

ROMANIAN MATHEMATICAL MAGAZINE

In any ΔABC , the following relationship holds :

$$\frac{(r_a + r_b + r_c)^2}{r_a r_b + r_b r_c + r_c r_a} + \frac{(r + 4R)^2 (6s - (\sqrt{a} + \sqrt{b} + \sqrt{c})^2)}{s^2 (\sqrt{a} + \sqrt{b} + \sqrt{c})^2} \leq \frac{3R}{2r}$$

Proposed by Adil Abdullayev-Azerbaijan

Solution 1 by Soumava Chakraborty-Kolkata-India

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{(r_a + r_b + r_c)^2}{r_a r_b + r_b r_c + r_c r_a} + \frac{(r + 4R)^2 (6s - (\sqrt{a} + \sqrt{b} + \sqrt{c})^2)}{s^2 (\sqrt{a} + \sqrt{b} + \sqrt{c})^2} \\ &= \frac{(4R + r)^2}{s^2} + \frac{6(4R + r)^2}{s(2s + 2 \sum_{cyc} \sqrt{ab})} \stackrel{GM-HM}{\leq} \frac{6(4R + r)^2}{s(2s + 4 \sum_{cyc} \frac{ab}{a+b})} \\ &= \frac{3(4R + r)^2}{s(s + 2 \cdot 4Rrs \cdot \sum_{cyc} \frac{1}{ca+bc})} \stackrel{Bergstrom}{\leq} \frac{3(4R + r)^2}{s(s + 2 \cdot 4Rrs \cdot \frac{9}{2 \sum_{cyc} ab})} = \frac{3(4R + r)^2}{s^2 + \frac{36Rrs^2}{s^2 + 4Rr + r^2}} \stackrel{?}{\leq} \frac{3R}{2r} \\ &\Leftrightarrow R s^4 + r s^2 (8R^2 - 15Rr - 2r^2) \stackrel{?}{\geq} 2r^2 (4R + r)^3 \quad (*) \\ &\text{Now, LHS of } (*) \stackrel{Gerretsen}{\geq} (R(16Rr - 5r^2) + r(8R^2 - 15Rr - 2r^2)) s^2 \\ &\stackrel{Gerretsen}{\geq} r(24R^2 - 20Rr - 2r^2)(16Rr - 5r^2) \stackrel{?}{\geq} 2r^2 (4R + r)^3 \\ &\Leftrightarrow 64t^3 - 134t^2 + 11t + 2 \geq 0 \quad (t = \frac{R}{r}) \\ &\Leftrightarrow (t - 2)(60t^2 + 3t(t - 2) + (t^2 - 4) + 3) \geq 0 \rightarrow \text{true} \because t \stackrel{Euler}{\geq} 2 \Rightarrow (*) \text{ is true} \\ &\therefore \frac{(r_a + r_b + r_c)^2}{r_a r_b + r_b r_c + r_c r_a} + \frac{(r + 4R)^2 (6s - (\sqrt{a} + \sqrt{b} + \sqrt{c})^2)}{s^2 (\sqrt{a} + \sqrt{b} + \sqrt{c})^2} \leq \frac{3R}{2r} \quad \forall \Delta ABC, \\ &\quad \quad \quad \text{"=" iff } \Delta ABC \text{ is equilateral (QED)} \end{aligned}$$

Solution 2 by Mohamed Amine Ben Ajiba-Tanger-Morocco

Since $r_a + r_b + r_c = 4R + r$ and $r_a r_b + r_b r_c + r_c r_a = s^2$, then we have

$$\begin{aligned} LHS &= \frac{(4R + r)^2}{s^2} + \frac{(r + 4R)^2 (6s - (\sqrt{a} + \sqrt{b} + \sqrt{c})^2)}{s^2 (\sqrt{a} + \sqrt{b} + \sqrt{c})^2} = \frac{6s(4R + r)^2}{s^2 (\sqrt{a} + \sqrt{b} + \sqrt{c})^2} \\ &\stackrel{Euler}{\geq} \frac{4 \cdot 6s \left(4R + \frac{R}{2}\right)^2}{(a + b + c)^2 (\sqrt{a} + \sqrt{b} + \sqrt{c})^2} \stackrel{AM-GM}{\geq} \frac{486sR^2}{(3^3 \sqrt{abc})^2 (3^6 \sqrt{abc})^2} = \frac{6sR^2}{abc} = \frac{3R}{2r}, \end{aligned}$$

as desired. Equality holds iff ΔABC is equilateral.