{1}{\sqrt[3]{5}} \cdot \frac{4s^2}{\sum_{\text{cyc}} a^2} \Rightarrow \boxed{\sum_{\text{cyc}} \sqrt[3]{\frac{a}{2b+3c}} \geq \frac{1}{\sqrt[3]{5}} \cdot \frac{2s^2}{s^2 - 4Rr - r^2}} \\ \sum_{\text{cyc}} \sqrt[3]{\frac{a}{2c+3b}} &= \frac{1}{\sqrt[3]{5}} \cdot \sum_{\text{cyc}} \sqrt[3]{\frac{5a}{3b+2c}} \cdot 1 \cdot 1 \stackrel{\text{A-G}}{\leq} \frac{1}{\sqrt[3]{5}} \cdot \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{5a}{\frac{3b+2c}{3} + 2} \\ &= \frac{1}{\sqrt[3]{5}} \cdot \left(\frac{5}{3} \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{a}{3b+2c} + 2 \right) \stackrel{\text{Weighted A-H}}{\leq} \frac{1}{\sqrt[3]{5}} \cdot \left(\frac{5}{3} \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{a}{\left(\frac{25}{\frac{3}{b} + \frac{2}{c}} \right)} + 2 \right) \\ &= \frac{1}{\sqrt[3]{5}} \cdot \left(\frac{1}{15} \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{3ca + 2ab}{bc} + 2 \right) = \frac{1}{\sqrt[3]{5}} \cdot \left(\frac{1}{5} \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{a}{b} + \frac{2}{15} \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{a}{c} + 2 \right) \stackrel{\text{via } (\heartsuit), (\spadesuit)}{\leq} \\ &\frac{1}{\sqrt[3]{5}} \cdot \left(\frac{s^2}{3r(4R+r)} + 2 \right) \Rightarrow \boxed{\sum_{\text{cyc}} \sqrt[3]{\frac{a}{2c+3b}} \leq \frac{1}{\sqrt[3]{5}} \cdot \left(\frac{s^2 + 24Rr + 6r^2}{3r(4R+r)} \right)} \\ &\therefore \sum_{\text{cyc}} \sqrt[3]{\frac{a}{2b+3c}} + \frac{R^2 - 4r^2}{4r^2} - \sum_{\text{cyc}} \sqrt[3]{\frac{a}{2c+3b}} \stackrel{\text{via } (\heartsuit), (\spadesuit)}{\geq} \\ &\frac{1}{\sqrt[3]{5}} \cdot \left(\frac{2s^2}{s^2 - 4Rr - r^2} - \frac{s^2 + 24Rr + 6r^2}{3r(4R+r)} \right) + \frac{R^2 - 4r^2}{4r^2} \stackrel{?}{\geq} 0 \\ &\Leftrightarrow \frac{R^2 - 4r^2}{4r^2} \stackrel{?}{\geq} \frac{1}{\sqrt[3]{5}} \cdot \left(\frac{s^2 + 24Rr + 6r^2}{3r(4R+r)} - \frac{2s^2}{s^2 - 4Rr - r^2} \right) \\ &\Leftrightarrow \frac{R^2 - 4r^2}{4r^2} \stackrel{?}{\geq} \frac{1}{\sqrt[3]{5}} \cdot \frac{(s^2 - 4Rr - r^2)(s^2 + 24Rr + 6r^2) - 6r(4R+r)s^2}{3r(4R+r)(s^2 - 4Rr - r^2)} \\ &\text{Now, } (s^2 - 4Rr - r^2)(s^2 + 24Rr + 6r^2) - 6r(4R+r)s^2 \\ &= s^4 - (4Rr + r^2)s^2 - 6(4Rr + r^2)^2 \stackrel{\text{Gerretsen + Euler}}{\geq} 3(4Rr + r^2)s^2 - (4Rr + r^2)s^2 \\ &\quad - 6(4Rr + r^2)^2 = 2(4Rr + r^2)(s^2 - 12Rr - 3r^2) \stackrel{\text{Gerretsen + Euler}}{\geq} 0 \\ &\therefore \frac{1}{\sqrt[3]{5}} \cdot \frac{(s^2 - 4Rr - r^2)(s^2 + 24Rr + 6r^2) - 6r(4R+r)s^2}{3r(4R+r)(s^2 - 4Rr - r^2)} \end{aligned}$$

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$$\begin{aligned} & \stackrel{\sqrt[3]{5} > \frac{5}{3}}{\leq} \frac{3}{5} \cdot \frac{(s^2 - 4Rr - r^2)(s^2 + 24Rr + 6r^2) - 6r(4R + r)s^2}{3r(4R + r)(s^2 - 4Rr - r^2)} \stackrel{?}{\leq} \frac{R^2 - 4r^2}{4r^2} \\ & \Leftrightarrow -4rs^4 + (20R^3 + 5R^2r - 64Rr^2 - 16r^3)s^2 \\ & \quad - r(80R^4 + 40R^3r - 699R^2r^2 - 352Rr^3 - 44r^4) \stackrel{?}{\geq} 0 \end{aligned}$$

Now, LHS of (**)

$$\stackrel{\text{Gerretsen}}{\geq} \left(\begin{array}{l} -4r(4R^2 + 4Rr + 3r^2) + 20R^3 \\ + 5R^2r - 64Rr^2 - 16r^3 \end{array} \right) s^2$$

$$-r(80R^4 + 40R^3r - 699R^2r^2 - 352Rr^3 - 44r^4) \stackrel{?}{\geq} 0$$

$$\Leftrightarrow (20R^3 - 11R^2r - 80Rr^2 - 28r^3)s^2$$

$$-r(80R^4 + 40R^3r - 699R^2r^2 - 352Rr^3 - 44r^4) \stackrel{?}{\geq} 0$$

$$\stackrel{(***)}{\geq} 0$$

Case 1 $20R^3 - 11R^2r - 80Rr^2 - 28r^3 \geq 0$ and then, LHS of (***)

$$\begin{aligned} & \stackrel{\text{Gerretsen}}{\geq} (20R^3 - 11R^2r - 80Rr^2 - 28r^3)(16Rr - 5r^2) \\ & -r(80R^4 + 40R^3r - 699R^2r^2 - 352Rr^3 - 44r^4) \stackrel{?}{\geq} 0 \\ & \Leftrightarrow 120t^4 - 158t^3 - 263t^2 + 152t + 92 \stackrel{?}{\geq} 0 \left(t = \frac{R}{r} \right) \\ & \Leftrightarrow (t - 2) \left((t - 2)(120t^2 + 322t + 545) + 1044 \right) \\ & \quad \stackrel{\text{Euler}}{\rightarrow} \text{true} \because t \geq 2 \Rightarrow (***) \text{ is true} \end{aligned}$$

Case 2 $20R^3 - 11R^2r - 80Rr^2 - 28r^3 < 0$ and then, LHS of (***)

$$\begin{aligned} & = - \left(-(20R^3 - 11R^2r - 80Rr^2 - 28r^3) \right) s^2 \\ & -r(80R^4 + 40R^3r - 699R^2r^2 - 352Rr^3 - 44r^4) \\ & \stackrel{\text{Gerretsen}}{\geq} - \left(-(20R^3 - 11R^2r - 80Rr^2 - 28r^3) \right) (4R^2 + 4Rr + 3r^2) \\ & -r(80R^4 + 40R^3r - 699R^2r^2 - 352Rr^3 - 44r^4) \stackrel{?}{\geq} 0 \\ & \Leftrightarrow 40t^5 - 22t^4 - 172t^3 + 117t^2 - 20 \stackrel{?}{\geq} 0 \end{aligned}$$

$$\Leftrightarrow (t - 2)(40t^4 + 30t^3 + 28t^2(t - 2) + 5t + 10) \stackrel{?}{\geq} 0 \rightarrow \text{true} \because t \stackrel{\text{Euler}}{\geq} 2$$

$\Rightarrow (***)$ is true \therefore combining cases 1 and 2, (***) \Rightarrow (*) \Rightarrow (*) is true $\forall \Delta ABC$

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore \frac{R^2 - 4r^2}{4r^2} & \stackrel{(\blacksquare)}{\geq} \sum_{\text{cyc}}^3 \sqrt{\frac{a}{2c + 3b}} - \sum_{\text{cyc}}^3 \sqrt{\frac{a}{2b + 3c}} \text{ and } (n - 2) \cdot \ln \left(\frac{R}{2r} \right) \stackrel{\text{Euler}}{\geq} 0 \\ & \Rightarrow \ln \left(\frac{R}{2r} \right)^n \geq \ln \left(\frac{R}{2r} \right)^2 \Rightarrow \left(\frac{R}{2r} \right)^n - 1 \geq \frac{R^2 - 4r^2}{4r^2} \stackrel{\text{via } (\blacksquare)}{\geq} \\ & \sum_{\text{cyc}}^3 \sqrt{\frac{a}{2c + 3b}} - \sum_{\text{cyc}}^3 \sqrt{\frac{a}{2b + 3c}} \Rightarrow \sum_{\text{cyc}}^3 \sqrt{\frac{a}{2b + 3c}} + \left(\frac{R}{2r} \right)^n \\ & \geq 1 + \sum_{\text{cyc}}^3 \sqrt{\frac{a}{2c + 3b}} \text{ in any } \Delta ABC \text{ and } \forall n \geq 2, \text{ " = " iff } \Delta ABC \text{ is equilateral (QED)} \end{aligned}$$

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1422. In $\triangle ABC$ the following relationship holds:

$$\left(\frac{R}{2r}\right)^n + \left(\frac{w_a w_b w_c}{r_a r_b r_c}\right)^n \geq 2, n \in \mathbb{N}$$

Proposed by Marin Chirciu – Romania

Solution 1 by Adrian Popa – Romania

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{w_a w_b w_c}{r_a r_b r_c} &\geq \frac{h_a h_b h_c}{r_a r_b r_c} = \frac{\frac{2s}{a} \cdot \frac{2s}{b} \cdot \frac{2s}{c}}{\frac{s}{p-a} \cdot \frac{s}{p-b} \cdot \frac{s}{p-c}} = \\ &= \frac{8(s-a)(s-b)(s-c)}{abc} = \frac{8p(s-a)(s-b)(s-c)}{p \cdot abc} = \\ &= \frac{8s^2}{p \cdot 4Rs} = \frac{8 \cdot r \cdot p}{p \cdot 4R} = \frac{2r}{R} \Rightarrow \\ \Rightarrow \left(\frac{R}{2r}\right)^n + \left(\frac{w_a w_b w_c}{r_a r_b r_c}\right)^n &\geq \left(\frac{R}{2r}\right)^n + \left(\frac{2r}{R}\right)^n \stackrel{MA \geq MG}{\geq} 2 \sqrt{\left(\frac{R}{2r}\right)^n \cdot \left(\frac{2r}{R}\right)^n} = 2 \end{aligned}$$

Solution 2 by Tapas Das – India

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{R}{2r} &= \frac{abc}{(a+b-c)(b+c-a)(c+a-b)} = \frac{abc}{8(s-a)(s-b)(s-c)} \\ \frac{w_a w_b w_c}{r_a r_b r_c} &\geq \frac{h_a h_b h_c}{r_a r_b r_c} = \frac{8F^3}{abc s^2 r} = \frac{8F \cdot s(s-a)(s-b)(s-c)}{abc \cdot s^2 \cdot r} \\ &= \frac{8F(s-a)(s-b)(s-c)}{abc \cdot F} = \frac{8(s-a)(s-b)(s-c)}{abc} \\ \therefore \left(\frac{R}{2r}\right)^n + \left(\frac{w_a w_b w_c}{r_a r_b r_c}\right)^n &\geq \\ &\geq \left[\frac{abc}{8(s-a)(s-b)(s-c)}\right]^2 + \left[\frac{8(s-a)(s-b)(s-c)}{abc}\right]^n \\ &\stackrel{AM-GM}{\geq} 2 \sqrt{\left[\frac{abc}{8(s-a)(s-b)(s-c)}\right]^2 \cdot \left[\frac{8(s-a)(s-b)(s-c)}{abc}\right]^n} = 2 \end{aligned}$$

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1423. In any $\triangle ABC$, the following relationships holds :

$$\frac{R}{2r} \left(\sum_{\text{cyc}} \sqrt{\frac{n_a}{n_b}} \right) \geq \sum_{\text{cyc}} \sqrt{\frac{n_b}{n_a}}; \frac{R^2}{4r^2} \left(\sum_{\text{cyc}} \sqrt{\frac{g_a}{g_b}} \right) \geq \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{g_b}{g_a};$$

and in acute $\triangle ABC$ with $a = \min\{a, b, c\}$, holds : $g_a + h_a > n_a$

Proposed by Nguyen Van Canh-BenTre-Vietnam

Solution 1 by Tapas Das-India

$$\frac{n_a}{n_b} + \frac{n_b}{n_c} + \frac{n_c}{n_a} \leq \sqrt{(\sum n_a^2) \left(\sum \frac{1}{n_a^2} \right)} \quad (1)$$

Since $n_a \geq h_a$ (analog)

$$\therefore \frac{1}{n_a^2} + \frac{1}{n_b^2} + \frac{1}{n_c^2} \leq \frac{1}{h_a^2} + \frac{1}{h_b^2} + \frac{1}{h_c^2} = \frac{\sum a^2}{(2F)^2} \stackrel{\text{Leibnitz's}}{\leq} \left(\frac{3R}{2F} \right)^2$$

$$n_a^2 = s(s-a) + \frac{s(b-c)^2}{a} = s^2 - s \cdot \frac{a^2 - (b-c)^2}{a}$$

$$= s^2 - \frac{4s(s-b)(s-c)}{a} = s^2 - \frac{4s^2 r^2}{a(s-a)}$$

$$= s^2 - 4sr^2 \left(\frac{1}{s-a} + \frac{1}{a} \right) = s^2 - 4rr_a - 2rh_a \text{ (analog)}$$

$$\therefore \sum n_a^2 = 3s^2 - 4r \left(\sum r_a \right) - 2r \left(\sum h_a \right)$$

$$= 3s^2 - 4r(4R+r) - 2r \frac{s^2 + r(4R+r)}{2R} = \frac{(3R-r)s^2 - r(4R+r)^2}{R}$$

By Doucets, $(4R+r)^2 \geq 3s^2$ we get

$$\sum n_a^2 \leq \frac{(3R-r)s^2 - 3rs^2}{R} = \left(3 - \frac{4r}{R} \right) s^2 \stackrel{\text{AM-GM}}{\leq} \left(\frac{R}{2r} \right)^2 \cdot s^2 = \left(\frac{Rs}{2r} \right)^2$$

$$\therefore \sum \frac{n_a}{n_b} \leq \frac{Rs}{2r} \cdot \frac{3R}{2F} = 3 \left(\frac{R}{2r} \right)^2$$

$$\text{Now } \sqrt{\frac{n_a}{n_b}} \stackrel{\text{CBS}}{\leq} \sqrt{3 \left(\sum \frac{n_a}{n_b} \right)} \leq \sqrt{3 \cdot 3 \cdot \left(\frac{R}{2r} \right)^2} = \frac{3R}{2r}$$

$$\therefore \frac{R}{2r} \left(\sum \sqrt{\frac{n_a}{n_b}} \right) \geq \frac{3R}{2r} \text{ (AM-GM) [Since } \sqrt{\frac{n_a}{n_b}} \geq 3]$$

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$$\therefore \frac{R}{2r} \left(\sum \sqrt{\frac{n_a}{n_b}} \right) \geq \sqrt{\frac{n_a}{n_b}}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \sum \frac{g_b}{g_a} &\leq \sqrt{\left(\sum g_b^2 \right) \left(\sum \frac{1}{g_a^2} \right)} \leq \sqrt{\left(\sum s(s-a) \right) \left(\sum \frac{1}{r_a^2} \right)} \\ &= \sqrt{s^2 \cdot \frac{\sum a^2}{4F^2}} \stackrel{\text{Leibnitz}}{\leq} \sqrt{\frac{9R^2}{4r^2}} \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Now } \frac{R^2}{4r^2} \left(\sum \sqrt{\frac{g_a}{g_b}} \right) \geq \frac{R^2}{4r^2} \cdot 3 \text{ (AM-GM)}$$

We need to show

$$\frac{3R^2}{4r^2} \geq \frac{3R}{2r} \text{ or } \frac{R}{2r} \geq 1 \therefore R \geq 2r \text{ (Euler)}$$

$$\text{Note: } 9a^2 = s(s-a) - \frac{(b-c)^2(s-a)}{a} \leq s(s-a) \text{ (analog)}$$

If we take: $a = c = 6$ and $b = 2$

$$\text{We have } s = \frac{6+6+2}{2} = 7$$

$$n_a^2 = \frac{b^2(s-c) + c^2(s-b) - a(s-c)(s-b)}{a}$$

$$= \frac{4(7-6) + 36(7-2) - 6(7-6)(7-2)}{6} = \frac{77}{3} \therefore n_a = \sqrt{\frac{77}{3}} = 5.06 \text{ (APP)}$$

$$h_a^2 = \frac{4F^2}{a^2} = \frac{4s(s-a)(s-b)(s-c)}{a^2} = \frac{4 \times 7 \times 1 \times 1 \times 5}{9} = \frac{35}{9}$$

$$\therefore h_a = \sqrt{\frac{35}{9}} = 1.97 \text{ (APP)}$$

$$g_a^2 = s(s-a) - \frac{(s-a)(b-c)^2}{a}$$

$$= 7 - \frac{16}{6} = \frac{13}{3} \therefore g_a = \sqrt{\frac{13}{3}} = 2.08$$

$$\therefore g_a + h_a = 2.08 + 1.97 = 4.05 < n_a$$

$$(\because n_a = 5.06)$$

\therefore so 3rd problem-Not always true

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$$\begin{aligned} \text{Stewart's theorem} &\Rightarrow b^2(s-c) + c^2(s-b) \stackrel{(m)}{=} an_a^2 + a(s-b)(s-c) \\ \text{and } b^2(s-b) + c^2(s-c) &\stackrel{(n)}{=} ag_a^2 + a(s-b)(s-c) \text{ and } (m) + (n) \Rightarrow \\ (b^2 + c^2)(2s - b - c) &= an_a^2 + ag_a^2 + 2a(s-b)(s-c) \Rightarrow 2a(b^2 + c^2) \\ &= 2a(n_a^2 + g_a^2) + a(a+b-c)(c+a-b) \\ \Rightarrow 2(b^2 + c^2) &= 2(n_a^2 + g_a^2) + a^2 - (b-c)^2 \Rightarrow 2(b^2 + c^2) - a^2 + (b-c)^2 \\ &= 2(n_a^2 + g_a^2) \Rightarrow 4m_a^2 + (b-c)^2 = 2(n_a^2 + g_a^2) \Rightarrow (b-c)^2 + 4s(s-a) + (b-c)^2 \\ &= 2(n_a^2 + g_a^2) \Rightarrow n_a^2 + g_a^2 \stackrel{(1)}{=} (b-c)^2 + 2s(s-a) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Now, } \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{n_a}{R} &= \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{2n_a h_a}{bc} \leq \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{2n_a g_a}{bc} \stackrel{A-G}{\leq} \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{n_a^2 + g_a^2}{bc} \stackrel{\text{via (1)}}{=} \frac{(b-c)^2 + 2s(s-a)}{bc} \\ &= \frac{1}{4Rrs} \left(\sum_{\text{cyc}} (a(b^2 + c^2 - 2bc)) + 2s \sum_{\text{cyc}} (a(s-a)) \right) \\ &= \frac{1}{4Rrs} \left(2s(s^2 + 4Rr + r^2) - 36Rrs + 2s(2s^2 - 2(s^2 - 4Rr - r^2)) \right) \\ &= \frac{s^2 - 6Rr + 3r^2}{2Rr} \Rightarrow 2r \sum_{\text{cyc}} n_a \stackrel{(*)}{\leq} s^2 - 6Rr + 3r^2 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{\text{cyc}} \sqrt{\frac{n_b}{n_a}} &\stackrel{\text{CBS}}{\leq} \sqrt{\sum_{\text{cyc}} n_a} \cdot \sqrt{\sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{1}{n_a}} \leq \sqrt{\sum_{\text{cyc}} n_a} \cdot \sqrt{\sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{1}{h_a}} = \sqrt{\frac{\sum_{\text{cyc}} n_a}{r}} \stackrel{?}{\leq} \frac{3R}{2r} \\ \Leftrightarrow \frac{\sum_{\text{cyc}} n_a}{r} &\stackrel{?}{\leq} \frac{9R^2}{4r^2} \Leftrightarrow 2r \sum_{\text{cyc}} n_a \stackrel{?}{\leq} \frac{9R^2}{2} \text{ and via } (*), \end{aligned}$$

$$2r \sum_{\text{cyc}} n_a \leq s^2 - 6Rr + 3r^2 \stackrel{?}{\leq} \frac{9R^2}{2} \Leftrightarrow 2s^2 \stackrel{?}{\leq} 9R^2 + 12Rr - 6r^2 \text{ and via Gerretsen,}$$

$$2s^2 \stackrel{\text{Gerretsen}}{\leq} 8R^2 + 8Rr + 6r^2 \stackrel{?}{\leq} 9R^2 + 12Rr - 6r^2 \Leftrightarrow R^2 + 4Rr - 12r^2 \stackrel{?}{\geq} 0$$

$$\Leftrightarrow (R - 2r)(R + 6r) \stackrel{?}{\geq} 0 \rightarrow \text{true} \because R \stackrel{\text{Euler}}{\geq} 2r \Rightarrow (\bullet\bullet) \Rightarrow (\bullet) \text{ is true}$$

$$\Rightarrow \sum_{\text{cyc}} \sqrt{\frac{n_b}{n_a}} \leq \frac{3R}{2r} \stackrel{A-G}{\leq} \frac{R}{2r} \left(\sum_{\text{cyc}} \sqrt{\frac{n_a}{n_b}} \right) \therefore \boxed{\frac{R}{2r} \left(\sum_{\text{cyc}} \sqrt{\frac{n_a}{n_b}} \right) \geq \sum_{\text{cyc}} \sqrt{\frac{n_b}{n_a}}}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Again, } AI^2 = bc - 4Rr &\Leftrightarrow \left(\frac{r}{\left(\frac{r}{4R}\right)} \sin \frac{B}{2} \sin \frac{C}{2} \right)^2 \\ &= 16R^2 \sin \frac{B}{2} \sin \frac{C}{2} \cos \frac{B}{2} \cos \frac{C}{2} - 16R^2 \sin \frac{A}{2} \sin \frac{B}{2} \sin \frac{C}{2} \Leftrightarrow \sin \frac{B}{2} \sin \frac{C}{2} \\ &= \cos \frac{B}{2} \cos \frac{C}{2} - \sin \frac{A}{2} \Leftrightarrow \cos \frac{B+C}{2} = \sin \frac{A}{2} \rightarrow \text{true} \\ \therefore AI^2 = bc - 4Rr \text{ and analogs } &\therefore \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{g_b}{g_a} \stackrel{\text{Triangle-inequality}}{\leq} \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{AI + r}{h_a} \end{aligned}$$

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$$\begin{aligned}
 &= \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{a \cdot AI + r \cdot a}{2rs} \stackrel{\text{CBS}}{\leq} \frac{1}{2rs} \cdot \sqrt{\sum_{\text{cyc}} a^2} \cdot \sqrt{\sum_{\text{cyc}} AI^2} + \frac{2rs}{2rs} \stackrel{\text{Leibnitz}}{\leq} \frac{3R}{2rs} \cdot \sqrt{\sum_{\text{cyc}} bc - 12Rr + 1} \\
 &= \frac{3R \cdot \sqrt{s^2 - 8Rr + r^2}}{2rs} + 1 \stackrel{?}{\leq} \frac{3R^2}{4r^2} \Leftrightarrow \frac{s^2(3R^2 - 4r^2)^2}{4r^2} \stackrel{?}{\geq} 9R^2(s^2 - 8Rr + r^2) \\
 &\Leftrightarrow (9R^4 - 60R^2r^2 + 16r^4)s^2 + r^3(288R^3 - 36R^2r) \stackrel{?}{\geq} 0 \quad (\dots)
 \end{aligned}$$

Case 1 $9R^4 - 60R^2r^2 + 16r^4 \geq 0$ and then, LHS of (\dots)

$$\geq 270R^3 + 18R^2(R - 2r) \stackrel{\text{Euler}}{\geq} 270R^3 > 0 \Rightarrow (\dots) \text{ is true (strict inequality)}$$

Case 2 $9R^4 - 60R^2r^2 + 16r^4 < 0$ and then, LHS of (\dots)

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= -s^2 \cdot (-9R^4 + 60R^2r^2 + 16r^4) + r^3(288R^3 - 36R^2r) \stackrel{\text{Gerretsen}}{\geq} \\
 &- (4R^2 + 4Rr + 3r^2) \cdot (-9R^4 + 60R^2r^2 + 16r^4) + r^3(288R^3 - 36R^2r) \stackrel{?}{\geq} 0 \\
 &\Leftrightarrow 36t^6 + 36t^5 - 213t^4 + 48t^3 - 152t^2 + 64t + 48 \stackrel{?}{\geq} 0 \quad \left(t = \frac{R}{r}\right)
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\Leftrightarrow (t - 2) (36t^5 + 108t^4 + 3t^3 + 26t^2 + 22t(t - 2) + 6(t - 2)(t + 2)) \stackrel{?}{\geq} 0 \rightarrow \text{true}$$

$\therefore t \stackrel{\text{Euler}}{\geq} 2 \Rightarrow (\dots)$ is true and combining cases 1 and 2, (\dots) is true \forall triangles

$$\Rightarrow \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{g_b}{g_a} \leq \frac{3R^2}{4r^2} \stackrel{\text{A-G}}{\leq} \frac{R^2}{4r^2} \left(\sum_{\text{cyc}} \sqrt{\frac{g_a}{g_b}} \right) \cdot \frac{R^2}{4r^2} \left(\sum_{\text{cyc}} \sqrt{\frac{g_a}{g_b}} \right) \geq \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{g_b}{g_a}$$

We now shall prove : $g_a + h_a > n_a$ in acute ΔABC with $a = \min\{a, b, c\}$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &\frac{b+c}{a} \geq \frac{R}{r} = \frac{abc}{4F^2} = \frac{abc}{(b+c-a)(c+a-b)(a+b-c)} \\
 &\Leftrightarrow (b+c)(a+b-c) \cdot (b+c-a)(c+a-b) \geq 2a^2bc \\
 &\Leftrightarrow (ab + b^2 - bc + ca + bc - c^2)(bc + ab - b^2 + c^2 + ca - bc - ca - a^2 + ab) \\
 &\quad \geq 2a^2bc \\
 &\Leftrightarrow 2a^2b^2 + 2a^2bc + 2ab(b^2 - c^2) - (a^2 + b^2 - c^2)(ab + ac + b^2 - c^2) \geq 2a^2bc \\
 &\Leftrightarrow 2a^2b^2 - (a^2 + b^2 - c^2)(ab + ac) + 2ab(b^2 - c^2) - 2ab(b^2 - c^2) \cdot \cos C \geq 0 \\
 &\Leftrightarrow 2a^2b^2 - a^2(ab + ac) - (b^2 - c^2)(ab + ac) + 2ab(b^2 - c^2) \cdot 2 \sin^2 \frac{C}{2} \geq 0 \\
 &\Leftrightarrow a^2(2b^2 - ab - ac) - (b^2 - c^2)(ab + ac) + (b^2 - c^2)(c^2 - (a-b)^2) \geq 0 \\
 &\Leftrightarrow a^2(2b^2 - ab - ac) + (b^2 - c^2)(c^2 - a^2 - b^2 + 2ab - ab - ac) \geq 0 \\
 &\quad \Leftrightarrow ((a^2 - b^2 + c^2) + (b^2 - c^2))(2b^2 - ab - ac) \\
 &\quad \quad + (b^2 - c^2)(c^2 - a^2 - b^2 + ab - ac) \geq 0 \\
 &\Leftrightarrow (c^2 + a^2 - b^2)(2b^2 - ab - ac) + (b^2 - c^2)(b^2 + c^2 - a^2 - 2ac) \geq 0 \\
 &\quad \Leftrightarrow (b^2 - c^2)(b^2 + c^2 - 2ac) - (b^2 - c^2)(2b^2 - ab - ac) \\
 &\quad \quad + a^2(2b^2 - ab - ac) - a^2(b^2 - c^2) \geq 0 \\
 &\Leftrightarrow (b^2 - c^2)((c^2 - ca) - (b^2 - ab)) + a^2((c^2 - ca) + (b^2 - ab)) \geq 0 \\
 &\quad \Leftrightarrow (c^2 - ca)(b^2 - c^2 + a^2) + (b^2 - ab)(a^2 + c^2 - b^2) \geq 0 \\
 &\quad \Leftrightarrow c(c-a)(a^2 + b^2 - c^2) + b(b-a)(c^2 + a^2 - b^2) \geq 0 \\
 &\rightarrow \text{true} \because \Delta ABC \text{ being acute} \Rightarrow (a^2 + b^2 - c^2), (c^2 + a^2 - b^2) > 0 \text{ and}
 \end{aligned}$$

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$$\begin{aligned}
 a = \min\{a, b, c\} &\Rightarrow (c - a), (b - a) \geq 0 \therefore \frac{b + c}{a} \geq \frac{R}{r} \\
 \therefore \frac{4R \cos \frac{A}{2} \cos \frac{B - C}{2}}{4R \cos \frac{A}{2} \sin \frac{A}{2}} &\geq \frac{R}{4R \sin \frac{A}{2} \sin \frac{B}{2} \sin \frac{C}{2}} \\
 \Rightarrow 2 \left(\cos \frac{B - C}{2} - \sin \frac{A}{2} \right) \cos \frac{B - C}{2} &\geq 1 \Rightarrow 2 \cos^2 \frac{B - C}{2} - 2 \cos \frac{B - C}{2} \sin \frac{A}{2} - 1 \geq 0 \quad (\blacksquare) \\
 \text{We have } n_a + r_a &\stackrel{\text{CBS}}{\leq} \sqrt{2(n_a^2 + r_a^2)} \stackrel{\text{via } (*)}{=} \sqrt{2(s^2 - 2r_a h_a + r_a^2)} \stackrel{?}{\leq} 2h_a \\
 &\Leftrightarrow s^2 - 2r_a h_a + s^2 \tan^2 \frac{A}{2} \stackrel{?}{\leq} 2h_a^2 \\
 \Leftrightarrow \frac{8s^2 \cdot 16R^2 \sin^2 \frac{A}{2} \sin^2 \frac{B}{2} \sin^2 \frac{C}{2}}{16R^2 \sin^2 \frac{A}{2} \cos^2 \frac{A}{2}} + \frac{4 \cdot 4R \sin \frac{A}{2} \sin \frac{B}{2} \sin \frac{C}{2} s \cdot s \tan \frac{A}{2}}{4R \cos^2 \frac{A}{2} \tan \frac{A}{2}} &\stackrel{?}{\geq} s^2 \sec^2 \frac{A}{2} \\
 &\Leftrightarrow 8 \sin^2 \frac{B}{2} \sin^2 \frac{C}{2} + 4 \sin \frac{A}{2} \sin \frac{B}{2} \sin \frac{C}{2} \stackrel{?}{\geq} 1 \\
 &\Leftrightarrow 2 \left(\cos \frac{B - C}{2} - \sin \frac{A}{2} \right)^2 + 2 \sin \frac{A}{2} \left(\cos \frac{B - C}{2} - \sin \frac{A}{2} \right) \stackrel{?}{\geq} 1 \\
 \left(\because 2 \sin \frac{B}{2} \sin \frac{C}{2} = \cos \frac{B - C}{2} - \cos \frac{B + C}{2} = \cos \frac{B - C}{2} - \sin \frac{A}{2} \right) \\
 &\Leftrightarrow 2 \left(\cos^2 \frac{B - C}{2} + \sin^2 \frac{A}{2} - 2 \sin \frac{A}{2} \cdot \cos \frac{B - C}{2} \right) + 2 \sin \frac{A}{2} \cdot \cos \frac{B - C}{2} \\
 - 2 \sin^2 \frac{A}{2} - 1 &\stackrel{?}{\geq} 0 \Leftrightarrow 2 \cos^2 \frac{B - C}{2} - 2 \cos \frac{B - C}{2} \sin \frac{A}{2} - 1 \stackrel{?}{\geq} 0 \rightarrow \text{true via } (\blacksquare) \\
 \therefore n_a + r_a &\leq 2h_a \leq h_a + g_a \Rightarrow g_a + h_a \geq n_a + r_a > n_a \\
 \therefore \text{in acute } \triangle ABC \text{ with } a = \min\{a, b, c\}, &\text{ holds : } g_a + h_a > n_a \quad (\text{QED})
 \end{aligned}$$

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In any $\triangle ABC$ and $\forall n \in \mathbb{N}$, the following relationship holds :

$$\frac{w_a^n (w_a^2 + w_b w_c)}{(w_b + w_c)^2} + \frac{w_b^n (w_b^2 + w_c w_a)}{(w_c + w_a)^2} + \frac{w_c^n (w_c^2 + w_a w_b)}{(w_a + w_b)^2} \geq \frac{3^{n+1} \cdot r^n}{2}$$

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WLOG assuming $a \geq b \geq c \Rightarrow w_a^x \leq w_b^x \leq w_c^x$ and

$$\frac{w_a^2}{(w_b + w_c)^2} \leq \frac{w_b^2}{(w_c + w_a)^2} \leq \frac{w_c^2}{(w_a + w_b)^2} \text{ and}$$

$$\frac{1}{(w_b + w_c)^2} \leq \frac{1}{(w_c + w_a)^2} \leq \frac{1}{(w_a + w_b)^2} \text{ where } x > 0 \rightarrow (1)$$

$$w_a w_b w_c \geq h_a h_b h_c = \frac{2r^2 s^2}{R} \stackrel{\text{Gerretsen}}{\geq} \frac{r^2 (27Rr + 5r(R - 2r))}{R} \stackrel{\text{Euler}}{\geq} \frac{r^2 (27Rr)}{R}$$

$$\therefore w_a w_b w_c \geq 27r^3 \rightarrow (2)$$

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$$\sum_{\text{cyc}} w_a \geq \sum_{\text{cyc}} h_a = 2rs \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{1}{a} \stackrel{\text{Bergstrom}}{\geq} \frac{2rs \cdot 9}{2s} \therefore \sum_{\text{cyc}} w_a \geq 9r \rightarrow (3)$$

Case 1 $n = 1$ and then, $\frac{w_a^n (w_a^2 + w_b w_c)}{(w_b + w_c)^2} + \frac{w_b^n (w_b^2 + w_c w_a)}{(w_c + w_a)^2} + \frac{w_c^n (w_c^2 + w_a w_b)}{(w_a + w_b)^2}$

$$= \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{w_a (w_a^2 + w_b w_c)}{(w_b + w_c)^2} \stackrel{\text{A-G}}{\geq} \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{2w_a^2 \cdot \sqrt{w_b w_c}}{(w_b + w_c)^2} = 2 \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{\left(\frac{w_a}{w_b + w_c}\right)^2}{\frac{1}{\sqrt{w_b w_c}}} \stackrel{\text{Bergstrom}}{\geq}$$

$$\frac{2 \left(\sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{w_a}{w_b + w_c}\right)^2}{\sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{1}{\sqrt{w_b w_c}}} \stackrel{\text{Nesbitt and CBS}}{\geq} \frac{\frac{2 \cdot 9}{4}}{\sqrt{\sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{1}{w_b}} \cdot \sqrt{\sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{1}{w_c}}} \stackrel{w_a \geq h_a \text{ and analogs}}{\geq} \frac{\frac{9}{2}}{\sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{1}{h_a}} = \frac{9r}{2}$$

$$\therefore \frac{w_a^n (w_a^2 + w_b w_c)}{(w_b + w_c)^2} + \frac{w_b^n (w_b^2 + w_c w_a)}{(w_c + w_a)^2} + \frac{w_c^n (w_c^2 + w_a w_b)}{(w_a + w_b)^2} \geq \frac{3^{n+1} \cdot r^n}{2}$$

Case 2 $n = 2$ and then, $\frac{w_a^n (w_a^2 + w_b w_c)}{(w_b + w_c)^2} + \frac{w_b^n (w_b^2 + w_c w_a)}{(w_c + w_a)^2} + \frac{w_c^n (w_c^2 + w_a w_b)}{(w_a + w_b)^2}$

$$= \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{w_a^2 (w_a^2 + w_b w_c)}{(w_b + w_c)^2} \stackrel{\text{A-G}}{\geq} \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{2w_a^3 \cdot \sqrt{w_b w_c}}{(w_b + w_c)^2} \stackrel{\text{G-H}}{\geq} \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{4w_a^3 w_b w_c}{(w_b + w_c)^3} = 4 \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{\left(\frac{w_a}{w_b + w_c}\right)^3}{\frac{1}{w_b w_c}}$$

$$\stackrel{\text{Holder}}{\geq} \frac{4 \left(\sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{w_a}{w_b + w_c}\right)^3}{3 \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{1}{w_b w_c}} \stackrel{\text{Nesbitt}}{\geq} \frac{\frac{4 \cdot 27}{8} \cdot w_a w_b w_c}{3 \sum_{\text{cyc}} w_a} \stackrel{?}{\geq} \frac{9 \cdot \frac{16Rr^2 s^2}{s^2 + 2Rr + r^2}}{2 \cdot \sqrt{3}s} \stackrel{?}{\geq} \frac{27r^2}{2}$$

$$\Leftrightarrow 256R^2 s^2 \stackrel{?}{\geq} 27(s^2 + 2Rr + r^2)^2 \text{ and LHS of } (*) \stackrel{\text{Mitrinovic}}{\geq} \frac{256 \cdot 4s^4}{27}$$

$$\stackrel{?}{\geq} 27(s^2 + 2Rr + r^2)^2 \Leftrightarrow 32s^2 \stackrel{?}{\geq} 27(s^2 + 2Rr + r^2) \Leftrightarrow 5s^2 \stackrel{?}{\geq} 27(2Rr + r^2)$$

and $5s^2 \stackrel{\text{Gerretsen}}{\geq} \frac{5}{2}(27Rr + 5r(R - 2r)) \stackrel{\text{Euler}}{\geq} \frac{5}{2}(27Rr) \stackrel{?}{\geq} 27(2Rr + r^2) \Leftrightarrow R \stackrel{?}{\geq} 2r$

$$\rightarrow \text{true via Euler} \therefore \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{w_a^2 (w_a^2 + w_b w_c)}{(w_b + w_c)^2} \geq \frac{27r^2}{2}$$

$$\therefore \frac{w_a^n (w_a^2 + w_b w_c)}{(w_b + w_c)^2} + \frac{w_b^n (w_b^2 + w_c w_a)}{(w_c + w_a)^2} + \frac{w_c^n (w_c^2 + w_a w_b)}{(w_a + w_b)^2} \geq \frac{3^{n+1} \cdot r^n}{2}$$

Case 3 $n = 3$ and then, $\frac{w_a^n (w_a^2 + w_b w_c)}{(w_b + w_c)^2} + \frac{w_b^n (w_b^2 + w_c w_a)}{(w_c + w_a)^2} + \frac{w_c^n (w_c^2 + w_a w_b)}{(w_a + w_b)^2}$

$$= \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{w_a^3 (w_a^2 + w_b w_c)}{(w_b + w_c)^2} \stackrel{\text{A-G}}{\geq} \frac{2w_a^4 \cdot \sqrt{w_b w_c}}{(w_b + w_c)^2} \stackrel{\text{G-H}}{\geq} \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{4w_a^4 w_b w_c}{(w_b + w_c)^3}$$

$$= 4w_a w_b w_c \sum_{\text{cyc}} \left(\frac{w_a}{w_b + w_c}\right)^3 \stackrel{\text{Holder}}{\geq} \frac{4}{9} \cdot w_a w_b w_c \cdot \left(\sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{w_a}{w_b + w_c}\right)^3 \stackrel{\text{Nesbitt and (2)}}{\geq} \frac{4}{9} \cdot 27r^3 \cdot \frac{27}{8}$$

$$= \frac{81r^3}{2} \cdot \frac{w_a^n(w_a^2 + w_b w_c)}{(w_b + w_c)^2} + \frac{w_b^n(w_b^2 + w_c w_a)}{(w_c + w_a)^2} + \frac{w_c^n(w_c^2 + w_a w_b)}{(w_a + w_b)^2} \geq \frac{3^{n+1} \cdot r^n}{2}$$

Case 4 $n \in \mathbb{N} - \{1, 2, 3\}$ and then, $\frac{w_a^n(w_a^2 + w_b w_c)}{(w_b + w_c)^2} + \frac{w_b^n(w_b^2 + w_c w_a)}{(w_c + w_a)^2}$

$$+ \frac{w_c^n(w_c^2 + w_a w_b)}{(w_a + w_b)^2} = \sum_{\text{cyc}} \left(w_a^n \cdot \left(\frac{w_a}{w_b + w_c} \right)^2 \right) + w_a w_b w_c \cdot \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{w_a^{n-1}}{(w_b + w_c)^2}$$

Chebyshev, via (1)

and
(2)
 \geq

$$\frac{1}{3} \left(\sum_{\text{cyc}} w_a^n \right) \left(\sum_{\text{cyc}} \left(\frac{w_a}{w_b + w_c} \right)^2 \right)$$

Repeated Chebyshev

$$+ 9r^3 \cdot \left(\sum_{\text{cyc}} w_a^{n-1} \right) \left(\sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{1^3}{(w_b + w_c)^2} \right) \stackrel{\text{and Radon}}{\geq} \frac{1}{3 \cdot 3 \cdot 3^{n-1}} \left(\sum_{\text{cyc}} w_a \right)^n \left(\sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{w_a}{w_b + w_c} \right)^2$$

$$+ \frac{9r^3}{3^{n-2}} \left(\sum_{\text{cyc}} w_a \right)^{n-1} \cdot \frac{27}{4(\sum_{\text{cyc}} w_a)^2} \stackrel{\text{Nesbitt}}{\geq} \frac{1}{3^{n+1}} \cdot \frac{9}{4} \cdot \left(\sum_{\text{cyc}} w_a \right)^n$$

$$+ \frac{3^5 r^3}{4 \cdot 3^{n-2}} \cdot \left(\sum_{\text{cyc}} w_a \right)^{n-3} \stackrel{\text{via (3)}}{\geq} \frac{1}{3^{n+1}} \cdot \frac{9}{4} \cdot 3^{2n} \cdot r^n + \frac{3^5 r^3}{4 \cdot 3^{n-2}} \cdot 3^{2n-6} \cdot r^{n-3}$$

$$= \frac{3^{n+1} \cdot r^n}{4} + \frac{3^{n+1} \cdot r^n}{4} \cdot \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{w_a^n(w_a^2 + w_b w_c)}{(w_b + w_c)^2} \geq \frac{3^{n+1} \cdot r^n}{2}$$

\therefore combining all cases, in any ΔABC and $\forall n \in \mathbb{N}$,

$$\frac{w_a^n(w_a^2 + w_b w_c)}{(w_b + w_c)^2} + \frac{w_b^n(w_b^2 + w_c w_a)}{(w_c + w_a)^2} + \frac{w_c^n(w_c^2 + w_a w_b)}{(w_a + w_b)^2} \geq \frac{3^{n+1} \cdot r^n}{2},$$

" = " iff ΔABC is equilateral (QED)

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We have:

$$\frac{w_a^n(w_a^2 + w_b w_c)}{(w_b + w_c)^2} = \frac{w_a^n}{(w_b + w_c)^2} (w_a - w_b)(w_a - w_c) + \frac{w_a^{n+1}}{w_b + w_c} \quad (\text{and analogs})$$

WLOG, we may assume that $w_a \geq w_b \geq w_c$.

$$\text{We have } \frac{w_a^n}{(w_b + w_c)^2} \geq \frac{w_b^n}{(w_c + w_a)^2} \geq \frac{w_c^n}{(w_a + w_b)^2},$$

then by the Generalized Schur inequality, we have

$$\sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{w_a^n}{(w_b + w_c)^2} (w_a - w_b)(w_a - w_c) \geq 0.$$

Therefore

$$\sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{w_a^n(w_a^2 + w_b w_c)}{(w_b + w_c)^2} \geq \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{w_a^{n+1}}{w_b + w_c} \stackrel{\text{Hölder}}{\geq} \frac{(w_a + w_b + w_c)^{n+1}}{3^{n-1} \cdot 2(w_a + w_b + w_c)} \geq \frac{(h_a + h_b + h_c)^2}{6}$$

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$$\stackrel{AM-HM}{\geq} \frac{1}{6} \left(\frac{9}{\frac{1}{h_a} + \frac{1}{h_b} + \frac{1}{h_c}} \right)^2 = \frac{(9r)^2}{6} = \frac{27r^2}{2}.$$

as desired. Equality holds if and only if $\triangle ABC$ is equilateral.

1425. In any $\triangle ABC$ and $\forall m, n \in \mathbb{N}$ such that : $n \geq m - 2$,

the following relationship holds :

$$\frac{r_a^n (r_a^2 + r_b r_c)}{(r_b + r_c)^m} + \frac{r_b^n (r_b^2 + r_c r_a)}{(r_c + r_a)^m} + \frac{r_c^n (r_c^2 + r_a r_b)}{(r_a + r_b)^m} \geq \frac{3^{n-m+3} \cdot r^{n-m+2}}{2^{m-1}}$$

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We shall first prove that $\forall x, y, z > 0, \sum_{cyc} \frac{x^3 + xyz}{(y+z)^3} \stackrel{(\heartsuit)}{\geq} \frac{3}{4}$

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{cyc} \frac{x^3 + xyz}{(y+z)^3} &= \sum_{cyc} \frac{x^3}{(y+z)^3} + xyz \sum_{cyc} \frac{1^4}{(y+z)^3} \stackrel{\substack{\text{Chebyshev} \\ \text{and} \\ \text{Radon}}}{\geq} \\ &\frac{1}{3} \left(\sum_{cyc} \frac{x}{y+z} \right) \left(\sum_{cyc} \frac{x^2}{(y+z)^2} \right) + \frac{81xyz}{8(\sum_{cyc} x)^3} \stackrel{\text{Nesbitt}}{\geq} \frac{1}{3} \cdot \frac{3}{2} \cdot \sum_{cyc} \frac{x^4}{x^2 y^2 + x^2 z^2 + 2x^2 yz} \\ &+ \frac{81xyz}{8(\sum_{cyc} x)^3} \stackrel{\text{Bergstrom}}{\geq} \frac{(\sum_{cyc} x^2)^2}{4(\sum_{cyc} x^2 y^2 + xyz \sum_{cyc} x)} + \frac{81xyz}{8(\sum_{cyc} x)^3} \stackrel{?}{\geq} \frac{3}{4} \\ &\Leftrightarrow \boxed{\frac{(\sum_{cyc} x^2)^2}{\sum_{cyc} x^2 y^2 + xyz \sum_{cyc} x} + \frac{81xyz}{2(\sum_{cyc} x)^3} \stackrel{?}{\geq} \frac{3}{4}} \end{aligned}$$

Assigning $y+z=X, z+x=Y, x+y=Z \Rightarrow X+Y-Z=2z>0, Y+Z-X=2x>0$ and $Z+X-Y=2y>0 \Rightarrow X+Y>Z, Y+Z>X, Z+X>Y \Rightarrow X, Y, Z$

form sides of a triangle with semiperimeter, circumradius and inradius

$$=s, R, r \text{ (say) yielding } 2 \sum_{cyc} x = \sum_{cyc} X = 2s \Rightarrow \sum_{cyc} x = s \rightarrow (1)$$

$$\Rightarrow x = s - X, y = s - Y, z = s - Z \Rightarrow xyz = r^2 s \rightarrow (2) \text{ and also, such}$$

$$\text{substitutions} \Rightarrow \sum_{cyc} xy = \sum_{cyc} (s-X)(s-Y) \Rightarrow \sum_{cyc} xy = 4Rr + r^2 \rightarrow (3) \text{ and}$$

$$\sum_{cyc} x^2 = \left(\sum_{cyc} x \right)^2 - 2 \sum_{cyc} xy \stackrel{\text{via (1) and (3)}}{=} s^2 - 2(4Rr + r^2)$$

$$\Rightarrow \sum_{cyc} x^2 = s^2 - 8Rr - 2r^2 \rightarrow (4) \text{ and also, } \sum_{cyc} x^2 y^2 = \left(\sum_{cyc} xy \right)^2 - 2xyz \sum_{cyc} x$$

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$$\text{via (1),(2) and (3)} \quad \stackrel{=}{=} \quad (4Rr + r^2)^2 - 2r^2s \cdot s \therefore \sum_{\text{cyc}} x^2y^2 = r^2((4R + r)^2 - 2s^2) \rightarrow (5)$$

$$\therefore \text{ via (1), (2), (4), (5), (■)} \Leftrightarrow \frac{(s^2 - 8Rr - 2r^2)^2}{r^2((4R + r)^2 - 2s^2) + r^2s \cdot s} + \frac{81r^2s}{2s^3} \geq 3$$

$$\Leftrightarrow 2s^6 - (32Rr + 2r^2)s^4 + r^2s^2(32R^2 + 16Rr - 79r^2)$$

$$+ r^4(1296R^2 + 648Rr + 81r^2) \stackrel{(\blacksquare\blacksquare)}{\geq} 0 \text{ and } \therefore 2(s^2 - 16Rr + 5r^2)^3 \stackrel{\text{Gerretsen}}{\geq} 0$$

\therefore in order to prove (■), it suffices to prove : LHS of (■)

$$\geq 2(s^2 - 16Rr + 5r^2)^3 \Leftrightarrow (64Rr - 32r^2)s^4 - r^2s^2(1504R^2 - 976Rr + 229r^2)$$

$$+ r^3(8192R^3 - 6384R^2r + 3048Rr^2 - 169r^3) \stackrel{(\blacksquare\blacksquare\blacksquare)}{\geq} 0 \text{ and}$$

$$\therefore (64Rr - 32r^2)(s^2 - 16Rr + 5r^2)^2 \stackrel{\text{Gerretsen}}{\geq} 0, \therefore \text{ in order to prove (■),}$$

it suffices to prove : LHS of (■) $\geq (64Rr - 32r^2)(s^2 - 16Rr + 5r^2)^2$

$$\Leftrightarrow (544R^2 - 688Rr + 91r^2)s^2 \geq r(8192R^3 - 12048R^2r + 3672Rr^2 - 631r^3)$$

$$\Leftrightarrow 64t^3 - 210t^2 + 153t + 22 \geq 0 \left(t = \frac{R}{r} \right) \Leftrightarrow (t - 2)((t - 2)(64t + 46) + 81)$$

$$\geq 0 \rightarrow \text{true} \therefore t \stackrel{\text{Euler}}{\geq} 2 \Rightarrow (\blacksquare\blacksquare\blacksquare) \Rightarrow (\blacksquare\blacksquare) \Rightarrow (\blacksquare) \text{ is true}$$

$$\therefore \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{x^3 + xyz}{(y+z)^3} \geq \frac{3}{4} \quad \forall x, y, z > 0$$

Case 1 $n - m = -2$ and then : $\frac{r_a^n(r_a^2 + r_b r_c)}{(r_b + r_c)^m} + \frac{r_b^n(r_b^2 + r_c r_a)}{(r_c + r_a)^m} + \frac{r_c^n(r_c^2 + r_a r_b)}{(r_a + r_b)^m}$

$$\geq \frac{3^{n-m+3} \cdot r^{n-m+2}}{2^{m-1}} \Leftrightarrow \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{r_a^{m-2}(r_a^2 + r_b r_c)}{(r_b + r_c)^m} \stackrel{(*)}{\geq} \frac{3}{2^{m-1}}$$

Now, $n - m = -2 \Rightarrow m - 2 = n \geq 1 \Rightarrow m - 3 \geq 0 \therefore \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{r_a^{m-2}(r_a^2 + r_b r_c)}{(r_b + r_c)^m}$

$$= \sum_{\text{cyc}} \left(\left(\frac{r_a}{r_b + r_c} \right)^{m-3} \cdot \left(\frac{r_a^3 + r_a r_b r_c}{(r_b + r_c)^3} \right) \right) \stackrel{\text{Chebyshev}}{\geq} \left(\sum_{\text{cyc}} \left(\frac{r_a}{r_b + r_c} \right)^{m-3} \right) \left(\sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{r_a^3 + r_a r_b r_c}{(r_b + r_c)^3} \right)$$

$$\left(\begin{array}{l} \therefore \text{WLOG assuming } a \geq b \geq c \Rightarrow \left(\frac{r_a}{r_b + r_c} \right)^{m-3} \geq \left(\frac{r_b}{r_c + r_a} \right)^{m-3} \left(\frac{r_c}{r_a + r_b} \right)^{m-3} \text{ and} \\ r_a^3 + r_a r_b r_c \geq r_b^3 + r_a r_b r_c \geq r_c^3 + r_a r_b r_c \text{ alongwith } \frac{1}{(r_b + r_c)^3} \geq \frac{1}{(r_c + r_a)^3} \geq \frac{1}{(r_a + r_b)^3} \\ \Rightarrow \frac{r_a^3 + r_a r_b r_c}{(r_b + r_c)^3} \geq \frac{r_b^3 + r_a r_b r_c}{(r_c + r_a)^3} \geq \frac{r_c^3 + r_a r_b r_c}{(r_a + r_b)^3} \end{array} \right)$$

Repeated Chebyshev

$$\stackrel{\text{and via } (\blacklozenge)}{\geq} \frac{1}{3} \cdot \frac{1}{3^{m-4}} \cdot \left(\sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{r_a}{r_b + r_c} \right)^{m-3} \cdot \frac{3}{4} \stackrel{\text{Nesbitt}}{\geq} \frac{1}{4 \cdot 3^{m-4}} \cdot \frac{3^{m-3}}{2^{m-3}} = \frac{3}{2^{m-1}}$$

$$\Rightarrow (*) \text{ is true } \therefore \frac{r_a^n(r_a^2 + r_b r_c)}{(r_b + r_c)^m} + \frac{r_b^n(r_b^2 + r_c r_a)}{(r_c + r_a)^m} + \frac{r_c^n(r_c^2 + r_a r_b)}{(r_a + r_b)^m} \geq \frac{3^{n-m+3} \cdot r^{n-m+2}}{2^{m-1}}$$

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Case 2 $n - m = -1$ and then : $\frac{r_a^n(r_a^2 + r_b r_c)}{(r_b + r_c)^m} + \frac{r_b^n(r_b^2 + r_c r_a)}{(r_c + r_a)^m} + \frac{r_c^n(r_c^2 + r_a r_b)}{(r_a + r_b)^m}$
 $\geq \frac{3^{n-m+3} \cdot r^{n-m+2}}{2^{m-1}} \Leftrightarrow \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{r_a^{m-1}(r_a^2 + r_b r_c)}{(r_b + r_c)^m} \stackrel{(**)}{\geq} \frac{9r}{2^{m-1}}$

Now, $\sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{r_a^{m-1}(r_a^2 + r_b r_c)}{(r_b + r_c)^m} \stackrel{A-G}{\geq} 2 \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{r_a^m \cdot \sqrt{r_b r_c}}{(r_b + r_c)^m} = 2 \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{\left(\frac{r_a}{r_b + r_c}\right)^m}{\frac{1}{\sqrt{r_b r_c}}} \stackrel{\text{Holder}}{\geq}$

$2 \cdot \frac{\left(\sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{r_a}{r_b + r_c}\right)^m}{3^{m-2} \cdot \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{1}{\sqrt{r_b r_c}}} \stackrel{\text{Nesbitt and CBS}}{\geq} \frac{2}{3^{m-2}} \cdot \frac{3^m}{2^m} \cdot \frac{1}{\sqrt{\sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{1}{r_a}} \cdot \sqrt{\sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{1}{r_a}}} = \frac{9r}{2^{m-1}} \Rightarrow (**)$ is true
 $\therefore \frac{r_a^n(r_a^2 + r_b r_c)}{(r_b + r_c)^m} + \frac{r_b^n(r_b^2 + r_c r_a)}{(r_c + r_a)^m} + \frac{r_c^n(r_c^2 + r_a r_b)}{(r_a + r_b)^m} \geq \frac{3^{n-m+3} \cdot r^{n-m+2}}{2^{m-1}}$

Case 3 $n - m = 0$ and then : $\frac{r_a^n(r_a^2 + r_b r_c)}{(r_b + r_c)^m} + \frac{r_b^n(r_b^2 + r_c r_a)}{(r_c + r_a)^m} + \frac{r_c^n(r_c^2 + r_a r_b)}{(r_a + r_b)^m}$
 $\geq \frac{3^{n-m+3} \cdot r^{n-m+2}}{2^{m-1}} \Leftrightarrow \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{r_a^n(r_a^2 + r_b r_c)}{(r_b + r_c)^n} \stackrel{(**)}{\geq} \frac{27r^2}{2^{n-1}}$

Now, $\sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{r_a^n(r_a^2 + r_b r_c)}{(r_b + r_c)^n} \stackrel{A-G}{\geq} 2 \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{r_a^{n+1} \cdot \sqrt{r_b r_c}}{(r_b + r_c)^n} \stackrel{G-H}{\geq} 4r_a r_b r_c \sum_{\text{cyc}} \left(\left(\frac{r_a}{r_b + r_c}\right)^n \cdot \frac{1}{r_b + r_c} \right) \stackrel{\text{Chebyshev}}{\geq}$

$\frac{4rs^2}{3} \left(\sum_{\text{cyc}} \left(\frac{r_a}{r_b + r_c}\right)^n \right) \left(\sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{1}{r_b + r_c} \right) \stackrel{\text{Repeated Chebyshev and Bergstrom}}{\geq} \frac{4rs^2}{3 \cdot 3^{n-1}} \cdot \left(\sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{r_a}{r_b + r_c} \right)^n \cdot \frac{9}{2(4R + r)}$

$\stackrel{\text{Nesbitt}}{\geq} \frac{2rs^2}{3^n} \cdot \frac{3^n}{2^n} \cdot \frac{9}{4R + r} \stackrel{?}{\geq} \frac{27r^2}{2^{n-1}} \Leftrightarrow s^2 \stackrel{?}{\geq} 3r(4R + r) \rightarrow \text{true}$

$\therefore s^2 \stackrel{\text{Gerretsen}}{\geq} 3r(4R + r) + 4r(R - 2r) \stackrel{\text{Euler}}{\geq} 3r(4R + r)$

$\Rightarrow (**)$ is true $\therefore \frac{r_a^n(r_a^2 + r_b r_c)}{(r_b + r_c)^m} + \frac{r_b^n(r_b^2 + r_c r_a)}{(r_c + r_a)^m} + \frac{r_c^n(r_c^2 + r_a r_b)}{(r_a + r_b)^m} \geq \frac{3^{n-m+3} \cdot r^{n-m+2}}{2^{m-1}}$

Case 4 $n - m \geq 1$ and then : $\frac{r_a^n(r_a^2 + r_b r_c)}{(r_b + r_c)^m} + \frac{r_b^n(r_b^2 + r_c r_a)}{(r_c + r_a)^m} + \frac{r_c^n(r_c^2 + r_a r_b)}{(r_a + r_b)^m}$

$\stackrel{A-G}{\geq} 2 \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{r_a^{n+1} \cdot \sqrt{r_b r_c}}{(r_b + r_c)^m} \stackrel{G-H}{\geq} 4r_a r_b r_c \cdot \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{r_a^n}{(r_b + r_c)^{m+1}}$

$= 4rs^2 \cdot \sum_{\text{cyc}} \left(\left(\frac{r_a}{r_b + r_c}\right)^{m+1} \cdot r_a^{n-m-1} \right) \stackrel{\text{Chebyshev}}{\geq} \frac{4rs^2}{3} \left(\sum_{\text{cyc}} \left(\frac{r_a}{r_b + r_c}\right)^{m+1} \right) \left(\sum_{\text{cyc}} r_a^{n-m-1} \right)$

$\stackrel{\text{Repeated Chebyshev}}{\geq} \frac{4rs^2}{3 \cdot 3^m} \cdot \left(\sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{r_a}{r_b + r_c} \right)^{m+1} \cdot \frac{1}{3^{n-m-2}} \cdot \left(\sum_{\text{cyc}} r_a \right)^{n-m-1} \stackrel{\text{Nesbitt and Euler}}{\geq}$

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$$\begin{aligned}
 & \frac{4rs^2}{3^{m+1}} \cdot \frac{3^{m+1}}{2^{m+1}} \cdot \frac{1}{3^{n-m-2}} \cdot (9r)^{n-m-1} \stackrel{\text{Mitrinovic}}{\geq} \frac{3^3 \cdot r^3 \cdot r^{n-m-1}}{2^{m-1}} \cdot \frac{1}{3^{n-m-2}} \cdot 3^{2n-2m-2} \\
 & = \frac{3^{n-m+3} \cdot r^{n-m+2}}{2^{m-1}} \therefore \frac{r_a^n (r_a^2 + r_b r_c)}{(r_b + r_c)^m} + \frac{r_b^n (r_b^2 + r_c r_a)}{(r_c + r_a)^m} + \frac{r_c^n (r_c^2 + r_a r_b)}{(r_a + r_b)^m} \\
 & \geq \frac{3^{n-m+3} \cdot r^{n-m+2}}{2^{m-1}} \therefore \text{combining all cases, in any } \triangle ABC \text{ and } \forall m, n \in \mathbb{N} \\
 & \text{such that : } n \geq m - 2, \frac{r_a^n (r_a^2 + r_b r_c)}{(r_b + r_c)^m} + \frac{r_b^n (r_b^2 + r_c r_a)}{(r_c + r_a)^m} + \frac{r_c^n (r_c^2 + r_a r_b)}{(r_a + r_b)^m} \\
 & \geq \frac{3^{n-m+3} \cdot r^{n-m+2}}{2^{m-1}}, " = " \text{ iff } \triangle ABC \text{ is equilateral (QED)}
 \end{aligned}$$

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In any $\triangle ABC$, the following relationships hold :

$$\frac{R}{2r} \left(\sum_{\text{cyc}} \sqrt{\frac{b}{a}} \right) \geq \sum_{\text{cyc}} \sqrt{\frac{a}{b}}; \frac{R^2}{4r^2} \left(\sum_{\text{cyc}} \sqrt{\frac{m_a}{m_b}} \right) \geq \sum_{\text{cyc}} \sqrt{\frac{w_a}{w_b}}; \frac{R}{2r} \sum_{\text{cyc}} (g_a + h_a) > \sum_{\text{cyc}} n_a$$

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Solution 1 by Tapas Das-India

$$\begin{aligned}
 n_a^2 &= s(s-a) + \frac{s(b-c)^2}{a} = s^2 - \frac{s[a^2 - (b-c)^2]}{a} \\
 &= s^2 - \frac{4s(s-b)(s-c)}{a} = s^2 - \frac{4s \cdot sr^2}{a(s-a)} = s^2 - 2r_a h_a \quad (1)
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{also } 2r_a(n_a + h_a) \leq r_a^2 + n_a^2 + 2r_a h_a = r_a^2 + s^2 \quad (\text{using (1)})$$

(AM-GM)

$$= s^2 \left(\tan^2 \frac{A}{2} + 1 \right) = \frac{s^2}{\cos^2 \frac{A}{2}} = \frac{s \cdot bc}{s-a} = \frac{r_a}{r} \cdot 2R h_a$$

$$n_a + h_a \leq R \cdot \frac{h_a}{r} \text{ or } \frac{n_a}{h_a} \leq \frac{R}{r} - 1$$

$$\therefore n_a \leq \left(\frac{R}{r} - 1 \right) h_a \quad (\text{analog})$$

$$\therefore \sum n_a \leq \left(\frac{R}{r} - 1 \right) (h_a + h_b + h_c)$$

$$\frac{R}{2r} \cdot \sum (9a + h_a) \geq \frac{R}{2r} \sum (h_a + h_a) \quad (\because r_a \geq h_a) = \frac{R}{r} \sum h_a$$

We need to show

$$\frac{R}{r} \sum h_a \geq \left(\frac{R}{r} - 1 \right) (h_a + h_b + h_c) \text{ or } \frac{R}{r} (\sum h_a) - \left(\frac{R}{r} - 1 \right) \sum h_a \geq 0$$

$$\text{or } \sum h_a \geq 0 \quad (\text{True})$$

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$$1) \sqrt{\frac{a}{b}} \stackrel{CBS}{\leq} \sqrt{(\sum a) \left(\sum \frac{1}{a}\right)} \leq \sqrt{2s \cdot \frac{9R}{4F}} = \sqrt{2s \cdot \frac{9R}{4rs}} = \sqrt{\frac{9R}{2r}} = \sqrt{\frac{9R^2}{2r \cdot R}} \stackrel{Euler}{\leq} \sqrt{\frac{9R^2}{9r^2}} = \frac{3R}{2r}$$

Now

$$\frac{R}{2r} \sum \sqrt{\frac{b}{a}} \geq \frac{3R}{2r}$$

(AM-GM)

$$\text{Note } \sqrt{\frac{b}{a}} \geq 3 \text{ (AM-GM)}$$

$$\frac{R}{2r} \sum \sqrt{\frac{a}{b}} \geq \sum \sqrt{\frac{a}{b}}$$

$$\text{Note: } \frac{1}{a} + \frac{1}{b} + \frac{1}{c} = \frac{ab+bc+ca}{abc} = \frac{s^2+r^2+4Rr}{4RF} \stackrel{Gerretsen}{\leq} \frac{4R^2+8Rr+4r^2}{4RF} = \frac{(R+r)^2}{RF} \stackrel{Euler}{\leq} \frac{9R^2}{4RF} = \frac{9R}{4F}$$

$$\sum \sqrt{\frac{w_a}{w_b}} \leq \sqrt{3 \left(\sum \frac{w_a}{w_b}\right)} \leq \sqrt{\frac{3R}{2r} \cdot 3} = \sqrt{\frac{9R}{2r}} = \sqrt{\frac{9R^2}{2R \cdot r}} \stackrel{Euler}{\leq} \sqrt{\frac{9R^2}{4r^2}} = \frac{3R}{2r}$$

Note:

$$\sum \frac{w_a}{w_b} \leq \sqrt{\left(\sum w_a^2\right) \left(\sum \frac{1}{w_b^2}\right)} \leq \sqrt{\sum (s(s-a)) \sum \frac{1}{h_a^2}} \leq \sqrt{s^2 \cdot \frac{\sum a^2}{4r^2 s^2}}$$

$$\stackrel{Leibnitz}{\leq} \sqrt{\frac{s^2 \cdot 9R^2}{9r^2 s^2}} = \frac{3R}{2r}$$

We need to show

$$\frac{R^2}{4r^2} \sum \left(\sqrt{\frac{m_a}{m_b}}\right) \geq \frac{3R}{2r} \text{ or } \frac{R^2}{4r^2} \times 3 \geq \frac{3R}{2r}$$

$$[\text{Note: } \sqrt{\frac{m_a}{m_b}} \geq 3] \text{ (AM-GM) or } \frac{R^2}{4r^2} \geq \frac{R}{2r}$$

$R \geq 2r$ (True) Euler

$$\therefore \frac{R^2}{4r^2} \left(\sum \sqrt{\frac{m_a}{m_b}}\right) \geq \frac{3R}{2r} \geq \sum \sqrt{\frac{w_a}{w_b}}$$

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Solution 2 by Soumava Chakraborty-Kolkata-India

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{\text{cyc}} \sqrt{\frac{a}{b}} &\stackrel{A-G}{\leq} \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{\frac{a}{b} + 1}{2} = \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{a+b+c}{2b} - \frac{1}{2} \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{c}{b} \stackrel{A-G}{\leq} \frac{2s}{2} \cdot \frac{s^2 + 4Rr + r^2}{4Rs} - \frac{3}{2} \\ &\stackrel{?}{\leq} \frac{3R}{2r} \Leftrightarrow \frac{3R+3r}{2r} \stackrel{?}{\geq} \frac{s^2 + 4Rr + r^2}{4Rr} \Leftrightarrow s^2 + 4Rr + r^2 \stackrel{?}{\leq} 6R^2 + 6Rr \\ &\Leftrightarrow (s^2 - 4R^2 - 4Rr - 3r^2) - 2(R+r)(R-2r) \stackrel{?}{\leq} 0 \rightarrow \text{true via Gerretsen and} \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Euler} \therefore \sum_{\text{cyc}} \sqrt{\frac{a}{b}} \leq \frac{3R}{2r} \stackrel{A-G}{\leq} \frac{R}{2r} \left(\sum_{\text{cyc}} \sqrt{\frac{b}{a}} \right) \therefore \boxed{\frac{R}{2r} \left(\sum_{\text{cyc}} \sqrt{\frac{b}{a}} \right) \geq \sum_{\text{cyc}} \sqrt{\frac{a}{b}}}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{\text{cyc}} \sqrt{\frac{w_a}{w_b}} &\stackrel{A-G}{\leq} \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{\frac{w_a}{w_b} + 1}{2} = \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{w_a + w_b + w_c}{2w_b} - \frac{1}{2} \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{w_c}{w_b} \stackrel{A-G}{\leq} \frac{\sum_{\text{cyc}} w_a}{2} \cdot \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{1}{w_a} - \frac{3}{2} \\ &\leq \frac{\sum_{\text{cyc}} m_a}{2} \cdot \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{1}{h_a} - \frac{3}{2} \stackrel{\text{Bager}}{\leq} \frac{4R+r}{2r} - \frac{3}{2} \stackrel{?}{\leq} \frac{3R^2}{4r^2} \Leftrightarrow \frac{3R^2 + 6r^2}{4r^2} \stackrel{?}{\geq} \frac{4R+r}{2r} \end{aligned}$$

$$\Leftrightarrow 3R^2 - 8Rr + 4r^2 \stackrel{?}{\geq} 0 \Leftrightarrow (3R-2r)(R-2r) \stackrel{?}{\geq} 0 \rightarrow \text{true via Euler}$$

$$\therefore \sum_{\text{cyc}} \sqrt{\frac{w_a}{w_b}} \leq \frac{3R^2}{4r^2} \stackrel{A-G}{\leq} \frac{R^2}{4r^2} \left(\sum_{\text{cyc}} \sqrt{\frac{m_a}{m_b}} \right) \therefore \boxed{\frac{R^2}{4r^2} \left(\sum_{\text{cyc}} \sqrt{\frac{m_a}{m_b}} \right) \geq \sum_{\text{cyc}} \sqrt{\frac{w_a}{w_b}}}$$

Now, Stewart's theorem $\Rightarrow b^2(s-c) + c^2(s-b) \stackrel{(m)}{=} an_a^2 + a(s-b)(s-c)$

and $b^2(s-b) + c^2(s-c) \stackrel{(n)}{=} ag_a^2 + a(s-b)(s-c)$ and $(m) + (n) \Rightarrow$

$$(b^2 + c^2)(2s - b - c) = an_a^2 + ag_a^2 + 2a(s-b)(s-c) \Rightarrow 2a(b^2 + c^2)$$

$$= 2a(n_a^2 + g_a^2) + a(a+b-c)(c+a-b) \Rightarrow 2(b^2 + c^2)$$

$$= 2(n_a^2 + g_a^2) + a^2 - (b-c)^2 \Rightarrow 2(b^2 + c^2) - a^2 + (b-c)^2$$

$$= 2(n_a^2 + g_a^2) \Rightarrow 4m_a^2 + (b-c)^2 = 2(n_a^2 + g_a^2) \Rightarrow (b-c)^2 + 4s(s-a) + (b-c)^2$$

$$= 2(n_a^2 + g_a^2) \Rightarrow n_a^2 + g_a^2 \stackrel{(1)}{=} (b-c)^2 + 2s(s-a)$$

$$\text{Now, } \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{n_a}{R} = \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{2n_a h_a}{bc} \leq \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{2n_a g_a}{bc} \stackrel{A-G}{\leq} \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{n_a^2 + g_a^2}{bc} \stackrel{\text{via (1)}}{=} \frac{(b-c)^2 + 2s(s-a)}{bc}$$

$$= \frac{1}{4Rrs} \left(\sum_{\text{cyc}} (a(b^2 + c^2 - 2bc)) + 2s \sum_{\text{cyc}} (a(s-a)) \right)$$

$$= \frac{1}{4Rrs} \left(2s(s^2 + 4Rr + r^2) - 36Rrs + 2s(2s^2 - 2(s^2 - 4Rr - r^2)) \right)$$

$$= \frac{s^2 - 6Rr + 3r^2}{2Rr} \Rightarrow 2r \sum_{\text{cyc}} n_a \leq s^2 - 6Rr + 3r^2 \stackrel{?}{<} 2R \cdot \sum_{\text{cyc}} h_a = s^2 + 4Rr + r^2$$

$$\Leftrightarrow 9Rr + r(R-2r) \stackrel{?}{>} 0 \therefore 2r \sum_{\text{cyc}} n_a < 2R \cdot \sum_{\text{cyc}} h_a \leq R \sum_{\text{cyc}} (g_a + h_a)$$

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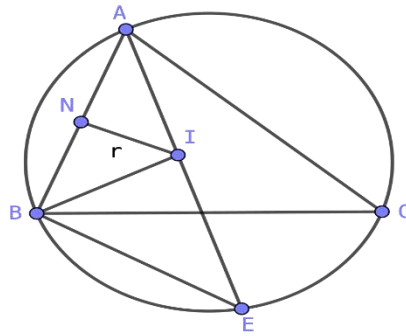
$$\therefore \frac{R}{2r} \sum_{\text{cyc}} (g_a + h_a) > \sum_{\text{cyc}} n_a \quad (\text{QED})$$

1427. Let $\Delta A'B'C'$ be the circumcevian triangle of incenter in acute ΔABC with r' - inradii. Prove that:

$$r' \geq \frac{s}{3\sqrt{3}}, [A'B'C'] = \frac{1}{4} [I_a I_b I_c]$$

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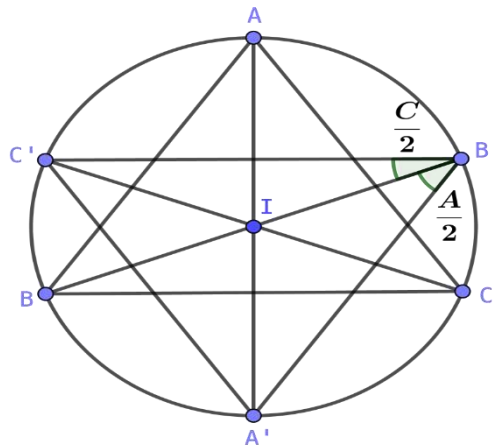


$AI = r \csc \frac{A}{2}$. From ΔANI : $IN =$ perpendicular from I on $AB = r$ (in-radius)

Again $\angle BIE = \angle BAI + \angle ABI = \angle CAE + \angle IBC = \angle CBE + \angle IBC = \angle EBI$

$$\therefore IE = EB = 2R \sin \frac{A}{2}$$

$$\therefore IE = 2R \sin \frac{A}{2} \quad (\text{analog})$$



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From $\Delta IA'B'$

$$\angle AA'B' = \angle ABB' = \frac{B}{2}, \quad \angle BB'A' = \angle BAA' = \frac{A}{2}$$

$$\angle A'IB' = \pi - \left(\frac{A+B}{2}\right)$$

From $\Delta A'IB'$

$$\frac{A'B'}{\sin \angle A'IB'} = \frac{A'I}{\sin \frac{A}{2}} \Rightarrow \frac{A'B'}{\sin \left(\pi - \frac{A+B}{2}\right)} = \frac{2R \sin \frac{A}{2}}{\sin \frac{A}{2}} = 2R$$

$$A'B' = 2R \sin \frac{A+B}{2} = 2R \cos \frac{C}{2}$$

(analog)

$$[A'B'C'] = \frac{1}{2} B'C' \cdot A'B' \cdot \sin \angle A'B'C' = \frac{1}{2} 2R \cos \frac{C}{2} \cdot 2R \cos \frac{A}{2} \cdot \sin \frac{A+C}{2}$$

$$[A'B'C'] = 2R^2 \cos \frac{C}{2} \cdot \cos \frac{A}{2} \cdot \cos \frac{B}{2} \quad (1)$$

Now $[A'B'C'] = r' s'$ (s' = semi - perimeter of $\Delta A'B'C'$)

$$\text{or } 2R^2 \prod \cos \frac{A}{2} = \frac{r'}{2} 2R \left(\cos \frac{A}{2} + \cos \frac{B}{2} + \cos \frac{C}{2} \right)$$

$$r' = \frac{2R \prod \cos \frac{A}{2}}{\cos \frac{A}{2} + \cos \frac{B}{2} + \cos \frac{C}{2}}$$

$$\therefore r' \geq \frac{2R \cdot \frac{s}{4R}}{\frac{3\sqrt{3}}{2}} = \frac{s}{3\sqrt{3}}$$

Note:

$$\cos \frac{A}{2} + \cos \frac{B}{2} + \cos \frac{C}{2} \leq 3 \cos \left(\frac{\frac{A}{2} + \frac{B}{2} + \frac{C}{2}}{3} \right) \stackrel{\text{Jensen}}{=} 3 \cos \left(\frac{\pi}{6} \right) = \frac{3\sqrt{3}}{2}$$

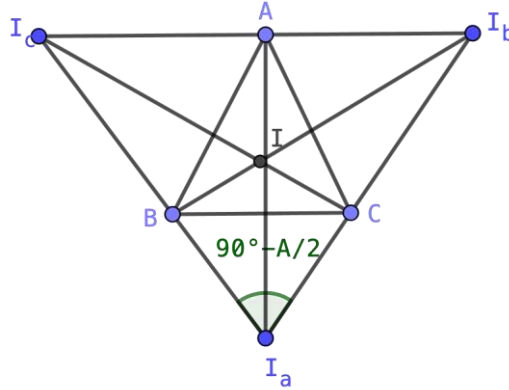
$$f(x) = \cos x \therefore f'(x) = -\sin x, f''(x) = -\cos x < 0, \therefore f \text{ is concave}$$

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Since $\triangle ABC$ is orthic triangle of $\triangle I_a I_b I_c$ then

$$BC = a = I_a I_c \cdot \cos\left(90^\circ - \frac{A}{2}\right) = I_b I_c \sin \frac{A}{2}, \quad a = 2R \sin A = I_b I_c \sin \frac{A}{2}$$

$$2R \cdot \sin \frac{A}{2} \cos \frac{A}{2} = I_b I_c \sin \frac{A}{2}, \quad I_b I_c = 4R \cos \frac{A}{2} \quad (\text{analog})$$

$$[I_a I_b I_c] = \frac{1}{2} \cdot 4R \cos \frac{B}{2} \cdot 4R \cos \frac{C}{2} \sin\left(90^\circ - \frac{A}{2}\right) = 8R^2 \cos \frac{A}{2} \cos \frac{B}{2} \cos \frac{C}{2}$$

$$[A' B' C'] = 2R^2 \cos \frac{A}{2} \cos \frac{B}{2} \cos \frac{C}{2}$$

$$(\text{From (1)}) \therefore [A' B' C'] = \frac{1}{4} [I_a I_b I_c]$$

1428. In $\triangle ABC$ the following relationship holds:

$$\sum \frac{w_a}{w_b} + \frac{R^3}{r^3} \geq 8 + \sum \frac{w_b}{w_a}$$

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$$\begin{aligned} \sum \frac{w_b}{w_a} &\leq \sum \frac{\sqrt{s(s-b)}}{w_a} \leq \sum \frac{\sqrt{s(s-b)}}{h_a} \\ &\stackrel{CBS}{\leq} \sqrt{\left(\sum s(s-b)\right) \left(\sum \frac{1}{h_a^2}\right)} = \sqrt{s^2 \cdot \frac{\sum a^2}{4r^2 s^2}} \stackrel{\text{Leibnitz's}}{\leq} \sqrt{\frac{9R^2}{4r^2}} = \frac{3R}{2r} \end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore 8 + \sum \frac{w_b}{w_a} \leq \frac{3R}{2r} + 8$$

$$\text{Note: } \sum \frac{w_b}{w_a} \geq 3 \quad (\text{AM-GM})$$

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We need to show

$$3 + \frac{R^3}{r^3} \geq \frac{3R}{2r} + 8 \text{ or } \frac{R^3}{r^3} \geq \frac{3R}{2r} + 5$$

$$\text{or } x^3 \geq \frac{3}{2}x + 5 \quad \left(\frac{R}{r} = x \geq 2\right)$$

$$\text{or } 2x^3 - 3x - 10 \geq 0$$

$$2x^3 - 4x^2 + 4x^2 - 8x + 5x - 10 \geq 0$$

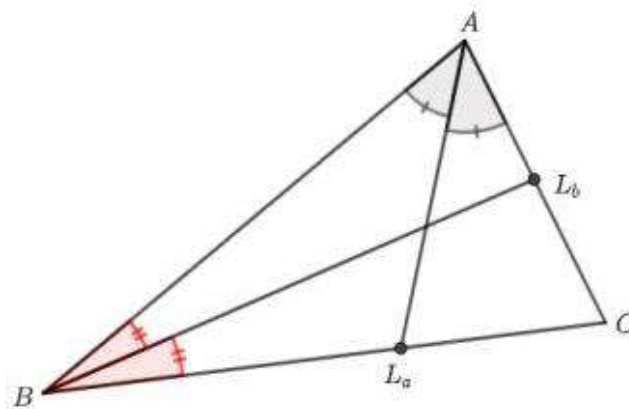
$$\text{or } 2x^2(x - 2) + 4x(x - 2) + 5(x - 2) \geq 0$$

$$(x - 2)(2x^2 + 4x + 5) \geq 0 \quad (\text{True})$$

as $x \geq 2$.

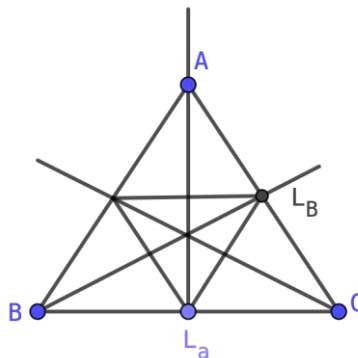
1429. Prove that:

$$L_a L_b = \frac{4S\sqrt{R(R + 2r_c)}}{(a + c)(b + c)}$$



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$$\frac{BL_a}{CL_a} = \frac{c}{b}$$

$$\therefore CL_a = \frac{ab}{b+c}$$

$$CL_b = \frac{ab}{c+a}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore L_a L_b^2 &= \frac{a^2 b^2}{(b+c)^2} + \frac{a^2 b^2}{(c+a)^2} - 2 \cos C \cdot CL_a \cdot CL_b \\ &= \frac{a^2 b^2}{(b+c)^2} + \frac{a^2 b^2}{(c+a)^2} - 2 \frac{a^2 b^2}{(b+c)(c+a)} \cdot \frac{a^2 + b^2 - c^2}{2ab} \\ &= \frac{a^2 b^2 (c+a)^2 + a^2 b^2 (b+c)^2 - ab(b+c)(c+a)(a^2 + b^2 - c^2)}{(b+c)^2 (c+a)^2} \\ &= \frac{a^2 b^2 (c^2 + a^2 + 2ca + b^2 + c^2 + 2bc) - ab(bc + ab + c^2 + ac)(a^2 + b^2 - c^2)}{(b+c)^2 (c+a)^2} \\ &= \frac{a^2 b^2 (c^2 + a^2 + 2ca + b^2 + c^2 + 2bc) - a^2 b^2 (a^2 + b^2 - c^2) - ab(c^2 + ac + bc)(a^2 + b^2 - c^2)}{(b+c)^2 (c+a)^2} \quad (1) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Now, } &a^2 b^2 (c^2 + a^2 + b^2 + c^2 + 2ca + 2bc) - a^2 b^2 (a^2 + b^2 - c^2) - \\ &\quad - ab(c^2 + ac + bc)(a^2 + b^2 - c^2) \\ &= a^2 b^2 [c^2 + 2(bc + ca + c^2)] - (bc + ca + c^2)(a^2 + b^2 - c^2)ab \\ &= a^2 b^2 c^2 + (bc + ca + c^2)(2a^2 b^2 - (a^2 + b^2 - c^2)ab) \\ &= a^2 b^2 c^2 + 2sc \cdot ab [2ab - (a^2 + b^2 - c^2)] \\ &= a^2 b^2 c^2 + 2sc \cdot ab [c^2 - (a-b)^2] \\ &= a^2 b^2 c^2 + 2sc \cdot ab(c+a-b)(c-a+b) \\ &= 16F^2 R^2 + 2s(4RF)(2s-2b)(2s-2a) = 16F^2 R^2 + 32sRF(s-b)(s-a) \\ &= 16F^2 R^2 + \frac{32F^2 \cdot FR}{(s-c)} = 16F^2 R^2 + 32r_c \cdot F^2 R \\ &= 16F^2 R^2 + 32r_c F^2 R = 16F^2 R(R + 2r_c) \end{aligned}$$

\therefore From (1) we get,

$$L_a L_b^2 = \frac{16F^2 R(R + 2r_c)}{(b+c)^2 (c+a)^2}, \quad L_a L_b = \frac{4F\sqrt{R(R + 2r_c)}}{(b+c)(c+a)}$$

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1430. In $\triangle ABC$ the following relationship holds:

$$\sum \frac{m_a}{m_b m_c (m_b + m_c)} \geq \frac{16r^3}{3R^5}$$

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Solution by Tapas Das – India

$$\begin{aligned} \sum \frac{m_a}{m_b m_c (m_b + m_c)} &= \frac{1}{m_a m_b m_c} \sum \frac{m_a^2}{m_b + m_c} \\ &\geq \frac{1}{m_a m_b m_c} \frac{(m_a + m_b + m_c)^2}{2(m_a + m_b + m_c)} = \frac{1}{2m_a m_b m_c} (m_a + m_b + m_c) \end{aligned}$$

Note:

$$m_a m_b m_c \leq \frac{R^3 h_a h_b h_c}{8r^3} = \frac{R^3 8F^3}{8r^3 abc} = \frac{R^3 F^3}{r^3 \cdot 4RF} = \frac{R^3 F^2}{4Rr^3}$$

Note: $m_a + m_b + m_c \geq 9r$

$$\therefore \sum \frac{m_a}{m_b m_c (m_b + m_c)} \geq \frac{1}{2m_a m_b m_c} (m_a + m_b + m_c) \geq \frac{1}{2} \frac{4Rr^3}{R^3 F^2} \cdot 9r$$

$$\stackrel{\text{Euler}}{\geq} \frac{1}{2} \frac{4(2r)r^3 \cdot 9r}{R^3 r^2 s^2} \geq \frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{4(2r)r^3 \cdot 9r}{R^3 r^2 \cdot \frac{27}{4} R^2}$$

$$\left(s^2 \leq \frac{27}{4} R^2 \right)$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \cdot 8r \cdot 9r^4 \times \frac{4}{27R^5 r^2} = \frac{16r^3}{3R^5}$$

Note:

$$m_a + m_b + m_c \geq \sqrt{s(s-a)} + \sqrt{s(s-b)} + \sqrt{s(s-c)}$$

$$\stackrel{AM-GM}{\geq} 3 \left(\sqrt{s^3(s-a)(s-b)(s-c)} \right)^{\frac{1}{3}} = 3 \left(\sqrt{s^3 \cdot sr^2} \right)^{\frac{1}{3}} = 3(s^2 r)^{\frac{1}{3}}$$

$$(s^2 \geq 27r^2) \geq 3(27r^2 \cdot r)^{\frac{1}{3}} = 9r$$

1431. Prove that in any triangle ABC with usual notations, $x, y \in \mathbb{R}_+^*$, $xy = 1$,

holds the following inequalities:

i) $(ax^2 + b + cy^2)(ay^2 + b + cx^2) \geq 4s^2$

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ii) $(ax + b + cy)(ay + b + cx) \geq 4s^2$

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i) $(ax^2 + b + cy^2)(ay^2 + b + cx^2)$

$$\stackrel{\text{Cauchy-Schwarz}}{\geq} (axy + b + cxy)^2 = (a + b + c)^2 \quad (\because xy = 1) = (2s)^2 = 4s^2$$

ii) $(ax + b + cy)(ay + b + cx) \geq (a\sqrt{xy} + b + c\sqrt{xy})^2$ (Cauchy – Schwarz)

$$= (a + b + c)^2 = (2s)^2 = 4s^2$$

$$\because (xy = 1)$$

1432. In $\triangle ABC$ the following relationships holds:

$$\left(\frac{(\sqrt{m_a})^3 + (\sqrt{w_a})^3}{2} \right)^2 \geq (2\sqrt{s(s-a)})^3$$

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$$\text{Note: } m_a \geq \frac{b+c}{2} \cos \frac{A}{2}$$

$$w_a = \frac{2bc}{b+c} \cos \frac{A}{2}$$

$$\therefore m_a w_a = \frac{b+c}{2} \cos \frac{A}{2} \cdot \frac{2bc}{b+c} \cdot \cos \frac{A}{2} = bc \cos^2 \frac{A}{2} = bc \frac{s(s-a)}{bc} = s(s-a)$$

$$\therefore \left[\frac{(\sqrt{m_a})^3 + (\sqrt{w_a})^3}{2} \right]^2 \stackrel{\text{AM-GM}}{\geq} \left[\sqrt{(\sqrt{m_a})^3 \cdot (\sqrt{w_a})^3} \right]^2 = (\sqrt{m_a \cdot w_a})^3 \geq (\sqrt{s(s-a)})^3$$

1433. In $\triangle ABC$ the following relationship holds:

$$4r^2(5r - r) \leq \sum r_a \cdot IA^2 \leq 4r(R + r)^2$$

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$$\sum r_a I_a^2 = \sum r_a r^2 \csc^2 \frac{A}{2} = \sum r_a r^2 \left(1 + \cot^2 \frac{A}{2} \right)$$

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$$\begin{aligned}
 &= \sum r_a r^2 \left(1 + \frac{s^2}{r_a^2}\right) = \sum (r_a r^2) + \left(\frac{r^2 s^2}{r_a}\right) = r^2 \sum r_a + \sum \frac{r^2 s^2}{r \cdot s} (s - a) \\
 &= r^2 \sum r_a + \sum_{\text{Gerretsen's}} r s (s - a) = r^2 (4R + r) + (3s^2 - 2s^2)r = r^2 (4R + r) + s^2 r \\
 &\leq r^2 (4R + r) + (4R^2 + 4Rr + 3r^2)r \\
 &= r(4R^2 + 4Rr + 3r^2 + 4Rr + r^2) = 4r(R + r)^2 \\
 \text{Again, } \sum r_a \cdot IA^2 &= r^2 (4R + r) + s^2 r \stackrel{\text{Gerretsen's}}{\geq} r^2 (4R + r) + r(16Rr - 5r^2) \\
 &= r[4Rr + r^2 + 16Rr - 5r^2] = r[20Rr - 4r^2] = 4r^2(5R - r)
 \end{aligned}$$

1434. In ΔABC the following relationship holds:

$$\sum a^{2n} \geq 3 \left(\frac{4F}{3} \sqrt{\sum \frac{a^2}{b^2}} \right)^n, n \in \mathbb{N}$$

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Oppenheim, $\forall x, y, z > 0$ in ΔABC

$$a^2 x + b^2 y + c^2 z \geq 4F \sqrt{xy + yz + zx}$$

$$\text{Let } x = \frac{b^2}{a^2}, y = \frac{c^2}{b^2}, z = \frac{a^2}{c^2}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \therefore a^2 + b^2 + c^2 &= a^2 \cdot \frac{b^2}{a^2} + b^2 \cdot \frac{c^2}{b^2} + c^2 \cdot \frac{a^2}{c^2} \geq 4F \sqrt{\frac{b^2}{a^2} \cdot \frac{c^2}{b^2} + \frac{c^2}{b^2} \cdot \frac{a^2}{c^2} + \frac{a^2}{c^2} \cdot \frac{b^2}{a^2}} \\
 &= 4F \sqrt{\frac{c^2}{a^2} + \frac{a^2}{b^2} + \frac{b^2}{c^2}} \quad (1)
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \therefore a^{2n} + b^{2n} + c^{2n} &= (a^2)^n + (b^2)^n + (c^2)^n \stackrel{CBS}{\geq} \frac{3(a^2 + b^2 + c^2)^n}{3^n} \\
 &\geq 3 \left[\frac{4F}{3} \sqrt{\frac{a^2}{b^2} + \frac{b^2}{c^2} + \frac{c^2}{a^2}} \right]^n \quad (\text{Using (1)})
 \end{aligned}$$

1435. In acute ΔABC the following relationship holds:

$$\frac{2R^2}{r^2} + 1 \leq \sum \frac{(1 + \sec A)^2}{\tan^2 A} \leq \left(\frac{2R}{r} - 1 \right)^2$$

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1st part:

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$$\sum \frac{(1 + \sec A)^2}{\tan^2 A} = \sum \frac{(1 + \sec A)^2}{(\sec^2 A - 1)} = \sum \frac{1 + \sec A}{\sec A - 1} = \sum \frac{1 + \cos A}{1 - \cos A} = \sum \cot^2 \frac{A}{2}$$

$$\therefore \sum \cot^2 \frac{A}{2} = \sum \frac{1}{\tan^2 \frac{A}{2}} = \frac{\sum \tan^2 \frac{A}{2} \tan^2 \frac{B}{2}}{\prod \tan^2 \frac{A}{2}} = \frac{1 - \frac{2r^2 + 8Rr}{s^2}}{\frac{r^2}{s^2}}$$

$$= \frac{s^2 - 2r^2 - 8Rr}{r^2} \stackrel{\text{Gerretsen's}}{\leq} \frac{4R^2 - 4Rr + r^2}{r^2} = \left(\frac{2R}{r} - 1\right)^2$$

2nd part:

$$\sum \frac{(1 + \sec A)^2}{\tan^2 A} = \sum \cot^2 \frac{A}{2} = \sum \frac{1}{\tan^2 \frac{A}{2}} = \frac{\sum \tan^2 \frac{A}{2} \cdot \tan^2 \frac{B}{2}}{\prod \tan^2 \frac{A}{2}} = \frac{s^2 - 2r^2 - 8Rr}{r^2}$$

$$\stackrel{\text{(Walker's)}}{\geq} \frac{\text{since triangle is acute } 2R^2 + 8Rr + 3r^2 - 2r^2 - 8Rr}{r^2} = \frac{2R^2}{r^2} + 1$$

1436. In any acute triangle ABC holds :

$$m_a \sqrt{\cot A} + m_b \sqrt{\cot B} + m_c \sqrt{\cot C} > 6r,$$

where m_a, m_b, m_c are the medians and r is the inradius of the triangle.

Proposed by Vasile Mircea Popa-Romania

Solution by Mohamed Amine Ben Ajiba-Tanger-Morocco

WLOG, we may assume that $a \leq b \leq c$.

We have $m_a \geq m_b \geq m_c$ and $\sqrt{\cot A} \geq \sqrt{\cot B} \geq \sqrt{\cot C}$,

then by Chebyshev's inequality, we get

$$m_a \sqrt{\cot A} + m_b \sqrt{\cot B} + m_c \sqrt{\cot C} \geq \frac{1}{3} (m_a + m_b + m_c) (\sqrt{\cot A} + \sqrt{\cot B} + \sqrt{\cot C}).$$

Since $m_a \geq h_a$ (and analogs) and

$$\frac{1}{h_a} + \frac{1}{h_b} + \frac{1}{h_c} = \frac{1}{r}, \text{ then by using AM - HM inequality, we have}$$

$$m_a + m_b + m_c \geq h_a + h_b + h_c \geq \frac{9}{\frac{1}{h_a} + \frac{1}{h_b} + \frac{1}{h_c}} = 9r.$$

Now, let $x := \cot A, y := \cot B, z := \cot C$.

We have $x \geq y \geq z > 0, xy + yz + zx = 1$ and by using

AM - GM inequality, we obtain

$$\left(\frac{\sqrt{x} + (\sqrt{y} + \sqrt{z})}{2}\right)^4 \geq (\sqrt{x}(\sqrt{y} + \sqrt{z}))^2 = xy + 2x\sqrt{yz} + zx > xy + yz + zx = 1,$$

$$\text{then } \sqrt{\cot A} + \sqrt{\cot B} + \sqrt{\cot C} = \sqrt{x} + \sqrt{y} + \sqrt{z} > 2.$$

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Therefore

$$m_a\sqrt{\cot A} + m_b\sqrt{\cot B} + m_c\sqrt{\cot C} > \frac{1}{3} \cdot 9r \cdot 2 = 6r.$$

1437. O – the circumcenter of $\triangle ABC$ lies on the incircle of $\triangle ABC$. Prove that:

$$8\sqrt{2} + \cos \frac{A-B}{2} \cos \frac{B-C}{2} \cos \frac{C-A}{2} > 12$$

Proposed by Daniel Sitaru – Romania

Solution by Tapas Das – India

$$\cos \frac{B-C}{2} = \cos \frac{B}{2} \cos \frac{C}{2} + \sin \frac{B}{2} \sin \frac{C}{2}$$

$$\cos \frac{A}{2} = \sqrt{\frac{s(s-a)}{bc}}, \quad \sin \frac{A}{2} = \sqrt{\frac{(s-b)(s-c)}{bc}}$$

Using Ravi's transformation

$$a = y + z, b = z + x, c = x + y$$

$$\text{Now we need to show } \cos \frac{B-C}{2} \geq \sqrt{\frac{2r}{R}}$$

Now the inequality is equivalent to with $s = x + y + z$

$$\cos \frac{B-C}{2} = \sqrt{\frac{(s-b)(s-c)}{ac \cdot ab}} + \sqrt{\frac{(s-a)(s-c)}{ac} \cdot \frac{(s-b)(s-a)}{ab}}$$

$$\text{This is equivalent to: } (2x + y + z)^2 \geq 8x(y + z)$$

This is true using AM-GM

$$\therefore \cos \frac{B-C}{2} \geq \sqrt{\frac{2r}{R}}$$

$$\therefore \cos \frac{B-C}{2} \cdot \cos \frac{A-B}{2} \cdot \cos \frac{C-A}{2} \geq \frac{2r}{R} \sqrt{\frac{2r}{R}}$$

Now incircle passes through circumcentre

$$\therefore OI = r \Rightarrow \sqrt{R^2 - 2Rr} = r$$

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$$\therefore \left(\frac{r}{R}\right)^2 + 2\left(\frac{r}{R}\right) - 1 = 0$$

$$\therefore \frac{r}{R} = \frac{-2 \pm \sqrt{4+4}}{2} \therefore \frac{r}{R} = (\sqrt{2} - 1) \quad \left(\frac{r}{R} > 0\right)$$

We need to show

$$8\sqrt{2} + \prod \cos \frac{A-B}{2} > 12 \text{ or } 8\sqrt{2} + \frac{2r}{R} \sqrt{\frac{2r}{R}} > 12$$

$$\text{or } 8\sqrt{2} + 2(\sqrt{2} - 1)\sqrt{2(\sqrt{2} - 1)} > 12 \text{ or } 4\sqrt{2} + (\sqrt{2} - 1)\sqrt{2(\sqrt{2} - 1)} > 6$$

$$\text{or } 4 + (\sqrt{2} - 1)\sqrt{\sqrt{2} - 1} > 3\sqrt{2} \text{ or } (4 - 3\sqrt{2}) > -(\sqrt{2} - 1)\sqrt{\sqrt{2} - 1}$$

$$\text{or } 16 + 18 - 24\sqrt{2} > (\sqrt{2} - 1)^2(\sqrt{2} - 1) \text{ or } 34 - 24\sqrt{2} > 3\sqrt{2} - 7 + 2\sqrt{2}$$

$$\text{or } 41 > 29\sqrt{2} \text{ True.}$$

$$\prod \cos \frac{A-B}{2} = \frac{(a+b)(b+c)(c+a)}{abc} \prod \sin \frac{A}{2}$$

$$= \frac{(a+b+c)(ab+bc+ca) - abc}{abc} \cdot \frac{r}{4R} = \frac{s^2 + r^2 + 2Rr}{8R^2}$$

When incircle passes through circumcircle

$$OI = r \Rightarrow \sqrt{R^2 - 2Rr} = r \text{ or } \left(\frac{r}{R}\right)^2 + 2\left(\frac{r}{R}\right) - 1 = 0$$

$$\text{or } \frac{r}{R} = \frac{-2 \pm \sqrt{4+4}}{2} \therefore \frac{r}{R} = \sqrt{2} - 1$$

$$\left(\frac{r}{R} > 0\right)$$

We need to show:

$$8\sqrt{2} + \frac{s^2 + r^2 + 2Rr}{8R^2} > 12$$

$$\text{Or } 8\sqrt{2} + \frac{27r^2 + r^2 + 2Rr}{8R^2} > 12 \text{ (Mitrinovic)}$$

$$\text{or } 8\sqrt{2} + \frac{27(\sqrt{2}-1)^2 R^2 + (\sqrt{2}-1)^2 R^2 + 2R^2(\sqrt{2}-1)}{8R^2} > 12$$

$$\text{(using } \frac{R}{r} = \sqrt{2} - 1)$$

$$\text{or } 64\sqrt{2} + 28(\sqrt{2} - 1)^2 + 2(\sqrt{2} - 1) > 96 \text{ or } 64\sqrt{2} + 28(3 - 2\sqrt{2}) + 2\sqrt{2} - 2 > 96$$

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$$\text{or } 64\sqrt{2} + 84 - 56\sqrt{2} + 2\sqrt{2} - 2 > 96 \text{ or } 10\sqrt{2} + 82 > 96 \text{ or } 10\sqrt{2} > 14$$

$$\text{or } (10\sqrt{2})^2 > (14)^2 \text{ or } 250 > 196 \text{ (True)}$$

$$\cos \frac{B-C}{2} = \frac{h_a}{w_a} \text{ (analog)}$$

We show that

$$\prod \cos \frac{B-C}{2} \geq 8 \prod \sin \frac{A}{2} \text{ or } \frac{h_a h_b h_c}{w_a w_b w_c} \geq 8 \cdot \frac{r}{4R} \text{ or } R h_a h_b h_c \geq 2r(w_a w_b w_c)$$

$$\text{or } R \cdot \frac{(2F)^3}{abc} \geq 2r\sqrt{s(s-a)}\sqrt{s(s-b)}\sqrt{s(s-c)} \text{ or } 8F^3 R \geq 2r^2 s^2 \cdot 4Rrs$$

$$\text{or } 8r^3 s^3 R \geq 8r^3 s^3 R \text{ (True)}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore \prod \cos \frac{B-C}{2} &\geq 8 \prod \sin \frac{A}{2} = 2 \cdot \frac{r}{R} \\ &= 2(\sqrt{2} - 1) \end{aligned}$$

Now, incircle passes through circumcircle

$$\therefore OI = r \Rightarrow \sqrt{R^2 - 2Rr} = r \Rightarrow \left(\frac{r}{R}\right)^2 + 2\left(\frac{r}{R}\right) - 1 = 0$$

$$\therefore \frac{r}{R} = \frac{-2 \pm \sqrt{4+4}}{2} \therefore \frac{r}{R} = \sqrt{2} - 1$$

$$\left(\frac{r}{R} > 0\right)$$

We need to show

$$8\sqrt{2} + \prod \cos \frac{B-C}{2} > 12 \text{ or } 8\sqrt{2} + 2(\sqrt{2} - 1) > 12$$

$$\text{or } 10\sqrt{2} > 14 \text{ or } 250 > 196 \text{ (True)}$$

1438. In any ΔABC and $\forall n \in \mathbb{N}$, the following relationship holds :

$$\frac{m_a^2 + m_b m_c}{m_a^n (m_b + m_c)} + \frac{m_b^2 + m_c m_a}{m_b^n (m_c + m_a)} + \frac{m_c^2 + m_a m_b}{m_c^n (m_a + m_b)} \geq \frac{1}{3^{n-2}} \cdot \left(\frac{2}{R}\right)^{n-1}$$

Proposed by Zaza Mzhavanadze-Georgia

Solution 1 by Soumava Chakraborty-Kolkata-India

$$\sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{1}{m_a} \stackrel{\text{Bergstrom}}{\geq} \frac{9}{\sum_{\text{cyc}} m_a} \stackrel{\text{Leuenberger}}{\geq} \frac{9}{4R+r} \stackrel{\text{Euler}}{\geq} \frac{9}{\frac{9R}{2}} \Rightarrow \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{1}{m_a} \stackrel{(i)}{\geq} \frac{2}{R}$$

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Case 1 $n = 1$ and then : $\frac{m_a^2 + m_b m_c}{m_a^n(m_b + m_c)} + \frac{m_b^2 + m_c m_a}{m_b^n(m_c + m_a)} + \frac{m_c^2 + m_a m_b}{m_c^n(m_a + m_b)}$
 $= \sum_{cyc} \frac{m_a}{m_b + m_c} + \sum_{cyc} \frac{m_b m_c}{m_a m_b + m_a m_c} \stackrel{\text{Nesbitt}}{\geq} \frac{3}{2} + \frac{3}{2} = 3 = \frac{1}{3^{n-2}} \cdot \left(\frac{2}{R}\right)^{n-1}$

Case 2 $n \in \mathbb{N} - \{1\}$ and then : $\frac{m_a^2 + m_b m_c}{m_a^n(m_b + m_c)} + \frac{m_b^2 + m_c m_a}{m_b^n(m_c + m_a)} + \frac{m_c^2 + m_a m_b}{m_c^n(m_a + m_b)}$
 $= \sum_{cyc} \frac{\left(\frac{1}{m_a}\right)^{n-2}}{m_b + m_c} + \sum_{cyc} \frac{\left(\frac{1}{m_a}\right)^n}{\frac{m_b + m_c}{m_b m_c}} \stackrel{\text{Holder}}{\geq} \frac{\left(\sum_{cyc} \frac{1}{m_a}\right)^{n-2}}{3^{n-4} * 2 * \sum_{cyc} m_a} + \frac{\left(\sum_{cyc} \frac{1}{m_a}\right)^n}{3^{n-2} * 2 * \sum_{cyc} \frac{1}{m_a}}$
 $\stackrel{\text{via (i) and Leuenberger + Euler}}{\geq} \frac{\left(\frac{2}{R}\right)^{n-2}}{3^{n-4} * 2 * \frac{9R}{2}} + \frac{\left(\frac{2}{R}\right)^{n-1}}{3^{n-2} * 2} = \frac{2^{n-2}}{3^{n-2} * R^{n-1}} + \frac{2^{n-2}}{3^{n-2} * R^{n-1}}$
 $= \frac{1}{3^{n-2}} \cdot \left(\frac{2}{R}\right)^{n-1}$ and combining both cases, in any ΔABC and $\forall n \in \mathbb{N}$,

$$\frac{m_a^2 + m_b m_c}{m_a^n(m_b + m_c)} + \frac{m_b^2 + m_c m_a}{m_b^n(m_c + m_a)} + \frac{m_c^2 + m_a m_b}{m_c^n(m_a + m_b)} \geq \frac{1}{3^{n-2}} \cdot \left(\frac{2}{R}\right)^{n-1} \text{ , " = " iff } \Delta ABC \text{ is equilateral (QED)}$$

Solution 2 by Mohamed Amine Ben Ajiba-Tanger-Morocco

WLOG, we may assume that $m_a \geq m_b \geq m_c$.

Since

$$\frac{1}{m_a^n(m_b + m_c)} \leq \frac{1}{m_b^n(m_c + m_a)} \leq \frac{1}{m_c^n(m_a + m_b)}$$

then by the Generalized Schur inequality, we have

$$\sum_{cyc} \frac{m_a^2 + m_b m_c}{m_a^n(m_b + m_c)} = \sum_{cyc} \left(\frac{(m_a - m_b)(m_a - m_c)}{m_a^n(m_b + m_c)} + \frac{1}{m_a^{n-1}} \right) \geq \sum_{cyc} \frac{1}{m_a^{n-1}}$$

$$\stackrel{\text{Hölder}}{\geq} \frac{3^n}{(m_a + m_b + m_c)^{n-1}} \stackrel{\text{Gotman}}{\geq} \frac{3^n}{\left(\frac{9R}{2}\right)^{n-1}} = \frac{1}{3^{n-2}} \cdot \left(\frac{2}{R}\right)^{n-1}$$

as desired. Equality holds iff ΔABC is equilateral.

1439. In any ΔABC , the following relationship holds :

$$\frac{m_a^2 + m_b m_c}{m_a^5(m_b + m_c)} + \frac{m_b^2 + m_c m_a}{m_b^5(m_c + m_a)} + \frac{m_c^2 + m_a m_b}{m_c^5(m_a + m_b)} \geq \frac{16}{27R^4}$$

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$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{m_a^2 + m_b m_c}{m_a^5(m_b + m_c)} + \frac{m_b^2 + m_c m_a}{m_b^5(m_c + m_a)} + \frac{m_c^2 + m_a m_b}{m_c^5(m_a + m_b)} \\ &= \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{\left(\frac{1}{m_a}\right)^3}{m_b + m_c} + \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{\left(\frac{1}{m_a}\right)^5}{\frac{m_b + m_c}{m_b m_c}} \stackrel{\text{Holder}}{\geq} \frac{\left(\sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{1}{m_a}\right)^3}{6 \sum_{\text{cyc}} m_a} + \frac{\left(\sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{1}{m_a}\right)^5}{27 * 2 \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{1}{m_a}} \\ & \stackrel{\text{Bergstrom}}{\geq} \frac{\left(\frac{9}{\sum_{\text{cyc}} m_a}\right)^3}{6 \sum_{\text{cyc}} m_a} + \frac{\left(\frac{9}{\sum_{\text{cyc}} m_a}\right)^4}{54} \stackrel{\text{Leuenberger}}{\geq} \frac{729}{6(4R + r)^4} + \frac{729 * 9}{54(4R + r)^4} \\ & \stackrel{\text{Euler}}{\geq} \frac{729 * 2^4}{6 * 729 * 9R^4} + \frac{729 * 9 * 2^4}{54 * 729 * 9R^4} = \frac{16}{27R^4}, \text{'' ='' iff } \Delta ABC \text{ is equilateral (QED)} \end{aligned}$$

Solution 2 by Mohamed Amine Ben Ajiba-Tanger-Morocco

By AM – GM inequality, we have

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{m_a^2 + m_b m_c}{m_a^5(m_b + m_c)} \geq \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{2m_a \sqrt{m_b m_c}}{m_a^5(m_b + m_c)} \\ & \geq 2 \cdot 3 \sqrt[3]{\frac{m_a^2 m_b^2 m_c^2}{m_a^5 m_b^5 m_c^5 (m_a + m_b)(m_b + m_c)(m_c + m_a)}} \\ & = \frac{6}{m_a m_b m_c \sqrt[3]{(m_a + m_b)(m_b + m_c)(m_c + m_a)}} \\ & \geq \frac{243}{\left(\frac{m_a + m_b + m_c}{3}\right)^3 \cdot \frac{(m_a + m_b) + (m_b + m_c) + (m_c + m_a)}{3}} = \frac{243}{(m_a + m_b + m_c)^4} \\ & \stackrel{\text{Leuenberger}}{\geq} \frac{243}{(4R + r)^4} \stackrel{\text{Euler}}{\geq} \frac{243}{\left(\frac{9R}{2}\right)^4} = \frac{16}{27R^4}, \end{aligned}$$

as desired. Equality holds iff ΔABC is equilateral.

1440. In any ΔABC , the following relationship holds :

$$\frac{w_a(w_b^2 + w_c^2)}{w_a^2 + w_b w_c} + \frac{w_b(w_c^2 + w_a^2)}{w_b^2 + w_c w_a} + \frac{w_c(w_a^2 + w_b^2)}{w_c^2 + w_a w_b} \geq 9r$$

Proposed by Zaza Mzhavanadze-Georgia

Solution 1 by Soumava Chakraborty-Kolkata-India

Firstly, we shall prove that $\forall x, y, z > 0, \prod_{\text{cyc}}(y^2 + z^2) \geq \prod_{\text{cyc}}(x^2 + yz)$

$$\Leftrightarrow \sum_{\text{cyc}} x^4 y^2 + \sum_{\text{cyc}} x^2 y^4 \stackrel{(i)}{\geq} xyz \sum_{\text{cyc}} x^3 + \sum_{\text{cyc}} x^3 y^3$$

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$$\begin{aligned} \text{LHS of (i)} &= \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{x^4y^2 + x^4z^2}{2} + \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{x^4y^2 + x^2y^4}{2} \stackrel{\text{A-G}}{\geq} \sum_{\text{cyc}} x^4yz + \sum_{\text{cyc}} x^3y^3 \\ &= xyz \sum_{\text{cyc}} x^3 + \sum_{\text{cyc}} x^3y^3 \Rightarrow \text{(i) is true } \because \forall x, y, z > 0, \frac{\prod_{\text{cyc}}(y^2 + z^2)}{\prod_{\text{cyc}}(x^2 + yz)} \geq 1 \rightarrow (1) \\ \text{Now,} & \frac{w_a(w_b^2 + w_c^2)}{w_a^2 + w_bw_c} + \frac{w_b(w_c^2 + w_a^2)}{w_b^2 + w_cw_a} + \frac{w_c(w_a^2 + w_b^2)}{w_c^2 + w_aw_b} \stackrel{\text{A-G}}{\geq} \\ & 3 \sqrt[3]{w_aw_bw_c \cdot \frac{\prod_{\text{cyc}}(w_b^2 + w_c^2)}{\prod_{\text{cyc}}(w_a^2 + w_bw_c)}} \stackrel{\text{via (1)}}{\geq} 3 \sqrt[3]{w_aw_bw_c} \geq 3 \sqrt[3]{h_a h_b h_c} = 3 \sqrt[3]{\frac{2r^2 s^2}{R}} \\ \stackrel{\text{Gerretsen}}{\geq} & 3 \sqrt[3]{\frac{r^2 \cdot (27Rr + 5r(R - 2r))}{R}} \stackrel{\text{Euler}}{\geq} 3 \sqrt[3]{\frac{r^2 \cdot 27Rr}{R}} = 9r \therefore \text{in any } \Delta ABC, \\ & \frac{w_a(w_b^2 + w_c^2)}{w_a^2 + w_bw_c} + \frac{w_b(w_c^2 + w_a^2)}{w_b^2 + w_cw_a} + \frac{w_c(w_a^2 + w_b^2)}{w_c^2 + w_aw_b} \geq 9r, \\ & \text{" = " iff } \Delta ABC \text{ is equilateral (QED)} \end{aligned}$$

Solution 2 by Mohamed Amine Ben Ajiba-Tanger-Morocco

We have

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{w_a(w_b^2 + w_c^2)}{w_a^2 + w_bw_c} & \stackrel{\text{CBS}}{\geq} \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{w_a(w_b^2 + w_c^2)}{\sqrt{(w_a^2 + w_b^2)(w_a^2 + w_c^2)}} \stackrel{\text{AM-GM}}{\geq} 3 \sqrt[3]{\prod_{\text{cyc}} \frac{w_a(w_b^2 + w_c^2)}{\sqrt{(w_a^2 + w_b^2)(w_a^2 + w_c^2)}}} \\ & = 3 \sqrt[3]{w_aw_bw_c} \stackrel{w_a \geq h_a \text{ (and analogs)}}{\geq} 3 \sqrt[3]{h_a h_b h_c} \stackrel{\text{GM-HM}}{\geq} \frac{9}{\frac{1}{h_a} + \frac{1}{h_b} + \frac{1}{h_c}} = 9r. \end{aligned}$$

as desired. Equality holds iff ΔABC is equilateral.

1441. In any ΔABC , the following relationship holds :

$$\sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{m_a}{m_b \left(5(m_a^2 + m_b^2) + m_a(6m_b + 11m_c) \right)} \geq \frac{4}{81R^2}$$

Proposed by Zaza Mzhavanadze-Georgia

Solution 1 by Soumava Chakraborty-Kolkata-India

$$\begin{aligned} \forall x, y, z > 0, & \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{x}{y(5(x^2 + y^2) + x(6y + 11z))} \\ & = \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{x^2}{5x^3y + 5xy^3 + 6x^2y^2 + 11x \cdot xyz} \stackrel{\text{Bergstrom}}{\geq} \\ & \frac{(\sum_{\text{cyc}} x)^2}{5 \sum_{\text{cyc}} x^3y + 5 \sum_{\text{cyc}} xy^3 + 6 \sum_{\text{cyc}} x^2y^2 + 11xyz \sum_{\text{cyc}} x} \stackrel{?}{\geq} \frac{1}{(\sum_{\text{cyc}} x)^2} \end{aligned}$$

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$$\Leftrightarrow \left(\sum_{\text{cyc}} x \right)^4 \stackrel{?}{\geq} 5 \sum_{\text{cyc}} \left(xy \left(\sum_{\text{cyc}} x^2 - z^2 \right) \right) + 6 \sum_{\text{cyc}} x^2 y^2 + 11xyz \sum_{\text{cyc}} x$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \left(\sum_{\text{cyc}} x \right)^4 \stackrel{(*)}{\stackrel{?}{\geq}} 5 \left(\sum_{\text{cyc}} xy \right) \left(\sum_{\text{cyc}} x^2 \right) + 6 \sum_{\text{cyc}} x^2 y^2 + 6xyz \sum_{\text{cyc}} x$$

Assigning $y + z = X, z + x = Y, x + y = Z \Rightarrow X + Y - Z = 2z > 0, Y + Z - X = 2x > 0$ and $Z + X - Y = 2y > 0 \Rightarrow X + Y > Z, Y + Z > X, Z + X > Y \Rightarrow X, Y, Z$ form sides of a triangle with semiperimeter, circumradius and inradius = s, R, r (say)

$$\text{yielding } 2 \sum_{\text{cyc}} x = \sum_{\text{cyc}} X = 2s \Rightarrow \sum_{\text{cyc}} x = s \rightarrow (1) \Rightarrow x = s - X, y = s - Y,$$

$$z = s - Z \text{ and such substitutions } \Rightarrow \sum_{\text{cyc}} xy = \sum_{\text{cyc}} (s - X)(s - Y)$$

$$\Rightarrow \sum_{\text{cyc}} xy = 4Rr + r^2 \rightarrow (2) \text{ and } \sum_{\text{cyc}} x^2 = \left(\sum_{\text{cyc}} x \right)^2 - 2 \sum_{\text{cyc}} xy \stackrel{\text{via (1) and (2)}}{=} s^2 - 2(4Rr + r^2)$$

$$\Rightarrow \sum_{\text{cyc}} x^2 = s^2 - 8Rr - 2r^2 \rightarrow (3) \text{ and also, } \sum_{\text{cyc}} x^2 y^2$$

$$= \left(\sum_{\text{cyc}} xy \right)^2 - 2xyz \left(\sum_{\text{cyc}} x \right) \stackrel{\text{via (1) and (2)}}{=} (4Rr + r^2)^2 - 2 \left(\prod_{\text{cyc}} (s - X) \right) \cdot s$$

$$= (4Rr + r^2)^2 - 2r^2 s \cdot s \Rightarrow \sum_{\text{cyc}} x^2 y^2 = r^2 ((4R + r)^2 - 2s^2) \rightarrow (4)$$

$$\therefore \text{via (1), (2), (3), (4), (*)} \Leftrightarrow s^4 \geq 5(4Rr + r^2)(s^2 - 8Rr - 2r^2)$$

$$+ 6r^2((4R + r)^2 - 2s^2) + 6 \left(\prod_{\text{cyc}} (s - X) \right) s$$

$$= 5(4Rr + r^2)(s^2 - 8Rr - 2r^2) + 6r^2((4R + r)^2 - 2s^2) + 6r^2 s$$

$$\Leftrightarrow s^4 - (20Rr - r^2)s^2 + 4r^2(4R + r)^2 \stackrel{(**)}{\geq} 0 \text{ and } \therefore (s^2 - 16Rr + 5r^2)^2 \stackrel{\text{Gerretsen}}{\geq} 0$$

$$\therefore \text{in order to prove (**), it suffices to prove : LHS of (**)} \geq (s^2 - 16Rr + 5r^2)^2$$

$$\Leftrightarrow (4R - 3r)s^2 \stackrel{(***)}{\geq} r(64R^2 - 64Rr + 7r^2)$$

$$\text{Now, } (4R - 3r)s^2 \stackrel{\text{Rouche}}{\geq} (4R - 3r)(2R^2 + 10Rr - r^2 - 2(R - 2r) * \sqrt{R^2 - 2Rr})$$

$$\stackrel{?}{\geq} r(64R^2 - 64Rr + 7r^2) \Leftrightarrow (4R - 3r)(2R^2 + 10Rr - r^2) - r(64R^2 - 64Rr + 7r^2)$$

$$\stackrel{?}{\geq} 2(4R - 3r)(R - 2r) * \sqrt{R^2 - 2Rr}$$

$$\Leftrightarrow 2(R - 2r)(4R^2 - 7Rr + r^2) \stackrel{?}{\geq} 2(4R - 3r)(R - 2r) * \sqrt{R^2 - 2Rr} \text{ and}$$

proving it will be done if we can prove : $4R^2 - 7Rr + r^2 > (4R - 3r) * \sqrt{R^2 - 2Rr}$

$$\left(\because R - 2r \stackrel{\text{Euler}}{\geq} 0 \right) \Leftrightarrow (4R^2 - 7Rr + r^2)^2 > (R^2 - 2Rr)(4R - 3r)^2$$

$$\Leftrightarrow 4Rr^3 + r^4 > 0 \rightarrow \text{true} \Rightarrow (***) \Rightarrow (***) \Rightarrow (*) \text{ is true}$$

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$$\begin{aligned} & \therefore \forall x, y, z > 0, \sum_{cyc} \frac{x}{y(5(x^2 + y^2) + x(6y + 11z))} \geq \frac{1}{(\sum_{cyc} x)^2} \\ \Rightarrow \sum_{cyc} \frac{m_a}{m_b(5(m_a^2 + m_b^2) + m_a(6m_b + 11m_c))} & \geq \frac{1}{(\sum_{cyc} m_a)^2} \geq \frac{1}{3 \sum_{cyc} m_a^2} \\ & = \frac{4}{9 \sum_{cyc} a^2} \stackrel{\text{Leibnitz}}{\geq} \frac{4}{81R^2} \therefore \text{in any } \triangle ABC, \\ & \sum_{cyc} \frac{m_a}{m_b(5(m_a^2 + m_b^2) + m_a(6m_b + 11m_c))} \\ & \geq \frac{4}{81R^2}, " = " \text{ iff } \triangle ABC \text{ is equilateral (QED)} \end{aligned}$$

Solution 2 by Mohamed Amine Ben Ajiba-Tanger-Morocco

Let $x, y, z > 0$. By CBS inequality, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{cyc} \frac{x}{y[5(x^2 + y^2) + x(6y + 11z)]} & \geq \frac{(x + y + z)^2}{\sum_{cyc} xy[5(x^2 + y^2) + x(6y + 11z)]} \\ & = \frac{(x + y + z)^2}{3(\sum_{cyc} xy)^2 + 5(\sum_{cyc} xy)(\sum_{cyc} x^2) + 3 \sum_{cyc} x^2 y^2} \\ & \geq \frac{1}{2(\sum_{cyc} x^2)^2 + 6(\sum_{cyc} xy)(\sum_{cyc} x^2) + (\sum_{cyc} x^2)^2} = \frac{1}{3(x^2 + y^2 + z^2)}. \end{aligned}$$

Then by using Leibnitz's inequality, we get

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{cyc} \frac{m_a}{m_b[5(m_a^2 + m_b^2) + m_a(6m_b + 11m_c)]} & \geq \frac{1}{3(m_a^2 + m_b^2 + m_c^2)} \\ & = \frac{4}{9(a^2 + b^2 + c^2)} \geq \frac{4}{81R^2} \end{aligned}$$

as desired. Equality holds iff $\triangle ABC$ is equilateral.

Solution 3 by Mohamed Amine Ben Ajiba-Tanger-Morocco

We have

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{cyc} \frac{m_a}{m_b[5(m_a^2 + m_b^2) + m_a(6m_b + 11m_c)]} & \stackrel{CBS}{\geq} \frac{(\sum_{cyc} \sqrt{\frac{m_a}{m_b}})^2}{\sum_{cyc} [5(m_a^2 + m_b^2) + m_a(6m_b + 11m_c)]} \\ & \stackrel{AM-GM}{\geq} \frac{3^2}{10 \sum_{cyc} m_a^2 + 17 \sum_{cyc} m_b m_c} \geq \frac{9}{27 \sum_{cyc} m_a^2} = \frac{4}{9 \sum_{cyc} a^2} \stackrel{\text{Leibnitz}}{\geq} \frac{4}{81R^2}, \end{aligned}$$

as desired. Equality holds iff $\triangle ABC$ is equilateral.

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1442. In any $\triangle ABC$, the following relationship holds :

$$\sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{r_a}{r_b \left(6(r_a^3 + r_b^3) + 10r_a r_b (r_a + r_b) + r_a r_c (19r_a + 30r_b) \right)} \geq \left(\frac{2}{9R} \right)^3$$

Proposed by Zaza Mzhavanadze-Georgia

Solution 1 by Soumava Chakraborty-Kolkata-India

$$\begin{aligned} & \forall x, y, z > 0, \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{x}{y(6(x^3 + y^3) + 10xy(x + y) + xz(19x + 30y))} \\ &= \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{x^2}{6x^4y + 6xy^4 + 10x^3y^2 + 10x^2y^3 + xyz(19x^2 + 30xy)} \stackrel{\text{Bergstrom}}{\geq} \\ & \frac{(\sum_{\text{cyc}} x)^2}{6 \sum_{\text{cyc}} x^4y + 6 \sum_{\text{cyc}} xy^4 + 10 \sum_{\text{cyc}} x^3y^2 + 10 \sum_{\text{cyc}} x^2y^3 + xyz(19 \sum_{\text{cyc}} x^2 + 30 \sum_{\text{cyc}} xy)} \\ & \stackrel{?}{\geq} \frac{1}{(\sum_{\text{cyc}} x)^3} \Leftrightarrow \left(\sum_{\text{cyc}} x \right)^5 \stackrel{?}{\geq} 6 \sum_{\text{cyc}} \left(xy \left(\sum_{\text{cyc}} x^3 - z^3 \right) \right) \\ & \quad + 10 \sum_{\text{cyc}} \left(x^2y^2 \left(\sum_{\text{cyc}} x - z \right) \right) + 19xyz \sum_{\text{cyc}} x^2 + 30xyz \sum_{\text{cyc}} xy \\ & \Leftrightarrow \left(\sum_{\text{cyc}} x \right)^5 \stackrel{?}{\geq} 6 \left(\sum_{\text{cyc}} xy \right) \left(\sum_{\text{cyc}} x^3 \right) - 6xyz \left(\sum_{\text{cyc}} x^2 \right) + 10 \left(\sum_{\text{cyc}} x \right) \left(\sum_{\text{cyc}} x^2y^2 \right) \\ & \quad - 10xyz \left(\sum_{\text{cyc}} xy \right) + 19xyz \sum_{\text{cyc}} x^2 + 30xyz \sum_{\text{cyc}} xy \\ & = 6 \left(\sum_{\text{cyc}} xy \right) \left(\sum_{\text{cyc}} x^3 \right) + 10 \left(\sum_{\text{cyc}} x \right) \left(\sum_{\text{cyc}} x^2y^2 \right) + 13xyz \left(\sum_{\text{cyc}} x^2 + 2 \sum_{\text{cyc}} xy \right) \\ & \quad - 6xyz \left(\sum_{\text{cyc}} xy \right) \\ & \Leftrightarrow \boxed{\left(\sum_{\text{cyc}} x \right)^5 \stackrel{?}{\geq} 6 \left(\sum_{\text{cyc}} xy \right) \left(\sum_{\text{cyc}} x^3 \right) + 10 \left(\sum_{\text{cyc}} x \right) \left(\sum_{\text{cyc}} x^2y^2 \right) + 13xyz \left(\sum_{\text{cyc}} x \right)^2 - 6xyz \left(\sum_{\text{cyc}} xy \right)} \end{aligned}$$

Assigning $y + z = X, z + x = Y, x + y = Z \Rightarrow X + Y - Z = 2z > 0, Y + Z - X = 2x > 0$ and $Z + X - Y = 2y > 0 \Rightarrow X + Y > Z, Y + Z > X, Z + X > Y \Rightarrow X, Y, Z$ form

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sides of a triangle with semiperimeter, circumradius and inradius = s, R, r (say)

$$\text{yielding } 2 \sum_{\text{cyc}} x = \sum_{\text{cyc}} X = 2s \Rightarrow \sum_{\text{cyc}} x = s \rightarrow (1) \Rightarrow x = s - X, y = s - Y,$$

$$z = s - Z \text{ and such substitutions } \Rightarrow \sum_{\text{cyc}} xy = \sum_{\text{cyc}} (s - X)(s - Y)$$

$$\Rightarrow \sum_{\text{cyc}} xy = 4Rr + r^2 \rightarrow (2) \text{ and } \sum_{\text{cyc}} x^3 = \left(\sum_{\text{cyc}} x \right)^3 - 3 \prod_{\text{cyc}} (y + z)$$

$$\stackrel{\text{via (1)}}{=} s^3 - 3XYZ = s^3 - 12Rrs \Rightarrow \sum_{\text{cyc}} x^3 = s^3 - 12Rrs \rightarrow (3) \text{ and also,}$$

$$\sum_{\text{cyc}} x^2 y^2 = \left(\sum_{\text{cyc}} xy \right)^2 - 2xyz \left(\sum_{\text{cyc}} x \right) \stackrel{\text{via (1) and (2)}}{=} (4Rr + r^2)^2$$

$$-2 \left(\prod_{\text{cyc}} (s - X) \right) \cdot s = (4Rr + r^2)^2 - 2r^2 s \cdot s \Rightarrow \sum_{\text{cyc}} x^2 y^2 = r^2 ((4R + r)^2 - 2s^2)$$

$$\rightarrow (4) \therefore \text{via (1), (2), (3), (4), (*)} \Leftrightarrow s^5 \geq 6(4Rr + r^2)(s^3 - 12Rrs)$$

$$+ 10sr^2((4R + r)^2 - 2s^2) + 13 \left(\prod_{\text{cyc}} (s - X) \right) s^2 - 6r^2 s(4Rr + r^2)$$

$$\Leftrightarrow s^4 \geq 6(4Rr + r^2)(s^2 - 12Rr) + 10r^2((4R + r)^2 - 2s^2) + 13sr^2 \cdot s - 6r^2(4Rr + r^2)$$

$$\Leftrightarrow s^4 - (24Rr - r^2)s^2 + 4r^2(32R^2 + 4Rr - r^2) \geq 0$$

$$\Leftrightarrow s^2 \geq \frac{24Rr - r^2 + \sqrt{(24Rr - r^2)^2 - 16r^2(32R^2 + 4Rr - r^2)}}{2}$$

$$\Leftrightarrow s^2 \geq \frac{24Rr - r^2 + r \cdot \sqrt{64R^2 - 112Rr + 17r^2}}{2} \quad (**)$$

$$\text{Now, } 2s^2 \stackrel{\text{Rouche}}{\geq} 2 \left(2R^2 + 10Rr - r^2 - 2(R - 2r) \cdot \sqrt{R^2 - 2Rr} \right) \stackrel{?}{\geq} 24Rr - r^2 + r \cdot \sqrt{64R^2 - 112Rr + 17r^2}$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \boxed{4R^2 - 4Rr - r^2 - 4(R - 2r) \cdot \sqrt{R^2 - 2Rr} \stackrel{?}{\geq} r \cdot \sqrt{64R^2 - 112Rr + 17r^2}} \quad (***)$$

$$\therefore (4R^2 - 4Rr - r^2)^2 - 16(R^2 - 2Rr)(R - 2r)^2 = r(64R^3 - 184R^2r + 136Rr^2 + r^3)$$

$$= (R - 2r)(36R^2 + 28R(R - 2r) + 24r^2) + 49r^3 \stackrel{\text{Euler}}{\geq} 49r^3 > 0$$

$$\therefore 4R^2 - 4Rr - r^2 > 4(R - 2r) \cdot \sqrt{R^2 - 2Rr}$$

$$\Rightarrow 4R^2 - 4Rr - r^2 - 4(R - 2r) \cdot \sqrt{R^2 - 2Rr} > 0 \Rightarrow (***) \Leftrightarrow$$

$$\left(4R^2 - 4Rr - r^2 - 4(R - 2r) \cdot \sqrt{R^2 - 2Rr} \right)^2 \geq r^2(64R^2 - 112Rr + 17r^2)$$

$$\Leftrightarrow (4R^2 - 4Rr - r^2)^2 + 16(R^2 - 2Rr)(R - 2r)^2 - r^2(64R^2 - 112Rr + 17r^2)$$

$$\geq 8(R - 2r) \cdot \sqrt{R^2 - 2Rr} \cdot (4R^2 - 4Rr - r^2)$$

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$$\begin{aligned}
 &\Leftrightarrow (R-2r)(4R^3-8R^2r+Rr^2+r^3) \geq (R-2r) \cdot \sqrt{R^2-2Rr} \cdot (4R^2-4Rr-r^2) \\
 &\Leftrightarrow 4R^3-8R^2r+Rr^2+r^3 > \sqrt{R^2-2Rr} \cdot (4R^2-4Rr-r^2) \quad (\because R-2r \stackrel{\text{Euler}}{\geq} 0) \\
 &\Leftrightarrow (4R^3-8R^2r+Rr^2+r^3)^2 > (R^2-2Rr)(4R^2-4Rr-r^2)^2 \Leftrightarrow r^5(4R+r) > 0 \\
 &\quad \rightarrow \text{true} \Rightarrow (***) \Rightarrow (***) \Rightarrow (*) \text{ is true } \therefore \forall x, y, z > 0, \\
 &\quad \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{x}{y(6(x^3+y^3)+10xy(x+y)+xz(19x+30y))} \geq \frac{1}{(\sum_{\text{cyc}} x)^3} \\
 &\Rightarrow \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{r_a}{r_b(6(r_a^3+r_b^3)+10r_ar_b(r_a+r_b)+r_ar_c(19r_a+30r_b))} \geq \frac{1}{(\sum_{\text{cyc}} r_a)^3} \\
 &= \frac{1}{(4R+r)^3} \stackrel{\text{Euler}}{\geq} \frac{1}{(4R+\frac{R}{2})^3} = \left(\frac{2}{9R}\right)^3, \text{ " = " iff } \Delta ABC \text{ is equilateral (QED)}
 \end{aligned}$$

Solution 2 by Mohamed Amine Ben Ajiba-Tanger-Morocco

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{LHS} &\stackrel{\text{CBS}}{\geq} \frac{(\sum_{\text{cyc}} \sqrt{\frac{r_a}{r_b}})^2}{\sum_{\text{cyc}} [6(r_a^3+r_b^3)+10r_ar_b(r_a+r_b)+r_ar_c(19r_a+30r_b)]} \\
 &\stackrel{\text{AM-GM}}{\geq} \frac{3^2}{12\sum_{\text{cyc}} r_a^3+10\sum_{\text{cyc}} r_a^2r_b+29\sum_{\text{cyc}} r_ar_b^2+90r_ar_br_c} \\
 &\stackrel{\text{AM-GM}}{\geq} \frac{9}{12\sum_{\text{cyc}} r_a^3+29\sum_{\text{cyc}} r_ar_b(r_a+r_b)+33r_ar_br_c} \\
 &= \frac{12(\sum_{\text{cyc}} r_a)^3-7\sum_{\text{cyc}} r_a \cdot \sum_{\text{cyc}} r_br_c-18r_ar_br_c}{9} \\
 &= \frac{12(4R+r)^3-7(4R+r)s^2-18s^2r}{9} \\
 &\stackrel{\text{Gerretsen}}{\geq} \frac{12(4R+r)^3-(28R+25r)(16Rr-5r^2)}{9} \stackrel{?}{\geq} \left(\frac{2}{9R}\right)^3 \\
 &\Leftrightarrow 417R^3-1024R^2r+928Rr^2-1096r^3 \geq 0 \\
 &\Leftrightarrow (R-2r)(417R^2-190Rr+548r^2) \geq 0
 \end{aligned}$$

which is true by Euler's inequality $R \geq 2r$. Equality holds iff ΔABC is equilateral.

1443. In any ΔABC , the following relationship holds :

$$\frac{(r_a w_b)^5}{r_a^5 + w_b^5} + \frac{(r_b w_c)^5}{r_b^5 + w_c^5} + \frac{(r_c w_a)^5}{r_c^5 + w_a^5} \leq \left(\frac{3}{2}\right)^6 \frac{(81R^5 - 2560r^5)^2}{32r^5}$$

Proposed by Zaza Mzhavanadze-Georgia

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Solution by Soumava Chakraborty-Kolkata-India

$$\begin{aligned}
 w_a &= \frac{2\sqrt{bc}}{b+c} \cdot \sqrt{s(s-a)} \stackrel{A-G}{\leq} \frac{\sqrt{s(s-a)(s-b)(s-c)} \stackrel{G-H}{\leq}}{\sqrt{(s-b)(s-c)}} \\
 &= \frac{rs(s-a)(s-b+s-c)}{2(s-a)(s-b)(s-c)} = \frac{rsa(s-a)}{2r^2s} = \frac{a(s-a)}{2r} \\
 &\Rightarrow w_a^5 \leq s^2(s-a)^2 \cdot \frac{a(s-a)}{2r} \text{ and analogs} \\
 \Rightarrow \sum_{\text{cyc}} w_a^5 &\leq \frac{s^2}{2r} \cdot \sum_{\text{cyc}} a(s-a)^3 = \frac{s^2}{2r} \cdot \sum_{\text{cyc}} a(s^3 - 3s^2a + 3sa^2 - a^3) \\
 &= \frac{s^2}{2r} \cdot \left(s^3(2s) - 6s^2(s^2 - 4Rr - r^2) + 6s^2(s^2 - 6Rr - 3r^2) \right. \\
 &\quad \left. + 16r^2s^2 - 2((s^2 + 4Rr + r^2)^2 - 16Rrs^2) \right) \\
 &= \frac{s^2}{2r} \cdot (4Rrs^2 - 2r^2(4R+r)^2) \stackrel{\text{Gerretsen}}{\leq} \\
 &= \frac{s^2}{2r} \cdot (4Rr(4R^2 + 4Rr + 3r^2) - 2r^2(4R+r)^2) \\
 &\Rightarrow \sum_{\text{cyc}} w_a^5 \stackrel{(i)}{\leq} s^2(8R^3 - 8R^2r - 2Rr^2 - r^3) \\
 r_a \leq \frac{a^2}{4r} &\Rightarrow r_a^5 \leq s^4 \tan^4 \frac{A}{2} \cdot \frac{16R^2 \sin^2 \frac{A}{2} \cos^2 \frac{A}{2}}{4r} = \frac{4R^2s^4}{r} \left(\tan^2 \frac{A}{2} \right) \left(1 - \cos^2 \frac{A}{2} \right)^2 \\
 &= \frac{4R^2s^4}{r} \left(\tan^2 \frac{A}{2} \right) \left(1 + \cos^4 \frac{A}{2} - 2 \cos^2 \frac{A}{2} \right) = \frac{4R^2s^4}{r} \left(\frac{r_a^2}{s^2} + \frac{\sin^2 A}{4} - (1 - \cos A) \right) \\
 &\Rightarrow r_a^5 \leq \frac{4R^2s^4}{r} \left(\frac{r_a^2}{s^2} + \frac{a^2}{16R^2} - 1 + \cos A \right) \text{ and analogs} \\
 \Rightarrow \sum_{\text{cyc}} r_a^5 &\leq \frac{4R^2s^4}{r} \left(\frac{(4R+r)^2 - 2s^2}{s^2} + \frac{\sum_{\text{cyc}} a^2}{16R^2} - 3 + 1 + \frac{r}{R} \right) \\
 &\stackrel{\text{Leibnitz}}{\leq} \frac{4R^2s^4}{r} \left(\frac{(4R+r)^2 - 4s^2}{s^2} + \frac{9}{16} + \frac{r}{R} \right) \\
 &= \frac{Rs^2}{4r} \cdot (16R(4R+r)^2 - (55R-16r)s^2) \stackrel{\text{Gerretsen}}{\leq} \\
 &= \frac{Rs^2}{4r} \cdot (16R(4R+r)^2 - (55R-16r)(16Rr-5r^2)) \\
 \Rightarrow \sum_{\text{cyc}} r_a^5 &\stackrel{(ii)}{\leq} \frac{Rs^2}{4r} \cdot (256R^3 - 752R^2r + 547Rr^2 - 80r^3) \\
 &\quad \because 256R^3 - 752R^2r + 547Rr^2 - 80r^3
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= (R-2r)(136R^2 + 120R(R-2r) + 67r^2) + 54r^3 \stackrel{\text{Euler}}{\geq} 54r^3 > 0 \text{ and} \\
 8R^3 - 8R^2r - 2Rr^2 - r^3 &= (R-2r)(8R^2 + 8Rr + 14r^2) + 27r^3 \stackrel{\text{Euler}}{\geq} 27r^3 > 0
 \end{aligned}$$

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$$\begin{aligned} & \therefore \frac{(r_a w_b)^5}{r_a^5 + w_b^5} + \frac{(r_b w_c)^5}{r_b^5 + w_c^5} + \frac{(r_c w_a)^5}{r_c^5 + w_a^5} \stackrel{A-H}{\leq} \frac{1}{4} \left(\sum_{cyc} w_a^5 + \sum_{cyc} r_a^5 \right) \\ \text{via (i),(ii)} & \leq \frac{s^2}{4} (8R^3 - 8R^2r - 2Rr^2 - r^3) + \frac{Rs^2}{16r} \cdot (256R^3 - 752R^2r + 547Rr^2 - 80r^3) \\ & \stackrel{\text{Mitrinovic}}{\leq} \frac{27R^2}{16} (8R^3 - 8R^2r - 2Rr^2 - r^3) \\ & + \frac{27R^3}{64r} \cdot (256R^3 - 752R^2r + 547Rr^2 - 80r^3) \stackrel{?}{\leq} \left(\frac{3}{2}\right)^6 \frac{(81R^5 - 2560r^5)^2}{32r^5} \\ \Leftrightarrow & 27(81R^5 - 2560r^5)^2 \stackrel{?}{\geq} 32r^4 \left(\begin{array}{l} 4R^2r(8R^3 - 8R^2r - 2Rr^2 - r^3) \\ + R^3(256R^3 - 752R^2r + 547Rr^2 - 80r^3) \end{array} \right) \\ \Leftrightarrow & 177147t^{10} - 8192t^6 - 11174400t^5 - 16480t^4 + 2816t^3 + 128t^2 \\ & + 176947200 \stackrel{?}{\geq} 0 \left(t = \frac{R}{r} \right) \\ \Leftrightarrow & (t-2) \left(\begin{array}{l} (t-2) * \\ \left(\begin{array}{l} 177147t^8 + 708588t^7 + 2125764t^6 \\ + 5668704t^5 + 14163568t^4 + 22805056t^3 \\ + 34549472t^2 + 46980480t + 49724160 \\ + 10974720 \end{array} \right) \end{array} \right) \stackrel{?}{\geq} 0 \\ \rightarrow \text{true} & \because t \stackrel{\text{Euler}}{\geq} 2 \Rightarrow \frac{(r_a w_b)^5}{r_a^5 + w_b^5} + \frac{(r_b w_c)^5}{r_b^5 + w_c^5} + \frac{(r_c w_a)^5}{r_c^5 + w_a^5} \\ & \leq \left(\frac{3}{2}\right)^6 \frac{(81R^5 - 2560r^5)^2}{32r^5} \quad \forall \Delta ABC, " = " \text{ iff } \Delta ABC \text{ is equilateral (QED)} \end{aligned}$$

1444. Let ABC be an acute triangle and let H, I be the orthocenter, incenter of ΔABC respectively and $A_1B_1C_1$ the orthic triangle. Then

$$\frac{HA_1 \cdot HB_1 \cdot HC_1}{IA_1 \cdot IB_1 \cdot IC_1} \cdot \frac{HA \cdot HB \cdot HC}{IA \cdot IB \cdot IC} \leq \frac{R^5}{32r^5}$$

Proposed by Radu Diaconu-Romania

Solution by Mohamed Amine Ben Ajiba-Tanger-Morocco

We have $HA = 2R \cos A$ and $HA_1 = 2R \cos B \cos C$ (and analogs), and since

$$\cos A \cos B \cos C \stackrel{AM-GM}{\geq} \left(\frac{\cos A + \cos B + \cos C}{3} \right)^3 \stackrel{\text{Jensen}}{\geq} \cos^3 \frac{\pi}{3} = \frac{1}{8}, \text{ then}$$

$$HA \cdot HB \cdot HC = 8R^3 \cos A \cos B \cos C \leq R^3 \text{ and}$$

$$HA_1 \cdot HB_1 \cdot HC_1 = 8R^3 (\cos A \cos B \cos C)^2 = \frac{R^3}{8}.$$

$$\text{Also, we have } IA \cdot IB \cdot IC = \frac{r}{\sin \frac{A}{2}} \cdot \frac{r}{\sin \frac{B}{2}} \cdot \frac{r}{\sin \frac{C}{2}} = \frac{r^3}{4R} = 4Rr^2.$$

Now, since $IA_1 \geq \text{distance}(I, (BC)) = r$ (and analogs), then $IA_1 \cdot IB_1 \cdot IC_1 \geq r^3$.

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Therefore

$$\frac{HA_1 \cdot HB_1 \cdot HC_1}{IA_1 \cdot IB_1 \cdot IC_1} \cdot \frac{HA \cdot HB \cdot HC}{IA \cdot IB \cdot IC} \leq \frac{\frac{R^3}{8}}{r^3} \cdot \frac{R^3}{4Rr^2} = \frac{R^5}{32r^5}.$$

Equality holds iff ΔABC is equilateral.

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In any ΔABC and $n, m \in \mathbb{N}$ such that $n \geq m - 2$ the following relationship holds :

$$\frac{r_a^n (r_a^2 + r_b r_c)}{(r_b + r_c)^m} + \frac{r_b^n (r_b^2 + r_c r_a)}{(r_c + r_a)^m} + \frac{r_c^n (r_c^2 + r_a r_b)}{(r_a + r_b)^m} \geq \frac{3^{n-m+3} \cdot r^{n-m+2}}{2^{m-1}}$$

Proposed by Zaza Mzhavanadze-Georgia

Solution by Mohamed Amine Ben Ajiba-Tanger-Morocco

We have

$$\frac{r_a^n (r_a^2 + r_b r_c)}{(r_b + r_c)^m} = \frac{r_a^n}{(r_b + r_c)^m} (r_a - r_b)(r_a - r_c) + \frac{r_a^{n+1}}{(r_b + r_c)^{m-1}} \quad (\text{and analogs})$$

WLOG, we may assume that $r_a \geq r_b \geq r_c$. We have

$$\frac{r_a^n}{(r_b + r_c)^m} \geq \frac{r_b^n}{(r_c + r_a)^m} \geq \frac{r_c^n}{(r_a + r_b)^m},$$

then by the Generalized Schur inequality, we have

$$\sum_{cyc} \frac{r_a^n}{(r_b + r_c)^m} (r_a - r_b)(r_a - r_c) \geq 0.$$

Therefore

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{cyc} \frac{r_a^n (r_a^2 + r_b r_c)}{(r_b + r_c)^m} &\geq \sum_{cyc} \frac{r_a^{n+1}}{(r_b + r_c)^{m-1}} \stackrel{\text{Chebyshev}}{\geq} \frac{1}{3} \cdot \sum_{cyc} r_a^{n+1} \cdot \sum_{cyc} \frac{1}{(r_b + r_c)^{m-1}} \\ &\stackrel{\text{Hölder}}{\geq} \frac{1}{3} \cdot \frac{(r_a + r_b + r_c)^{n+1}}{3^n} \cdot \frac{3^m}{2^{m-1} (r_a + r_b + r_c)^{m-1}} = \frac{(4R + r)^{n-m+2}}{3^{n+1-m} \cdot 2^{m-1}} \\ &\stackrel{\text{Euler}}{\geq} \frac{(9r)^{n-m+2}}{3^{n+1-m} \cdot 2^{m-1}} = \frac{3^{n-m+3} \cdot r^{n-m+2}}{2^{m-1}}. \end{aligned}$$

as desired. Equality holds if and only if ΔABC is equilateral.

1446. In any acute ΔABC , the following identity occurs :

$$\begin{aligned} &\sin\left(\widehat{B} - \widehat{C} + \frac{\pi}{4}\right) \sum_{cyc} AH \cos\left(\widehat{B} - \widehat{C} - \frac{\pi}{4}\right) - \sin\left(\widehat{B} - \widehat{C} - \frac{\pi}{4}\right) \sum_{cyc} AH \cos\left(\widehat{B} - \widehat{C} + \frac{\pi}{4}\right) \\ &= \frac{(a^2 + b^2 + c^2 - 6R^2) \cos(\widehat{B} - \widehat{C})}{R} \end{aligned}$$

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Solution by Soumava Chakraborty-Kolkata-India

$$\begin{aligned}
 \sum_{\text{cyc}} AH \cos\left(\widehat{B} - \widehat{C} - \frac{\pi}{4}\right) &= R \sum_{\text{cyc}} 2 \cos \widehat{A} \cos\left(\widehat{B} - \widehat{C} - \frac{\pi}{4}\right) \\
 &= R \sum_{\text{cyc}} \left(\cos\left(\widehat{A} + \widehat{B} - \widehat{C} - \frac{\pi}{4}\right) + \cos\left(\widehat{A} - \widehat{B} + \widehat{C} + \frac{\pi}{4}\right)\right) \\
 &= R \sum_{\text{cyc}} \left(\cos\left(\frac{3\pi}{4} - 2\widehat{C}\right) + \cos\left(\frac{5\pi}{4} - 2\widehat{B}\right)\right) \\
 &= R \sum_{\text{cyc}} \left(-\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \cos 2\widehat{C} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \sin 2\widehat{C} - \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \cos 2\widehat{B} - \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \sin 2\widehat{B}\right) \\
 &= \frac{R}{\sqrt{2}} \left(\sum_{\text{cyc}} \sin 2\widehat{C} - \sum_{\text{cyc}} \sin 2\widehat{B} - \sum_{\text{cyc}} \cos 2\widehat{C} - \sum_{\text{cyc}} \cos 2\widehat{B}\right) \\
 &= -R * \sqrt{2} \left(\sum_{\text{cyc}} \cos 2\widehat{A}\right) \text{ and } \because \sin\left(\widehat{B} - \widehat{C} + \frac{\pi}{4}\right) \\
 &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (\cos(\widehat{B} - \widehat{C}) + \sin(\widehat{B} - \widehat{C}))
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore \sin\left(\widehat{B} - \widehat{C} + \frac{\pi}{4}\right) \sum_{\text{cyc}} AH \cos\left(\widehat{B} - \widehat{C} - \frac{\pi}{4}\right) \stackrel{(*)}{=} R \left(\sum_{\text{cyc}} \cos 2\widehat{A}\right) (-\cos(\widehat{B} - \widehat{C}) - \sin(\widehat{B} - \widehat{C}))$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{Also, } \sum_{\text{cyc}} AH \cos\left(\widehat{B} - \widehat{C} + \frac{\pi}{4}\right) &= R \sum_{\text{cyc}} 2 \cos \widehat{A} \cos\left(\widehat{B} - \widehat{C} + \frac{\pi}{4}\right) \\
 &= R \sum_{\text{cyc}} \left(\cos\left(\widehat{A} + \widehat{B} - \widehat{C} + \frac{\pi}{4}\right) + \cos\left(\widehat{A} - \widehat{B} + \widehat{C} - \frac{\pi}{4}\right)\right) \\
 &= R \sum_{\text{cyc}} \left(\cos\left(\frac{5\pi}{4} - 2\widehat{C}\right) + \cos\left(\frac{3\pi}{4} - 2\widehat{B}\right)\right) \\
 &= R \sum_{\text{cyc}} \left(-\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \cos 2\widehat{C} - \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \sin 2\widehat{C} - \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \cos 2\widehat{B} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \sin 2\widehat{B}\right) \\
 &= \frac{R}{\sqrt{2}} \left(-\sum_{\text{cyc}} \cos 2\widehat{C} - \sum_{\text{cyc}} \sin 2\widehat{C} - \sum_{\text{cyc}} \cos 2\widehat{B} + \sum_{\text{cyc}} \sin 2\widehat{B}\right) \\
 &= -R * \sqrt{2} \left(\sum_{\text{cyc}} \cos 2\widehat{A}\right) \text{ and } \because -\sin\left(\widehat{B} - \widehat{C} - \frac{\pi}{4}\right) \\
 &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (\cos(\widehat{B} - \widehat{C}) - \sin(\widehat{B} - \widehat{C}))
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore -\sin\left(\widehat{B} - \widehat{C} - \frac{\pi}{4}\right) \sum_{\text{cyc}} AH \cos\left(\widehat{B} - \widehat{C} + \frac{\pi}{4}\right) \stackrel{(**)}{=} R \left(\sum_{\text{cyc}} \cos 2\widehat{A}\right) (\sin(\widehat{B} - \widehat{C}) - \cos(\widehat{B} - \widehat{C}))$$

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$$\begin{aligned} \therefore (*), (**) &\Rightarrow \sin\left(\widehat{B} - \widehat{C} + \frac{\pi}{4}\right) \sum_{\text{cyc}} AH \cos\left(\widehat{B} - \widehat{C} - \frac{\pi}{4}\right) \\ &- \sin\left(\widehat{B} - \widehat{C} - \frac{\pi}{4}\right) \sum_{\text{cyc}} AH \cos\left(\widehat{B} - \widehat{C} + \frac{\pi}{4}\right) = -2R \left(-1 - 4 \prod_{\text{cyc}} \cos \widehat{A}\right) \cos(\widehat{B} - \widehat{C}) \\ &= 2R \cos(\widehat{B} - \widehat{C}) * \left(1 + \frac{s^2 - 4R^2 - 4Rr - r^2}{R^2}\right) \\ &= 2R \cos(\widehat{B} - \widehat{C}) * \left(\frac{s^2 - 4Rr - r^2 - 3R^2}{R^2}\right) \\ &= \frac{\cos(\widehat{B} - \widehat{C})}{R} * (2(s^2 - 4Rr - r^2) - 6R^2) \\ &= \frac{(a^2 + b^2 + c^2 - 6R^2) \cos(\widehat{B} - \widehat{C})}{R} \quad (\text{QED}) \end{aligned}$$

1447. In any $\Delta ABC, \Delta A'B'C'$, the following relationship holds :

$$\min \left\{ \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{m_a'}{m_b' + m_c'}, \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{a}{b + c} \right\} + \frac{R'R^2}{r'r^2} \geq 8 + \max \left\{ \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{m_a}{m_b + m_c}, \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{a'}{b' + c'} \right\}$$

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Solution by Soumava Chakraborty-Kolkata-India

$$\begin{aligned} \sum m_a m_b &\stackrel{\text{Tereshin}}{\geq} \sum \frac{(b^2 + c^2)(c^2 + a^2)}{16R^2} = \frac{3 \sum_{\text{cyc}} a^2 b^2 + \sum_{\text{cyc}} a^4}{16R^2} \\ &\geq \frac{3 \sum_{\text{cyc}} a^2 b^2 + \sum_{\text{cyc}} a^2 b^2}{16R^2} = \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{a^2 b^2}{4R^2} \Rightarrow \frac{m_a^2 + m_b^2 + m_c^2}{m_a m_b + m_b m_c + m_c m_a} \\ &\leq \frac{4R^2 * \frac{3}{2}(s^2 - 4Rr - r^2)}{\sum_{\text{cyc}} a^2 b^2} \stackrel{?}{\leq} \frac{R}{2r} \Leftrightarrow \sum_{\text{cyc}} a^2 b^2 \stackrel{?}{\geq} 12Rr(s^2 - 4Rr - r^2) \\ &\Leftrightarrow (s^2 + 4Rr + r^2)^2 - 16Rrs^2 \stackrel{?}{\geq} 12Rr(s^2 - 4Rr - r^2) \\ &\Leftrightarrow s^4 - (20Rr - 2r^2)s^2 + r^2(64R^2 + 20Rr + r^2) \stackrel{?}{\geq} 0 \\ &\Leftrightarrow s^2 \geq \frac{20Rr - 2r^2 + \sqrt{(20Rr - 2r^2)^2 - 4r^2(64R^2 + 20Rr + r^2)}}{2} \\ \Leftrightarrow s^2 &\geq \frac{20Rr - 2r^2 + 4r * \sqrt{9R^2 - 10Rr}}{2} \Leftrightarrow s^2 \stackrel{(*)}{\geq} 10Rr - r^2 + 2r * \sqrt{9R^2 - 10Rr} \\ \text{Now, } s^2 &\stackrel{\text{Rouche}}{\geq} 2R^2 + 10Rr - r^2 - 2(R - 2r) * \sqrt{R^2 - 2Rr} \stackrel{?}{\geq} 10Rr - r^2 + \\ &2r * \sqrt{9R^2 - 10Rr} \Leftrightarrow R^2 - (R - 2r) * \sqrt{R^2 - 2Rr} \stackrel{?}{\geq} r * \sqrt{9R^2 - 10Rr} \\ &\stackrel{(**)}{\Leftrightarrow} \\ \therefore R^4 - (R^2 - 2Rr)(R - 2r)^2 &= 2Rr(3R^2 - 6Rr + 4r^2) \stackrel{\text{Euler}}{\geq} 8Rr^3 > 0 \end{aligned}$$

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$$\begin{aligned} &\Rightarrow R^2 > (R - 2r) * \sqrt{R^2 - 2Rr} \Rightarrow R^2 - (R - 2r) * \sqrt{R^2 - 2Rr} > 0 \\ &\Rightarrow (**) \Leftrightarrow \left(R^2 - (R - 2r) * \sqrt{R^2 - 2Rr} \right)^2 \geq r^2(9R^2 - 10Rr) \\ \Leftrightarrow R^4 + (R^2 - 2Rr)(R - 2r)^2 - r^2(9R^2 - 10Rr) &\geq 2R^2 * (R - 2r) * \sqrt{R^2 - 2Rr} \\ \Leftrightarrow R(R - 2r)(2R^2 - 2Rr - r^2) &\geq 2R^2 * (R - 2r) * \sqrt{R^2 - 2Rr} \\ \Leftrightarrow 2R^2 - 2Rr - r^2 > 2R * \sqrt{R^2 - 2Rr} &\left(\because R - 2r \stackrel{\text{Euler}}{\geq} 0 \right) \\ \Leftrightarrow (2R^2 - 2Rr - r^2)^2 - 4R^2(R^2 - 2Rr) &> 0 \\ \Leftrightarrow r^3(4R + r) > 0 \rightarrow \text{true} \Rightarrow (**)\Rightarrow (*) \text{ is true} &\Rightarrow \frac{m_a^2 + m_b^2 + m_c^2}{m_a m_b + m_b m_c + m_c m_a} \leq \frac{R}{2r} \\ \Rightarrow \frac{3}{2} + \frac{R'R^2}{r'r^2} \stackrel{\text{Euler}}{\geq} \frac{3}{2} + 8 * \frac{R^2}{4r^2} &\geq \frac{3}{2} + 8 \left(\frac{\sum_{\text{cyc}} m_a^2}{\sum_{\text{cyc}} m_a m_b} \right)^2 \therefore \text{in order to prove :} \\ \frac{3}{2} + \frac{R'R^2}{r'r^2} \geq 8 + \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{m_a}{m_b + m_c}, &\text{ it suffices to prove :} \\ \frac{3}{2} + 8 \left(\frac{\sum_{\text{cyc}} m_a^2}{\sum_{\text{cyc}} m_a m_b} \right)^2 &\stackrel{(\blacksquare)}{\geq} 8 + \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{m_a}{m_b + m_c} \\ \text{Now, } \frac{3}{2} + 8 \left(\frac{\sum_{\text{cyc}} a^2}{\sum_{\text{cyc}} ab} \right)^2 &\stackrel{?}{\geq} 8 + \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{a}{b + c} \\ \Leftrightarrow \frac{8}{(s^2 + 4Rr + r^2)^2} \left(\sum_{\text{cyc}} a^2 + \sum_{\text{cyc}} ab \right) &\left(\sum_{\text{cyc}} a^2 - \sum_{\text{cyc}} ab \right) \stackrel{?}{\geq} 2s \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{1}{b + c} - \frac{9}{2} \\ \Leftrightarrow \frac{8(3s^2 - 4Rr - r^2)(s^2 - 12Rr - 3r^2)}{(s^2 + 4Rr + r^2)^2} &\stackrel{?}{\geq} \frac{2s(5s^2 + 4Rr + r^2)}{2s(s^2 + 2Rr + r^2)} - \frac{9}{2} \\ = \frac{s^2 - 10Rr - 7r^2}{2(s^2 + 2Rr + r^2)} \Leftrightarrow 8(3s^2 - 4Rr - r^2)(2s^2 - 24Rr - 6r^2)(s^2 + 2Rr + r^2) & \\ \stackrel{?}{\geq} (s^2 - 10Rr - 7r^2)(s^2 + 4Rr + r^2)^2 & \\ \stackrel{(\blacksquare\blacksquare)}{2s^2 - 24Rr - 6r^2} \stackrel{?}{\geq} s^2 - 10Rr - 7r^2 \Leftrightarrow s^2 - 16Rr + 5r^2 + 2r(R - 2r) &\stackrel{?}{\geq} 0 \\ \rightarrow \text{true via Gerretsen and Euler} \therefore \text{in order to prove } (\blacksquare\blacksquare), &\text{ it suffices to prove :} \\ 8(3s^2 - 4Rr - r^2)(s^2 + 2Rr + r^2) > (s^2 + 4Rr + r^2)^2 & \\ \Leftrightarrow 23s^4 + (8Rr + 14r^2)s^2 - r^2(80R^2 + 56Rr + 9r^2) &\stackrel{(\blacksquare\blacksquare\blacksquare)}{>} 0 \\ \text{Now, LHS of } (\blacksquare\blacksquare\blacksquare) \stackrel{\text{Gerretsen}}{\geq} (23(16Rr - 5r^2) + (8Rr + 14r^2))(16Rr - 5r^2) & \\ - r^2(80R^2 + 56Rr + 9r^2) = r^2 \left((R - 2r)(5936R + 8320r) + 17136r^2 \right) &\stackrel{\text{Euler}}{\geq} \\ 17136r^4 > 0 \Rightarrow (\blacksquare\blacksquare\blacksquare) \Rightarrow (\blacksquare\blacksquare) \text{ is true} \Rightarrow \frac{3}{2} + 8 \left(\frac{\sum_{\text{cyc}} a^2}{\sum_{\text{cyc}} ab} \right)^2 &\geq 8 + \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{a}{b + c} \end{aligned}$$

and implementing it on a triangle with sides $\frac{2m_a}{3}, \frac{2m_b}{3}, \frac{2m_c}{3}$, we arrive at :

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$$\frac{3}{2} + 8 \left(\frac{\sum_{cyc} m_a^2}{\sum_{cyc} m_a m_b} \right)^2 \geq 8 + \sum_{cyc} \frac{m_a}{m_b + m_c} \Rightarrow (\blacksquare) \text{ is true}$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{\frac{3}{2} + \frac{R'R^2}{r'r^2} \stackrel{(\text{Q})}{\geq} 8 + \sum_{cyc} \frac{m_a}{m_b + m_c}}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Again, } \frac{3}{2} + \frac{4R}{r} &\stackrel{?}{\geq} 8 + \sum_{cyc} \frac{a}{b+c} \Leftrightarrow \frac{4R}{r} - 8 \stackrel{?}{\geq} 2s \sum_{cyc} \frac{1}{b+c} - \frac{9}{2} \\ &= \frac{2s(5s^2 + 4Rr + r^2)}{2s(s^2 + 2Rr + r^2)} - \frac{9}{2} = \frac{s^2 - 10Rr - 7r^2}{2(s^2 + 2Rr + r^2)} \Leftrightarrow \frac{4(R-2r)}{r} \stackrel{?}{\geq} \frac{s^2 - 10Rr - 7r^2}{2(s^2 + 2Rr + r^2)} \\ &\Leftrightarrow (8R - 17r)s^2 + r(16R^2 - 14Rr - 9r^2) \stackrel{?}{\geq} 0 \\ &\Leftrightarrow (8R - 16r)s^2 - rs^2 + r(16R^2 - 14Rr - 9r^2) \stackrel{?}{\geq} 0 \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Now, LHS of } (\bullet) \stackrel{\text{Gerretsen}}{\geq} (8R - 16r)(16Rr - 5r^2) - r(4R^2 + 4Rr + 3r^2)$$

$$+ r(16R^2 - 14Rr - 9r^2) \stackrel{?}{\geq} 0 \Leftrightarrow 70R^2 - 157Rr + 34r^2 \stackrel{?}{\geq} 0$$

$$\Leftrightarrow (R - 2r)(70R - 17r) \stackrel{?}{\geq} 0 \rightarrow \text{true via Euler} \Rightarrow (\bullet) \text{ is true} \Rightarrow \frac{3}{2} + \frac{4R}{r}$$

$$\geq 8 + \sum_{cyc} \frac{a}{b+c} \therefore \frac{3}{2} + \frac{R'R^2}{r'r^2} \stackrel{\text{Euler}}{\geq} \frac{3}{2} + \frac{4R'}{r'} \geq 8 + \sum_{cyc} \frac{a'}{b'+c'}$$

$$\therefore \boxed{\frac{3}{2} + \frac{R'R^2}{r'r^2} \stackrel{(\text{QQ})}{\geq} 8 + \sum_{cyc} \frac{a'}{b'+c'}}$$

$$\therefore \min \left\{ \sum_{cyc} \frac{m_a'}{m_{b'} + m_{c'}}, \sum_{cyc} \frac{a}{b+c} \right\} + \frac{R'R^2}{r'r^2} \stackrel{\text{Nesbitt}}{\geq} \frac{3}{2} + \frac{R'R^2}{r'r^2} \stackrel{\text{via } (\text{Q}), (\text{QQ})}{\geq}$$

$$8 + \max \left\{ \sum_{cyc} \frac{m_a}{m_b + m_c}, \sum_{cyc} \frac{a'}{b' + c'} \right\}, \text{'' ='' iff } \Delta ABC, \Delta A'B'C' \text{ are both equilateral (QED)}$$

1448. In any ΔABC , the following relationship holds :

$$\sum_{cyc} \frac{2 + \sqrt{3} \tan \frac{B}{2}}{1 + 3 \tan^2 \frac{A}{2}} \geq \frac{9}{2}$$

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Solution by Soumava Chakraborty-Kolkata-India

$$\frac{1}{1+3x^2} \stackrel{?}{\geq} 1 - \frac{\sqrt{3}x}{2} \Leftrightarrow \frac{\sqrt{3}x}{2} \stackrel{?}{\geq} 1 - \frac{1}{1+3x^2} = \frac{3x^2}{1+3x^2} \Leftrightarrow 1 + 3x^2 \stackrel{?}{\geq} 2\sqrt{3}x$$

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$$\begin{aligned} &\Leftrightarrow (1 - \sqrt{3}x)^2 \stackrel{?}{\geq} 0 \rightarrow \text{true} \therefore \frac{1}{1 + 3x^2} \geq 1 - \frac{\sqrt{3}x}{2} \\ &\Rightarrow \frac{1}{1 + 3 \tan^2 \frac{A}{2}} - \left(1 - \frac{\sqrt{3} \tan \frac{A}{2}}{2}\right) \geq 0 \\ &\Rightarrow \left(2 + \sqrt{3} \tan \frac{B}{2}\right) \left(\frac{1}{1 + 3 \tan^2 \frac{A}{2}} - \left(1 - \frac{\sqrt{3} \tan \frac{A}{2}}{2}\right)\right) \geq 0 \\ &\Rightarrow \frac{2 + \sqrt{3} \tan \frac{B}{2}}{1 + 3 \tan^2 \frac{A}{2}} \geq \left(2 + \sqrt{3} \tan \frac{B}{2}\right) \left(1 - \frac{\sqrt{3} \tan \frac{A}{2}}{2}\right) \\ &= 2 + \sqrt{3} \tan \frac{B}{2} - \sqrt{3} \tan \frac{A}{2} - \frac{3}{2} \tan \frac{A}{2} \tan \frac{B}{2} \\ &\therefore \frac{2 + \sqrt{3} \tan \frac{B}{2}}{1 + 3 \tan^2 \frac{A}{2}} \geq 2 + \sqrt{3} \tan \frac{B}{2} - \sqrt{3} \tan \frac{A}{2} - \frac{3r_a r_b}{2s^2} \text{ and analogs} \\ &\Rightarrow \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{2 + \sqrt{3} \tan \frac{B}{2}}{1 + 3 \tan^2 \frac{A}{2}} \geq 6 + \sqrt{3} \sum_{\text{cyc}} \tan \frac{B}{2} - \sqrt{3} \sum_{\text{cyc}} \tan \frac{A}{2} - \frac{3}{2s^2} \sum_{\text{cyc}} r_a r_b = 6 - \frac{3s^2}{2s^2} = \frac{9}{2} \\ &\therefore \text{in any } \triangle ABC, \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{2 + \sqrt{3} \tan \frac{B}{2}}{1 + 3 \tan^2 \frac{A}{2}} \geq \frac{9}{2}, \text{''} = \text{'' iff } \triangle ABC \text{ is equilateral (QED)} \end{aligned}$$

1449.

In any $\triangle ABC$ with $I \rightarrow$ incenter, the following relationship holds :

$$\sqrt{\frac{2R}{r}} \cdot \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{n_a}{\sqrt{(b-c)^2 + 4r^2}} \geq \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \cdot \sum_{\text{cyc}} \sqrt{\frac{m_b}{h_c} + \frac{m_c}{h_b}} + \frac{1}{r} \sum_{\text{cyc}} AI$$

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Solution 1 by Soumava Chakraborty-Kolkata-India

$$r_b + r_c = s \left(\frac{\sin \frac{B}{2}}{\cos \frac{B}{2}} + \frac{\sin \frac{C}{2}}{\cos \frac{C}{2}} \right) = \frac{s \sin \left(\frac{B+C}{2} \right) \cos \frac{A}{2}}{\cos \frac{A}{2} \cos \frac{B}{2} \cos \frac{C}{2}} = \frac{s \cos^2 \frac{A}{2}}{\left(\frac{s}{4R} \right)} = 4R \cos^2 \frac{A}{2}$$

$$\therefore r_b + r_c \stackrel{(i)}{=} 4R \cos^2 \frac{A}{2}$$

$$\text{Now, } (b+c)^2 \stackrel{?}{\geq} 32Rr \cos^2 \frac{A}{2} \stackrel{\text{via (i)}}{=} 8r(r_b + r_c) = 8r^2 s \left(\frac{1}{s-b} + \frac{1}{s-c} \right)$$

$$= 8(s-a)(s-b)(s-c) \frac{a}{(s-b)(s-c)} = 4a(b+c-a)$$

$$\Leftrightarrow (b+c)^2 + 4a^2 - 4a(b+c) \stackrel{?}{\geq} 0 \Leftrightarrow (b+c-2a)^2 \stackrel{?}{\geq} 0 \rightarrow \text{true}$$

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$$\therefore b + c \geq \sqrt{32Rr} \cdot \cos \frac{A}{2} \Rightarrow 4R \cos \frac{A}{2} \cos \frac{B-C}{2} \geq \sqrt{32Rr} \cdot \cos \frac{A}{2} \Rightarrow \cos \frac{B-C}{2} \stackrel{(ii)}{\geq} \sqrt{\frac{2r}{R}}$$

Again, Stewart's theorem $\Rightarrow b^2(s-c) + c^2(s-b) = an_a^2 + a(s-b)(s-c)$
 $\Rightarrow s(b^2 + c^2) - bc(2s-a) = an_a^2 + a(s^2 - s(2s-a) + bc) \Rightarrow s(b^2 + c^2) - 2sbc$
 $= an_a^2 + a(as - s^2) \Rightarrow s(b^2 + c^2 - a^2 - 2bc) = an_a^2 - as^2$

$$\Rightarrow an_a^2 = as^2 + s(2bccosA - 2bc) = as^2 - 4sbcsin^2 \frac{A}{2}$$

$$= as^2 - \frac{4sbc(s-b)(s-c)(s-a)}{bc(s-a)} \Rightarrow a^2n_a^2 = a^2s^2 - sa(a^2 - (b-c)^2)$$

$$\Rightarrow a^2n_a^2 = a^2s^2 - sa^3 + sa(b-c)^2 \stackrel{?}{=} 4r^2s^2 + s^2(b-c)^2$$

$$\Leftrightarrow a^2s^2 - sa^3 + sa(b-c)^2 \stackrel{?}{=} s(s-a)(a^2 - (b-c)^2) + s^2(b-c)^2$$

$$= a^2s^2 - sa^3 - s(s-a)(b-c)^2 + s^2(b-c)^2$$

$$= a^2s^2 - sa^3 - s^2(b-c)^2 + sa(b-c)^2 + s^2(b-c)^2$$

$$\Leftrightarrow a^2s^2 - sa^3 + sa(b-c)^2 \stackrel{?}{=} a^2s^2 - sa^3 + sa(b-c)^2 \rightarrow \text{true}$$

$$\therefore \frac{n_a^2}{(b-c)^2 + 4r^2} = \frac{s^2}{a^2} \Rightarrow \sqrt{\frac{2R}{r}} \cdot \frac{n_a}{\sqrt{(b-c)^2 + 4r^2}} = \sqrt{\frac{R}{2r}} \cdot \frac{2s}{a}$$

$$= \sqrt{\frac{R}{2r}} \cdot \frac{4R \cdot 2 \cos \frac{A}{2} \cos \frac{B}{2} \cos \frac{C}{2}}{4R \cos \frac{A}{2} \sin \frac{A}{2}} = \sqrt{\frac{R}{2r}} \cdot \frac{\sin \frac{A}{2} + \cos \frac{B-C}{2}}{\sin \frac{A}{2}} = \sqrt{\frac{R}{2r}} + \sqrt{\frac{R}{2r}} \cdot \frac{\cos \frac{B-C}{2}}{\sin \frac{A}{2}}$$

$$\stackrel{\text{via (ii)}}{\geq} \sqrt{\frac{R}{2r}} + \sqrt{\frac{R}{2r}} \cdot \frac{\sqrt{\frac{2r}{R}}}{\sin \frac{A}{2}} = \sqrt{\frac{R}{2r}} + \frac{AI}{r} \geq \sqrt{\frac{m_b}{h_c} + \frac{m_c}{h_b}} + \frac{AI}{r}$$

$\left(\because \frac{R}{r} \geq \frac{m_b}{h_c} + \frac{m_c}{h_b}; \text{reference: article titled "New Triangle Inequalities With Brocard's Angle"} \right)$
 by Bogdan Fusteï, Mohamed Amine Ben Ajiba; Lemma 12, 6 – 7,
 published at : www.ssmrmh.ro

$$\therefore \sqrt{\frac{2R}{r}} \cdot \frac{n_a}{\sqrt{(b-c)^2 + 4r^2}} \geq \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \cdot \sqrt{\frac{m_b}{h_c} + \frac{m_c}{h_b}} + \frac{AI}{r} \text{ and analogs}$$

$$\Rightarrow \sqrt{\frac{2R}{r}} \cdot \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{n_a}{\sqrt{(b-c)^2 + 4r^2}} \geq \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \cdot \sum_{\text{cyc}} \sqrt{\frac{m_b}{h_c} + \frac{m_c}{h_b}} + \frac{1}{r} \sum_{\text{cyc}} AI,$$

"=" iff ΔABC is equilateral (QED)

Solution 2 by Mohamed Amine Ben Ajiba-Tanger-Morocco

We prove the result by using the following inequality

(see, Bogdan Fușteï, Mohamed Amine Ben

Ajiba, *New Triangle Inequalities With Brocard's Angle*, Lemma 12, 6

– 7, www.ssmrmh.ro)

$$\frac{m_b}{h_c} + \frac{m_c}{h_b} \leq \frac{R}{r} \text{ (and analogs)}$$

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Also, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{AI}{r} &= \frac{1}{\sin \frac{A}{2}} = \sqrt{\frac{bc}{(s-b)(s-c)}} = \sqrt{\frac{2Rsr \cdot (b+c-a) \cdot a^{AM-GM}}{sr^2 \cdot a^2}} \stackrel{AM-GM}{\geq} \sqrt{\frac{R}{2r} \cdot \frac{(b+c-a)+a}{a}} \\ &= \sqrt{\frac{R}{2r} \cdot \frac{b+c}{a}} \\ (b-c)^2 + 4r^2 &= (b-c)^2 + \frac{(s-a) \cdot 4(s-b)(s-c)}{s} \\ &= (b-c)^2 + \frac{(s-a)[a^2 - (b-c)^2]}{s} \\ &= \frac{a^2(s-a) + a(b-c)^2}{s} = \frac{s}{s^2} \left(s(s-a) + \frac{s(b-c)^2}{a} \right) = \left(\frac{an_a}{s} \right)^2. \end{aligned}$$

Using these results, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \cdot \sqrt{\frac{m_b}{h_c} + \frac{m_c}{h_b}} + \frac{AI}{r} &\leq \sqrt{\frac{R}{2r}} + \sqrt{\frac{R}{2r} \cdot \frac{b+c}{a}} = \sqrt{\frac{2R}{r} \cdot \frac{s}{a}} \\ &= \sqrt{\frac{2R}{r} \cdot \frac{n_a}{\sqrt{(b-c)^2 + 4r^2}}} \quad (\text{and analogs}) \end{aligned}$$

Therefore

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \sum_{cyc} \sqrt{\frac{m_b}{h_c} + \frac{m_c}{h_b}} + \frac{1}{r} \cdot \sum_{cyc} AI \leq \sqrt{\frac{2R}{r}} \cdot \sum_{cyc} \frac{n_a}{\sqrt{(b-c)^2 + 4r^2}}$$

Equality holds iff $\triangle ABC$ is equilateral.

1450. In $\triangle ABC$ the following relationship holds:

$$\frac{1}{m_a^4 m_b} + \frac{1}{m_b^4 m_c} + \frac{1}{m_c^4 m_a} \geq \frac{32}{81(81R^5 - 2560r^5)}$$

Proposed by Zaza Mzhavanadze-Georgia

Solution by Daniel Sitaru-Romania

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{cyc} \frac{1}{m_a^4 m_b} &= \sum_{cyc} \frac{\left(\frac{1}{m_a}\right)^4}{m_b} \stackrel{HOLDER}{\geq} \frac{\left(\frac{1}{m_a} + \frac{1}{m_b} + \frac{1}{m_c}\right)^4}{9(m_a + m_b + m_c)} \geq \\ &\stackrel{LEUENBERGER}{\geq} \frac{\left(\frac{1}{m_a} + \frac{1}{m_b} + \frac{1}{m_c}\right)^4}{9(4R+r)} \stackrel{BERGSTROM}{\geq} \frac{\left(\frac{9}{m_a + m_b + m_c}\right)^4}{9(4R+r)} \geq \end{aligned}$$

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$$\stackrel{\text{LEUENBERGER}}{\geq} \frac{\left(\frac{9}{4R+r}\right)^4}{9(4R+r)} \stackrel{\text{EULER}}{\geq} \frac{\left(\frac{9}{4R+\frac{R}{2}}\right)^4}{9(4R+r)} = \frac{\left(\frac{2}{R}\right)^4}{9(4R+r)} = \frac{16}{9R^4(4R+r)}$$

Remains to prove:

$$\frac{16}{9R^4(4R+r)} \geq \frac{32}{81(81R^5 - 2560r^5)}$$

$$\frac{1}{R^4(4R+r)} \geq \frac{2}{9(81R^5 - 2560r^5)}$$

$$721R^5 - 2R^4r - 9 \cdot 2560r^5 \geq 0$$

$$721R^4(R - 2r) + 2^5 \cdot 3^2 \cdot 5r(R^4 - 16r^4) \geq 0$$

$$(R - 2r) \left(721R^4 + 2^5 \cdot 3^2 \cdot 5r(R + 2r)(R^2 + 4r^2) \right) \geq 0$$

$$R - 2r \geq 0$$

$$R \geq 2r \text{ (Euler)}$$

Equality holds for: $a = b = c$.

1451. In any $\triangle ABC$, the following relationship holds :

$$\sqrt{1 + \frac{R}{2r} \left(\frac{h_a + h_b + h_c}{s} \right)^2} \geq \sqrt{\frac{h_b + h_c}{h_a + h_c}} + \sqrt{\frac{h_a + h_c}{h_b + h_c}}$$

Proposed by Bogdan Fuștei-Romania

Solution 1 by Soumava Chakraborty-Kolkata-India

$$\begin{aligned} & \sqrt{1 + \frac{R}{2r} \left(\frac{h_a + h_b + h_c}{s} \right)^2} \geq \sqrt{\frac{h_b + h_c}{h_a + h_c}} + \sqrt{\frac{h_a + h_c}{h_b + h_c}} \\ \Leftrightarrow & 1 + \frac{R}{2r} \cdot \frac{(\sum_{\text{cyc}} ab)^2}{4R^2s^2} \geq 2 + \frac{ca + ab}{bc + ab} + \frac{bc + ab}{ca + ab} \\ \Leftrightarrow & \frac{(ab + bc + ca)^2}{abc(a + b + c)} \geq \frac{(ca + ab)^2 + (bc + ab)^2 + (ca + ab)(bc + ab)}{(ca + ab)(bc + ab)} \\ \Leftrightarrow & (ca + ab)(bc + ab)(ab + bc + ca)^2 \\ & - abc(a + b + c)((ca + ab)^2 + (bc + ab)^2 + (ca + ab)(bc + ab)) \geq 0 \end{aligned}$$

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$$\Leftrightarrow a^4b^4 + a^2b^2c^4 - 2a^3b^3c^2 \geq 0 \Leftrightarrow a^2b^2(ab - c^2)^2 \geq 0 \rightarrow \text{true}$$

$$\therefore \sqrt{1 + \frac{R}{2r} \left(\frac{h_a + h_b + h_c}{s} \right)^2} \geq \sqrt{\frac{h_b + h_c}{h_a + h_c}} + \sqrt{\frac{h_a + h_c}{h_b + h_c}} \quad \forall \Delta ABC \text{ (QED)}$$

Solution 2 by Mohamed Amine Ben Ajiba-Tanger-Morocco

Lemma : In ΔABC , we have

$$\frac{b}{c} + \frac{c}{b} \leq \frac{\sqrt{a^2b^2 + b^2c^2 + c^2a^2}}{2F} \quad (*)$$

Proof : Since $16F^2 = 2(a^2b^2 + b^2c^2 + c^2a^2) - (a^4 + b^4 + c^4)$, then we have

$$(*) \Leftrightarrow (b^2 + c^2) \sqrt{2(a^2b^2 + b^2c^2 + c^2a^2) - (a^4 + b^4 + c^4)} \leq 2bc \sqrt{a^2b^2 + b^2c^2 + c^2a^2}$$

squaring

$$\Leftrightarrow (2b^2c^2 + b^4 + c^4)[2(a^2b^2 + b^2c^2 + c^2a^2) - (a^4 + b^4 + c^4)] \leq 4b^2c^2(a^2b^2 + b^2c^2 + c^2a^2)$$

$$\Leftrightarrow -a^4(b^2 + c^2)^2 + 2(b^4 + c^4)(a^2b^2 + c^2a^2) - (b^4 + c^4)^2 = -[a^2(b^2 + c^2) - (b^4 + c^4)]^2 \leq 0,$$

which is true and the proof of the lemma is complete.

Now, since $\sqrt{h_a + h_b}, \sqrt{h_b + h_c}, \sqrt{h_a + h_c}$ can be the sides of triangle with area F' such that

$$16F'^2 = 2 \sum_{cyc} \sqrt{h_a + h_b}^2 \sqrt{h_a + h_c}^2 - \sum_{cyc} \sqrt{h_b + h_c}^4 = 4 \sum_{cyc} h_b h_c = \frac{8s^2 r}{R}.$$

Then by using the lemma in this triangle, we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\sqrt{h_b + h_c}}{\sqrt{h_a + h_c}} + \frac{\sqrt{h_a + h_c}}{\sqrt{h_b + h_c}} &\leq \sqrt{\frac{\sum_{cyc} \sqrt{h_a + h_b}^2 \sqrt{h_a + h_c}^2}{4F'^2}} = \sqrt{\frac{\sum_{cyc} h_b h_c}{4F'^2} + \frac{(\sum_{cyc} h_a)^2}{4F'^2}} \\ &= \sqrt{1 + \frac{R}{2r} \left(\frac{h_a + h_b + h_c}{s} \right)^2}, \end{aligned}$$

which completes the proof. Equality holds iff ΔABC is equilateral.

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1452. In any $\triangle ABC$, the following relationship holds :

$$\sum_{\text{cyc}} \sqrt{\frac{2m_a}{h_a} \left(\frac{r_b}{r_c} + \frac{r_c}{r_b} \right)} \geq \frac{b+c}{a} + \frac{c+a}{b} + \frac{a+b}{c}$$

Proposed by Bogdan Fuștei-Romania

Solution by Soumava Chakraborty-Kolkata-India

Let $a = y + z, b = z + x$ and $c = x + y \therefore 2s = a + b + c = 2(x + y + z)$
 $\Rightarrow s = x + y + z \therefore s - a = x, s - b = y \therefore \frac{r_a}{r_b} + \frac{r_b}{r_a} \geq \frac{a}{b} + \frac{b}{a}$
 $\Leftrightarrow \frac{y}{x} + \frac{x}{y} \geq \frac{y+z}{z+x} + \frac{z+x}{y+z} \Leftrightarrow (x^2 + y^2)(z+x)(y+z) \geq xy((z+x)^2 + (y+z)^2)$
 $\Leftrightarrow z(x^3 + y^3) - xyz(x+y) + z^2(x-y)^2 \geq 0 \Leftrightarrow z(x+y)(x-y)^2 + z^2(x-y)^2$
 $\geq 0 \rightarrow \text{true} \therefore \frac{r_a}{r_b} + \frac{r_b}{r_a} \geq \frac{a}{b} + \frac{b}{a}$ and analogs $\Rightarrow \frac{r_b}{r_c} + \frac{r_c}{r_b} \geq \frac{b}{c} + \frac{c}{b}$

$$\therefore \sqrt{\frac{2m_a}{h_a} \left(\frac{r_b}{r_c} + \frac{r_c}{r_b} \right)} \geq \sqrt{\frac{2m_a}{h_a} \left(\frac{b}{c} + \frac{c}{b} \right)} \stackrel{\text{Tereshin}}{\geq} \sqrt{\frac{2 \left(\frac{b^2 + c^2}{4R} \right)}{\frac{bc}{2R}} \left(\frac{b}{c} + \frac{c}{b} \right)} = \sqrt{\frac{2m_a}{h_a} \left(\frac{r_b}{r_c} + \frac{r_c}{r_b} \right)}$$

$$\geq \frac{b}{c} + \frac{c}{b} \text{ and analogs} \therefore \sum_{\text{cyc}} \sqrt{\frac{2m_a}{h_a} \left(\frac{r_b}{r_c} + \frac{r_c}{r_b} \right)} \geq \sum_{\text{cyc}} \left(\frac{b}{c} + \frac{c}{b} \right) = \frac{b+c}{a} + \frac{c+a}{b} + \frac{a+b}{c}$$

$\forall \triangle ABC, " = " \text{ iff } \triangle ABC \text{ is equilateral (QED)}$

1453. In any $\triangle ABC$, the following relationship holds :

$$\frac{a+b-c}{a+c-b} + \frac{a+c-b}{a+b-c} \geq \frac{b}{c} + \frac{c}{b} \text{ and } \sqrt{\frac{a+b-c}{a+c-b}} + \sqrt{\frac{a+c-b}{a+b-c}} \geq \sqrt{\frac{b}{c}} + \sqrt{\frac{c}{b}}$$

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Solution by Soumava Chakraborty-Kolkata-India

$$\frac{a+b-c}{a+c-b} + \frac{a+c-b}{a+b-c} \geq \frac{b}{c} + \frac{c}{b} \Leftrightarrow \frac{s-b}{s-c} - 1 + \frac{s-c}{s-b} - 1 \geq \frac{b}{c} + \frac{c}{b} - 2$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \frac{c-b}{s-c} + \frac{b-c}{s-b} \geq \frac{(b-c)^2}{bc} \Leftrightarrow (b-c) \left(\frac{1}{s-b} - \frac{1}{s-c} \right) \geq \frac{(b-c)^2}{bc}$$

$$\Leftrightarrow (b-c) \left(\frac{1}{s-b} - \frac{1}{s-c} \right) \geq \frac{(b-c)^2}{bc} \Leftrightarrow \frac{(b-c)^2}{(s-b)(s-c)} \geq \frac{(b-c)^2}{bc}$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \frac{(b-c)^2}{4bc(s-b)(s-c)} (4bc - 4(s-b)(s-c)) \geq 0$$

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$$\begin{aligned} &\Leftrightarrow \frac{(b-c)^2}{4bc(s-b)(s-c)}(4bc - a^2 + (b-c)^2) \geq 0 \\ \Leftrightarrow \frac{(b-c)^2}{4bc(s-b)(s-c)}((b+c)^2 - a^2) \geq 0 &\Leftrightarrow \frac{(b-c)^2(b+c+a)(b+c-a)}{4bc(s-b)(s-c)} \geq 0 \\ &\rightarrow \text{true} \therefore \frac{a+b-c}{a+c-b} + \frac{a+c-b}{a+b-c} \geq \frac{b}{c} + \frac{c}{b} \quad \forall \Delta ABC \\ \text{Let } \frac{a+c-b}{a+b-c} = x \text{ and } \frac{b}{c} = y &\therefore \frac{a+b-c}{a+c-b} + \frac{a+c-b}{a+b-c} \geq \frac{b}{c} + \frac{c}{b} \\ &\Rightarrow x + \frac{1}{x} \geq y + \frac{1}{y} \rightarrow (1) \\ \text{So, } \sqrt{\frac{a+b-c}{a+c-b}} + \sqrt{\frac{a+c-b}{a+b-c}} &\stackrel{?}{\geq} \sqrt{\frac{b}{c}} + \sqrt{\frac{c}{b}} \Leftrightarrow \sqrt{x} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{x}} \stackrel{?}{\geq} \sqrt{y} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{y}} \\ \Leftrightarrow \left(\sqrt{x} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{x}}\right)^2 &\stackrel{?}{\geq} \left(\sqrt{y} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{y}}\right)^2 \Leftrightarrow x + \frac{1}{x} + 2 \stackrel{?}{\geq} y + \frac{1}{y} + 2 \rightarrow \text{true via (1)} \\ &\therefore \sqrt{\frac{a+b-c}{a+c-b}} + \sqrt{\frac{a+c-b}{a+b-c}} \geq \sqrt{\frac{b}{c}} + \sqrt{\frac{c}{b}} \quad \forall \Delta ABC \\ \therefore \frac{a+b-c}{a+c-b} + \frac{a+c-b}{a+b-c} &\geq \frac{b}{c} + \frac{c}{b} \text{ and } \sqrt{\frac{a+b-c}{a+c-b}} + \sqrt{\frac{a+c-b}{a+b-c}} \\ &\geq \sqrt{\frac{b}{c}} + \sqrt{\frac{c}{b}} \quad \forall \Delta ABC, " = " \text{ iff } \Delta ABC \text{ is equilateral (QED)} \end{aligned}$$

1454. In ΔABC the following relationship holds:

$$2 \left(\frac{2m_b m_c}{h_b h_c} - 1 \right) \left(\frac{r_b}{r_c} + \frac{r_c}{r_b} \right) \geq \left(\frac{b}{c} + \frac{c}{b} \right)^2$$

Proposed by Bogdan Fuștei-Romania

Solution by Mohamed Amine Ben Ajiba-Tanger-Morocco

By Tereshin and CBS inequalities, we have

$$m_b m_c \geq \frac{(c^2 + a^2)(a^2 + b^2)}{(4R)^2} \geq \frac{(ca + ab)^2}{(4R)^2} = \frac{a^2(b+c)^2}{(4R)^2}.$$

and since $h_a = \frac{bc}{2R}$ (and analogs), then

$$\frac{2m_b m_c}{h_b h_c} - 1 \geq \frac{a^2(b+c)^2}{8R^2} \cdot \frac{4R^2}{a^2 bc} - 1 = \frac{(b+c)^2}{2bc} - 1 = \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{b}{c} + \frac{c}{b} \right).$$

Now, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \left(\frac{r_b}{r_c} + \frac{r_c}{r_b} \right) - \left(\frac{b}{c} + \frac{c}{b} \right) &= \left(\frac{s-c}{s-b} - \frac{c}{b} \right) - \left(\frac{b}{c} - \frac{s-b}{s-c} \right) = \frac{s(b-c)}{b(s-b)} - \frac{s(b-c)}{c(s-c)} = \frac{s(s-a)(b-c)^2}{bc(s-b)(s-c)} \geq 0, \\ &\Rightarrow \frac{r_b}{r_c} + \frac{r_c}{r_b} \geq \frac{b}{c} + \frac{c}{b}. \end{aligned}$$

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Therefore

$$2 \left(\frac{2m_b m_c}{h_b h_c} - 1 \right) \left(\frac{r_b}{r_c} + \frac{r_c}{r_b} \right) \geq \left(\frac{b}{c} + \frac{c}{b} \right)^2.$$

Equality holds iff $\triangle ABC$ is equilateral.

1455. In $\triangle ABC$ the following relationship holds:

$$\frac{r_a}{h_a^2} + \frac{r_b}{h_b^2} + \frac{r_c}{h_c^2} \geq \frac{4r}{R^2}$$

Proposed by Elsen Kerimov-Azerbaijan

Solution by Daniel Sitaru-Romania

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{r_a}{h_a^2} + \frac{r_b}{h_b^2} + \frac{r_c}{h_c^2} &= \frac{F}{(2F/a)^2} + \frac{F}{(2F/b)^2} + \frac{F}{(2F/c)^2} = \\ &= \frac{1}{4F} \left(\frac{a^2}{s-a} + \frac{b^2}{s-b} + \frac{c^2}{s-c} \right) \stackrel{\text{BERGSTROM}}{\geq} \\ &\geq \frac{1}{4F} \cdot \frac{(a+b+c)^2}{s-a+s-b+s-c} = \frac{1}{4F} \cdot \frac{4s^2}{s} = \frac{1}{4rs} \cdot \frac{4s^2}{s} = \frac{1}{r} = \\ &= \frac{R^2}{R^2 r} = \frac{R \cdot R}{R^2 r} \stackrel{\text{EULER}}{\geq} \frac{2r \cdot 2r}{R^2 r} = \frac{4r}{R^2} \end{aligned}$$

Equality holds for $a = b = c$.

1456. In any $\triangle ABC$, the following relationship holds :

$$\begin{aligned} &\frac{6ar_a^2}{6 + \sqrt{3}a(a+b+c)} + \frac{6br_b^2}{6 + \sqrt{3}b(a+b+c)} + \frac{6cr_c^2}{6 + \sqrt{3}c(a+b+c)} \\ &\geq \frac{324Sr^2}{R(9 + 20S) - 4Sr} \end{aligned}$$

Proposed by Elsen Kerimov-Azerbaijan

Solution by Soumava Chakraborty-Kolkata-India

WLOG we may assume $a \geq b \geq c$ and then : $r_a^2 \geq r_b^2 \geq r_c^2$ and

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$$\begin{aligned}
 & \frac{6a}{6 + \sqrt{3}a(a+b+c)} \geq \frac{6b}{6 + \sqrt{3}b(a+b+c)} \geq \frac{6c}{6 + \sqrt{3}c(a+b+c)} \\
 & \therefore \frac{6ar_a^2}{6 + \sqrt{3}a(a+b+c)} + \frac{6br_b^2}{6 + \sqrt{3}b(a+b+c)} + \frac{6cr_c^2}{6 + \sqrt{3}c(a+b+c)} \\
 & \stackrel{\text{Chebyshev}}{\geq} \frac{1}{3} \left(\sum_{\text{cyc}} r_a^2 \right) \left(\sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{6a}{6 + \sqrt{3}a(a+b+c)} \right) \geq 2 \left(\sum_{\text{cyc}} r_a r_b \right) \left(\sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{1}{\frac{6}{a} + \sqrt{3}(2s)} \right) \\
 & \stackrel{\text{Bergstrom}}{\geq} 2s^2 \cdot \frac{9}{6 \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{1}{a} + 6\sqrt{3}s} = \frac{18s^2 \cdot 4S}{6 \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{ab}{R} + 24\sqrt{3}sS} \stackrel{\text{Mitrinovic}}{\geq} \frac{72 \cdot 27Sr^2}{6 \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{a^2}{R} + 24\sqrt{3}sS} \\
 & = \frac{324Sr^2}{\frac{\sum_{\text{cyc}} a^2}{R} + 4\sqrt{3}sS} \stackrel{\text{Leibnitz and Mitrinovic}}{\geq} \frac{324Sr^2}{9R + 18RS} = \frac{324Sr^2}{9R + 20RS - 2RS} \stackrel{\text{Euler}}{\geq} \frac{324Sr^2}{9R + 20RS - 4rS} \\
 & \Rightarrow \frac{6ar_a^2}{6 + \sqrt{3}a(a+b+c)} + \frac{6br_b^2}{6 + \sqrt{3}b(a+b+c)} + \frac{6cr_c^2}{6 + \sqrt{3}c(a+b+c)} \\
 & \geq \frac{324Sr^2}{R(9 + 20S) - 4Sr} \quad \forall \Delta ABC, " = " \text{ iff } \Delta ABC \text{ is equilateral (QED)}
 \end{aligned}$$

1457. In any ΔABC , the following relationship holds :

$$\frac{9r}{4Rp} \leq \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{\cos A}{b+c} \leq \frac{9}{8p}$$

Proposed by Marin Chirciu-Romania

Solution by Soumava Chakraborty-Kolkata-India

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \text{For own convenience, } p \equiv s \\
 & \text{Now, } \cos B + \cos C = \frac{c^2 + a^2 - b^2}{2ca} + \frac{a^2 + b^2 - c^2}{2ab} \\
 & = \frac{bc^2 + a^2b - b^3 + ca^2 + b^2c - c^3}{2abc} \\
 & = \frac{bc(b+c) - (b+c)(b^2 - bc + c^2) + a^2(b+c)}{2abc} \therefore \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{\cos A}{b+c} \\
 & = \left(\sum_{\text{cyc}} \cos A \right) \left(\sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{1}{b+c} \right) - \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{bc(b+c) - (b+c)(b^2 - bc + c^2) + a^2(b+c)}{2abc(b+c)} \\
 & = \frac{R+r}{R} \cdot \frac{(2 \sum_{\text{cyc}} ab + \sum_{\text{cyc}} a^2) + \sum_{\text{cyc}} ab}{2s(s^2 + 2Rr + r^2)} - \frac{1}{8Rrs} \left(2 \sum_{\text{cyc}} ab - \sum_{\text{cyc}} a^2 \right)
 \end{aligned}$$

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$$= \frac{R+r}{R} \cdot \frac{4s^2 + s^2 + 4Rr + r^2}{2s(s^2 + 2Rr + r^2)} - \frac{2(s^2 + 4Rr + r^2) - 2(s^2 - 4Rr - r^2)}{8Rs}$$

$$\Rightarrow \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{\cos A}{b+c} \stackrel{(*)}{=} \frac{(R+4r)s^2 - Rr(4R+r)}{2Rs(s^2 + 2Rr + r^2)}$$

$$\therefore \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{\cos A}{b+c} \leq \frac{9}{8s} \stackrel{\text{via } (*)}{\Leftrightarrow} \frac{(R+4r)s^2 - Rr(4R+r)}{2Rs(s^2 + 2Rr + r^2)} \leq \frac{9}{8s}$$

$$\Leftrightarrow (5R - 16r)s^2 + 9R(2Rr + r^2) + 4Rr(4R + r) \stackrel{(*)}{\geq} 0$$

Case 1 $5R - 16r \geq 0$ and then : LHS of $(*) \geq 9R(2Rr + r^2) + 4Rr(4R + r) > 0$
 $\Rightarrow (*)$ is true (strict inequality)

Case 2 $5R - 16r < 0$ and then : LHS of $(*)$

$$= -(16r - 5R)s^2 + 9R(2Rr + r^2) + 4Rr(4R + r) \stackrel{\text{Gerretsen}}{\geq}$$

$$-(16r - 5R)(4R^2 + 4Rr + 3r^2) + 9R(2Rr + r^2) + 4Rr(4R + r) \stackrel{?}{\geq} 0$$

$$\Leftrightarrow 10t^3 - 5t^2 - 18t - 24 \stackrel{?}{\geq} 0 \left(t = \frac{R}{r} \right) \Leftrightarrow (t-2)(10t^2 + 15t + 12) \stackrel{?}{\geq} 0 \rightarrow \text{true}$$

$\therefore t \stackrel{\text{Euler}}{\geq} 2 \Rightarrow (*)$ is true \therefore combining cases 1 and 2, $(*)$ is true $\forall \Delta ABC$

$$\therefore \text{in any } \Delta ABC, \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{\cos A}{b+c} \leq \frac{9}{8p}$$

$$\text{Also, } \frac{9r}{4Rp} \leq \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{\cos A}{b+c} \stackrel{\text{via } (*)}{\Leftrightarrow} \frac{(R+4r)s^2 - Rr(4R+r)}{2Rs(s^2 + 2Rr + r^2)} \geq \frac{9r}{4Rs}$$

$$\Leftrightarrow (2R - r)s^2 - 9r(2Rr + r^2) - 2Rr(4R + r) \stackrel{(**)}{\geq} 0$$

$$\text{Again, LHS of } (**) \stackrel{\text{Gerretsen}}{\geq} (2R - r)(16Rr - 5r^2) - 9r(2Rr + r^2) - 2Rr(4R + r)$$

$$\stackrel{?}{\geq} 0 \Leftrightarrow 12R^2 - 23Rr - 2r^2 \stackrel{?}{\geq} 0 \Leftrightarrow (12R + r)(R - 2r) \stackrel{?}{\geq} 0 \rightarrow \text{true} \therefore R \stackrel{\text{Euler}}{\geq} 2r$$

$\Rightarrow (**)$ is true $\forall \Delta ABC \therefore$ in any $\Delta ABC, \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{\cos A}{b+c} \geq \frac{9r}{4Rp} \therefore$ in any $\Delta ABC,$

$$\frac{9r}{4Rp} \leq \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{\cos A}{b+c} \leq \frac{9}{8p}, \text{ equalities iff } \Delta ABC \text{ is equilateral (QED)}$$

1458. In acute triangle ABC holds:

$$\sum_{\text{cyc}} \tan B \tan C \geq 3 + \sum_{\text{cyc}} \sqrt{1 + \tan^2 A}$$

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Solution by Mohamed Amine Ben Ajiba-Tanger-Morocco

Let $x := \tan A, y := \tan B, z := \tan C$. We have $x, y, z > 0$ and $x + y + z = xyz$.

By AM - GM inequality we have

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$$\begin{aligned}
 & 3 + \sum_{cyc} \sqrt{1+x^2} = 3 + \sum_{cyc} \sqrt{1 + \frac{x(x+y+z)}{yz}} = \\
 & = 3 + \sum_{cyc} \sqrt{\frac{(x+y)(x+z)}{yz}} \leq 3 + \sum_{cyc} \frac{y+z}{x} = \sum_{cyc} x \cdot \sum_{cyc} \frac{1}{x} = \sum_{cyc} yz,
 \end{aligned}$$

as desired. Equality holds iff ΔABC is equilateral.

1459. In any ΔABC , the following relationship holds :

$$\sum_{cyc} \frac{(b^2 + c^2)h_a}{b+c} \leq \sum_{cyc} \frac{(b^2 + c^2)r_a}{b+c}$$

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Solution by Soumava Chakraborty-Kolkata-India

$$\begin{aligned}
 r_b + r_c &= s \left(\frac{\sin \frac{B}{2}}{\cos \frac{B}{2}} + \frac{\sin \frac{C}{2}}{\cos \frac{C}{2}} \right) = \frac{s \sin \left(\frac{B+C}{2} \right) \cos \frac{A}{2}}{\cos \frac{A}{2} \cos \frac{B}{2} \cos \frac{C}{2}} = \frac{s \cos^2 \frac{A}{2}}{\left(\frac{s}{4R} \right)} = 4R \cos^2 \frac{A}{2} \\
 \therefore r_b + r_c &\stackrel{(i)}{=} 4R \cos^2 \frac{A}{2} \\
 \sum_{cyc} \frac{1}{a(b+c)} &= \sum_{cyc} \frac{bc(\sum_{cyc} ab + a^2)}{4Rrs \cdot 2s(s^2 + 2Rr + r^2)} = \frac{(\sum_{cyc} ab)^2 + 8Rrs^2}{8Rrs^2(s^2 + 2Rr + r^2)} \\
 &\Rightarrow \sum_{cyc} \frac{1}{a(b+c)} \stackrel{(*)}{=} \frac{(s^2 + 4Rr + r^2)^2 + 8Rrs^2}{8Rrs^2(s^2 + 2Rr + r^2)} \\
 \sum_{cyc} \frac{a}{b+c} &= \sum_{cyc} \frac{a-2s+2s}{2s-a} = -3 + \frac{2s}{2s(s^2 + 2Rr + r^2)} \cdot \sum_{cyc} \left(\sum_{cyc} ab + a^2 \right) \\
 &= -3 + \frac{2s}{2s(s^2 + 2Rr + r^2)} \cdot \left(\left(\sum_{cyc} a \right)^2 + \sum_{cyc} ab \right) = -3 + \frac{2s(5s^2 + 4Rr + r^2)}{2s(s^2 + 2Rr + r^2)} \\
 &\Rightarrow \sum_{cyc} \frac{a}{b+c} \stackrel{(**)}{=} \frac{2s^2 - 2Rr - 2r^2}{s^2 + 2Rr + r^2} \\
 &\quad \sum_{cyc} \operatorname{cosec}^2 \frac{A}{2} = 3 + \sum_{cyc} \cot^2 \frac{A}{2} = 3 + \sum_{cyc} \frac{s^2}{r_a^2} \\
 &= 3 + \frac{s^2}{r^2 s^4} \left(\left(\sum_{cyc} r_b r_c \right)^2 - 2r_a r_b r_c \left(\sum_{cyc} r_a \right) \right) = 3 + \frac{s^2 (s^4 - 2rs^2(4R+r))}{r^2 s^4}
 \end{aligned}$$

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$$\begin{aligned}
 &\Rightarrow \sum_{\text{cyc}} \operatorname{cosec}^2 \frac{A}{2} \stackrel{(\dots)}{=} \frac{s^2 - 8Rr + r^2}{r^2} \\
 &\sum_{\text{cyc}} b^2 c^2 r_a \stackrel{\text{via (i)}}{=} \sum_{\text{cyc}} b^2 c^2 \left(4R + r - 4R \cos^2 \frac{A}{2} \right) \\
 &= (4R + r) \sum_{\text{cyc}} b^2 c^2 - \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{16R^2 r^2 s^2 \cdot 4R \cos^2 \frac{A}{2}}{16R^2 \cos^2 \frac{A}{2} \sin^2 \frac{A}{2}} \\
 &= (4R + r) \sum_{\text{cyc}} b^2 c^2 - 4Rr^2 s^2 \sum_{\text{cyc}} \operatorname{cosec}^2 \frac{A}{2} \\
 &\stackrel{\text{via } (\dots)}{=} (4R + r) \sum_{\text{cyc}} a^2 b^2 - 4Rr^2 s^2 \cdot \frac{s^2 - 8Rr + r^2}{r^2} \\
 &\Rightarrow \sum_{\text{cyc}} b^2 c^2 r_a \stackrel{(\dots)}{=} (4R + r) \sum_{\text{cyc}} a^2 b^2 - 4Rs^2 (s^2 - 8Rr + r^2) \\
 &\sum_{\text{cyc}} a^2 r_a = rs \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{(a - s + s)^2}{s - a} = rs \left(\sum_{\text{cyc}} (s - a) - 6s + \frac{s^2}{r^2 s} \sum_{\text{cyc}} (s - b)(s - c) \right) \\
 &= rs \left(-5s + \frac{s^2 (4Rr + r^2)}{r^2 s} \right) \Rightarrow \sum_{\text{cyc}} a^2 r_a \stackrel{(\dots)}{=} (4R - 4r) s^2 \\
 &\quad \therefore \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{(b^2 + c^2) h_a}{b + c} = \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{(\sum_{\text{cyc}} a^2 - a^2) h_a}{b + c} \\
 &= 2rs \left(\sum_{\text{cyc}} a^2 \right) \left(\sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{1}{a(b + c)} \right) - 2rs \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{a}{b + c} \\
 &\stackrel{\text{via } (\cdot), (\cdot\cdot)}{=} \frac{2rs \left((s^2 - 4Rr - r^2) \left((s^2 + 4Rr + r^2)^2 + 8Rrs^2 \right) - 4Rrs^2 (2s^2 - 2Rr - 2r^2) \right)}{4Rrs^2 (s^2 + 2Rr + r^2)} \\
 &\Rightarrow \boxed{\sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{(b^2 + c^2) h_a}{b + c} \stackrel{(1)}{=} \frac{s^6 + (4Rr + r^2) s^4 - r^2 s^2 (40R^2 + 8Rr + r^2) - (4Rr + r^2)^3}{2Rs(s^2 + 2Rr + r^2)}} \text{ and} \\
 &\quad \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{(b^2 + c^2) r_a}{b + c} = \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{(a^2 + \sum_{\text{cyc}} ab)(b^2 + c^2) r_a}{2s(s^2 + 2Rr + r^2)} \\
 &= \frac{1}{2s(s^2 + 2Rr + r^2)} \left(\sum_{\text{cyc}} \left(\left(\sum_{\text{cyc}} a^2 b^2 - b^2 c^2 \right) r_a \right) + \right. \\
 &\quad \left. \left(\sum_{\text{cyc}} ab \right) \sum_{\text{cyc}} \left(\left(\sum_{\text{cyc}} a^2 - a^2 \right) r_a \right) \right)
 \end{aligned}$$

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$$= \frac{1}{2s(s^2 + 2Rr + r^2)} \cdot \left(\begin{aligned} & \left(\sum_{\text{cyc}} a^2 b^2 \right) (4R + r) - \sum_{\text{cyc}} b^2 c^2 r_a + \\ & \left(\sum_{\text{cyc}} ab \right) \left(\sum_{\text{cyc}} a^2 \right) (4R + r) - \left(\sum_{\text{cyc}} ab \right) \sum_{\text{cyc}} a^2 r_a \end{aligned} \right)$$

$$\stackrel{\text{via } (\dots), (\dots)}{=} \frac{1}{2s(s^2 + 2Rr + r^2)} \left(\begin{aligned} & \left(\sum_{\text{cyc}} a^2 b^2 \right) (4R + r) - (4R + r) \sum_{\text{cyc}} a^2 b^2 + \\ & 4Rs^2(s^2 - 8Rr + r^2) + \left(\sum_{\text{cyc}} ab \right) \left(\sum_{\text{cyc}} a^2 \right) (4R + r) - \\ & \left(\sum_{\text{cyc}} ab \right) (4R - 4r)s^2 \end{aligned} \right)$$

$$\Rightarrow \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{(b^2 + c^2)r_a}{b + c} \stackrel{(2)}{=} \frac{(4R + 3r)s^4 - rs^2(24R^2 - 8Rr - 2r^2) - r^2(4R + r)^3}{s(s^2 + 2Rr + r^2)}$$

$$\therefore (1), (2) \Rightarrow \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{(b^2 + c^2)h_a}{b + c} \leq \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{(b^2 + c^2)r_a}{b + c}$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \frac{s^6 + (4Rr + r^2)s^4 - r^2s^2(40R^2 + 8Rr + r^2) - (4Rr + r^2)^3}{2Rs(s^2 + 2Rr + r^2)}$$

$$\leq \frac{(4R + 3r)s^4 - rs^2(24R^2 - 8Rr - 2r^2) - r^2(4R + r)^3}{s(s^2 + 2Rr + r^2)}$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \boxed{\begin{aligned} & s^6 - (8R^2 + 2Rr - r^2)s^4 + rs^2(48R^3 - 56R^2r - 12Rr^2 - r^3) + \\ & r^2(128R^4 + 32R^3r - 24R^2r^2 - 10Rr^3 - r^4) \leq 0 \end{aligned}} \quad (*)$$

Now, LHS of (*) $\stackrel{\text{Gerretsen}}{\leq} (4R^2 + 4Rr + 3r^2)s^4 - (8R^2 + 2Rr - r^2)s^4$
 $+ rs^2(48R^3 - 56R^2r - 12Rr^2 - r^3)$

$$+ r^2(128R^4 + 32R^3r - 24R^2r^2 - 10Rr^3 - r^4) \stackrel{?}{\leq} 0$$

$$\Leftrightarrow (4R^2 - 2Rr - 4r^2)s^4 - rs^2(48R^3 - 56R^2r - 12Rr^2 - r^3)$$

$$\stackrel{?}{\stackrel{(\ast\ast)}{\geq}} r^2(128R^4 + 32R^3r - 24R^2r^2 - 10Rr^3 - r^4)$$

Again, LHS of (***) $\stackrel{\text{Gerretsen}}{\geq} (4R^2 - 2Rr - 4r^2)(16Rr - 5r^2)s^2$
 $- rs^2(48R^3 - 56R^2r - 12Rr^2 - r^3) = r(16R^3 + 4R^2r - 42Rr^2 + 21r^3)s^2$

$$\stackrel{?}{\geq} r^2(128R^4 + 32R^3r - 24R^2r^2 - 10Rr^3 - r^4) \Leftrightarrow$$

$$(16R^3 + 4R^2r - 42Rr^2 + 21r^3)s^2 \stackrel{?}{\stackrel{(\ast\ast\ast)}{\geq}} r(128R^4 + 32R^3r - 24R^2r^2 - 10Rr^3 - r^4)$$

Once again, LHS of (***) $\stackrel{\text{Gerretsen}}{\geq}$

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$$\begin{aligned}
 & (16R^3 + 4R^2r - 42Rr^2 + 21r^3)(16Rr - 5r^2) \stackrel{?}{\geq} \\
 & r(128R^4 + 32R^3r - 24R^2r^2 - 10Rr^3 - r^4) \\
 \Leftrightarrow & 32t^4 - 12t^3 - 167t^2 + 139t - 26 \stackrel{?}{\geq} 0 \quad \left(t = \frac{R}{r}\right) \\
 \Leftrightarrow & (t-2)(32t^3 + 20t^2 + 32t(t-2) + t + 13) \stackrel{?}{\geq} 0 \rightarrow \text{true} \because t \stackrel{\text{Euler}}{\geq} 2 \\
 & \Rightarrow (***) \Rightarrow (***) \Rightarrow (*) \text{ is true} \\
 \therefore \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{(b^2 + c^2)h_a}{b+c} & \leq \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{(b^2 + c^2)r_a}{b+c} \quad \forall \Delta ABC, " = " \text{ iff } \Delta ABC \text{ is equilateral (QED)}
 \end{aligned}$$

1460. In any acute triangle ABC with semiperimeter p holds

$$a\sqrt{\cos A} + b\sqrt{\cos B} + c\sqrt{\cos C} \leq p\sqrt{2}$$

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By CBS inequality, we have

$$a\sqrt{\cos A} + b\sqrt{\cos B} + c\sqrt{\cos C} \leq \sqrt{(a+b+c)(a \cos A + b \cos B + c \cos C)},$$

and since $a + b + c = 2p$ and $a \cos A + b \cos B + c \cos C = \frac{2F}{R} = p \cdot \frac{2r}{R} \stackrel{\text{Euler}}{\leq} p$, then

$$a\sqrt{\cos A} + b\sqrt{\cos B} + c\sqrt{\cos C} \leq p\sqrt{2},$$

Equality holds iff ΔABC is equilateral.

1461. In any acute ΔABC , the following relationship holds :

$$\frac{a}{h_a} \sqrt{\tan A} + \frac{b}{h_b} \sqrt{\tan B} + \frac{c}{h_c} \sqrt{\tan C} > 2\sqrt[4]{27}$$

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Solution by Soumava Chakraborty-Kolkata-India

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \text{Let } f(x) = (\sin x)\sqrt{\tan x} \quad \forall x \in \left(0, \frac{\pi}{2}\right) \text{ and then : } f''(x) \\
 & = \frac{(4 \sec^2 x - 4)(\sin x)(\tan^2 x) + 4(\sin x)(\sec^2 x) - (\sec^4 x)(\sin x)}{4 \tan^{\frac{3}{2}} x} \\
 & = \frac{4(\sin x)(\tan^4 x) + 3(\sin x)(\sec^2 x) - (\sin x)(\sec^2 x)(\sec^2 x - 1)}{4 \tan^{\frac{3}{2}} x} \\
 & = \frac{4(\sin x)(\tan^4 x) + 3 \sin x + 3(\sin x)(\tan^2 x) - (\sin x)(\sec^2 x)(\tan^2 x)}{4 \tan^{\frac{3}{2}} x}
 \end{aligned}$$

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$$= \frac{4(\sin x)(\tan^4 x) + 3 \sin x + 3(\sin x)(\tan^2 x) - (\sin x)(\tan^2 x) - (\sin x)(\tan^4 x)}{4 \tan^{\frac{3}{2}} x}$$

$$= \frac{3(\sin x)(\tan^4 x) + 3 \sin x + 2(\sin x)(\tan^2 x)}{4 \tan^{\frac{3}{2}} x} > 0 \Rightarrow f(x) \text{ is convex} \rightarrow (1)$$

Now, WLOG if we assume $a \geq b \geq c$, then : $a\sqrt{\tan A} \geq b\sqrt{\tan B} \geq c\sqrt{\tan C}$

($\because \Delta ABC$ is acute) and $\frac{1}{h_a} \geq \frac{1}{h_b} \geq \frac{1}{h_c} \therefore$ via Chebyshev,

$$\frac{a}{h_a} \sqrt{\tan A} + \frac{b}{h_b} \sqrt{\tan B} + \frac{c}{h_c} \sqrt{\tan C} \geq \frac{1}{3} \left(\sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{1}{h_a} \right) \left(\sum_{\text{cyc}} a\sqrt{\tan A} \right) \stackrel{\text{Jensen, via (1)}}{\geq}$$

$$\frac{3 \cdot 2R}{3r} \cdot \sin \frac{\pi}{3} \cdot \sqrt{\tan \frac{\pi}{3}} = \frac{2R}{r} \cdot \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \cdot \sqrt{\sqrt{3}} \stackrel{\text{Euler}}{\geq} 2 \cdot 3^{\frac{3}{4}} = 2^4 \sqrt{27}$$

\forall acute ΔABC , " = " iff ΔABC is equilateral (QED)

1462. In any ΔABC , the following relationship holds :

$$\frac{(h_a^3 + h_a^2 w_b + w_b^3)^5}{(w_a^3 + w_a^2 m_b + m_b^3)^3} + \frac{(h_b^3 + h_b^2 w_c + w_c^3)^5}{(w_b^3 + w_b^2 m_c + m_c^3)^3} + \frac{(h_c^3 + h_c^2 w_a + w_a^3)^5}{(w_c^3 + w_c^2 m_a + m_a^3)^3}$$

$$\geq \frac{6^9 \cdot r^{15}}{(9R^3 - 64r^3)^3}$$

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$$\frac{(h_a^3 + h_a^2 w_b + w_b^3)^5}{(w_a^3 + w_a^2 m_b + m_b^3)^3} + \frac{(h_b^3 + h_b^2 w_c + w_c^3)^5}{(w_b^3 + w_b^2 m_c + m_c^3)^3} + \frac{(h_c^3 + h_c^2 w_a + w_a^3)^5}{(w_c^3 + w_c^2 m_a + m_a^3)^3}$$

$$\geq \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{(h_a^3 + h_a^2 h_b + h_b^3)^5}{(m_a^3 + m_a^2 m_b + m_b^3)^3} \stackrel{\text{Panaaitopol}}{\geq} \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{(h_a^3 + h_a^2 h_b + h_b^3)^5}{\frac{R^9}{512r^9} \cdot (h_a^3 + h_a^2 h_b + h_b^3)^3}$$

$$\geq \frac{512r^9}{R^9} \sum_{\text{cyc}} (h_a h_b (h_a + h_b) + h_a^2 h_b)^2 = \frac{512r^9}{R^9} h_a^2 h_b^2 h_c^2 \sum_{\text{cyc}} \left(\frac{2h_a + h_b}{h_c} \right)^2 \geq$$

$$\frac{512r^9}{R^9} \cdot \frac{4r^4 s^4}{R^2} \cdot \frac{1}{3} \left(2 \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{h_b}{h_a} + \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{h_a}{h_b} \right)^2 \stackrel{\text{Gerretsen}}{\geq}$$

$$\frac{512r^9}{R^9} \cdot r^4 \left(\frac{27Rr + 5r(R - 2r)}{R} \right)^2 \cdot \frac{1}{3} \left(2 \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{h_b}{h_a} + \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{h_a}{h_b} \right)^2 \stackrel{\text{Euler and A-G}}{\geq}$$

$$\frac{512r^9}{R^9} \cdot r^4 \cdot 729r^2 \cdot \frac{1}{3} \cdot (6 + 3)^2 = \frac{6^9 \cdot r^{15}}{R^9} \stackrel{?}{\geq} \frac{6^9 \cdot r^{15}}{(9R^3 - 64r^3)^3} \Leftrightarrow 9R^3 - 64r^3 \stackrel{?}{\geq} R^3$$

$$\Leftrightarrow 8R^3 \stackrel{?}{\geq} 64r^3 \Leftrightarrow R \stackrel{?}{\geq} 2r \rightarrow \text{true via Euler} \therefore \frac{(h_a^3 + h_a^2 w_b + w_b^3)^5}{(w_a^3 + w_a^2 m_b + m_b^3)^3} +$$

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$$\frac{(h_b^3 + h_b^2 w_c + w_c^3)^5}{(w_b^3 + w_b^2 m_c + m_c^3)^3} + \frac{(h_c^3 + h_c^2 w_a + w_a^3)^5}{(w_c^3 + w_c^2 m_a + m_a^3)^3} \geq \frac{6^9 \cdot r^{15}}{(9R^3 - 64r^3)^3}$$

$\forall \Delta ABC, "=" \text{ iff } \Delta ABC \text{ is equilateral (QED)}$

1463. In any ΔABC , the following relationship holds :

$$\frac{r_a^5}{h_a^2 w_a^2 m_a^2} + \frac{r_b^5}{h_b^2 w_b^2 m_b^2} + \frac{r_c^5}{h_c^2 w_c^2 m_c^2} \geq \frac{64 \cdot r^5}{(9R^3 - 64r^3)^2}$$

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WLOG we may assume $a \geq b \geq c$ and then : $r_a \geq r_b \geq r_c$; $m_a \leq m_b \leq m_c$;

$$\frac{1}{h_a} \geq \frac{1}{h_b} \geq \frac{1}{h_c} \Rightarrow \frac{r_a^5}{m_a^4} \geq \frac{r_b^5}{m_b^4} \geq \frac{r_c^5}{m_c^4} \text{ and } \frac{1}{h_a^2} \geq \frac{1}{h_b^2} \geq \frac{1}{h_c^2} \rightarrow (1)$$

$$\text{Now, } \frac{r_a^5}{h_a^2 w_a^2 m_a^2} + \frac{r_b^5}{h_b^2 w_b^2 m_b^2} + \frac{r_c^5}{h_c^2 w_c^2 m_c^2} \geq \sum_{\text{cyc}} \left(\frac{1}{h_a^2} * \frac{r_a^5}{m_a^4} \right) \stackrel{\text{Chebyshev}}{\geq}$$

$$\frac{1}{3} \left(\sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{1}{h_a^2} \right) \left(\sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{r_a^5}{m_a^4} \right) \stackrel{\text{Radon}}{\geq} \frac{1}{3 * 4r^2 s^2} \left(\sum_{\text{cyc}} a^2 \right) \frac{(\sum_{\text{cyc}} r_a)^5}{(\sum_{\text{cyc}} m_a)^4} \stackrel{\text{Leuenberger and Ionescu-Weitzenbock + Mitrinovic}}{\geq}$$

$$\frac{1}{3 * 4r^2 s^2} * (4\sqrt{3}r * 3\sqrt{3}r) * \frac{(\sum_{\text{cyc}} r_a)^5}{(\sum_{\text{cyc}} r_a)^4} = \frac{3(4R + r)}{s^2}$$

$$\stackrel{\text{Mitrinovic}}{\geq} \frac{3(4R + r)}{4} \stackrel{?}{\geq} \frac{64 * r^5}{(9R^3 - 64r^3)^2}$$

$$\Leftrightarrow 324t^7 + 81t^6 - 4608t^4 - 1152t^3 - 144t^2 + 16384t + 4096 \stackrel{?}{\geq} 0 \left(t = \frac{R}{r} \right)$$

$$\Leftrightarrow (t - 2) \left((t - 2) \left(324t^5 + 1377t^4 + 4212t^3 + 6732t^2 + 8928t + 8640 \right) + 15232 \right) \stackrel{?}{\geq} 0 \rightarrow \text{true} \because t \stackrel{\text{Euler}}{\geq} 2$$

$$\therefore \frac{r_a^5}{h_a^2 w_a^2 m_a^2} + \frac{r_b^5}{h_b^2 w_b^2 m_b^2} + \frac{r_c^5}{h_c^2 w_c^2 m_c^2} \geq \frac{64 * r^5}{(9R^3 - 64r^3)^2}$$

$\forall \Delta ABC, "=" \text{ iff } \Delta ABC \text{ is equilateral (QED)}$

1464. In any ΔABC , the following relationship holds :

$$\frac{m_a^3}{w_b} + \frac{w_b^3}{h_c} + \frac{h_c^3}{m_a} \leq \frac{27}{32} \cdot \frac{81R^5 - 2560r^5}{r^3}$$

Proposed by Zaza Mzhavanadze-Georgia

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Solution 1 by Soumava Chakraborty-Kolkata-India

$$\begin{aligned}
 \frac{m_a^3}{w_b} + \frac{w_b^3}{h_c} + \frac{h_c^3}{m_a} &\leq \frac{m_a^3}{h_b} + \frac{m_b^3}{h_c} + \frac{m_c^3}{h_a} \stackrel{\text{Panaitopol}}{\leq} \\
 &\left(\frac{\frac{Rs}{a}}{\frac{2rs}{b}}\right) \left(\frac{2b^2 + 2c^2 + 2a^2 - 3a^2}{4}\right) + \left(\frac{\frac{Rs}{b}}{\frac{2rs}{c}}\right) \left(\frac{2c^2 + 2a^2 + 2b^2 - 3b^2}{4}\right) \\
 &+ \left(\frac{\frac{Rs}{c}}{\frac{2rs}{a}}\right) \left(\frac{2a^2 + 2b^2 + 2c^2 - 3c^2}{4}\right) = \frac{R}{2r} \left(\left(\frac{\sum_{cyc} a^2}{2}\right) \left(\frac{b}{a} + \frac{c}{b} + \frac{a}{c}\right) - \frac{3}{4} \sum_{cyc} ab \right) \\
 &\stackrel{\text{Leibnitz}}{\leq} \frac{R}{2r} \cdot \frac{9R^2}{2} \cdot \left(\frac{b}{a} + \frac{c}{b} + \frac{a}{c}\right) - \frac{3R}{8r} \cdot 4Rrs \cdot \sum_{cyc} \frac{1}{a} \stackrel{\text{CBS and Bergstrom}}{\leq} \frac{R}{2r} \cdot \frac{9R^2}{2} \cdot \sqrt{\sum_{cyc} a^2 \cdot \frac{\sum_{cyc} a^2 b^2}{16R^2 r^2 s^2}} \\
 &- \frac{3R}{8r} \cdot 4Rrs \cdot \frac{9}{2s} \stackrel{\text{Leibnitz and Goldstone}}{\leq} \frac{R}{2r} \cdot \frac{9R^2}{2} \cdot \sqrt{9R^2 \cdot \frac{4R^2 s^2}{16R^2 r^2 s^2}} - \frac{3R}{8r} \cdot 4Rrs \cdot \frac{9}{2s} = \frac{27R^4}{8r^2} - \frac{27R^2}{4} \\
 &\stackrel{?}{\leq} \frac{27}{32} \cdot \frac{81R^5 - 2560r^5}{r^3} \Leftrightarrow 81R^5 - 4R^4r + 8R^2r^3 - 2560r^5 \stackrel{?}{\geq} 0 \\
 &\Leftrightarrow (R - 2r)(81R^4 + 158R^3r + 316R^2r^2 + 640Rr^3 + 1280r^4) \stackrel{?}{\geq} 0 \rightarrow \text{true} \\
 &\therefore R \stackrel{\text{Euler}}{\geq} 2r \therefore \frac{m_a^3}{w_b} + \frac{w_b^3}{h_c} + \frac{h_c^3}{m_a} \leq \frac{27}{32} \cdot \frac{81R^5 - 2560r^5}{r^3} \\
 &\forall \Delta ABC, " = " \text{ iff } \Delta ABC \text{ is equilateral (QED)}
 \end{aligned}$$

Solution 2 by Mohamed Amine Ben Ajiba-Tanger-Morocco

Since $h_a \leq w_a \leq m_a$ (and analogs), and by using Rearrangement inequality, we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 \frac{m_a^3}{w_b} + \frac{w_b^3}{h_c} + \frac{h_c^3}{m_a} &= \frac{h_c m_a^4 + m_a w_b^4 + w_b h_c^4}{m_a w_b h_c} \leq \frac{m_c m_a^4 + m_a m_b^4 + m_b m_c^4}{h_a h_b h_c} \\
 &\leq \frac{m_a^5 + m_b^5 + m_c^5}{h_a h_b h_c}
 \end{aligned}$$

Also, we have

$$\bullet h_a h_b h_c = \frac{2s^2 r^2}{R} \stackrel{\text{Cosnita-Turtoiu}}{\geq} 27r^3 \quad (1)$$

$$\bullet m_a^5 + m_b^5 + m_c^5 = \left(\sum_{cyc} m_a\right)^5 - 5 \left(\sum_{cyc} m_a^2 + \sum_{cyc} m_b m_c\right) \prod_{cyc} (m_b + m_c)$$

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$$\stackrel{\geq}{\geq} (4R + r)^5 - 5 \cdot 6^3 \sqrt{(m_a m_b m_c)^2} \cdot 8m_a m_b m_c$$

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$$\begin{aligned} & \stackrel{\text{Euler \& } m_a \geq h_a}{\geq} \left(\frac{9R}{2}\right)^5 - 240^3 \sqrt{(h_a h_b h_c)^5} \stackrel{(1)}{\geq} \left(\frac{9R}{2}\right)^5 - 240(3r)^5 \\ & = \frac{27^2(81R^5 - 2560r^5)}{32}. \end{aligned}$$

Using these results, we obtain

$$\frac{m_a^3}{w_b} + \frac{w_b^3}{h_c} + \frac{h_c^3}{m_a} < \frac{27}{32} \cdot \frac{81R^5 - 2560r^5}{r^3}.$$

Equality holds iff $\triangle ABC$ is equilateral.

1465. In $\triangle ABC$ the following relationship holds:

$$\frac{(a^4 + b^4)h_c}{a + b} + \frac{(b^4 + c^4)h_a}{b + c} + \frac{(c^4 + a^4)h_b}{c + a} \geq 8\sqrt{3} \cdot F^2$$

Proposed by D.M. Bătinețu-Giurgiu, Florică Anastase – Romania

Solution 1 by Tapas Das-India

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{(a^4 + b^4)h_c}{a + b} + \frac{(b^4 + c^4)h_a}{b + c} + \frac{(c^4 + a^4)h_b}{c + a} \\ & \stackrel{AM-GM}{\geq} \frac{2a^2b^2 \cdot 2F}{ac + bc} + \frac{2b^2c^2 \cdot 2F}{ab + ac} + \frac{2c^2a^2 \cdot 2F}{bc + ab} \\ & = 4F \left[\frac{a^2b^2}{ac + bc} + \frac{b^2c^2}{ab + ac} + \frac{c^2a^2}{bc + ab} \right] \geq 4F \frac{(ab + bc + ca)^2}{2(ab + bc + ca)} \\ & = 2F(ab + bc + ca) \geq 2F \times 4\sqrt{3}F = 8\sqrt{3}F^2 \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Note: } ab + bc + ca \geq 4\sqrt{3}F$$

$$ab + bc + ca \geq 3[(abc)^2]^{\frac{1}{3}} \geq 3\left(\frac{4F}{\sqrt{3}}\right) = 4\sqrt{3}F$$

Solution 2 by Myagmarsuren Yadamsuren-Darkhan-Mongolia

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum \frac{(a^2)^2 + (b^2)^2}{\frac{a+b}{h_c}} \stackrel{CBS}{\geq} \frac{(2\sum a^2)^2}{2\sum \frac{a+b}{h_c}} = \\ & = \frac{4(\sum a^2)^2}{\frac{2}{2F} \cdot \sum(a+b)c} = \frac{2F(\sum a^2)^2}{\sum ab} \geq \frac{2F(\sum a^2)^2}{\sum a^2} \geq 2F \cdot 4\sqrt{3}F = 8\sqrt{3}F^2 \end{aligned}$$

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1466. In $\triangle ABC$ the following relationship holds:

$$\left(\frac{m_a}{w_b} + \frac{w_b}{h_c}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{m_b}{w_c} + \frac{w_c}{h_a}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{m_c}{w_a} + \frac{w_a}{h_b}\right)^2 \geq \frac{192r^4}{3R^4 - 32r^4}$$

Proposed by Zaza Mzhavanadze-Georgia

Solution by Daniel Sitaru-Romania

$$\begin{aligned} & \left(\frac{m_a}{w_b} + \frac{w_b}{h_c}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{m_b}{w_c} + \frac{w_c}{h_a}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{m_c}{w_a} + \frac{w_a}{h_b}\right)^2 \stackrel{AM-GM}{\geq} \\ & \geq \left(2\sqrt{\frac{m_a}{w_b} \cdot \frac{w_b}{h_c}}\right)^2 + \left(2\sqrt{\frac{m_b}{w_c} \cdot \frac{w_c}{h_a}}\right)^2 + \left(2\sqrt{\frac{m_c}{w_a} \cdot \frac{w_a}{h_b}}\right)^2 = \\ & = 4 \sum_{cyc} \frac{m_a}{h_c} = 4 \sum_{cyc} \frac{m_a}{\frac{2F}{c}} = \frac{2}{F} \sum_{cyc} cm_a \stackrel{CEBYSHEV}{\geq} \geq \frac{2}{rs} \cdot \frac{1}{3} \sum_{cyc} a \sum_{cyc} m_a \stackrel{GOTMAN}{\geq} \frac{2}{rs} \cdot \frac{2s}{3} \cdot 9r \\ & = 12 \end{aligned}$$

Remains to prove:

$$12 \geq \frac{192r^4}{3R^4 - 32r^4}, \quad 12(3R^4 - 32r^4) \geq 192r^4$$

$$3R^4 - 32r^4 \geq 16r^4 \Leftrightarrow 3R^4 \geq 48r^4 \Leftrightarrow R^4 \geq 16r^4 \Leftrightarrow R \geq 2r \text{ (Euler)}$$

Equality holds for: $a = b = c$.

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In any $\triangle ABC$ and $\forall m, n \in \mathbb{N}; n \geq 2$, the following relationship holds :

$$\frac{(h_a^m + w_b^m + m_c^m)^n}{r_a} + \frac{(h_b^m + w_c^m + m_a^m)^n}{r_b} + \frac{(h_c^m + w_a^m + m_b^m)^n}{r_c} \geq \frac{2 \cdot 3^{n(m+1)} \cdot r^{mn}}{R}$$

Proposed by Zaza Mzhavanadze-Georgia

Solution by Soumava Chakraborty-Kolkata-India

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{(h_a^m + w_b^m + m_c^m)^n}{r_a} + \frac{(h_b^m + w_c^m + m_a^m)^n}{r_b} + \frac{(h_c^m + w_a^m + m_b^m)^n}{r_c} \stackrel{\text{Holder}}{\geq} \\ & \frac{(\sum_{cyc} h_a^m + \sum_{cyc} w_a^m + \sum_{cyc} m_a^m)^n}{3^{n-2}(\sum_{cyc} r_a)} \geq \frac{(\sum_{cyc} h_a^m + \sum_{cyc} h_a^m + \sum_{cyc} h_a^m)^n}{3^{n-2}(4R + r)} \stackrel{\text{Holder and Euler}}{\geq} \end{aligned}$$

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$$\frac{3^n \left(\frac{1}{3^{m-1}} (\sum_{\text{cyc}} h_a)^m \right)^n}{3^{n-2} \cdot \frac{9R}{2}} = \frac{2}{3^{mn-n} \cdot R} \left(\sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{2rs}{a} \right)^{mn} \stackrel{\text{Bergstrom}}{\geq} \frac{2}{3^{mn-n} \cdot R} \left(\frac{2rs \cdot 9}{2s} \right)^{mn}$$

$$= \frac{2r^{mn} \cdot 3^{2mn}}{3^{mn-n} \cdot R} = \frac{2 \cdot 3^{n(m+1)} \cdot r^{mn}}{R} \quad \forall \Delta ABC, " = " \text{ iff } \Delta ABC \text{ is equilateral (QED)}$$

1468. In any ΔABC , the following relationship holds :

$$\frac{m_a w_b}{w_c h_a} + \frac{w_b h_c}{h_a m_b} + \frac{h_c m_a}{m_b w_c} \leq \frac{3}{8} \cdot \left(9 \left(\frac{R}{r} \right)^3 - 64 \right)$$

Proposed by Zaza Mzhavanadze-Georgia

Solution by Soumava Chakraborty-Kolkata-India

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{m_a w_b}{w_c h_a} + \frac{w_b h_c}{h_a m_b} + \frac{h_c m_a}{m_b w_c} \leq \frac{m_a m_b}{h_c h_a} + \frac{m_b m_c}{h_a h_b} + \frac{m_c m_a}{h_b h_c} \\ & \leq m_a m_b m_c \left(\frac{1}{h_c^2 h_a} + \frac{1}{h_a^2 h_b} + \frac{1}{h_b^2 h_c} \right) \leq \frac{R s^2}{2} \cdot \frac{c^2 a + a^2 b + b^2 c}{8 r^3 s^3} \\ & \stackrel{A-G}{\leq} \frac{R}{16 r^3 s} \cdot (a^3 + b^3 + c^3) = \frac{2sR(s^2 - 6Rr - 3r^2)}{16 r^3 s} \\ & \stackrel{\text{Gerretsen}}{\leq} \frac{R(4R^2 - 2Rr)}{8r^3} \stackrel{?}{\leq} \frac{3}{8} \cdot \left(9 \left(\frac{R}{r} \right)^3 - 64 \right) \Leftrightarrow 23R^3 + 2R^2 r - 192r^3 \stackrel{?}{\geq} 0 \\ & \Leftrightarrow (R - 2r)(23R^2 + 48Rr + 96r^2) \stackrel{?}{\geq} 0 \rightarrow \text{true} \because R \stackrel{\text{Euler}}{\geq} 2r \\ & \therefore \frac{m_a w_b}{w_c h_a} + \frac{w_b h_c}{h_a m_b} + \frac{h_c m_a}{m_b w_c} \leq \frac{3}{8} \cdot \left(9 \left(\frac{R}{r} \right)^3 - 64 \right) \quad \forall \Delta ABC, \\ & \quad " = " \text{ iff } \Delta ABC \text{ is equilateral (QED)} \end{aligned}$$

Proof of $m_a m_b m_c \leq \frac{R s^2}{2}$

$$\begin{aligned} m_a^2 m_b^2 m_c^2 &= \frac{1}{64} (2b^2 + 2c^2 - a^2)(2c^2 + 2a^2 - b^2)(2a^2 + 2b^2 - c^2) \\ &\stackrel{(1)}{=} \frac{1}{64} \left\{ -4 \sum_{\text{cyc}} a^6 + 6 \left(\sum_{\text{cyc}} a^4 b^2 + \sum_{\text{cyc}} a^2 b^4 \right) + 3a^2 b^2 c^2 \right\} \\ \text{Now, } \sum_{\text{cyc}} a^6 &= \left(\sum_{\text{cyc}} a^2 \right)^3 - 3(a^2 + b^2)(b^2 + c^2)(c^2 + a^2) \\ &= \left(\sum_{\text{cyc}} a^2 \right)^3 - 3 \left(2a^2 b^2 c^2 + \sum_{\text{cyc}} \left(a^2 b^2 \left(\sum_{\text{cyc}} a^2 - c^2 \right) \right) \right) \end{aligned}$$

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$$\begin{aligned}
 &= \left(\sum_{\text{cyc}} a^2 \right)^3 + 3a^2b^2c^2 - 3 \left(\sum_{\text{cyc}} a^2b^2 \right) \left(\sum_{\text{cyc}} a^2 \right) \\
 \therefore \sum_{\text{cyc}} a^6 &\stackrel{(2)}{=} \left(\sum_{\text{cyc}} a^2 \right)^3 + 3a^2b^2c^2 - 3 \left(\sum_{\text{cyc}} a^2b^2 \right) \left(\sum_{\text{cyc}} a^2 \right) \\
 \sum_{\text{cyc}} a^4b^2 + \sum_{\text{cyc}} a^2b^4 &= \sum_{\text{cyc}} \left(a^2b^2 \left(\sum_{\text{cyc}} a^2 - c^2 \right) \right) \stackrel{(3)}{=} \\
 &\left(\sum_{\text{cyc}} a^2b^2 \right) \left(\sum_{\text{cyc}} a^2 \right) - 3a^2b^2c^2 \therefore (1), (2), (3) \Rightarrow m_a^2 m_b^2 m_c^2 \\
 &= \frac{1}{64} \left(-4 \left(\sum_{\text{cyc}} a^2 \right)^3 - 12a^2b^2c^2 + 12 \left(\sum_{\text{cyc}} a^2b^2 \right) \left(\sum_{\text{cyc}} a^2 \right) \right. \\
 &\quad \left. + 6 \left(\sum_{\text{cyc}} a^2b^2 \right) \left(\sum_{\text{cyc}} a^2 \right) - 18a^2b^2c^2 + 3a^2b^2c^2 \right) \\
 &= \frac{1}{64} \left(-4 \left(\sum_{\text{cyc}} a^2 \right)^3 + 18 \left(\sum_{\text{cyc}} a^2b^2 \right) \left(\sum_{\text{cyc}} a^2 \right) - 27a^2b^2c^2 \right) \\
 &= \frac{1}{64} \left(-4 \left(\sum_{\text{cyc}} a^2 \right)^3 + 18 \left(\left(\sum_{\text{cyc}} ab \right)^2 - 16Rrs^2 \right) \left(\sum_{\text{cyc}} a^2 \right) - 27a^2b^2c^2 \right) \\
 &= \frac{1}{64} \left\{ -32(s^2 - 4Rr - r^2)^3 + 36(s^2 - 4Rr - r^2)(s^2 + 4Rr + r^2)^2 \right. \\
 &\quad \left. - 576Rrs^2(s^2 - 4Rr - r^2) - 432R^2r^2s^2 \right\} \\
 &= \frac{1}{16} \{ s^6 - s^4(12Rr - 33r^2) - s^2(60R^2r^2 + 120Rr^3 + 33r^4) - r^3(4R + r)^3 \} \\
 &\leq \frac{R^2s^4}{4} \Leftrightarrow
 \end{aligned}$$

$$s^6 - s^4(4R^2 + 12Rr - 33r^2) - s^2(60R^2r^2 + 120Rr^3 + 33r^4) - r^3(4R + r)^3 \stackrel{(\bullet)}{\leq} 0$$

Now, LHS of (\bullet) $\stackrel{\text{Gerretsen}}{\leq} -s^4(8Rr - 36r^2) - s^2(60R^2r^2 + 120Rr^3 + 33r^4) - r^3(4R + r)^3 \stackrel{?}{\leq} 0$

$$\Leftrightarrow s^4(8R - 16r) + s^2(60R^2r + 120Rr^2 + 33r^3) + r^2(4R + r)^3 \stackrel{?}{\geq} 20rs^4 \quad (\bullet\bullet)$$

Now, LHS of $(\bullet\bullet)$ $\stackrel{\text{Gerretsen}}{\geq} \stackrel{(a)}{s^2(16Rr - 5r^2)(8R - 16r)}$

$+s^2(60R^2r + 120Rr^2 + 33r^3) + r^2(4R + r)^3$ and

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RHS of $(\bullet\bullet) \stackrel{\text{Geretsen}}{\leq}_{(b)} 20rs^2(4R^2 + 4Rr + 3r^2)$

$(a), (b) \Rightarrow$ in order to prove $(\bullet\bullet)$, it suffices to prove :

$$s^2(16Rr - 5r^2)(8R - 16r) + s^2(60R^2r + 120Rr^2 + 33r^3) + r^2(4R + r)^3 \geq 20rs^2(4R^2 + 4Rr + 3r^2)$$

$$\Leftrightarrow s^2(108R^2 - 256Rr + 53r^2) + r(4R + r)^3 \geq 0$$

$$\Leftrightarrow s^2(108R^2 - 256Rr + 80r^2) + r(4R + r)^3 \stackrel{(\bullet\bullet\bullet)}{\geq} 27r^2s^2$$

Now, LHS of $(\bullet\bullet\bullet) \stackrel{\text{Geretsen}}{\geq}_{(c)} (108R^2 - 256Rr + 80r^2)(16Rr - 5r^2) + r(4R + r)^3$

and RHS of $(\bullet\bullet\bullet) \stackrel{\text{Geretsen}}{\leq}_{(d)} 27r^2(4R^2 + 4Rr + 3r^2)$

$(c), (d) \Rightarrow$ in order to prove $(\bullet\bullet\bullet)$, it suffices to prove :

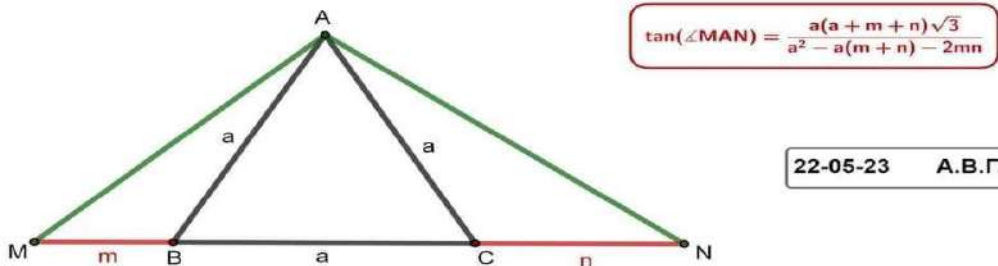
$$(108R^2 - 256Rr + 80r^2)(16Rr - 5r^2) + r(4R + r)^3 \geq 27r^2(4R^2 + 4Rr + 3r^2)$$

$$\Leftrightarrow 224t^3 - 587t^2 + 308t - 60 \geq 0 \quad \left(\text{where } t = \frac{R}{r}\right)$$

$$\Leftrightarrow (t - 2)((t - 2)(224t + 309) + 648) \geq 0 \rightarrow \text{true} \because t \stackrel{\text{Euler}}{\geq} 2 \Rightarrow (\bullet\bullet\bullet) \Rightarrow (\bullet\bullet)$$

$$\Rightarrow (\bullet) \text{ is true} \Rightarrow m_a^2 m_b^2 m_c^2 \leq \frac{R^2 s^4}{4} \Rightarrow m_a m_b m_c \leq \frac{Rs^2}{2} \quad (\text{QED})$$

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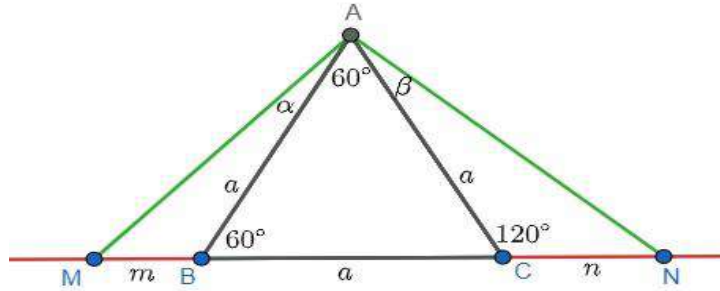


With reference to diagram, prove that :

$$\tan(\sphericalangle MAN) = \frac{\sqrt{3} \cdot 4a(a + m + n)}{4(a^2 - a(m + n) - 2mn)}$$

Proposed by Thanasis Gakopoulos-Farsala-Greece

Solution by Soumava Chakraborty-Kolkata-India



Via cotangent rule : $(m + a) \cot 60^\circ = m \cot \alpha - a \cot 60^\circ$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{a + m}{\sqrt{3}} = \frac{m}{\tan \alpha} - \frac{a}{\sqrt{3}} \Rightarrow \tan \alpha \stackrel{(*)}{=} \frac{\sqrt{3}m}{2a + m}$$

Also, via cotangent rule : $(a + n) \cot 120^\circ = a \cot 60^\circ - n \cot \beta$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{a + n}{-\sqrt{3}} = \frac{a}{\sqrt{3}} - \frac{n}{\tan \beta} \Rightarrow \tan \beta \stackrel{(**)}{=} \frac{\sqrt{3}n}{2a + n}$$

$$\therefore \tan(\sphericalangle MAN) = \frac{\tan \alpha + \tan \beta + \tan 60^\circ - \tan \alpha \cdot \tan \beta \cdot \tan 60^\circ}{1 - \tan \alpha \cdot \tan \beta - \tan \alpha \cdot \tan 60^\circ - \tan \beta \cdot \tan 60^\circ} \stackrel{\text{via } (*), (**)}{=} \frac{\sqrt{3}m}{2a + m} + \frac{\sqrt{3}n}{2a + n} + \sqrt{3} - \frac{\sqrt{3}m}{2a + m} \cdot \frac{\sqrt{3}n}{2a + n} \cdot \sqrt{3}$$

$$= \frac{\sqrt{3} \cdot 4a(a + m + n)}{4(a^2 - am - an - 2mn)}$$

$$\Rightarrow \tan(\sphericalangle MAN) = \frac{\sqrt{3} \cdot 4a(a + m + n)}{4(a^2 - a(m + n) - 2mn)} \quad (\text{QED})$$

1470. In any $\triangle ABC$, the following relationship holds :

$$\left(\frac{m_a}{w_b} + \frac{w_c}{h_a}\right)^3 + \left(\frac{m_b}{w_c} + \frac{w_a}{h_b}\right)^3 + \left(\frac{m_c}{w_a} + \frac{w_b}{h_c}\right)^3 \geq \frac{3 \cdot 2^9 \cdot r^6}{3(9R^3 - 64r^3)^2 - 128r^6}$$

Proposed by Zaza Mzhavanadze-Georgia

Solution by Soumava Chakraborty-Kolkata-India

$$\begin{aligned} & \left(\frac{m_a}{w_b} + \frac{w_c}{h_a}\right)^3 + \left(\frac{m_b}{w_c} + \frac{w_a}{h_b}\right)^3 + \left(\frac{m_c}{w_a} + \frac{w_b}{h_c}\right)^3 \stackrel{\text{A-G}}{\geq} \\ & 3 \left(\frac{m_a}{w_b} + \frac{w_c}{h_a}\right) \left(\frac{m_b}{w_c} + \frac{w_a}{h_b}\right) \left(\frac{m_c}{w_a} + \frac{w_b}{h_c}\right) \stackrel{\text{A-G}}{\geq} 3 \cdot 8 \cdot \sqrt{\frac{m_a}{w_b} \cdot \frac{w_c}{h_a} \cdot \frac{m_b}{w_c} \cdot \frac{w_a}{h_b} \cdot \frac{m_c}{w_a} \cdot \frac{w_b}{h_c}} \geq 3 \cdot 8 \\ & \stackrel{?}{\geq} \frac{3 \cdot 2^9 \cdot r^6}{3(9R^3 - 64r^3)^2 - 128r^6} \Leftrightarrow (9R^3 - 64r^3)^2 \stackrel{?}{\geq} 64r^6 \Leftrightarrow 9R^3 - 64r^3 \stackrel{?}{\geq} 8r^3 \end{aligned}$$

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$$\Leftrightarrow R^3 \stackrel{?}{\geq} 8r^3 \rightarrow \text{true} \because R \stackrel{\text{Euler}}{\geq} 2r \therefore \left(\frac{m_a}{w_b} + \frac{w_c}{h_a}\right)^3 + \left(\frac{m_b}{w_c} + \frac{w_a}{h_b}\right)^3 + \left(\frac{m_c}{w_a} + \frac{w_b}{h_c}\right)^3 \geq \frac{3 \cdot 2^9 \cdot r^6}{3(9R^3 - 64r^3)^2 - 128r^6} \forall \Delta ABC, " = " \text{ iff } \Delta ABC \text{ is equilateral (QED)}$$

1471.

In any bicentric quadrilateral ABCD with sides a, b, c, d ,
the following relationship holds :

$$3R\sqrt{2} \cdot \min\left(\frac{1}{a^{-3} + b^{-3} + c^{-3}}, \frac{1}{a^{-3} + b^{-3} + d^{-3}}, \frac{1}{a^{-3} + c^{-3} + d^{-3}}, \frac{1}{b^{-3} + c^{-3} + d^{-3}}\right) \leq F^2 \leq \frac{R\sqrt{2}}{3} \cdot \max(a^3 + b^3 + c^3, a^3 + b^3 + d^3, a^3 + c^3 + d^3, b^3 + c^3 + d^3)$$

Proposed by Emil C. Popa-Romania

Solution by Soumava Chakraborty-Kolkata-India

Via Brahmagupta and Parameshvara,

$$16F^2R^2 = (ac + bd)(ab + cd)(ad + bc)$$

$$\Rightarrow x \left(bd((a+c)^2 - 2ac) + ac((b+d)^2 - 2bd) \right) = 16R^2r^2s^2 \quad (x = ac + bd)$$

$$\Rightarrow x \left(bd(s^2 - 2ac) + ac(s^2 - 2bd) \right) = 16R^2r^2s^2 \Rightarrow x(s^2x - 4r^2s^2) = 16R^2r^2s^2$$

$$\Rightarrow x^2 - 4x \cdot r^2 - 16R^2r^2 = 0 \Rightarrow x = \frac{4r^2 \pm \sqrt{64R^2r^2 + 16r^4}}{2}$$

$$\Rightarrow ac + bd = 2r^2 + 2r \cdot \sqrt{4R^2 + r^2} \rightarrow (1)$$

$$\text{Now, } (bs + ca)(as + bd)(ds + ca)(cs + bd)$$

$$= s^3(a^2bc^2 + a^2c^2d + ab^2d^2 + b^2cd^2)$$

$$+ s^2(a^3c^3 + b^3d^3 + a^2b^2cd + a^2bcd^2 + ab^2c^2d + abc^2d^2)$$

$$+ sabcd(a^2c + ac^2 + b^2d + bd^2) + abcdr^2s^2 + abcds^4$$

$$\geq s^4(a^2c^2 + b^2d^2) + s^2abcd(ac + bd) + s^2abcd(as + cs) + sabcd(acs + bds)$$

$$+ abcdr^2s^2 + abcds^4 \stackrel{A-G}{\geq} 2s^4abcd + 2s^2abcd(ac + bd) + 2abcds^4 + abcdr^2s^2$$

$$= s^2abcd(4s^2 + 2(ac + bd) + r^2) \stackrel{\text{via (1)}}{=} r^2s^4 \left(4s^2 + 2 \left(2r^2 + 2r \cdot \sqrt{4R^2 + r^2} \right) + r^2 \right) \Rightarrow$$

$$(bs + ca)(as + bd)(ds + ca)(cs + bd) \geq r^2s^4 \left(4s^2 + 4r \cdot \sqrt{4R^2 + r^2} + 5r^2 \right) \rightarrow (2)$$

We have : $m^4 =$

$$\left(\min\left(\frac{1}{a^{-3} + b^{-3} + c^{-3}}, \frac{1}{a^{-3} + b^{-3} + d^{-3}}, \frac{1}{a^{-3} + c^{-3} + d^{-3}}, \frac{1}{b^{-3} + c^{-3} + d^{-3}}\right) \right)^4 \leq \frac{1}{(a^3b^3c^3)(a^3b^3d^3)(a^3c^3d^3)(b^3c^3d^3)} \leq \frac{1}{(a^3b^3 + b^3c^3 + c^3a^3)(a^3b^3 + b^3d^3 + d^3a^3)(a^3c^3 + c^3d^3 + d^3a^3)(b^3c^3 + c^3d^3 + b^3d^3)}$$

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$$\begin{aligned} & \leq \frac{9^4 \cdot F^{18}}{(bs+ca)^3(as+bd)^3(ds+ca)^3(cs+bd)^3} \\ & \left(\begin{aligned} & \because a^3b^3 + b^3c^3 + c^3a^3 = c^3a^3 + b^3(c+a)(c^2-ca+a^2) \\ & \geq c^3a^3 + \frac{b^3}{4}(c+a)^3 = c^3a^3 + \frac{b^3s^3}{8} + \frac{b^3s^3}{8} \stackrel{\text{Holder}}{\geq} \frac{\left(\frac{bs}{2} + \frac{bs}{2} + ca\right)^3}{9} \\ & \Rightarrow a^3b^3 + b^3c^3 + c^3a^3 \geq \frac{(bs+ca)^3}{9} \text{ analogs} \end{aligned} \right) \\ & \leq \frac{9^4 \cdot F^{18}}{r^6s^{12} \left(4s^2 + 4r \cdot \sqrt{4R^2 + r^2} + 5r^2\right)^3} \stackrel{?}{\leq} \left(\frac{F^2}{3R\sqrt{2}}\right)^4 = \frac{F^8}{81R^4 \cdot 4} \\ & \Leftrightarrow \frac{9^6 \cdot r^{10}s^{10}}{r^6s^{12} \left(4s^2 + 4r \cdot \sqrt{4R^2 + r^2} + 5r^2\right)^3} \stackrel{?}{\leq} \frac{1}{4R^4} \\ & \Leftrightarrow s^2 \left(4s^2 + 4r \cdot \sqrt{4R^2 + r^2} + 5r^2\right)^3 \stackrel{?}{\geq} 9^6 \cdot 4R^4 r^4 \quad (*) \end{aligned}$$

Now, via Blundon – Eddy, LHS of (*) \geq

$$\begin{aligned} & 8r \left(\sqrt{4R^2 + r^2} - r\right) \left(4 \cdot 8r \left(\sqrt{4R^2 + r^2} - r\right) + 4r \cdot \sqrt{4R^2 + r^2} + 5r^2\right)^3 \stackrel{?}{\geq} 9^6 \cdot 4R^4 r^4 \\ & \Leftrightarrow 2(4R^2 + r^2)(256R^2 + 172r^2) + 2r(192R^2r + 75r^3 + 96r(4R^2 + r^2)) - 729R^4 \\ & \stackrel{?}{\geq} 2r \cdot \sqrt{4R^2 + r^2} \cdot (256R^2 + 172r^2 + 192R^2 + 75r^2 + 96(4R^2 + r^2)) \\ & \Leftrightarrow (1319R^4 + 3040R^2r^2 + 686r^4)^2 \stackrel{?}{\geq} \left(2r \cdot \sqrt{4R^2 + r^2} \cdot (832R^2 + 343r^2)\right)^2 \\ & \Leftrightarrow 1739761t^3 - 3056064t^2 - 849660t + 5488 \stackrel{?}{\geq} 0 \quad \left(t = \frac{R^2}{r^2}\right) \\ & \Leftrightarrow (t-2) \left(1739761t^2 + 422086t + 1372(t-2)\right) \stackrel{?}{\geq} 0 \rightarrow \text{true} \because t \stackrel{\text{L. Fejes Toth}}{\geq} 2 \\ & \Rightarrow (*) \text{ is true} \Rightarrow m^4 \leq \left(\frac{F^2}{3R\sqrt{2}}\right)^4 \end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore 3R\sqrt{2} \cdot \min\left(\frac{1}{a^{-3} + b^{-3} + c^{-3}}, \frac{1}{a^{-3} + b^{-3} + d^{-3}}, \frac{1}{a^{-3} + c^{-3} + d^{-3}}, \frac{1}{b^{-3} + c^{-3} + d^{-3}}\right) \leq F^2$$

$$\begin{aligned} & \text{Also, } \frac{R\sqrt{2}}{3} \cdot \max(a^3 + b^3 + c^3, a^3 + b^3 + d^3, a^3 + c^3 + d^3, b^3 + c^3 + d^3) \geq \\ & \frac{R\sqrt{2}}{4 \cdot 3} (a^3 + b^3 + c^3 + a^3 + b^3 + d^3 + a^3 + c^3 + d^3 + b^3 + c^3 + d^3) \stackrel{A-G}{\geq} \\ & \frac{R\sqrt{2}}{4} (abc + abd + acd + bcd) = \frac{R\sqrt{2}}{4} (acs + bds) \stackrel{A-G}{\geq} \frac{Rs\sqrt{2}}{4} \cdot 2\sqrt{acbd} = \\ & \frac{Rrs^2}{\sqrt{2}} \stackrel{?}{\geq} F^2 = r^2s^2 \Leftrightarrow R \geq \sqrt{2}r \rightarrow \text{true via L. Fejes Toth} \end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore F^2 \leq \frac{R\sqrt{2}}{3} \cdot \max(a^3 + b^3 + c^3, a^3 + b^3 + d^3, a^3 + c^3 + d^3, b^3 + c^3 + d^3) \quad (\text{QED})$$

1472.

In any bicentric quadrilateral ABCD with sides a, b, c, d such that $a \leq b \leq c \leq d$, the following relationship holds :

$$\sqrt[4]{\frac{a}{r}} + \sqrt[4]{\frac{b}{r}} + \sqrt[4]{\frac{c}{r}} \leq 3 \cdot \sqrt{\frac{R}{r}}$$

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Solution by Soumava Chakraborty-Kolkata-India

$$\begin{aligned} a \leq b \leq c \leq d &\Rightarrow b \leq d \Rightarrow b \leq \frac{b+d}{2} \Rightarrow \sqrt[4]{\frac{a}{r}} + \sqrt[4]{\frac{b}{r}} + \sqrt[4]{\frac{c}{r}} \\ &\leq \frac{1}{\sqrt[4]{r}} (\sqrt[4]{a} + \sqrt[4]{c}) + \sqrt[4]{\frac{b+d}{2r}} \stackrel{\text{CBS}}{\leq} \frac{\sqrt{2}}{\sqrt[4]{r}} \cdot \sqrt{\sqrt{a} + \sqrt{c}} + \sqrt[4]{\frac{b+d}{2r}} \stackrel{\text{CBS}}{\leq} \\ &\frac{\sqrt{2}}{\sqrt[4]{r}} \cdot \sqrt{\sqrt{2} \cdot \sqrt{a+c}} + \sqrt[4]{\frac{b+d}{2r}} = 2 \cdot \sqrt[4]{\frac{a+c}{2r}} + \sqrt[4]{\frac{b+d}{2r}} = 2 \cdot \sqrt[4]{\frac{s}{2r}} + \sqrt[4]{\frac{s}{2r}} = 3 \cdot \sqrt[4]{\frac{s}{2r}} \\ &\stackrel{?}{\leq} 3 \cdot \sqrt{\frac{R}{r}} \Leftrightarrow r^2 s^2 \stackrel{?}{\leq} 4R^4 \quad (*) \end{aligned}$$

Now, via Blundon – Eddy, $s \leq \sqrt{4R^2 + r^2} + r$

$$\Rightarrow r^2 s^2 \leq r^2 (4R^2 + 2r^2 + 2r \cdot \sqrt{4R^2 + r^2}) \stackrel{?}{\leq} 4R^4$$

$$\Leftrightarrow 4R^4 - 4R^2 r^2 - 2r^4 \stackrel{?}{\geq} 2r^3 \cdot \sqrt{4R^2 + r^2}$$

$$\Leftrightarrow (4R^4 - 4R^2 r^2 - 2r^4)^2 \stackrel{?}{\geq} 4r^6 \cdot (4R^2 + r^2)$$

$$\left(\because 4R^4 - 4R^2 r^2 - 2r^4 = (4R^2 + 4r^2)(R^2 - 2r^2) + 6r^4 \stackrel{\text{L. Fejes Toth}}{\geq} 6r^4 > 0 \right)$$

$$\Leftrightarrow 16R^6(R^2 - 2r^2) \stackrel{?}{\geq} 0 \rightarrow \text{true, via L. Fejes Toth} \Rightarrow (*) \text{ is true}$$

$$\therefore \sqrt[4]{\frac{a}{r}} + \sqrt[4]{\frac{b}{r}} + \sqrt[4]{\frac{c}{r}} \leq 3 \cdot \sqrt{\frac{R}{r}}$$

\forall bicentric quadrilateral ABCD with sides $a, b, c, d \mid a \leq b \leq c \leq d$ (QED)

1473. In any ΔABC , the following relationships hold :

$$2 \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{\sqrt{m_a}}{a} \geq \sum_{\text{cyc}} \sqrt{\frac{w_a}{bc - w_a^2}} \quad \text{and} \quad 4 \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{m_a}{r_a - r} \geq \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{w_a(r_b + r_c)}{bc - w_a^2}$$

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$$bc - w_a^2 = bc - \frac{4bcs(s-a)}{(b+c)^2} = bc - bc \cdot \frac{(b+c)^2 - a^2}{(b+c)^2}$$

$$\Rightarrow bc - w_a^2 = \frac{a^2bc}{(b+c)^2} \rightarrow (1)$$

$$\text{Also, } r_b + r_c = s \left(\frac{\sin \frac{B}{2}}{\cos \frac{B}{2}} + \frac{\sin \frac{C}{2}}{\cos \frac{C}{2}} \right) = \frac{s \sin \left(\frac{B+C}{2} \right) \cos \frac{A}{2}}{\cos \frac{A}{2} \cos \frac{B}{2} \cos \frac{C}{2}} = \frac{s \cos^2 \frac{A}{2}}{\left(\frac{s}{4R} \right)} = 4R \cos^2 \frac{A}{2}$$

$$\therefore r_b + r_c = 4R \cos^2 \frac{A}{2} \rightarrow (2)$$

$$\text{Now, } \frac{2\sqrt{m_a}}{a} \cdot \sqrt{\frac{bc - w_a^2}{w_a}} \stackrel{\text{via (1) and Lascu}}{\geq} \frac{2\sqrt{\frac{b+c}{2} \cos \frac{A}{2}}}{a} \cdot \sqrt{\frac{\frac{a^2bc}{(b+c)^2}}{\frac{2bc}{b+c} \cos \frac{A}{2}}} = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{2\sqrt{m_a}}{a} \geq \sqrt{\frac{w_a}{bc - w_a^2}} \text{ and analogs } \therefore 2 \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{\sqrt{m_a}}{a} \geq \sum_{\text{cyc}} \sqrt{\frac{w_a}{bc - w_a^2}}$$

$$\text{Again, } \frac{4m_a}{r_a - r} \cdot \frac{bc - w_a^2}{w_a(r_b + r_c)} \stackrel{\text{via (1),(2) and Lascu}}{\geq} \frac{4 \cdot \frac{b+c}{2} \cos \frac{A}{2}}{rs(s - (s-a))} \cdot \frac{\frac{a^2bc}{(b+c)^2}}{\frac{2bc}{b+c} \cos \frac{A}{2} \cdot 4R \frac{s(s-a)}{bc}} = \frac{abc}{4Rrs}$$

$$= 1 \Rightarrow \frac{4m_a}{r_a - r} \geq \frac{w_a(r_b + r_c)}{bc - w_a^2} \text{ and analogs } \therefore 4 \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{m_a}{r_a - r} \geq \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{w_a(r_b + r_c)}{bc - w_a^2} \text{ (QED)}$$

1474. In any ΔABC , the following relationship holds :

$$\sqrt{\frac{r_a + r_b + r_c}{h_a + h_b + h_c}} \cdot \frac{a}{\sqrt{bc - w_a^2}} \leq \sqrt{\frac{2R}{r}}$$

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Solution by Soumava Chakraborty-Kolkata-India

$$bc - w_a^2 = bc - \frac{4bcs(s-a)}{(b+c)^2} = bc - bc \cdot \frac{(b+c)^2 - a^2}{(b+c)^2} = \frac{a^2bc}{(b+c)^2}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{a}{\sqrt{bc - w_a^2}} = \frac{b+c}{\sqrt{bc}} \therefore \sqrt{\frac{r_a + r_b + r_c}{h_a + h_b + h_c}} \cdot \frac{a}{\sqrt{bc - w_a^2}} \leq \sqrt{\frac{2R}{r}}$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \frac{2R(4R+r)}{ab+bc+ca} \cdot \frac{(b+c)^2}{bc} \leq \frac{2R}{r} \Leftrightarrow \frac{4R+r}{ab+bc+ca} \cdot \frac{a(b+c)^2}{4Rrs} \leq \frac{1}{r}$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \frac{4R+r}{4R} \leq \frac{s(ab+bc+ca)}{a(b+c)^2} \Leftrightarrow \frac{r}{4R} \leq \frac{s(ab+bc+ca) - a(b+c)^2}{a(b+c)^2}$$

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$$\Leftrightarrow \frac{F^2}{sabc} \leq \frac{s(ab+bc+ca) - a(b+c)^2}{a(b+c)^2}$$

$$\Leftrightarrow (s-a)(s-b)(s-c)(b+c)^2 \leq bc(s(ab+bc+ca) - a(b+c)^2)$$

$$\Leftrightarrow (z+x)(x+y) \left(\left(\sum_{cyc} x \right) \left(\sum_{cyc} ((z+x)(x+y)) \right) - xyz(2x+y+z)^2 \geq 0 \right. \\ \left. - (y+z)(2x+y+z)^2 \right)$$

(where $x = s - a, y = s - b, z = s - c \Rightarrow a = y + z, b = z + x, c = x + y$)

$$\Leftrightarrow x^5 + x^4y + x^4z + xy^2z^2 + y^3z^2 + y^2z^3 \geq 2x^3yz + 2x^2y^2z + 2x^2yz^2 \rightarrow \text{true}$$

$$\therefore x^5 + xy^2z^2 \stackrel{A-G}{\geq} 2x^3yz, x^4y + y^3z^2 \stackrel{A-G}{\geq} 2x^2y^2z \text{ and } x^4z + y^2z^3 \stackrel{A-G}{\geq} 2x^2yz^2$$

$$\therefore \sqrt{\frac{r_a + r_b + r_c}{h_a + h_b + h_c}} \cdot \frac{a}{\sqrt{bc - w_a^2}} \leq \sqrt{\frac{2R}{r}} \forall \Delta ABC \text{ (QED)}$$

1475. In ΔABC the following relationship holds:

$$\left(\sum_{cyc} \sqrt[5]{\sin A} \right) \left(\sum_{cyc} \sqrt[5]{\sin \frac{A}{2}} \right) \leq \sqrt[10]{\frac{3^{21}}{16}}$$

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Solution 1 by George Florin Șerban

$$f: (0, \pi) \rightarrow (0, 1], f(x) = \sqrt[5]{\sin x} = (\sin x)^{\frac{1}{5}}$$

$$f'(x) = \frac{1}{5} (\sin x)^{-\frac{4}{5}} \cdot \cos x, f''(x) = -\frac{4}{25} (\sin x)^{-\frac{9}{5}} \cos^2 x - \frac{1}{5} (\sin x)^{-\frac{4}{5}} \sin x < 0$$

$$(\forall)x \in (0, \pi) \Rightarrow f \text{ concave}$$

$$f\left(\frac{A+B+C}{3}\right) \geq \frac{\sum_{cyc} f(A)}{3} \stackrel{\text{Jensen}}{\Rightarrow} \sum_{cyc} f(A) \leq 3f(60^\circ) \Rightarrow \sum_{cyc} \sqrt[5]{\sin A} \leq 3\left(\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}\right)^{\frac{1}{5}}$$

$$g: (0, \pi) \rightarrow (0, 1), g(x) = \sqrt[5]{\sin \frac{x}{2}} = \left(\sin \frac{x}{2}\right)^{\frac{1}{5}}$$

$$g'(x) = \frac{1}{5} \left(\sin \frac{x}{2}\right)^{-\frac{4}{5}} \cdot \frac{1}{2} \cos \frac{x}{2} = \frac{1}{10} \left(\sin \frac{x}{2}\right)^{-\frac{4}{5}} \cos \frac{x}{2}$$

$$g''(x) = -\frac{4}{50} \left(\sin \frac{x}{2}\right)^{-\frac{9}{5}} \cdot \frac{1}{2} \cdot \cos^2 \frac{x}{2} - \frac{1}{10} \left(\sin \frac{x}{2}\right)^{-\frac{4}{5}} \cdot \frac{1}{2} \sin \frac{x}{2}$$

$$g''(x) < 0, (\forall)x \in (0, \pi) \Rightarrow g \text{ concave} \rightarrow \text{Jensen}$$

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$$\begin{aligned}
 g\left(\frac{A+B+C}{3}\right) &\geq \frac{\sum_{cyc} g(A)}{3} \Rightarrow \sum_{cyc} g(A) \leq 3g(60^\circ) \Rightarrow \sum_{cyc} \sqrt[5]{\sin \frac{A}{2}} \leq 3\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^{\frac{1}{5}} \\
 &\Rightarrow \left(\sum_{cyc} \sqrt[5]{\sin A}\right) \cdot \left(\sum_{cyc} \sqrt[5]{\sin \frac{A}{2}}\right) \leq 9\left(\frac{\sqrt{3}}{4}\right)^{\frac{1}{5}} = \frac{3^{2+\frac{1}{10}}}{4^{\frac{1}{5}}} = \\
 &= \frac{3^{\frac{21}{10}}}{2^{\frac{2}{5}}} = \frac{10\sqrt[10]{3^{21}}}{2^{\frac{4}{10}}} = \frac{10\sqrt[10]{3^{21}}}{10\sqrt[10]{2^4}} = \sqrt[10]{\frac{3^{21}}{16}} \\
 &\Rightarrow \left(\sum_{cyc} \sqrt[5]{\sin A}\right) \cdot \left(\sum_{cyc} \sqrt[5]{\sin \frac{A}{2}}\right) \leq \sqrt[10]{\frac{3^{21}}{16}}
 \end{aligned}$$

Solution 2 by Tapas Das-India

$$\begin{aligned}
 \sin^2 A + \sin^2 B + \sin^2 C &= \frac{a^2}{4R^2} + \frac{b^2}{4R^2} + \frac{c^2}{4R^2} = \frac{a^2 + b^2 + c^2}{4R^2} \\
 &\leq \frac{9R^2}{4R^2} = \frac{9}{4}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\sum \sqrt[5]{\sin A} \stackrel{\text{Leibniz}}{\leq} \sum \sqrt[10]{\sin^2 A} \stackrel{\text{CBS}}{\leq} \frac{3}{3^{10}} \left(\sum \sin^2 A\right)^{\frac{1}{10}} \leq \frac{3}{3^{10}} \cdot \left(\frac{9}{4}\right)^{\frac{1}{10}}$$

$$\text{Let } f(x) = \sin \frac{x}{2}, x \in (0, \pi)$$

$$f'(x) = \frac{1}{2} \cos \frac{x}{2}, \quad f''(x) = -\frac{1}{4} \sin^2 \frac{x}{2} < 0$$

$\therefore f$ is concave

$$f\left(\frac{A}{2}\right) + f\left(\frac{B}{2}\right) + f\left(\frac{C}{2}\right) \leq 3f\left(\frac{A+B+C}{6}\right)$$

$$\therefore \sum \sin \frac{A}{2} = 3 \cdot \sin \frac{\pi}{6} = \frac{3}{2}$$

$$\sum \sqrt[5]{\sin \frac{A}{2}} \stackrel{\text{CBS}}{\leq} \frac{3}{3^{\frac{5}{5}}} \left(\sum \left(\sin \frac{A}{2}\right)\right)^{\frac{1}{5}} = \frac{3}{3^{\frac{1}{5}}} \left(\frac{3}{2}\right)^{\frac{1}{5}} = \frac{3}{2^{\frac{1}{5}}}$$

$$\sum \sqrt[5]{\sin A} \cdot \sum \sqrt[5]{\sin \frac{A}{2}} = \frac{(3^{10})^{\frac{1}{10}}}{(2^2)^{\frac{1}{10}}}$$

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$$\leq \frac{3}{3^{10}} \left(\frac{9}{4}\right)^{\frac{1}{10}} \cdot \frac{(3^{10})^{\frac{1}{10}}}{(2^2)^{\frac{1}{10}}} = \left(\frac{3^{10} \cdot 3^2 \cdot 3^{10}}{3 \cdot 2^2 \cdot 2^2}\right)^{\frac{1}{10}} = \left(\frac{3^{21}}{16}\right)^{\frac{1}{10}}$$

Solution 3 by Khaled Abd Imouti-Syria

Let be the function:

$$f(x) = \sqrt[5]{\sin x}, x \in]0, \pi[$$

$$f(x) = (\sin x)^{\frac{1}{5}}, f'(x) = \frac{1}{5} (\sin x)^{-\frac{4}{5}} \cdot \cos x$$

$$''f(x) = \frac{1}{5} \left[\underbrace{-\frac{4}{5} (\sin x)^{-\frac{9}{5}} \cos^2 x}_{<0} - \underbrace{\sin x \cdot (\sin x)^{-\frac{4}{5}}}_{<0} \right] < 0$$

So f is a concave function

$$\sum_{cyc} \sqrt[5]{\sin A} \leq \sqrt[5]{\sin \left(\frac{A+B+C}{3}\right)}, \sum_{cyc} \sqrt[5]{\sin A} \leq 3 \sqrt[5]{\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}} = 3 \frac{(3)^{\frac{1}{10}}}{(2)^{\frac{1}{5}}} \quad (*)$$

$$\text{Let be the function: } g(x) = \sqrt[5]{\sin \frac{x}{2}}, x \in]0, \pi[$$

in similar way g is concave function

$$\text{So: } \sum_{cyc} \sqrt[5]{\sin \frac{A}{2}} \leq 3 \sqrt[5]{\sin \left(\frac{\frac{A}{2} + \frac{B}{2} + \frac{C}{2}}{3}\right)} \rightarrow \sum_{cyc} \sqrt[5]{\sin \frac{A}{2}} \leq 3 \sqrt[5]{\frac{1}{2}} \quad (**)$$

\Rightarrow from (*) and (**)

$$\left(\sum_{cyc} \sqrt[5]{\sin A}\right) \cdot \left(\sum_{cyc} \sqrt[5]{\sin \frac{A}{2}}\right) \leq 9 \cdot \frac{(3)^{\frac{1}{10}}}{(2)^{\frac{1}{5}}} = \frac{(3)^2 \cdot (3)^{\frac{1}{10}}}{(4)^{\frac{1}{5}}} = \frac{(3)^{\frac{21}{10}}}{(4^2)^{\frac{1}{10}}} = \sqrt[10]{\frac{3^{21}}{16}}$$

1476.

In any ΔABC , the following relationship holds :

$$\sum_{cyc} \frac{1}{1 + \cot \frac{B}{2} \cdot \cot \frac{C}{2}} \leq \frac{3}{4}$$

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$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{1}{1 + \cot \frac{B}{2} \cdot \cot \frac{C}{2}} &= \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{1}{1 + \frac{s^2}{r_b r_c}} = \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{s(s-a)}{s(s-a) + s^2} = \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{2s-a-s}{2s-a} \\ &= 3 - \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{s}{b+c} = 3 - s \cdot \frac{\sum_{\text{cyc}} (\sum_{\text{cyc}} ab + a^2)}{2s(s^2 + 2Rr + r^2)} = 3 - \frac{(\sum_{\text{cyc}} a^2 + 2 \sum_{\text{cyc}} ab) + \sum_{\text{cyc}} ab}{2(s^2 + 2Rr + r^2)} \\ &= 3 - \frac{4s^2 + s^2 + 4Rr + r^2}{2(s^2 + 2Rr + r^2)} = \frac{s^2 + 8Rr + 5r^2}{2(s^2 + 2Rr + r^2)} \stackrel{?}{\leq} \frac{3}{4} \Leftrightarrow s^2 - 10Rr - 7r^2 \stackrel{?}{\geq} 0 \\ &\Leftrightarrow s^2 - 16Rr + 5r^2 + 6r(R-2r) \stackrel{?}{\geq} 0 \rightarrow \text{true} \because s^2 - 16Rr + 5r^2 \stackrel{\text{Gerretsen}}{\geq} 0 \text{ and} \\ &\quad 6r(R-2r) \stackrel{\text{Euler}}{\geq} 0 \therefore \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{1}{1 + \cot \frac{B}{2} \cdot \cot \frac{C}{2}} \leq \frac{3}{4} \\ &\quad \forall \Delta ABC, " = " \text{ iff } \Delta ABC \text{ is equilateral (QED)} \end{aligned}$$

1477. In any ΔABC , the following relationship holds :

$$8 \sum_{\text{cyc}} \sin^2 \frac{A}{2} + 32 \prod_{\text{cyc}} \sin \frac{A}{2} + \frac{9}{\sum_{\text{cyc}} \sin \frac{B}{2} \sin \frac{C}{2}} \geq 22$$

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Solution by Soumava Chakraborty-Kolkata-India

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{\text{cyc}} \operatorname{cosec}^2 \frac{A}{2} &= 3 + \sum_{\text{cyc}} \cot^2 \frac{A}{2} = 3 + \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{s^2}{r_a^2} \\ &= 3 + \frac{s^2}{r^2 s^4} \left(\left(\sum_{\text{cyc}} r_b r_c \right)^2 - 2r_a r_b r_c \left(\sum_{\text{cyc}} r_a \right) \right) = 3 + \frac{s^2 (s^4 - 2rs^2(4R+r))}{r^2 s^4} \\ &\Rightarrow \sum_{\text{cyc}} \operatorname{cosec}^2 \frac{A}{2} = \frac{s^2 - 8Rr + r^2}{r^2} \Rightarrow \left(\sum_{\text{cyc}} \operatorname{cosec} \frac{A}{2} \right)^2 = \sum_{\text{cyc}} \operatorname{cosec}^2 \frac{A}{2} + \\ &\quad 2 \sum_{\text{cyc}} \operatorname{cosec} \frac{B}{2} \operatorname{cosec} \frac{C}{2} = \frac{s^2 - 8Rr + r^2}{r^2} + \frac{2}{\left(\frac{r}{4R} \right)} \sum_{\text{cyc}} \sin \frac{A}{2} \stackrel{\text{Jensen}}{\leq} \\ &\quad \frac{s^2 - 8Rr + r^2}{r^2} + \frac{12R}{r} \stackrel{\text{Gerretsen}}{\leq} \frac{4R^2 + 8Rr + 4r^2}{r^2} = \frac{4(R+r)^2}{r^2} \\ &\quad \Rightarrow \sum_{\text{cyc}} \operatorname{cosec} \frac{A}{2} \stackrel{(1)}{\leq} \frac{2R+2r}{r} \end{aligned}$$

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$$\begin{aligned}
 & \text{Now, } 8 \sum_{\text{cyc}} \sin^2 \frac{A}{2} + 32 \prod_{\text{cyc}} \sin \frac{A}{2} + \frac{9}{\sum_{\text{cyc}} \sin \frac{B}{2} \sin \frac{C}{2}} - 22 \\
 &= \frac{9}{\left(\prod_{\text{cyc}} \sin \frac{A}{2}\right) \left(\sum_{\text{cyc}} \operatorname{cosec} \frac{A}{2}\right)} - 22 + 8 \sum_{\text{cyc}} \sin^2 \frac{A}{2} + 32 \cdot \frac{r}{4R} \stackrel{\text{via (1)}}{\geq} \\
 &= \frac{9}{\left(\frac{r}{4R}\right) \left(\frac{2R+2r}{r}\right)} - 22 + \frac{4(2R-r)}{R} + \frac{8r}{R} = \frac{2(2R^2 - 5Rr + 2r^2)}{R} = \\
 &= \frac{2(2R-r)(R-2r)}{R} \stackrel{\text{Euler}}{\geq} 0 \Rightarrow 8 \sum_{\text{cyc}} \sin^2 \frac{A}{2} + 32 \prod_{\text{cyc}} \sin \frac{A}{2} + \frac{9}{\sum_{\text{cyc}} \sin \frac{B}{2} \sin \frac{C}{2}} \\
 &\geq 22 \forall \Delta ABC, " = " \text{ iff } \Delta ABC \text{ is equilateral (QED)}
 \end{aligned}$$

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In any ΔABC , the following relationship holds :

$$4r \left(4 + \frac{r}{R}\right) (2R - r)^2 \leq \sum_{\text{cyc}} r_b r_c (r_b + r_c) \leq R(4R + r)^2$$

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$$\begin{aligned}
 & 4r \left(4 + \frac{r}{R}\right) (2R - r)^2 \leq \sum_{\text{cyc}} r_b r_c (r_b + r_c) \\
 \Leftrightarrow & rs^2 \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{r_b + r_c}{r_a} \geq r \cdot \frac{4 \sum_{\text{cyc}} r_a}{4R + r - \frac{rs^2}{s^2}} \cdot \left(4R + r - \frac{rs^2}{s^2} - 2 \cdot \frac{rs^2}{s^2}\right)^2 \\
 \Leftrightarrow & \left(\sum_{\text{cyc}} r_a r_b\right) \left(\sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{r_a (r_b^2 + r_c^2)}{r_a r_b r_c}\right) \geq \frac{4 \sum_{\text{cyc}} r_a}{\sum_{\text{cyc}} r_a - \frac{r_a r_b r_c}{\sum_{\text{cyc}} r_a r_b}} \cdot \left(\sum_{\text{cyc}} r_a - \frac{3r_a r_b r_c}{\sum_{\text{cyc}} r_a r_b}\right)^2 \\
 & \Leftrightarrow \left(\sum_{\text{cyc}} r_a r_b\right) \left(\sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{r_a r_b (\sum_{\text{cyc}} r_a - r_c)}{r_a r_b r_c}\right) \\
 & \geq \frac{4(\sum_{\text{cyc}} r_a)(\sum_{\text{cyc}} r_a r_b) \left((\sum_{\text{cyc}} r_a)(\sum_{\text{cyc}} r_a r_b) - 3r_a r_b r_c\right)^2}{\left((\sum_{\text{cyc}} r_a)(\sum_{\text{cyc}} r_a r_b) - r_a r_b r_c\right) (\sum_{\text{cyc}} r_a r_b)^2} \\
 \Leftrightarrow & \left(\sum_{\text{cyc}} r_a r_b\right) \left(\left(\sum_{\text{cyc}} r_a\right) \left(\sum_{\text{cyc}} r_a r_b\right) - 3r_a r_b r_c\right) \left(\left(\sum_{\text{cyc}} r_a\right) \left(\sum_{\text{cyc}} r_a r_b\right) - r_a r_b r_c\right) \left(\sum_{\text{cyc}} r_a r_b\right)
 \end{aligned}$$

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$$\geq 4r_a r_b r_c \left(\sum_{\text{cyc}} r_a \right) \left(\left(\sum_{\text{cyc}} r_a \right) \left(\sum_{\text{cyc}} r_a r_b \right) - 3r_a r_b r_c \right)^2$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \left(\left(\sum_{\text{cyc}} x \right) \left(\sum_{\text{cyc}} xy \right) \right) \left(\sum_{\text{cyc}} xy \right)^2 \stackrel{(*)}{\geq} 4xyz \left(\sum_{\text{cyc}} x \right) \left(\left(\sum_{\text{cyc}} x \right) \left(\sum_{\text{cyc}} xy \right) - 3xyz \right)$$

$$(x = r_a, y = r_b, z = r_c)$$

Assigning $y + z = X, z + x = Y, x + y = Z \Rightarrow X + Y - Z = 2z > 0, Y + Z - X = 2x > 0$ and $Z + X - Y = 2y > 0 \Rightarrow X + Y > Z, Y + Z > X, Z + X > Y$

$\Rightarrow X, Y, Z$ form sides of a triangle with semiperimeter, circumradius and inradius

$$= s', R', r' \text{ (say) yielding } 2 \sum_{\text{cyc}} x = \sum_{\text{cyc}} X = 2s' \Rightarrow \sum_{\text{cyc}} x = s' \rightarrow (1) \Rightarrow x = s' - X,$$

$$y = s' - Y, z = s' - Z \text{ and such substitutions } \Rightarrow xyz = r'^2 s' \rightarrow (2) \text{ and}$$

$$\sum_{\text{cyc}} xy = \sum_{\text{cyc}} (s' - X)(s' - Y) \Rightarrow \sum_{\text{cyc}} xy = 4R'r' + r'^2 \rightarrow (3)$$

\therefore via (1), (2) and (3), (*) \Leftrightarrow

$$(s'(4R'r' + r'^2) - r'^2 s')(4R'r' + r'^2)^2 \geq 4r'^2 s'(s')(s'(4R'r' + r'^2) - r'^2 s')$$

$$\Leftrightarrow R'(4R' + r')^2 \geq (4R' - 2r')s'^2 \rightarrow \text{true via Blundon - Gerretsen} \Rightarrow (*) \text{ is true}$$

$$\therefore 4r \left(4 + \frac{r}{R} \right) (2R - r)^2 \leq \sum_{\text{cyc}} r_b r_c (r_b + r_c)$$

$$\Rightarrow \sum_{\text{cyc}} r_b r_c \left(\sum_{\text{cyc}} r_a - r_a \right) \geq \frac{4r}{R} (4R + r)(2R - r)^2 \Rightarrow (4R + r)s^2 - 3rs^2$$

$$\geq \frac{4r}{R} (4R + r)(2R - r)^2 \Rightarrow Rs^2 \geq r(4R + r)(4R - 2r)$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{R's'^2 \stackrel{(*)}{\geq} r'(4R' + r')(4R' - 2r')}$$

$$\text{Again, } \sum_{\text{cyc}} r_b r_c (r_b + r_c) \leq R(4R + r)^2$$

$$\Leftrightarrow 4xyz \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{y+z}{x} \leq \left(\sum_{\text{cyc}} x \right)^2 \left(\sum_{\text{cyc}} x - \frac{xyz}{\sum_{\text{cyc}} xy} \right)$$

$$\Leftrightarrow s'^2 (s'(4R'r' + r'^2) - r'^2 s') \geq 4(4R'r' + r'^2) (s'(4R'r' + r'^2) - 3r'^2 s') \Leftrightarrow$$

$$R's'^2 \geq r'(4R' + r')(4R' - 2r') \rightarrow \text{true via } (\bullet) \therefore \boxed{\sum_{\text{cyc}} r_b r_c (r_b + r_c) \leq R(4R + r)^2}$$

$$\Rightarrow 4r \left(4 + \frac{r}{R} \right) (2R - r)^2 \leq \sum_{\text{cyc}} r_b r_c (r_b + r_c) \leq R(4R + r)^2$$

$\forall \Delta ABC, '' = ''$ iff ΔABC is equilateral (QED)

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1479. In any ΔABC , the following relationship holds :

$$\sqrt[3]{m_a m_b m_c} + \frac{|m_a - m_b| + |m_b - m_c| + |m_c - m_a|}{2} \geq \frac{m_a + m_b + m_c}{3}$$

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Solution by Soumava Chakraborty-Kolkata-India

Firstly, we shall prove : $\frac{|a-b| + |b-c| + |c-a|}{2} \stackrel{(1)}{\geq} \frac{a+b+c}{3} - \sqrt[3]{abc}$

$$\text{Now, } \frac{a+b+c}{3} - \sqrt[3]{abc} \stackrel{G-H}{\leq} \frac{\sum_{cyc} a}{3} - \frac{3abc}{\sum_{cyc} ab}$$

$$= \frac{(\sum_{cyc} a)(\sum_{cyc} ab) - 9abc}{3 \sum_{cyc} ab} \stackrel{?}{\leq} \frac{|a-b| + |b-c| + |c-a|}{2}$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \sum_{cyc} (b-c)^2 + 2 \sum_{cyc} (|a-b||b-c|) \stackrel{?}{\geq} \frac{4}{9} \left(\frac{(\sum_{cyc} a)(\sum_{cyc} ab) - 9abc}{\sum_{cyc} ab} \right)^2$$

$$\text{Now, LHS of } (*) \geq 2 \left(\sum_{cyc} a^2 - \sum_{cyc} ab \right) \stackrel{?}{\geq} \frac{4}{9} \left(\frac{(\sum_{cyc} a)(\sum_{cyc} ab) - 9abc}{\sum_{cyc} ab} \right)^2$$

$$\Leftrightarrow 9(s^2 - 12Rr - 3r^2)(s^2 + 4Rr + r^2)^2 \stackrel{?}{\geq} 2(2s(s^2 + 4Rr + r^2) - 36Rrs)^2$$

$$\Leftrightarrow s^6 + (188Rr - 25r^2)s^4 - r^2s^2(2288R^2 + 136Rr + 53r^2) - 27r^3(4R + r)^3 \stackrel{?}{\geq} 0 \quad (**)$$

$$\text{Now, LHS of } (*) \stackrel{\text{Gerretsen}}{\geq} (204Rr - 30r^2)s^4 - r^2s^2(2288R^2 + 136Rr + 53r^2)$$

$$- 27r^3(4R + r)^3 \stackrel{\text{Gerretsen}}{\geq} \left(\begin{matrix} (204Rr - 30r^2)(16Rr - 5r^2) \\ -r^2(2288R^2 + 136Rr + 53r^2) \end{matrix} \right) s^2 - 27r^3(4R + r)^3$$

$$= r^2(976R^2 - 1636Rr + 97r^2)s^2 - 27r^3(4R + r)^3 \stackrel{\text{Gerretsen}}{\geq}$$

$$r^3(976R^2 - 1636Rr + 97r^2)(16R - 5r) - 27r^3(4R + r)^3 \stackrel{?}{\geq} 0$$

$$\Leftrightarrow 434t^3 - 1011t^2 + 294t - 16 \stackrel{?}{\geq} 0 \quad \left(t = \frac{R}{r} \right)$$

$$\Leftrightarrow (t-2)(362t^2 + 72t(t-2) + t+8) \stackrel{?}{\geq} 0 \rightarrow \text{true} \because t \stackrel{\text{Euler}}{\geq} 2 \Rightarrow (**)\Rightarrow (*) \text{ is true}$$

$$\therefore \frac{a+b+c}{3} - \sqrt[3]{abc} \leq \frac{|a-b| + |b-c| + |c-a|}{2} \Rightarrow (1) \text{ is true and invoking (1)}$$

on a triangle with sides m_a, m_b, m_c , we arrive at :

$$\frac{|m_a - m_b| + |m_b - m_c| + |m_c - m_a|}{2} \geq \frac{m_a + m_b + m_c}{3} - \sqrt[3]{m_a m_b m_c}$$

$$\Rightarrow \sqrt[3]{m_a m_b m_c} + \frac{|m_a - m_b| + |m_b - m_c| + |m_c - m_a|}{2} \geq \frac{m_a + m_b + m_c}{3}$$

$\forall \Delta ABC, " = " \text{ iff } \Delta ABC \text{ is equilateral (QED)}$

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1480. In any $\triangle ABC$, the following relationship holds :

$$\sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{m_a^3}{\tan \frac{B}{2} \tan \frac{C}{2}} + \frac{3R^2}{4r^2} \geq \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{a}{b} + 9g_a g_b g_c$$

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$$\text{Triangle inequality} \Rightarrow g_a \leq AI + r \leq w_a \Leftrightarrow \frac{r}{\sin \frac{A}{2}} + r \leq \frac{2abc \cos \frac{A}{2}}{a(b+c)}$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \frac{r}{\sin \frac{A}{2}} + r \leq \frac{8Rrs \cos \frac{A}{2}}{4R(b+c) \sin \frac{A}{2} \cos \frac{A}{2}} \Leftrightarrow \frac{1}{\sin \frac{A}{2}} + 1 \leq \frac{a+b+c}{(b+c) \sin \frac{A}{2}}$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \frac{1}{\sin \frac{A}{2}} + 1 \leq \frac{a}{(b+c) \sin \frac{A}{2}} + \frac{1}{\sin \frac{A}{2}} \Leftrightarrow (b+c) \sin \frac{A}{2} \leq a$$

$$\Leftrightarrow 4R \cos \frac{A}{2} \cos \frac{B-C}{2} \sin \frac{A}{2} \leq 4R \sin \frac{A}{2} \cos \frac{A}{2} \Leftrightarrow \cos \frac{B-C}{2} \leq 1 \rightarrow \text{true}$$

$$\therefore g_a \leq w_a \leq \sqrt{s(s-a)} \text{ and analogs}$$

$$\Rightarrow 9g_a g_b g_c \leq \sqrt{s(s-a)} \cdot \sqrt{s(s-b)} \cdot \sqrt{s(s-c)} \therefore 9g_a g_b g_c \leq 9rs^2 \quad (*)$$

$$\text{Now, } \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{m_a^3}{\tan \frac{B}{2} \tan \frac{C}{2}} + \frac{3R^2}{4r^2} \geq \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{a}{b} + 9g_a g_b g_c$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{m_a^3}{\tan \frac{B}{2} \tan \frac{C}{2}} + \frac{3R^2}{4r^2} \geq \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{a+b+c-(b+c)}{b} + 9g_a g_b g_c$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{m_a^3}{\tan \frac{B}{2} \tan \frac{C}{2}} + \frac{3R^2}{4r^2} + 3 + \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{c}{b} \geq \frac{2s}{4Rrs} \sum_{\text{cyc}} ab + 9g_a g_b g_c$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{m_a^3}{\tan \frac{B}{2} \tan \frac{C}{2}} + \frac{3R^2}{4r^2} + 3 + \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{c}{b} \stackrel{(*)}{\geq} \frac{1}{2Rr} \sum_{\text{cyc}} ab + 9g_a g_b g_c$$

$$\text{We have : } \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{m_a^3}{\tan \frac{B}{2} \tan \frac{C}{2}} \geq \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{s(s-a)\sqrt{bc} \cos \frac{A}{2} \tan \frac{A}{2}}{\tan \frac{A}{2} \tan \frac{B}{2} \tan \frac{C}{2}} \stackrel{G-H}{\geq}$$

$$\sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{s(s-a) \cdot \frac{2bc}{4R \cos \frac{A}{2} \cos \frac{B-C}{2}} \cdot \sin \frac{A}{2}}{\frac{r}{4R} \cdot \frac{4R}{s}} \stackrel{0 < \cos \frac{B-C}{2} \leq 1}{\geq} \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{s(s-a)h_a r_a}{r} \stackrel{\text{and } \tan \frac{A}{2} = r_a}{\geq} \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{s(s-a)h_a r_a}{r} \stackrel{A-G}{\geq} \frac{3s}{r} \cdot \sqrt[3]{r^2 s \cdot \frac{2r^2 s^2}{R} \cdot rs^2} \stackrel{?}{\geq} 9rs^2$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \frac{r^2 s \cdot \frac{2r^2 s^2}{R} \cdot rs^2}{r^3} \stackrel{?}{\geq} 27r^3 s^3 \Leftrightarrow 2s^2 \stackrel{?}{\geq} 27Rr \rightarrow \text{true} \therefore 2s^2 \stackrel{\text{Gerretsen}}{\geq}$$

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$$27Rr + 5r(R - 2r) \stackrel{\text{Euler}}{\geq} 27Rr \therefore \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{m_a^3}{\tan \frac{B}{2} \tan \frac{C}{2}} \geq 9rs^2 \stackrel{\text{via } (*)}{\geq} 9g_a g_b g_c \rightarrow (1)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Again, } \frac{3R^2}{4r^2} + 3 + \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{c}{b} - \frac{1}{2Rr} \sum_{\text{cyc}} ab &\stackrel{\text{Gerretsen and A-G}}{\geq} \frac{3R^2}{4r^2} + 6 - \frac{4R^2 + 8Rr + 4r^2}{2Rr} \\ &= \frac{3R^2 + 24r^2}{4r^2} - \frac{4R^2 + 8Rr + 4r^2}{2Rr} \stackrel{?}{\geq} 0 \Leftrightarrow 3t^3 - 8t^2 + 8t - 8 \stackrel{?}{\geq} 0 \left(t = \frac{R}{r} \right) \\ &\Leftrightarrow (t-2)(2t^2 + t(t-2) + 4) \stackrel{?}{\geq} 0 \rightarrow \text{true} \therefore t \stackrel{\text{Euler}}{\geq} 2 \end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore \frac{3R^2}{4r^2} + 3 + \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{c}{b} \geq \frac{1}{2Rr} \sum_{\text{cyc}} ab \rightarrow (2)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore (1) + (2) \Rightarrow (*) \text{ is true } \therefore \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{m_a^3}{\tan \frac{B}{2} \tan \frac{C}{2}} + \frac{3R^2}{4r^2} &\geq \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{a}{b} + 9g_a g_b g_c \forall \Delta ABC, \\ \text{"=" iff } \Delta ABC \text{ is equilateral (QED)} \end{aligned}$$

1481. In any ΔABC , the following relationship holds :

$$\sum_{\text{cyc}}^4 \sqrt[4]{\frac{2a^3}{b^3 + c^3}} + \frac{R^{n+1}}{r^{n+1}} \geq 2^{n+1} + \sum_{\text{cyc}}^3 \sqrt[3]{\frac{2a^2}{b^2 + c^2}}$$

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$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{\text{cyc}}^4 \sqrt[4]{\frac{2a^3}{b^3 + c^3}} - \sum_{\text{cyc}}^3 \sqrt[3]{\frac{2a^2}{b^2 + c^2}} &= \sum_{\text{cyc}}^4 \sqrt[4]{\frac{2a^3}{b^3 + c^3} \cdot 1 \cdot 1 \cdot 1} - \sum_{\text{cyc}}^3 \sqrt[3]{\frac{2a^2}{b^2 + c^2} \cdot 1 \cdot 1} \\ &\stackrel{\text{G-H and A-G}}{\geq} \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{4}{\frac{b^3 + c^3}{2a^3} + 1 + 1 + 1} - \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{2a^2}{b^2 + c^2 + 1 + 1} \\ &= \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{8a^3}{b^3 + c^3 + 6a^3} - \frac{2}{3} \left(\sum_{\text{cyc}} a^2 \right) \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{1}{b^2 + c^2} \stackrel{\text{Holder and A-G and Leibnitz}}{\geq} \\ &\quad \frac{8(2s)^3}{3(2 \sum_{\text{cyc}} a^3 + 6 \sum_{\text{cyc}} a^3)} - \frac{2}{3} \cdot (9R^2) \cdot \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{a}{2abc} \\ &= \frac{4s^2}{3(s^2 - 6Rr - 3r^2)} - \frac{2}{3} \cdot (9R^2) \cdot \frac{2s}{8Rrs} = \frac{4s^2}{3(s^2 - 6Rr - 3r^2)} - \frac{3R}{2r} \stackrel{?}{\geq} \frac{R^3 - 8r^3}{r^3} \\ &\Leftrightarrow (6R^3 - 9Rr^2 - 40r^3)s^2 \stackrel{?}{\geq} r(36R^4 + 18R^3r - 54R^2r^2 - 315Rr^3 - 144r^4) \end{aligned}$$

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Case 1 $6R^3 - 9Rr^2 - 40r^3 \geq 0$ and then : LHS of (*) $\stackrel{\text{Gerretsen}}{\geq}$

$$(6R^3 - 9Rr^2 - 40r^3)(16Rr - 5r^2) \stackrel{?}{\geq} r \left(\begin{matrix} 36R^4 + 18R^3r - 54R^2r^2 \\ -315Rr^3 - 144r^4 \end{matrix} \right)$$

$$\Leftrightarrow 30t^4 - 24t^3 - 45t^2 - 140t + 172 \stackrel{?}{\geq} 0 \left(t = \frac{R}{r} \right)$$

$$\Leftrightarrow (t-2) \left((t-2)(30t^2 + 96t + 219) + 352 \right) \rightarrow \text{true} \because t \stackrel{\text{Euler}}{\geq} 2 \Rightarrow (*) \text{ is true}$$

Case 2 $6R^3 - 9Rr^2 - 40r^3 < 0$ and then : LHS of (*) = $-(40r^3 + 9Rr^2 - 6R^3)s^2$

$$\stackrel{\text{Gerretsen}}{\geq} -(40r^3 + 9Rr^2 - 6R^3)(4R^2 + 4Rr + 3r^2)$$

$$\stackrel{?}{\geq} r(36R^4 + 18R^3r - 54R^2r^2 - 315Rr^3 - 144r^4)$$

$$\Leftrightarrow 12t^5 - 6t^4 - 18t^3 - 71t^2 + 64t + 12 \stackrel{?}{\geq} 0$$

$$\Leftrightarrow (t-2) \left((t-2)(12t^3 + 42t^2 + 102t + 169) + 332 \right) \rightarrow \text{true} \because t \stackrel{\text{Euler}}{\geq} 2$$

$\Rightarrow (*)$ is true and combining cases 1 and 2, $(*)$ is true $\forall \Delta ABC$

$$\therefore \sum_{\text{cyc}}^4 \sqrt{\frac{2a^3}{b^3 + c^3}} - \sum_{\text{cyc}}^3 \sqrt{\frac{2a^2}{b^2 + c^2}} \geq -\frac{R^3 - 8r^3}{r^3} \rightarrow (1)$$

Let $f(n) = t^{n+1} - 2^{n+1} \forall t = \frac{R}{r} \geq 2$ and $\forall n \geq 2$ and then :

$$f'(n) = t^{n+1} \cdot (\ln t) - 2^{n+1} \cdot (\ln 2) \geq 0 \because t^{n+1} \geq 2^{n+1} \text{ and } \ln t \geq \ln 2$$

$$\Rightarrow t^{n+1} \cdot (\ln t) - 2^{n+1} \cdot (\ln 2) \geq 0 \therefore f(n) \text{ is } \uparrow \forall n \geq 2 \Rightarrow f(n) \geq f(2) = \left(\frac{R}{r}\right)^3 - 8$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{R^3 - 8r^3}{r^3} \leq \left(\frac{R}{r}\right)^{n+1} - 2^{n+1} \therefore -\frac{R^3 - 8r^3}{r^3} \geq -\left(\frac{R^{n+1}}{r^{n+1}} - 2^{n+1}\right) \rightarrow (2)$$

$$\therefore (1) \text{ and } (2) \Rightarrow \sum_{\text{cyc}}^4 \sqrt{\frac{2a^3}{b^3 + c^3}} - \sum_{\text{cyc}}^3 \sqrt{\frac{2a^2}{b^2 + c^2}} \geq -\left(\frac{R^{n+1}}{r^{n+1}} - 2^{n+1}\right)$$

$$\therefore \sum_{\text{cyc}}^4 \sqrt{\frac{2a^3}{b^3 + c^3}} + \frac{R^{n+1}}{r^{n+1}} \geq 2^{n+1} + \sum_{\text{cyc}}^3 \sqrt{\frac{2a^2}{b^2 + c^2}}$$

$\forall \Delta ABC, '' = ''$ iff ΔABC is equilateral (QED)

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In any ΔABC and $\forall n \geq 2$, the following relationship holds :

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$$\min \left\{ \sum_{\text{cyc}}^4 \sqrt{\frac{2a^3}{b^3 + c^3}}, \sum_{\text{cyc}}^3 \sqrt{\frac{2a^2}{b^2 + c^2}} \right\} + \left(\frac{R}{2r} \right)^{n+1}$$

$$\geq 1 + \max \left\{ \sum_{\text{cyc}}^4 \sqrt{\frac{2a^3}{b^3 + c^3}}, \sum_{\text{cyc}}^3 \sqrt{\frac{2a^2}{b^2 + c^2}} \right\}$$

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Firstly, we shall prove :
$$\sum_{\text{cyc}}^4 \sqrt{\frac{2a^3}{b^3 + c^3}} + \frac{R^3 - 8r^3}{8r^3} \stackrel{(i)}{\geq} \sum_{\text{cyc}}^3 \sqrt{\frac{2a^2}{b^2 + c^2}}$$

$$\sum_{\text{cyc}}^4 \sqrt{\frac{2a^3}{b^3 + c^3}} = \sum_{\text{cyc}}^4 \sqrt{\frac{2a}{b+c} \cdot \frac{a^2}{b^2 - bc + c^2} \cdot 1 \cdot 1} \stackrel{G-H}{\geq} \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{4}{\frac{b+c}{2a} + \frac{b^2 - bc + c^2}{a^2} + 2}$$

$$= \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{8a^2}{a(b+c) + 2b^2 - 2bc + 2c^2 + 4a^2} \stackrel{\text{Bergstrom}}{\geq} \frac{8 \cdot 4s^2}{2 \sum_{\text{cyc}} ab + 2 \sum_{\text{cyc}} a^2 - 2 \sum_{\text{cyc}} ab + 2 \sum_{\text{cyc}} a^2 + 4 \sum_{\text{cyc}} a^2} = \frac{4s^2}{\sum_{\text{cyc}} a^2}$$

$$\therefore \sum_{\text{cyc}}^4 \sqrt{\frac{2a^3}{b^3 + c^3}} \stackrel{(1)}{\geq} \frac{2s^2}{s^2 - 4Rr - r^2}$$

$$\sum_{\text{cyc}}^3 \sqrt{\frac{2a^2}{b^2 + c^2}} = \sum_{\text{cyc}}^3 \sqrt{\frac{2a^2}{b^2 + c^2} \cdot 1 \cdot 1} \stackrel{A-G}{\leq} \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{2a^2}{b^2 + c^2 + 2} = \frac{2}{3} \left(\sum_{\text{cyc}} a^2 \right) \left(\sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{1}{b^2 + c^2} \right)$$

$$\stackrel{A-G}{\leq} \frac{2}{3} \left(\sum_{\text{cyc}} a^2 \right) \left(\sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{a}{2abc} \right) = \frac{2 \cdot 2s}{3 \cdot 8Rrs} \left(\sum_{\text{cyc}} a^2 \right) \therefore \sum_{\text{cyc}}^3 \sqrt{\frac{2a^2}{b^2 + c^2}} \stackrel{(2)}{\leq} \frac{s^2 - 4Rr - r^2}{3Rr}$$

\therefore (1), (2) \Rightarrow in order to prove (i), it suffices to prove :

$$\frac{2s^2}{s^2 - 4Rr - r^2} + \frac{R^3 - 8r^3}{8r^3} \stackrel{(*)}{\geq} \frac{s^2 - 4Rr - r^2}{s^2 - 4Rr - r^2} + \frac{3Rr}{s^2 - 4Rr - r^2}$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \frac{(R^3 - 8r^3)(s^2 - 4Rr - r^2) + 16r^3s^2}{8r^3(s^2 - 4Rr - r^2)} \geq \frac{3Rr}{s^2 - 4Rr - r^2}$$

$$\Leftrightarrow 8r^2s^4 - (3R^4 + 88Rr^3 + 16r^4)s^2$$

$$+ r(12R^5 + 3R^4r + 32R^2r^3 + 40Rr^4 + 8r^5) \stackrel{(*)}{\leq} 0$$

Now, Rouché $\Rightarrow s^2 - (m - n) \geq 0$ and $s^2 - (m + n) \leq 0$, where

$$m = 2R^2 + 10Rr - r^2 \text{ and } n = 2(R - 2r) \cdot \sqrt{R^2 - 2Rr}$$

$$\therefore (s^2 - (m + n))(s^2 - (m - n)) \leq 0$$

$$\Rightarrow s^4 - s^2(2m) + m^2 - n^2 \leq 0 \Rightarrow s^4 - s^2(4R^2 + 20Rr - 2r^2) + r(4R + r)^3 \leq 0$$

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$\Rightarrow 8r^2s^4 - 8r^2s^2(4R^2 + 20Rr - 2r^2) + 8r^3(4R + r)^3 \leq 0$ \therefore in order to prove (*),

it suffices to prove : $8r^2s^4 - (3R^4 + 88Rr^3 + 16r^4)s^2$

$$+ r(12R^5 + 3R^4r + 32R^2r^3 + 40Rr^4 + 8r^5)$$

$$\leq 8r^2s^4 - 8r^2s^2(4R^2 + 20Rr - 2r^2) + 8r^3(4R + r)^3$$

$$\Leftrightarrow (3R^4 - 32R^2r^2 - 72Rr^3 + 32r^4)s^2 \stackrel{(**)}{\geq} Rr \left(\begin{array}{l} 12R^4 + 3R^3r - 512R^2r^2 \\ -352Rr^3 - 56r^4 \end{array} \right)$$

Case 1 $3R^4 - 32R^2r^2 - 72Rr^3 + 32r^4 \geq 0$ and then, LHS of (**)

$$\stackrel{\text{Gerretsen}}{\geq} (3R^4 - 32R^2r^2 - 72Rr^3 + 32r^4)(16Rr - 5r^2)$$

$$\stackrel{?}{\geq} Rr(12R^4 + 3R^3r - 512R^2r^2 - 352Rr^3 - 56r^4)$$

$$\Leftrightarrow 18t^5 - 9t^4 - 320t^2 + 464t - 80 \stackrel{?}{\geq} 0 \left(t = \frac{R}{r} \right)$$

$$\Leftrightarrow (t-2) \left((t-2)(18t^3 + 63t^2 + 180t + 148) + 336 \right) \rightarrow \text{true} \because t \stackrel{\text{Euler}}{\geq} 2$$

\Rightarrow (***) is true

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Case 2 } & 3R^4 - 32R^2r^2 - 72Rr^3 + 32r^4 < 0 \text{ and then, LHS of (**)} \stackrel{\text{Rouche}}{\geq} \\ & - \left(-(3R^4 - 32R^2r^2 - 72Rr^3 + 32r^4) \right) \left(2R^2 + 10Rr - r^2 + 2(R-2r) \cdot \sqrt{R^2 - 2Rr} \right) \\ & \stackrel{?}{\geq} Rr(12R^4 + 3R^3r - 512R^2r^2 - 352Rr^3 - 56r^4) \end{aligned}$$

$$\Leftrightarrow 2(R-2r)(3R^5 + 15R^4r - 5R^3r^2 + 14R^2r^3 - 108Rr^4 + 8r^5) \stackrel{(***)}{\geq}$$

$$2 \left(-(3R^4 - 32R^2r^2 - 72Rr^3 + 32r^4) \right) (R-2r) \cdot \sqrt{R^2 - 2Rr}$$

$$\text{Now, } 3R^5 + 15R^4r - 5R^3r^2 + 14R^2r^3 - 108Rr^4 + 8r^5$$

$$= (R-2r)(3R^4 + 21R^3r + 37R^2r^2 + 88Rr^3 + 68r^4) + 144r^5 \stackrel{\text{Euler}}{\geq} 144r^5 > 0$$

\therefore in order to prove (***) , it suffices to prove :

$$(3R^5 + 15R^4r - 5R^3r^2 + 14R^2r^3 - 108Rr^4 + 8r^5)^2$$

$$> (R^2 - 2Rr)(3R^4 - 32R^2r^2 - 72Rr^3 + 32r^4)^2 \left(\because R-2r \stackrel{\text{Euler}}{\geq} 0 \right)$$

$$\Leftrightarrow 108t^9 + 387t^8 - 18t^7 - 2283t^6 - 5508t^5 + 7596t^4 \\ + 7776t^3 + 1648t^2 + 320t + 64 > 0 \Leftrightarrow$$

$$(t-2) \left((t-2) \left(\begin{array}{l} 108t^7 + 819t^6 + 2826t^5 + 5745t^4 \\ + 6168t^3 + 9288t^2 + 20256t + 45520 \end{array} \right) + 101376 \right) + 20736 > 0$$

$$\rightarrow \text{true} \because t \stackrel{\text{Euler}}{\geq} 2 \Rightarrow (***) \Rightarrow (***) \text{ is true}$$

\therefore combining cases 1 and 2, (***) \Rightarrow (*) \Rightarrow (i) is true $\forall \Delta ABC$

We shall now prove :
$$\sum_{\text{cyc}}^3 \sqrt{\frac{2a^2}{b^2 + c^2} + \frac{R^3 - 8r^3}{8r^3}} \stackrel{\text{(ii)}}{\geq} \sum_{\text{cyc}}^4 \sqrt{\frac{2a^3}{b^3 + c^3}}$$

We have :
$$\sum_{\text{cyc}}^4 \sqrt{\frac{2a^3}{b^3 + c^3}} \stackrel{\text{A-G}}{\leq} \sum_{\text{cyc}}^4 \sqrt{\frac{2a^3 \cdot 2}{(b^2 + c^2)(b+c)}} = \sum_{\text{cyc}}^4 \sqrt{\frac{2a^2}{b^2 + c^2} \cdot \frac{2a}{b+c}} \cdot 1.1$$

$$\stackrel{\text{A-G}}{\leq} \frac{1}{4} \left(\sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{2a^2}{b^2 + c^2} + 2 + 2 \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{a}{b+c} \right) \stackrel{\text{A-G}}{\leq} \frac{1}{2} \left(\sum_{\text{cyc}} a^2 \right) \left(\sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{a}{2abc} \right) + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{a}{b+c}$$

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$$\begin{aligned} & \therefore \sum_{\text{cyc}}^4 \sqrt[4]{\frac{2a^3}{b^3+c^3}} \stackrel{(3)}{\leq} \frac{s^2-4Rr-r^2}{4Rr} + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{a}{b+c} \text{ and } \sum_{\text{cyc}}^3 \sqrt[3]{\frac{2a^2}{b^2+c^2}} \\ & = \sum_{\text{cyc}}^3 \sqrt[3]{\frac{2a^2}{b^2+c^2}} \cdot 1 \cdot 1 \stackrel{\text{G-H}}{\geq} \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{3}{\frac{b^2+c^2}{2a^2}+2} = \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{6a^2}{b^2+c^2+4a^2} \stackrel{\text{Bergstrom}}{\geq} \\ & \frac{6 \cdot 4s^2}{2 \sum_{\text{cyc}} a^2 + 4 \sum_{\text{cyc}} a^2} \therefore \sum_{\text{cyc}}^3 \sqrt[3]{\frac{2a^2}{b^2+c^2}} \stackrel{(4)}{\geq} \frac{2s^2}{s^2-4Rr-r^2} \therefore (3), (4) \Rightarrow \end{aligned}$$

in order to prove (ii), it suffices to prove :

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{2s^2}{s^2-4Rr-r^2} + \frac{R^3-8r^3}{8r^3} \geq \frac{s^2-4Rr-r^2}{4Rr} + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{a}{b+c} \text{ and } \therefore \text{via } (\blacksquare), \\ & \frac{2s^2}{s^2-4Rr-r^2} + \frac{R^3-8r^3}{8r^3} \geq \frac{s^2-4Rr-r^2}{3Rr} \therefore \text{it suffices to prove :} \\ & \frac{s^2-4Rr-r^2}{3Rr} \geq \frac{s^2-4Rr-r^2}{4Rr} + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{a}{b+c} \Leftrightarrow \frac{s^2-4Rr-r^2}{12Rr} \geq \frac{1}{2} \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{2s-(b+c)}{b+c} \\ & \Leftrightarrow \frac{s^2-4Rr-r^2}{6Rr} \geq \frac{2s(5s^2+4Rr+r^2)}{2s(s^2+2Rr+r^2)} - 3 \\ & \Leftrightarrow s^4 - 14Rrs^2 + r^2(4R^2 + 6Rr - r^2) \stackrel{(*)}{\geq} 0 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} & \text{Now, LHS of } (*) \stackrel{\text{Gerretsen}}{\geq} (2Rr-5r^2)s^2 + r^2(4R^2+6Rr-r^2) \\ & = (2Rr-4r^2)s^2 - r^2s^2 + r^2(4R^2+6Rr-r^2) \stackrel{\text{Gerretsen}}{\geq} \\ & (2Rr-4r^2)(16Rr-5r^2) - r^2(4R^2+4Rr+3r^2) + r^2(4R^2+6Rr-r^2) \\ & = 8r^2(R-2r)(4R-r) \stackrel{\text{Euler}}{\geq} 0 \Rightarrow (*) \Rightarrow \text{(ii) is true } \therefore \text{(i) and (ii) } \Rightarrow \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} & \min \left\{ \sum_{\text{cyc}}^4 \sqrt[4]{\frac{2a^3}{b^3+c^3}}, \sum_{\text{cyc}}^3 \sqrt[3]{\frac{2a^2}{b^2+c^2}} \right\} + \frac{R^3-8r^3}{8r^3} \\ & \geq \max \left\{ \sum_{\text{cyc}}^4 \sqrt[4]{\frac{2a^3}{b^3+c^3}}, \sum_{\text{cyc}}^3 \sqrt[3]{\frac{2a^2}{b^2+c^2}} \right\} \end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{R^3-8r^3}{8r^3} \stackrel{\text{(iii)}}{\geq} \max \left\{ \sum_{\text{cyc}}^4 \sqrt[4]{\frac{2a^3}{b^3+c^3}}, \sum_{\text{cyc}}^3 \sqrt[3]{\frac{2a^2}{b^2+c^2}} \right\} - \min \left\{ \sum_{\text{cyc}}^4 \sqrt[4]{\frac{2a^3}{b^3+c^3}}, \sum_{\text{cyc}}^3 \sqrt[3]{\frac{2a^2}{b^2+c^2}} \right\}$$

$$\begin{aligned} & \text{Now, } n \geq 2 \text{ and Euler } \Rightarrow (n+1-3) \cdot \ln \frac{R}{2r} \geq 0 \Rightarrow \left(\frac{R}{2r}\right)^{n+1} \geq \left(\frac{R}{2r}\right)^3 \\ & \Rightarrow \left(\frac{R}{2r}\right)^{n+1} - 1 \geq \frac{R^3-8r^3}{8r^3} \stackrel{\text{via (iii)}}{\geq} \end{aligned}$$

$$\max \left\{ \sum_{\text{cyc}}^4 \sqrt[4]{\frac{2a^3}{b^3+c^3}}, \sum_{\text{cyc}}^3 \sqrt[3]{\frac{2a^2}{b^2+c^2}} \right\} - \min \left\{ \sum_{\text{cyc}}^4 \sqrt[4]{\frac{2a^3}{b^3+c^3}}, \sum_{\text{cyc}}^3 \sqrt[3]{\frac{2a^2}{b^2+c^2}} \right\}$$

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$$\begin{aligned} \therefore \min & \left\{ \sum_{\text{cyc}}^4 \sqrt{\frac{2a^3}{b^3+c^3}}, \sum_{\text{cyc}}^3 \sqrt{\frac{2a^2}{b^2+c^2}} \right\} + \left(\frac{R}{2r}\right)^{n+1} \\ & \geq 1 + \max \left\{ \sum_{\text{cyc}}^4 \sqrt{\frac{2a^3}{b^3+c^3}}, \sum_{\text{cyc}}^3 \sqrt{\frac{2a^2}{b^2+c^2}} \right\} \\ & \forall \Delta ABC \text{ and } \forall n \geq 2, " = " \text{ iff } \Delta ABC \text{ is equilateral (QED)} \end{aligned}$$

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Let $n \geq 2$. Then, in ΔABC , the following relationship holds :

$$\sqrt{\sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{a}{b+c-a}} + \left(\frac{R}{r}\right)^n \geq 2^n + \sqrt{\sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{m_a}{m_b+m_c-m_a}}$$

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$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{a}{b+c-a} &= \frac{1}{2} \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{a-s+s}{s-a} = \frac{1}{2} \left(-3 + \frac{s(4Rr+r^2)}{r^2s} \right) = \frac{2R-r}{r} \\ &\Rightarrow \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{a}{b+c-a} = \frac{2R}{r} - 1 \rightarrow (1) \end{aligned}$$

Invoking (1) on a triangle with sides $\frac{2m_a}{3}, \frac{2m_b}{3}, \frac{2m_c}{3}$, whose area via elementary calculations $= \frac{F}{3}$, we arrive at : $\sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{m_a}{m_b+m_c-m_a}$

$$= 2 \cdot \frac{\frac{2m_a}{3} \cdot \frac{2m_b}{3} \cdot \frac{2m_c}{3}}{\frac{4F}{3}} \cdot \frac{\frac{2m_a}{3} + \frac{2m_b}{3} + \frac{2m_c}{3}}{\frac{F}{3}} - 1 = \frac{4m_a m_b m_c (m_a + m_b + m_c)}{9r^2 s^2} - 1$$

$$\begin{aligned} m_a m_b m_c &\leq \frac{Rs^2}{2} \\ \text{and} \\ m_a + m_b + m_c &\leq 4R+r \\ &\leq \frac{2Rs^2(4R+r)}{9r^2 s^2} - 1 \Rightarrow \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{m_a}{m_b+m_c-m_a} \leq \frac{8R^2+2Rr-9r^2}{9r^2} \rightarrow (2) \end{aligned}$$

(1) and (2) \Rightarrow in order to prove : $\sqrt{\sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{a}{b+c-a}} + \frac{R^2-4r^2}{4r^2} \geq$

$\sqrt{\sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{m_a}{m_b+m_c-m_a}}$, it suffices to prove :

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$$\sqrt{\frac{2R-r}{r}} + \frac{R^2-4r^2}{4r^2} \geq \sqrt{\frac{8R^2+2Rr-9r^2}{9r^2}} \Leftrightarrow \frac{R^2-4r^2}{4r^2} \geq \frac{\frac{8R^2+2Rr-9r^2}{9r^2} - \frac{2R-r}{r}}{\sqrt{\frac{8R^2+2Rr-9r^2}{9r^2}} + \sqrt{\frac{2R-r}{r}}}$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \frac{(R-2r)(R+2r)}{4r^2} \stackrel{(*)}{\geq} \frac{3r \cdot 8R(R-2r)}{9r^2 (\sqrt{8R^2+2Rr-9r^2} + \sqrt{9r(2R-r)})}$$

$$8R^2+2Rr-9r^2-27r^2 = 2(R-2r)(4R+9r) \stackrel{\text{Euler}}{\geq} 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \sqrt{8R^2+2Rr-9r^2} \stackrel{(i)}{\geq} \sqrt{27r^2}$$

$$\text{and } 9r(2R-r) \stackrel{\text{Euler}}{\geq} 9r(4r-r) \Rightarrow \sqrt{9r(2R-r)} \stackrel{(ii)}{\geq} \sqrt{27r^2}$$

Now, $\because R-2r \stackrel{\text{Euler}}{\geq} 0$ \therefore in order to prove $(*)$, it suffices to prove :

$$\frac{R+2r}{4} > \frac{8Rr}{3(\sqrt{8R^2+2Rr-9r^2} + \sqrt{9r(2R-r)})}$$

$$\Leftrightarrow 9(R+2r)^2 (\sqrt{8R^2+2Rr-9r^2} + \sqrt{9r(2R-r)})^2 > 1024R^2r^2$$

$$\Leftrightarrow 9(R+2r)^2 \left(\frac{8R^2+2Rr-9r^2+9r(2R-r)}{+2\sqrt{8R^2+2Rr-9r^2}\sqrt{9r(2R-r)}} \right) \stackrel{(**)}{>} 1024R^2r^2$$

Again, via (i) and (ii), LHS of $(**)$ \geq

$$9(R+2r)^2(8R^2+2Rr-9r^2+9r(2R-r)+54r^2) \stackrel{?}{>} 1024R^2r^2$$

$$\Leftrightarrow 72R^4+468R^3r+308R^2r^2+2016Rr^3+1296r^4 \stackrel{?}{>} 0 \rightarrow \text{true}$$

$$\Rightarrow (**)\Rightarrow (*) \text{ is true } \Rightarrow \sqrt{\sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{a}{b+c-a}} + \frac{R^2-4r^2}{4r^2} \geq \sqrt{\sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{m_a}{m_b+m_c-m_a}}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{R^2-4r^2}{4r^2} \geq \sqrt{\sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{m_a}{m_b+m_c-m_a}} - \sqrt{\sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{a}{b+c-a}} \rightarrow (3)$$

Let $f(n) = t^n - 2^n \forall t = \frac{R}{r} \geq 2$ ($t \rightarrow$ fixed) and $\forall n \geq 2$ and then :

$$f'(n) = t^n \cdot (\ln t) - 2^n \cdot (\ln 2) \geq 0 \because t^n \geq 2^n \text{ and } \ln t \geq \ln 2 \Rightarrow t^n \cdot (\ln t) - 2^n \cdot (\ln 2)$$

$$\geq 0 \because f(n) \text{ is } \uparrow \forall n \geq 2 \Rightarrow f(n) \geq f(2) = \left(\frac{R}{r}\right)^2 - 4 \Rightarrow \left(\frac{R}{r}\right)^n - 2^n \geq \frac{R^2-4r^2}{4r^2}$$

$$\stackrel{\text{via (3)}}{\geq} \sqrt{\sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{m_a}{m_b+m_c-m_a}} - \sqrt{\sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{a}{b+c-a}}$$

$$\therefore \sqrt{\sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{a}{b+c-a}} + \left(\frac{R}{r}\right)^n \geq 2^n + \sqrt{\sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{m_a}{m_b+m_c-m_a}}$$

$\forall \Delta ABC$ and $\forall n \geq 2, '' = ''$ iff ΔABC is equilateral (QED)

Proof of $m_a m_b m_c \leq \frac{Rs^2}{2}$

$$m_a^2 m_b^2 m_c^2 = \frac{1}{64} (2b^2+2c^2-a^2)(2c^2+2a^2-b^2)(2a^2+2b^2-c^2)$$

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$$\begin{aligned}
 & \stackrel{(1)}{=} \frac{1}{64} \left\{ -4 \sum_{\text{cyc}} a^6 + 6 \left(\sum_{\text{cyc}} a^4 b^2 + \sum_{\text{cyc}} a^2 b^4 \right) + 3a^2 b^2 c^2 \right\} \\
 \text{Now, } \sum_{\text{cyc}} a^6 &= \left(\sum_{\text{cyc}} a^2 \right)^3 - 3(a^2 + b^2)(b^2 + c^2)(c^2 + a^2) \\
 &= \left(\sum_{\text{cyc}} a^2 \right)^3 - 3 \left(2a^2 b^2 c^2 + \sum_{\text{cyc}} \left(a^2 b^2 \left(\sum_{\text{cyc}} a^2 - c^2 \right) \right) \right) \\
 &= \left(\sum_{\text{cyc}} a^2 \right)^3 + 3a^2 b^2 c^2 - 3 \left(\sum_{\text{cyc}} a^2 b^2 \right) \left(\sum_{\text{cyc}} a^2 \right) \\
 \therefore \sum_{\text{cyc}} a^6 &\stackrel{(2)}{=} \left(\sum_{\text{cyc}} a^2 \right)^3 + 3a^2 b^2 c^2 - 3 \left(\sum_{\text{cyc}} a^2 b^2 \right) \left(\sum_{\text{cyc}} a^2 \right) \\
 \sum_{\text{cyc}} a^4 b^2 + \sum_{\text{cyc}} a^2 b^4 &= \sum_{\text{cyc}} \left(a^2 b^2 \left(\sum_{\text{cyc}} a^2 - c^2 \right) \right) \stackrel{(3)}{=} \\
 & \left(\sum_{\text{cyc}} a^2 b^2 \right) \left(\sum_{\text{cyc}} a^2 \right) - 3a^2 b^2 c^2 \therefore (1), (2), (3) \Rightarrow m_a^2 m_b^2 m_c^2 \\
 &= \frac{1}{64} \left(-4 \left(\sum_{\text{cyc}} a^2 \right)^3 - 12a^2 b^2 c^2 + 12 \left(\sum_{\text{cyc}} a^2 b^2 \right) \left(\sum_{\text{cyc}} a^2 \right) \right. \\
 & \quad \left. + 6 \left(\sum_{\text{cyc}} a^2 b^2 \right) \left(\sum_{\text{cyc}} a^2 \right) - 18a^2 b^2 c^2 + 3a^2 b^2 c^2 \right) \\
 &= \frac{1}{64} \left(-4 \left(\sum_{\text{cyc}} a^2 \right)^3 + 18 \left(\sum_{\text{cyc}} a^2 b^2 \right) \left(\sum_{\text{cyc}} a^2 \right) - 27a^2 b^2 c^2 \right) \\
 &= \frac{1}{64} \left(-4 \left(\sum_{\text{cyc}} a^2 \right)^3 + 18 \left(\left(\sum_{\text{cyc}} ab \right)^2 - 16Rrs^2 \right) \left(\sum_{\text{cyc}} a^2 \right) - 27a^2 b^2 c^2 \right) \\
 &= \frac{1}{64} \left\{ -32(s^2 - 4Rr - r^2)^3 + 36(s^2 - 4Rr - r^2)(s^2 + 4Rr + r^2)^2 \right. \\
 & \quad \left. - 576Rrs^2(s^2 - 4Rr - r^2) - 432R^2 r^2 s^2 \right\} \\
 &= \frac{1}{16} \{ s^6 - s^4(12Rr - 33r^2) - s^2(60R^2 r^2 + 120Rr^3 + 33r^4) - r^3(4R + r)^3 \} \\
 & \leq \frac{R^2 s^4}{4} \Leftrightarrow
 \end{aligned}$$

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$$s^6 - s^4(4R^2 + 12Rr - 33r^2) - s^2(60R^2r^2 + 120Rr^3 + 33r^4) - r^3(4R + r)^3 \stackrel{(*)}{\leq} 0$$

Now, LHS of (*) $\stackrel{\text{Gerretsen}}{\leq} -s^4(8Rr - 36r^2) - s^2(60R^2r^2 + 120Rr^3 + 33r^4) - r^3(4R + r)^3 \stackrel{?}{\leq} 0$

$$\Leftrightarrow s^4(8R - 16r) + s^2(60R^2r + 120Rr^2 + 33r^3) + r^2(4R + r)^3 \stackrel{?}{\geq} 20rs^4 \quad (**)$$

Now, LHS of (**) $\stackrel{\text{Gerretsen}}{\geq} s^2(16Rr - 5r^2)(8R - 16r)$

+ $s^2(60R^2r + 120Rr^2 + 33r^3) + r^2(4R + r)^3$ and

RHS of (**) $\stackrel{\text{Gerretsen}}{\leq} 20rs^2(4R^2 + 4Rr + 3r^2)$

(a), (b) \Rightarrow in order to prove (**), it suffices to prove :

$$s^2(16Rr - 5r^2)(8R - 16r) + s^2(60R^2r + 120Rr^2 + 33r^3) + r^2(4R + r)^3 \geq 20rs^2(4R^2 + 4Rr + 3r^2)$$

$$\Leftrightarrow s^2(108R^2 - 256Rr + 53r^2) + r(4R + r)^3 \geq 0$$

$$\Leftrightarrow s^2(108R^2 - 256Rr + 80r^2) + r(4R + r)^3 \stackrel{(***)}{\geq} 27r^2s^2$$

Now, LHS of (***) $\stackrel{\text{Gerretsen}}{\geq} (108R^2 - 256Rr + 80r^2)(16Rr - 5r^2) + r(4R + r)^3$

and RHS of (***) $\stackrel{\text{Gerretsen}}{\leq} 27r^2(4R^2 + 4Rr + 3r^2)$

(c), (d) \Rightarrow in order to prove (***), it suffices to prove :

$$(108R^2 - 256Rr + 80r^2)(16Rr - 5r^2) + r(4R + r)^3 \geq 27r^2(4R^2 + 4Rr + 3r^2)$$

$$\Leftrightarrow 224t^3 - 587t^2 + 308t - 60 \geq 0 \quad \left(\text{where } t = \frac{R}{r}\right)$$

$$\Leftrightarrow (t - 2)((t - 2)(224t + 309) + 648) \geq 0 \rightarrow \text{true} \because t \stackrel{\text{Euler}}{\geq} 2 \Rightarrow (***) \Rightarrow (**)$$

$$\Rightarrow (*) \text{ is true} \Rightarrow m_a^2 m_b^2 m_c^2 \leq \frac{R^2 s^4}{4} \Rightarrow m_a m_b m_c \leq \frac{Rs^2}{2} \quad (\text{QED})$$

1484. Let $n \geq 2$. In $\triangle ABC$ the following relationship holds

$$\sum_{cyc}^3 \sqrt{\frac{a+b}{a+b-c}} + \left(\frac{R}{r}\right)^n \geq 2^n + \sum_{cyc}^3 \sqrt{\frac{m_a + m_b}{m_a + m_b - m_c}}$$

Proposed by Nguyen Van Canh-Ben Tre-Vietnam

Solution by Mohamed Amine Ben Ajiba-Tanger-Morocco

By AM – GM inequality, we have

$$\sum_{cyc}^3 \sqrt{\frac{a+b}{a+b-c}} \geq 3 \sqrt[9]{\frac{(a+b)(b+c)(c+a)}{(a+b-c)(b+c-a)(c+a-b)}} \stackrel{\text{Cesaro Padoa}}{\geq} 3 \sqrt[9]{\frac{8abc}{abc}} = 3\sqrt[3]{2}.$$

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Since $(m_a + m_b + m_c)(m_a + m_b - m_c)(m_a - m_b + m_c)(-m_a + m_b + m_c) = 9F^2$, then

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum_{cyc}^3 \sqrt{\frac{m_a + m_b}{m_a + m_b - m_c}} \\ &= \sum_{cyc}^3 \sqrt{\frac{(m_a + m_b + m_c)(m_a + m_b)(m_b + m_c - m_a)(m_c + m_a - m_b)}{9F^2}} \\ &\stackrel{AM-GM}{\geq} \sqrt[3]{\frac{m_a + m_b + m_c}{9F^2 \cdot 4}} \cdot \sum_{cyc} \frac{(m_a + m_b) + 2(m_b + m_c - m_a) + 2(m_c + m_a - m_b)}{3} \\ &= \sqrt[3]{\frac{2(m_a + m_b + m_c)^4}{9s^2r^2}} \stackrel{\text{Gotman Mitrinovic}}{\geq} \sqrt[3]{\frac{2\left(\frac{9R}{2}\right)^4}{9 \cdot 27r^2 \cdot r^2}} = \frac{3}{2} \sqrt[3]{\left(\frac{R}{r}\right)^4}. \end{aligned}$$

So it suffices to prove that

$$3\sqrt[3]{2} + \left(\frac{R}{r}\right)^n \geq 2^n + \frac{3}{2} \sqrt[3]{\left(\frac{R}{r}\right)^4} \quad \text{or} \quad \sqrt[3]{\left(\frac{R}{r}\right)^4} \cdot \left(\left(\frac{R}{r}\right)^{n-\frac{4}{3}} - \frac{3}{2}\right) \geq 2^n - 3\sqrt[3]{2},$$

which is true because, $\sqrt[3]{\left(\frac{R}{r}\right)^4} \geq \sqrt[3]{2^4} = 2\sqrt[3]{2}$ and $\left(\frac{R}{r}\right)^{n-\frac{4}{3}} - \frac{3}{2} \geq 2^{n-\frac{4}{3}} - \frac{3}{2} \stackrel{n \geq 2}{>} 0$.

So the proof is complete. Equality holds iff $\triangle ABC$ is equilateral.

1485.

In any acute triangle ABC, the following relationship holds :

$$(p - a)\sqrt{\cot A} + (p - b)\sqrt{\cot B} + (p - c)\sqrt{\cot C} > \frac{2}{3}p$$

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Solution by Soumava Chakraborty-Kolkata-India

WLOG we may assume $a \geq b \geq c$ and then : $p - a \leq p - b \leq p - c$
and $\sqrt{\cot A} \leq \sqrt{\cot B} \leq \sqrt{\cot C} \therefore (p - a)\sqrt{\cot A} + (p - b)\sqrt{\cot B} + (p - c)\sqrt{\cot C}$

$$\stackrel{\text{Chebyshev}}{\geq} \frac{1}{3} \left(\sum_{cyc} (p - a) \right) \left(\sum_{cyc} \sqrt{\cot A} \right) \stackrel{?}{>} \frac{2}{3}p \Leftrightarrow \sum_{cyc} \sqrt{\cot A} \stackrel{?}{>} 2 \rightarrow (1)$$

$$\text{Let } \sqrt{\cot A} = x, \sqrt{\cot B} = y, \sqrt{\cot C} = z \therefore (1) \Leftrightarrow \sum_{cyc} x > 2 \Leftrightarrow \left(\sum_{cyc} x \right)^2 > 4 =$$

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$$4. \sqrt{\sum_{\text{cyc}} x^2 y^2} \left(\because \sum_{\text{cyc}} \cot A \cot B = \sum_{\text{cyc}} x^2 y^2 = 1 \right) \Leftrightarrow \left(\sum_{\text{cyc}} x \right)^4 > 16 \sum_{\text{cyc}} x^2 y^2 \rightarrow (2)$$

Assigning $y + z = X, z + x = Y, x + y = Z \Rightarrow X + Y - Z = 2z > 0, Y + Z - X = 2x > 0$ and $Z + X - Y = 2y > 0 \Rightarrow X + Y > Z, Y + Z > X, Z + X > Y \Rightarrow X, Y, Z$ form sides of a triangle with semiperimeter, circumradius and inradius = s, R, r (say)

$$\text{yielding } 2 \sum_{\text{cyc}} x = \sum_{\text{cyc}} X = 2s \Rightarrow \sum_{\text{cyc}} x = s \rightarrow (i) \Rightarrow x = s - X, y = s - Y,$$

$$z = s - Z \text{ and such substitutions } \Rightarrow \sum_{\text{cyc}} xy = \sum_{\text{cyc}} (s - X)(s - Y)$$

$$\Rightarrow \sum_{\text{cyc}} xy = 4Rr + r^2 \rightarrow (ii) \text{ and } \sum_{\text{cyc}} x^2 y^2 = \left(\sum_{\text{cyc}} xy \right)^2 - 2xyz \left(\sum_{\text{cyc}} x \right)$$

$$\text{via (i) and (ii)} \quad (4Rr + r^2)^2 - 2 \left(\prod_{\text{cyc}} (s - X) \right) \cdot s = (4Rr + r^2)^2 - 2r^2 s \cdot s$$

$$\Rightarrow \sum_{\text{cyc}} x^2 y^2 = r^2 ((4R + r)^2 - 2s^2) \rightarrow (iii) \therefore \text{via (i) and (iii), (2) } \Leftrightarrow$$

$$s^4 > 16r^2 ((4R + r)^2 - 2s^2) \Leftrightarrow s^4 + 32r^2 s^2 \stackrel{(*)}{>} 16r^2 (4R + r)^2$$

$$\text{Now, LHS of } (*) \stackrel{\text{Gerretsen}}{\geq} (16Rr + 27r^2) s^2 \stackrel{\text{Gerretsen}}{\geq} (16Rr + 27r^2)(16Rr - 5r^2)$$

$$\stackrel{?}{>} 16r^2 (4R + r)^2 \Leftrightarrow 76r(R - 2r) + 148Rr + r^2 \stackrel{?}{>} 0 \rightarrow \text{true} \therefore R \stackrel{\text{Euler}}{\geq} 2r$$

$$\Rightarrow (*) \Rightarrow (2) \Rightarrow (1) \text{ is true}$$

$$\therefore (p - a)\sqrt{\cot A} + (p - b)\sqrt{\cot B} + (p - c)\sqrt{\cot C} > \frac{2}{3}p \quad \forall \text{ acute } \Delta ABC \text{ (QED)}$$

1486.

In any ΔABC , the following relationship holds :

$$\textcircled{1} \left(\frac{m_a}{w_b} + \frac{w_c}{h_a} \right)^4 + \left(\frac{m_b}{w_c} + \frac{w_a}{h_b} \right)^4 + \left(\frac{m_c}{w_a} + \frac{w_b}{h_c} \right)^4 \geq \frac{3 \cdot 2^{12} \cdot r^8}{3(3R^4 - 32r^4)^2 - 512r^8}$$

$$\textcircled{2} \left(\frac{m_a}{w_b} + \frac{w_c}{h_a} \right)^5 + \left(\frac{m_b}{w_c} + \frac{w_a}{h_b} \right)^5 + \left(\frac{m_c}{w_a} + \frac{w_b}{h_c} \right)^5 \geq \frac{3 \cdot 2^{15} \cdot r^{10}}{3(81R^5 - 2560r^5)^2 - 2^{11}r^{10}}$$

Proposed by Zaza Mzhavanadze-Georgia

Solution by Soumava Chakraborty-Kolkata-India

Proof of $\textcircled{1}$:

$$\begin{aligned} & \left(\frac{m_a}{w_b} + \frac{w_c}{h_a} \right)^4 + \left(\frac{m_b}{w_c} + \frac{w_a}{h_b} \right)^4 + \left(\frac{m_c}{w_a} + \frac{w_b}{h_c} \right)^4 \\ & \geq \left(\frac{h_a}{w_b} + \frac{w_c}{h_a} \right)^4 + \left(\frac{h_b}{w_c} + \frac{w_a}{h_b} \right)^4 + \left(\frac{h_c}{w_a} + \frac{w_b}{h_c} \right)^4 \stackrel{A-G}{\geq} 16 \left(\left(\frac{w_c}{w_b} \right)^2 + \left(\frac{w_a}{w_c} \right)^2 + \left(\frac{w_b}{w_a} \right)^2 \right) \end{aligned}$$

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$$\begin{aligned}
 &\geq 16 \left(\left(\frac{w_c}{w_b} \right) \left(\frac{w_a}{w_c} \right) + \left(\frac{w_a}{w_c} \right) \left(\frac{w_b}{w_a} \right) + \left(\frac{w_b}{w_a} \right) \left(\frac{w_c}{w_b} \right) \right) = 16 \left(\frac{w_a}{w_b} + \frac{w_b}{w_c} + \frac{w_c}{w_a} \right) \\
 &\qquad\qquad\qquad \text{Bergstrom + } w_a \geq h_a \text{ and analogs} \\
 &\qquad\qquad\qquad \text{and} \\
 &= 16 \left(\frac{w_a^2}{w_a w_b} + \frac{w_b^2}{w_b w_c} + \frac{w_c^2}{w_c w_a} \right) \qquad w_a \leq \sqrt{s(s-a)} \text{ and analogs} \\
 &\qquad\qquad\qquad \text{Bergstrom} \\
 16. &\frac{\left(\sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{2rs}{a} \right)^2}{\sum_{\text{cyc}} \left(\sqrt{s(s-a)} \sqrt{s(s-b)} \right)} \geq \frac{16 \left(\frac{2rs \cdot 9}{2s} \right)^2}{s \cdot \sqrt{3s-2s} \cdot \sqrt{3s-2s}} = \frac{16 \cdot 81r^2}{s^2} \stackrel{\text{Mitrinovic}}{\geq} \\
 &\frac{2^6 \cdot 81r^2}{27R^2} \stackrel{?}{\geq} \frac{3 \cdot 2^{12} \cdot r^8}{3(3R^4 - 32r^4)^2 - 512r^8} \Leftrightarrow 3(3R^4 - 32r^4)^2 \stackrel{?}{\geq} 512r^8 + 64R^2r^6 \\
 &\text{Now, } 512r^8 + 64R^2r^6 \stackrel{\text{Euler}}{\leq} 128R^2r^6 + 64R^2r^6 = 3 \cdot 64R^2r^6 \stackrel{?}{\leq} 3(3R^4 - 32r^4)^2 \\
 &\Leftrightarrow 3R^4 - 32r^4 \stackrel{?}{\geq} 8Rr^3 \Leftrightarrow 3R(R^3 - 8r^3) + 16r^3(R - 2r) \geq 0 \rightarrow \text{true} \because R \geq 2r \stackrel{\text{Euler}}{=} \\
 &\therefore \left(\frac{m_a}{w_b} + \frac{w_c}{h_a} \right)^4 + \left(\frac{m_b}{w_c} + \frac{w_a}{h_b} \right)^4 + \left(\frac{m_c}{w_a} + \frac{w_b}{h_c} \right)^4 \geq \frac{3 \cdot 2^{12} \cdot r^8}{3(3R^4 - 32r^4)^2 - 512r^8}
 \end{aligned}$$

Proof of ② :

$$\begin{aligned}
 &\text{Now, } \left(\frac{m_a}{w_b} + \frac{w_c}{h_a} \right)^3 + \left(\frac{m_b}{w_c} + \frac{w_a}{h_b} \right)^3 + \left(\frac{m_c}{w_a} + \frac{w_b}{h_c} \right)^3 \stackrel{A-G}{\geq} \\
 &3 \left(\frac{m_a}{w_b} + \frac{w_c}{h_a} \right) \left(\frac{m_b}{w_c} + \frac{w_a}{h_b} \right) \left(\frac{m_c}{w_a} + \frac{w_b}{h_c} \right) \stackrel{A-G}{\geq} 3 \cdot 8 \cdot \sqrt{\frac{m_a}{w_b} \cdot \frac{w_c}{h_a} \cdot \frac{m_b}{w_c} \cdot \frac{w_a}{h_b} \cdot \frac{m_c}{w_a} \cdot \frac{w_b}{h_c}} \stackrel{?}{\geq} 3 \cdot 8 \stackrel{?}{\geq} \\
 &\frac{3 \cdot 2^9 \cdot r^6}{3(9R^3 - 64r^3)^2 - 128r^6} \Leftrightarrow (9R^3 - 64r^3)^2 \stackrel{?}{\geq} 64r^6 \Leftrightarrow 9R^3 - 64r^3 \stackrel{?}{\geq} 8r^3 \\
 &\Leftrightarrow R^3 \stackrel{?}{\geq} 8r^3 \rightarrow \text{true} \because R \stackrel{\text{Euler}}{\geq} 2r \therefore \left(\frac{m_a}{w_b} + \frac{w_c}{h_a} \right)^3 + \left(\frac{m_b}{w_c} + \frac{w_a}{h_b} \right)^3 + \left(\frac{m_c}{w_a} + \frac{w_b}{h_c} \right)^3 \\
 &\geq \frac{3 \cdot 2^9 \cdot r^6}{3(9R^3 - 64r^3)^2 - 128r^6} \forall \Delta ABC \rightarrow (1) \\
 &\text{Via Chebyshev, } \left(\frac{m_a}{w_b} + \frac{w_c}{h_a} \right)^5 + \left(\frac{m_b}{w_c} + \frac{w_a}{h_b} \right)^5 + \left(\frac{m_c}{w_a} + \frac{w_b}{h_c} \right)^5 \geq \\
 &\frac{1}{3} \left(\left(\frac{m_a}{w_b} + \frac{w_c}{h_a} \right)^2 + \left(\frac{m_b}{w_c} + \frac{w_a}{h_b} \right)^2 + \left(\frac{m_c}{w_a} + \frac{w_b}{h_c} \right)^2 \right) \left(\left(\frac{m_a}{w_b} + \frac{w_c}{h_a} \right)^3 + \left(\frac{m_b}{w_c} + \frac{w_a}{h_b} \right)^3 + \left(\frac{m_c}{w_a} + \frac{w_b}{h_c} \right)^3 \right) \\
 &\stackrel{\text{via (1)}}{\geq} \frac{1}{3} \left(\left(\frac{h_a}{w_b} + \frac{w_c}{h_a} \right)^2 + \left(\frac{h_b}{w_c} + \frac{w_a}{h_b} \right)^2 + \left(\frac{h_c}{w_a} + \frac{w_b}{h_c} \right)^2 \right) \cdot \frac{3 \cdot 2^9 \cdot r^6}{3(9R^3 - 64r^3)^2 - 128r^6} \stackrel{A-G}{\geq} \\
 &\frac{4}{3} \left(\frac{w_c}{w_b} + \frac{w_a}{w_c} + \frac{w_b}{w_a} \right) \cdot \frac{3 \cdot 2^9 \cdot r^6}{3(9R^3 - 64r^3)^2 - 128r^6} \stackrel{A-G}{\geq} \frac{4}{3} \cdot 3 \cdot \frac{3 \cdot 2^9 \cdot r^6}{3(9R^3 - 64r^3)^2 - 128r^6} \\
 &\stackrel{?}{\geq} \frac{3 \cdot 2^{15} \cdot r^{10}}{3(81R^5 - 2560r^5)^2 - 2^{11}r^{10}} \\
 &\Leftrightarrow 3(81R^5 - 2560r^5)^2 - 2^{11}r^{10} \stackrel{?}{\geq} 48r^4(9R^3 - 64r^3)^2 - 2^4 \cdot r^4 \cdot 2^7 \cdot r^6
 \end{aligned}$$

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$$\begin{aligned} &\Leftrightarrow 81R^5 - 2560r^5 \stackrel{?}{\geq} 4r^2(9R^3 - 64r^3) \Leftrightarrow 9R^5 - 4R^3r^2 - 256r^5 \stackrel{?}{\geq} 0 \\ &\Leftrightarrow R^3(R^2 - 4r^2) + 8(R^5 - 32r^5) \stackrel{?}{\geq} 0 \rightarrow \text{true} \because R \stackrel{\text{Euler}}{\geq} 2r \\ \therefore &\left(\frac{m_a}{w_b} + \frac{w_c}{h_a}\right)^5 + \left(\frac{m_b}{w_c} + \frac{w_a}{h_b}\right)^5 + \left(\frac{m_c}{w_a} + \frac{w_b}{h_c}\right)^5 \geq \frac{3 \cdot 2^{15} \cdot r^{10}}{3(81R^5 - 2560r^5)^2 - 2^{11}r^{10}} \\ \therefore &\textcircled{1} \left(\frac{m_a}{w_b} + \frac{w_c}{h_a}\right)^4 + \left(\frac{m_b}{w_c} + \frac{w_a}{h_b}\right)^4 + \left(\frac{m_c}{w_a} + \frac{w_b}{h_c}\right)^4 \geq \frac{3 \cdot 2^{12} \cdot r^8}{3(3R^4 - 32r^4)^2 - 512r^8} \text{ and} \\ &\textcircled{2} \left(\frac{m_a}{w_b} + \frac{w_c}{h_a}\right)^5 + \left(\frac{m_b}{w_c} + \frac{w_a}{h_b}\right)^5 + \left(\frac{m_c}{w_a} + \frac{w_b}{h_c}\right)^5 \geq \frac{3 \cdot 2^{15} \cdot r^{10}}{3(81R^5 - 2560r^5)^2 - 2^{11}r^{10}} \\ &\quad \forall \Delta ABC, \text{ equalities iff } \Delta ABC \text{ is equilateral (QED)} \end{aligned}$$

1487.

In any ΔABC , the following relationship holds :

$$\left(\frac{m_a}{w_b}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{w_b}{h_c}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{h_c}{m_a}\right)^2 \leq 9 \cdot \left(\frac{9}{8} \cdot \left(\frac{R}{r}\right)^3 - 8\right)^2 - 6$$

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$$\begin{aligned} &\left(\frac{m_a}{h_b}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{m_b}{h_c}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{m_c}{h_a}\right)^2 = \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{2b^2 + 2c^2 + 2a^2 - 3a^2}{4h_b^2} \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \left(\sum_{\text{cyc}} a^2 \right) \left(\frac{1}{4r^2s^2} \right) \left(\sum_{\text{cyc}} a^2 \right) - \frac{3}{4 \cdot 4r^2s^2} \sum_{\text{cyc}} a^2b^2 \stackrel{\text{Leibnitz and Gerretsen}}{\leq} \\ &\frac{81R^4}{4r^2 \cdot (27Rr + 5r(R - 2r))} - \frac{3abc(a + b + c)}{16r^2s^2} \stackrel{\text{Euler}}{\leq} \frac{81R^4}{4r^2 \cdot 27Rr} - \frac{3 \cdot 4Rrs \cdot 2s}{16r^2s^2} \\ &= \frac{3R^3}{4r^3} - \frac{3R}{2r} = \frac{3R^3 - 6Rr^2}{4r^3} \stackrel{?}{\leq} 9 \cdot \left(\frac{9}{8} \cdot \left(\frac{R}{r}\right)^3 - 8\right)^2 - 6 = \frac{9(9R^3 - 64r^3)^2 - 384r^6}{64r^6} \\ &\Leftrightarrow 3(9R^3 - 64r^3)^2 - 128r^6 \stackrel{?}{\geq} 16r^3(3R^3 - 6Rr^2) \\ &\Leftrightarrow 243t^6 - 3472t^3 + 32t + 12160 \stackrel{?}{\geq} 0 \\ &\Leftrightarrow (t - 2) \left((t - 2)(243t^4 + 972t^3 + 2916t^2 + 4304t + 5552) + 5024 \right) \stackrel{?}{\geq} 0 \rightarrow \text{true} \\ &\Rightarrow \left(\frac{m_a}{w_b}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{w_b}{h_c}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{h_c}{m_a}\right)^2 \leq 9 \cdot \left(\frac{9}{8} \cdot \left(\frac{R}{r}\right)^3 - 8\right)^2 - 6 \\ &\quad \forall \Delta ABC, " = " \text{ iff } \Delta ABC \text{ is equilateral (QED)} \end{aligned}$$

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1488. In any $\triangle ABC$, the following relationship holds :

$$\frac{m_a + m_b}{w_b + w_c} + \frac{w_b + w_c}{h_c + h_a} + \frac{h_c + h_a}{m_a + m_b} \leq 9 \cdot \left(\frac{7}{8} \cdot \left(\frac{R}{r} \right)^3 - 6 \right)$$

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$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{m_a + m_b}{w_b + w_c} + \frac{w_b + w_c}{h_c + h_a} + \frac{h_c + h_a}{m_a + m_b} \leq \frac{m_a + m_b}{h_b + h_c} + \frac{m_b + m_c}{h_c + h_a} + \frac{m_c + m_a}{h_a + h_b} \\ & = \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{m_b + m_c + m_a - m_a}{h_c + h_a} \leq (4R + r) \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{1}{h_c + h_a} - \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{m_a}{h_c + h_a} \\ & \leq 2R(4R + r) \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{1}{b(c+a)} - \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{h_a}{h_c + h_a} \\ & = 2R(4R + r) \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{ca(b^2 + \sum_{\text{cyc}} ab)}{abc(a+b)(b+c)(c+a)} - \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{bc}{ab+bc} \stackrel{\text{Cesaro}}{\leq} \\ & \frac{2R(4R + r)}{8 \cdot 16R^2 r^2 s^2} \left(abc \sum_{\text{cyc}} a + \left(\sum_{\text{cyc}} ab \right)^2 \right) - \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{c^2}{ac + c^2} \stackrel{\text{Bergstrom}}{\leq} \\ & \frac{8R(4R + r)}{8 \cdot 16R^2 r^2 s^2} \sum_{\text{cyc}} a^2 b^2 - \frac{4s^2}{s^2 + 4Rr + r^2 + 2(s^2 - 4Rr - r^2)} \stackrel{\text{Goldstone}}{\leq} \\ & \frac{8R(4R + r) \cdot 4R^2 s^2}{8 \cdot 16R^2 r^2 s^2} - \frac{4s^2}{3s^2 - 4Rr - r^2} = \\ & \frac{R(4R + r)}{4r^2} - \frac{4s^2}{3s^2 - 4Rr - r^2} \stackrel{?}{\leq} 9 \cdot \left(\frac{7}{8} \cdot \left(\frac{R}{r} \right)^3 - 6 \right) \\ & \Leftrightarrow (63R^3 - 24R^2 r - 6Rr^2 - 400r^3) s^2 \stackrel{?}{\geq} \\ & r(84R^4 - 11R^3 r - 16R^2 r^2 - 578Rr^3 - 144r^4) \\ & \boxed{\text{Case 1}} \quad 63R^3 - 24R^2 r - 6Rr^2 - 400r^3 \geq 0 \text{ and then :} \\ & \quad (63R^3 - 24R^2 r - 6Rr^2 - 400r^3) s^2 \stackrel{\text{Gerretsen}}{\geq} \\ & \quad (63R^3 - 24R^2 r - 6Rr^2 - 400r^3)(16Rr - 5r^2) \\ & \quad \stackrel{?}{\geq} r(84R^4 - 11R^3 r - 16R^2 r^2 - 578Rr^3 - 144r^4) \\ & \Leftrightarrow 231t^4 - 172t^3 + 10t^2 - 1448t + 536 \stackrel{?}{\geq} 0 \quad \left(t = \frac{R}{r} \right) \\ & \Leftrightarrow (t - 2) \left(231t^3 + 290t^2 + 456t + 134(t - 2) \right) \stackrel{?}{\geq} 0 \\ & \quad \rightarrow \text{true} \because t \stackrel{\text{Euler}}{\geq} 2 \therefore (*) \text{ is true} \\ & \boxed{\text{Case 2}} \quad 63R^3 - 24R^2 r - 6Rr^2 - 400r^3 < 0 \text{ and then :} \\ & \quad (63R^3 - 24R^2 r - 6Rr^2 - 400r^3) s^2 \end{aligned}$$

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$$\begin{aligned}
 &= -\left(-\left(63R^3 - 24R^2r - 6Rr^2 - 400r^3\right)\right) s^2 \stackrel{\text{Gerretsen}}{\geq} \\
 &-\left(-\left(63R^3 - 24R^2r - 6Rr^2 - 400r^3\right)\right) (4R^2 + 4Rr + 3r^2) \\
 &\stackrel{?}{\geq} r(84R^4 - 11R^3r - 16R^2r^2 - 578Rr^3 - 144r^4) \\
 &\Leftrightarrow 63t^5 + 18t^4 + 20t^3 - 420t^2 - 260t - 264 \stackrel{?}{\geq} 0 \\
 &\Leftrightarrow (t-2)(63t^4 + 144t^3 + 308t^2 + 196t + 132) \stackrel{?}{\geq} 0 \rightarrow \text{true} \because t \stackrel{\text{Euler}}{\geq} 2 \\
 &\therefore (*) \text{ is true} \therefore \text{combining cases 1 and 2, } (*) \text{ is true } \forall \Delta ABC \\
 &\therefore \frac{m_a + m_b}{w_b + w_c} + \frac{w_b + w_c}{h_c + h_a} + \frac{h_c + h_a}{m_a + m_b} \leq 9 \cdot \left(\frac{7}{8} \cdot \left(\frac{R}{r}\right)^3 - 6\right) \\
 &\forall \Delta ABC, " = " \text{ iff } \Delta ABC \text{ is equilateral (QED)}
 \end{aligned}$$

1489. In acute ΔABC , H – orthocenter, $AH = d_a, BH = d_b, CH = d_c$. Prove that:

$$\sum_{cyc} \tan A \cdot \frac{d_a}{h_a} = 2 \sum_{cyc} \cot A$$

Proposed by Ertan Yildirim-Turkiye

Solution by Daniel Sitaru-Romania

$$\begin{aligned}
 \sum_{cyc} \cot A &= \sum_{cyc} \frac{\cos A}{\sin A} = \sum_{cyc} \frac{b^2 + c^2 - a^2}{2bc \sin A} = \sum_{cyc} \frac{b^2 + c^2 - a^2}{4F} = \\
 &= \frac{1}{4F} \left(\sum_{cyc} b^2 + \sum_{cyc} c^2 - \sum_{cyc} a^2 \right) = \frac{1}{4F} \sum_{cyc} a^2 \\
 \sum_{cyc} \cot A &= \frac{a^2 + b^2 + c^2}{4F} \quad (1)
 \end{aligned}$$

Let be :

$$CC' \perp AB, \quad \cos A = \frac{AC'}{b} \Rightarrow AC' = b \cos A$$

$$\cos(\sphericalangle BAA') = \frac{AC'}{AH} \Rightarrow \cos\left(\frac{\pi}{2} - B\right) = \frac{b \cos A}{AH}$$

$$AH = \frac{2R \sin B \cos A}{\sin B} = 2R \cos A = d_a$$

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$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{cyc} \tan A \cdot \frac{d_a}{h_a} &= \sum_{cyc} \tan A \cdot \frac{2R \cos A}{\frac{2F}{a}} = \sum_{cyc} \frac{\sin A}{\cos A} \cdot \frac{a}{2F} \cdot 2R \cos A = \sum_{cyc} \frac{aR \sin A}{F} = \\ &= \frac{1}{2F} \sum_{cyc} a \cdot 2R \sin A = \frac{1}{2F} \sum_{cyc} a^2 = 2 \cdot \frac{a^2 + b^2 + c^2}{4F} \stackrel{(1)}{=} 2 \sum_{cyc} \cot A \end{aligned}$$

1490. Let $\triangle DEF$ be the orthic triangle of acute $\triangle ABC$, $D \in (BC)$, $E \in (CA)$, $F \in (AB)$, r_1, r_2, r_3 – inradii of $\triangle AFE$, $\triangle BDF$, $\triangle CED$ respectively.

Prove that:

$$\frac{a}{r_1} + \frac{b}{r_2} + \frac{c}{r_3} = \frac{R}{r} \cdot \sum_{cyc} \tan A$$

Proposed by Mehmet Şahin-Turkiye

Solution by Daniel Sitaru-Romania

$$AF = AC \cos A = b \cos A, \quad AE = AB \cos A = c \cos A$$

$$\begin{aligned} EF^2 &= AF^2 + AE^2 - 2AF \cdot AE \cos A = b^2 \cos^2 A + c^2 \cos^2 A - 2bc \cos^3 A = \\ &= (b^2 + c^2 - 2bc \cos A) \cos^2 A = a^2 \cos^2 A \end{aligned}$$

$$EF = a \cos A$$

$$\begin{aligned} r_1 &= \frac{[AEF]}{\frac{AE + AF + EF}{2}} = \frac{\frac{1}{2} \cdot AE \cdot AF \cdot \sin A}{\frac{a \cos A + b \cos A + c \cos A}{2}} = \frac{bc \cos A \cdot c \cos A \cdot \sin A}{(a + b + c) \cos A} = \\ &= \frac{bc \sin A \cdot \cos A}{2s} = \frac{4F \cos A}{2s} = \frac{2r \cos A}{s} = 2r \cos A \end{aligned}$$

$$\frac{a}{r_1} + \frac{b}{r_2} + \frac{c}{r_3} = \frac{2R \sin A}{2r \cos A} + \frac{2R \sin B}{2r \cos B} + \frac{2R \sin C}{2r \cos C} = \frac{R}{r} \cdot \sum_{cyc} \tan A$$

1491. In $\triangle ABC$ the following relationship holds:

$$a^8 + b^8 + c^8 \geq \frac{256}{3} \cdot F^4 + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{cyc} (a^4 - b^4)^2$$

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Solution by Tapas Das – India

We know that

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$$16F^2 = 2(a^2b^2 + b^2c^2 + c^2a^2) - (a^4 + b^4 + c^4) \quad (1)$$

$$\text{Since, } (b^2 - c^2)^2 + (c^2 - a^2)^2 + (a^2 - b^2)^2 \geq 0$$

$$\text{i.e., } b^2c^2 + c^2a^2 + a^2b^2 \leq a^4 + b^4 + c^4$$

$$\text{So, we can say from (1): } 16F^2 \leq b^2c^2 + c^2a^2 + a^2b^2$$

$$\therefore F^4 \leq \frac{1}{256} (a^2b^2 + b^2c^2 + c^2a^2)^2 \quad (2)$$

$$\frac{1}{2} \left[\sum (a^4 - b^4)^2 \right] = \frac{1}{2} \left[2 \left(\sum a^8 \right) - 2 \left(\sum a^4 b^4 \right) \right] = \left(\sum a^8 \right) - \sum a^4 b^4$$

$$\text{We need to show: } a^8 + b^8 + c^8 \geq \frac{256}{3} F^4 + \frac{1}{2} \sum (a^4 - b^4)^2$$

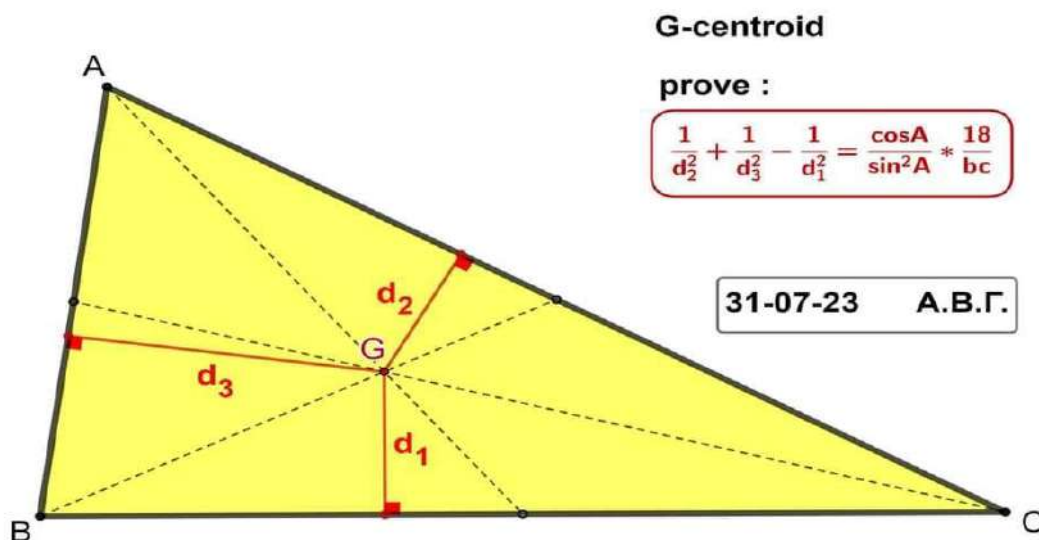
$$\text{Or, } a^8 + b^8 + c^8 \geq \frac{256}{3} F^4 + \left(\sum a^8 \right) - \sum a^4 b^4 \quad \text{Or } \sum a^4 b^4 \geq \frac{256}{3} F^4$$

$$\text{Or, } \sum a^4 b^4 \geq \frac{256}{3} \cdot \frac{1}{256} (b^2c^2 + c^2a^2 + a^2b^2)^2$$

$$\text{[Using relation (2)] Or } \sum a^4 b^4 \geq \frac{1}{3} (b^2c^2 + c^2a^2 + a^2b^2)^2$$

This is true by CBS inequality.

1492.



Proposed by Thanasis Gakopoulos-Greece

Solution by Daniel Sitaru-Romania

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{d_2^2} + \frac{1}{d_3^2} - \frac{1}{d_1^2} &= \frac{1}{4F^2} + \frac{1}{4F^2} - \frac{1}{4F^2} = \frac{9(b^2 + c^2 - a^2)}{4F^2} = \\ &= \frac{9(a^2 + 2bccosA - a^2)}{4F^2} = \frac{9bccosA}{2F^2} = \frac{9bccosA}{2 \cdot \frac{1}{4}(bcsinA)^2} = \frac{18bccosA}{(bcsinA)^2} = \frac{18cosA}{bcsin^2A} \end{aligned}$$

1493.

**Let the quadrilateral ABCD circumscribe a circle of radius r
and let A'B'C'D' be the
quadrilateral whose vertices are the points of contact of
the sides of the quadrilateral ABCD with the circle. Prove that :**

$$\sqrt[4]{r} \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt[4]{AA'}} + \frac{1}{\sqrt[4]{BB'}} + \frac{1}{\sqrt[4]{CC'}} + \frac{1}{\sqrt[4]{DD'}} \right) \geq \frac{64}{\frac{\sin \frac{A+B}{2} \sin \frac{B+C}{2} \sin \frac{C+A}{2}}{\sin \frac{A}{2} \sin \frac{B}{2} \sin \frac{C}{2} \sin \frac{D}{2}} + 12}$$

Proposed by Radu Diaconu-Romania

Solution by Soumava Chakraborty-Kolkata-India

Let $AA' = AD' = e, BB' = BA' = f, CC' = CB' = g,$
 $DD' = DC' = h$ and with reference to article "Calculations concerning
the Tangent Lengths and
Tangency Chords of a Tangential Quadrilateral" by Martin Josefsson, published in
"Forum Geometricum", Volume 10 (2010) 119 – 130, we get :

$$r = \sqrt{\frac{\theta}{\xi}} \quad (\xi = e + f + g + h \text{ and } \theta = efg + fgh + ghe + hef),$$

$$\sin \frac{A}{2} = \sqrt{\frac{\theta}{E}}, \sin \frac{B}{2} = \sqrt{\frac{\theta}{F}}, \sin \frac{C}{2} = \sqrt{\frac{\theta}{G}}, \sin \frac{D}{2} = \sqrt{\frac{\theta}{H}}, \text{ where}$$

$$E = (e + f)(e + g)(e + h), F = (f + e)(f + g)(f + h),$$

$$G = (g + e)(g + f)(g + h) \text{ and } H = (h + e)(h + f)(h + g)$$

and using $\cos \frac{A}{2} = \sqrt{1 - \sin^2 \frac{A}{2}}$ and analogs, we get : $\cos \frac{A}{2} = e \cdot \sqrt{\frac{\xi}{E}},$

$$\cos \frac{B}{2} = f \cdot \sqrt{\frac{\xi}{F}}, \cos \frac{C}{2} = g \cdot \sqrt{\frac{\xi}{G}} \therefore \sin \frac{A+B}{2} = \sin \frac{A}{2} \cos \frac{B}{2} + \cos \frac{A}{2} \sin \frac{B}{2}$$

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$$\begin{aligned}
 &= \sqrt{\frac{\theta}{E}} \cdot f \cdot \sqrt{\frac{\xi}{F}} + e \cdot \sqrt{\frac{\xi}{E}} \cdot \sqrt{\frac{\theta}{F}} \Rightarrow \sin \frac{A+B}{2} = \sqrt{\frac{\theta\xi}{EF}} (e+f) \text{ and analogously,} \\
 \sin \frac{B+C}{2} &= \sqrt{\frac{\theta\xi}{FG}} (f+g) \text{ and } \sin \frac{C+A}{2} = \sqrt{\frac{\theta\xi}{GE}} (g+e) \therefore \frac{\sin \frac{A+B}{2} \sin \frac{B+C}{2} \sin \frac{C+A}{2}}{\sin \frac{A}{2} \sin \frac{B}{2} \sin \frac{C}{2} \sin \frac{D}{2}} \\
 &= \frac{\left(\sqrt{\frac{\theta\xi}{EF}}(e+f)\right) \left(\sqrt{\frac{\theta\xi}{FG}}(f+g)\right) \left(\sqrt{\frac{\theta\xi}{GE}}(g+e)\right)}{\left(\sqrt{\frac{\theta}{E}}\right) \left(\sqrt{\frac{\theta}{F}}\right) \left(\sqrt{\frac{\theta}{G}}\right) \left(\sqrt{\frac{\theta}{H}}\right)} \\
 &= \frac{\xi \cdot \sqrt{\frac{\xi}{\theta}} \cdot \sqrt{EFGH} \cdot (e+f)(f+g)(g+e)}{EFG} \\
 &= \frac{\left(\frac{\sum_{cyc} e}{r}\right) (e+f)(f+g)(g+e) \cdot \sqrt{(e+f)^2(e+g)^2(e+h)^2(f+g)^2(f+h)^2(h+e)^2}}{(e+f)^2(e+g)^2(f+g)^2(h+e)(h+f)(h+g)} \\
 &= \frac{\sum_{cyc} e}{r} \Rightarrow \frac{\sin \frac{A+B}{2} \sin \frac{B+C}{2} \sin \frac{C+A}{2}}{\sin \frac{A}{2} \sin \frac{B}{2} \sin \frac{C}{2} \sin \frac{D}{2}} + 12 = \frac{\sum_{cyc} e}{r} + 12 \\
 &\therefore \left(\frac{\sin \frac{A+B}{2} \sin \frac{B+C}{2} \sin \frac{C+A}{2}}{\sin \frac{A}{2} \sin \frac{B}{2} \sin \frac{C}{2} \sin \frac{D}{2}} + 12\right) \cdot \sqrt[4]{r} \cdot \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt[4]{AA'}} + \frac{1}{\sqrt[4]{BB'}} + \frac{1}{\sqrt[4]{CC'}} + \frac{1}{\sqrt[4]{DD'}}\right) \\
 &= \left(\frac{\sum_{cyc} e}{r} + 12\right) \cdot \sqrt[4]{r} \cdot \sum_{cyc} \frac{1}{\sqrt[4]{e}} \stackrel{\text{Jensen}}{\geq} \left(\frac{\sum_{cyc} e}{r} + 12\right) \cdot \sqrt[4]{r} \cdot \frac{4}{\sqrt[4]{\frac{\sum_{cyc} e}{4}}} \\
 &\left(\because f(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt[4]{x}} \text{ is convex as } f''(x) = \frac{5}{16x^{\frac{9}{4}}} > 0\right) = \frac{4\left(\frac{\sum_{cyc} e}{r} + 12\right)}{\sqrt[4]{\frac{\sum_{cyc} e}{4r}}} = \frac{4(4t^4 + 12)}{t} \\
 &\left(t = \sqrt[4]{\frac{\sum_{cyc} e}{4r}}\right) \stackrel{?}{\geq} 64 \Leftrightarrow t^4 - 4t + 3 \stackrel{?}{\geq} 0 \Leftrightarrow (t^2 + 2t + 3)(t-1)^2 \stackrel{?}{\geq} 0 \rightarrow \text{true} \\
 &\therefore \left(\frac{\sin \frac{A+B}{2} \sin \frac{B+C}{2} \sin \frac{C+A}{2}}{\sin \frac{A}{2} \sin \frac{B}{2} \sin \frac{C}{2} \sin \frac{D}{2}} + 12\right) \cdot \sqrt[4]{r} \cdot \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt[4]{AA'}} + \frac{1}{\sqrt[4]{BB'}} + \frac{1}{\sqrt[4]{CC'}} + \frac{1}{\sqrt[4]{DD'}}\right) \geq 64 \\
 &\Rightarrow \sqrt[4]{r} \cdot \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt[4]{AA'}} + \frac{1}{\sqrt[4]{BB'}} + \frac{1}{\sqrt[4]{CC'}} + \frac{1}{\sqrt[4]{DD'}}\right) \geq \frac{64}{\frac{\sin \frac{A+B}{2} \sin \frac{B+C}{2} \sin \frac{C+A}{2}}{\sin \frac{A}{2} \sin \frac{B}{2} \sin \frac{C}{2} \sin \frac{D}{2}} + 12} \quad (\text{QED})
 \end{aligned}$$

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1494. In any ΔABC with $k^3 = h_a h_b h_c$ and

$t^3 = (abc)^2$, the following relationship holds

$$\frac{r_a^2}{k+a^2} + \frac{r_b^2}{k+b^2} + \frac{r_c^2}{k+c^2} \geq \frac{108r^3}{t+6R^3}$$

Proposed by Elsen Kerimov-Azerbaijan

Solution by Soumava Chakraborty-Kolkata-India

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{\text{cyc}} a^2 r_a &= rs \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{a^2}{s-a} = rs \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{(a-s+s)^2}{s-a} \\ &= rs \left(\sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{(s-a)^2}{s-a} - 2s \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{s-a}{s-a} + \frac{s^2}{r^2 s} \sum_{\text{cyc}} (s-b)(s-c) \right) \\ &= rs \left(s - 6s + \frac{s(4R+r)}{r} \right) \Rightarrow \sum_{\text{cyc}} a^2 r_a = 4(R-r)s^2 \rightarrow (1) \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Now, } \frac{\sqrt[3]{a^2 b^2 c^2} \cdot (4R+r)^3}{(4R+r) \cdot 324r^3 \cdot \sqrt[3]{h_a h_b h_c}} \stackrel{\text{Euler}}{\geq} \frac{\sqrt[3]{16R^2 r^2 s^2} \cdot (9r)^2}{324r^3 \cdot \sqrt[3]{\frac{2r^2 s^2}{R}}} = \frac{R}{2r} \stackrel{\text{Euler}}{\geq} 1$$

$$\Rightarrow t(4R+r)^3 \geq 324r^3 k(4R+r) \rightarrow (2)$$

$$\text{Also, } \frac{R^3(4R+r)^3}{216(R-r)r^3 s^2} \stackrel{\text{Mitrinovic}}{\geq} \frac{4R^3(4R+r)^3}{216(R-r)r^3 \cdot 27R^2} \stackrel{?}{\geq} 1$$

$$\Leftrightarrow R(4R+r)^3 \stackrel{?}{\geq} 1458(R-r)r^3$$

$$\Leftrightarrow 64t^4 + 48t^3 + 12t^2 - 1457t + 1458 \stackrel{?}{\geq} 0 \left(t = \frac{R}{r} \right)$$

$$\Leftrightarrow (t-2) \left((t-2)(64t^2 + 304t + 972) + 1215 \right) \stackrel{?}{\geq} 0 \rightarrow \text{true} \because t \stackrel{\text{Euler}}{\geq} 2$$

$$\Rightarrow 6R^3(4R+r)^3 \geq 108 \cdot 12(R-r)r^3 s^2 \rightarrow (3)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{So, } \frac{r_a^2}{k+a^2} + \frac{r_b^2}{k+b^2} + \frac{r_c^2}{k+c^2} &= \frac{r_a^3}{kr_a + a^2 r_a} + \frac{r_b^3}{kr_b + b^2 r_b} + \frac{r_c^3}{kr_c + c^2 r_c} \\ &\stackrel{\text{Holder and via (1)}}{\geq} \frac{(4R+r)^3}{3k(4R+r) + 12(R-r)s^2} \stackrel{?}{\geq} \frac{108r^3}{t+6R^3} \end{aligned}$$

$$\Leftrightarrow t(4R+r)^3 + 6R^3(4R+r)^3 \stackrel{?}{\geq} 324r^3 k(4R+r) + 108 \cdot 12(R-r)r^3 s^2$$

$$\rightarrow \text{true via (2) + (3)} \because \frac{r_a^2}{k+a^2} + \frac{r_b^2}{k+b^2} + \frac{r_c^2}{k+c^2} \geq \frac{108r^3}{t+6R^3}$$

$\forall \Delta ABC, " = " \text{ iff } \Delta ABC \text{ is equilateral (QED)}$

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1495. If H – orthocenter in acute $\triangle ABC$, AD, BE, CF – altitudes, $HD = x$,

$HE = y, HF = z$ then:

$$\frac{x}{bc} + \frac{y}{ca} + \frac{z}{ab} \leq \frac{1}{4r}$$

Proposed by Ertan Yildirim-Izmir-Turkiye

Solution by Daniel Sitaru-Romania

$$\begin{aligned} \cos B &= \frac{BD}{AB} \Rightarrow BD = c \cos B \\ \tan(\sphericalangle HBD) &= \frac{HD}{BD} \Rightarrow HD = BD \tan\left(\frac{\pi}{2} - C\right) = c \cos B \tan\left(\frac{\pi}{2} - C\right) = \\ &= c \cos B \cot C = c \cos B \cdot \frac{\cos C}{\sin C} = 2R \sin C \cos B \cdot \frac{\cos C}{\sin C} = 2R \cos B \cos C \end{aligned}$$

$$\frac{x}{bc} + \frac{y}{ca} + \frac{z}{ab} = \frac{2R \cos B \cos C}{bc} + \frac{2R \cos C \cos A}{ca} + \frac{2R \cos A \cos B}{ab} =$$

$$= \frac{2R \cos B \cos C}{2R \sin B \cdot 2R \sin C} + \frac{2R \cos C \cos A}{2R \sin C \cdot 2R \sin A} + \frac{2R \cos A \cos B}{2R \sin A \cdot 2R \sin B} =$$

$$\begin{aligned} &= \frac{\cot B \cot C}{2R} + \frac{\cot C \cot A}{2R} + \frac{\cot A \cot B}{2R} = \\ &= \frac{1}{2R} \sum_{\text{cyc}} \cot B \cot C = \frac{1}{2R} \cdot 1 \stackrel{\text{EULER}}{\leq} \frac{1}{2 \cdot 2r} = \frac{1}{4r} \end{aligned}$$

Equality holds for: $a = b = c$.

1496. In any $\triangle ABC$, the following relationship holds :

$$p^2 + \frac{\lambda}{\frac{1}{r_a^2} + \frac{1}{r_b^2} + \frac{1}{r_c^2}} \geq (27 + 3\lambda)r^2, 0 \leq \lambda \leq \frac{9}{2}$$

Proposed by Marin Chirciu-Romania

Solution by Soumava Chakraborty-Kolkata-India

For own convenience, $p \equiv s$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Firstly, } \frac{1}{r_a^2} + \frac{1}{r_b^2} + \frac{1}{r_c^2} &\geq \frac{1}{3} \left(\sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{1}{r_a} \right)^2 = \frac{1}{3r^2} \Rightarrow \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{1}{r_a^2} \geq \frac{1}{3r^2} \\ &\Rightarrow 3r^2 - \frac{1}{\sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{1}{r_a^2}} \geq 0 \rightarrow (1) \end{aligned}$$

$$s^2 + \frac{\lambda}{\frac{1}{r_a^2} + \frac{1}{r_b^2} + \frac{1}{r_c^2}} \geq (27 + 3\lambda)r^2 \Leftrightarrow s^2 - 27r^2 \geq \lambda \left(3r^2 - \frac{1}{\sum_{cyc} \frac{1}{r_a^2}} \right)$$

to prove which it suffices to prove :

$$s^2 - 27r^2 \geq \frac{9}{2} \left(3r^2 - \frac{1}{\sum_{cyc} \frac{1}{r_a^2}} \right) \left(\text{via (1) and } \because 0 \leq \lambda \leq \frac{9}{2} \right)$$

$$\Leftrightarrow s^2 - 27r^2 \geq \frac{9}{2} \left(3r^2 - \frac{r^2 s^4}{(\sum_{cyc} r_b r_c)^2 - 2r_a r_b r_c \sum_{cyc} r_a} \right)$$

$$= \frac{9}{2} \left(3r^2 - \frac{r^2 s^4}{s^4 - 2rs^2(4R + r)} \right) \Leftrightarrow s^2 - 27r^2 \geq \frac{9r^2}{2} \left(\frac{2s^2 - 24Rr - 6r^2}{s^2 - 8Rr - 2r^2} \right)$$

$$\Leftrightarrow (s^2 - 8Rr - 2r^2)(s^2 - 27r^2) \stackrel{(*)}{\geq} 9r^2(s^2 - 12Rr - 3r^2)$$

$$s^2 - 27r^2 \stackrel{?}{\geq} s^2 - 12Rr - 3r^2 \Leftrightarrow 12Rr \stackrel{?}{\geq} 24r^2 \rightarrow \text{true via Euler}$$

$$\therefore s^2 - 27r^2 \geq s^2 - 12Rr - 3r^2 \rightarrow (2)$$

$$\text{Also, } s^2 - 8Rr - 2r^2 \stackrel{?}{\geq} 9r^2 \Leftrightarrow s^2 - 16Rr + 5r^2 + 8r(R - 2r) \stackrel{?}{\geq} 0 \rightarrow \text{true}$$

$$\therefore s^2 - 16Rr + 5r^2 \stackrel{\text{Gerretsen}}{\geq} 0 \text{ and } 8r(R - 2r) \stackrel{\text{Euler}}{\geq} 0 \therefore s^2 - 8Rr - 2r^2 \geq 9r^2 \rightarrow (3)$$

$$\therefore (2) \cdot (3) \Rightarrow (*) \text{ is true } \therefore$$

$$p^2 + \frac{\lambda}{\frac{1}{r_a^2} + \frac{1}{r_b^2} + \frac{1}{r_c^2}} \geq (27 + 3\lambda)r^2 \forall \Delta ABC, " = " \text{ iff } \Delta ABC \text{ is equilateral (QED)}$$

1497. In any ΔABC , the following relationship holds :

$$\frac{8R}{r} \leq \sum_{cyc} \frac{(b+c)^2}{r_a^2} \leq 16 \left(\frac{R^2}{r^2} - 3 \right)$$

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WLOG we may assume $a \geq b \geq c$ and then :

$$(b+c)^2 \leq (c+a)^2 \leq (a+b)^2 \text{ and } \frac{1}{r_a^2} \leq \frac{1}{r_b^2} \leq \frac{1}{r_c^2} \therefore \text{via Chebyshev,}$$

$$\sum_{cyc} \frac{(b+c)^2}{r_a^2} \geq \left(\sum_{cyc} (b+c)^2 \right) \left(\sum_{cyc} \frac{1}{r_a^2} \right)$$

$$\stackrel{A-G}{\geq} 4 \left(\sum_{cyc} ab \right) \cdot \frac{(\sum_{cyc} r_b r_c)^2 - 2r_a r_b r_c \sum_{cyc} r_a}{r^2 s^4}$$

$$= 4(s^2 + 4Rr + r^2) \cdot \frac{s^4 - 2rs^2(4R + r)}{r^2 s^4} \stackrel{?}{\geq} \frac{8R}{r}$$

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$$\Leftrightarrow s^4 - (10Rr + r^2)s^2 - 2r^2(4R + r)^2 \stackrel{?}{\geq} 0$$

Now, LHS of (*) $\stackrel{\text{Gerretsen}}{\geq} (6Rr - 6r^2)s^2 - 2r^2(4R + r)^2 \stackrel{\text{Gerretsen}}{\geq}$
 $(6Rr - 6r^2)(16Rr - 5r^2) - 2r^2(4R + r)^2 \stackrel{?}{\geq} 0 \Leftrightarrow 32R^2 - 71Rr + 14r^2 \stackrel{?}{\geq} 0$
 $\Leftrightarrow (R - 2r)(32R - 7r) \stackrel{?}{\geq} 0 \rightarrow \text{true} \because R \stackrel{\text{Euler}}{\geq} 2r \Rightarrow (*) \text{ is true} \therefore \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{(b+c)^2}{r_a^2} \geq \frac{8R}{r}$

Again, $\sum_{\text{cyc}} ((b+c)^2(s-a)^2) = \sum_{\text{cyc}} ((s+s-a)^2(s-a)^2)$
 $= \sum_{\text{cyc}} ((s^2 + (s-a)^2 + 2s(s-a))(s-a)^2)$
 $= s^2 \sum_{\text{cyc}} (s^2 - 2sa + a^2) + 2s \sum_{\text{cyc}} (s^3 - 3s^2a + 3sa^2 - a^3)$
 $+ \sum_{\text{cyc}} (s^4 - 4s^3a + 6s^2a^2 - 4sa^3 + a^4)$
 $= s^2 \cdot 3s^2 - 2s^3 \cdot 2s + s^2 \sum_{\text{cyc}} a^2 + 2s \cdot 3s^3 - 6s^3 \cdot 2s + 6s^2 \sum_{\text{cyc}} a^2 - 2s \sum_{\text{cyc}} a^3 + 3s^4$
 $- 4s^3 \cdot 2s + 6s^2 \sum_{\text{cyc}} a^2 - 4s \sum_{\text{cyc}} a^3 + 2 \sum_{\text{cyc}} a^2b^2 - 16r^2s^2$
 $= -12s^4 + 26s^2(s^2 - 4Rr - r^2) - 12s^2(s^2 - 6Rr - 3r^2)$
 $+ 2((s^2 + 4Rr + r^2)^2 - 16Rrs^2) - 16r^2s^2$
 $= 2(2s^4 - (24Rr + r^2)s^2 + r^2(4R + r)^2)$
 $\Rightarrow \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{(b+c)^2}{r_a^2} = \frac{2(2s^4 - (24Rr + r^2)s^2 + r^2(4R + r)^2)}{r^2s^2} \stackrel{?}{\leq} 16 \left(\frac{R^2}{r^2} - 3 \right)$
 $\Leftrightarrow 2s^4 + r^2(4R + r)^2 \stackrel{?}{\leq} (8R^2 + 24Rr - 23r^2)s^2$

Now, LHS of (**) $\stackrel{\text{Gerretsen}}{\leq} (8R^2 + 8Rr + 6r^2)s^2 + r^2(4R + r)^2 \stackrel{?}{\leq}$
 $(8R^2 + 24Rr - 23r^2)s^2 \Leftrightarrow (16Rr - 29r^2)s^2 \stackrel{?}{\leq} r^2(4R + r)^2$

Again, LHS of (***) $\stackrel{\text{Gerretsen}}{\geq} (16Rr - 29r^2)(16Rr - 5r^2) \stackrel{?}{\geq} r^2(4R + r)^2$
 $\Leftrightarrow 240R^2 - 552Rr + 144r^2 \stackrel{?}{\geq} 0 \Leftrightarrow 24(R - 2r)(10R - 3r) \stackrel{?}{\geq} 0 \rightarrow \text{true} \because R \stackrel{\text{Euler}}{\geq} 2r$
 $\Rightarrow (***) \Rightarrow (**) \text{ is true} \therefore \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{(b+c)^2}{r_a^2} \leq 16 \left(\frac{R^2}{r^2} - 3 \right) \therefore \frac{8R}{r} \leq \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{(b+c)^2}{r_a^2}$
 $\leq 16 \left(\frac{R^2}{r^2} - 3 \right) \forall \Delta ABC, " = " \text{ iff } \Delta ABC \text{ is equilateral (QED)}$

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1498. In any ΔABC , the following relationship holds :

$$\frac{9R}{2r} \leq \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{r_a}{r_b} \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{r_b}{r_a} \leq \frac{8R^2}{r^2} - 23$$

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$$\begin{aligned} r_b + r_c &= s \left(\frac{\sin \frac{B}{2}}{\cos \frac{B}{2}} + \frac{\sin \frac{C}{2}}{\cos \frac{C}{2}} \right) = \frac{s \sin \left(\frac{B+C}{2} \right) \cos \frac{A}{2}}{\cos \frac{A}{2} \cos \frac{B}{2} \cos \frac{C}{2}} = \frac{s \cos^2 \frac{A}{2}}{\left(\frac{s}{4R} \right)} = 4R \cos^2 \frac{A}{2} \\ \therefore r_b + r_c &\stackrel{(i)}{=} 4R \cos^2 \frac{A}{2} \text{ and analogs} \\ \text{Now, } \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{r_a}{r_b} \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{r_b}{r_a} &= 3 + \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{r_b r_c}{r_a^2} + \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{r_a^2}{r_b r_c} \\ &= 3 + \frac{1}{r^2 s} \sum_{\text{cyc}} (s-a)^3 + \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{(s-b)(s-c)}{(s-a)^2} \stackrel{A-G}{\leq} 3 + \\ &\quad \frac{1}{r^2 s} \left(\sum_{\text{cyc}} (s-a) \right)^3 \\ &\quad - 3((s-a) + (s-b))((s-b) + (s-c))((s-c) + (s-a)) \\ + \frac{1}{4} \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{(a-s+s)^2}{(s-a)^2} &= 3 + \frac{1}{r^2 s} (s^3 - 3 \cdot 4Rrs) + \frac{1}{4} \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{(s-a)^2 - 2s(s-a) + s^2}{(s-a)^2} \\ &= 3 + \frac{s^2 - 12Rr}{r^2} + \frac{1}{4} \left(3 - \frac{2}{r} \sum_{\text{cyc}} r_a + \frac{1}{r^2} \sum_{\text{cyc}} r_a^2 \right) \\ &= 3 + \frac{s^2 - 12Rr}{r^2} + \frac{1}{4} \left(3 - \frac{2(4R+r)}{r} + \frac{(4R+r)^2 - 2s^2}{r^2} \right) \\ &= 3 + \frac{s^2 - 12Rr}{r^2} + \frac{8R^2 + r^2 - s^2}{2r^2} \stackrel{?}{\leq} \frac{8R^2}{r^2} - 23 \Leftrightarrow s^2 \stackrel{?}{\leq} 8R^2 + 24Rr - 53r^2 \\ \text{and } \because s^2 &\stackrel{\text{Gerretsen}}{\leq} 4R^2 + 4Rr + 3r^2 \therefore \text{it suffices to prove : } 4R^2 + 4Rr + 3r^2 \\ &\stackrel{?}{\leq} 8R^2 + 24Rr - 53r^2 \Leftrightarrow R^2 + 5Rr - 14r^2 \stackrel{?}{\geq} 0 \Leftrightarrow (R-2r)(R+7r) \stackrel{?}{\geq} 0 \rightarrow \text{true} \\ \therefore R &\stackrel{\text{Euler}}{\geq} 2r \therefore \boxed{\sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{r_a}{r_b} \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{r_b}{r_a} \leq \sum_{\text{cyc}} r_b r_c (r_b + r_c) \leq \frac{8R^2}{r^2} - 23} \\ \text{Again, } \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{r_a}{r_b} \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{r_b}{r_a} &= 3 + \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{r_b r_c}{r_a^2} + \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{r_a^2}{r_b r_c} = 3 \end{aligned}$$

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$$\begin{aligned}
 & + \frac{1}{r^2 s^4} \left(\left(\sum_{\text{cyc}} r_b r_c \right)^3 - 3(r_b r_c + r_c r_a)(r_c r_a + r_a r_b)(r_a r_b + r_b r_c) \right) \\
 & + \frac{1}{r^2 s} \left(\left(\sum_{\text{cyc}} (s-a) \right)^3 - 3((s-a) + (s-b))((s-b) + (s-c))((s-c) + (s-a)) \right) \stackrel{\text{via (i)}}{=} \\
 & 3 + \frac{1}{r^2 s^4} \left(s^4 - 3rs^2 \cdot 64R^3 \cdot \frac{s^2}{16R^2} \right) + \frac{1}{r^2 s} (s^3 - 3 \cdot 4Rrs) \stackrel{?}{\geq} \frac{9R}{2r} \\
 \Leftrightarrow & 2s^4 - (57Rr - 6r^2)s^2 + 2r(4R + r)r^3 \stackrel{?}{\geq} 0 \text{ and } \therefore 2(s^2 - 16Rr + 5r^2)^2 \stackrel{\text{Gerretsen}}{\geq} 0
 \end{aligned}$$

\therefore in order to prove (*), it suffices to prove : LHS of (*) $\geq 2(s^2 - 16Rr + 5r^2)^2$

$$\Leftrightarrow 128R^3 - 416R^2r + 344Rr^2 - 48r^3 + 7(R - 2r)s^2 \stackrel{(**)}{\geq} 0$$

Again, LHS of (**) $\stackrel{\text{Gerretsen}}{\geq} 128R^3 - 416R^2r + 344Rr^2 - 48r^3$

$$+ 7(R - 2r)(16Rr - 5r^2) \stackrel{?}{\geq} 0 \Leftrightarrow 128t^3 - 304t^2 + 85t + 22 \stackrel{?}{\geq} 0 \left(t = \frac{R}{r} \right)$$

$$\Leftrightarrow (t - 2)((t - 2)(128t + 208) + 405) \stackrel{?}{\geq} 0 \rightarrow \text{true} \therefore t \stackrel{\text{Euler}}{\geq} 2$$

$$\Rightarrow (**)\Rightarrow (*) \text{ is true } \therefore \boxed{\frac{9R}{2r} \leq \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{r_a}{r_b} \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{r_b}{r_a}} \text{ and hence,}$$

$$\frac{9R}{2r} \leq \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{r_a}{r_b} \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{r_b}{r_a} \leq \frac{8R^2}{r^2} - 23 \forall \Delta ABC, " = " \text{ iff } \Delta ABC \text{ is equilateral (QED)}$$

1499. Prove that in all triangle ABC with usual notations,

the following relationship holds

$$\frac{9}{\sum_{\text{cyc}} m_a} \leq \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{2}{m_a + m_b} < \frac{10}{\sum_{\text{cyc}} m_a}$$

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$$\begin{aligned}
 \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{2}{a+b} < \frac{10}{\sum_{\text{cyc}} a} & \Leftrightarrow \frac{1}{(a+b)(b+c)(c+a)} \cdot \sum_{\text{cyc}} \left(a^2 + \sum_{\text{cyc}} ab \right) < \frac{5}{2s} \Leftrightarrow \\
 \frac{1}{2s(s^2 + 2Rr + r^2)} \left(\sum_{\text{cyc}} a^2 + 2 \sum_{\text{cyc}} ab + \sum_{\text{cyc}} ab \right) & < \frac{5}{2s} \Leftrightarrow \frac{4s^2 + s^2 + 4Rr + r^2}{s^2 + 2Rr + r^2} < 5
 \end{aligned}$$

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$$\Leftrightarrow 10Rr + 5r^2 > 4Rr + r^2 \Leftrightarrow 6Rr + 4r^2 > 0 \rightarrow \text{true} \therefore \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{2}{a+b} < \frac{10}{\sum_{\text{cyc}} a}$$

and implementing it on a triangle with sides m_a, m_b, m_c , we arrive at :

$$\sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{2}{m_a + m_b} < \frac{10}{\sum_{\text{cyc}} m_a} \text{ and also, } \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{2}{m_a + m_b} \stackrel{\text{Bergstrom}}{\geq} \frac{18}{2 \sum_{\text{cyc}} m_a}$$

$$\therefore \frac{9}{\sum_{\text{cyc}} m_a} \leq \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{2}{m_a + m_b} \text{ (QED)}$$

1500. Prove the following inequalities : (i) If $x, y, z > 0$, then :

$$\sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{1}{x+y} \leq \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{4x}{3y^2 + 2yz + 3z^2} \leq \frac{\sum_{\text{cyc}} x^2}{2xyz} \text{ and (ii) In all triangle ABC}$$

with usual notations, the following relationship holds :

$$\frac{5s^2 + r^2 + 4Rr}{8s(s^2 + 2Rr + r^2)} \leq \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{a}{3b^2 + 2bc + 3c^2} \leq \frac{s^2 - r^2 - 4Rr}{16sRr}$$

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Assigning $y + z = a, z + x = b, x + y = c \Rightarrow a + b - c = 2z > 0, b + c - a = 2x > 0$ and $c + a - b = 2y > 0 \Rightarrow a + b > c, b + c > a, c + a > b \Rightarrow a, b, c$ form sides of a triangle with semiperimeter, circumradius and inradius = s, R, r (say)

$$\text{yielding } 2 \sum_{\text{cyc}} x = \sum_{\text{cyc}} a = 2s \Rightarrow \sum_{\text{cyc}} x \stackrel{(*)}{=} s \Rightarrow x = s - a, y = s - b, z = s - c$$

$$\therefore xyz \stackrel{(**)}{=} r^2 s \text{ and, } \sum_{\text{cyc}} xy = \sum_{\text{cyc}} (s-a)(s-b) = 4Rr + r^2 \Rightarrow \sum_{\text{cyc}} xy \stackrel{(***)}{=} 4Rr + r^2$$

$$\text{Firstly, } \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{4x}{3y^2 + 2yz + 3z^2} \stackrel{\text{A-G}}{\leq} \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{4x}{8yz} = \frac{\sum_{\text{cyc}} x^2}{2xyz}$$

$$\text{Again, } \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{4x}{3y^2 + 2yz + 3z^2} = \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{4x^2}{3xy^2 + 2xyz + 3xz^2} \stackrel{\text{Bergstrom}}{\geq}$$

$$\frac{4(\sum_{\text{cyc}} x)^2}{3 \sum_{\text{cyc}} (xy(\sum_{\text{cyc}} x - z)) + 6xyz} = \frac{4(\sum_{\text{cyc}} x)^2}{3(\sum_{\text{cyc}} x)(\sum_{\text{cyc}} xy) - 3xyz} \stackrel{\text{via } (*), (**), (***)}{=}$$

$$\frac{4s^2}{3s(4Rr + r^2) - 3r^2s} \stackrel{?}{\geq} \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{1}{x+y} = \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{1}{a} = \frac{s^2 + 4Rr + r^2}{4Rrs}$$

$$\Leftrightarrow 4R(s^2 - 12Rr - 3r^2) \stackrel{?}{\geq} 0 \Leftrightarrow s^2 - 16Rr + 5r^2 + 4r(R - 2r) \stackrel{?}{\geq} 0 \rightarrow \text{true}$$

$$\therefore s^2 - 16Rr + 5r^2 \stackrel{\text{Gerretsen}}{\geq} 0 \text{ and } 4r(R - 2r) \stackrel{\text{Euler}}{\geq} 0$$

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$$\therefore \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{4x}{3y^2 + 2yz + 3z^2} \geq \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{1}{x+y} \text{ and hence,}$$

$$\boxed{\sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{1}{x+y} \leq \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{4x}{3y^2 + 2yz + 3z^2} \leq \frac{\sum_{\text{cyc}} x^2}{2xyz}} \text{ " = " iff } x = y = z$$

and implementing this with $x \equiv a, y \equiv b, z \equiv c$ ($a, b, c \rightarrow$ sides of $\triangle ABC$),

$$\text{we get : } \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{4a}{3b^2 + 2bc + 3c^2} \leq \frac{\sum_{\text{cyc}} a^2}{2abc} = \frac{s^2 - r^2 - 4Rr}{4sRr}$$

$$\Rightarrow \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{a}{3b^2 + 2bc + 3c^2} \leq \frac{s^2 - r^2 - 4Rr}{16sRr} \text{ and also, } \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{4a}{3b^2 + 2bc + 3c^2} \geq \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{1}{b+c}$$

$$= \frac{1}{2s(s^2 + 2Rr + r^2)} \cdot \sum_{\text{cyc}} \left(a^2 + \sum_{\text{cyc}} ab \right)$$

$$= \frac{1}{2s(s^2 + 2Rr + r^2)} \cdot \left(\left(\sum_{\text{cyc}} a^2 + 2 \sum_{\text{cyc}} ab \right) + \sum_{\text{cyc}} ab \right) = \frac{4s^2 + s^2 + 4Rr + r^2}{2s(s^2 + 2Rr + r^2)}$$

$$= \frac{5s^2 + r^2 + 4Rr}{2s(s^2 + 2Rr + r^2)} \Rightarrow \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{a}{3b^2 + 2bc + 3c^2} \geq \frac{5s^2 + r^2 + 4Rr}{8s(s^2 + 2Rr + r^2)}$$

$$\therefore \boxed{\frac{5s^2 + r^2 + 4Rr}{8s(s^2 + 2Rr + r^2)} \leq \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{a}{3b^2 + 2bc + 3c^2} \leq \frac{s^2 - r^2 - 4Rr}{16sRr}}$$

" = " iff $\triangle ABC$ is equilateral (QED)

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