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U.2539 In any triangle ABC , g_a Gergonne's cevian, holds:

$$(g_a^2 + 2)(g_b^2 + 2)(g_c^2 + 2) \geq 36 \left(\frac{F}{R}\right)^2$$

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We have $g_a \geq h_a$ and $ah_a = 2F$. Applying Arkady Alt's inequality

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

(with equality if and only if $x = y = z = \frac{t}{\sqrt{2}}$) and the inequality:

$$\frac{1}{a} + \frac{1}{b} + \frac{1}{c} \geq \frac{\sqrt{3}}{R} \text{ (item 5.23 from [1])}, \text{ it follows that:}$$

$$\begin{aligned} (g_a^2 + 2)(g_b^2 + 2)(g_c^2 + 2) &\geq (h_a^2 + 2)(h_b^2 + 2)(h_c^2 + 2) \geq \\ &\geq \frac{3}{4}(\sqrt{2})^2(h_a + h_b + h_c)^2 = 3\left(\frac{2F}{a} + \frac{2F}{b} + \frac{2F}{c}\right)^2 = \\ &= 12F^2\left(\frac{1}{a} + \frac{1}{b} + \frac{1}{c}\right)^2 \geq 12F^2\left(\frac{\sqrt{3}}{R}\right)^2 = 36\left(\frac{F}{R}\right)^2. \end{aligned}$$

Equality holds if and only if the triangle ABC is equilateral and $h_a = 1$,

$$\text{that is } a = b = c = \frac{2\sqrt{3}}{3}.$$

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

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

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

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