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**J.2627** In any triangle  $ABC$  the following inequality holds:

$$(a^2 r_a^2 + 2)(b^2 r_b^2 + 2)(c^2 r_c^2 + 2) \geq 108 \cdot F^2$$

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Applying Arkady Alt's inequality  $(x^2 + t^2)(y^2 + t^2)(z^2 + t^2) \geq \frac{3}{4}t^4(x + y + z)^2$

for  $t = \sqrt{2}$ , it follows that:

$$(a^2 r_a^2 + 2)(b^2 r_b^2 + 2)(c^2 r_c^2 + 2) \geq \frac{3}{4}(\sqrt{2})^4 (ar_a + br_b + cr_c)^2 \quad (1)$$

We have

$$\begin{aligned} r_a + r_b + r_c &= F \left( \frac{1}{s-a} + \frac{1}{s-b} + \frac{1}{s-c} \right) = \\ &= \frac{F((s-a)(s-b) + (s-b)(s-c) + (s-c)(s-a))}{(s-a)(s-b)(s-c)} = \\ &= \frac{Fs(3s^2 - s(a+b+b+c+c+a) + ab + bc + ca)}{s(s-a)(s-b)(s-c)} = \\ &= \frac{Fs(3s^2 - 4s^2 + s^2 + r^2 + 4Rr)}{F^2} = \frac{sr(4R+r)}{sr} = 4R + r \quad (2) \end{aligned}$$

Suppose that  $a \geq b \geq c$ ; then  $\frac{1}{s-a} \geq \frac{1}{s-b} \geq \frac{1}{s-c}$ , hence  $r_a \geq r_b \geq r_c$ . By Chebyshev's

inequality, (2) and Euler inequality ( $R \geq 2r$ ) we get

$$ar_a + br_b + cr_c \geq \frac{1}{3}(a+b+c)(r_a + r_b + r_c) = \frac{2s(4R+r)}{3} \geq 6sr \quad (3)$$

Using (1), (3) and the inequality  $s^2 \geq 27r^2$  (item 5.11 from [1]), yields that

$$(a^2 r_a^2 + 2)(b^2 r_b^2 + 2)(c^2 r_c^2 + 2) \geq 3(ar_a + br_b + cr_c)^2 \geq 3(6sr)^2 = 108 \cdot F^2$$

Equality holds if and only if  $a = b = c$  and  $ar_a = \frac{\sqrt{2}}{\sqrt{2}} = 1 \Leftrightarrow a = \sqrt{\frac{2}{3}}$

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

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## ARKADY ALT'S INEQUALITY

If  $t, x, y, z > 0$  then the following relationship holds:

$$(x^2 + t^2)(y^2 + t^2)(z^2 + t^2) \geq \frac{3}{4}t^4(x + y + z)^2$$

with equality if and only if  $x = y = z = \frac{t}{\sqrt{2}}$ .

**Proof:** We have

$$(x^2 + t^2)(y^2 + t^2) \geq \frac{3}{4}t^2((x + y)^2 + t^2) \Leftrightarrow \left(xy - \frac{t^2}{2}\right)^2 + \frac{t^2}{4}(x - y)^2 \geq 0.$$

Applying Cauchy-Buniakovski-Schwarz inequality we obtain

$$\begin{aligned}(x^2 + t^2)(y^2 + t^2)(z^2 + t^2) &\geq \frac{3t^2}{4}((x + y)^2 + t^2)(t^2 + z^2) \geq \\ &\geq \frac{3t^2}{4}(t(x + y) + tz)^2 = \frac{3}{4}t^4(x + y + z)^2.\end{aligned}$$

The equality holds if and only if  $x = y = z = \frac{t}{\sqrt{2}}$ .