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**J.2396** If  $I$  – incenter then in  $\triangle ABC$  holds:

$$2\sqrt{3}r \leq \sqrt{a \cdot AI^2 + b \cdot BI^2 + c \cdot CI^2} \leq R\sqrt{3}$$

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Since  $AI = \frac{bc \cos \frac{A}{2}}{s}$ , we obtain:

$$a \cdot AI^2 + b \cdot BI^2 + c \cdot CI^2 = \frac{abc(s-a)}{s} + \frac{abc(s-b)}{s} + \frac{abc(s-c)}{s} = abc.$$

$$\text{We have } 24\sqrt{3}r^3 \leq abc \Leftrightarrow 6\sqrt{3}r^2 \leq Rs,$$

which is true because  $3\sqrt{3}r \leq s$  (item 5.11 from [1]) and  $2r \leq R$ .

The right inequality is equivalent to  $abc \leq 3\sqrt{3}R^3 \Leftrightarrow 4rs \leq 3\sqrt{3}R^2$ ,

which is true because  $2s \leq 3\sqrt{3}R$  (item 5.3 from [1]) and  $2r \leq R$ .

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

[1] O. Bottema, *Geometric Inequalities*, Groningen 1969