

ROMANIAN MATHEMATICAL MAGAZINE

If ΔABC is right in A then:

$$\sqrt[4]{\frac{(-a^6 + b^6 + c^6)(-a^{14} + b^{14} + c^{14})}{21(a^4 - b^2c^2)^2}} = 4Rr(2R + r)$$

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ΔABC is right at A , so $a^2 = b^2 + c^2$

$2R = a$ and for right angle triangle inradius $r = \frac{1}{2}(b + c - a)$ or

$b + c = 2r + a = 2r + 2R$ and

$2s = a + b + c = 2R + 2r + 2R = 4R + 2r$ or $s = 2R + r$ (1)

Let $a^2 = x, b^2 = y, c^2 = z$ then $(-a^6 + b^6 + c^6) = (-x^3 + y^3 + z^3)$
 $= -\left(x^3 - (y^3 + z^3)\right) \stackrel{a^2=b^2+c^2 \text{ or } x=y+z}{=} -\left((y+z)^3 - y^3 - z^3\right)$
 $= -(y^3 + z^3 + 3yz(y+z) - y^3 - z^3) = -3yz(y+z)$ (2)

$$\begin{aligned} -a^{14} + b^{14} + c^{14} &= -(x^7 - y^7 - z^7) \stackrel{a^2=b^2+c^2 \text{ or } x=y+z}{=} -\left((y+z)^7 - y^7 - z^7\right) = \\ &= -(y^7 + 7y^6z + 21y^5z^2 + 35y^4z^3 + 35y^3z^4 + 21y^2z^5 + 7yz^6 + z^7 - y^7 - z^7) = \\ &= -7yz(y+z)(y^4 + 2y^3z + 3y^2z^2 + 2yz^3 + z^4) \end{aligned}$$
 (3)

$$\begin{aligned} (a^4 - b^2c^2)^2 &= (x^2 - yz)^2 \stackrel{a^2=b^2+c^2 \text{ or } x=y+z}{=} \left((y+z)^2 - yz\right)^2 = (y^2 + z^2 + yz)^2 \\ &= (y^4 + 2y^3z + 3y^2z^2 + 2yz^3 + z^4) \text{ using formula } (p+q+r)^2 = \sum p^2 + 2\sum pq \end{aligned}$$
 (4)

$$\begin{aligned} &\sqrt[4]{\frac{(-a^6 + b^6 + c^6)(-a^{14} + b^{14} + c^{14})}{21(a^4 - b^2c^2)^2}} \stackrel{(2),(3),(4)}{=} \\ &= \sqrt[4]{\left(\frac{(-3yz(y+z))(-7yz(y+z)(y^4 + 2y^3z + 3y^2z^2 + 2yz^3 + z^4))}{(y^4 + 2y^3z + 3y^2z^2 + 2yz^3 + z^4)21}\right)} \\ &= \sqrt[4]{(y+z)^2 y^2 z^2} \stackrel{a^2=b^2+c^2 \text{ or } x=y+z}{=} \sqrt[4]{(x)^2 y^2 z^2} \stackrel{a^2=x, b^2=y, c^2=z}{=} \\ &= \sqrt[4]{a^4 b^4 c^4} = abc = 4Rrs \stackrel{(1)}{=} 4Rr(2R + r) \end{aligned}$$