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**J.2456** If  $m, n \geq 0, m + n = 1$  and  $x, y, z > 0$ , then in  $\Delta ABC$  holds:

$$\frac{x \cdot a^m}{(y+z)h_a^n} + \frac{y \cdot b^m}{(z+x)h_b^n} + \frac{z \cdot c^m}{(x+y)h_c^n} \geq \frac{(27)^{\frac{1}{4}}}{2^n} \cdot (\sqrt{F})^{1-2n}$$

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$$\text{We have } ah_a = bh_b = ch_c = 2F.$$

We will use a theorem by Mehmet Şahin (Turkey) which appeared in *AMM*(2015):

Let  $a, b, c$  be the sides of a triangle. The triangle with sides  $\sqrt{a}, \sqrt{b}, \sqrt{c}$

$$\text{has the area } F_1 = \frac{1}{2} \sqrt{(r_a + r_b + r_c)r}.$$

By inequality  $r_a + r_b + r_c \geq \sqrt{3}s$  (item 5. 29 from [1]) we obtain

$$F_1 = \frac{1}{2} \sqrt{(r_a + r_b + r_c)r} \geq \frac{1}{2} \sqrt{\sqrt{3}sr} = \frac{1}{2} (\sqrt{3})^{\frac{1}{4}} \sqrt{F} \quad (1)$$

Applying Tsintsifas inequality  $\frac{x}{y+z}a^2 + \frac{y}{z+x}b^2 + \frac{z}{x+y}c^2 \geq 2\sqrt{3}F$  (for the triangle with sides  $\sqrt{a}, \sqrt{b}, \sqrt{c}$ , that is  $\frac{x}{y+z}a + \frac{y}{z+x}b + \frac{z}{x+y}c \geq 2\sqrt{3}F_1$ ), it follows that

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{x \cdot a^m}{(y+z)h_a^n} + \frac{y \cdot b^m}{(z+x)h_b^n} + \frac{z \cdot c^m}{(x+y)h_c^n} &= \frac{x \cdot a^{m+n}}{(y+z)a^n h_a^n} + \frac{y \cdot b^{m+n}}{(z+x)b^n h_b^n} + \frac{z \cdot c^{m+n}}{(x+y)c^n h_c^n} = \\ &= \frac{1}{2^n F^n} \left( \frac{x}{y+z}a + \frac{y}{z+x}b + \frac{z}{x+y}c \right) \geq \frac{2\sqrt{3}F_1}{2^n F^n} \geq \frac{2\sqrt{3} \cdot \frac{1}{2} (\sqrt{3})^{\frac{1}{4}} \sqrt{F}}{2^n F^n} = \frac{(27)^{\frac{1}{4}}}{2^n} \cdot (\sqrt{F})^{1-2n}. \end{aligned}$$

Equality holds if and only if  $\Delta ABC$  is equilateral and  $x = y = z$ .

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