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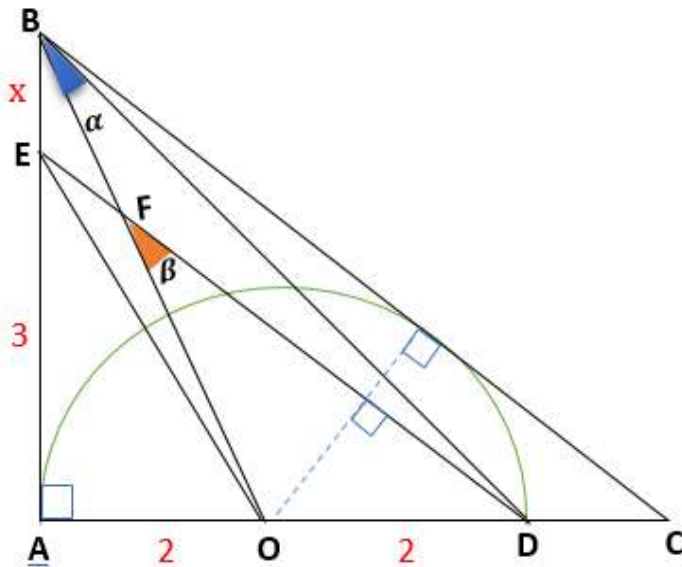
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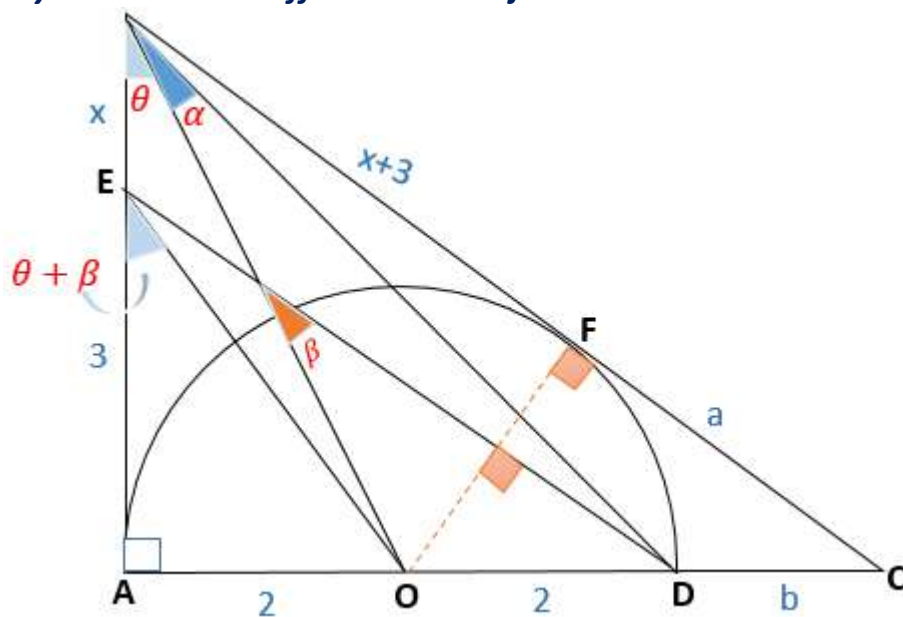


O := Center of the semicircle

$x = ? , \alpha + \beta = ?$

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In $\triangle EAD$ ($A = 90^\circ$) by theorem Pythagorean

$$ED^2 = AD^2 + AE^2 = 4^2 + 3^2 = 25 \Rightarrow ED = 5.$$

Also, $ED \parallel BC \Rightarrow \triangle AED \sim \triangle ABC$

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$$\frac{5}{(3+x)+a} = \frac{3}{3+x} \Rightarrow x+3 = \frac{3a}{2} \quad (1)$$

In $\triangle ABC$ BO is bisector. Then

$$\frac{3+x}{2} = \frac{(3+x)+a}{2+b} \Rightarrow \frac{3a}{4} = \frac{\frac{3a}{2}+a}{2+b} \Rightarrow b = \frac{4}{3} \quad (2)$$

In $\triangle OFC$ ($\hat{F} = 90^\circ$) by Pythagorean

$$a^2 = (2+b)^2 - 2^2 = \frac{100}{9} - 4 = \frac{64}{9} \Rightarrow a = \frac{8}{3} \quad (3)$$

Therefore (1) and (3) $\Rightarrow x = 1$

In $\triangle ABO$ ($\hat{A} = 90^\circ$) $\theta + \alpha = \frac{\pi}{4}$;

In $\triangle AEO$ ($\hat{A} = 90^\circ$) $\Rightarrow \tan(\theta + \beta) = \frac{4}{3}$

In $\triangle AEO$ ($\hat{A} = 90^\circ$) $\Rightarrow \tan \theta = \frac{1}{2}$;

$$\frac{4}{3} = \tan(\theta + \beta) = \frac{\tan \theta + \tan \beta}{1 - \tan \theta \tan \beta} = \frac{\frac{1}{2} + \tan \beta}{1 - \frac{1}{2} \tan \beta} \Rightarrow \tan \beta = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$1 = \tan(\theta + \alpha) = \frac{\tan \theta + \tan \alpha}{1 - \tan \theta \tan \alpha} = \frac{\frac{1}{2} + \tan \alpha}{1 - \frac{1}{2} \tan \alpha} \Rightarrow \tan \alpha = \frac{1}{3}$$

$$\tan(\alpha + \beta) = \frac{\tan \alpha + \tan \beta}{1 - \tan \alpha \tan \beta} = \frac{\frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{3}}{1 - \frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{1}{3}} = 1 \Rightarrow \alpha + \beta = \frac{\pi}{4}$$

1802. In $\triangle ABC$, G –centroid, X, Y, Z –circumradii of $\triangle BCG, \triangle CAG, \triangle ABG$.

Prove that:

$$\frac{\sin A}{X m_a} = \frac{\sin B}{Y m_b} = \frac{\sin C}{Z m_c}$$

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Solution by Tapas Das-India

$$BG = \frac{2}{3} m_b, CG = \frac{2}{3} m_c, AG = \frac{2}{3} m_a,$$

area of the $\triangle ABC = F$ then $[BGC] = [CGA] = [AGB] = \frac{F}{3}$,

$$X = \frac{BG \cdot CG \cdot BC}{4[BGC]} = \frac{\frac{2}{3} m_b \cdot \frac{2}{3} m_c \cdot a}{\frac{4F}{3}} = \frac{am_b m_c}{3F}, \text{ similarly } Y = \frac{bm_c m_a}{3F} \text{ and } Z = \frac{cm_a m_b}{3F}$$

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$$\frac{\sin A}{X m_a} = \frac{a}{2R} \cdot \frac{3F}{a m_a m_b m_c} = \frac{3F}{2R} \cdot \frac{1}{m_a m_b m_c}$$

$$\frac{\sin B}{Y m_b} = \frac{b}{2R} \cdot \frac{3F}{b m_a m_b m_c} = \frac{3F}{2R} \cdot \frac{1}{m_a m_b m_c}$$

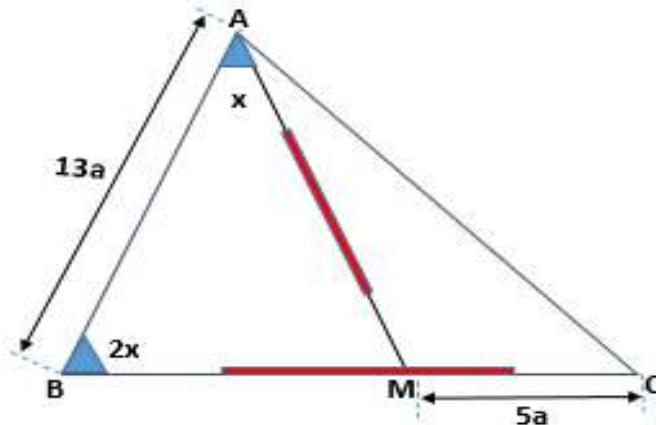
$$\frac{\sin C}{Z m_c} = \frac{c}{2R} \cdot \frac{3F}{c m_a m_b m_c} = \frac{3F}{2R} \cdot \frac{1}{m_a m_b m_c}$$

$$\frac{\sin A}{X m_a} = \frac{\sin B}{Y m_b} = \frac{\sin C}{Z m_c}$$

1803. In the triangle ABC , the point M (on side BC) is such that:

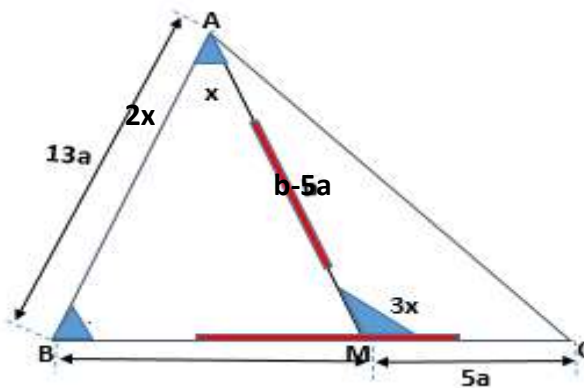
$$MA = BC , MC = \left(\frac{5}{13}\right) \cdot AB , \hat{MBA} = 2 \cdot \hat{MAB} = 2x$$

Under these conditions , determine the value of x.



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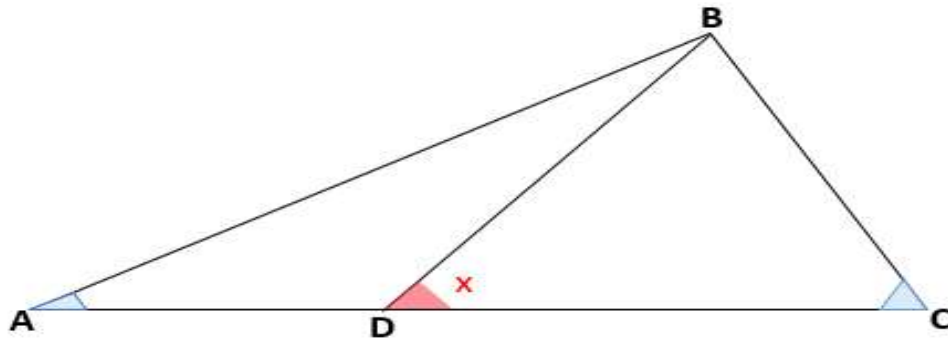
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Let $AM=b$. Then $BM=b-5a$. In $\triangle ABM$ rule sine

$$\frac{\sin \hat{BMA}}{AB} = \frac{\sin \hat{ABM}}{AM} = \frac{\sin \hat{BAM}}{BM} \Rightarrow \frac{\sin 3x}{13a} = \frac{\sin 2x}{b} = \frac{\sin x}{b-5a} \Rightarrow$$



$$\Rightarrow \frac{a}{b} = \frac{\sin 3x}{13 \sin 2x} \quad (1)$$

$$\frac{\sin 2x}{\sin x} = \frac{b-5a}{b} \Rightarrow \frac{a}{b} = \frac{\sin 2x - \sin x}{5 \sin 2x} \quad (2)$$

From (1) and (2) we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\sin 2x - \sin x}{5 \sin 2x} &= \frac{\sin 3x}{13 \sin 2x} \Rightarrow 5 \sin 3x = 13 \sin 2x - 13 \sin x \Rightarrow \\ \Rightarrow 5 \cdot (3 \sin x - 4 \sin^3 x) &= 26 \cdot \sin x \cos x - 13 \sin x \Rightarrow 15 - 20 \sin^2 x = \\ &= 26 \cos x - 13 \Rightarrow 10 \cos^2 x - 13 \cos x + 4 = 0 \end{aligned}$$

Let $\cos x = t$

$$10t^2 - 13t + 4 = 0 \Rightarrow t_1 = \frac{1}{2}, t_2 = \frac{4}{5}$$

$$\cos x = \frac{1}{2} \Rightarrow x = 60^\circ$$

it does not satisfy the condition of the problem

$$\cos x = \frac{4}{5} \Rightarrow x = \cos^{-1}\left(\frac{4}{5}\right) \approx 37^\circ$$

$$\text{Answer: } x = \cos^{-1}\left(\frac{4}{5}\right) \approx 37^\circ$$

1804.

If $\frac{AD}{DB} = k$ then:

$$\tan x = \frac{(k+1) \tan A \cdot \tan B}{\tan B - k \cdot \tan A}$$

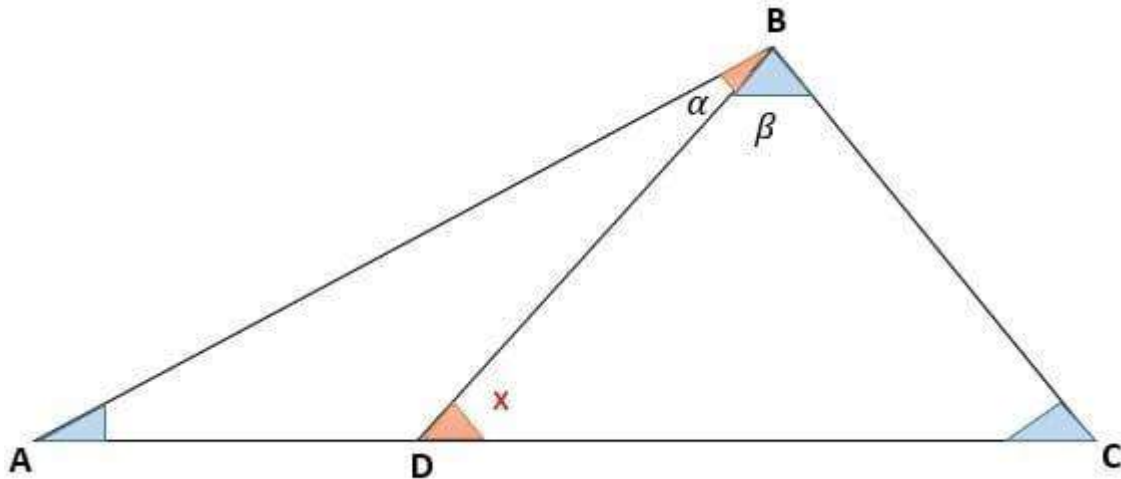
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In $\triangle ADC$ rule sines $\frac{AD}{\sin \alpha} = \frac{DC}{\sin A}$

In $\triangle DCB$ also, rule sines: $\frac{DB}{\sin \beta} = \frac{DC}{\sin B}$

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \frac{AD}{\sin \alpha} = \frac{DC}{\sin A} \\ \frac{DB}{\sin \beta} = \frac{DC}{\sin B} \end{array} \right. \Rightarrow \frac{AD}{\sin \alpha} : \frac{DB}{\sin \beta} = \frac{DC}{\sin A} : \frac{DC}{\sin B} \Rightarrow \frac{AD}{DB} \cdot \frac{\sin \beta}{\sin \alpha} = \frac{\sin B}{\sin A} \Rightarrow k \cdot \frac{\sin \beta}{\sin \alpha} =$$

$$= \frac{\sin B}{\sin A} \Rightarrow \beta = 180^\circ - (B + x); \alpha = x - A$$

$$k \cdot \frac{\sin(B+x)}{\sin(x-A)} = \frac{\sin B}{\sin A} \Rightarrow k \cdot \frac{\sin B \cos x + \sin x \cos B}{\sin x \cos A - \sin A \cos x} = \frac{\sin B}{\sin A} \Rightarrow$$

$$\Rightarrow k \cdot \frac{\tan B + \tan x}{\tan B \frac{\cos A}{\cos B} - \frac{\sin A}{\cos B}} = \frac{\sin B}{\sin A} \Rightarrow k \cdot (\tan B + \tan x) = \tan x \cdot \frac{\tan B}{\tan A} - \tan B$$

$$(k+1) \tan B = \tan x \left(\frac{\tan B}{\tan A} - k \right) \Rightarrow$$

$$\tan x = \frac{(k+1) \tan B}{\frac{\tan B}{\tan A} - k} = \frac{(k+1) \tan B \cdot \tan A}{\tan B - k \cdot \tan A}$$

1805. In $\triangle ABC$ the following relationship holds:

$$\frac{n_a + g_b}{r_c} + \frac{n_b + g_c}{r_a} + \frac{n_c + g_a}{r_b} \geq \frac{12r}{R}$$

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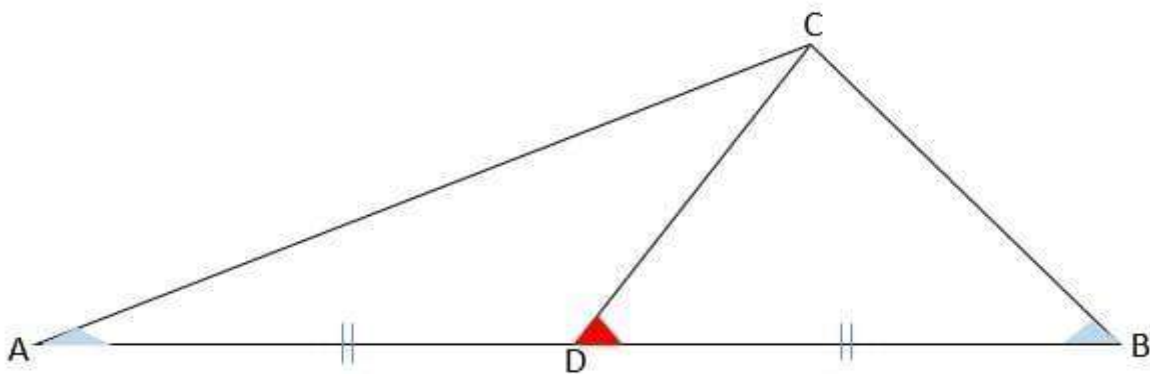
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$$h_a = \frac{bc}{2R}, h_b = \frac{ac}{2R}, h_c = \frac{ab}{2R} \text{ and } r_a r_b r_c = s^2 r, abc = 4Rrs$$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{n_a + g_b}{r_c} + \frac{n_b + g_c}{r_a} + \frac{n_c + g_a}{r_b} &\geq \frac{h_a + h_b}{r_c} + \frac{h_b + h_c}{r_a} + \frac{h_c + h_a}{r_b} = \\ &= \frac{1}{2R} \left(\frac{bc + ac}{r_c} + \frac{ab + ac}{r_a} + \frac{bc + ba}{r_b} \right) \stackrel{AM-GM}{\geq} \frac{1}{2R} \left(\frac{2\sqrt{c^2 ab}}{r_c} + \frac{2\sqrt{a^2 bc}}{r_a} + \frac{2\sqrt{b^2 ac}}{r_b} \right) = \\ &= \frac{1}{R} \left(\frac{\sqrt{c^2 ab}}{r_c} + \frac{\sqrt{a^2 bc}}{r_a} + \frac{\sqrt{b^2 ac}}{r_b} \right) \stackrel{AM-GM}{\geq} \frac{3}{R} \cdot \left(\frac{\sqrt{c^2 ab}}{r_c} \cdot \frac{\sqrt{a^2 bc}}{r_a} \cdot \frac{\sqrt{b^2 ac}}{r_b} \right)^{\frac{1}{3}} = \\ &= \frac{3}{R} \left(\frac{a^2 b^2 c^2}{r_a r_b r_c} \right)^{\frac{1}{3}} = \frac{3}{R} \left(\frac{16R^2 r^2 s^2}{s^2 r} \right)^{\frac{1}{3}} \stackrel{Euler}{\geq} \frac{3}{R} \left(\frac{16(2r)^2 r^2}{r} \right)^{\frac{1}{3}} = \frac{3}{R} (64r^3)^{\frac{1}{3}} = \frac{3}{R} (4r) = \frac{12r}{R} \end{aligned}$$

Equality for $a = b = c$

1806.



Prove that:

$$\frac{\cos X}{\sin(X + B)} = \frac{\tan B - \tan A}{\tan B + \tan A} \cdot \frac{1}{\sin B}$$

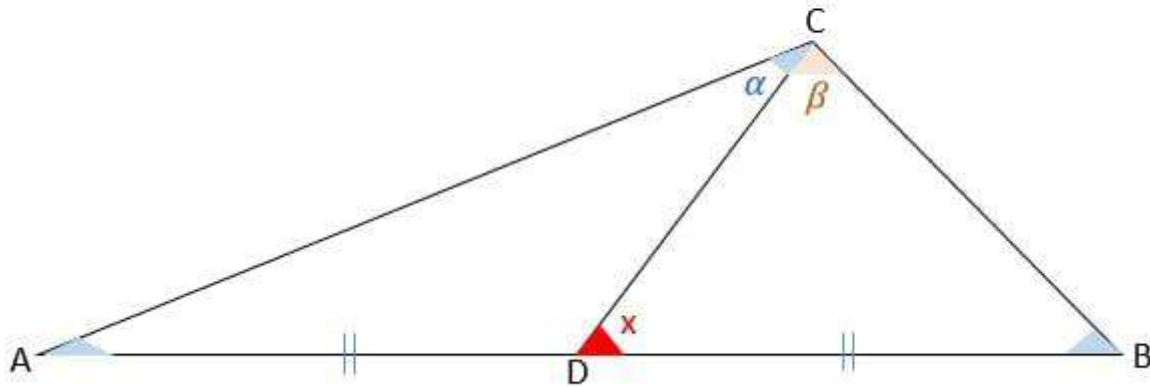
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$$\text{In } \triangle ACD \text{ rule sine: } \left. \frac{\sin \alpha}{AD} = \frac{\sin A}{DC} \right\} \Rightarrow$$

$$\text{In } \triangle BCD \text{ rule sine: } \left. \frac{\sin \beta}{DB} = \frac{\sin B}{DC} \right\} \Rightarrow$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\sin \alpha}{AD} : \frac{\sin \beta}{DB} = \frac{\sin A}{DC} : \frac{\sin B}{DC} \Rightarrow \frac{\sin \alpha}{\sin \beta} = \frac{\sin A}{\sin B}$$

$$\alpha = x - A; \beta = 180^\circ - (x + B)$$

$$\frac{\sin(x - A)}{\sin(x + B)} = \frac{\sin A}{\sin B} \Rightarrow \frac{\sin x \cos A - \sin A \cos x}{\sin B \cos x + \sin x \cos B} = \frac{\sin A}{\sin B}$$

$$\sin x \cdot \cos A \cdot \sin B - \cos x \cdot \sin A \cdot \sin B = \sin A \cdot \sin x \cdot \cos B + \sin B \cdot \cos x \cdot \sin A$$

$$2 \sin A \cdot \sin B \cdot \cos x = \sin(B - A) \cdot \sin x$$

$$\cos x = \frac{\sin B \cos A - \sin A \cos B}{2 \sin A \cdot \sin B} \cdot \sin x = \frac{\tan B - \tan A}{2 \tan A \tan B} \cdot \sin x \quad (*)$$

$$\text{In } \triangle ABC \text{ rule sine } \frac{AB}{\sin(A + B)} = \frac{AC}{\sin B} \Rightarrow \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \frac{2DB}{\sin(A + B)} = \frac{AC}{\sin B} \\ \frac{\sin \beta}{DB} = \frac{\sin B}{DC} \end{array} \right. \Rightarrow$$

$$\text{In } \triangle DBC \text{ rule sine } \frac{DB}{\sin \beta} = \frac{DC}{\sin B}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{2 \sin \beta}{\sin(A + B)} = \frac{AC}{DC} \quad (1)$$

$$\text{In } \triangle ACD \Rightarrow \frac{AC}{DC} = \frac{\sin x}{\sin A} \quad (2)$$

From (1) and (2) we have

$$\frac{2 \sin \beta}{\sin(A + B)} = \frac{\sin x}{\sin A} \Rightarrow \frac{\sin(A + B)}{2 \sin(x + B)} = \frac{\sin A}{\sin x} \quad (**)$$

From (*) and (**) we have

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$$\begin{aligned} & \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \frac{\sin(A+B)}{2 \sin(x+B)} = \frac{\sin A}{\sin x} \\ \cos x = \frac{\tan B - \tan A}{2 \tan A \tan B} \cdot \sin x \end{array} \right. \Rightarrow \\ & \frac{\sin(A+B)}{2 \sin(x+B)} \cdot \cos x = \frac{\sin A}{\sin x} \cdot \frac{\tan B - \tan A}{2 \tan A \tan B} \cdot \sin x \Rightarrow \\ \Rightarrow & \frac{\cos x}{\sin(x+B)} = \frac{\tan B - \tan A}{\sin A \cos B + \sin B \cos A} \cdot \frac{1}{\sin B} \Rightarrow \frac{\cos x}{\sin(x+B)} = \\ & = \frac{\cos A \cdot \cos B}{\tan B - \tan A} \cdot \frac{1}{\sin B} \quad (\text{proved}) \end{aligned}$$

1807. In $\triangle ABC$ the following relationship holds:

$$\frac{\left(\left(\sum_{cyc} a \right) \cdot \left(\sum_{cyc} r_a r_b \right) \cdot \left(\sum_{cyc} r_a \right) \cdot \left(\sum_{cyc} \frac{1}{h_a} \right) \right)}{RF} \cdot \frac{1}{\prod_{cyc} r_a} \cdot r^3 \leq 9$$

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Solution by Tapas Das-India

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{\left(\left(\sum_{cyc} a \right) \cdot \left(\sum_{cyc} r_a r_b \right) \cdot \left(\sum_{cyc} r_a \right) \cdot \left(\sum_{cyc} \frac{1}{h_a} \right) \right)}{RF} \cdot \frac{1}{\prod_{cyc} r_a} \cdot r^3 = \frac{2s \cdot s^2(4R+r) \cdot \frac{1}{r}}{RF} \cdot \frac{1}{s^2 r} \cdot r^3 = \\ & = \frac{2(4R+r)}{R} \stackrel{\text{Euler}}{\leq} \frac{2\left(4R + \frac{R}{2}\right)}{R} = 9 \\ & \text{Equality holds for } a = b = c. \end{aligned}$$

1808.

In any $\triangle ABC$, the following relationship holds :

$$\frac{b^3 \cot \frac{C}{2} + c^3 \cot \frac{B}{2}}{a(b^2 + c^2)} + \frac{c^3 \cot \frac{A}{2} + a^3 \cot \frac{C}{2}}{b(c^2 + a^2)} + \frac{a^3 \cot \frac{B}{2} + b^3 \cot \frac{A}{2}}{c(a^2 + b^2)} \geq 3\sqrt{3}$$

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Solution by Soumava Chakraborty-Kolkata-India

$\forall A, B, C > 0, (A + B), (B + C), (C + A)$ form sides of a triangle

($\because (A + B) + (B + C) > (C + A)$ and analogs) $\Rightarrow \sqrt{A + B}, \sqrt{B + C}, \sqrt{C + A}$ form sides of a triangle with area F (say) and $16F^2 =$

$$2 \sum_{\text{cyc}} (A + B)(B + C) - \sum_{\text{cyc}} (A + B)^2 = 2 \sum_{\text{cyc}} \left(\sum_{\text{cyc}} AB + B^2 \right) - 2 \sum_{\text{cyc}} A^2 - 2 \sum_{\text{cyc}} AB$$

$$= 6 \sum_{\text{cyc}} AB + 2 \sum_{\text{cyc}} A^2 - 2 \sum_{\text{cyc}} A^2 - 2 \sum_{\text{cyc}} AB \Rightarrow 4F = 2 \sqrt{\sum_{\text{cyc}} AB} \rightarrow (1)$$

Now, $\forall x, y, z > 0, \sqrt{\sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{xy}{(y+z)(z+x)}} \stackrel{?}{\geq} \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \Leftrightarrow \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{x^2 y^2}{xy(y+z)(z+x)} \stackrel{?}{\geq} \frac{3}{4}$

Via Bergstrom, LHS of (*) $\geq \frac{(\sum_{\text{cyc}} xy)^2}{\sum_{\text{cyc}} (xy(\sum_{\text{cyc}} xy + z^2))} = \frac{(\sum_{\text{cyc}} xy)^2}{(\sum_{\text{cyc}} xy)^2 + xyz \sum_{\text{cyc}} x}$

$$\stackrel{?}{\geq} \frac{3}{4} \Leftrightarrow \left(\sum_{\text{cyc}} xy \right)^2 \stackrel{?}{\geq} 3xyz \sum_{\text{cyc}} x \rightarrow \text{true} \therefore \sqrt{\sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{xy}{(y+z)(z+x)}} \stackrel{?}{\geq} \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \rightarrow (2)$$

We have :

$$\frac{b^3 \cot \frac{C}{2} + c^3 \cot \frac{B}{2}}{a(b^2 + c^2)} + \frac{c^3 \cot \frac{A}{2} + a^3 \cot \frac{C}{2}}{b(c^2 + a^2)} + \frac{a^3 \cot \frac{B}{2} + b^3 \cot \frac{A}{2}}{c(a^2 + b^2)}$$

$$= \frac{ab \cot \frac{C}{2}}{c^2} + \frac{ac \cot \frac{B}{2}}{b^2} + \frac{bc \cot \frac{A}{2}}{a^2} + \frac{ab \cot \frac{C}{2}}{c^2} + \frac{ac \cot \frac{B}{2}}{b^2} + \frac{bc \cot \frac{A}{2}}{a^2}$$

$$= \frac{1}{a^2} \left(\frac{ca \cot \frac{B}{2}}{b^2} + \frac{ab \cot \frac{C}{2}}{c^2} \right) + \frac{1}{b^2} \left(\frac{ab \cot \frac{C}{2}}{c^2} + \frac{bc \cot \frac{A}{2}}{a^2} \right)$$

$$+ \frac{1}{c^2} \left(\frac{bc \cot \frac{A}{2}}{a^2} + \frac{ca \cot \frac{B}{2}}{b^2} \right) = \frac{x}{y+z} (B + C) + \frac{y}{z+x} (C + A) + \frac{z}{x+y} (A + B)$$

$$\left(x = \frac{1}{a^2}, y = \frac{1}{b^2}, z = \frac{1}{c^2}, A = \frac{bc \cot \frac{A}{2}}{a^2}, B = \frac{ca \cot \frac{B}{2}}{b^2}, C = \frac{ab \cot \frac{C}{2}}{c^2} \right)$$

$$= \frac{x}{y+z} \cdot \sqrt{B + C}^2 + \frac{y}{z+x} \cdot \sqrt{C + A}^2 + \frac{z}{x+y} \cdot \sqrt{A + B}^2 \stackrel{\text{Oppenheim}}{\geq}$$

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$$\begin{aligned}
 4F. \sqrt{\sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{xy}{(y+z)(z+x)}} &\stackrel{\text{via (1) and (2)}}{\geq} 2 \sqrt{\sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{AB}{\sqrt{3}} \cdot \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}} = \sqrt{3 \sum_{\text{cyc}} \left(\frac{bc \cot \frac{A}{2}}{a^2} \cdot \frac{ca \cot \frac{B}{2}}{b^2} \right)} \\
 &= \sqrt{3 \sum_{\text{cyc}} \left(\frac{c^2}{ab} \cdot \cot \frac{A}{2} \cot \frac{B}{2} \right)} \stackrel{A-G}{\geq} 3 \cdot \sqrt{\frac{c^2}{ab} \cdot \frac{a^2}{bc} \cdot \frac{b^2}{ca} \cdot \left(\prod_{\text{cyc}} \cot \frac{A}{2} \right)^2} = 3 \cdot \sqrt{\frac{s^6}{(r_a r_b r_c)^2}} \\
 &= 3 \cdot \sqrt{\frac{s^2}{r^2}} \stackrel{\text{Mitrinovic}}{\geq} 3 \cdot \sqrt[6]{27} = 3\sqrt{3} \\
 \therefore \frac{b^3 \cot \frac{C}{2} + c^3 \cot \frac{B}{2}}{a(b^2 + c^2)} + \frac{c^3 \cot \frac{A}{2} + a^3 \cot \frac{C}{2}}{b(c^2 + a^2)} + \frac{a^3 \cot \frac{B}{2} + b^3 \cot \frac{A}{2}}{c(a^2 + b^2)} &\geq 3\sqrt{3} \\
 \forall \Delta ABC, " = " \text{ iff } \Delta ABC \text{ is equilateral (QED)} &
 \end{aligned}$$

1809. In any ΔABC , the following relationship holds :

$$\frac{\csc^2 A + \csc^2 B + \csc^2 C}{a + b + c} \geq \frac{R}{F}$$

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Solution by Soumava Chakraborty-Kolkata-India

$$\begin{aligned}
 \csc^2 A + \csc^2 B + \csc^2 C &= \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{4R^2}{a^2} = \frac{4R^2}{16R^2 r^2 s^2} \cdot \sum_{\text{cyc}} a^2 b^2 \\
 &= \frac{(s^2 + 4Rr + r^2)^2 - 16Rrs^2}{4r^2 s^2} \stackrel{?}{\geq} \frac{2sR}{rs} \Leftrightarrow (s^2 + 4Rr + r^2)^2 - 16Rrs^2 \stackrel{?}{\geq} 8Rrs^2 \\
 &\Leftrightarrow s^4 - (16Rr - 2r^2)s^2 + r^2(4R + r)^2 \stackrel{?}{\geq} 0 \\
 &\quad \quad \quad (*) \\
 \text{Now, LHS of } (*) &\stackrel{\text{Gerretsen}}{\geq} (16Rr - 5r^2)s^2 - (16Rr - 2r^2)s^2 + r^2(4R + r)^2 \\
 &= r^2((4R + r)^2 - 3s^2) \geq 0 \text{ via Trucht (Doucet)} \Rightarrow (*) \text{ is true} \\
 \therefore \frac{\csc^2 A + \csc^2 B + \csc^2 C}{a + b + c} &\geq \frac{R}{F} \forall \Delta ABC, " = " \text{ iff } \Delta ABC \text{ is equilateral (QED)}
 \end{aligned}$$

1810. In ΔABC the following relationship holds:

$$108r^4 \leq a^2(s-a)^2 + b^2(s-b)^2 + c^2(s-c)^2 \leq \frac{27R^4}{4}$$

Proposed by George Apostolopoulos-Greece

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Solution by Tapas Das-India

$$\begin{aligned} \sum a^2(s-a)^2 &= s^2 \sum a^2 - 2s \sum a^3 + \sum a^4 = \\ &= 2s^2(s^2 - r^2 - 4Rr) - 4s^2(s^2 - 3r^2 - 6Rr) + \\ &+ 2(s^4 - 6r^2s^2 - 8s^2Rr + 8Rr^3 + 16R^2r^2 + r^4) = \\ &= 32R^2r^2 + 16Rr^3 + 2r^4 - 2r^2s^2 \quad (1) \\ \sum a^2(s-a)^2 &= 32R^2r^2 + 16Rr^3 + 2r^4 - 2r^2s^2 \stackrel{\text{Gerretsen}}{\leq} \\ &\leq 32R^2r^2 - 16Rr^3 + 12r^4 \end{aligned}$$

Now we need to show:

$$32R^2r^2 - 16Rr^3 + 12r^4 \leq \frac{27R^4}{4} \text{ or}$$

$$27x^4 - 128x^2 + 64x - 48 \stackrel{\frac{R}{r}=x \geq 2 \text{ (Euler)}}{\geq} 0 \text{ or}$$

$$(x-2)[27x^3 + x(54x-20) + 24] \geq 0 \text{ True}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \sum a^2(s-a)^2 &= 32R^2r^2 + 16Rr^3 + 2r^4 - 2r^2s^2 \stackrel{\text{Gerretsen}}{\geq} \\ &\geq 24R^2r^2 + 8Rr^3 - 4r^4 \stackrel{\text{Euler}}{\geq} 96r^4 + 16r^4 - 4r^4 = 108r^4 \end{aligned}$$

Equality holds for $a = b = c$.

1811. In $\triangle ABC$ the following relationship holds:

$$27r^2 \leq h_a^2 + h_b^2 + h_c^2 \leq \frac{27R(R-r)}{2}$$

Proposed by George Apostolopoulos-Greece

Solution by Tapas Das-India

$$\begin{aligned} h_a^2 + h_b^2 + h_c^2 &= 4F^2 \left(\frac{1}{a^2} + \frac{1}{b^2} + \frac{1}{c^2} \right) \stackrel{\text{Steining}}{\leq} \frac{4F^2}{4r^2} = \frac{r^2s^2}{r^2} = s^2 \stackrel{\text{Mitrinovic}}{\leq} \\ &\leq \frac{27}{4}R^2 = \frac{27R}{2} \left(\frac{R}{2} \right) = \frac{27R}{2} \left(R - \frac{R}{2} \right) \stackrel{\text{Euler}}{\leq} \frac{27R(R-r)}{2} \end{aligned}$$

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$$h_a + h_b + h_c \stackrel{AM-HM}{\geq} \frac{9}{\frac{1}{h_a} + \frac{1}{h_b} + \frac{1}{h_c}} = \frac{9}{\frac{1}{r}} = 9r \quad (1)$$

$$h_a^2 + h_b^2 + h_c^2 \stackrel{CBS}{\geq} \frac{1}{3} (h_a + h_b + h_c)^2 \stackrel{(1)}{\geq} \frac{1}{3} (9r)^2 = 27r^2$$

Equality holds for $a = b = c$.

1812. In $\triangle ABC$ the following relationship holds:

$$(\sin A + \sin B + \sin C)^2 - \cos(A - B) - \cos(B - C) - \cos(C - A) \leq \frac{15}{4}$$

Proposed by George Apostolopoulos-Greece

Solution by Tapas Das-India

$$\sum \sin A = \frac{s}{R} \text{ and } \sum \cos(A - B) = \frac{s^2 + r^2 + 2Rr}{2R^2} - 1$$

$$(\sin A + \sin B + \sin C)^2 - \cos(A - B) - \cos(B - C) - \cos(C - A) =$$

$$= \left(\frac{s}{R}\right)^2 - \frac{s^2 + r^2 + 2Rr}{2R^2} + 1 =$$

$$= \frac{s^2 - r^2 - 2Rr}{2R^2} + 1 \stackrel{\text{Gerrestn}}{\leq} \frac{4R^2 + 2Rr + 2r^2}{2R^2} + 1 \stackrel{\text{Euler}}{\leq}$$

$$\leq \frac{4R^2 + R^2 + \frac{R^2}{2}}{2R^2} + 1 = \frac{11}{4} + 1 = \frac{15}{4}$$

Equality holds for $A = B = C$

1813. In any $\triangle ABC$, the following relationship holds :

$$\sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{\sin \frac{C}{2} \cdot \sqrt{\sin \frac{B}{2} + \sin \frac{C}{2}} + \sin \frac{B}{2} \cdot \sqrt{\sin \frac{C}{2} + \sin \frac{A}{2}}}{\sin \frac{B}{2} (\sin \frac{A}{2} + \sin \frac{B}{2})} \geq 6$$

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Solution by Soumava Chakraborty-Kolkata-India

$\forall A, B, C > 0$, $(A + B)$, $(B + C)$, $(C + A)$ form sides of a triangle

($\because (A + B) + (B + C) > (C + A)$ and analogs) $\Rightarrow \sqrt{A + B}, \sqrt{B + C}, \sqrt{C + A}$ form sides of a triangle with area F (say) and $16F^2 =$

$$2 \sum_{\text{cyc}} (A + B)(B + C) - \sum_{\text{cyc}} (A + B)^2 = 2 \sum_{\text{cyc}} \left(\sum_{\text{cyc}} AB + B^2 \right) - 2 \sum_{\text{cyc}} A^2 - 2 \sum_{\text{cyc}} AB$$

$$= 6 \sum_{\text{cyc}} AB + 2 \sum_{\text{cyc}} A^2 - 2 \sum_{\text{cyc}} A^2 - 2 \sum_{\text{cyc}} AB \Rightarrow 4F = 2 \sqrt{\sum_{\text{cyc}} AB} \rightarrow (1)$$

Now, $\forall x, y, z > 0$, $\sqrt{\sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{xy}{(y+z)(z+x)}} \stackrel{?}{\geq} \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \Leftrightarrow \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{x^2 y^2}{xy(y+z)(z+x)} \stackrel{?}{\geq} \frac{3}{4}$ (*)

Via Bergstrom, LHS of (*) $\geq \frac{(\sum_{\text{cyc}} xy)^2}{\sum_{\text{cyc}} (xy(\sum_{\text{cyc}} xy + z^2))} = \frac{(\sum_{\text{cyc}} xy)^2}{(\sum_{\text{cyc}} xy)^2 + xyz \sum_{\text{cyc}} x}$

$$\stackrel{?}{\geq} \frac{3}{4} \Leftrightarrow \left(\sum_{\text{cyc}} xy \right)^2 \stackrel{?}{\geq} 3xyz \sum_{\text{cyc}} x \rightarrow \text{true} \therefore \sqrt{\sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{xy}{(y+z)(z+x)}} \stackrel{?}{\geq} \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \rightarrow (2)$$

We have :

$$\frac{\sin \frac{C}{2} \cdot \sqrt{\sin \frac{B}{2} + \sin \frac{C}{2}} + \sin \frac{B}{2} \cdot \sqrt{\sin \frac{C}{2} + \sin \frac{A}{2}}}{\sin \frac{B}{2} (\sin \frac{A}{2} + \sin \frac{B}{2})} +$$

$$\frac{\sin \frac{C}{2} \cdot \sqrt{\sin \frac{A}{2} + \sin \frac{B}{2}} + \sin \frac{A}{2} \cdot \sqrt{\sin \frac{C}{2} + \sin \frac{A}{2}}}{\sin \frac{C}{2} (\sin \frac{B}{2} + \sin \frac{C}{2})} +$$

$$\frac{\sin \frac{B}{2} \cdot \sqrt{\sin \frac{A}{2} + \sin \frac{B}{2}} + \sin \frac{A}{2} \cdot \sqrt{\sin \frac{B}{2} + \sin \frac{C}{2}}}{\sin \frac{A}{2} (\sin \frac{C}{2} + \sin \frac{A}{2})}$$

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$$\begin{aligned}
 & \frac{\sqrt{\sin \frac{B}{2} + \sin \frac{C}{2}}}{\sin \frac{B}{2}} + \frac{\sqrt{\sin \frac{C}{2} + \sin \frac{A}{2}}}{\sin \frac{C}{2}} + \frac{\sqrt{\sin \frac{A}{2} + \sin \frac{B}{2}}}{\sin \frac{A}{2}} + \frac{\sqrt{\sin \frac{C}{2} + \sin \frac{A}{2}}}{\sin \frac{C}{2}} \\
 = & \frac{\frac{\sin \frac{A}{2} + \sin \frac{B}{2}}{\sin \frac{C}{2}}}{\sin \frac{C}{2}} + \frac{\frac{\sin \frac{B}{2} + \sin \frac{C}{2}}{\sin \frac{A}{2}}}{\sin \frac{A}{2}} \\
 & + \frac{\frac{\sqrt{\sin \frac{A}{2} + \sin \frac{B}{2}}}{\sin \frac{A}{2}} + \frac{\sqrt{\sin \frac{B}{2} + \sin \frac{C}{2}}}{\sin \frac{B}{2}}}{\frac{\sin \frac{C}{2} + \sin \frac{A}{2}}{\sin \frac{B}{2}}} \\
 = & \frac{\sin \frac{C}{2}}{\sin \frac{A}{2} + \sin \frac{B}{2}} \cdot \left(\frac{\sqrt{\sin \frac{B}{2} + \sin \frac{C}{2}}}{\sin \frac{B}{2}} + \frac{\sqrt{\sin \frac{C}{2} + \sin \frac{A}{2}}}{\sin \frac{C}{2}} \right) + \\
 & \frac{\sin \frac{A}{2}}{\sin \frac{B}{2} + \sin \frac{C}{2}} \cdot \left(\frac{\sqrt{\sin \frac{C}{2} + \sin \frac{A}{2}}}{\sin \frac{C}{2}} + \frac{\sqrt{\sin \frac{A}{2} + \sin \frac{B}{2}}}{\sin \frac{A}{2}} \right) + \\
 & \frac{\sin \frac{B}{2}}{\sin \frac{C}{2} + \sin \frac{A}{2}} \cdot \left(\frac{\sqrt{\sin \frac{A}{2} + \sin \frac{B}{2}}}{\sin \frac{A}{2}} + \frac{\sqrt{\sin \frac{B}{2} + \sin \frac{C}{2}}}{\sin \frac{B}{2}} \right) \\
 = & \frac{x}{y+z} (B+C) + \frac{y}{z+x} (C+A) + \frac{z}{x+y} (A+B) \\
 & \left(\begin{array}{l} x = \sin \frac{C}{2}, y = \sin \frac{A}{2}, z = \sin \frac{B}{2}, \\ A = \frac{\sqrt{\sin \frac{A}{2} + \sin \frac{B}{2}}}{\sin \frac{A}{2}}, B = \frac{\sqrt{\sin \frac{B}{2} + \sin \frac{C}{2}}}{\sin \frac{B}{2}}, C = \frac{\sqrt{\sin \frac{C}{2} + \sin \frac{A}{2}}}{\sin \frac{C}{2}} \end{array} \right) \\
 = & \frac{x}{y+z} \cdot \sqrt{B+C}^2 + \frac{y}{z+x} \cdot \sqrt{C+A}^2 + \frac{z}{x+y} \cdot \sqrt{A+B}^2 \stackrel{\text{Oppenheim}}{\geq} \\
 & 4F. \sqrt{\sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{xy}{(y+z)(z+x)}} \stackrel{\text{via (1) and (2)}}{\geq} 2 \sqrt{\sum_{\text{cyc}} AB} \cdot \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}
 \end{aligned}$$

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$$\begin{aligned}
 &= \sqrt[3]{\sum_{\text{cyc}} \left(\frac{\sqrt{\sin \frac{A}{2} + \sin \frac{B}{2}}}{\sin \frac{A}{2}} \cdot \frac{\sqrt{\sin \frac{B}{2} + \sin \frac{C}{2}}}{\sin \frac{B}{2}} \right)} \stackrel{\text{A-G}}{\geq} \\
 3. \sqrt[3]{\frac{(\sin \frac{A}{2} + \sin \frac{B}{2})(\sin \frac{B}{2} + \sin \frac{C}{2})(\sin \frac{C}{2} + \sin \frac{A}{2})}{(\prod_{\text{cyc}} \sin \frac{A}{2}) \cdot (\prod_{\text{cyc}} \sin \frac{A}{2})}} &\stackrel{\text{Cesaro}}{\geq} 3 \cdot \sqrt[6]{\frac{8 \cdot 4R}{r}} \stackrel{\text{Euler}}{\geq} 3 \cdot \sqrt[6]{64} = 6 \\
 &\therefore \frac{\sin \frac{C}{2} \cdot \sqrt{\sin \frac{B}{2} + \sin \frac{C}{2}} + \sin \frac{B}{2} \cdot \sqrt{\sin \frac{C}{2} + \sin \frac{A}{2}}}{\sin \frac{B}{2} (\sin \frac{A}{2} + \sin \frac{B}{2})} + \\
 &\frac{\sin \frac{C}{2} \cdot \sqrt{\sin \frac{A}{2} + \sin \frac{B}{2}} + \sin \frac{A}{2} \cdot \sqrt{\sin \frac{C}{2} + \sin \frac{A}{2}}}{\sin \frac{C}{2} (\sin \frac{B}{2} + \sin \frac{C}{2})} + \\
 &\frac{\sin \frac{B}{2} \cdot \sqrt{\sin \frac{A}{2} + \sin \frac{B}{2}} + \sin \frac{A}{2} \cdot \sqrt{\sin \frac{B}{2} + \sin \frac{C}{2}}}{\sin \frac{A}{2} (\sin \frac{C}{2} + \sin \frac{A}{2})} \geq 6 \\
 &\forall \triangle ABC, " = " \text{ iff } \triangle ABC \text{ is equilateral (QED)}
 \end{aligned}$$

1814. In $\triangle ABC$ the following relationship holds:

$$h_a + h_b + h_c \leq 4R + r$$

Proposed by George Apostolopoulos-Greece

Solution by Mirsadix Muzefferov-Azerbaijan

$$h_a + h_b + h_c = \frac{2S}{a} + \frac{2S}{b} + \frac{2S}{c}$$

On the other hand according to the known formulas for the triangle:

$$\begin{aligned}
 S &= \frac{ar_b r_c}{r_b + r_c} = \frac{br_a r_c}{r_a + r_c} = \frac{cr_a r_b}{r_a + r_b} \\
 \frac{2S}{a} + \frac{2S}{b} + \frac{2S}{c} &= \frac{2r_b r_c}{r_b + r_c} + \frac{2r_a r_c}{r_a + r_c} + \frac{2r_a r_b}{r_a + r_b} \stackrel{\text{A-G}}{\leq} \frac{r_b^2 + r_c^2}{r_b + r_c} + \frac{r_a^2 + r_c^2}{r_a + r_c} + \\
 + \frac{r_a^2 + r_b^2}{r_a + r_b} &= \left(r_b + r_c - \frac{2r_b r_c}{r_b + r_c} \right) + \left(r_a + r_c - \frac{2r_a r_c}{r_a + r_c} \right) + \left(r_a + r_b - \frac{2r_a r_b}{r_a + r_b} \right) = \\
 &= 2(r_a + r_b + r_c) - \left(\frac{2r_b r_c}{r_b + r_c} + \frac{2r_a r_c}{r_a + r_c} + \frac{2r_a r_b}{r_a + r_b} \right) = \\
 &= 2(r_a + r_b + r_c) - (h_a + h_b + h_c) \Rightarrow 2(h_a + h_b + h_c) \leq 2(r_a + r_b + r_c) \\
 h_a + h_b + h_c &\leq r_a + r_b + r_c = 4R + r \quad (\text{proved}) \\
 &\text{Equality holds for } a = b = c.
 \end{aligned}$$

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1815. In $\triangle ABC$ the following relationship holds:

$$\sum \frac{m_a}{h_b + h_c} + \sum \frac{h_a}{m_b + m_c} + \frac{h_a h_b h_c}{w_a w_b w_c} \frac{R^{2025}}{r^{2025}} \geq 2^{2025} + 2 \sum \frac{m_a^2}{m_b^2 + m_c^2}$$

Proposed by Nguyen Van Canh-Vietnam

Solution by Tapas Das-India

$$\sum \frac{1}{h_a} = \frac{1}{r}, \prod h_a \stackrel{Gm-Hm}{\geq} \left(\frac{1}{\sum \frac{1}{h_a}} \right)^3 = 27r^3 \text{ and}$$

$$\sum m_a \stackrel{\text{Leunberger}}{\leq} (4R + r) \leq \frac{9R}{2} \text{ (Euler),}$$

$$\left[\sum \frac{1}{b^2 + c^2} \right] \geq \frac{9}{2 \sum a^2} \text{ (Bergstrom)} \geq \frac{1}{2R^2} \text{ Leibniz}$$

$$2 \sum \frac{m_a}{h_b + h_c} \stackrel{m_a \geq h_a}{\geq} \sum \frac{h_a}{h_b + h_c} \stackrel{\text{Nesbitt } 3}{\geq} \frac{3}{2} \text{ (1),}$$

$$\sum \frac{h_a}{m_b + m_c} \stackrel{AM-GM}{\geq} 3 \left(\frac{\prod h_a}{\prod (m_b + m_c)} \right)^{\frac{1}{3}} \stackrel{AM-GM}{\geq} 3(27r^3)^{\frac{1}{3}} \frac{1}{\frac{2 \sum m_a}{3}} \geq \frac{9r}{3R} = \frac{3r}{R}$$

$$2 \sum \frac{m_a^2}{m_b^2 + m_c^2} \leq 2 \sum \frac{m_a^2}{h_b^2 + h_c^2} = \frac{2(4R^2)}{4} \sum \frac{2(b^2 + c^2) - a^2}{a^2 c^2 + a^2 b^2} \\ = 2R^2 \left[\sum \frac{2}{a^2} - \sum \frac{1}{b^2 + c^2} \right] \leq 2R^2 \left(\frac{2}{4r^2} - \frac{1}{2R^2} \right) \text{ (Steinig),}$$

$$\frac{h_a h_b h_c}{w_a w_b w_c} = \prod \cos \left(\frac{A-B}{2} \right) = \frac{s^2 + r^2 + 2Rr}{8R^2} \geq \frac{9r}{4R} - \frac{r^2}{2R^2} \text{ (Gerretsen)}$$

Let $\frac{R}{r} = x \geq 2$ and $m = 2024$, we need to show $\frac{3}{2} + \frac{3}{x} + \frac{9}{4} x^m - \frac{1}{2} x^{m-1} \geq 2^{m+1} + x^2 - 1$ or $9x^{m+1} - x^{2m+3} + 10x - 2x^m - 4x^3 + 12 \geq 0$,

Let $f(x) = 9x^{m+1} - x^{2m+3} + 10x - 2x^m - 4x^3 + 12$,
 $f'(x) = 9(m+1)x^m - 2^{m+3} + 10 - 2mx^{m-1} - 12x^2$
 $= 2m(x^m - x^{m-1}) + (x^m - 12x^2) + (7mx^m + 8x^m - 2^{m+3}) > 0$ as $x \geq 2$,
 so $f(x)$ increasing. $f(2) = 0$

so $f(x) \geq 0$ or $9x^{m+1} - x^{2m+3} + 10x - 2x^m - 4x^3 + 12 \geq 0$, (true)

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1816.

**In any ΔABC with n_a, n_b, n_c
 \rightarrow Nagel's cevians, the following relationship holds :**

$$\sqrt{n_a n_b} + \sqrt{n_b n_c} + \sqrt{n_c n_a} \geq \frac{a^2 + b^2 + c^2}{2R}$$

Proposed by Mohamed Amine Ben Ajiba-Tanger-Morocco

Solution by Soumava Chakraborty-Kolkata-India

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Stewart's theorem} &\Rightarrow b^2(s-c) + c^2(s-b) = an_a^2 + a(s-b)(s-c) \\ \Rightarrow s(b^2 + c^2) - bc(2s-a) &= an_a^2 + a(s^2 - s(2s-a) + bc) \Rightarrow s(b^2 + c^2) - 2sbc \\ &= an_a^2 + a(as - s^2) \Rightarrow s(b^2 + c^2 - a^2 - 2bc) = an_a^2 - as^2 \Rightarrow an_a^2 = as^2 + \\ s(2bc \cos A - 2bc) &= as^2 - 4sbc \sin^2 \frac{A}{2} = as^2 - \frac{4sbc(s-b)(s-c)(s-a)}{bc(s-a)} \\ &= as^2 - s(a^2 - (b-c)^2) = as(s-a) + s(b-c)^2 \\ \Rightarrow n_a^2 &= s(s-a) + \frac{s}{a}(b-c)^2 \rightarrow (1) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Now, } n_a &\geq \frac{b^2 - bc + c^2}{2R} \Leftrightarrow \frac{n_a}{h_a} \geq \frac{b^2 - bc + c^2}{bc} \Leftrightarrow \frac{n_a^2}{h_a^2} - 1 \geq \left(\frac{b^2 - bc + c^2}{bc} \right)^2 - 1 \\ &= \frac{(b-c)^2(b^2 + c^2)}{b^2 c^2} \Leftrightarrow \frac{n_a^2 - h_a^2}{h_a^2} \geq \frac{(b-c)^2(b^2 + c^2)}{b^2 c^2} \text{ via (1)} \Leftrightarrow \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} s(s-a) + \frac{s}{a}(b-c)^2 - s(s-a) + \frac{s(s-a)(b-c)^2}{a^2} &\geq \frac{(b-c)^2(b^2 + c^2)}{b^2 c^2} \cdot \frac{b^2 c^2}{4R^2} \\ \Leftrightarrow \left(\frac{s}{a} + \frac{s(s-a)}{a^2} \right) (b-c)^2 &\geq \frac{(b-c)^2(b^2 + c^2)}{4R^2} \Leftrightarrow \frac{s^2}{a^2} \geq \frac{b^2 + c^2}{4R^2} \quad (\because (b-c)^2 \geq 0) \\ \Leftrightarrow 4R^2 s^2 &\geq a^2 b^2 + c^2 a^2 \rightarrow \text{true (strict inequality)} \because 4R^2 s^2 \stackrel{\text{Goldstone}}{\geq} \sum_{\text{cyc}} a^2 b^2 > \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} a^2 b^2 + c^2 a^2 &\therefore n_a \geq \frac{b^2 - bc + c^2}{2R} \text{ and analogs} \\ \therefore 4R^2 \cdot n_b n_c &\geq (c^2 - ca + a^2)(a^2 - ab + b^2) \\ &= ((x+y)^2 - (x+y)(y+z) + (y+z)^2)((y+z)^2 - (y+z)(z+x) + (z+x)^2) \\ (x = s-a, y = s-b, z = s-c) &= \sum_{\text{cyc}} x^4 + \sum_{\text{cyc}} x^2 y^2 + 2yz(y^2 + z^2 + yz) + 4x^2 yz \\ &= (y^4 + z^4 + 2y^2 z^2) + (x^4 + y^2 z^2 + 2x^2 yz) + (x^2 y^2 + x^2 z^2 + 2x^2 yz) \\ &\quad + 2yz(y^2 + z^2) \geq (y^2 + z^2)^2 + (x^2 + yz)^2 + x^2(y+z)^2 + yz(y+z)^2 \\ &\geq \frac{(y+z)^4}{4} + (x^2 + yz)^2 + (x^2 + yz)(y+z)^2 \\ &= \frac{(y+z)^4 + 4(x^2 + yz)^2 + 4(x^2 + yz)(y+z)^2}{4} = \frac{((y+z)^2 + 2(x^2 + yz))^2}{4} \end{aligned}$$

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$$\begin{aligned}
 &= \frac{\left(a^2 + 2\left((s-a)^2 + (s-b)(s-c)\right)\right)^2}{4} \\
 &= \frac{\left(a^2 + 2(s^2 - 2sa + a^2 + s^2 - s(2s-a) + bc)\right)^2}{4} = \frac{(3a^2 - a(a+b+c) + 2bc)^2}{4} \\
 &\Rightarrow n_b n_c \geq \frac{(2a^2 + 2bc - ab - ac)^2}{16R^2} \\
 &\Rightarrow \boxed{\sqrt{n_b n_c} \geq \frac{2a^2 + 2bc - ab - ac}{4R}} \text{ and analogs} \\
 &(\because 2a^2 + 2bc - ab - ac = (y+z)^2 + 2(x^2 + yz) > 0) \\
 &\therefore \sqrt{n_a n_b} + \sqrt{n_b n_c} + \sqrt{n_c n_a} \geq \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{2a^2 + 2bc - ab - ac}{4R} = \frac{a^2 + b^2 + c^2}{2R} \forall \Delta ABC, \\
 &\text{with equality iff } \Delta ABC \text{ is equilateral (QED)}
 \end{aligned}$$

1817.

In any ΔABC with n_a, n_b, n_c

\rightarrow Nagel's cevians, the following relationship holds :

$$\frac{\sqrt{m_a n_a}}{h_a} + \frac{\sqrt{m_b n_b}}{h_b} + \frac{\sqrt{m_c n_c}}{h_c} \geq \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} \left(\frac{b+c}{a} + \frac{c+a}{b} + \frac{a+b}{c} \right) + 3 - 3\sqrt{2}$$

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Solution by Soumava Chakraborty-Kolkata-India

$$\begin{aligned}
 &\text{Stewart's theorem} \Rightarrow b^2(s-c) + c^2(s-b) = an_a^2 + a(s-b)(s-c) \\
 &\Rightarrow s(b^2 + c^2) - bc(2s-a) = an_a^2 + a(s^2 - s(2s-a) + bc) \Rightarrow s(b^2 + c^2) - 2sbc \\
 &= an_a^2 + a(as - s^2) \Rightarrow s(b^2 + c^2 - a^2 - 2bc) = an_a^2 - as^2 \Rightarrow an_a^2 = as^2 + \\
 &s(2bc \cos A - 2bc) = as^2 - 4sbc \sin^2 \frac{A}{2} = as^2 - \frac{4sbc(s-b)(s-c)(s-a)}{bc(s-a)} \\
 &= as^2 - s(a^2 - (b-c)^2) = as(s-a) + s(b-c)^2 \\
 &\Rightarrow n_a^2 = s(s-a) + \frac{s}{a}(b-c)^2 \rightarrow (1)
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{Now, } n_a &\stackrel{?}{\geq} \frac{b^2 - bc + c^2}{2R} \Leftrightarrow \frac{n_a}{h_a} \stackrel{?}{\geq} \frac{b^2 - bc + c^2}{bc} \Leftrightarrow \frac{n_a^2}{h_a^2} - 1 \stackrel{?}{\geq} \left(\frac{b^2 - bc + c^2}{bc} \right)^2 - 1 \\
 &= \frac{(b-c)^2(b^2 + c^2)}{b^2 c^2} \Leftrightarrow \frac{n_a^2 - h_a^2}{h_a^2} \stackrel{?}{\geq} \frac{(b-c)^2(b^2 + c^2)}{b^2 c^2} \text{ via (1)} \Leftrightarrow
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &s(s-a) + \frac{s}{a}(b-c)^2 - s(s-a) + \frac{s(s-a)(b-c)^2}{a^2} \stackrel{?}{\geq} \frac{(b-c)^2(b^2 + c^2)}{b^2 c^2} \cdot \frac{b^2 c^2}{4R^2} \\
 &\Leftrightarrow \left(\frac{s}{a} + \frac{s(s-a)}{a^2} \right) (b-c)^2 \stackrel{?}{\geq} \frac{(b-c)^2(b^2 + c^2)}{4R^2} \Leftrightarrow \frac{s^2}{a^2} \stackrel{?}{\geq} \frac{b^2 + c^2}{4R^2} (\because (b-c)^2 \geq 0) \\
 &\Leftrightarrow 4R^2 s^2 \stackrel{?}{\geq} a^2 b^2 + c^2 a^2 \rightarrow \text{true (strict inequality)} \because 4R^2 s^2 \stackrel{\text{Goldstone}}{\geq}
 \end{aligned}$$

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$$\begin{aligned}
 \sum_{\text{cyc}} a^2 b^2 > a^2 b^2 + c^2 a^2 \therefore n_a &\geq \frac{b^2 - bc + c^2}{2R} \Rightarrow \frac{m_a n_a}{h_a^2} \stackrel{\text{Tereshin}}{\geq} \frac{b^2 + c^2}{4R} \cdot \frac{b^2 - bc + c^2}{2R} \\
 &= \frac{(b^2 + c^2)(b^2 - bc + c^2)}{2b^2 c^2} \Rightarrow \frac{m_a n_a}{h_a^2} - 1 - \frac{(b-c)^4}{2b^2 c^2} \geq \\
 &\frac{(b^2 + c^2)(b^2 - bc + c^2) - 2b^2 c^2 - (b-c)^4}{2b^2 c^2} = \frac{3bc(b-c)^2}{2b^2 c^2} = \frac{3(b-c)^2}{2bc} \\
 &> \frac{\sqrt{2}(b-c)^2}{bc} \Rightarrow \frac{m_a n_a}{h_a^2} \geq 1 + \frac{(b-c)^4}{2b^2 c^2} + \frac{\sqrt{2}(b-c)^2}{bc} = \left(1 + \frac{(b-c)^2}{\sqrt{2}bc}\right)^2 \\
 \Rightarrow \frac{\sqrt{m_a n_a}}{h_a} &\geq 1 + \frac{(b-c)^2}{\sqrt{2}bc} \text{ and analogs } \therefore \frac{\sqrt{m_a n_a}}{h_a} + \frac{\sqrt{m_b n_b}}{h_b} + \frac{\sqrt{m_c n_c}}{h_c} \geq \\
 &3 + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{b^2 + c^2 - 2bc}{bc} = 3 + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \left(\sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{b+c}{a} - 6 \right) \\
 \therefore \frac{\sqrt{m_a n_a}}{h_a} + \frac{\sqrt{m_b n_b}}{h_b} + \frac{\sqrt{m_c n_c}}{h_c} &\geq \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} \left(\frac{b+c}{a} + \frac{c+a}{b} + \frac{a+b}{c} \right) + 3 - 3\sqrt{2} \\
 &\forall \Delta ABC, \text{ with equality iff } \Delta ABC \text{ is equilateral (QED)}
 \end{aligned}$$

1818. In ΔABC the following relationship holds:

$$\sum \frac{m_a}{h_b + h_c} + \sum \frac{h_a}{w_a + w_b} + \frac{m_a m_b m_c R^{2024}}{w_a w_b w_c r^{2024}} \geq 2^{2024} + 2 \sum \frac{m_a^2}{w_b^2 + w_c^2}$$

Proposed by Nguyen Van Canh-Vietnam

Solution by Tapas Das-India

Known:

$$\begin{aligned}
 \sum \frac{1}{h_a} &= \frac{1}{r}, \prod h_a \stackrel{Gm-Hm}{\geq} \left(\frac{1}{\sum \frac{1}{h_a}} \right)^3 = 27r^3 \text{ and} \\
 \sum w_a &\leq \sum m_a \stackrel{\text{Leuenger}}{\leq} (4R + r) \leq \frac{9R}{2} \text{ (Euler),} \\
 \frac{m_a m_b m_c}{w_a w_b w_c} &\geq 1, \left[\sum \frac{1}{b^2 + c^2} \right] \geq \frac{9}{2 \sum a^2} \text{ (Bergstrom)} \geq \frac{1}{2R^2} \text{ (Leibniz)} \\
 2 \sum \frac{m_a}{h_b + h_c} &\stackrel{m_a \geq h_a}{\geq} \sum \frac{h_a}{h_b + h_c} \stackrel{\text{Nesbitt}}{\geq} \frac{3}{2} \text{ (1),} \\
 \sum \frac{h_a}{w_a + w_b} &\stackrel{AM-GM}{\geq} 3 \left(\frac{\prod h_a}{\prod (w_a + w_b)} \right)^{\frac{1}{3}} \stackrel{AM-GM}{\geq} 3(27r^3)^{\frac{1}{3}} \frac{1}{\frac{2 \sum w_a}{3}} \geq \frac{9r}{3R} = \frac{3r}{R} \text{ and}
 \end{aligned}$$

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$$2 \sum \frac{m_a^2}{w_b^2 + w_c^2} \leq 2 \sum \frac{m_a^2}{h_b^2 + h_c^2} = \frac{2(4R^2)}{4} \sum \frac{2(b^2 + c^2) - a^2}{a^2 c^2 + a^2 b^2} =$$

$$= 2R^2 \left[\sum \frac{2}{a^2} - \sum \frac{1}{b^2 + c^2} \right] \leq 2R^2 \left(\frac{2}{4r^2} - \frac{1}{4R^2} \right) \text{ (Steining)}$$

Let $\frac{R}{r} = x \geq 2$, we need to show

$$\frac{3}{2} + \frac{3}{x} + x^{2024} \geq 2^{2024} + x^2 - 1 \text{ or}$$

$$2x^{2025} - 2x^3 - x(2^{2025} - 5) + 6 \geq 0$$

$$\text{Let } f(x) = 2x^{2025} - 2x^3 - x(2^{2025} - 5) + 6$$

$$f'(x) = 2 \cdot (2025x^{2024}) - 6x^2 - (2^{2025} - 5) =$$

$$= (2025x^{2024} - 6x^2) + (2025x^{2024} - 2^{2025}) + 5 \geq 0$$

true as $x \geq 2$, $f(x)$ is increasing.

Equality for $x = 2$ and

$$f(x) \geq f(2) \text{ or } 2x^{2025} - 2x^3 - x(2^{2025} - 5) + 6 \geq 0$$

1819. If $x, y, z > 0$ then in $\triangle ABC$ the following relationship holds:

$$\frac{x}{y+z} \sin^2 A + \frac{y}{z+x} \sin^2 B + \frac{z}{x+y} \sin^2 C \geq \frac{9}{8} \left(\frac{R}{2r} \right)^{-2}$$

Proposed by George Apostolopoulos-Greece

Solution by Tapas Das-India

$$\frac{x}{y+z} \sin^2 A + \frac{y}{z+x} \sin^2 B + \frac{z}{x+y} \sin^2 C =$$

$$= \frac{1}{4R^2} \left(\frac{x}{y+z} a^2 + \frac{y}{z+x} b^2 + \frac{z}{x+y} c^2 \right) \stackrel{\text{Tsintsifas}}{\geq}$$

$$\geq \frac{1}{4R^2} 2\sqrt{3} F \stackrel{\text{Mitrinovic}}{\geq} \frac{1}{4R^2} 2\sqrt{3}r \cdot 3\sqrt{3}r = \frac{9}{8} \left(\frac{2r}{R} \right)^2 = \frac{9}{8} \left(\frac{R}{2r} \right)^{-2}$$

Equality for $A = B = C$ and $x = y = z$.

1820. In $\triangle ABC$ the following relationship holds:

$$\sqrt[3]{\frac{\tan^7 A}{\sin^4 A}} + \sqrt[3]{\frac{\tan^7 B}{\sin^4 B}} + \sqrt[3]{\frac{\tan^7 C}{\sin^4 C}} \geq \frac{\sqrt[3]{16\sqrt{3}}}{3}$$

Proposed by Khaled Abd Imouti-Syria

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$$\sum \tan \frac{A}{2} = \frac{4R + r}{s} \stackrel{\text{Doucet}}{\geq} \sqrt{3} \quad (1) \quad \text{and} \quad \sum \sin A = \frac{s}{R} \stackrel{\text{Mitrinovic}}{\leq} \frac{3\sqrt{3}}{2} \quad (2)$$

$$\sqrt[3]{\frac{\tan^7 \frac{A}{2}}{\sin^4 A}} + \sqrt[3]{\frac{\tan^7 \frac{B}{2}}{\sin^4 B}} + \sqrt[3]{\frac{\tan^7 \frac{C}{2}}{\sin^4 C}} = \sum \sqrt[3]{\frac{\tan^7 \frac{A}{2}}{\sin^4 A}} = \sum \frac{(\tan \frac{A}{2})^{\frac{7}{3}}}{(\sin A)^{\frac{4}{3}}} \stackrel{\text{Radon}}{\geq}$$

$$\geq \frac{(\sum \tan \frac{A}{2})^{\frac{7}{3}}}{(\sum \sin A)^{\frac{4}{3}}} \stackrel{(1) \& (2)}{\geq} \frac{(\sqrt{3})^{\frac{7}{3}}}{\left(\frac{3\sqrt{3}}{2}\right)^{\frac{4}{3}}} = \left(\frac{27\sqrt{3} \cdot 16}{729}\right)^{\frac{1}{3}} = \frac{\sqrt[3]{16\sqrt{3}}}{3}$$

Equality for $A = B = C$.

1821. In $\triangle ABC$ the following relationship holds:

$$\sum \frac{\cos^n(B - C)}{h_a^n} \geq 3 \left(\frac{2}{3R}\right)^n, n \in \mathbb{N}$$

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Solution by Tapas Das-India

$$a \cos(B - C) = 2R \sin A \cos(B - C) = 2R \sin\{\pi - (B + C)\} \cos(B - C) \\ = 2R \sin(B + C) \cos(B - C) = R(\sin 2B + \sin 2C) \quad (1)$$

$$\sum \frac{\cos^n(B - C)}{h_a^n} = \sum \frac{(a \cos(B - C))^n}{(2F)^n} \stackrel{\text{CBS}}{\geq} \frac{1}{(2F)^n} \cdot \frac{1}{3^{n-1}} \left(\sum a \cos(B - C)\right)^n \stackrel{(1)}{=} \\ = \frac{1}{(2F)^n} \cdot \frac{1}{3^{n-1}} (R(\sin 2B + \sin 2C))^n = \frac{1}{(2F)^n} \cdot \frac{2^n R^n}{3^{n-1}} \left(\sum \sin 2A\right)^n = \\ = \frac{1}{(2F)^n} \cdot \frac{2^n R^n}{3^{n-1}} \left(4 \prod \sin A\right)^n = \frac{1}{(2F)^n} \cdot \frac{2^n R^n}{3^{n-1}} \cdot 2^{2n} \left(\frac{sr}{2R^2}\right)^n = \frac{2^n}{3^{n-1}} \cdot \frac{1}{R^n} = 3 \left(\frac{2}{3R}\right)^n$$

Equality holds for $a = b = c$.

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1822. In $\triangle ABC$ the following relationship holds:

$$\frac{r_a}{h_a - r} + \frac{r_b}{h_b - r} + \frac{r_c}{h_c - r} \geq \frac{9}{2}$$

Proposed by Mehmet Şahin-Tukiye

Solution by Daniel Sitaru-Romania

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{r_a}{h_a - r} + \frac{r_b}{h_b - r} + \frac{r_c}{h_c - r} = \sum_{cyc} \frac{r_a}{h_a - r} = \\ & = \sum_{cyc} \frac{\frac{F}{s-a}}{\frac{2F}{a} - \frac{F}{s}} = \sum_{cyc} \frac{1}{\frac{2}{a} - \frac{1}{s}} = \sum_{cyc} \frac{sa}{(2s-a)(s-a)} = s \sum_{cyc} \frac{a}{(b+c)(s-a)} \geq \\ & \stackrel{AM-GM}{\geq} 3s \cdot \sqrt[3]{\frac{abc}{(s-a)(s-b)(s-c)(a+b)(b+c)(c+a)}} = \\ & = 3s \cdot \sqrt[3]{\frac{4RFs}{s(s-a)(s-b)(s-c)}} \cdot \frac{1}{\sqrt[3]{(a+b)(b+c)(c+a)}} \stackrel{AM-GM}{\geq} \\ & = 3s \cdot \sqrt[3]{\frac{4RFs}{F^2}} \cdot \frac{1}{\frac{a+b+b+c+c+a}{3}} = 3s \cdot \sqrt[3]{\frac{4Rs}{F}} \cdot \frac{3}{4s} = \\ & = 9 \cdot \sqrt[3]{\frac{4Rs}{rs}} \cdot \frac{1}{4} = \frac{9}{4} \cdot \sqrt[3]{\frac{4R}{r}} \stackrel{EULER}{\geq} \frac{9}{4} \cdot \sqrt[3]{\frac{8r}{r}} = \frac{9}{2} \end{aligned}$$

Equality holds for $a = b = c$.

1823. In $\triangle ABC$ the following relationship holds:

$$\frac{a+b}{h_c} + \frac{b+c}{h_a} + \frac{c+a}{h_b} \geq 4\sqrt{3}$$

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Solution by Daniel Sitaru-Romania

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{a+b}{h_c} + \frac{b+c}{h_a} + \frac{c+a}{h_b} &= \sum_{cyc} \frac{a+b}{h_c} = \sum_{cyc} \frac{a+b}{\frac{2F}{c}} = \\ &= \frac{1}{2F} \sum_{cyc} (ac+bc) = \frac{1}{F} \sum_{cyc} ab = \frac{1}{F} \cdot (s^2 + r^2 + 4Rr) \stackrel{GERRETSEN}{\geq} \\ &\geq \frac{1}{rs} \cdot (16Rr - 5r^2 + r^2 + 4Rr) = \frac{1}{s} \cdot (20R - 4r) \stackrel{EULER}{\geq} \\ &\geq \frac{1}{s} \cdot \left(20R - 4 \cdot \frac{R}{2}\right) = \frac{18R}{s} \stackrel{MITRINOVIC}{\geq} \frac{18R}{\frac{3\sqrt{3}}{2} \cdot R} = 4\sqrt{3} \end{aligned}$$

Equality holds for $a = b = c$.

1824. In $\triangle ABC$ the following relationship holds:

$$\frac{h_a + h_b}{a + b} + \frac{h_b + h_c}{b + c} + \frac{h_c + h_a}{c + a} \leq \frac{3\sqrt{3}}{2}$$

Proposed by Nguyen Hung Cuong-Vietnam

Solution by Daniel Sitaru-Romania

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{h_a + h_b}{a + b} + \frac{h_b + h_c}{b + c} + \frac{h_c + h_a}{c + a} &= \sum_{cyc} \frac{h_a + h_b}{a + b} = \\ &= \sum_{cyc} \frac{\frac{2F}{a} + \frac{2F}{b}}{a + b} = 2F \sum_{cyc} \frac{\frac{1}{a} + \frac{1}{b}}{a + b} = 2F \sum_{cyc} \frac{1}{ab} = \\ &= 2F \cdot \frac{a + b + c}{abc} = 2F \cdot \frac{2s}{4RF} = \frac{s}{R} \stackrel{MITRINOVIC}{\geq} \frac{3\sqrt{3}R}{2} \cdot \frac{1}{R} = \frac{3\sqrt{3}}{2} \end{aligned}$$

Equality holds for $a = b = c$.

1825.

In any $\triangle ABC$ with p_a, p_b, p_c

\rightarrow Spieker cevians, the following relationship holds :

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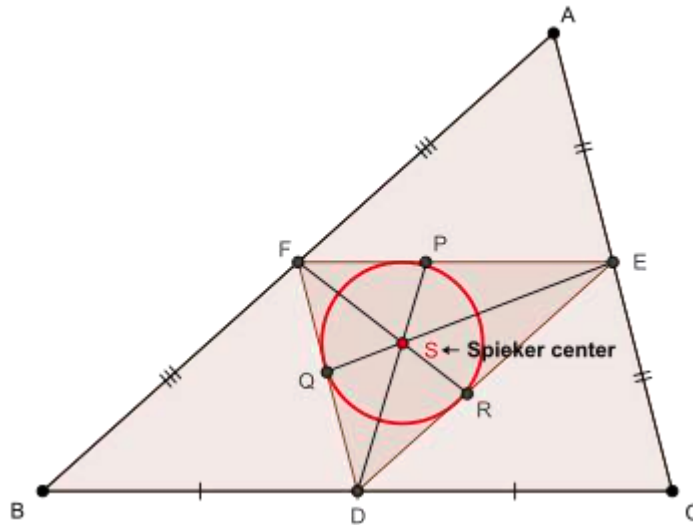
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$$\frac{\sqrt{m_a p_a}}{h_a} + \frac{\sqrt{m_b p_b}}{h_b} + \frac{\sqrt{m_c p_c}}{h_c} \geq \frac{\sqrt{3}}{3} \left(\frac{b+c}{a} + \frac{c+a}{b} + \frac{a+b}{c} \right) + 3 - 2\sqrt{3}$$

Proposed by Mohamed Amine Ben Ajiba-Tanger-Morocco

Solution by Soumava Chakraborty-Kolkata-India



Let AS produced meet BC at X and $m(\angle BAX) = \alpha$ and $m(\angle CAX) = \beta$ (say)
and inradius of $\triangle DEF = r'$ (say)

$$\text{Now, } 16[DEF]^2 = 2 \sum \left(\frac{a^2}{4} \right) \left(\frac{b^2}{4} \right) - \sum \frac{a^4}{16} = \frac{1}{16} (2 \sum a^2 b^2 - \sum a^4) = \frac{16r^2 s^2}{16}$$

$$\Rightarrow [DEF] = \frac{rs}{4} \Rightarrow r' \left(\frac{\frac{a}{2} + \frac{b}{2} + \frac{c}{2}}{2} \right) = \frac{rs}{4} \Rightarrow r' = \frac{r}{2} \rightarrow (1)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \because \text{Spieker center is incenter of } \triangle DEF, \therefore m(\angle AFS) &= B + \frac{C}{2} = \frac{2B+C}{2} = \frac{B+\pi-A}{2} \\ &= \frac{\pi}{2} - \frac{A-B}{2} \text{ and } m(\angle AES) = C + \frac{B}{2} = \frac{\pi}{2} - \frac{A-C}{2} \rightarrow (2) \end{aligned}$$

Via (1), (2) and using cosine law on $\triangle AFS$ and $\triangle AES$, we arrive at :

$$\begin{aligned} AS^2 &= \frac{r^2}{4 \sin^2 \frac{C}{2}} + \frac{c^2}{4} - \left(\frac{2r}{2 \sin \frac{C}{2}} \right) \left(\frac{c}{2} \right) \sin \frac{A-B}{2} = \frac{r^2}{4 \sin^2 \frac{B}{2}} + \frac{b^2}{4} - \left(\frac{2r}{2 \sin \frac{B}{2}} \right) \left(\frac{b}{2} \right) \sin \frac{A-C}{2} \\ \Rightarrow 2AS^2 &\stackrel{(i)}{=} \frac{r^2}{4 \sin^2 \frac{C}{2}} + \frac{c^2}{4} - \left(\frac{2r}{2 \sin \frac{C}{2}} \right) \left(\frac{c}{2} \right) \sin \frac{A-B}{2} + \frac{r^2}{4 \sin^2 \frac{B}{2}} + \frac{b^2}{4} \\ &\quad - \left(\frac{2r}{2 \sin \frac{B}{2}} \right) \left(\frac{b}{2} \right) \sin \frac{A-C}{2} \end{aligned}$$

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$$\begin{aligned}
 & \text{Now, } \left(\frac{2r}{2\sin\frac{C}{2}} \right) \left(\frac{c}{2} \right) \sin\frac{A-B}{2} + \left(\frac{2r}{2\sin\frac{B}{2}} \right) \left(\frac{b}{2} \right) \sin\frac{A-C}{2} \\
 &= \frac{r}{2} \left(4R\cos\frac{C}{2} \sin\frac{A-B}{2} + 4R\cos\frac{B}{2} \sin\frac{A-C}{2} \right) \\
 &= Rr \left(2\sin\frac{A+B}{2} \sin\frac{A-B}{2} + 2\sin\frac{A+C}{2} \sin\frac{A-C}{2} \right) \\
 &= Rr \left(1 - 2\sin^2\frac{B}{2} + 1 - 2\sin^2\frac{C}{2} - 2 \left(1 - 2\sin^2\frac{A}{2} \right) \right) \\
 &= 2Rr \left(\frac{2a(s-b)(s-c) - b(s-c)(s-a) - c(s-a)(s-b)}{abc} \right) \\
 &= \frac{Rr}{8Rs} (2a^3 + (b+c)a^2 - 2a(b^2+c^2) - (b+c)(b-c)^2) \\
 &= \frac{4(b+c)bc\sin^2\frac{A}{2} - 2a \cdot 2bcc\cos A}{8s} = \frac{bc \left((2s-a)\sin^2\frac{A}{2} - a \left(1 - 2\sin^2\frac{A}{2} \right) \right)}{2s} \\
 &= \frac{bc \left((2s+a)\sin^2\frac{A}{2} - a \right)}{2s} = \frac{(2s+a)(s-b)(s-c)}{2s} - 2Rr \\
 &\Rightarrow - \left(\frac{2r}{2\sin\frac{C}{2}} \right) \left(\frac{c}{2} \right) \sin\frac{A-B}{2} - \left(\frac{2r}{2\sin\frac{B}{2}} \right) \left(\frac{b}{2} \right) \sin\frac{A-C}{2} \\
 &\quad \stackrel{(*)}{=} \frac{-(2s+a)(s-b)(s-c)}{2s} + 2Rr \\
 & \text{Again, } \frac{r^2}{4\sin^2\frac{B}{2}} + \frac{r^2}{4\sin^2\frac{C}{2}} = \frac{r^2}{4} \left(\frac{ca}{(s-c)(s-a)} + \frac{ab}{(s-a)(s-b)} \right) \\
 &= \frac{r^2}{4r^2s} (ca(s-b) + ab(s-c)) = \frac{ab+ca}{4} - 2Rr \stackrel{(**)}{=} \frac{r^2}{4\sin^2\frac{B}{2}} + \frac{r^2}{4\sin^2\frac{C}{2}} \\
 & \text{(i), (*), (**)} \Rightarrow 2AS^2 = \frac{b^2+c^2+ab+ca}{4} - \frac{(2s+a)(s-b)(s-c)}{2s} \\
 &= \frac{(a+b+c)(b^2+c^2+ab+ca) - (2a+b+c)(c+a-b)(a+b-c)}{4s} \\
 &= \frac{b^3+c^3-abc+a(2b^2+2c^2-a^2)}{4s} \Rightarrow 2AS^2 \stackrel{(ii)}{=} \frac{b^3+c^3-abc+a(4m_a^2)}{4s} \\
 & \text{Via sine law on } \triangle AFS, \frac{r}{2\sin\frac{C}{2}\sin\alpha} = \frac{AS}{\cos\frac{A-B}{2}} = \frac{4s}{(a+b)\sin\frac{C}{2}} \\
 &\Rightarrow c\sin\alpha \stackrel{(***)}{=} \frac{r(a+b)}{2AS} \text{ and via sine law on } \triangle AES, b\sin\beta \stackrel{(***)}{=} \frac{r(a+c)}{2AS} \\
 & \text{Now, } [BAX] + [BAX] = [ABC] \Rightarrow \frac{1}{2}p_a c\sin\alpha + \frac{1}{2}p_a b\sin\beta = rs \\
 & \quad \stackrel{\text{via (***) and (***)}}{\Rightarrow} \frac{p_a(a+b+a+c)}{4AS} = s \Rightarrow p_a = \frac{4s}{2s+a} AS
 \end{aligned}$$

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$$\Rightarrow p_a^2 \stackrel{\text{via (ii)}}{=} \frac{16s^2}{(2s+a)^2} \cdot \frac{b^3 + c^3 - abc + a(4m_a^2)}{8s}$$

$$\therefore p_a^2 \stackrel{(*)}{=} \frac{2s}{(2s+a)^2} (b^3 + c^3 - abc + a(4m_a^2))$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Now, } b^3 + c^3 - abc + a(4m_a^2) &= b^3 + c^3 - abc + a(2b^2 + 2c^2 - a^2) \\ &= (b+c)(b^2 - bc + c^2) + a(b^2 - bc + c^2) + a(b^2 + c^2 - a^2) \\ &= 2s(b^2 - bc + c^2) + a(b^2 - bc + c^2 + bc - a^2) \\ &= (2s+a)(b^2 - bc + c^2) + a\left(\frac{(b+c)^2 - (b-c)^2}{4} - a^2\right) \\ &= (2s+a)(b^2 - bc + c^2) + \frac{a(b+c+2a)(b+c-2a)}{4} - \frac{a(b-c)^2}{4} \\ &= (2s+a)(b^2 - bc + c^2) + \frac{a(2s-a+2a)(b+c-2a)}{4} - \frac{a(b-c)^2}{4} \\ &= (2s+a) \cdot \frac{4b^2 + 4c^2 - 4bc + a(b+c-2a)}{4} - \frac{a(b-c)^2}{4} \\ &= (2s+a). \end{aligned}$$

$$\frac{4(z+x)^2 + 4(x+y)^2 - 4(z+x)(x+y) + (y+z)((z+x) + (x+y) - 2(y+z))}{4}$$

$$\begin{aligned} &- \frac{a(b-c)^2}{4} \quad (a = y+z, b = z+x, c = x+y) \\ &= (2s+a) \cdot \frac{4x(x+y+z) + 2x(y+z) + 3(y-z)^2}{4} - \frac{a(b-c)^2}{4} \\ &= (2s+a) \left(s(s-a) + \frac{3}{4}(b-c)^2 + \frac{a(s-a)}{2} \right) - \frac{a(b-c)^2}{4} \\ &= (2s+a) \left(s(s-a) + \frac{3}{4}(b-c)^2 + \frac{a(s-a)}{2} \right) - \frac{(a+2s-2s)(b-c)^2}{4} \\ &= (2s+a) \left(s(s-a) + \frac{(b-c)^2}{2} + \frac{a(s-a)}{2} \right) + \frac{s(b-c)^2}{2} \end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore b^3 + c^3 - abc + a(4m_a^2) \stackrel{(**)}{=} (2s+a) \left(\frac{(s-a)(2s+a)}{2} + \frac{(b-c)^2}{2} \right) + \frac{s(b-c)^2}{2}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore (*), (**) \Rightarrow p_a^2 &= \frac{2s}{(2s+a)^2} \left(\frac{(s-a)(2s+a)}{2} + \frac{(2s+a)(b-c)^2}{2} + \frac{s(b-c)^2}{2} \right) \\ &= s(s-a) + (b-c)^2 \left(\left(\frac{s}{2s+a} \right)^2 + \frac{s}{2s+a} + \frac{1}{4} - \frac{1}{4} \right) \\ &= s(s-a) - \frac{(b-c)^2}{4} + (b-c)^2 \cdot \left(\frac{s}{2s+a} + \frac{1}{2} \right)^2 \\ &= s(s-a) + \frac{(b-c)^2}{4} \left(\frac{(4s+a)^2}{(2s+a)^2} - 1 \right) \\ &\Rightarrow p_a^2 \stackrel{(***)}{=} s(s-a) + \frac{s(3s+a)(b-c)^2}{(2s+a)^2} \end{aligned}$$

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$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{Now, } p_a &\geq \frac{2b^2 - bc + 2c^2}{6R} \Leftrightarrow \frac{p_a^2}{h_a^2} \geq \frac{(2b^2 - bc + 2c^2)^2}{36R^2 \cdot \frac{b^2c^2}{4R^2}} \\
 &\Leftrightarrow \frac{p_a^2 - h_a^2}{h_a^2} \geq \left(\frac{2b^2 - bc + 2c^2}{3bc} - 1 \right) \left(\frac{2b^2 - bc + 2c^2}{3bc} + 1 \right) \\
 \text{via (...)} &\Leftrightarrow \frac{s(s-a) + \frac{s(3s+a)(b-c)^2}{(2s+a)^2} - s(s-a) + \frac{s(s-a)(b-c)^2}{a^2}}{h_a^2} \geq \frac{4(b-c)^2(b^2 + bc + c^2)}{9b^2c^2} \\
 &\Leftrightarrow \frac{4s^4(b-c)^2}{a^2h_a^2(2s+a)^2} \geq \frac{4(b-c)^2(b^2 + bc + c^2)}{9b^2c^2} \\
 &\Leftrightarrow \frac{4s^4}{s^4} \geq \frac{b^2 + bc + c^2}{9b^2c^2} \quad (\because (b-c)^2 \geq 0) \\
 &\Leftrightarrow \frac{4s(s-a)(s-b)(s-c)(2s+a)^2}{9s^3b^2c^2} \geq (b^2 + bc + c^2)(s-b)(s-c) \\
 &\Leftrightarrow \frac{4s(s-a)(2s+a)^2}{9s^3b^2c^2} \geq (b^2 + bc + c^2)(-s(s-a) + bc) \\
 &\Leftrightarrow \frac{9s^3b^2c^2}{4(s-a)(2s+a)^2} \geq (bc - s(s-a))(b^2 + c^2) + b^2c^2 - bcs(s-a) \\
 &\Leftrightarrow \frac{9s^3b^2c^2}{4(s-a)(2s+a)^2} - b^2c^2 + bcs(s-a) \geq (bc - s(s-a))((2s-a)^2 - 2bc) \\
 &\Leftrightarrow \frac{9s^3b^2c^2}{4(s-a)(2s+a)^2} - b^2c^2 + bcs(s-a) \geq (bc - s(s-a))(2s-a)^2 - 2bcs(s-a) \\
 &\Leftrightarrow \frac{9s^3b^2c^2}{4(s-a)(2s+a)^2} + b^2c^2 + s(s-a)(2s-a)^2 - bc(s(s-a) + (2s-a)^2) \geq 0 \\
 &\Leftrightarrow \boxed{\frac{25s^3 - 12sa^2 - 4a^3}{4(s-a)(2s+a)^2} \cdot b^2c^2 - (5s^2 - 5sa + a^2) \cdot bc + s(s-a)(2s-a)^2 \geq 0} \quad (\text{Q})
 \end{aligned}$$

Now, LHS of (Q) is a quadratic polynomial with discriminant =

$$\begin{aligned}
 &(5s^2 - 5sa + a^2)^2 - \frac{25s^3 - 12sa^2 - 4a^3}{(2s+a)^2} \cdot s(2s-a)^2 \\
 &= \frac{-a^2(12s^4 - 18s^3a + 5s^2a^2 + 2sa^3 - a^4)}{(2s+a)^2} \\
 &= \frac{-a^2(s-a)((s-a)(12s^2 + 6sa + 5a^2) + 6a^3)}{(2s+a)^2} < 0 \quad (\because s > a)
 \end{aligned}$$

\therefore (Q) is true (strict inequality)

$$\begin{aligned}
 \therefore p_a &\geq \frac{2b^2 - bc + 2c^2}{6R} \Rightarrow \frac{m_a p_a}{h_a^2} \stackrel{\text{Tereshin}}{\geq} \frac{\frac{b^2 + c^2}{4R} \cdot \frac{2b^2 - bc + 2c^2}{6R}}{\frac{b^2c^2}{4R^2}} \\
 &\Rightarrow \frac{m_a p_a}{h_a^2} - 1 - \frac{(b-c)^4}{3b^2c^2} \geq \frac{(2b^2 - bc + 2c^2)(b^2 + c^2) - 6b^2c^2 - 2(b-c)^4}{6b^2c^2} \\
 &= \frac{7bc(b-c)^2}{6b^2c^2} \geq \frac{2(b-c)^2}{\sqrt{3bc}} \therefore \frac{m_a p_a}{h_a^2} \geq 1 + \frac{(b-c)^4}{3b^2c^2} + \frac{2(b-c)^2}{\sqrt{3bc}} = \left(1 + \frac{(b-c)^2}{\sqrt{3bc}} \right)^2
 \end{aligned}$$

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$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow \frac{\sqrt{m_a p_a}}{h_a} &\geq 1 + \frac{(b-c)^2}{\sqrt{3}bc} \text{ and analogs } \therefore \frac{\sqrt{m_a p_a}}{h_a} + \frac{\sqrt{m_b p_b}}{h_b} + \frac{\sqrt{m_c p_c}}{h_c} \geq \\ &3 + \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} \cdot \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{b^2 + c^2 - 2bc}{bc} = 3 + \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} \cdot \left(\sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{b+c}{a} - 6 \right) \\ \therefore \frac{\sqrt{m_a p_a}}{h_a} + \frac{\sqrt{m_b p_b}}{h_b} + \frac{\sqrt{m_c p_c}}{h_c} &\geq \frac{\sqrt{3}}{3} \left(\frac{b+c}{a} + \frac{c+a}{b} + \frac{a+b}{c} \right) + 3 - 2\sqrt{3} \\ &\forall \triangle ABC, \text{ with equality iff } \triangle ABC \text{ is equilateral (QED)} \end{aligned}$$

1826. In $\triangle ABC$ the following relationship holds:

$$\frac{h_b + h_c}{a} + \frac{h_c + h_a}{b} + \frac{h_a + h_b}{c} \leq 3\sqrt{3}$$

Proposed by Nguyen Hung Cuong-Vietnam

Solution by Daniel Sitaru-Romania

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{h_b + h_c}{a} + \frac{h_c + h_a}{b} + \frac{h_a + h_b}{c} &= \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{h_b + h_c}{a} = \\ &= \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{2F}{a} = 2F \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{1}{a} = 2F \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{b+c}{abc} = \\ &= \frac{2F}{abc} \sum_{\text{cyc}} (b+c) = \frac{2F}{4RF} \cdot 2 \sum_{\text{cyc}} a = \frac{1}{R} \cdot \sum_{\text{cyc}} a = \\ &= \frac{1}{R} \cdot 2s \stackrel{\text{MITRINOVIC}}{\leq} \frac{1}{R} \cdot 2 \cdot \frac{3\sqrt{3}}{2} \cdot R = 3\sqrt{3} \end{aligned}$$

Equality holds for $a = b = c$.

1827.

In any $\triangle ABC$ with p_a, p_b, p_c

→ Spieker cevians, the following relationship holds :

$$\frac{\sqrt{p_a n_a}}{h_a} + \frac{\sqrt{p_b n_b}}{h_b} + \frac{\sqrt{p_c n_c}}{h_c} \geq \frac{\sqrt{6}}{3} \left(\frac{b+c}{a} + \frac{c+a}{b} + \frac{a+b}{c} \right) + 3 - 2\sqrt{6}$$

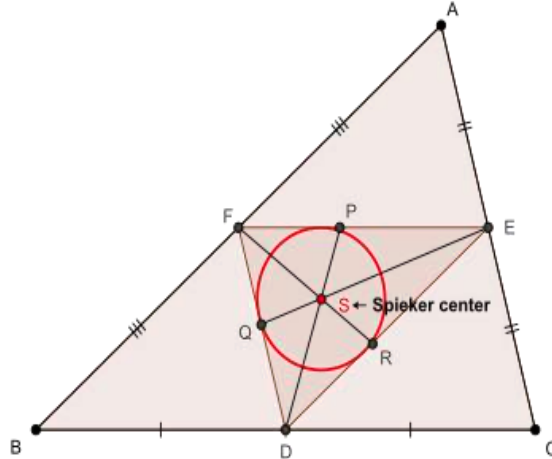
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Let AS produced meet BC at X and $m(\angle BAX) = \alpha$ and $m(\angle CAX) = \beta$ (say)
and inradius of $\triangle DEF = r'$ (say)

$$\text{Now, } 16[DEF]^2 = 2 \sum \left(\frac{a^2}{4}\right) \left(\frac{b^2}{4}\right) - \sum \frac{a^4}{16} = \frac{1}{16} (2 \sum a^2 b^2 - \sum a^4) = \frac{16r^2 s^2}{16}$$

$$\Rightarrow [DEF] = \frac{rs}{4} \Rightarrow r' \left(\frac{\frac{a}{2} + \frac{b}{2} + \frac{c}{2}}{2}\right) = \frac{rs}{4} \Rightarrow r' = \frac{r}{2} \rightarrow (1)$$

$$\because \text{Spieker center is incenter of } \triangle DEF, \therefore m(\angle AFS) = B + \frac{C}{2} = \frac{2B + C}{2} = \frac{B + \pi - A}{2}$$

$$= \frac{\pi}{2} - \frac{A - B}{2} \text{ and } m(\angle AES) = C + \frac{B}{2} = \frac{\pi}{2} - \frac{A - C}{2} \rightarrow (2)$$

Via (1), (2) and using cosine law on $\triangle AFS$ and $\triangle AES$, we arrive at :

$$AS^2 = \frac{r^2}{4\sin^2 \frac{C}{2}} + \frac{c^2}{4} - \left(\frac{2r}{2\sin \frac{C}{2}}\right) \left(\frac{c}{2}\right) \sin \frac{A - B}{2}$$

$$= \frac{r^2}{4\sin^2 \frac{B}{2}} + \frac{b^2}{4} - \left(\frac{2r}{2\sin \frac{B}{2}}\right) \left(\frac{b}{2}\right) \sin \frac{A - C}{2}$$

$$\Rightarrow 2AS^2 \stackrel{(i)}{=} \frac{r^2}{4\sin^2 \frac{C}{2}} + \frac{c^2}{4} - \left(\frac{2r}{2\sin \frac{C}{2}}\right) \left(\frac{c}{2}\right) \sin \frac{A - B}{2} + \frac{r^2}{4\sin^2 \frac{B}{2}} + \frac{b^2}{4}$$

$$- \left(\frac{2r}{2\sin \frac{B}{2}}\right) \left(\frac{b}{2}\right) \sin \frac{A - C}{2}$$

$$\text{Now, } \left(\frac{2r}{2\sin \frac{C}{2}}\right) \left(\frac{c}{2}\right) \sin \frac{A - B}{2} + \left(\frac{2r}{2\sin \frac{B}{2}}\right) \left(\frac{b}{2}\right) \sin \frac{A - C}{2}$$

$$= \frac{r}{2} \left(4R \cos \frac{C}{2} \sin \frac{A - B}{2} + 4R \cos \frac{B}{2} \sin \frac{A - C}{2}\right)$$

$$= Rr \left(2 \sin \frac{A + B}{2} \sin \frac{A - B}{2} + 2 \sin \frac{A + C}{2} \sin \frac{A - C}{2}\right)$$

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$$\begin{aligned}
 &= Rr \left(1 - 2\sin^2 \frac{B}{2} + 1 - 2\sin^2 \frac{C}{2} - 2 \left(1 - 2\sin^2 \frac{A}{2} \right) \right) \\
 &= 2Rr \left(\frac{2a(s-b)(s-c) - b(s-c)(s-a) - c(s-a)(s-b)}{abc} \right) \\
 &= \frac{Rr}{8Rrs} (2a^3 + (b+c)a^2 - 2a(b^2+c^2) - (b+c)(b-c)^2) \\
 &= \frac{4(b+c)bc\sin^2 \frac{A}{2} - 2a \cdot 2bcc\cos A}{8s} = \frac{bc \left((2s-a)\sin^2 \frac{A}{2} - a \left(1 - 2\sin^2 \frac{A}{2} \right) \right)}{2s} \\
 &= \frac{bc \left((2s+a)\sin^2 \frac{A}{2} - a \right)}{2s} = \frac{(2s+a)(s-b)(s-c)}{2s} - 2Rr \\
 &\Rightarrow - \left(\frac{2r}{2\sin \frac{C}{2}} \right) \left(\frac{c}{2} \right) \sin \frac{A-B}{2} - \left(\frac{2r}{2\sin \frac{B}{2}} \right) \left(\frac{b}{2} \right) \sin \frac{A-C}{2} \\
 &\quad \stackrel{(*)}{=} \frac{-(2s+a)(s-b)(s-c)}{2s} + 2Rr \\
 \text{Again, } &\frac{r^2}{4\sin^2 \frac{B}{2}} + \frac{r^2}{4\sin^2 \frac{C}{2}} = \frac{r^2}{4} \left(\frac{ca}{(s-c)(s-a)} + \frac{ab}{(s-a)(s-b)} \right) \\
 &= \frac{r^2}{4r^2s} (ca(s-b) + ab(s-c)) = \frac{ab+ca}{4} - 2Rr \stackrel{(**)}{=} \frac{r^2}{4\sin^2 \frac{B}{2}} + \frac{r^2}{4\sin^2 \frac{C}{2}} \\
 \text{(i), (*), (**)} &\Rightarrow 2AS^2 = \frac{b^2+c^2+ab+ca}{4} - \frac{(2s+a)(s-b)(s-c)}{2s} \\
 &= \frac{(a+b+c)(b^2+c^2+ab+ca) - (2a+b+c)(c+a-b)(a+b-c)}{4} \\
 &= \frac{b^3+c^3-abc+a(2b^2+2c^2-a^2)}{4s} \stackrel{(ii)}{\Rightarrow} 2AS^2 = \frac{b^3+c^3-abc+a(4m_a^2)}{4s} \\
 \text{Via sine law on } \triangle AFS, &\frac{r}{2\sin \frac{C}{2} \sin \alpha} = \frac{AS}{\cos \frac{A-B}{2}} = \frac{4s}{(a+b)\sin \frac{C}{2}} \\
 \Rightarrow c\sin \alpha &\stackrel{(***)}{=} \frac{r(a+b)}{2AS} \text{ and via sine law on } \triangle AES, b\sin \beta \stackrel{(***)}{=} \frac{r(a+c)}{2AS} \\
 \text{Now, } [BAX] + [BAX] &= [ABC] \Rightarrow \frac{1}{2}p_a c\sin \alpha + \frac{1}{2}p_a b\sin \beta = rs \\
 \text{via (***) and (***)} &\Rightarrow \frac{p_a(a+b+a+c)}{4AS} = s \Rightarrow p_a = \frac{4s}{2s+a} AS \\
 \Rightarrow p_a^2 &\stackrel{\text{via (ii)}}{=} \frac{16s^2}{(2s+a)^2} \cdot \frac{b^3+c^3-abc+a(4m_a^2)}{8s} \\
 \therefore p_a^2 &\stackrel{(*)}{=} \frac{2s}{(2s+a)^2} (b^3+c^3-abc+a(4m_a^2)) \\
 \text{Now, } b^3+c^3-abc+a(4m_a^2) &= b^3+c^3-abc+a(2b^2+2c^2-a^2) \\
 &= (b+c)(b^2-bc+c^2) + a(b^2-bc+c^2) + a(b^2+c^2-a^2) \\
 &= 2s(b^2-bc+c^2) + a(b^2-bc+c^2+bc-a^2)
 \end{aligned}$$

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$$\begin{aligned}
 &= (2s+a)(b^2 - bc + c^2) + a \left(\frac{(b+c)^2 - (b-c)^2}{4} - a^2 \right) \\
 &= (2s+a)(b^2 - bc + c^2) + \frac{a(b+c+2a)(b+c-2a)}{4} - \frac{a(b-c)^2}{4} \\
 &= (2s+a)(b^2 - bc + c^2) + \frac{a(2s-a+2a)(b+c-2a)}{4} - \frac{a(b-c)^2}{4} \\
 &= (2s+a) \cdot \frac{4b^2 + 4c^2 - 4bc + a(b+c-2a)}{4} - \frac{a(b-c)^2}{4} \\
 &= (2s+a) \cdot \frac{4(z+x)^2 + 4(x+y)^2 - 4(z+x)(x+y) + (y+z)((z+x) + (x+y) - 2(y+z))}{4} \\
 &\quad - \frac{a(b-c)^2}{4} \quad (a = y+z, b = z+x, c = x+y) \\
 &= (2s+a) \cdot \frac{4x(x+y+z) + 2x(y+z) + 3(y-z)^2}{4} - \frac{a(b-c)^2}{4} \\
 &= (2s+a) \left(s(s-a) + \frac{3}{4}(b-c)^2 + \frac{a(s-a)}{2} \right) - \frac{a(b-c)^2}{4} \\
 &= (2s+a) \left(s(s-a) + \frac{3}{4}(b-c)^2 + \frac{a(s-a)}{2} \right) - \frac{(a+2s-2s)(b-c)^2}{4} \\
 &= (2s+a) \left(s(s-a) + \frac{(b-c)^2}{2} + \frac{a(s-a)}{2} \right) + \frac{s(b-c)^2}{2} \\
 \therefore \boxed{b^3 + c^3 - abc + a(4m_a^2)} &\stackrel{(\bullet\bullet)}{=} (2s+a) \left(\frac{(s-a)(2s+a)}{2} + \frac{(b-c)^2}{2} \right) + \frac{s(b-c)^2}{2} \\
 \therefore (\bullet), (\bullet\bullet) \Rightarrow p_a^2 &= \frac{2s}{(2s+a)^2} \left(\frac{(s-a)(2s+a)^2}{2} + \frac{(2s+a)(b-c)^2}{2} + \frac{s(b-c)^2}{2} \right) \\
 &= s(s-a) + (b-c)^2 \left(\left(\frac{s}{2s+a} \right)^2 + \frac{s}{2s+a} + \frac{1}{4} - \frac{1}{4} \right) \\
 &= s(s-a) - \frac{(b-c)^2}{4} + (b-c)^2 \cdot \left(\frac{s}{2s+a} + \frac{1}{2} \right)^2 \\
 &= s(s-a) + \frac{(b-c)^2}{4} \left(\frac{(4s+a)^2}{(2s+a)^2} - 1 \right) \\
 &\Rightarrow p_a^2 \stackrel{(\bullet\bullet\bullet)}{=} s(s-a) + \frac{s(3s+a)(b-c)^2}{(2s+a)^2} \\
 \text{Now, } p_a &\geq \frac{2b^2 - bc + 2c^2}{6R} \Leftrightarrow \frac{p_a^2}{h_a^2} \geq \frac{(2b^2 - bc + 2c^2)^2}{36R^2 \cdot \frac{b^2c^2}{4R^2}} \\
 \Leftrightarrow \frac{p_a^2 - h_a^2}{h_a^2} &\geq \left(\frac{2b^2 - bc + 2c^2}{3bc} - 1 \right) \left(\frac{2b^2 - bc + 2c^2}{3bc} + 1 \right) \\
 \stackrel{\text{via } (\bullet\bullet\bullet)}{\Leftrightarrow} &\frac{s(s-a) + \frac{s(3s+a)(b-c)^2}{(2s+a)^2} - s(s-a) + \frac{s(s-a)(b-c)^2}{a^2}}{h_a^2} \geq \frac{4(b-c)^2(b^2 + bc + c^2)}{9b^2c^2} \\
 &\Leftrightarrow \frac{4s^4(b-c)^2}{a^2h_a^2(2s+a)^2} \geq \frac{4(b-c)^2(b^2 + bc + c^2)}{9b^2c^2}
 \end{aligned}$$

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$$\Leftrightarrow \frac{s^4}{4s(s-a)(s-b)(s-c)(2s+a)^2} \geq \frac{b^2+bc+c^2}{9b^2c^2} \quad (\because (b-c)^2 \geq 0)$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \frac{9s^3b^2c^2}{4(s-a)(2s+a)^2} \geq (b^2+bc+c^2)(s-b)(s-c)$$

$$= (b^2+bc+c^2)(-s(s-a)+bc)$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \frac{9s^3b^2c^2}{4(s-a)(2s+a)^2} \geq (bc-s(s-a))(b^2+c^2)+b^2c^2-bcs(s-a)$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \frac{9s^3b^2c^2}{4(s-a)(2s+a)^2} - b^2c^2 + bcs(s-a) \geq (bc-s(s-a))((2s-a)^2 - 2bc)$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \frac{9s^3b^2c^2}{4(s-a)(2s+a)^2} - b^2c^2 + bcs(s-a) \geq (bc-s(s-a))(2s-a)^2 - 2b^2c^2 + 2bcs(s-a)$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \frac{9s^3b^2c^2}{4(s-a)(2s+a)^2} + b^2c^2 + s(s-a)(2s-a)^2 - bc(s(s-a) + (2s-a)^2) \geq 0$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \boxed{\frac{25s^3 - 12sa^2 - 4a^3}{4(s-a)(2s+a)^2} \cdot b^2c^2 - (5s^2 - 5sa + a^2) \cdot bc + s(s-a)(2s-a)^2 \geq 0} \quad (\text{Q})$$

Now, LHS of (Q) is a quadratic polynomial with discriminant =

$$(5s^2 - 5sa + a^2)^2 - \frac{25s^3 - 12sa^2 - 4a^3}{(2s+a)^2} \cdot s(2s-a)^2$$

$$= \frac{-a^2(12s^4 - 18s^3a + 5s^2a^2 + 2sa^3 - a^4)}{(2s+a)^2}$$

$$= \frac{-a^2(s-a)((s-a)(12s^2 + 6sa + 5a^2) + 6a^3)}{(2s+a)^2} < 0 \quad (\because s > a)$$

\therefore (Q) is true (strict inequality)

$$\therefore p_a \geq \frac{2b^2 - bc + 2c^2}{6R} \quad \text{and analogs} \rightarrow (m)$$

Again, Stewart's theorem $\Rightarrow b^2(s-c) + c^2(s-b) = an_a^2 + a(s-b)(s-c)$

$$\Rightarrow s(b^2 + c^2) - bc(2s-a) = an_a^2 + a(s^2 - s(2s-a) + bc) \Rightarrow s(b^2 + c^2) - 2sbc$$

$$= an_a^2 + a(as - s^2) \Rightarrow s(b^2 + c^2 - a^2 - 2bc) = an_a^2 - as^2 \Rightarrow an_a^2 = as^2 +$$

$$s(2bc \cos A - 2bc) = as^2 - 4sbc \sin^2 \frac{A}{2} = as^2 - \frac{4sbc(s-b)(s-c)(s-a)}{bc(s-a)}$$

$$= as^2 - s(a^2 - (b-c)^2) = as(s-a) + s(b-c)^2$$

$$\Rightarrow n_a^2 = s(s-a) + \frac{s}{a}(b-c)^2 \rightarrow (l)$$

$$\text{Now, } n_a \stackrel{?}{\geq} \frac{b^2 - bc + c^2}{2R} \Leftrightarrow \frac{n_a}{h_a} \stackrel{?}{\geq} \frac{b^2 - bc + c^2}{bc} \Leftrightarrow \frac{n_a^2}{h_a^2} - 1 \stackrel{?}{\geq} \left(\frac{b^2 - bc + c^2}{bc} \right)^2 - 1$$

$$= \frac{(b-c)^2(b^2+c^2)}{b^2c^2} \Leftrightarrow \frac{n_a^2 - h_a^2}{h_a^2} \stackrel{?}{\geq} \frac{(b-c)^2(b^2+c^2)}{b^2c^2} \text{ via (l)} \Leftrightarrow$$

$$s(s-a) + \frac{s}{a}(b-c)^2 - s(s-a) + \frac{s(s-a)(b-c)^2}{a^2} \stackrel{?}{\geq} \frac{(b-c)^2(b^2+c^2)}{b^2c^2} \cdot \frac{b^2c^2}{4R^2}$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \left(\frac{s}{a} + \frac{s(s-a)}{a^2} \right) (b-c)^2 \stackrel{?}{\geq} \frac{(b-c)^2(b^2+c^2)}{4R^2} \Leftrightarrow \frac{s^2}{a^2} \stackrel{?}{\geq} \frac{b^2+c^2}{4R^2} \quad (\because (b-c)^2 \geq 0)$$

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$$\begin{aligned} &\Leftrightarrow 4R^2s^2 \stackrel{?}{\geq} a^2b^2 + c^2a^2 \rightarrow \text{true (strict inequality)} \because 4R^2s^2 \stackrel{\text{Goldstone}}{\geq} \\ &\sum_{\text{cyc}} a^2b^2 > a^2b^2 + c^2a^2 \therefore n_a \geq \frac{b^2 - bc + c^2}{2R} \text{ and analogs} \rightarrow (n) \\ \therefore \text{ via (m) and (n), } \frac{p_a n_a}{h_a^2} &\geq \frac{\frac{2b^2 - bc + 2c^2}{6R} \cdot \frac{b^2 - bc + c^2}{2R}}{\frac{b^2 c^2}{4R^2}} \Rightarrow \frac{p_a n_a}{h_a^2} - 1 - \frac{2}{3} \cdot \frac{(b-c)^4}{b^2 c^2} \\ &\geq \frac{(2b^2 - bc + 2c^2)(b^2 - bc + c^2) - 3b^2 c^2 - 2(b-c)^4}{3b^2 c^2} = \frac{5bc(b-c)^2}{3b^2 c^2} \\ &\geq \frac{2\sqrt{6}(b-c)^2}{3bc} \therefore \frac{p_a n_a}{h_a^2} \geq 1 + \frac{2}{3} \cdot \frac{(b-c)^4}{b^2 c^2} + \frac{2\sqrt{6}(b-c)^2}{3bc} = \left(1 + \frac{\sqrt{6}(b-c)^2}{3bc}\right)^2 \\ &\Rightarrow \frac{\sqrt{p_a n_a}}{h_a} \geq 1 + \frac{\sqrt{6}(b-c)^2}{3bc} \text{ and analogs } \therefore \frac{\sqrt{p_a n_a}}{h_a} + \frac{\sqrt{p_b n_b}}{h_b} + \frac{\sqrt{p_c n_c}}{h_c} \geq \\ 3 + \frac{\sqrt{6}}{3} \cdot \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{b^2 + c^2 - 2bc}{bc} &= 3 + \frac{\sqrt{6}}{3} \cdot \left(\sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{b+c}{a} - 6\right) \therefore \frac{\sqrt{p_a n_a}}{h_a} + \frac{\sqrt{p_b n_b}}{h_b} + \frac{\sqrt{p_c n_c}}{h_c} \\ &\geq \frac{\sqrt{6}}{3} \left(\frac{b+c}{a} + \frac{c+a}{b} + \frac{a+b}{c}\right) + 3 - 2\sqrt{6} \forall \Delta ABC, \\ &\text{with equality iff } \Delta ABC \text{ is equilateral (QED)} \end{aligned}$$

1828. In ΔABC the following relationship holds:

$$\frac{a^3}{(b+c)^3 - a^3} + \frac{b^3}{(c+a)^3 - b^3} + \frac{c^3}{(a+b)^3 - c^3} \geq \frac{3}{7}$$

Proposed by Nguyen Hung Cuong-Vietnam

Solution by Tapas Das-India

$$\begin{aligned} LHS &= \sum \frac{(b+c)^3}{(b+c)^3 - a^3} - 3 = \sum \frac{1}{1 - \left(\frac{a}{b+c}\right)^3} - 3 \stackrel{\text{Bergstrom}}{\geq} \\ &\geq \frac{9}{3 - \sum \left(\frac{a}{b+c}\right)^3} - 3 \stackrel{\text{CBS}}{\geq} \frac{9}{3 - \frac{1}{9} \sum \left(\frac{a}{b+c}\right)^3} - 3 \stackrel{\text{Nesbitt}}{\geq} \\ &\geq \frac{9}{3 - \frac{1}{9} \cdot \frac{27}{8}} - 3 = \frac{24}{7} - 3 = \frac{3}{7} \end{aligned}$$

Equality for $a = b = c$

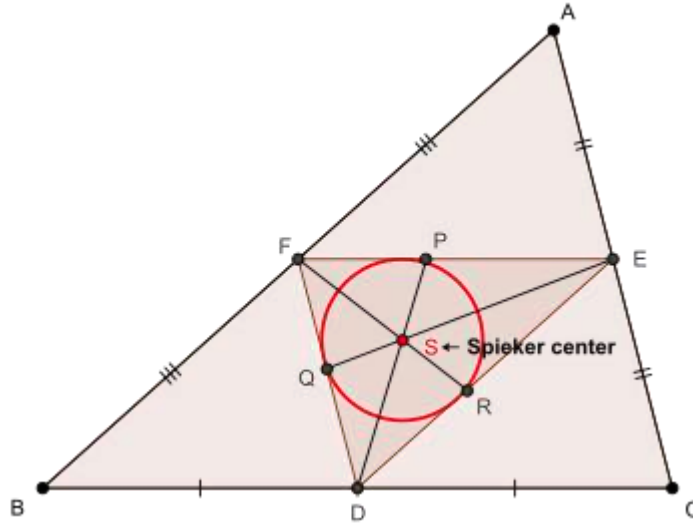
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Proof : Let AS produced meet BC at X and $m(\angle BAX) = \alpha$ and $m(\angle CAX) = \beta$ (say) and inradius of $\Delta DEF = r'$ (say)

$$\text{Now, } 16[DEF]^2 = 2 \sum \left(\frac{a^2}{4}\right) \left(\frac{b^2}{4}\right) - \sum \frac{a^4}{16} = \frac{1}{16} (2 \sum a^2 b^2 - \sum a^4) = \frac{16r^2 s^2}{16}$$

$$\Rightarrow [DEF] = \frac{rs}{4} \Rightarrow r' \left(\frac{\frac{a}{2} + \frac{b}{2} + \frac{c}{2}}{2}\right) = \frac{rs}{4} \Rightarrow r' = \frac{r}{2} \rightarrow (1)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \because \text{Spieker center is incenter of } \Delta DEF, \therefore m(\angle AFS) &= B + \frac{C}{2} = \frac{2B + C}{2} = \frac{B + \pi - A}{2} \\ &= \frac{\pi}{2} - \frac{A - B}{2} \text{ and } m(\angle AES) = C + \frac{B}{2} = \frac{\pi}{2} - \frac{A - C}{2} \rightarrow (2) \end{aligned}$$

Via (1), (2) and using cosine law on ΔAFS and ΔAES , we arrive at :

$$\begin{aligned} AS^2 &= \frac{r^2}{4 \sin^2 \frac{C}{2}} + \frac{c^2}{4} - \left(\frac{2r}{2 \sin \frac{C}{2}}\right) \left(\frac{c}{2}\right) \sin \frac{A - B}{2} \\ &= \frac{r^2}{4 \sin^2 \frac{B}{2}} + \frac{b^2}{4} - \left(\frac{2r}{2 \sin \frac{B}{2}}\right) \left(\frac{b}{2}\right) \sin \frac{A - C}{2} \end{aligned}$$

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$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow 2AS^2 & \stackrel{(i)}{=} \frac{r^2}{4\sin^2 \frac{C}{2}} + \frac{c^2}{4} - \left(\frac{2r}{2\sin \frac{C}{2}} \right) \left(\frac{c}{2} \right) \sin \frac{A-B}{2} + \frac{r^2}{4\sin^2 \frac{B}{2}} + \frac{b^2}{4} \\ & \quad - \left(\frac{2r}{2\sin \frac{B}{2}} \right) \left(\frac{b}{2} \right) \sin \frac{A-C}{2} \\ \text{Now, } & \left(\frac{2r}{2\sin \frac{C}{2}} \right) \left(\frac{c}{2} \right) \sin \frac{A-B}{2} + \left(\frac{2r}{2\sin \frac{B}{2}} \right) \left(\frac{b}{2} \right) \sin \frac{A-C}{2} \\ & = \frac{r}{2} \left(4R \cos \frac{C}{2} \sin \frac{A-B}{2} + 4R \cos \frac{B}{2} \sin \frac{A-C}{2} \right) \\ & = Rr \left(2\sin \frac{A+B}{2} \sin \frac{A-B}{2} + 2\sin \frac{A+C}{2} \sin \frac{A-C}{2} \right) \\ & = Rr \left(1 - 2\sin^2 \frac{B}{2} + 1 - 2\sin^2 \frac{C}{2} - 2 \left(1 - 2\sin^2 \frac{A}{2} \right) \right) \\ & = 2Rr \left(\frac{2a(s-b)(s-c) - b(s-c)(s-a) - c(s-a)(s-b)}{abc} \right) \\ & = \frac{Rr}{8Rrs} (2a^3 + (b+c)a^2 - 2a(b^2+c^2) - (b+c)(b-c)^2) \\ & = \frac{4(b+c)bc\sin^2 \frac{A}{2} - 2a \cdot 2bcc\cos A}{8s} = \frac{bc \left((2s-a)\sin^2 \frac{A}{2} - a \left(1 - 2\sin^2 \frac{A}{2} \right) \right)}{2s} \\ & = \frac{bc \left((2s+a)\sin^2 \frac{A}{2} - a \right)}{2s} = \frac{(2s+a)(s-b)(s-c)}{2s} - 2Rr \\ & \Rightarrow - \left(\frac{2r}{2\sin \frac{C}{2}} \right) \left(\frac{c}{2} \right) \sin \frac{A-B}{2} - \left(\frac{2r}{2\sin \frac{B}{2}} \right) \left(\frac{b}{2} \right) \sin \frac{A-C}{2} \\ & \quad \stackrel{(*)}{=} \frac{-(2s+a)(s-b)(s-c)}{2s} + 2Rr \\ \text{Again, } & \frac{r^2}{4\sin^2 \frac{B}{2}} + \frac{r^2}{4\sin^2 \frac{C}{2}} = \frac{r^2}{4} \left(\frac{ca}{(s-c)(s-a)} + \frac{ab}{(s-a)(s-b)} \right) \\ & = \frac{r^2}{4r^2s} (ca(s-b) + ab(s-c)) = \frac{ab+ca}{4} - 2Rr \stackrel{(**)}{=} \frac{r^2}{4\sin^2 \frac{B}{2}} + \frac{r^2}{4\sin^2 \frac{C}{2}} \\ (i), (*), (**), & \Rightarrow 2AS^2 = \frac{b^2+c^2+ab+ca}{4} - \frac{(2s+a)(s-b)(s-c)}{2s} \\ & = \frac{(a+b+c)(b^2+c^2+ab+ca) - (2a+b+c)(c+a-b)(a+b-c)}{4s} \\ & = \frac{b^3+c^3-abc+a(2b^2+2c^2-a^2)}{4s} \Rightarrow 2AS^2 \stackrel{(ii)}{=} \frac{b^3+c^3-abc+a(4m_a^2)}{4s} \\ \text{Via sine law on } \Delta AFS, & \frac{r}{2\sin \frac{C}{2} \sin \alpha} = \frac{AS}{\cos \frac{A-B}{2}} = \frac{4s}{cAS} \end{aligned}$$

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$$\Rightarrow c \sin \alpha \stackrel{(***)}{=} \frac{r(a+b)}{2AS} \text{ and via sine law on } \triangle AES, b \sin \beta \stackrel{(***)}{=} \frac{r(a+c)}{2AS}$$

$$\text{Now, } [BAX] + [BAX] = [ABC] \Rightarrow \frac{1}{2} p_a c \sin \alpha + \frac{1}{2} p_a b \sin \beta = rs$$

$$\text{via (***) and (***)} \Rightarrow \frac{p_a(a+b+a+c)}{4AS} = s \Rightarrow p_a = \frac{4s}{2s+a} AS$$

$$\Rightarrow p_a^2 \stackrel{\text{via (ii)}}{=} \frac{16s^2}{(2s+a)^2} \cdot \frac{b^3 + c^3 - abc + a(4m_a^2)}{8s}$$

$$\therefore p_a^2 \stackrel{(*)}{=} \frac{2s}{(2s+a)^2} (b^3 + c^3 - abc + a(4m_a^2))$$

$$\text{Now, } b^3 + c^3 - abc + a(4m_a^2) = b^3 + c^3 - abc + a(2b^2 + 2c^2 - a^2)$$

$$= (b+c)(b^2 - bc + c^2) + a(b^2 - bc + c^2) + a(b^2 + c^2 - a^2)$$

$$= 2s(b^2 - bc + c^2) + a(b^2 - bc + c^2 + bc - a^2)$$

$$= (2s+a)(b^2 - bc + c^2) + a \left(\frac{(b+c)^2 - (b-c)^2}{4} - a^2 \right)$$

$$= (2s+a)(b^2 - bc + c^2) + \frac{a(b+c+2a)(b+c-2a)}{4} - \frac{a(b-c)^2}{4}$$

$$= (2s+a)(b^2 - bc + c^2) + \frac{a(2s-a+2a)(b+c-2a)}{4} - \frac{a(b-c)^2}{4}$$

$$= (2s+a) \cdot \frac{4b^2 + 4c^2 - 4bc + a(b+c-2a)}{4} - \frac{a(b-c)^2}{4}$$

$$= (2s+a).$$

$$\frac{4(z+x)^2 + 4(x+y)^2 - 4(z+x)(x+y) + (y+z)((z+x) + (x+y) - 2(y+z))}{4}$$

$$- \frac{a(b-c)^2}{4} \quad (a = y+z, b = z+x, c = x+y)$$

$$= (2s+a) \cdot \frac{4x(x+y+z) + 2x(y+z) + 3(y-z)^2}{4} - \frac{a(b-c)^2}{4}$$

$$= (2s+a) \left(s(s-a) + \frac{3}{4}(b-c)^2 + \frac{a(s-a)}{2} \right) - \frac{a(b-c)^2}{4}$$

$$= (2s+a) \left(s(s-a) + \frac{3}{4}(b-c)^2 + \frac{a(s-a)}{2} \right) - \frac{(a+2s-2s)(b-c)^2}{4}$$

$$= (2s+a) \left(s(s-a) + \frac{(b-c)^2}{2} + \frac{a(s-a)}{2} \right) + \frac{s(b-c)^2}{2}$$

$$\therefore b^3 + c^3 - abc + a(4m_a^2) \stackrel{(**)}{=} (2s+a) \left(\frac{(s-a)(2s+a)}{2} + \frac{(b-c)^2}{2} \right) + \frac{s(b-c)^2}{2}$$

$$\therefore (*), (**) \Rightarrow p_a^2 = \frac{2s}{(2s+a)^2} \left(\frac{(s-a)(2s+a)^2}{2} + \frac{(2s+a)(b-c)^2}{2} + \frac{s(b-c)^2}{2} \right)$$

$$= s(s-a) + (b-c)^2 \left(\left(\frac{s}{2s+a} \right)^2 + \frac{s}{2s+a} + \frac{1}{4} - \frac{1}{4} \right)$$

$$= s(s-a) - \frac{(b-c)^2}{4} + (b-c)^2 \cdot \left(\frac{s}{2s+a} + \frac{1}{2} \right)^2$$

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$$\begin{aligned}
 &= s(s-a) + \frac{(b-c)^2}{4} \left(\frac{(4s+a)^2}{(2s+a)^2} - 1 \right) \\
 &\Rightarrow p_a^2 \stackrel{(\dots)}{=} s(s-a) + \frac{s(3s+a)(b-c)^2}{(2s+a)^2} \\
 \text{Now, } p_a &\geq \frac{2b^2 - bc + 2c^2}{6R} \Leftrightarrow \frac{p_a^2}{h_a^2} \geq \frac{(2b^2 - bc + 2c^2)^2}{36R^2 \cdot \frac{b^2c^2}{4R^2}} \\
 &\Leftrightarrow \frac{p_a^2 - h_a^2}{h_a^2} \geq \left(\frac{2b^2 - bc + 2c^2}{3bc} - 1 \right) \left(\frac{2b^2 - bc + 2c^2}{3bc} + 1 \right) \\
 \text{via } (\dots) &\Leftrightarrow \frac{s(s-a) + \frac{s(3s+a)(b-c)^2}{(2s+a)^2} - s(s-a) + \frac{s(s-a)(b-c)^2}{a^2}}{h_a^2} \geq \frac{4(b-c)^2(b^2 + bc + c^2)}{9b^2c^2} \\
 &\Leftrightarrow \frac{4s^4(b-c)^2}{a^2h_a^2(2s+a)^2} \geq \frac{4(b-c)^2(b^2 + bc + c^2)}{9b^2c^2} \\
 &\Leftrightarrow \frac{4s^4(b-c)^2}{s^4} \geq \frac{b^2 + bc + c^2}{9b^2c^2} \quad (\because (b-c)^2 \geq 0) \\
 &\Leftrightarrow \frac{4s(s-a)(s-b)(s-c)(2s+a)^2}{9s^3b^2c^2} \geq \frac{b^2 + bc + c^2}{9b^2c^2} \\
 &\Leftrightarrow \frac{4(s-a)(2s+a)^2}{9s^3b^2c^2} \geq (b^2 + bc + c^2)(s-b)(s-c) \\
 &\quad = (b^2 + bc + c^2)(-s(s-a) + bc) \\
 &\Leftrightarrow \frac{9s^3b^2c^2}{4(s-a)(2s+a)^2} \geq (bc - s(s-a))(b^2 + c^2) + b^2c^2 - bcs(s-a) \\
 &\Leftrightarrow \frac{9s^3b^2c^2}{4(s-a)(2s+a)^2} - b^2c^2 + bcs(s-a) \geq (bc - s(s-a))((2s-a)^2 - 2bc) \\
 &\Leftrightarrow \frac{9s^3b^2c^2}{4(s-a)(2s+a)^2} - b^2c^2 + bcs(s-a) \geq \\
 &\quad (bc - s(s-a))(2s-a)^2 - 2b^2c^2 + 2bcs(s-a) \\
 &\Leftrightarrow \frac{9s^3b^2c^2}{4(s-a)(2s+a)^2} + b^2c^2 + s(s-a)(2s-a)^2 - bc(s(s-a) + (2s-a)^2) \geq 0 \\
 &\Leftrightarrow \boxed{\frac{25s^3 - 12sa^2 - 4a^3}{4(s-a)(2s+a)^2} \cdot b^2c^2 - (5s^2 - 5sa + a^2) \cdot bc + s(s-a)(2s-a)^2 \geq 0} \quad (\text{②})
 \end{aligned}$$

Now, LHS of (②) is a quadratic polynomial with discriminant =

$$\begin{aligned}
 &(5s^2 - 5sa + a^2)^2 - \frac{25s^3 - 12sa^2 - 4a^3}{(2s+a)^2} \cdot s(2s-a)^2 \\
 &= \frac{-a^2(12s^4 - 18s^3a + 5s^2a^2 + 2sa^3 - a^4)}{(2s+a)^2} \\
 &= \frac{-a^2(s-a)((s-a)(12s^2 + 6sa + 5a^2) + 6a^3)}{(2s+a)^2} < 0 \quad (\because s > a) \\
 &\therefore \text{(②) is true (strict inequality)} \\
 &\therefore p_a \geq \frac{2b^2 - bc + 2c^2}{6R} \text{ and analogs} \\
 \therefore p_b p_c &\geq \frac{(2c^2 - ca + 2a^2)(2a^2 - ab + 2b^2)}{36R^2} \geq \frac{(4a^2 + 4bc - ab - ac)^2}{144R^2}
 \end{aligned}$$

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$$\Leftrightarrow 15a^2(b-c)^2 \stackrel{?}{\geq} 0 \rightarrow \text{true} \therefore p_b p_c \geq \frac{(4a^2 + 4bc - ab - ac)^2}{144R^2}$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{\sqrt{p_b p_c} \geq \frac{4a^2 + 4bc - ab - ac}{12R}} \text{ and analogs} \therefore \sqrt{p_a p_b} + \sqrt{p_b p_c} + \sqrt{p_c p_a} \geq$$

$$\frac{1}{12R} \cdot \left(4 \sum_{\text{cyc}} a^2 + 4 \sum_{\text{cyc}} bc - \sum_{\text{cyc}} ab - \sum_{\text{cyc}} ac \right)$$

$$\therefore \sqrt{p_a p_b} + \sqrt{p_b p_c} + \sqrt{p_c p_a} \geq \frac{2(a^2 + b^2 + c^2) + ab + bc + ca}{6R}$$

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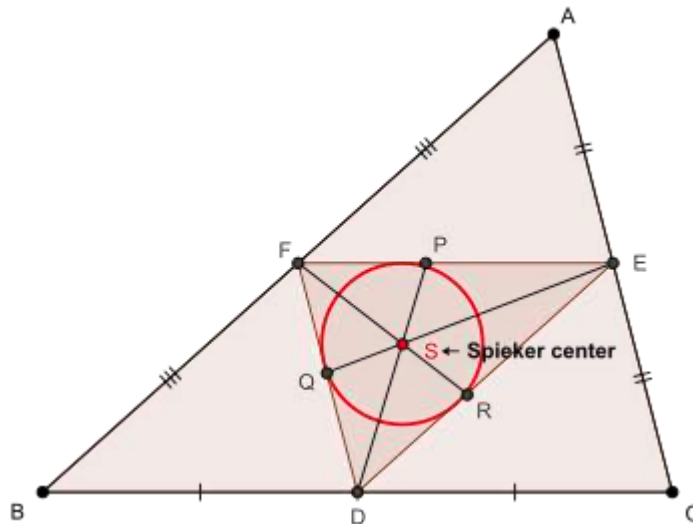
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$$\begin{aligned} AS^2 &= \frac{r^2}{4\sin^2 \frac{C}{2}} + \frac{c^2}{4} - \left(\frac{2r}{2\sin \frac{C}{2}} \right) \left(\frac{c}{2} \right) \sin \frac{A - B}{2} \\ &= \frac{r^2}{4\sin^2 \frac{B}{2}} + \frac{b^2}{4} - \left(\frac{2r}{2\sin \frac{B}{2}} \right) \left(\frac{b}{2} \right) \sin \frac{A - C}{2} \\ \Rightarrow 2AS^2 &\stackrel{(i)}{=} \frac{r^2}{4\sin^2 \frac{C}{2}} + \frac{c^2}{4} - \left(\frac{2r}{2\sin \frac{C}{2}} \right) \left(\frac{c}{2} \right) \sin \frac{A - B}{2} + \frac{r^2}{4\sin^2 \frac{B}{2}} + \frac{b^2}{4} \\ &\quad - \left(\frac{2r}{2\sin \frac{B}{2}} \right) \left(\frac{b}{2} \right) \sin \frac{A - C}{2} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Now, } &\left(\frac{2r}{2\sin \frac{C}{2}} \right) \left(\frac{c}{2} \right) \sin \frac{A - B}{2} + \left(\frac{2r}{2\sin \frac{B}{2}} \right) \left(\frac{b}{2} \right) \sin \frac{A - C}{2} \\ &= \frac{r}{2} \left(4R \cos \frac{C}{2} \sin \frac{A - B}{2} + 4R \cos \frac{B}{2} \sin \frac{A - C}{2} \right) \\ &= Rr \left(2 \sin \frac{A + B}{2} \sin \frac{A - B}{2} + 2 \sin \frac{A + C}{2} \sin \frac{A - C}{2} \right) \\ &= Rr \left(1 - 2 \sin^2 \frac{B}{2} + 1 - 2 \sin^2 \frac{C}{2} - 2 \left(1 - 2 \sin^2 \frac{A}{2} \right) \right) \\ &= 2Rr \left(\frac{2a(s - b)(s - c) - b(s - c)(s - a) - c(s - a)(s - b)}{abc} \right) \\ &= \frac{Rr}{8Rs} (2a^3 + (b + c)a^2 - 2a(b^2 + c^2) - (b + c)(b - c)^2) \\ &= \frac{4(b + c)bc \sin^2 \frac{A}{2} - 2a \cdot 2bcc \cos A}{8s} = \frac{bc \left((2s - a) \sin^2 \frac{A}{2} - a \left(1 - 2 \sin^2 \frac{A}{2} \right) \right)}{2s} \\ &= \frac{bc \left((2s + a) \sin^2 \frac{A}{2} - a \right)}{2s} = \frac{(2s + a)(s - b)(s - c)}{2s} - 2Rr \\ &\Rightarrow - \left(\frac{2r}{2\sin \frac{C}{2}} \right) \left(\frac{c}{2} \right) \sin \frac{A - B}{2} - \left(\frac{2r}{2\sin \frac{B}{2}} \right) \left(\frac{b}{2} \right) \sin \frac{A - C}{2} \\ &\quad \stackrel{(*)}{=} \frac{-(2s + a)(s - b)(s - c)}{2s} + 2Rr \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Again, } \frac{r^2}{4\sin^2 \frac{B}{2}} + \frac{r^2}{4\sin^2 \frac{C}{2}} = \frac{r^2}{4} \left(\frac{ca}{(s - c)(s - a)} + \frac{ab}{(s - a)(s - b)} \right)$$

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$$= \frac{r^2}{4r^2s} (ca(s-b) + ab(s-c)) = \frac{ab+ca}{4} - 2Rr \stackrel{(**)}{=} \frac{r^2}{4\sin^2\frac{B}{2}} + \frac{r^2}{4\sin^2\frac{C}{2}}$$

$$(i), (*), (**) \Rightarrow 2AS^2 = \frac{b^2+c^2+ab+ca}{4} - \frac{(2s+a)(s-b)(s-c)}{2s}$$

$$= \frac{(a+b+c)(b^2+c^2+ab+ca) - (2a+b+c)(c+a-b)(a+b-c)}{4s}$$

$$= \frac{b^3+c^3-abc+a(2b^2+2c^2-a^2)}{4s} \stackrel{(ii)}{\Rightarrow} 2AS^2 = \frac{b^3+c^3-abc+a(4m_a^2)}{4s}$$

Via sine law on $\triangle AFS$, $\frac{r}{2\sin\frac{C}{2}\sin\alpha} = \frac{AS}{\cos\frac{A-B}{2}} = \frac{4s}{(a+b)\sin\frac{C}{2}}$

$$\Rightarrow c\sin\alpha \stackrel{(***)}{=} \frac{r(a+b)}{2AS} \text{ and via sine law on } \triangle AES, b\sin\beta \stackrel{(***)}{=} \frac{r(a+c)}{2AS}$$

Now, $[BAX] + [BAX] = [ABC] \Rightarrow \frac{1}{2}p_a c\sin\alpha + \frac{1}{2}p_a b\sin\beta = rs$

via (***) and (***) $p_a(a+b+a+c) \Rightarrow \frac{4s}{2s+a} AS$

$$\Rightarrow p_a^2 \stackrel{\text{via (ii)}}{=} \frac{16s^2}{(2s+a)^2} \cdot \frac{b^3+c^3-abc+a(4m_a^2)}{8s}$$

$$\therefore p_a^2 \stackrel{(*)}{=} \frac{2s}{(2s+a)^2} (b^3+c^3-abc+a(4m_a^2))$$

Now, $b^3+c^3-abc+a(4m_a^2) = b^3+c^3-abc+a(2b^2+2c^2-a^2)$

$$= (b+c)(b^2-bc+c^2) + a(b^2-bc+c^2) + a(b^2+c^2-a^2)$$

$$= 2s(b^2-bc+c^2) + a(b^2-bc+c^2+bc-a^2)$$

$$= (2s+a)(b^2-bc+c^2) + a\left(\frac{(b+c)^2-(b-c)^2}{4} - a^2\right)$$

$$= (2s+a)(b^2-bc+c^2) + \frac{a(b+c+2a)(b+c-2a)}{4} - \frac{a(b-c)^2}{4}$$

$$= (2s+a)(b^2-bc+c^2) + \frac{a(2s-a+2a)(b+c-2a)}{4} - \frac{a(b-c)^2}{4}$$

$$= (2s+a) \cdot \frac{4b^2+4c^2-4bc+a(b+c-2a)}{4} - \frac{a(b-c)^2}{4}$$

$$= (2s+a).$$

$$\frac{4(z+x)^2 + 4(x+y)^2 - 4(z+x)(x+y) + (y+z)((z+x) + (x+y) - 2(y+z))}{4}$$

$$- \frac{a(b-c)^2}{4} \quad (a = y+z, b = z+x, c = x+y)$$

$$= (2s+a) \cdot \frac{4x(x+y+z) + 2x(y+z) + 3(y-z)^2}{4} - \frac{a(b-c)^2}{4}$$

$$= (2s+a) \left(s(s-a) + \frac{3}{4}(b-c)^2 + \frac{a(s-a)}{2} \right) - \frac{a(b-c)^2}{4}$$

$$= (2s+a) \left(s(s-a) + \frac{3}{4}(b-c)^2 + \frac{a(s-a)}{2} \right) - \frac{(a+2s-2s)(b-c)^2}{4}$$

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$$= (2s + a) \left(s(s - a) + \frac{(b - c)^2}{2} + \frac{a(s - a)}{2} \right) + \frac{s(b - c)^2}{2}$$

$$\therefore \boxed{b^3 + c^3 - abc + a(4m_a^2)} \stackrel{(\bullet\bullet)}{=} (2s + a) \left(\frac{(s - a)(2s + a)}{2} + \frac{(b - c)^2}{2} \right) + \frac{s(b - c)^2}{2}$$

$$\therefore (\bullet), (\bullet\bullet) \Rightarrow p_a^2 = \frac{2s}{(2s + a)^2} \left(\frac{(s - a)(2s + a)^2}{2} + \frac{(2s + a)(b - c)^2}{2} + \frac{s(b - c)^2}{2} \right)$$

$$= s(s - a) + (b - c)^2 \left(\left(\frac{s}{2s + a} \right)^2 + \frac{s}{2s + a} + \frac{1}{4} - \frac{1}{4} \right)$$

$$= s(s - a) - \frac{(b - c)^2}{4} + (b - c)^2 \cdot \left(\frac{s}{2s + a} + \frac{1}{2} \right)^2$$

$$= s(s - a) + \frac{(b - c)^2}{4} \left(\frac{(4s + a)^2}{(2s + a)^2} - 1 \right)$$

$$\Rightarrow p_a^2 \stackrel{(\bullet\bullet\bullet)}{=} s(s - a) + \frac{s(3s + a)(b - c)^2}{(2s + a)^2}$$

$$\text{Now, } p_a \geq \frac{2b^2 - bc + 2c^2}{6R} \Leftrightarrow \frac{p_a^2}{h_a^2} \geq \frac{(2b^2 - bc + 2c^2)^2}{36R^2 \cdot \frac{b^2c^2}{4R^2}}$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \frac{p_a^2 - h_a^2}{h_a^2} \geq \left(\frac{2b^2 - bc + 2c^2}{3bc} - 1 \right) \left(\frac{2b^2 - bc + 2c^2}{3bc} + 1 \right)$$

$$\stackrel{\text{via } (\bullet\bullet\bullet)}{\Leftrightarrow} \frac{s(s - a) + \frac{s(3s + a)(b - c)^2}{(2s + a)^2} - s(s - a) + \frac{s(s - a)(b - c)^2}{a^2}}{h_a^2} \geq \frac{4(b - c)^2(b^2 + bc + c^2)}{9b^2c^2}$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \frac{4s^4(b - c)^2}{a^2h_a^2(2s + a)^2} \geq \frac{4(b - c)^2(b^2 + bc + c^2)}{9b^2c^2}$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \frac{s^4}{4s(s - a)(s - b)(s - c)(2s + a)^2} \geq \frac{b^2 + bc + c^2}{9b^2c^2} \quad (\because (b - c)^2 \geq 0)$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \frac{9s^3b^2c^2}{4(s - a)(2s + a)^2} \geq (b^2 + bc + c^2)(s - b)(s - c)$$

$$= (b^2 + bc + c^2)(-s(s - a) + bc)$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \frac{9s^3b^2c^2}{4(s - a)(2s + a)^2} \geq (bc - s(s - a))(b^2 + c^2) + b^2c^2 - bcs(s - a)$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \frac{9s^3b^2c^2}{4(s - a)(2s + a)^2} - b^2c^2 + bcs(s - a) \geq (bc - s(s - a))((2s - a)^2 - 2bc)$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \frac{9s^3b^2c^2}{4(s - a)(2s + a)^2} - b^2c^2 + bcs(s - a) \geq$$

$$(bc - s(s - a))(2s - a)^2 - 2b^2c^2 + 2bcs(s - a)$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \frac{9s^3b^2c^2}{4(s - a)(2s + a)^2} + b^2c^2 + s(s - a)(2s - a)^2 - bc(s(s - a) + (2s - a)^2) \geq 0$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \boxed{\frac{25s^3 - 12sa^2 - 4a^3}{4(s - a)(2s + a)^2} \cdot b^2c^2 - (5s^2 - 5sa + a^2) \cdot bc + s(s - a)(2s - a)^2 \geq 0} \quad (\text{Q})$$

Now, LHS of (Q) is a quadratic polynomial with discriminant =

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$$\begin{aligned}
 & (5s^2 - 5sa + a^2)^2 - \frac{25s^3 - 12sa^2 - 4a^3}{(2s + a)^2} \cdot s(2s - a)^2 \\
 &= \frac{-a^2(12s^4 - 18s^3a + 5s^2a^2 + 2sa^3 - a^4)}{(2s + a)^2} \\
 &= \frac{-a^2(s - a)((s - a)(12s^2 + 6sa + 5a^2) + 6a^3)}{(2s + a)^2} < 0 \quad (\because s > a) \\
 &\quad \therefore \textcircled{2} \text{ is true (strict inequality)} \\
 \therefore p_a &\geq \frac{2b^2 - bc + 2c^2}{6R} \Rightarrow \frac{p_a}{h_a} + \frac{1}{3} \geq \frac{2b^2 - bc + 2c^2}{3bc} + \frac{1}{3} = \frac{2b^2 + 2c^2}{3bc} \\
 \Rightarrow \frac{p_a}{h_a} + \frac{1}{3} &\geq \frac{2}{3} \left(\frac{b}{c} + \frac{c}{b} \right) \text{ and analogs } \therefore \frac{p_a}{h_a} + \frac{p_b}{h_b} + \frac{p_c}{h_c} + 1 \geq \frac{2}{3} \sum_{\text{cyc}} \left(\frac{b}{c} + \frac{c}{b} \right) \\
 &= \frac{2}{3} \left(\frac{b+c}{a} + \frac{c+a}{b} + \frac{a+b}{c} \right) \Rightarrow \frac{p_a}{h_a} + \frac{p_b}{h_b} + \frac{p_c}{h_c} \geq \frac{2}{3} \left(\frac{b+c}{a} + \frac{c+a}{b} + \frac{a+b}{c} \right) - 1 \\
 &\quad \forall \triangle ABC, " = " \text{ iff } \triangle ABC \text{ is equilateral (QED)}
 \end{aligned}$$

1831. In $\triangle ABC$ non-right angled holds:

$$\frac{\tan A}{\tan B} + \frac{\tan B}{\tan C} + \frac{\tan C}{\tan A} \geq \frac{\sin 2A}{\sin 2B} + \frac{\sin 2B}{\sin 2C} + \frac{\sin 2C}{\sin 2A}$$

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Solution by Tapas Das-India

Lemma $a, b, c > 0$ then $\frac{a}{b} + \frac{b}{c} + \frac{c}{a} \geq \frac{a+b}{b+c} + \frac{b+c}{c+a} + \frac{c+a}{a+b}$

Proof:

WLOG $c = \min(a, b, c)$, now:

$$\begin{aligned}
 \frac{a}{b} + \frac{b}{c} + \frac{c}{a} - 3 &\geq \frac{a+b}{b+c} + \frac{b+c}{c+a} + \frac{c+a}{a+b} - 3 = \frac{1}{ab}(a-b)^2 + \frac{1}{ac}(a-c)(b-c) \geq \\
 &\geq \left(\frac{1}{ab} - \frac{1}{(a+c)(b+c)} \right) (a-b)^2 + \left(\frac{1}{ac} - \frac{1}{(a+c)(a+b)} \right) \times (a-c)(b-c) \geq 0, \\
 &\quad \text{since } c = \min(a, b, c)
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{LHS} &\stackrel{\text{lemma}}{\geq} \sum \frac{\tan A + \tan B}{\tan B + \tan C} = \sum \frac{\sin(B+A)}{\sin(B+C)} \cdot \frac{\cos C}{\cos A} = \\
 &= \sum \frac{2\sin C \cos C}{2\sin A \cos A} = \sum \frac{\sin 2C}{\sin 2A} \quad (\text{Note: } A + B + C = \pi) \\
 &\quad \text{Equality holds for } A = B = C.
 \end{aligned}$$

1832.

In any $\triangle ABC$ with $p_a \rightarrow$ Spieker cevian, the following relationship holds :

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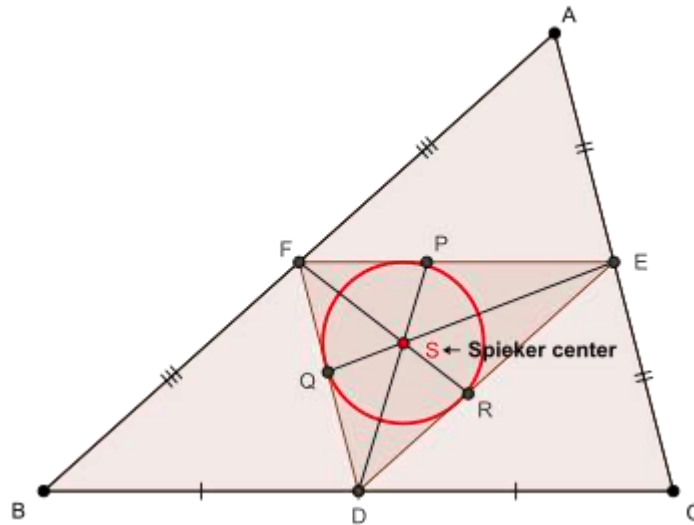
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$$p_a \geq \frac{2b^2 - bc + 2c^2}{6R}$$

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Let AS produced meet BC at X and $m(\sphericalangle BAX) = \alpha$ and $m(\sphericalangle CAX) = \beta$ (say)
and inradius of $\triangle DEF = r'$ (say)

$$\text{Now, } 16[DEF]^2 = 2 \sum \left(\frac{a^2}{4}\right) \left(\frac{b^2}{4}\right) - \sum \frac{a^4}{16} = \frac{1}{16} \left(2 \sum a^2 b^2 - \sum a^4\right) = \frac{16r^2 s^2}{16}$$

$$\Rightarrow [DEF] = \frac{rs}{4} \Rightarrow r' \left(\frac{\frac{a}{2} + \frac{b}{2} + \frac{c}{2}}{2}\right) = \frac{rs}{4} \Rightarrow r' = \frac{r}{2} \rightarrow (1)$$

\therefore Spieker center is incenter of $\triangle DEF$, $\therefore m(\sphericalangle AFS) = B + \frac{C}{2} = \frac{2B + C}{2} = \frac{B + \pi - A}{2}$

$$= \frac{\pi}{2} - \frac{A - B}{2} \text{ and } m(\sphericalangle AES) = C + \frac{B}{2} = \frac{\pi}{2} - \frac{A - C}{2} \rightarrow (2)$$

Via (1), (2) and using cosine law on $\triangle AFS$ and $\triangle AES$, we arrive at :

$$\begin{aligned} AS^2 &= \frac{r^2}{4\sin^2 \frac{C}{2}} + \frac{c^2}{4} - \left(\frac{2r}{2\sin \frac{C}{2}}\right) \left(\frac{c}{2}\right) \sin \frac{A - B}{2} \\ &= \frac{r^2}{4\sin^2 \frac{B}{2}} + \frac{b^2}{4} - \left(\frac{2r}{2\sin \frac{B}{2}}\right) \left(\frac{b}{2}\right) \sin \frac{A - C}{2} \\ \Rightarrow 2AS^2 &\stackrel{(i)}{=} \frac{r^2}{4\sin^2 \frac{C}{2}} + \frac{c^2}{4} - \left(\frac{2r}{2\sin \frac{C}{2}}\right) \left(\frac{c}{2}\right) \sin \frac{A - B}{2} + \frac{r^2}{4\sin^2 \frac{B}{2}} + \frac{b^2}{4} \end{aligned}$$

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$$\begin{aligned}
 & - \left(\frac{2r}{2\sin\frac{B}{2}} \right) \left(\frac{b}{2} \right) \sin\frac{A-C}{2} \\
 \text{Now, } & \left(\frac{2r}{2\sin\frac{C}{2}} \right) \left(\frac{c}{2} \right) \sin\frac{A-B}{2} + \left(\frac{2r}{2\sin\frac{B}{2}} \right) \left(\frac{b}{2} \right) \sin\frac{A-C}{2} \\
 & = \frac{r}{2} \left(4R\cos\frac{C}{2} \sin\frac{A-B}{2} + 4R\cos\frac{B}{2} \sin\frac{A-C}{2} \right) \\
 & = Rr \left(2\sin\frac{A+B}{2} \sin\frac{A-B}{2} + 2\sin\frac{A+C}{2} \sin\frac{A-C}{2} \right) \\
 & = Rr \left(1 - 2\sin^2\frac{B}{2} + 1 - 2\sin^2\frac{C}{2} - 2 \left(1 - 2\sin^2\frac{A}{2} \right) \right) \\
 & = 2Rr \left(\frac{2a(s-b)(s-c) - b(s-c)(s-a) - c(s-a)(s-b)}{abc} \right) \\
 & = \frac{Rr}{8Rs} (2a^3 + (b+c)a^2 - 2a(b^2+c^2) - (b+c)(b-c)^2) \\
 & = \frac{4(b+c)bc\sin^2\frac{A}{2} - 2a \cdot 2bcc\cos A}{8s} = \frac{bc \left((2s-a)\sin^2\frac{A}{2} - a \left(1 - 2\sin^2\frac{A}{2} \right) \right)}{2s} \\
 & = \frac{bc \left((2s+a)\sin^2\frac{A}{2} - a \right)}{2s} = \frac{(2s+a)(s-b)(s-c)}{2s} - 2Rr \\
 & \Rightarrow - \left(\frac{2r}{2\sin\frac{C}{2}} \right) \left(\frac{c}{2} \right) \sin\frac{A-B}{2} - \left(\frac{2r}{2\sin\frac{B}{2}} \right) \left(\frac{b}{2} \right) \sin\frac{A-C}{2} \\
 & \stackrel{(*)}{=} \frac{-(2s+a)(s-b)(s-c)}{2s} + 2Rr \\
 \text{Again, } & \frac{r^2}{4\sin^2\frac{B}{2}} + \frac{r^2}{4\sin^2\frac{C}{2}} = \frac{r^2}{4} \left(\frac{ca}{(s-c)(s-a)} + \frac{ab}{(s-a)(s-b)} \right) \\
 & = \frac{r^2}{4r^2s} (ca(s-b) + ab(s-c)) = \frac{ab+ca}{4} - 2Rr \stackrel{(**)}{=} \frac{r^2}{4\sin^2\frac{B}{2}} + \frac{r^2}{4\sin^2\frac{C}{2}} \\
 & \text{(i), (*), (**)} \Rightarrow 2AS^2 = \frac{b^2+c^2+ab+ca}{4} - \frac{(2s+a)(s-b)(s-c)}{2s} \\
 & = \frac{(a+b+c)(b^2+c^2+ab+ca) - (2a+b+c)(c+a-b)(a+b-c)}{4s} \\
 & = \frac{b^3+c^3-abc+a(2b^2+2c^2-a^2)}{4s} \Rightarrow 2AS^2 \stackrel{(ii)}{=} \frac{b^3+c^3-abc+a(4m_a^2)}{4s} \\
 \text{Via sine law on } \triangle AFS, & \frac{r}{2\sin\frac{C}{2}\sin\alpha} = \frac{AS}{\cos\frac{A-B}{2}} = \frac{4s}{cAS} \\
 \Rightarrow c\sin\alpha & \stackrel{(***)}{=} \frac{r(a+b)}{2AS} \text{ and via sine law on } \triangle AES, b\sin\beta \stackrel{(***)}{=} \frac{r(a+c)}{2AS} \\
 \text{Now, } [BAX] + [BAX] & = [ABC] \Rightarrow \frac{1}{2}p_a c\sin\alpha + \frac{1}{2}p_a b\sin\beta = rs
 \end{aligned}$$

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$$\text{via (***) and (***)} \quad p_a(a+b+a+c) \Rightarrow p_a = \frac{4s}{2s+a} AS$$

$$\Rightarrow p_a^2 \stackrel{\text{via (ii)}}{=} \frac{16s^2}{(2s+a)^2} \cdot \frac{b^3+c^3-abc+a(4m_a^2)}{8s}$$

$$\therefore p_a^2 \stackrel{(*)}{=} \frac{2s}{(2s+a)^2} (b^3+c^3-abc+a(4m_a^2))$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Now, } b^3+c^3-abc+a(4m_a^2) &= b^3+c^3-abc+a(2b^2+2c^2-a^2) \\ &= (b+c)(b^2-bc+c^2)+a(b^2-bc+c^2)+a(b^2+c^2-a^2) \\ &= 2s(b^2-bc+c^2)+a(b^2-bc+c^2+bc-a^2) \\ &= (2s+a)(b^2-bc+c^2)+a\left(\frac{(b+c)^2-(b-c)^2}{4}-a^2\right) \\ &= (2s+a)(b^2-bc+c^2)+\frac{a(b+c+2a)(b+c-2a)}{4}-\frac{a(b-c)^2}{4} \\ &= (2s+a)(b^2-bc+c^2)+\frac{a(2s-a+2a)(b+c-2a)}{4}-\frac{a(b-c)^2}{4} \\ &= (2s+a)\cdot\frac{4b^2+4c^2-4bc+a(b+c-2a)}{4}-\frac{a(b-c)^2}{4} \\ &= (2s+a). \end{aligned}$$

$$\frac{4(z+x)^2+4(x+y)^2-4(z+x)(x+y)+(y+z)((z+x)+(x+y)-2(y+z))}{4}$$

$$\begin{aligned} &-\frac{a(b-c)^2}{4} \quad (a=y+z, b=z+x, c=x+y) \\ &= (2s+a)\cdot\frac{4x(x+y+z)+2x(y+z)+3(y-z)^2}{4}-\frac{a(b-c)^2}{4} \\ &= (2s+a)\left(s(s-a)+\frac{3}{4}(b-c)^2+\frac{a(s-a)}{2}\right)-\frac{a(b-c)^2}{4} \\ &= (2s+a)\left(s(s-a)+\frac{3}{4}(b-c)^2+\frac{a(s-a)}{2}\right)-\frac{(a+2s-2s)(b-c)^2}{4} \\ &= (2s+a)\left(s(s-a)+\frac{(b-c)^2}{2}+\frac{a(s-a)}{2}\right)+\frac{s(b-c)^2}{2} \end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore b^3+c^3-abc+a(4m_a^2) \stackrel{(**)}{=} (2s+a)\left(\frac{(s-a)(2s+a)}{2}+\frac{(b-c)^2}{2}\right)+\frac{s(b-c)^2}{2}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore (*), (**) \Rightarrow p_a^2 &= \frac{2s}{(2s+a)^2} \left(\frac{(s-a)(2s+a)^2}{2} + \frac{(2s+a)(b-c)^2}{2} + \frac{s(b-c)^2}{2} \right) \\ &= s(s-a) + (b-c)^2 \left(\left(\frac{s}{2s+a} \right)^2 + \frac{s}{2s+a} + \frac{1}{4} - \frac{1}{4} \right) \\ &= s(s-a) - \frac{(b-c)^2}{4} + (b-c)^2 \cdot \left(\frac{s}{2s+a} + \frac{1}{2} \right)^2 \\ &= s(s-a) + \frac{(b-c)^2}{4} \left(\frac{(4s+a)^2}{(2s+a)^2} - 1 \right) \\ &\Rightarrow p_a^2 \stackrel{(***)}{=} s(s-a) + \frac{s(3s+a)(b-c)^2}{(2s+a)^2} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{Now, } p_a &\geq \frac{2b^2 - bc + 2c^2}{6R} \Leftrightarrow \frac{p_a^2}{h_a^2} \geq \frac{(2b^2 - bc + 2c^2)^2}{36R^2 \cdot \frac{b^2c^2}{4R^2}} \\
 &\Leftrightarrow \frac{p_a^2 - h_a^2}{h_a^2} \geq \left(\frac{2b^2 - bc + 2c^2}{3bc} - 1 \right) \left(\frac{2b^2 - bc + 2c^2}{3bc} + 1 \right) \\
 \text{via (...)} &\Leftrightarrow \frac{s(s-a) + \frac{s(3s+a)(b-c)^2}{(2s+a)^2} - s(s-a) + \frac{s(s-a)(b-c)^2}{a^2}}{\frac{h_a^2}{s^4}} \geq \frac{4(b-c)^2(b^2 + bc + c^2)}{9b^2c^2} \\
 &\Leftrightarrow \frac{4s^4(b-c)^2}{a^2h_a^2(2s+a)^2} \geq \frac{4(b-c)^2(b^2 + bc + c^2)}{9b^2c^2} \\
 &\Leftrightarrow \frac{4s(s-a)(s-b)(s-c)(2s+a)^2}{9s^3b^2c^2} \geq \frac{b^2 + bc + c^2}{9b^2c^2} \quad (\because (b-c)^2 \geq 0) \\
 &\Leftrightarrow \frac{4(s-a)(2s+a)^2}{9s^3b^2c^2} \geq (b^2 + bc + c^2)(s-b)(s-c) \\
 &\quad = (b^2 + bc + c^2)(-s(s-a) + bc) \\
 &\Leftrightarrow \frac{9s^3b^2c^2}{4(s-a)(2s+a)^2} \geq (bc - s(s-a))(b^2 + c^2) + b^2c^2 - bcs(s-a) \\
 &\Leftrightarrow \frac{9s^3b^2c^2}{4(s-a)(2s+a)^2} - b^2c^2 + bcs(s-a) \geq (bc - s(s-a))((2s-a)^2 - 2bc) \\
 &\Leftrightarrow \frac{9s^3b^2c^2}{4(s-a)(2s+a)^2} - b^2c^2 + bcs(s-a) \geq \\
 &\quad (bc - s(s-a))(2s-a)^2 - 2b^2c^2 + 2bcs(s-a) \\
 &\Leftrightarrow \frac{9s^3b^2c^2}{4(s-a)(2s+a)^2} + b^2c^2 + s(s-a)(2s-a)^2 - bc(s(s-a) + (2s-a)^2) \geq 0 \\
 &\Leftrightarrow \boxed{\frac{25s^3 - 12sa^2 - 4a^3}{4(s-a)(2s+a)^2} \cdot b^2c^2 - (5s^2 - 5sa + a^2) \cdot bc + s(s-a)(2s-a)^2 \geq 0} \quad (\text{②})
 \end{aligned}$$

Now, LHS of (②) is a quadratic polynomial with discriminant =

$$\begin{aligned}
 &(5s^2 - 5sa + a^2)^2 - \frac{25s^3 - 12sa^2 - 4a^3}{(2s+a)^2} \cdot s(2s-a)^2 \\
 &= \frac{-a^2(12s^4 - 18s^3a + 5s^2a^2 + 2sa^3 - a^4)}{(2s+a)^2} \\
 &= \frac{-a^2(s-a)((s-a)(12s^2 + 6sa + 5a^2) + 6a^3)}{(2s+a)^2} < 0 \quad (\because s > a)
 \end{aligned}$$

∴ (②) is true (strict inequality)

∴ $p_a \geq \frac{2b^2 - bc + 2c^2}{6R} \forall \Delta ABC, " = " \text{ iff } b = c \text{ (QED)}$

1833. In ΔABC the following relationship holds:

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$$\frac{r_a - r}{h_a - r} + \frac{r_b - r}{h_b - r} + \frac{r_c - r}{h_c - r} \geq 3$$

Proposed by Mehmet Şahin-Ankara-Turkiye

Solution by Daniel Sitaru-Romania

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{r_a - r}{h_a - r} + \frac{r_b - r}{h_b - r} + \frac{r_c - r}{h_c - r} = \sum_{cyc} \frac{r_a - r}{h_a - r} = \\ & = \sum_{cyc} \frac{\frac{F}{s-a} - \frac{F}{s}}{\frac{2F}{a} - \frac{F}{s}} = \sum_{cyc} \frac{\frac{1}{s-a} - \frac{1}{s}}{\frac{2}{a} - \frac{1}{s}} = \sum_{cyc} \frac{as(s-s+a)}{s(2s-a)(s-a)} = \\ & = \sum_{cyc} \frac{a^2}{(s-a)(b+c)} \stackrel{AM-GM}{\geq} 3 \cdot \sqrt[3]{\frac{(abc)^2}{(s-a)(s-b)(s-c)(a+b)(b+c)(c+a)}} = \\ & = 3 \cdot \sqrt[3]{\frac{(abc)^2 \cdot s}{s(s-a)(s-b)(s-c)}} \cdot \frac{1}{\sqrt[3]{(a+b)(b+c)(c+a)}} \stackrel{AM-GM}{\geq} \\ & \geq 3 \cdot \sqrt[3]{\frac{(4RF)^2 \cdot s}{F^2}} \cdot \frac{3}{a+b+b+c+c+a} = \frac{9}{4s} \cdot \sqrt[3]{16R^2 s} \geq \\ & \stackrel{MITRINOVIC}{\geq} \frac{9}{4s} \cdot \sqrt[3]{16s \cdot \frac{4}{27} s^2} = \frac{9}{4s} \cdot \frac{4s}{3} = 3 \end{aligned}$$

Equality holds for $a = b = c$.

1834. If in $\triangle ABC$, $c < b$, $n \in \mathbb{N}$ then:

$$c^n + h_c^n < b^n + h_b^n$$

Proposed by Nguyen Hung Cuong-Vietnam

Solution by Tapas Das-India

we need to show, $c^n + h_c^n < b^n + h_b^n$

$$\text{or } (c^n - b^n) - (h_b^n - h_c^n) < 0$$

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$$\text{or } (c^n - b^n) - \frac{1}{2^n R^n} (a^n c^n - a^n b^n) < 0$$

$$\text{or } (c^n - b^n)(2^n R^n - a^n) < 0$$

$$\text{or } (2^n R^n - a^n) > 0 \text{ (since } c < b)$$

$$\text{or } 2^n R^n > a^n = 2^n R^n \sin^n A$$

$$\text{or } \sin^n A < 1 \text{ True as } \sin A < 1$$

1835.

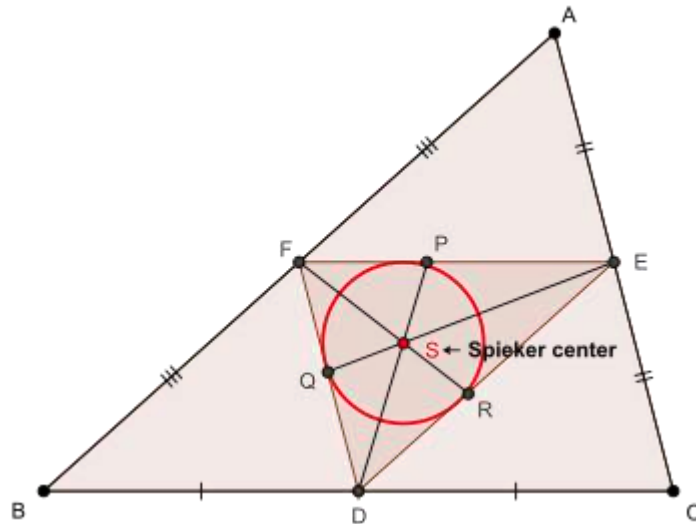
In any ΔABC with p_a, p_b, p_c

\rightarrow Spieker cevians, the following relationship holds :

$$\frac{\sqrt{p_b p_c}}{h_a} + \frac{\sqrt{p_c p_a}}{h_b} + \frac{\sqrt{p_a p_b}}{h_c} \geq \frac{\sqrt{6}}{3} \left(\frac{b+c}{a} + \frac{c+a}{b} + \frac{a+b}{c} - 6 \right) + 3$$

Proposed by Mohamed Amine Ben Ajiba-Tanger-Morocco

Solution by Soumava Chakraborty-Kolkata-India



Let AS produced meet BC at X and $m(\angle BAX) = \alpha$ and $m(\angle CAX) = \beta$ (say)
and inradius of $\Delta DEF = r'$ (say)

$$\text{Now, } 16[DEF]^2 = 2 \sum \left(\frac{a^2}{4} \right) \left(\frac{b^2}{4} \right) - \sum \frac{a^4}{16} = \frac{1}{16} \left(2 \sum a^2 b^2 - \sum a^4 \right) = \frac{16r^2 s^2}{16}$$

$$\Rightarrow [DEF] = \frac{rs}{4} \Rightarrow r' \left(\frac{\frac{a}{2} + \frac{b}{2} + \frac{c}{2}}{2} \right) = \frac{rs}{4} \Rightarrow r' = \frac{r}{2} \rightarrow (1)$$

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$$\begin{aligned} \because \text{Spieker center is incenter of } \triangle DEF, \therefore m(\sphericalangle AFS) &= B + \frac{C}{2} = \frac{2B + C}{2} = \frac{B + \pi - A}{2} \\ &= \frac{\pi}{2} - \frac{A - B}{2} \text{ and } m(\sphericalangle AES) = C + \frac{B}{2} = \frac{\pi}{2} - \frac{A - C}{2} \rightarrow (2) \end{aligned}$$

Via (1), (2) and using cosine law on $\triangle AFS$ and $\triangle AES$, we arrive at :

$$\begin{aligned} AS^2 &= \frac{r^2}{4\sin^2 \frac{C}{2}} + \frac{c^2}{4} - \left(\frac{2r}{2\sin \frac{C}{2}} \right) \left(\frac{c}{2} \right) \sin \frac{A - B}{2} \\ &= \frac{r^2}{4\sin^2 \frac{B}{2}} + \frac{b^2}{4} - \left(\frac{2r}{2\sin \frac{B}{2}} \right) \left(\frac{b}{2} \right) \sin \frac{A - C}{2} \\ \Rightarrow 2AS^2 &\stackrel{(i)}{=} \frac{r^2}{4\sin^2 \frac{C}{2}} + \frac{c^2}{4} - \left(\frac{2r}{2\sin \frac{C}{2}} \right) \left(\frac{c}{2} \right) \sin \frac{A - B}{2} + \frac{r^2}{4\sin^2 \frac{B}{2}} + \frac{b^2}{4} \\ &\quad - \left(\frac{2r}{2\sin \frac{B}{2}} \right) \left(\frac{b}{2} \right) \sin \frac{A - C}{2} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Now, } &\left(\frac{2r}{2\sin \frac{C}{2}} \right) \left(\frac{c}{2} \right) \sin \frac{A - B}{2} + \left(\frac{2r}{2\sin \frac{B}{2}} \right) \left(\frac{b}{2} \right) \sin \frac{A - C}{2} \\ &= \frac{r}{2} \left(4R\cos \frac{C}{2} \sin \frac{A - B}{2} + 4R\cos \frac{B}{2} \sin \frac{A - C}{2} \right) \\ &= Rr \left(2\sin \frac{A + B}{2} \sin \frac{A - B}{2} + 2\sin \frac{A + C}{2} \sin \frac{A - C}{2} \right) \\ &= Rr \left(1 - 2\sin^2 \frac{B}{2} + 1 - 2\sin^2 \frac{C}{2} - 2 \left(1 - 2\sin^2 \frac{A}{2} \right) \right) \\ &= 2Rr \left(\frac{2a(s - b)(s - c) - b(s - c)(s - a) - c(s - a)(s - b)}{abc} \right) \\ &= \frac{Rr}{8Rs} (2a^3 + (b + c)a^2 - 2a(b^2 + c^2) - (b + c)(b - c)^2) \\ &= \frac{4(b + c)bc\sin^2 \frac{A}{2} - 2a \cdot 2bcc\cos A}{8s} = \frac{bc \left((2s - a)\sin^2 \frac{A}{2} - a \left(1 - 2\sin^2 \frac{A}{2} \right) \right)}{2s} \\ &= \frac{bc \left((2s + a)\sin^2 \frac{A}{2} - a \right)}{2s} = \frac{(2s + a)(s - b)(s - c)}{2s} - 2Rr \\ &\Rightarrow - \left(\frac{2r}{2\sin \frac{C}{2}} \right) \left(\frac{c}{2} \right) \sin \frac{A - B}{2} - \left(\frac{2r}{2\sin \frac{B}{2}} \right) \left(\frac{b}{2} \right) \sin \frac{A - C}{2} \\ &\quad \stackrel{(*)}{=} \frac{-(2s + a)(s - b)(s - c)}{2s} + 2Rr \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Again, } \frac{r^2}{4\sin^2 \frac{B}{2}} + \frac{r^2}{4\sin^2 \frac{C}{2}} = \frac{r^2}{4} \left(\frac{ca}{(s - c)(s - a)} + \frac{ab}{(s - a)(s - b)} \right)$$

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$$= \frac{r^2}{4r^2s} (ca(s-b) + ab(s-c)) = \frac{ab+ca}{4} - 2Rr \stackrel{(**)}{=} \frac{r^2}{4\sin^2\frac{B}{2}} + \frac{r^2}{4\sin^2\frac{C}{2}}$$

$$(i), (*), (**) \Rightarrow 2AS^2 = \frac{b^2+c^2+ab+ca}{4} - \frac{(2s+a)(s-b)(s-c)}{2s}$$

$$= \frac{(a+b+c)(b^2+c^2+ab+ca) - (2a+b+c)(c+a-b)(a+b-c)}{4s}$$

$$= \frac{b^3+c^3-abc+a(2b^2+2c^2-a^2)}{4s} \stackrel{(ii)}{\Rightarrow} 2AS^2 = \frac{b^3+c^3-abc+a(4m_a^2)}{4s}$$

Via sine law on $\triangle AFS$, $\frac{r}{2\sin\frac{C}{2}\sin\alpha} = \frac{AS}{\cos\frac{A-B}{2}} = \frac{4s}{(a+b)\sin\frac{C}{2}}$

$$\Rightarrow c\sin\alpha \stackrel{(***)}{=} \frac{r(a+b)}{2AS} \text{ and via sine law on } \triangle AES, b\sin\beta \stackrel{(***)}{=} \frac{r(a+c)}{2AS}$$

Now, $[BAX] + [BAX] = [ABC] \Rightarrow \frac{1}{2}p_a c\sin\alpha + \frac{1}{2}p_a b\sin\beta = rs$

via (***) and (***) $p_a(a+b+a+c) \Rightarrow \frac{4s}{2s+a} AS$

$$\Rightarrow p_a^2 \stackrel{\text{via (ii)}}{=} \frac{16s^2}{(2s+a)^2} \cdot \frac{b^3+c^3-abc+a(4m_a^2)}{8s}$$

$$\therefore p_a^2 \stackrel{(*)}{=} \frac{2s}{(2s+a)^2} (b^3+c^3-abc+a(4m_a^2))$$

Now, $b^3+c^3-abc+a(4m_a^2) = b^3+c^3-abc+a(2b^2+2c^2-a^2)$

$$= (b+c)(b^2-bc+c^2) + a(b^2-bc+c^2) + a(b^2+c^2-a^2)$$

$$= 2s(b^2-bc+c^2) + a(b^2-bc+c^2+bc-a^2)$$

$$= (2s+a)(b^2-bc+c^2) + a\left(\frac{(b+c)^2-(b-c)^2}{4} - a^2\right)$$

$$= (2s+a)(b^2-bc+c^2) + \frac{a(b+c+2a)(b+c-2a)}{4} - \frac{a(b-c)^2}{4}$$

$$= (2s+a)(b^2-bc+c^2) + \frac{a(2s-a+2a)(b+c-2a)}{4} - \frac{a(b-c)^2}{4}$$

$$= (2s+a) \cdot \frac{4b^2+4c^2-4bc+a(b+c-2a)}{4} - \frac{a(b-c)^2}{4}$$

$$= (2s+a).$$

$$\frac{4(z+x)^2 + 4(x+y)^2 - 4(z+x)(x+y) + (y+z)((z+x) + (x+y) - 2(y+z))}{4}$$

$$- \frac{a(b-c)^2}{4} \quad (a = y+z, b = z+x, c = x+y)$$

$$= (2s+a) \cdot \frac{4x(x+y+z) + 2x(y+z) + 3(y-z)^2}{4} - \frac{a(b-c)^2}{4}$$

$$= (2s+a) \left(s(s-a) + \frac{3}{4}(b-c)^2 + \frac{a(s-a)}{2} \right) - \frac{a(b-c)^2}{4}$$

$$= (2s+a) \left(s(s-a) + \frac{3}{4}(b-c)^2 + \frac{a(s-a)}{2} \right) - \frac{(a+2s-2s)(b-c)^2}{4}$$

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$$= (2s + a) \left(s(s - a) + \frac{(b - c)^2}{2} + \frac{a(s - a)}{2} \right) + \frac{s(b - c)^2}{2}$$

$$\therefore \boxed{b^3 + c^3 - abc + a(4m_a^2) \stackrel{(\bullet\bullet)}{=} (2s + a) \left(\frac{(s - a)(2s + a)}{2} + \frac{(b - c)^2}{2} \right) + \frac{s(b - c)^2}{2}}$$

$$\therefore (\bullet), (\bullet\bullet) \Rightarrow p_a^2 = \frac{2s}{(2s + a)^2} \left(\frac{(s - a)(2s + a)^2}{2} + \frac{(2s + a)(b - c)^2}{2} + \frac{s(b - c)^2}{2} \right)$$

$$= s(s - a) + (b - c)^2 \left(\left(\frac{s}{2s + a} \right)^2 + \frac{s}{2s + a} + \frac{1}{4} - \frac{1}{4} \right)$$

$$= s(s - a) - \frac{(b - c)^2}{4} + (b - c)^2 \cdot \left(\frac{s}{2s + a} + \frac{1}{2} \right)^2$$

$$= s(s - a) + \frac{(b - c)^2}{4} \left(\frac{(4s + a)^2}{(2s + a)^2} - 1 \right)$$

$$\Rightarrow p_a^2 \stackrel{(\bullet\bullet\bullet)}{=} s(s - a) + \frac{s(3s + a)(b - c)^2}{(2s + a)^2}$$

$$\text{Now, } p_a \geq \frac{2b^2 - bc + 2c^2}{6R} \Leftrightarrow \frac{p_a^2}{h_a^2} \geq \frac{(2b^2 - bc + 2c^2)^2}{36R^2 \cdot \frac{b^2c^2}{4R^2}}$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \frac{p_a^2 - h_a^2}{h_a^2} \geq \left(\frac{2b^2 - bc + 2c^2}{3bc} - 1 \right) \left(\frac{2b^2 - bc + 2c^2}{3bc} + 1 \right)$$

$$\stackrel{\text{via } (\bullet\bullet\bullet)}{\Leftrightarrow} \frac{s(s - a) + \frac{s(3s + a)(b - c)^2}{(2s + a)^2} - s(s - a) + \frac{s(s - a)(b - c)^2}{a^2}}{h_a^2} \geq \frac{4(b - c)^2(b^2 + bc + c^2)}{9b^2c^2}$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \frac{4s^4(b - c)^2}{a^2h_a^2(2s + a)^2} \geq \frac{4(b - c)^2(b^2 + bc + c^2)}{9b^2c^2}$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \frac{4s(s - a)(s - b)(s - c)(2s + a)^2}{9s^3b^2c^2} \geq \frac{b^2 + bc + c^2}{9b^2c^2} \quad (\because (b - c)^2 \geq 0)$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \frac{9s^3b^2c^2}{4(s - a)(2s + a)^2} \geq (b^2 + bc + c^2)(s - b)(s - c)$$

$$= (b^2 + bc + c^2)(-s(s - a) + bc)$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \frac{9s^3b^2c^2}{4(s - a)(2s + a)^2} \geq (bc - s(s - a))(b^2 + c^2) + b^2c^2 - bcs(s - a)$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \frac{9s^3b^2c^2}{4(s - a)(2s + a)^2} - b^2c^2 + bcs(s - a) \geq (bc - s(s - a))((2s - a)^2 - 2bc)$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \frac{9s^3b^2c^2}{4(s - a)(2s + a)^2} - b^2c^2 + bcs(s - a) \geq$$

$$(bc - s(s - a))(2s - a)^2 - 2b^2c^2 + 2bcs(s - a)$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \frac{9s^3b^2c^2}{4(s - a)(2s + a)^2} + b^2c^2 + s(s - a)(2s - a)^2 - bc(s(s - a) + (2s - a)^2) \geq 0$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \boxed{\frac{25s^3 - 12sa^2 - 4a^3}{4(s - a)(2s + a)^2} \cdot b^2c^2 - (5s^2 - 5sa + a^2) \cdot bc + s(s - a)(2s - a)^2 \geq 0} \quad (\blacksquare)$$

Now, LHS of (\blacksquare) is a quadratic polynomial with discriminant =

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$$\begin{aligned} & (5s^2 - 5sa + a^2)^2 - \frac{25s^3 - 12sa^2 - 4a^3}{(2s+a)^2} \cdot s(2s-a)^2 \\ &= \frac{-a^2(12s^4 - 18s^3a + 5s^2a^2 + 2sa^3 - a^4)}{(2s+a)^2} \\ &= \frac{-a^2(s-a)((s-a)(12s^2 + 6sa + 5a^2) + 6a^3)}{(2s+a)^2} < 0 \quad (\because s > a) \end{aligned}$$

\therefore (■) is true (strict inequality)

$$\therefore p_a \geq \frac{2b^2 - bc + 2c^2}{6R} \text{ and analogs} \rightarrow (m)$$

$$\therefore p_b p_c \geq \frac{(2c^2 - ca + 2a^2)(2a^2 - ab + 2b^2)}{36R^2} \stackrel{?}{\geq} \frac{(4a^2 + 4bc - ab - ac)^2}{144R^2}$$

$$\Leftrightarrow 15a^2(b-c)^2 \stackrel{?}{\geq} 0 \rightarrow \text{true} \therefore p_b p_c \geq \frac{(4a^2 + 4bc - ab - ac)^2}{144R^2}$$

$$\Rightarrow \sqrt{p_b p_c} \geq \frac{4a^2 + 4bc - ab - ac}{12R} \text{ and analogs} \rightarrow (n)$$

$$\text{Now, } \frac{\sqrt{6}}{3} \left(\frac{b+c}{a} + \frac{c+a}{b} + \frac{a+b}{c} - 6 \right) + 3 = \frac{\sqrt{6}}{3} \left(\frac{s^2 - 2Rr + r^2}{2Rr} - 6 \right) + 3$$

$$= \frac{\sqrt{6}}{3} \left(\frac{s^2 - 14Rr + r^2}{2Rr} \right) + 3 \therefore \left(\frac{\sqrt{6}}{3} \left(\frac{b+c}{a} + \frac{c+a}{b} + \frac{a+b}{c} - 6 \right) + 3 \right)^2$$

$$= \frac{(s^2 - 14Rr + r^2)^2}{6R^2 r^2} + 9 + \frac{\sqrt{6}}{Rr} (s^2 - 14Rr + r^2)$$

$$= \frac{(s^2 - 14Rr + r^2)^2 + 54R^2 r^2 + 6\sqrt{6}Rr(s^2 - 14Rr + r^2)}{6R^2 r^2}$$

$$\leq \frac{(s^2 - 14Rr + r^2)^2 + 54R^2 r^2 + 15Rr(s^2 - 14Rr + r^2)}{6R^2 r^2}$$

$$\left(\because s^2 - 14Rr + r^2 \stackrel{\text{Gerretsen + Euler}}{\geq} 0 \text{ and } 225 > 216 \Rightarrow 15 > 6\sqrt{6} \right)$$

\therefore in order to prove the original inequality, it suffices to prove :

$$\sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{p_b p_c}{h_a^2} + 2 \sum_{\text{cyc}} \left(\frac{\sqrt{p_b p_c}}{h_b h_c} \cdot p_a \right) \stackrel{(\blacksquare)}{\geq} \frac{(s^2 - 14Rr + r^2)^2 + 54R^2 r^2 + 15Rr(s^2 - 14Rr + r^2)}{6R^2 r^2}$$

$$\text{Now, via (m) and (n), } \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{p_b p_c}{h_a^2} + 2 \sum_{\text{cyc}} \left(\frac{\sqrt{p_b p_c}}{h_b h_c} \cdot p_a \right) \geq$$

$$\sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{a^2(2c^2 - ca + 2a^2)(2a^2 - ab + 2b^2)}{36R^2 \cdot 4r^2 s^2} +$$

$$2 \sum_{\text{cyc}} \left(\frac{4a^2 + 4bc - ab - ac}{12R} \cdot \frac{2b^2 - bc + 2c^2}{6R} \cdot \frac{bc}{4r^2 s^2} \right)$$

$$= \frac{4 \sum_{\text{cyc}} a^6 - 2 \sum_{\text{cyc}} (ab(\sum_{\text{cyc}} a^4 - c^4)) + 12 \sum_{\text{cyc}} (a^2 b^2 (\sum_{\text{cyc}} a^2 - c^2)) - 3abc \sum_{\text{cyc}} a^3}{144R^2 r^2 s^2}$$

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$$\begin{aligned}
 & -4 \sum_{\text{cyc}} a^3 b^3 + 5abc \left((\sum_{\text{cyc}} a)(\sum_{\text{cyc}} ab) - 3abc \right) \\
 & + \frac{144R^2 r^2 s^2}{8(3s^6 - (36Rr + 11r^2)s^4 + r^2 s^2(148R^2 + 116Rr + 13r^2) - 5r^3(4R + r)^3)} \\
 = & \frac{144R^2 r^2 s^2}{144R^2 r^2 s^2} \\
 \left(\text{using } \sum_{\text{cyc}} a^6 = 4s^2(s^2 - 6Rr - 3r^2)^2 - 2((s^2 + 4Rr + r^2)^3 - 24Rrs^2(s^2 + 2Rr + r^2)), \right. \\
 & \sum_{\text{cyc}} a^4 = 2 \sum_{\text{cyc}} a^2 b^2 - 16r^2 s^2, \sum_{\text{cyc}} a^2 b^2 = (s^2 + 4Rr + r^2)^2 - 16Rrs^2 \text{ and} \\
 & \sum_{\text{cyc}} a^3 b^3 = (s^2 + 4Rr + r^2)^3 - 24Rrs^2(s^2 + 2Rr + r^2) \\
 & \left. \geq \frac{(s^2 - 14Rr + r^2)^2 + 54R^2 r^2 + 15Rr(s^2 - 14Rr + r^2)}{6R^2 r^2} \right) \\
 \Leftrightarrow & (3R - 17r)s^4 + rs^2(28R^2 + 155Rr + 10r^2) - 5r^2(4R + r)^3 \stackrel{?}{\geq} 0 \quad (\blacksquare)
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \text{Now, } (3R - 17r)s^4 + rs^2(28R^2 + 155Rr + 10r^2) \\
 & = (3R - 6r)s^4 - 11rs^4 + rs^2(28R^2 + 155Rr + 10r^2) \stackrel{\text{Gerretsen}}{\geq} \\
 & (3R - 6r)(16Rr - 5r^2)s^2 - 11r(4R^2 + 4Rr + 3r^2)s^2 + rs^2(28R^2 + 155Rr + 10r^2) \\
 & = r(32R^2 + 7r^2)s^2 \stackrel{?}{\geq} 5r^2(4R + r)^3 \Leftrightarrow 48t^3 - 100t^2 + 13t - 10 \stackrel{?}{\geq} 0 \quad \left(t = \frac{R}{r} \right) \\
 \Leftrightarrow & (t - 2)(46t^2 + 2t(t - 2) + 5) \stackrel{?}{\geq} 0 \rightarrow \text{true} \because t \stackrel{\text{Euler}}{\geq} 2 \Rightarrow (\blacksquare) \Rightarrow (\blacksquare) \text{ is true} \\
 \therefore & \frac{\sqrt{p_b p_c}}{h_a} + \frac{\sqrt{p_c p_a}}{h_b} + \frac{\sqrt{p_a p_b}}{h_c} \geq \frac{\sqrt{6}}{3} \left(\frac{b+c}{a} + \frac{c+a}{b} + \frac{a+b}{c} - 6 \right) + 3 \\
 & \forall \Delta ABC, \text{ with equality iff } \Delta ABC \text{ is equilateral (QED)}
 \end{aligned}$$

1836. In ΔABC the following relationship holds:

$$e^{3 \tan^2 \frac{A}{2}} \left(\tan \frac{B}{2} + \tan \frac{C}{2} \right) + e^{3 \tan^2 \frac{B}{2}} \left(\tan \frac{C}{2} + \tan \frac{A}{2} \right) + e^{3 \tan^2 \frac{C}{2}} \left(\tan \frac{A}{2} + \tan \frac{B}{2} \right) \geq 2\sqrt{3} e$$

Proposed by Zaza Mzhavanadze-Georgia

Solution by Tapas Das-India

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \left(\tan \frac{B}{2} + \tan \frac{C}{2} \right) \left(\tan \frac{C}{2} + \tan \frac{A}{2} \right) \left(\tan \frac{A}{2} + \tan \frac{B}{2} \right) \\
 = & \left(\sum \tan \frac{A}{2} \right) \left(\sum \tan \frac{A}{2} \tan \frac{B}{2} \right) - \prod \tan \frac{A}{2} = \frac{4R+r}{s} - \frac{r}{s} = \frac{4R}{s} \stackrel{\text{Mitrinovic}}{\geq} \\
 & \geq \frac{4}{s} \cdot \frac{2s}{3\sqrt{3}} = \left(\frac{2}{\sqrt{3}} \right)^3 \quad (1) \\
 \sum 3 \tan^2 \frac{A}{2} & \stackrel{\text{CBS}}{\geq} \left(\sum \tan \frac{A}{2} \right)^2 = \left(\frac{4R+r}{s} \right)^2 \stackrel{\text{Doucet}}{\geq} 3 \quad (2)
 \end{aligned}$$

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$$e^{3 \tan^2 \frac{A}{2}} \left(\tan \frac{B}{2} + \tan \frac{C}{2} \right) + e^{3 \tan^2 \frac{B}{2}} \left(\tan \frac{C}{2} + \tan \frac{A}{2} \right) + e^{3 \tan^2 \frac{C}{2}} \left(\tan \frac{A}{2} + \tan \frac{B}{2} \right) \geq$$

$$\stackrel{AM-GM}{\geq} 3 \left(e^{\sum 3 \tan^2 \frac{A}{2}} \left(\tan \frac{B}{2} + \tan \frac{C}{2} \right) \left(\tan \frac{C}{2} + \tan \frac{A}{2} \right) \left(\tan \frac{A}{2} + \tan \frac{B}{2} \right) \right)^{\frac{1}{3}} \stackrel{(1)\&(2)}{\geq}$$

$$\geq 3 \left(e^3 \left(\frac{2}{\sqrt{3}} \right)^3 \right)^{\frac{1}{3}} = 3 \cdot e \cdot \frac{2}{\sqrt{3}} = 2\sqrt{3} e$$

Equality holds for $A = B = C$

1837. In $\triangle ABC$ the following relationship holds:

$$\pi^{3 \tan^2 \frac{A}{2}} \left(\csc \frac{B}{2} + \csc \frac{C}{2} \right) + \pi^{3 \tan^2 \frac{B}{2}} \left(\csc \frac{C}{2} + \csc \frac{A}{2} \right) + \pi^{3 \tan^2 \frac{C}{2}} \left(\csc \frac{A}{2} + \csc \frac{B}{2} \right) \geq 12\pi$$

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Solution by Tapas Das-India

$$\prod \csc \frac{A}{2} = \frac{4R}{r} \stackrel{\text{Euler}}{\geq} 8 \quad (1) \text{ and}$$

$$\sum 3 \tan^2 \frac{A}{2} \stackrel{CBS}{\geq} \left(\sum \tan \frac{A}{2} \right)^2 = \left(\frac{4R+r}{s} \right)^2 \stackrel{\text{Doucet}}{\geq} 3 \quad (2)$$

$$\pi^{3 \tan^2 \frac{A}{2}} \left(\csc \frac{B}{2} + \csc \frac{C}{2} \right) + \pi^{3 \tan^2 \frac{B}{2}} \left(\csc \frac{C}{2} + \csc \frac{A}{2} \right) + \pi^{3 \tan^2 \frac{C}{2}} \left(\csc \frac{A}{2} + \csc \frac{B}{2} \right) =$$

$$= \sum \pi^{3 \tan^2 \frac{A}{2}} \left(\csc \frac{B}{2} + \csc \frac{C}{2} \right) \stackrel{AM-GM}{\geq}$$

$$\geq 2 \sum \pi^{3 \tan^2 \frac{A}{2}} \sqrt{\csc \frac{A}{2} \csc \frac{B}{2}} \stackrel{AM-GM}{\geq} 6 \left(\pi^{\sum 3 \tan^2 \frac{A}{2}} \prod \csc \frac{A}{2} \right)^{\frac{1}{3}} \stackrel{(1)\&(2)}{\geq} 6(\pi^3 \cdot 8)^{\frac{1}{3}} = 12\pi$$

Equality holds for $A = B = C$.

1838.

If $n_a, n_b, n_c \rightarrow$ Nagel cevians, $g_a, g_b, g_c \rightarrow$ Gergonne's cevians in $\triangle ABC$, then

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$$n_a g_a + n_b g_b + n_c g_c \geq s^2 \cdot \sqrt{1 + \frac{16r^2(R - 2r)}{s^2 R}}$$

Proposed by Mohamed Amine Ben Ajiba-Tanger-Morocco

Solution by Soumava Chakraborty-Kolkata-India

Stewart's theorem $\Rightarrow b^2(s - c) + c^2(s - b) = an_a^2 + a(s - b)(s - c)$ and $b^2(s - b) + c^2(s - c) = ag_a^2 + a(s - b)(s - c)$ & adding the two, we get :

$$\begin{aligned} (b^2 + c^2)(2s - b - c) &= an_a^2 + ag_a^2 + 2a(s - b)(s - c) \Rightarrow 2a(b^2 + c^2) \\ &= 2a(n_a^2 + g_a^2) + a(a + b - c)(c + a - b) \Rightarrow 2(b^2 + c^2) \\ &= 2(n_a^2 + g_a^2) + a^2 - (b - c)^2 \Rightarrow 2(b^2 + c^2) - a^2 + (b - c)^2 = 2(n_a^2 + g_a^2) \\ &\Rightarrow 4m_a^2 + (b - c)^2 = 2(n_a^2 + g_a^2) \Rightarrow 2(b - c)^2 + 4s(s - a) = 2(n_a^2 + g_a^2) \\ &\Rightarrow n_a^2 + g_a^2 \stackrel{(*)}{=} (b - c)^2 + 2s(s - a) \end{aligned}$$

Again, Stewart's theorem $\Rightarrow b^2(s - c) + c^2(s - b) = an_a^2 + a(s - b)(s - c)$
 $\Rightarrow s(b^2 + c^2) - bc(2s - a) = an_a^2 + a(s^2 - s(2s - a) + bc) \Rightarrow s(b^2 + c^2) - 2sbc$
 $= an_a^2 + a(as - s^2) \Rightarrow s(b^2 + c^2 - a^2 - 2bc) = an_a^2 - as^2 \Rightarrow an_a^2 = as^2 +$
 $s(2bc \cos A - 2bc) = as^2 - 4sbc \sin^2 \frac{A}{2} = as^2 - \frac{4sbc(s - b)(s - c)(s - a)}{bc(s - a)}$

$$\begin{aligned} &= as^2 - \frac{as(c + a - b)(a + b - c)}{a} = as^2 - as \left(\frac{a^2 - (b - c)^2}{a} \right) \\ &\Rightarrow n_a^2 = s \left(s - \frac{a^2 - (b - c)^2}{a} \right) \Rightarrow n_a^2 \stackrel{(**)}{=} s \left(s - a + \frac{(b - c)^2}{a} \right) \end{aligned}$$

Via (*) and (**), $g_a^2 = (b - c)^2 + 2s(s - a) - s^2 + \frac{4s(s - b)(s - c)}{a}$

$$\begin{aligned} &= s^2 - 2sa + a^2 + (b - c)^2 - a^2 + \frac{4s(s - b)(s - c)}{a} \\ &= (s - a)^2 + (b - c + a)(b - c - a) + \frac{4s(s - b)(s - c)}{a} \\ &= (s - a)^2 - 4(s - b)(s - c) + \frac{4s(s - b)(s - c)}{a} \\ &= (s - a)^2 + 4(s - b)(s - c) \left(\frac{s}{a} - 1 \right) = (s - a)^2 + \frac{4(s - a)(s - b)(s - c)}{a} \\ &= (s - a) \left(s - a + \frac{a^2 - (b - c)^2}{a} \right) \Rightarrow g_a^2 \stackrel{(***)}{=} (s - a) \left(s - \frac{(b - c)^2}{a} \right) \\ \therefore (**), (***) &\Rightarrow n_a^2 g_a^2 = s(s - a) \left(s - a + \frac{(b - c)^2}{a} \right) \left(s - \frac{(b - c)^2}{a} \right) \\ &= s(s - a) \left(s(s - a) + s \cdot \frac{(b - c)^2}{a} - \frac{(b - c)^2}{a} (s - a) - \frac{(b - c)^4}{a^2} \right) \\ &= s(s - a) \left(s(s - a) + (b - c)^2 - \frac{(b - c)^4}{a^2} \right) \\ &= s^2(s - a)^2 + (b - c)^2 \cdot \frac{4s(s - a)(s - b)(s - c)}{a^2} = s^2(s - a)^2 + (b - c)^2 \cdot \frac{4F^2}{a^2} \end{aligned}$$

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$$\begin{aligned}
 &\Rightarrow n_a^2 g_a^2 = s^2(s-a)^2 + (b-c)^2 \cdot h_a^2 \text{ and analogs} \rightarrow (1) \therefore n_a^2 g_a^2 \cdot n_b^2 g_b^2 = \\
 &\quad (s^2(s-a)^2 + (b-c)^2 \cdot h_a^2) \cdot (s^2(s-b)^2 + (c-a)^2 \cdot h_b^2) \\
 &\quad \geq (s^2(s-a)(s-b) + |b-c||c-a| \cdot h_a h_b)^2 \\
 \therefore &\boxed{n_a g_a \cdot n_b g_b \geq s^2(s-a)(s-b) + |b-c||c-a| \cdot h_a h_b} \text{ and analogs} \rightarrow (2) \\
 &\therefore \sum_{\text{cyc}} (n_a g_a \cdot n_b g_b) \geq s^2 \sum_{\text{cyc}} (s-a)(s-b) + \sum_{\text{cyc}} (|b-c||c-a| \cdot h_a h_b) \\
 &= s^2(4Rr + r^2) + \frac{4Rrs}{4R^2} \sum_{\text{cyc}} (c \cdot |b-c||c-a|) \stackrel{\text{Triangle inequality}}{\geq} \\
 &\quad s^2(4Rr + r^2) + \frac{rs}{R} \cdot \left| \sum_{\text{cyc}} (c(b-c)(c-a)) \right| \\
 &= s^2(4Rr + r^2) + \frac{rs}{R} \cdot \left| \sum_{\text{cyc}} bc^2 - 3abc - \sum_{\text{cyc}} c^3 + \sum_{\text{cyc}} c^2 a \right| \\
 &= s^2(4Rr + r^2) + \frac{rs}{R} \cdot |2s(s^2 + 4Rr + r^2) - 24Rrs - 2s(s^2 - 6Rr - 3r^2)| \\
 &= s^2(4Rr + r^2) + \frac{2rs^2}{R} \cdot |-2Rr + 4r^2| = s^2(4Rr + r^2) + \frac{2rs^2}{R} \cdot (2Rr - 4r^2) \\
 &\quad \left(\because 2Rr \stackrel{\text{Euler}}{\geq} 4r^2 \right) \therefore \left(\sum_{\text{cyc}} n_a g_a \right)^2 \geq \sum_{\text{cyc}} n_a^2 g_a^2 + 2s^2(4Rr + r^2) + \\
 &\quad \frac{4rs^2}{R} \cdot (2Rr - 4r^2) \stackrel{\text{via (1) and analogs}}{=} s^2 \sum_{\text{cyc}} (s-a)^2 + 4r^2 s^2 \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{(b-c)^2}{a^2} \\
 &\quad + 2s^2(4Rr + r^2) + \frac{4rs^2}{R} \cdot (2Rr - 4r^2) \\
 &= s^2(3s^2 - 4s^2 + 2(s^2 - 4Rr - r^2)) + \frac{4r^2 s^2}{16R^2 r^2 s^2} \cdot \sum_{\text{cyc}} \left(b^2 c^2 \left(\sum_{\text{cyc}} a^2 - a^2 - 2bc \right) \right) \\
 &\quad + 2s^2(4Rr + r^2) + \frac{4rs^2}{R} \cdot (2Rr - 4r^2) \\
 &= s^2(s^2 - 8Rr - 2r^2) + \frac{1}{4R^2} \cdot \left(\left(\sum_{\text{cyc}} a^2 \right) \left(\sum_{\text{cyc}} a^2 b^2 \right) - 48R^2 r^2 s^2 - 2 \sum_{\text{cyc}} a^3 b^3 \right) \\
 &\quad + 2s^2(4Rr + r^2) + \frac{4rs^2}{R} \cdot (2Rr - 4r^2) = s^2(s^2 - 8Rr - 2r^2) + \\
 &\quad \frac{4r^2}{4R^2} \cdot (-s^4 + (12R^2 + 4Rr - 2r^2)s^2 - r(4R+r)^3) + 2s^2(4Rr + r^2) \\
 &\quad + \frac{4rs^2}{R} \cdot (2Rr - 4r^2) \left(\begin{array}{l} \text{using } \sum_{\text{cyc}} a^2 b^2 = (s^2 + 4Rr + r^2)^2 - 16Rrs^2 \text{ and} \\ \sum_{\text{cyc}} a^3 b^3 = (s^2 + 4Rr + r^2)^3 - 24Rrs^2(s^2 + 2Rr + r^2) \end{array} \right)
 \end{aligned}$$

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$$= s^4 + \frac{r^2(-s^4 + (12R^2 + 4Rr - 2r^2)s^2 - r(4R + r)^3) + 4Rrs^2(2Rr - 4r^2)}{R^2} \stackrel{?}{\geq}$$

$$s^4 \left(1 + \frac{16r^2(R - 2r)}{s^2R} \right) = s^4 + \frac{16r^2s^2(R - 2r)}{R}$$

$$\Leftrightarrow s^4 - (4R^2 + 20Rr - 2r^2)s^2 + r(4R + r)^3 \stackrel{?}{\geq} 0 \quad (*)$$

Now, Rouché $\Rightarrow s^2 - (m - n) \geq 0$ and $s^2 - (m + n) \leq 0$, where $m =$

$$2R^2 + 10Rr - r^2 \text{ and } n = 2(R - 2r) \cdot \sqrt{R^2 - 2Rr}$$

$$\therefore (s^2 - (m + n))(s^2 - (m - n)) \leq 0 \Rightarrow s^4 - s^2(2m) + m^2 - n^2 \leq 0$$

$$\Rightarrow s^4 - s^2(4R^2 + 20Rr - 2r^2) + r(4R + r)^3 \leq 0 \Rightarrow (*) \text{ is true}$$

$$\Rightarrow \left(\sum_{cyc} n_a g_a \right)^2 \geq s^4 \left(1 + \frac{16r^2(R - 2r)}{s^2R} \right)$$

$$\therefore n_a g_a + n_b g_b + n_c g_c \geq s^2 \cdot \sqrt{1 + \frac{16r^2(R - 2r)}{s^2R}}$$

$\forall \Delta ABC, " = " \text{ iff } \Delta ABC \text{ is equilateral (QED)}$

1839. If in ΔABC $n, m \in \mathbb{N}, n \geq m + 1$ then:

$$\frac{n_a^n}{m_a^m} + \frac{n_b^n}{m_b^m} + \frac{n_c^n}{m_c^m} \geq 2^m 3^{n-m+1} \frac{r^n}{R^m}$$

Proposed by Zaza Mzhavanadze-Georgia

Solution by Tapas Das-India

$$m_a^2 = s(s - a) + \frac{1}{4}(b - c)^2 \text{ and } n_a^2 = s(s - a) + \frac{s(b - c)^2}{a}$$

[Reference: Bogdan Fustei, Mohamed Amine Ben Ajiba]
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$$n_a^2 - m_a^2 = (b - c)^2 \left(\frac{s}{a} - \frac{1}{4} \right) = \frac{(b - c)^2(4s - a)}{4a} \geq 0, \text{ so } n_a \geq m_a \text{ or } \frac{n_a}{m_a} \geq 1 \quad (1)$$

$$h_a + h_b + h_c \stackrel{AM-HM}{\geq} \frac{9}{\sum \frac{1}{h_a}} = \frac{9}{\frac{1}{r}} = 9r \quad (2)$$

Case 1: $n = m + 1$

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We need to show $\frac{n_a^{m+1}}{m_a^m} + \frac{n_b^{m+1}}{m_b^m} + \frac{n_c^{m+1}}{m_c^m} \geq 2^m 3^2 \frac{r^{m+1}}{R^m}$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{n_a^{m+1}}{m_a^m} + \frac{n_b^{m+1}}{m_b^m} + \frac{n_c^{m+1}}{m_c^m} &= \sum \left(\left(\frac{n_a}{m_a} \right)^m n_a \right) \stackrel{(1)}{\geq} \sum n_a \geq \sum h_a \stackrel{(2)}{\geq} 9r = \\ &= 3^2 r \frac{r^m}{r^m} \stackrel{\text{Euler}}{\geq} 3^2 \frac{r^{m+1}}{\left(\frac{R}{2}\right)^m} = 2^m 3^2 \frac{r^{m+1}}{R^m} \end{aligned}$$

Case2: $n > m + 1$

We need to show $\frac{n_a^n}{m_a^m} + \frac{n_b^n}{m_b^m} + \frac{n_c^n}{m_c^m} \geq 2^m 3^{n-m+1} \frac{r^n}{R^m}$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{n_a^n}{m_a^m} + \frac{n_b^n}{m_b^m} + \frac{n_c^n}{m_c^m} &= \sum \frac{n_a^n}{m_a^m} = \sum \left(\left(\frac{n_a}{m_a} \right)^m (n_a)^{n-m} \right) \geq \\ &\geq \sum n_a^{n-m} \stackrel{\text{CBS}}{\geq} \frac{1}{3^{n-m-1}} (n_a + n_b + n_c)^{n-m} \geq \\ &\geq \frac{1}{3^{n-m-1}} (h_a + h_b + h_c)^{n-m} \stackrel{(1)}{\geq} \frac{1}{3^{n-m-1}} (9r)^{n-m} = \\ &= 3^{n-m+1} \cdot r^{n-m} \cdot \frac{r^m}{r^m} \stackrel{\text{Euler}}{\geq} 3^{n-m+1} \frac{r^n}{R^m} 2^m = 2^m 3^{n-m+1} \frac{r^n}{R^m} \end{aligned}$$

Equality holds for $a = b = c$

1840. If in $\triangle ABC$, $n, m \in \mathbb{N}$, $n \geq m + 1$ then:

$$\frac{\cot^n A}{\sin^m A} + \frac{\cot^n B}{\sin^m B} + \frac{\cot^n C}{\sin^m C} \geq 2^m 3^{\frac{n-m+2}{2}}$$

Proposed by Zaza Mzhavanadze-Georgia

Solution by Tapas Das-India

WLOG $a \geq b \geq c$ then $\sin A \geq \sin B \geq \sin C$ and $\cot \frac{A}{2} \leq \cot \frac{B}{2} \leq \cot \frac{C}{2}$

For $n = m + 1$, we need to show $\frac{\cot^{m+1} A}{\sin^m A} + \frac{\cot^{m+1} B}{\sin^m B} + \frac{\cot^{m+1} C}{\sin^m C} \geq 2^m 3^{\frac{3}{2}}$

Proof:

$$\frac{\cot^{m+1} A}{\sin^m A} + \frac{\cot^{m+1} B}{\sin^m B} + \frac{\cot^{m+1} C}{\sin^m C} \stackrel{\text{Radon}}{\geq} \frac{\left(\sum \cot \frac{A}{2} \right)^{m+1}}{\left(\sum \sin A \right)^m} =$$

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$$= \frac{\left(\frac{s}{r}\right)^{m+1}}{\left(\frac{s}{R}\right)^m} = s \left(\frac{R}{r}\right)^m \frac{1}{r} \stackrel{\text{Mitrinovic \& Euler}}{\geq} 2^m 3\sqrt{3}r \frac{1}{r} = 2^m 3^{\frac{3}{2}}$$

For $n > m + 1$

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{\cot^n \frac{A}{2}}{\sin^m A} + \frac{\cot^n \frac{B}{2}}{\sin^m B} + \frac{\cot^n \frac{C}{2}}{\sin^m C} \stackrel{\text{Chebyshev}}{\geq} \frac{1}{3} \left(\sum \cot^n \frac{A}{2} \right) \left(\frac{1}{\sin^m A} \right) = \\ & = \frac{1}{3} \left(\sum \cot^n \frac{A}{2} \right) \left(\frac{1^{m+1}}{\sin^m A} \right) \stackrel{\text{CBS \& Radon}}{\geq} \frac{1}{3} \cdot \frac{1}{3^{n-1}} \left(\sum \cot \frac{A}{2} \right)^n \frac{(1+1+1)^{m+1}}{(\sum \sin A)^m} = \\ & = \frac{1}{3^n} \left(\frac{s}{r} \right)^n \left(\frac{R}{s} \right)^m 3^{m+1} = \frac{1}{3^n} \frac{s^{n-m} R^m}{r^n} 3^{m+1} \stackrel{\text{Euler \& Mitrinovic}}{\geq} \\ & \geq \frac{1}{3^n} \frac{(3\sqrt{3}r)^{n-m} (2r)^m}{r^n} 3^{m+1} = 2^m \frac{(3)^{\frac{3n-3m}{2}}}{3^n} 3^{m+1} = 2^m 3^{\frac{n-m+2}{2}} \end{aligned}$$

Equality holds for $A = B = C$

1841.

If $n_a, n_b, n_c \rightarrow$ Nagel cevians, $g_a, g_b, g_c \rightarrow$ Gergonne's cevians in ΔABC , then

$$\frac{n_a g_a}{h_a} + \frac{n_b g_b}{h_b} + \frac{n_c g_c}{h_c} \geq \sqrt{16R^2 + 24Rr - 31r^2}$$

Proposed by Mohamed Amine Ben Ajiba-Tanger-Morocco

Solution by Soumava Chakraborty-Kolkata-India

$$\begin{aligned} & \text{Stewart's theorem} \Rightarrow b^2(s-c) + c^2(s-b) = an_a^2 + a(s-b)(s-c) \text{ and} \\ & b^2(s-b) + c^2(s-c) = ag_a^2 + a(s-b)(s-c) \text{ \& adding the two, we get :} \\ & (b^2 + c^2)(2s-b-c) = an_a^2 + ag_a^2 + 2a(s-b)(s-c) \Rightarrow 2a(b^2 + c^2) \\ & = 2a(n_a^2 + g_a^2) + a(a+b-c)(c+a-b) \Rightarrow 2(b^2 + c^2) \\ & = 2(n_a^2 + g_a^2) + a^2 - (b-c)^2 \Rightarrow 2(b^2 + c^2) - a^2 + (b-c)^2 = 2(n_a^2 + g_a^2) \\ & \Rightarrow 4m_a^2 + (b-c)^2 = 2(n_a^2 + g_a^2) \Rightarrow 2(b-c)^2 + 4s(s-a) = 2(n_a^2 + g_a^2) \\ & \Rightarrow n_a^2 + g_a^2 \stackrel{(*)}{=} (b-c)^2 + 2s(s-a) \\ & \text{Again, Stewart's theorem} \Rightarrow b^2(s-c) + c^2(s-b) = an_a^2 + a(s-b)(s-c) \\ & \Rightarrow s(b^2 + c^2) - bc(2s-a) = an_a^2 + a(s^2 - s(2s-a) + bc) \Rightarrow s(b^2 + c^2) - 2sbc \\ & = an_a^2 + a(as - s^2) \Rightarrow s(b^2 + c^2 - a^2 - 2bc) = an_a^2 - as^2 \Rightarrow an_a^2 = as^2 + \\ & s(2bc \cos A - 2bc) = as^2 - 4sbc \sin^2 \frac{A}{2} = as^2 - \frac{4sbc(s-b)(s-c)(s-a)}{bc(s-a)} \end{aligned}$$

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$$\begin{aligned}
 &= as^2 - \frac{as(c+a-b)(a+b-c)}{a} = as^2 - as \left(\frac{a^2 - (b-c)^2}{a} \right) \\
 &\Rightarrow n_a^2 = s \left(s - \frac{a^2 - (b-c)^2}{a} \right) \Rightarrow n_a^2 \stackrel{(**)}{=} s \left(s - a + \frac{(b-c)^2}{a} \right) \\
 \text{Via } (*) \text{ and } (**), g_a^2 &= (b-c)^2 + 2s(s-a) - s^2 + \frac{4s(s-b)(s-c)}{a} \\
 &= s^2 - 2sa + a^2 + (b-c)^2 - a^2 + \frac{4s(s-b)(s-c)}{a} \\
 &= (s-a)^2 + (b-c+a)(b-c-a) + \frac{4s(s-b)(s-c)}{a} \\
 &= (s-a)^2 - 4(s-b)(s-c) + \frac{4s(s-b)(s-c)}{a} \\
 &= (s-a)^2 + 4(s-b)(s-c) \left(\frac{s}{a} - 1 \right) = (s-a)^2 + \frac{4(s-a)(s-b)(s-c)}{a} \\
 &= (s-a) \left(s - a + \frac{a^2 - (b-c)^2}{a} \right) \Rightarrow g_a^2 \stackrel{(***)}{=} (s-a) \left(s - \frac{(b-c)^2}{a} \right) \\
 \therefore (**), (***) \Rightarrow n_a^2 g_a^2 &= s(s-a) \left(s - a + \frac{(b-c)^2}{a} \right) \left(s - \frac{(b-c)^2}{a} \right) \\
 &= s(s-a) \left(s(s-a) + s \cdot \frac{(b-c)^2}{a} - \frac{(b-c)^2}{a} (s-a) - \frac{(b-c)^4}{a^2} \right) \\
 &= s(s-a) \left(s(s-a) + (b-c)^2 - \frac{(b-c)^4}{a^2} \right) \\
 &= s^2(s-a)^2 + (b-c)^2 \cdot \frac{4s(s-a)(s-b)(s-c)}{a^2} = s^2(s-a)^2 + (b-c)^2 \cdot \frac{4F^2}{a^2} \\
 \Rightarrow n_a^2 g_a^2 &= s^2(s-a)^2 + (b-c)^2 \cdot h_a^2 \text{ and analogs} \rightarrow (1) \therefore n_a^2 g_a^2 \cdot n_b^2 g_b^2 = \\
 &= (s^2(s-a)^2 + (b-c)^2 \cdot h_a^2) \cdot (s^2(s-b)^2 + (c-a)^2 \cdot h_b^2) \\
 &\geq (s^2(s-a)(s-b) + |b-c||c-a| \cdot h_a h_b)^2 \\
 \therefore n_a g_a \cdot n_b g_b &\geq s^2(s-a)(s-b) + |b-c||c-a| \cdot h_a h_b \text{ and analogs} \rightarrow (2) \\
 \therefore \sum_{\text{cyc}} \left(\frac{n_a g_a}{h_a} \cdot \frac{n_b g_b}{h_b} \right) &\geq \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{s^2 ab(s-a)(s-b)}{4r^2 s^2} + \sum_{\text{cyc}} (|b-c||c-a|) \stackrel{\text{Triangle inequality}}{\geq} \\
 &= \frac{1}{4r^2} \cdot \sum_{\text{cyc}} bc(-s^2 + sa + bc) + \left| \sum_{\text{cyc}} ((b-c)(c-a)) \right| \\
 &= \frac{1}{4r^2} \cdot (-s^2(s^2 + 4Rr + r^2) + 12Rrs^2 + (s^2 + 4Rr + r^2)^2 - 16Rrs^2) + \\
 &= \left| \sum_{\text{cyc}} bc - \sum_{\text{cyc}} ab - \sum_{\text{cyc}} a^2 + \sum_{\text{cyc}} ca \right| = \frac{(4R+r)^2 + s^2}{4} + \left| \sum_{\text{cyc}} a^2 - \sum_{\text{cyc}} ab \right| \\
 \therefore \left(\sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{n_a g_a}{h_a} \right)^2 &\geq \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{n_a^2 g_a^2}{h_a^2} + \frac{(4R+r)^2 + s^2}{2} + 2 \left(\sum_{\text{cyc}} a^2 - \sum_{\text{cyc}} ab \right)
 \end{aligned}$$

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$$\begin{aligned}
 & \stackrel{\text{via (1)}}{=} \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{s^2 a^2 (s-a)^2}{4r^2 s^2} + \sum_{\text{cyc}} (b-c)^2 + \frac{(4R+r)^2 + s^2}{2} + 2 \left(\sum_{\text{cyc}} a^2 - \sum_{\text{cyc}} ab \right) \\
 & = \frac{1}{4r^2} \cdot \left(s^2 \sum_{\text{cyc}} a^2 - 2s \sum_{\text{cyc}} a^3 + 2 \sum_{\text{cyc}} a^2 b^2 - 16r^2 s^2 \right) + \frac{(4R+r)^2 + s^2}{2} \\
 & \quad + 4 \left(\sum_{\text{cyc}} a^2 - \sum_{\text{cyc}} ab \right) \\
 & = \frac{1}{4r^2} \cdot \left(2s^2 (s^2 - 4Rr - r^2) - 4s^2 (s^2 - 6Rr - 3r^2) + 2(s^2 + 4Rr + r^2)^2 \right. \\
 & \quad \left. - 32Rrs^2 - 16r^2 s^2 \right) \\
 & \quad + \frac{(4R+r)^2 + s^2}{2} + 4 \left(\sum_{\text{cyc}} a^2 - \sum_{\text{cyc}} ab \right) \\
 & = \frac{(4R+r)^2 - s^2}{2} + \frac{(4R+r)^2 + s^2}{2} + 4(s^2 - 12Rr - 3r^2) \stackrel{\text{Gerretsen}}{\geq} \\
 & 16R^2 + 8Rr + r^2 + 4(16Rr - 5r^2 - 12Rr - 3r^2) = 16R^2 + 24Rr - 31r^2 \\
 & \Rightarrow \left(\sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{n_a g_a}{h_a} \right)^2 \geq 16R^2 + 24Rr - 31r^2 \therefore \frac{n_a g_a}{h_a} + \frac{n_b g_b}{h_b} + \frac{n_c g_c}{h_c} \geq \\
 & \sqrt{16R^2 + 24Rr - 31r^2} \vee \Delta ABC, " = " \text{ iff } \Delta ABC \text{ is equilateral (QED)}
 \end{aligned}$$

1842. In ΔABC the following relationship holds:

$$\frac{\cot^7 \frac{A}{2}}{\sin^3 A} + \frac{\cot^7 \frac{B}{2}}{\sin^3 B} + \frac{\cot^7 \frac{C}{2}}{\sin^3 C} \geq 216$$

Proposed by Zaza Mzhavanadze-Georgia

Solution by Tapas Das

WLOG $a \geq b \geq c$ then $\sin A \geq \sin B \geq \sin C$ and $\cot \frac{A}{2} \leq \cot \frac{B}{2} \leq \cot \frac{C}{2}$

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \frac{\cot^7 \frac{A}{2}}{\sin^3 A} + \frac{\cot^7 \frac{B}{2}}{\sin^3 B} + \frac{\cot^7 \frac{C}{2}}{\sin^3 C} \stackrel{\text{Chebyshev}}{\geq} \frac{1}{3} \left(\sum \cot^7 \frac{A}{2} \right) \left(\frac{1}{\sin^3 A} \right) = \\
 & = \frac{1}{3} \left(\sum \cot^7 \frac{A}{2} \right) \left(\frac{1^4}{\sin^3 A} \right) \stackrel{\text{CBS \& Radon}}{\geq} \\
 & \geq \frac{1}{3} \cdot \frac{1}{3^6} \left(\sum \cot \frac{A}{2} \right)^7 \frac{(1+1+1)^4}{(\sum \sin A)^3} = \frac{1}{27} \left(\frac{s}{r} \right)^7 \left(\frac{R}{s} \right)^3 = \\
 & = \frac{1}{27} \frac{s^4 R^3}{r^7} \stackrel{\text{Euler \& Mitrinovic}}{\geq} \frac{1}{27} \frac{(27r^2)^2 (2r)^3}{r^7} = 216
 \end{aligned}$$

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Equality holds for $A = B = C$

1843. In $\triangle ABC$ the following relationship holds:

$$\frac{n_a g_a}{m_a} + \frac{n_b g_b}{m_b} + \frac{n_c g_c}{m_c} \geq \frac{18r^2}{R}$$

Proposed by Zaza Mzhavanadze-Georgia

Solution by Tapas Das-India

$$m_a^2 = s(s-a) + \frac{1}{4}(b-c)^2 \text{ and } n_a^2 = s(s-a) + \frac{s(b-c)^2}{a}$$

[Reference: Bogdan Fustei Mohamed Amine Ben Ajiba]
ABOUT NAGEL'S GERGONNE'S CEVIANS]

$$n_a^2 - m_a^2 = (b-c)^2 \left(\frac{s}{a} - \frac{1}{4} \right) = \frac{(b-c)^2(4s-a)}{4a} \geq 0$$

$$\text{so } n_a \geq m_a \text{ or } \frac{n_a}{m_a} \geq 1 \quad (1)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{n_a g_a}{m_a} + \frac{n_b g_b}{m_b} + \frac{n_c g_c}{m_c} &\stackrel{(1)}{\geq} g_a + g_b + g_c \geq h_a + h_b + h_c \stackrel{AM-HM}{\geq} \\ &\geq \frac{9}{\sum \frac{1}{h_a}} = \frac{9}{\frac{1}{r}} = 9r = \frac{9r^2}{r} \stackrel{\text{Euler}}{\geq} \frac{18r^2}{R} \end{aligned}$$

Equality holds for $a = b = c$

1844.

If $n_a, n_b, n_c \rightarrow$ Nagel cevians, $g_a, g_b, g_c \rightarrow$ Gergonne's cevians in $\triangle ABC$, then

$$\frac{n_a g_a}{h_a^2} + \frac{n_b g_b}{h_b^2} + \frac{n_c g_c}{h_c^2} \geq \frac{\sqrt{R^2 + 3Rr} - r^2}{r}$$

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Solution by Soumava Chakraborty-Kolkata-India

Stewart's theorem $\Rightarrow b^2(s-c) + c^2(s-b) = an_a^2 + a(s-b)(s-c)$ and

$b^2(s-b) + c^2(s-c) = ag_a^2 + a(s-b)(s-c)$ & adding the two, we get :

$$\begin{aligned} (b^2 + c^2)(2s - b - c) &= an_a^2 + ag_a^2 + 2a(s-b)(s-c) \Rightarrow 2a(b^2 + c^2) \\ &= 2a(n_a^2 + g_a^2) + a(a+b-c)(c+a-b) \Rightarrow 2(b^2 + c^2) \\ &= 2(n_a^2 + g_a^2) + a^2 - (b-c)^2 \Rightarrow 2(b^2 + c^2) - a^2 + (b-c)^2 = 2(n_a^2 + g_a^2) \end{aligned}$$

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$$\Rightarrow 4m_a^2 + (b-c)^2 = 2(n_a^2 + g_a^2) \Rightarrow 2(b-c)^2 + 4s(s-a) = 2(n_a^2 + g_a^2)$$

$$\Rightarrow n_a^2 + g_a^2 \stackrel{(*)}{=} (b-c)^2 + 2s(s-a)$$

Again, Stewart's theorem $\Rightarrow b^2(s-c) + c^2(s-b) = an_a^2 + a(s-b)(s-c)$
 $\Rightarrow s(b^2 + c^2) - bc(2s-a) = an_a^2 + a(s^2 - s(2s-a) + bc) \Rightarrow s(b^2 + c^2) - 2sbc$
 $= an_a^2 + a(as - s^2) \Rightarrow s(b^2 + c^2 - a^2 - 2bc) = an_a^2 - as^2 \Rightarrow an_a^2 = as^2 +$
 $s(2bc \cos A - 2bc) = as^2 - 4sbc \sin^2 \frac{A}{2} = as^2 - \frac{4sbc(s-b)(s-c)(s-a)}{bc(s-a)}$
 $= as^2 - \frac{as(c+a-b)(a+b-c)}{a} = as^2 - as \left(\frac{a^2 - (b-c)^2}{a} \right)$
 $\Rightarrow n_a^2 = s \left(s - \frac{a^2 - (b-c)^2}{a} \right) \Rightarrow n_a^2 \stackrel{(**)}{=} s \left(s - a + \frac{(b-c)^2}{a} \right)$

Via (*) and (**), $g_a^2 = (b-c)^2 + 2s(s-a) - s^2 + \frac{4s(s-b)(s-c)}{a}$
 $= s^2 - 2sa + a^2 + (b-c)^2 - a^2 + \frac{4s(s-b)(s-c)}{a}$
 $= (s-a)^2 + (b-c+a)(b-c-a) + \frac{4s(s-b)(s-c)}{a}$
 $= (s-a)^2 - 4(s-b)(s-c) + \frac{4s(s-b)(s-c)}{a}$
 $= (s-a)^2 + 4(s-b)(s-c) \left(\frac{s}{a} - 1 \right) = (s-a)^2 + \frac{4(s-a)(s-b)(s-c)}{a}$
 $= (s-a) \left(s - a + \frac{a^2 - (b-c)^2}{a} \right) \Rightarrow g_a^2 \stackrel{(***)}{=} (s-a) \left(s - \frac{(b-c)^2}{a} \right)$
 $\therefore (**), (***) \Rightarrow n_a^2 g_a^2 = s(s-a) \left(s - a + \frac{(b-c)^2}{a} \right) \left(s - \frac{(b-c)^2}{a} \right)$
 $= s(s-a) \left(s(s-a) + s \cdot \frac{(b-c)^2}{a} - \frac{(b-c)^2}{a} (s-a) - \frac{(b-c)^4}{a^2} \right)$
 $= s(s-a) \left(s(s-a) + (b-c)^2 - \frac{(b-c)^4}{a^2} \right)$
 $= s^2(s-a)^2 + (b-c)^2 \cdot \frac{4s(s-a)(s-b)(s-c)}{a^2} = s^2(s-a)^2 + (b-c)^2 \cdot \frac{4F^2}{a^2}$
 $\Rightarrow n_a^2 g_a^2 = s^2(s-a)^2 + (b-c)^2 \cdot h_a^2$ and analogs $\rightarrow (1) \therefore n_a^2 g_a^2 \cdot n_b^2 g_b^2 =$
 $(s^2(s-a)^2 + (b-c)^2 \cdot h_a^2) \cdot (s^2(s-b)^2 + (c-a)^2 \cdot h_b^2)$
 $\geq (s^2(s-a)(s-b) + |b-c||c-a| \cdot h_a h_b)^2$

$\therefore \boxed{n_a g_a \cdot n_b g_b \geq s^2(s-a)(s-b) + |b-c||c-a| \cdot h_a h_b}$ and analogs $\rightarrow (2)$

Now, $\sum_{cyc} \frac{n_a^2 g_a^2}{h_a^4} \stackrel{\text{via (1)}}{=} \sum_{cyc} \frac{a^4 s^2 (s-a)^2}{16r^4 s^4} + \sum_{cyc} \frac{a^2 (b-c)^2}{4r^2 s^2}$

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$$\begin{aligned}
 &= \frac{1}{16r^4s^2} \cdot \left(\left(\sum_{\text{cyc}} a^2(s-a) \right)^2 - 2 \sum_{\text{cyc}} (b^2c^2(-s^2 + sa + bc)) \right) \\
 &\quad + \frac{2 \sum_{\text{cyc}} a^2b^2 - 16Rrs^2}{4r^2s^2} \\
 &= \frac{(2s(s^2 - 4Rr - r^2) - 2s(s^2 - 6Rr - 3r^2))^2 - 2(-s^2((s^2 + 4Rr + r^2)^2 - 16Rrs^2))}{16r^4s^2} \\
 &\quad + \frac{4Rrs^2(s^2 + 4Rr + r^2) + (s^2 + 4Rr + r^2)^3 - 24Rrs^2(s^2 + 2Rr + r^2)}{4r^2s^2} \\
 &\quad + \frac{2s^2((s^2 + 4Rr + r^2)^2 - 16Rrs^2) - 16Rrs^2}{4r^2s^2} \therefore \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{n_a^2 g_a^2}{h_a^4} = \\
 &\quad \frac{3s^4 + (8R^2 - 44Rr + 14r^2)s^2 - r^2(64R^3 - 16R^2r - 20Rr^2 - 3r^3)}{8r^2s^2} \rightarrow \text{(i)} \\
 \text{Again, } &2 \sum_{\text{cyc}} \left(\frac{n_a g_a}{h_a^2} \cdot \frac{n_b g_b}{h_b^2} \right) \stackrel{\text{via (2)}}{\geq} 2 \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{s^2(s-a)(s-b) + |b-c||c-a| \cdot h_a h_b}{h_a^2 h_b^2} \\
 &= \frac{\sum_{\text{cyc}} (b^2c^2(-s^2 + sa + bc))}{8r^4s^2} + \frac{1}{2r^2s^2} \cdot \sum_{\text{cyc}} (ab \cdot |b-c||c-a|) \\
 &\stackrel{\text{Triangle inequality}}{\geq} \frac{-s^2((s^2 + 4Rr + r^2)^2 - 16Rrs^2) + 4Rrs^2(s^2 + 4Rr + r^2)}{8r^4s^2} \\
 &+ \frac{(s^2 + 4Rr + r^2)^3 - 24Rrs^2(s^2 + 2Rr + r^2)}{8r^4s^2} + \frac{1}{2r^2s^2} \cdot \left| \sum_{\text{cyc}} (ab(b-c)(c-a)) \right| \\
 &= \frac{-s^2((s^2 + 4Rr + r^2)^2 - 16Rrs^2) + 4Rrs^2(s^2 + 4Rr + r^2)}{8r^4s^2} \\
 &\quad + \frac{(s^2 + 4Rr + r^2)^3 - 24Rrs^2(s^2 + 2Rr + r^2)}{8r^4s^2} \\
 &\quad + \frac{1}{2r^2s^2} \cdot \left| abc \sum_{\text{cyc}} a - \sum_{\text{cyc}} a^2b^2 - abc \sum_{\text{cyc}} a + abc \sum_{\text{cyc}} a \right| \\
 &= \frac{-s^2((s^2 + 4Rr + r^2)^2 - 16Rrs^2) + 4Rrs^2(s^2 + 4Rr + r^2)}{8r^4s^2} \\
 &\quad + \frac{(s^2 + 4Rr + r^2)^3 - 24Rrs^2(s^2 + 2Rr + r^2)}{8r^4s^2} \\
 &\quad + \frac{(s^2 + 4Rr + r^2)^2 - 16Rrs^2 - 8Rrs^2}{2r^2s^2} \left(\because \sum_{\text{cyc}} a^2b^2 \geq abc \sum_{\text{cyc}} a \right) \\
 &\therefore 2 \sum_{\text{cyc}} \left(\frac{n_a g_a}{h_a^2} \cdot \frac{n_b g_b}{h_b^2} \right) \geq
 \end{aligned}$$

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$$\frac{5s^4 - (68Rr - 10r^2)s^2 + r^2(64R^3 + 112R^2r + 44Rr^2 + 5r^3)}{8r^2s^2} \rightarrow (ii)$$

$$\therefore \text{via (i) and (ii), } \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{n_a^2 g_a^2}{h_a^4} + 2 \sum_{\text{cyc}} \left(\frac{n_a g_a}{h_a^2} \cdot \frac{n_b g_b}{h_b^2} \right) \geq$$

$$\frac{3s^4 + (8R^2 - 44Rr + 14r^2)s^2 - r^2(64R^3 - 16R^2r - 20Rr^2 - 3r^3)}{8r^2s^2}$$

$$+ \frac{5s^4 - (68Rr - 10r^2)s^2 + r^2(64R^3 + 112R^2r + 44Rr^2 + 5r^3)}{8r^2s^2}$$

$$= \frac{s^4 + (R^2 - 14Rr + 3r^2)s^2 + r^2(4R + r)^2}{r^2s^2} \stackrel{?}{\geq} \frac{R^2 + 3Rr - r^2}{r^2}$$

$$\Leftrightarrow s^4 - (17Rr - 4r^2)s^2 + r^2(4R + r)^2 \stackrel{?}{\geq} 0 \text{ and } \because (s^2 - 16Rr + 5r^2)^2 \stackrel{\text{Gerretsen}}{\geq} 0$$

\therefore in order to prove (\bullet) , it suffices to prove : LHS of $(\bullet) \geq (s^2 - 16Rr + 5r^2)^2$

$$\Leftrightarrow (5R - 2r)s^2 \stackrel{?}{\geq} r(80R^2 - 56Rr + 8r^2)$$

$$\text{Now, } (5R - 2r)s^2 \stackrel{\text{Rouche}}{\geq} (5R - 2r) \left(2R^2 + 10Rr - r^2 - 2(R - 2r) \cdot \sqrt{R^2 - 2Rr} \right)$$

$$\stackrel{?}{\geq} r(80R^2 - 56Rr + 8r^2)$$

$$\Leftrightarrow (R - 2r)(10R^2 - 14Rr + 3r^2) \stackrel{?}{\geq} 2(R - 2r)(5R - 2r)\sqrt{R^2 - 2Rr}$$

and $\because R - 2r \stackrel{\text{Euler}}{\geq} 0 \therefore$ in order to prove $(\bullet\bullet)$, it suffices to prove :

$$(10R^2 - 14Rr + 3r^2)^2 > \left(2(5R - 2r)\sqrt{R^2 - 2Rr} \right)^2 \Leftrightarrow r^2(80R^2 - 52Rr + 9r^2) > 0$$

$$\Leftrightarrow r^2(54R^2 + 26R(R - 2r) + 9r^2) > 0 \rightarrow \text{true } \because R \stackrel{\text{Euler}}{\geq} 2r \Rightarrow (\bullet\bullet) \Rightarrow (\bullet\bullet) \Rightarrow (\bullet)$$

$$\text{is true } \because \left(\sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{n_a g_a}{h_a^2} \right)^2 = \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{n_a^2 g_a^2}{h_a^4} + 2 \sum_{\text{cyc}} \left(\frac{n_a g_a}{h_a^2} \cdot \frac{n_b g_b}{h_b^2} \right) \geq \frac{R^2 + 3Rr - r^2}{r^2}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{n_a g_a}{h_a^2} + \frac{n_b g_b}{h_b^2} + \frac{n_c g_c}{h_c^2} \geq \frac{\sqrt{R^2 + 3Rr - r^2}}{r}$$

$\forall \Delta ABC, " = " \text{ iff } \Delta ABC \text{ is equilateral (QED)}$

1845. In ΔABC the following relationship holds:

$$\frac{h_a^n}{\sin \frac{A}{2} \sin \frac{B}{2}} + \frac{h_b^n}{\sin \frac{B}{2} \sin \frac{C}{2}} + \frac{h_c^n}{\sin \frac{C}{2} \sin \frac{A}{2}} \geq 4 \cdot 3^{n+1} \cdot r^n \quad n \in \mathbb{N}$$

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Solution by Tapas Das-India

$$\prod \sin \frac{A}{2} = \frac{r}{4R} \stackrel{\text{Euler}}{\leq} \frac{1}{8} \quad (1)$$

$$\sqrt[3]{h_a h_b h_c} \stackrel{Gm-Hm}{\geq} \frac{3}{\sum \frac{1}{h_a}} = 3r \quad (2)$$

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{h_a^n}{\sin \frac{A}{2} \sin \frac{B}{2}} + \frac{h_b^n}{\sin \frac{B}{2} \sin \frac{C}{2}} + \frac{h_c^n}{\sin \frac{C}{2} \sin \frac{A}{2}} \stackrel{Am-Gm}{\geq} \\ & \geq \frac{3(h_a h_b h_c)^{\frac{n}{3}} \stackrel{(1)\&(2)}{\geq}}{\left(\prod \sin \frac{A}{2}\right)^{\frac{2}{3}}} \geq 3 \cdot 3^n r^n \cdot 4 = 4 \cdot 3^{n+1} \cdot r^n \end{aligned}$$

Equality holds for $a = b = c$

1846. In $\triangle ABC$ the following relationship holds:

$$\frac{a}{(b+c)^3} + \frac{b}{(c+a)^3} + \frac{c}{(a+b)^3} \geq \frac{27}{32s^2}$$

Proposed by Mehmet Şahin-Turkiye

Solution by Tapas Das-India

WLOG $a \geq b \geq c$ then $a + b \geq a + c \geq b + c$

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{a}{(b+c)^3} + \frac{b}{(c+a)^3} + \frac{c}{(a+b)^3} = \sum \frac{a}{(b+c)^3} = \\ & = \sum \left(\frac{a}{b+c} \cdot \frac{1}{(b+c)^2} \right) \stackrel{\text{Chebyshev}}{\geq} \frac{1}{3} \sum \frac{a}{b+c} \sum \frac{1}{(b+c)^2} = \\ & = \frac{1}{3} \sum \frac{a}{b+c} \sum \frac{1^3}{(b+c)^2} \stackrel{\text{Radon \& Nesbitt}}{\geq} \frac{1}{3} \cdot \frac{3}{2} \cdot \frac{(1+1+1)^3}{(4s)^2} = \frac{27}{32s^2} \end{aligned}$$

Equality holds for $a = b = c$.

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1847. In $\triangle ABC$ the following relationship holds:

$$\frac{e^a \left(e^{\tan \frac{B}{2}} + e^{\tan \frac{C}{2}} \right)}{e^b + e^c} + \frac{e^b \left(e^{\tan \frac{C}{2}} + e^{\tan \frac{A}{2}} \right)}{e^c + e^a} + \frac{e^c \left(e^{\tan \frac{A}{2}} + e^{\tan \frac{B}{2}} \right)}{e^a + e^b} \geq 3 e^{\frac{\sqrt{3}}{3}}$$

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Solution by Tapas Das-India

Walter Janous' inequality:

Let a, b, c and x, y, z be positive real number then:

$$\frac{x}{y+z}(b+c) + \frac{y}{z+x}(c+a) + \frac{z}{x+y}(a+b) \geq \sqrt{3(ab+bc+ca)} \quad (1)$$

$$e^{2\sum \tan \frac{A}{2}} = e^{\frac{2(4R+r)}{s}} \stackrel{\text{Doucet}}{\geq} e^{2\sqrt{3}} \quad (2)$$

$$\frac{e^a \left(e^{\tan \frac{B}{2}} + e^{\tan \frac{C}{2}} \right)}{e^b + e^c} + \frac{e^b \left(e^{\tan \frac{C}{2}} + e^{\tan \frac{A}{2}} \right)}{e^c + e^a} + \frac{e^c \left(e^{\tan \frac{A}{2}} + e^{\tan \frac{B}{2}} \right)}{e^a + e^b} =$$

$$\begin{aligned} &= \sum \frac{e^a}{e^b + e^c} \left(e^{\tan \frac{B}{2}} + e^{\tan \frac{C}{2}} \right) \stackrel{(1)}{\geq} \sqrt{3 \left(e^{\tan \frac{A}{2}} \cdot e^{\tan \frac{B}{2}} + e^{\tan \frac{B}{2}} \cdot e^{\tan \frac{C}{2}} + e^{\tan \frac{A}{2}} \cdot e^{\tan \frac{C}{2}} \right)} \stackrel{AM-GM \& (2)}{\geq} \\ &\geq \sqrt{9(e^{2\sqrt{3}})^{\frac{1}{3}}} = 3 e^{\frac{\sqrt{3}}{3}} \end{aligned}$$

Equality for $a = b = c$

1848. In $\triangle ABC$ the following relationship holds:

$$\frac{r_a^3}{(b+c)^2} + \frac{r_b^3}{(c+a)^2} + \frac{r_c^3}{(a+b)^2} \geq \frac{27r}{16}$$

Proposed by Mehmet Şahin-Turkiye

Solution by Tapas Das-India

$$\frac{(4R+r)^2}{s^2} \geq 3 \quad (1) \text{ and } (4R+r) \stackrel{\text{Euler}}{\geq} 9r \quad (2)$$

$$\frac{r_a^3}{(b+c)^2} + \frac{r_b^3}{(c+a)^2} + \frac{r_c^3}{(a+b)^2} \stackrel{\text{Radon}}{\geq} \frac{(\sum r_a)^3}{(4s)^2} = \frac{(4R+r)^3}{16s^2} =$$

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$$= \frac{(4R+r)^2}{s^2} \cdot \frac{4R+r}{16} \stackrel{(1)\&(2)}{\geq} \frac{27r}{16}$$

Equality holds for $a = b = c$.

1849. In $\triangle ABC$ the following relationship holds:

$$\frac{a^n}{\cos^2 \frac{A}{2}} + \frac{b^n}{\cos^2 \frac{B}{2}} + \frac{c^n}{\cos^2 \frac{C}{2}} \geq 2^{n+2} \cdot 3^{\frac{n}{2}} \cdot r^n, n \in \mathbb{N}$$

Proposed by Zaza Mzhavanadze-Georgia

Solution by Tapas Das-India

WLOG $a \geq b \geq c$ then $a^n \geq b^n \geq c^n$ and

$$\cos \frac{A}{2} \leq \cos \frac{B}{2} \leq \cos \frac{C}{2}, \sum \cos^2 \frac{A}{2} = 2 + \frac{r}{2R} \stackrel{\text{Euler}}{\leq} \frac{9}{4}$$

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{a^n}{\cos^2 \frac{A}{2}} + \frac{b^n}{\cos^2 \frac{B}{2}} + \frac{c^n}{\cos^2 \frac{C}{2}} \stackrel{\text{Chebyshev}}{\geq} \\ & \frac{1}{3} \left(\sum a^n \right) \left(\sum \frac{1}{\cos^2 \frac{A}{2}} \right) \geq \frac{1}{3 \cdot 3^{n-1}} (a+b+c)^n \frac{9}{\sum \cos^2 \frac{A}{2}} \text{ (CBS)} \geq \\ & \geq \frac{2^n s^n \cdot 9}{3 \cdot 3^{n-1} \cdot \frac{9}{4}} \geq 2^{n+2} r^n 3^{\frac{3n}{2}} \cdot 3^{-n} = 2^{n+2} 3^{\frac{n}{2}} r^n \end{aligned}$$

Equality for $a = b = c$

1850. In $\triangle ABC$ the following relationship holds:

$$\frac{n_a g_a}{\sin A} + \frac{n_b g_b}{\sin B} + \frac{n_c g_c}{\sin C} \geq 18\sqrt{3}r^2$$

Proposed by Zaza Mzhavanadze-Georgia

Solution by Daniel Sitaru-Romania

$$\frac{n_a g_a}{\sin A} + \frac{n_b g_b}{\sin B} + \frac{n_c g_c}{\sin C} = \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{h_a h_a}{\sin A} = \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{2F \cdot 2F}{a \cdot \sin A} =$$

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$$\begin{aligned}
 &= 4F^2 \cdot \sum_{cyc} \frac{1}{a^2 \sin A} = 4F^2 \cdot \sum_{cyc} \frac{1}{a^2 \cdot \frac{a}{2R}} = 8RF^2 \sum_{cyc} \frac{1^4}{a^3} \stackrel{RADON}{\geq} \\
 &\geq 8RF^2 \cdot \frac{(1+1+1)^4}{(a+b+c)^3} = 8Rr^2 s^2 \cdot \frac{81}{8s^3} = \frac{81Rr^2}{s} \stackrel{MITRINOVIC}{\geq} \\
 &\geq \frac{81Rr^2}{\frac{3\sqrt{3}R}{2}} = \frac{54r^2}{\sqrt{3}} = 18\sqrt{3}r^2
 \end{aligned}$$

Equality holds for $a = b = c$.

1851. In $\triangle ABC$, $n, m \in \mathbb{N}$; $n \geq m + 1$ then:

$$\frac{\tan^n \frac{A}{2}}{\sin^m A} + \frac{\tan^n \frac{B}{2}}{\sin^m B} + \frac{\tan^n \frac{C}{2}}{\sin^m C} \geq \frac{2^m}{3^{\frac{n+m-2}{2}}}$$

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Solution by Tapas Das-India

$$\sum \tan \frac{A}{2} \stackrel{Jensen}{\geq} 3 \tan \frac{\pi}{6} = \sqrt{3} \quad (1) \quad \text{and} \quad \sum \sin A = \frac{s}{R} \stackrel{Mitrinovic}{\leq} \frac{3\sqrt{3}}{2} \quad (2)$$

• for $n = m + 1$ we need to show $\frac{\tan^{m+1} \frac{A}{2}}{\sin^m A} + \frac{\tan^{m+1} \frac{B}{2}}{\sin^m B} + \frac{\tan^{m+1} \frac{C}{2}}{\sin^m C} \geq \frac{2^m}{3^{\frac{2m-1}{2}}}$

$$\frac{\tan^{m+1} \frac{A}{2}}{\sin^m A} + \frac{\tan^{m+1} \frac{B}{2}}{\sin^m B} + \frac{\tan^{m+1} \frac{C}{2}}{\sin^m C} \stackrel{Radon}{\geq} \frac{(\sum \tan \frac{A}{2})^{m+1}}{(\sum \sin A)^m} \stackrel{(1)\&(2)}{\geq} \frac{(\sqrt{3})^{m+1}}{\left(\frac{3\sqrt{3}}{2}\right)^m} = \frac{2^m}{3^{\frac{2m-1}{2}}}$$

• for $n > m + 1$ we need to show $\frac{\tan^n \frac{A}{2}}{\sin^m A} + \frac{\tan^n \frac{B}{2}}{\sin^m B} + \frac{\tan^n \frac{C}{2}}{\sin^m C} \geq \frac{2^m}{3^{\frac{n+m-2}{2}}}$

$$\left(\frac{\tan^n \frac{A}{2}}{\sin^m A} + \frac{\tan^n \frac{B}{2}}{\sin^m B} + \frac{\tan^n \frac{C}{2}}{\sin^m C} \right) (\sum \sin A)^m (1+1+1)^{n-m-1} \stackrel{Holder}{\geq} \left(\sum \tan \frac{A}{2} \right)^n$$

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$$\left(\frac{\tan^n \frac{A}{2}}{\sin^m A} + \frac{\tan^n \frac{B}{2}}{\sin^m B} + \frac{\tan^n \frac{C}{2}}{\sin^m C} \right) \geq \left(\sum \tan \frac{A}{2} \right)^n \frac{1}{(\sum \sin A)^m 3^{n-m-1}} \stackrel{(1)\&(2)}{\geq}$$

$$\geq \frac{(\sqrt{3})^n}{\left(\frac{3\sqrt{3}}{2}\right)^m 3^{n-m-1}} = \frac{2^m}{3^{\frac{n+m-2}{2}}}$$

1852. In $\triangle ABC$ the following relationship holds:

$$\frac{r_a}{b+c-r} + \frac{r_b}{c+a-r} + \frac{r_c}{a+b-r} > \frac{27r}{4s-3r}$$

Proposed by Mehmet Şahin-Turkiye

Solution by Tapas Das-India

WLOG $a \geq b \geq c$ then $r_a \geq r_b \geq r_c$ and $a+b \geq a+c \geq b+c$

$$\frac{r_a}{b+c-r} + \frac{r_b}{c+a-r} + \frac{r_c}{a+b-r} \geq$$

$$\stackrel{\text{Chebyshev}}{\geq} \frac{1}{3} \left(\sum r_a \right) \left(\sum \frac{1}{b+c-r} \right) \stackrel{\text{Bergstrom}}{>}$$

$$> \frac{1}{3} (4R+r) \cdot \frac{(1+1+1)^2}{4s-3r} \stackrel{\text{Euler}}{\geq} \frac{1}{3} \cdot 9r \cdot \frac{9}{4s-3r} = \frac{27r}{4s-3r}$$

1853. In $\triangle ABC$ the following relationship holds:

$$\frac{a^n}{\sin^2 A} + \frac{b^n}{\sin^2 B} + \frac{c^n}{\sin^2 C} \geq 2^{n+2} \cdot 3^{\frac{n}{2}} \cdot r^n, \quad n \in \mathbb{N}$$

Proposed by Zaza Mzhavanadze-Georgia

Solution by Tapas Das-India

$$abc = 4Rrs \leq 4R \frac{R \cdot 3\sqrt{3}R}{2 \cdot 2} \text{ (Euler \& Mitrinovic) } = R^3 (\sqrt{3})^3 \text{ (1)}$$

$$\text{and } \sum \sin^2 A = \frac{a^2 + b^2 + c^2}{4R^2} \stackrel{\text{Leibniz}}{\leq} \frac{9}{4} \text{ (2)}$$

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for $n = 1$, we need to show $\frac{a}{\sin^2 A} + \frac{b}{\sin^2 B} + \frac{c}{\sin^2 C} \geq 8\sqrt{3}r$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{a}{\sin^2 A} + \frac{b}{\sin^2 B} + \frac{c}{\sin^2 C} &= 2R \sum \frac{1}{\sin A} = 4R^2 \sum \frac{1}{a} \stackrel{Am-Gm}{\geq} \\ &\geq 12R^2 \left(\frac{1}{abc}\right)^{\frac{1}{3}} \stackrel{(1)}{\geq} \frac{12R^2}{R\sqrt{3}} = 8\sqrt{3}r \text{ (Euler)} \end{aligned}$$

for $n = 2$ we need to show $\frac{a^2}{\sin^2 A} + \frac{b^2}{\sin^2 B} + \frac{c^2}{\sin^2 C} \geq 48r^2$

$$\frac{a^2}{\sin^2 A} + \frac{b^2}{\sin^2 B} + \frac{c^2}{\sin^2 C} = 12R^2 \geq 48r^2 \text{ (Euler)}$$

for $n > 2$ we need to show $\frac{a^n}{\sin^2 A} + \frac{b^n}{\sin^2 B} + \frac{c^n}{\sin^2 C} \geq 2^{n+2} 3^{\frac{n}{2}} r^n, n \in \mathbb{N}$

$$\left(\frac{a^n}{\sin^2 A} + \frac{b^n}{\sin^2 B} + \frac{c^n}{\sin^2 C}\right) \left(\sum \sin^2 A\right) (1+1+1)^{n-2} \stackrel{\text{Holder}}{\geq} (a+b+c)^n$$

$$\left(\frac{a^n}{\sin^2 A} + \frac{b^n}{\sin^2 B} + \frac{c^n}{\sin^2 C}\right) \stackrel{(2)}{\geq} 2^n s^n \cdot \frac{4}{9 \cdot 3^{n-2}} \stackrel{\text{Mitrinovic}}{\geq} 2^n 3^{\frac{3n}{2}} \cdot \frac{4r^n}{9 \cdot 3^{n-2}} = 2^{n+2} 3^{\frac{n}{2}} r^n$$

Equality for $a = b = c$

1854. In $\triangle ABC$ the following relationship holds:

$$\frac{a^n}{\cos \frac{A}{2}} + \frac{b^n}{\cos \frac{B}{2}} + \frac{c^n}{\cos \frac{C}{2}} \geq 2^{n+1} 3^{\frac{n+1}{2}} r^n, \quad \forall n \in \mathbb{N}$$

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Solution by Tapas Das-India

• for $n = 1$ we need to show $\frac{a}{\cos \frac{A}{2}} + \frac{b}{\cos \frac{B}{2}} + \frac{c}{\cos \frac{C}{2}} \geq 12r$,

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{a}{\cos \frac{A}{2}} + \frac{b}{\cos \frac{B}{2}} + \frac{c}{\cos \frac{C}{2}} &= 4R \sum \sin \frac{A}{2} \stackrel{am-gm}{\geq} 12R \left(\frac{r}{4R}\right)^{\frac{1}{3}} = \\ &= 12R \left(\frac{r^3}{4Rr^2}\right)^{\frac{1}{3}} \stackrel{\text{Euler}}{\geq} 12R \cdot \frac{r}{R} = 12r \end{aligned}$$

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• for $n = 2$, we need to show $\frac{a^2}{\cos \frac{A}{2}} + \frac{b^2}{\cos \frac{B}{2}} + \frac{c^2}{\cos \frac{C}{2}} \geq 24\sqrt{3} r^2$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{a^2}{\cos \frac{A}{2}} + \frac{b^2}{\cos \frac{B}{2}} + \frac{c^2}{\cos \frac{C}{2}} &\geq \frac{(a+b+c)^2}{\sum \cos \frac{A}{2}} \stackrel{\text{Jensen}}{\geq} \\ &\geq \frac{4s^2}{3 \cos \frac{\pi}{6}} \stackrel{\text{Mitrinovic}}{\geq} 4 \cdot 27r^2 \cdot \frac{2}{3\sqrt{3}} = 24\sqrt{3} r^2 \end{aligned}$$

• for $n > 2$ we need to show $\frac{a^n}{\cos \frac{A}{2}} + \frac{b^n}{\cos \frac{B}{2}} + \frac{c^n}{\cos \frac{C}{2}} \geq 2^{n+1} 3^{\frac{n+1}{2}} r^n$

$$\begin{aligned} \left(\frac{a^n}{\cos \frac{A}{2}} + \frac{b^n}{\cos \frac{B}{2}} + \frac{c^n}{\cos \frac{C}{2}} \right) \left(\sum \cos \frac{A}{2} \right) (1+1+1)^{n-2} &\stackrel{\text{Holder}}{\geq} (a+b+c)^n \\ \left(\frac{a^n}{\cos \frac{A}{2}} + \frac{b^n}{\cos \frac{B}{2}} + \frac{c^n}{\cos \frac{C}{2}} \right) &\geq \frac{(2s)^n}{\left(\sum \cos \frac{A}{2} \right) (1+1+1)^{n-2}} \stackrel{\text{Jensen}}{\geq} \\ &\geq \frac{2^n s^n}{3 \cos \left(\frac{\pi}{6} \right) \cdot 3^{n-2}} \stackrel{\text{Mitrinovic}}{\geq} \frac{2^n 3^{\frac{3n}{2}} r^n}{\frac{3\sqrt{3}}{2} \cdot 3^{n-2}} = 2^{n+1} 3^{\frac{n+1}{2}} r^n \end{aligned}$$

Equality for $a = b = c$

1855. In $\triangle ABC$ the following relationship holds:

$$F \leq \frac{\sqrt{a^2 b^2 + b^2 c^2 + c^2 a^2}}{4}$$

Proposed by Mehmet Şahin-Turkiye

Solution by Tapas Das-India

$$\text{Heron's formula: } 2 \left(\sum a^2 b^2 \right) - \sum a^4 = 16F^2 \quad (1)$$

$$(b^2 - c^2)^2 + (c^2 - a^2)^2 + (a^2 - b^2)^2 \geq 0 \text{ or}$$

$$b^2 c^2 + c^2 a^2 + a^2 b^2 \leq a^4 + b^4 + c^4 \quad (2)$$

$$\text{From (1): } 16F^2 = 2 \left(\sum a^2 b^2 \right) - \sum a^4 \stackrel{(2)}{\leq}$$

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$$\leq 2 \left(\sum a^2 b^2 \right) - \left(\sum a^2 b^2 \right) = \left(\sum a^2 b^2 \right) \text{ or}$$

$$F \leq \frac{\sqrt{a^2 b^2 + b^2 c^2 + c^2 a^2}}{4}$$

Equality for $a = b = c$

1856. In any acute triangle ABC, the following relationship holds :

$$\frac{a}{h_a} \cdot \sqrt{\sin \frac{A}{2}} + \frac{b}{h_b} \cdot \sqrt{\sin \frac{B}{2}} + \frac{c}{h_c} \cdot \sqrt{\sin \frac{C}{2}} > \frac{2}{3} \cdot \sqrt{3} \cdot \sqrt[4]{8}$$

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Solution by Soumava Chakraborty-Kolkata-India

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{\text{cyc}} a \sin \frac{A}{2} &= \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{a \left(2 \cos \frac{B+c}{2} \cos \frac{B-c}{2} \right)}{2 \cos \frac{B-c}{2}} \quad 0 < \cos \frac{B-c}{2} \leq 1 \text{ and analogs} \\ &\geq \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{a \left(2 \cos \frac{B+c}{2} \cos \frac{B-c}{2} \right)}{2} = \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{a (\cos B + \cos C)}{2} = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{\text{cyc}} \left(a \left(\sum_{\text{cyc}} \cos A - \cos A \right) \right) \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \left(\left(\sum_{\text{cyc}} \cos A \right) \left(\sum_{\text{cyc}} a \right) - \sum_{\text{cyc}} a \cos A \right) = \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{2s(R+r)}{R} - R \sum_{\text{cyc}} \sin 2A \right) \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{2s(R+r)}{R} - 4R \prod_{\text{cyc}} \sin A \right) = \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{2s(R+r)}{R} - \frac{4R \cdot 4Rrs}{8R^3} \right) \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{2s(R+r)}{R} - \frac{2rs}{R} \right) = \frac{2Rs}{2R} = s \therefore \sum_{\text{cyc}} a \sin \frac{A}{2} \geq s \rightarrow (1) \end{aligned}$$

Now, $\frac{a}{h_a} \cdot \sqrt{\sin \frac{A}{2}} + \frac{b}{h_b} \cdot \sqrt{\sin \frac{B}{2}} + \frac{c}{h_c} \cdot \sqrt{\sin \frac{C}{2}} = \frac{1}{2rs} \cdot \sum_{\text{cyc}} \left(a^2 \cdot \sqrt{\sin \frac{A}{2}} \right)$

$$= \frac{1}{2rs} \cdot \sum_{\text{cyc}} \left(\frac{a^2 \cdot \sin \frac{A}{2}}{\sqrt{\sin \frac{A}{2}}} \right) \quad 0 < \sin \frac{A}{2} \leq \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \text{ and analogs as } \triangle ABC \text{ is acute} \geq \frac{1}{2rs} \cdot \sum_{\text{cyc}} \left(\frac{a^2 \cdot \sin \frac{A}{2}}{\frac{1}{\sqrt[4]{2}}} \right)$$

$$\stackrel{\text{Chebyshev}}{\geq} \frac{\sqrt[4]{2}}{6rs} \cdot \left(\sum_{\text{cyc}} a \sin \frac{A}{2} \right) \left(\sum_{\text{cyc}} a \right)$$

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$$\left(\begin{array}{l} \because \text{WLOG assuming } a \geq b \geq c \Rightarrow \sin \frac{A}{2} \geq \sin \frac{B}{2} \geq \sin \frac{C}{2} \\ \Rightarrow a \sin \frac{A}{2} \geq b \sin \frac{B}{2} \geq c \sin \frac{C}{2} \end{array} \right) \stackrel{\text{via (1)}}{\geq} \frac{\sqrt[4]{2}}{6rs} \cdot (s)(2s) \quad (2s)$$

$$= \frac{\sqrt[4]{2} \cdot s}{3r} \stackrel{\text{Mitrinovic}}{\geq} \frac{\sqrt[4]{2} \cdot 3\sqrt{3} \cdot r}{3r} = \sqrt[4]{2} \cdot \sqrt{3} \stackrel{?}{>} \frac{2}{3} \cdot \sqrt{3} \cdot \sqrt[4]{8} \Leftrightarrow 3 \stackrel{?}{>} 2\sqrt{2} \Leftrightarrow 9 \stackrel{?}{>} 8 \rightarrow \text{true}$$

$$\therefore \frac{a}{h_a} \cdot \sqrt{\sin \frac{A}{2}} + \frac{b}{h_b} \cdot \sqrt{\sin \frac{B}{2}} + \frac{c}{h_c} \cdot \sqrt{\sin \frac{C}{2}} > \frac{2}{3} \cdot \sqrt{3} \cdot \sqrt[4]{8} \forall \text{ acute } \triangle ABC \text{ (QED)}$$

1857. In $\triangle ABC$ the following relationship holds:

$$\frac{h_a^n}{\sin \frac{A}{2}} + \frac{h_b^n}{\sin \frac{B}{2}} + \frac{h_c^n}{\sin \frac{C}{2}} \geq 2 \cdot 3^{n+1} r^n, n \in N$$

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Solution by Tapas Das-India

WLOG $a \geq b \geq c$ then $\sin \frac{A}{2} \geq \sin \frac{B}{2} \geq \sin \frac{C}{2}$ and $h_a \leq h_b \leq h_c$ and $h_a^n \leq h_b^n \leq h_c^n$, $\frac{1}{\sin \frac{A}{2}} \leq \frac{1}{\sin \frac{B}{2}} \leq \frac{1}{\sin \frac{C}{2}}$

$$\sum h_a^n = (2F)^n \sum \frac{1}{a^n} = (2rs)^n \sum \frac{(1)^{n+1}}{a^n} \stackrel{\text{Radon}}{\geq} \frac{(2rs)^n 3^{n+1}}{(a+b+c)^n} = \frac{(2rs)^n 3^{n+1}}{(2s)^n} = r^n 3^{n+1} \quad (1)$$

$$\sum \frac{1}{\sin \frac{A}{2}} \stackrel{\text{AM-GM}}{\geq} 3 \left(\frac{1}{\prod \sin \frac{A}{2}} \right)^{\frac{1}{3}} = 3 \left(\frac{4R}{r} \right)^{\frac{1}{3}} \stackrel{\text{Euler}}{\geq} 6 \quad (2)$$

$$\frac{h_a^n}{\sin \frac{A}{2}} + \frac{h_b^n}{\sin \frac{B}{2}} + \frac{h_c^n}{\sin \frac{C}{2}} \stackrel{\text{Chebyshev}}{\geq} \frac{1}{3} \left(\sum h_a^n \right) \left(\sum \frac{1}{\sin \frac{A}{2}} \right) \stackrel{(1)\&(2)}{\geq} \frac{1}{3} r^n 3^{n+1} \cdot 6 = 2 \cdot 3^{n+1} r^n$$

Equality for $a = b = c$

1858. In $\triangle ABC$ the following relationship holds:

$$\frac{a^n}{\sin \frac{A}{2} \sin \frac{B}{2}} + \frac{b^n}{\sin \frac{B}{2} \sin \frac{C}{2}} + \frac{c^n}{\sin \frac{C}{2} \sin \frac{A}{2}} \geq 2^{n+2} \cdot 3^{\frac{(n+2)}{2}} \cdot r^n, \quad \forall n \in N$$

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$$abc = 4Rrs \stackrel{\text{Euler \& Mitrinovic}}{\geq} 4 \cdot 2r \cdot r \cdot 3\sqrt{3}r = (2r\sqrt{3})^3 \quad (1)$$

$$\text{and } \prod \sin^2 \frac{A}{2} = \left(\frac{r}{4R}\right)^2 \stackrel{\text{Euler}}{\leq} \frac{1}{64} \quad (2)$$

$$\frac{a^n}{\sin \frac{A}{2} \sin \frac{B}{2}} + \frac{b^n}{\sin \frac{B}{2} \sin \frac{C}{2}} + \frac{c^n}{\sin \frac{C}{2} \sin \frac{A}{2}} \stackrel{\text{Am-Gm}}{\geq} \frac{3(abc)^{\frac{n}{3}}}{\left(\prod \sin^2 \frac{A}{2}\right)^{\frac{1}{3}}} \stackrel{(1)\&(2)}{\geq}$$

$$\geq 3 \cdot 2^n \cdot r^n \cdot 3^{\frac{n}{2}} \cdot 4 = 2^{n+2} \cdot 3^{\frac{(n+2)}{2}} \cdot r^n$$

Equality for $a = b = c$

1859. In $\triangle ABC$ the following relationship holds:

$$\frac{\tan^5 \frac{A}{2}}{\sin^3 A} + \frac{\tan^5 \frac{B}{2}}{\sin^3 B} + \frac{\tan^5 \frac{C}{2}}{\sin^3 C} \geq \frac{8}{27}$$

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Solution by Tapas Das-India

$$\sum \sin A = \frac{s}{R} \stackrel{\text{Mitrinovic}}{\leq} \frac{3\sqrt{3}}{2} \quad (1) \text{ and } \frac{4R+r}{s} \stackrel{\text{Doucet}}{\geq} \sqrt{3} \quad (2)$$

$$\therefore \left(\frac{\tan^5 \frac{A}{2}}{\sin^3 A} + \frac{\tan^5 \frac{B}{2}}{\sin^3 B} + \frac{\tan^5 \frac{C}{2}}{\sin^3 C} \right) (\sum \sin A)^3 (1+1+1) \stackrel{\text{Holder}}{\geq} \left(\sum \tan \frac{A}{2} \right)^5$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{or } \left(\frac{\tan^5 \frac{A}{2}}{\sin^3 A} + \frac{\tan^5 \frac{B}{2}}{\sin^3 B} + \frac{\tan^5 \frac{C}{2}}{\sin^3 C} \right) &\geq \frac{\left(\sum \tan \frac{A}{2} \right)^5}{(\sum \sin A)^3 (1+1+1)} = \frac{\left(\frac{4R+r}{s} \right)^5}{\left(3 \left(\frac{s}{R} \right)^3 \right)} \stackrel{(1)\&(2)}{\geq} \\ &\geq \frac{3^{\frac{5}{2}}}{243\sqrt{3}} = \frac{9 \cdot 8}{243} = \frac{8}{27} \end{aligned}$$

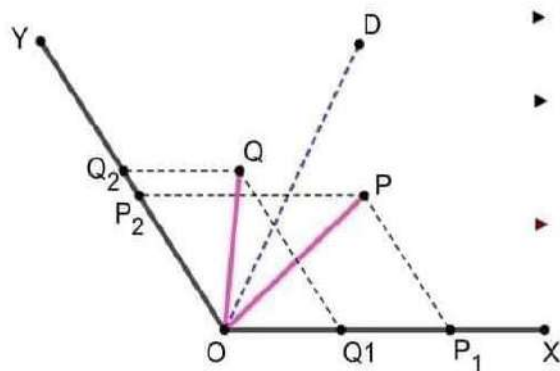
Equality for $A = B = C$

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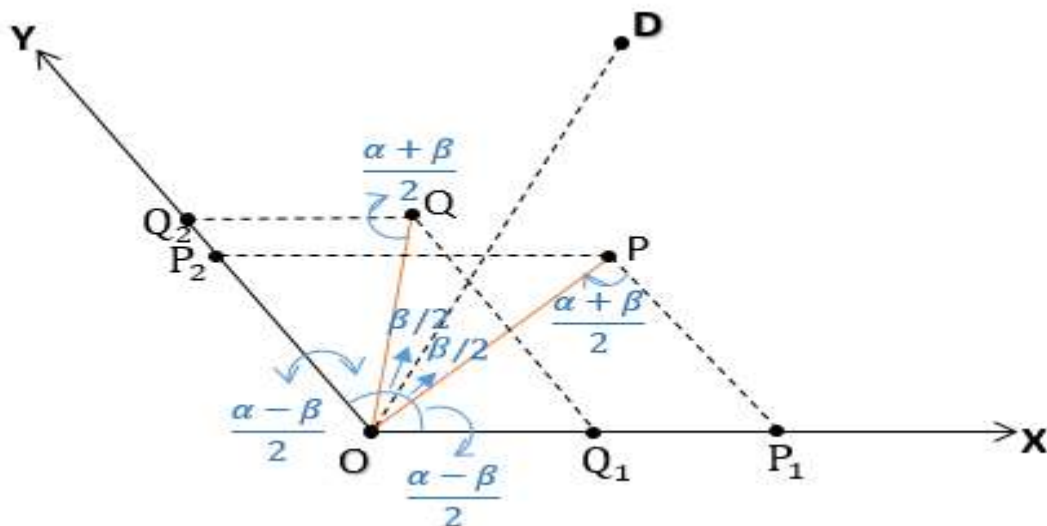
► OD bisector of $\angle XOY$ and $\angle POQ$. $\angle XOY = \theta$, $\angle POQ = \rho$

► PP_1OP_2 is #, QQ_1OQ_2 is #. $m_1 = \frac{OP_2}{OP_1}$, $m_2 = \frac{OQ_2}{OQ_1}$

► $m_1 = f_1(\theta, \rho) = ?$, $m_2 = f_2(\theta, \rho) = ?$

Proposed by Thanasis Gakopoulos – Greece

Solution by Mirsadix Muzefferov – Azerbaijan



$$m_1 = \frac{OP_2}{OP_1} = \frac{PP_1}{OP_1}; \text{ in } OPP_1 \text{ rule sine : } \frac{\sin\left(\frac{\theta - \rho}{2}\right)}{\sin\left(\frac{\theta + \rho}{2}\right)} = \frac{PP_1}{OP_1}$$

$$\begin{aligned} m_1 &= \frac{OP_2}{OP_1} = \frac{PP_1}{OP_1} = \frac{\sin\left(\frac{\theta - \rho}{2}\right)}{\sin\left(\frac{\theta + \rho}{2}\right)} = \frac{\sin\left(\frac{\theta}{2}\right) \cos\left(\frac{\rho}{2}\right) - \sin\left(\frac{\rho}{2}\right) \cos\left(\frac{\theta}{2}\right)}{\sin\left(\frac{\theta}{2}\right) \cos\left(\frac{\rho}{2}\right) + \sin\left(\frac{\rho}{2}\right) \cos\left(\frac{\theta}{2}\right)} \\ &= \frac{\tan\left(\frac{\theta}{2}\right) - \tan\left(\frac{\rho}{2}\right)}{\tan\left(\frac{\rho}{2}\right) + \tan\left(\frac{\theta}{2}\right)} \end{aligned}$$

$$m_2 = \frac{OQ_2}{OQ_1} = \frac{OQ_2}{QQ_2}; \text{ in } OQQ_2 \text{ rule sine : } \frac{\sin\left(\frac{\theta + \rho}{2}\right)}{\sin\left(\frac{\theta - \rho}{2}\right)} = \frac{OQ_2}{QQ_2}$$

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$$m_2 = \frac{OQ_2}{OQ_1} = \frac{OQ_2}{OQ_2} = \frac{\sin\left(\frac{\theta + \rho}{2}\right)}{\sin\left(\frac{\theta - \rho}{2}\right)} = \frac{\sin\left(\frac{\theta}{2}\right)\cos\left(\frac{\rho}{2}\right) + \sin\left(\frac{\rho}{2}\right)\cos\left(\frac{\theta}{2}\right)}{\sin\left(\frac{\theta}{2}\right)\cos\left(\frac{\rho}{2}\right) - \sin\left(\frac{\rho}{2}\right)\cos\left(\frac{\theta}{2}\right)}$$

$$= \frac{\tan\left(\frac{\theta}{2}\right) + \tan\left(\frac{\rho}{2}\right)}{\tan\left(\frac{\theta}{2}\right) - \tan\left(\frac{\rho}{2}\right)}$$

1861. In $\triangle ABC$ the following relationship holds:

$$\frac{1}{r_a(r_a + r_b)} + \frac{1}{r_b(r_b + r_c)} + \frac{1}{r_c(r_a + r_c)} \geq \frac{2}{3R^2}$$

Proposed by Ertan Yildirim-Turkiye

Solution by Tapas Das-India

$$\begin{aligned} & (r_a + r_b)(r_b + r_c)(r_c + r_a) = \\ & = \left(\sum r_a\right) \left(\sum r_a r_b\right) - r_a r_b r_c = (4R + r)s^2 - s^2 r = 4Rs^2 \\ & \frac{1}{r_a(r_a + r_b)} \cdot \frac{1}{r_b(r_b + r_c)} \cdot \frac{1}{r_c(r_a + r_c)} = \\ & = \frac{1}{r_a r_b r_c (r_a + r_b)(r_b + r_c)(r_c + r_a)} \stackrel{\text{Euler \& Mitrinovic}}{=} \frac{1}{s^2 r \cdot 4Rs^2} \geq \\ & \geq \frac{1}{\frac{27}{4}R^2 \cdot \frac{R}{2} \cdot 4 \cdot R \cdot \frac{27}{4}R^2} = \frac{8}{R^6 \cdot 3^6} \quad (1) \\ & \frac{1}{r_a(r_a + r_b)} + \frac{1}{r_b(r_b + r_c)} + \frac{1}{r_c(r_a + r_c)} \stackrel{\text{Am-Gm}}{\geq} \\ & \geq 3 \sqrt[3]{\frac{1}{r_a(r_a + r_b)} \cdot \frac{1}{r_b(r_b + r_c)} \cdot \frac{1}{r_c(r_a + r_c)}} \stackrel{(1)}{\geq} 3 \sqrt[3]{\frac{8}{R^6 \cdot 3^6}} = \frac{2}{3R^2} \end{aligned}$$

Equality holds for $a = b = c$

1862. In any $\triangle ABC$ we have:

$$\frac{a^2}{\sin^2 x} + \frac{b^2}{\cos^2 x} \geq \left(2\sqrt{11r^2 + 8Rr} - c\right)^2 \quad \forall x \in \mathbb{R} - \left\{\frac{k\pi}{2}\right\}$$

Proposed by Radu Diaconu-Romania

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Solution by Tapas Das-India

$$s^2 \stackrel{\text{Gerretsen}}{\geq} 16Rr - 5r^2 = 8Rr + 8Rr - 5r^2 \stackrel{\text{Euler}}{\geq} \\ \geq 8 \cdot (2r) \cdot r + 8Rr - 5r^2 = 16r^2 + 8Rr - 5r^2 = 11r^2 + 8Rr \quad (1)$$

$$\frac{a^2}{\sin^2 x} + \frac{b^2}{\cos^2 x} \stackrel{\text{Bergstrom}}{\geq} \frac{(a+b)^2}{\cos^2 x + \sin^2 x} = (a+b)^2 = (2s-c)^2 = \\ = (2\sqrt{s^2} - c)^2 \stackrel{(1)}{\geq} (2\sqrt{11r^2 + 8Rr} - c)^2$$

1863. In $\triangle ABC$ the following relationship holds:

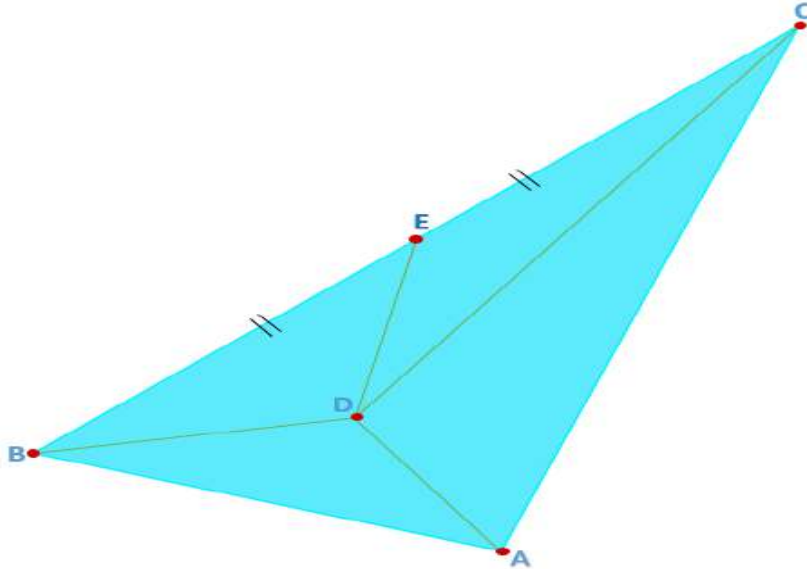
$$\frac{1}{h_a(h_a + h_b)} + \frac{1}{h_b(h_b + h_c)} + \frac{1}{h_c(h_c + h_a)} \geq \frac{9}{2s^2}$$

Proposed by Ertan Yildirim-Turkiye

Solution by Daniel Sitaru-Romania

$$\frac{1}{h_a(h_a + h_b)} + \frac{1}{h_b(h_b + h_c)} + \frac{1}{h_c(h_c + h_a)} = \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{1}{h_a(h_a + h_b)} = \\ = \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{1}{\frac{2F}{a} \cdot \left(\frac{2F}{a} + \frac{2F}{b}\right)} = \frac{1}{4F^2} \cdot \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{1}{\frac{1}{a} \cdot \left(\frac{1}{a} + \frac{1}{b}\right)} = \frac{1}{4F^2} \cdot \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{a^2 b}{a+b} \geq \\ \stackrel{\text{AM-GM}}{\geq} \frac{1}{4F^2} \cdot 3 \cdot \sqrt[3]{\frac{a^3 b^3 c^3}{(a+b)(b+c)(c+a)}} = \\ = \frac{3abc}{4F^2} \cdot \frac{1}{\sqrt[3]{(a+b)(b+c)(c+a)}} \stackrel{\text{AM-GM}}{\geq} \frac{3 \cdot 4RF}{4F^2} \cdot \frac{1}{\frac{a+b+b+c+c+a}{3}} = \\ = \frac{9R}{F \cdot 4s} \stackrel{\text{EULER}}{\geq} \frac{18r}{4rs^2} = \frac{9}{2s^2}$$

Equality holds for: $a = b = c$.

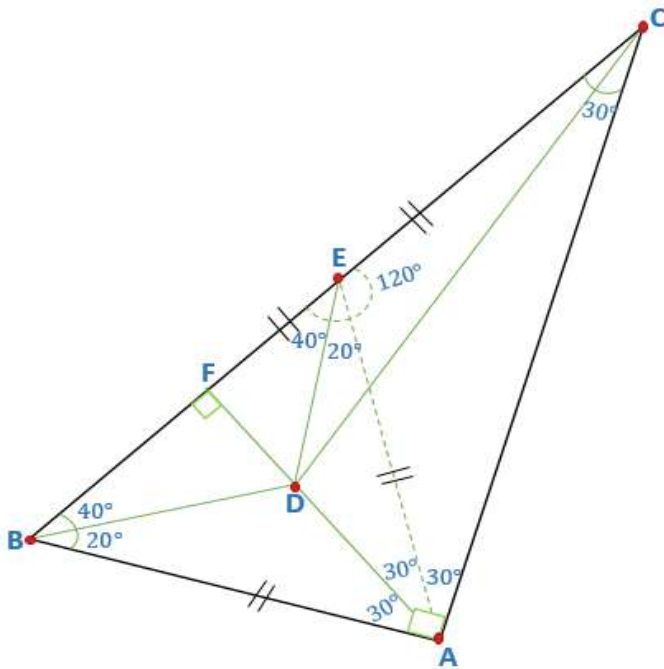


1864.

Suppose that $\angle DBA = 20^\circ$, $\angle DAB = 30^\circ$, $\angle DBC = 40^\circ$, $\angle DAC = 60^\circ$
 Prove that : $\angle DEC = 140^\circ$

Proposed by Jafar Nikpour-Iran

Solution by Mirsadix Muzefferov-Azerbaijan



Construct the media AE . $\triangle ABE$ equilateral triangle. Here AE bisectors
 $D \in AF$, $\hat{C}BD = 40^\circ$. Then $\hat{B}ED = 40^\circ$.

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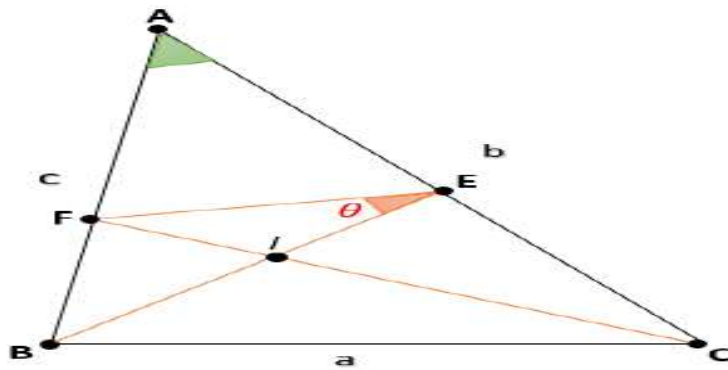
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That's why $\hat{AED} = 20^\circ$. On the other hand $\hat{CEA} = 120^\circ$.

So,

$$\hat{DEC} = \hat{AEC} + \hat{DEA} = 120^\circ + 20^\circ = 140^\circ$$

$$\hat{DEC} = 140^\circ$$



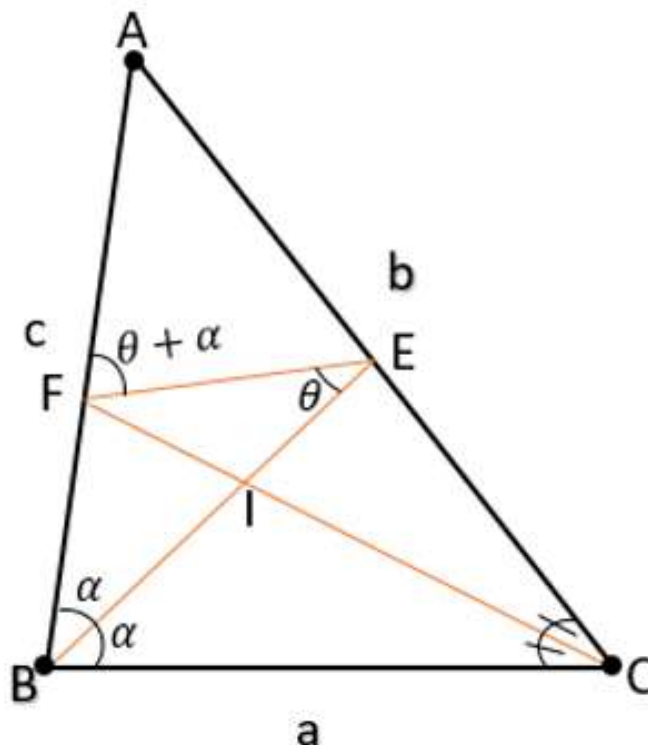
1865.

I-incenter. Prove that :

$$\cot \theta = \frac{1}{\sin A} \cdot \left[2 - \cos A + \frac{b}{a+c} (1 - 2 \cos A) \right]$$

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in $\triangle ABC$ BE and CF are the bisectors. Then:

$$AE = \frac{bc}{a+c}; AF = \frac{bc}{a+b}; BF = \frac{ac}{a+b} \quad (1)$$

in $\triangle AFE$ rule cosine:

$$FE^2 = AF^2 + AE^2 - 2AF \cdot AE \cos A \quad (2)$$

in $\triangle ABE$ rule cosine:

$$BE^2 = AB^2 + AE^2 - 2AB \cdot AE \cos A = \\ = (AF + FB)^2 + AE^2 - 2(AF + FB) \cdot AE \cos A \quad (2A)$$

in $\triangle FEB$ rule sine :

$$\frac{\sin \theta}{BF} = \frac{\sin \widehat{BFE}}{BE} \Rightarrow BE = BF \cdot \frac{\sin(\theta + \alpha)}{\sin \theta} \quad (3)$$

in $\triangle AFE$ rule sine :

$$\frac{\sin(\theta + \alpha)}{AE} = \frac{\sin A}{FE} \Rightarrow FE = AE \cdot \frac{\sin A}{\sin(\theta + \alpha)} \quad (4)$$

From (3) and (4) we have :

$$BE \cdot FE = BF \cdot AE \cdot \frac{\sin A}{\sin \theta} \quad (5)$$

in $\triangle FEB$ rule cosine :

$$\cos \theta = \frac{FE^2 + BE^2 - BF^2}{2FE \cdot BE} \quad (*)$$

Let's use the expressions (2),(2A) and (5) in ()*

$$\cos \theta = \frac{AF^2 + AE^2 - 2AF \cdot AE \cos A + (AF + FB)^2 + AE^2 - 2(AF + FB) \cdot AE \cos A}{2BF \cdot AE \cdot \frac{\sin A}{\sin \theta}}$$

$$\cot(\theta) \sin(A) = \frac{AF^2}{BF \cdot AE} + \frac{AE}{BF} + \frac{AF}{AE} - \frac{2AF \cos(A)}{BF} - \cos(A)$$

Let's use expression (1)

$$\cot(\theta) \sin(A) = \left(\frac{bc}{a+b} \right)^2 \frac{a+b}{ac} \frac{a+c}{b+c} + \frac{bc}{a+c} \frac{a+b}{ac} + \frac{bc}{a+b} \frac{a+c}{bc} \\ - \frac{2bc}{a+b} \frac{a+c}{ac} \cos(A) - \cos(A)$$

$$= \frac{(a+c)b}{(a+b)a} + \frac{b(a+b)}{a(a+c)} + \frac{a+c}{a+b} - \frac{2b}{a} \cos(A) - \cos(A)$$

$$= \frac{a+c}{a+b} \left(\frac{b}{a} + 1 \right) + \frac{b(a+b)}{a(a+c)} - \frac{2b}{a} \cos(A) - \cos(A)$$

$$= \frac{a+c}{a} + \frac{b(a+b)}{a(a+c)} - \frac{2b}{a} \cos(A) - \cos(A)$$

$$= \left((1 - \cos(A)) + \frac{c}{a} + \frac{b(a+b)}{a(a+c)} - \frac{2b}{a} \cos(A) \right)$$

$$= 1 - \cos(A) + \frac{c(a+c) + b(a+b)}{a(a+c)} - \frac{2b}{a} \cos(A) =$$

$$= 1 - \cos A + \frac{ac + c^2 + ab + b^2}{a(a+c)} - \frac{2b}{a} \cdot \cos A =$$

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$$\begin{aligned}
 &= 1 - \cos(A) + \frac{ac + ab + a^2 + 2bc \cos(A)}{a(a+c)} - \frac{2b}{a} \cos(A) \\
 &= 1 - \cos(A) + 1 + \frac{b(a + 2c \cos(A))}{a(a+c)} - \frac{2b}{a} \cos(A) \\
 &= 2 - \cos(A) + \frac{b}{a+c} \left(\frac{a + 2 \cos(A)}{a} - \frac{2(a+c) \cos(A)}{a} \right) \\
 &= 2 - \cos(A) + \frac{b}{a+c} \frac{a - 2a \cos(A)}{a} = 2 - \cos(A) + \frac{b}{a+c} (1 - 2 \cos(A)) \\
 \cot(\theta) &= \frac{1}{\sin(A)} \left(2 - \cos(A) + \frac{b}{a+c} (1 - 2 \cos(A)) \right) \quad (\text{proved})
 \end{aligned}$$

1866. In $\triangle ABC$ the following relationship holds:

$$(a + b + c) \left(\frac{1}{r_a} + \frac{1}{r_b} + \frac{1}{r_c} \right) \geq 6\sqrt{3}$$

Proposed by Nguyen Hung Cuong-Vietnam

Solution by Daniel Sitaru-Romania

$$\begin{aligned}
 (a + b + c) \left(\frac{1}{r_a} + \frac{1}{r_b} + \frac{1}{r_c} \right) &= 2s \left(\frac{s-a}{F} + \frac{s-b}{F} + \frac{s-c}{F} \right) = \\
 &= \frac{2s}{F} (3s - a - b - c) = \frac{2s}{rs} (3s - 2s) = \frac{2s}{r} \stackrel{\text{MITRINOVIC}}{\geq} \frac{2 \cdot 3\sqrt{3}r}{r} = 6\sqrt{3}
 \end{aligned}$$

Equality holds for $a = b = c$.

1867. In $\triangle ABC$ the following relationship holds:

$$(h_a + h_b + h_c) \left(\frac{1}{r_a} + \frac{1}{r_b} + \frac{1}{r_c} \right) \geq 9$$

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$$(h_a + h_b + h_c) \left(\frac{1}{r_a} + \frac{1}{r_b} + \frac{1}{r_c} \right) = \sum_{cyc} h_a \cdot \sum_{cyc} \frac{1}{r_a} =$$

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$$\begin{aligned}
 &= \sum_{cyc} \frac{2F}{a} \cdot \sum_{cyc} \frac{s-a}{F} = 2 \left(\frac{1}{a} + \frac{1}{b} + \frac{1}{c} \right) \cdot (s-a + s-b + s-c) = \\
 &= 2 \cdot \frac{ab+bc+ca}{abc} \cdot (3s-a-b-c) = 2 \cdot \frac{s^2+r^2+4Rr}{4RF} \cdot (3s-2s) \stackrel{GERRETSEN}{\geq} \\
 &\geq 2 \cdot \frac{16Rr-5r^2+r^2+4Rr}{4Rrs} \cdot s = 2 \cdot \frac{20Rr-4r^2}{4Rr} = \\
 &= 10 - \frac{2r}{R} \stackrel{EULER}{\geq} 10 - 2 \cdot \frac{R}{2} \cdot \frac{1}{R} = 10 - 1 = 9
 \end{aligned}$$

Equality holds for $a = b = c$.

1868. In $\triangle ABC$ the following relationship holds:

$$\frac{a}{h_a} + \frac{b}{h_b} + \frac{c}{h_c} \leq \frac{\sqrt{3}R^2}{2r^2}$$

Proposed by Nguyen Hung Cuong-Vietnam

Solution by Daniel Sitaru-Romania

$$\begin{aligned}
 \frac{a}{h_a} + \frac{b}{h_b} + \frac{c}{h_c} &= \sum_{cyc} \frac{a}{h_a} = \sum_{cyc} \frac{a}{\frac{2F}{a}} = \frac{1}{2F} \sum_{cyc} a^2 = \\
 &= \frac{1}{2F} \cdot 2(s^2 - r^2 - 4Rr) \stackrel{GERRETSEN}{\geq} \frac{1}{F} \cdot (4R^2 + 4Rr + 3r^2 - r^2 - 4Rr) = \\
 &= \frac{4R^2 + 2r^2}{rs} \stackrel{MITRINOVIC}{\geq} \frac{4R^2 + 2r^2}{r \cdot 3\sqrt{3}r} \stackrel{EULER}{\geq} \frac{4R^2 + 2 \cdot \frac{R^2}{4}}{3\sqrt{3}r^2} = \\
 &= \frac{1}{3\sqrt{3}r^2} \cdot \frac{9R^2}{2} = \frac{\sqrt{3}R^2}{2r^2}
 \end{aligned}$$

Equality holds for $a = b = c$.

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1869. In $\triangle ABC$ the following relationship holds:

$$\frac{(a+b)^3}{\sin^2 A} + \frac{(b+c)^3}{\sin^2 B} + \frac{(c+a)^3}{\sin^2 C} \geq 4 \cdot (4\sqrt{3}r)^3$$

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Solution by Daniel Sitaru-Romania

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{(a+b)^3}{\sin^2 A} + \frac{(b+c)^3}{\sin^2 B} + \frac{(c+a)^3}{\sin^2 C} &= \sum_{cyc} \frac{(a+b)^3}{\sin^2 A} = \\ &= \sum_{cyc} \frac{(a+b)^3}{\left(\frac{a}{2R}\right)^2} = 4R^2 \sum_{cyc} \frac{(a+b)^3}{a^2} \stackrel{RADON}{\geq} \\ &\geq 4R^2 \cdot \frac{(a+b+b+c+c+a)^3}{(a+b+c)^2} = 4R^2 \cdot 8 \cdot \frac{(a+b+c)^3}{(a+b+c)^2} = 4R^2 \cdot 8 \cdot 2s \geq \\ &\stackrel{EULER}{\geq} 4 \cdot 4r^2 \cdot 16 \cdot s \stackrel{MITRINOVIC}{\geq} 4 \cdot 4^3 r^2 \cdot 3\sqrt{3}r = 4 \cdot (4\sqrt{3}r)^3 \end{aligned}$$

Equality holds for $a = b = c$.

1870. If in $\triangle ABC$ holds $\frac{\sum_r \frac{a}{a-r}}{\sin A + \sin B + \sin C} \leq 2$ then $\triangle ABC$ is an equilateral one.

Proposed by Radu Diaconu-Romania

Solution by Tapas Das-India

In an equilateral triangle holds $R = 2r$

Proof: Let us assume $\triangle ABC$ is equilateral and

$$AB = BC = CA = a \text{ and } A = B = C = \frac{\pi}{3}$$

$$a = 2R \sin A = 2R \sin \frac{\pi}{3} = 2R \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \text{ or, } R = \frac{a}{\sqrt{3}} \text{ and}$$

$$[ABC] = \sqrt{3} \frac{a^2}{4}, r = \frac{[ABC]}{a+a+a} = \frac{a}{2\sqrt{3}}$$

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$$\frac{R}{r} = \frac{\frac{a}{\sqrt{3}}}{\frac{a}{2\sqrt{3}}} = 2 \text{ or } R = 2r \quad (1)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \sum \frac{a}{r_a - r} &= \sum \frac{a}{\frac{F}{s-a} - r} = \sum \frac{a}{r \cdot \frac{s}{s-a} - r} = \sum \frac{a(s-a)}{rs - r(s-a)} = \frac{1}{r} \sum \frac{a(s-a)}{a} \\ &= \frac{1}{r} \sum (s-a) = \frac{1}{r} (3s - 2s) = \frac{s}{r} \quad (2) \end{aligned}$$

$$\sin A + \sin B + \sin C = \frac{s}{R} \quad (3)$$

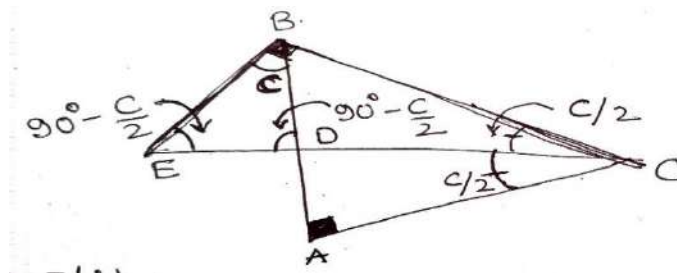
$$\frac{\sum \frac{a}{r_a - r}}{\sin A + \sin B + \sin C} \leq 2 \text{ or, } \frac{\left(\frac{s}{r}\right)}{\frac{s}{R}} \leq 2 \text{ (using (3) \& (2)) or}$$

$$\frac{R}{r} \leq 2, \text{ we know that } \frac{R}{r} \geq 2 \text{ (Euler)}$$

So we can say $\frac{R}{r} = 2$, and using (1) we can say ΔABC equilateral

1871.

In ΔABC $\angle A = 90^\circ$, CD – internal bisector, $D \in (AB)$, BE perpendicular on BC , $CD \cap BE = \{E\}$, R_1, R_2 – Circumradii of $\Delta BCE, \Delta BDE$. Prove that:



$$2[BDE] < BD^2 < \frac{(R_1 + R_2)^2}{2}$$

Proposed by Radu Diaconu-Romania

Solution by Tapas Das-India

Clearly, $\angle EBC = \angle DAC = 90^\circ$, $\angle BCE = \angle DCA = \frac{C}{2}$ and

$\angle BED = \angle ADC = \angle BDE = 90^\circ - \frac{C}{2}$, from ΔEBD we have:

$BE = BD$ (Since $\angle BED = \angle BDE$) (1) and $\angle EBD = C$

$$[BDE] = \frac{1}{2} BE \cdot BD \cdot \sin \angle EBD \stackrel{(1)}{=} \frac{1}{2} BD^2 \sin C \text{ or}$$

$$2[BDE] = BD^2 \sin C < BD^2 \text{ (as } \sin C \leq 1) \quad (*)$$

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$$\text{from } \triangle BDE, 2R_2 = \frac{BD}{\sin \angle BED} = \frac{BD}{\sin \left(90^\circ - \frac{C}{2}\right)} = \frac{BD}{\cos \frac{C}{2}} \text{ or, } 2R_2 \cos \frac{C}{2} = BD \quad (2)$$

$$\text{from } \triangle BEC, 2R_1 = \frac{BE}{\sin \frac{C}{2}} \stackrel{(1)}{=} \frac{BD}{\sin \frac{C}{2}} \text{ or, } 2R_1 \sin \frac{C}{2} = BD \quad (3)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Now from (2) \& (3) we get } BD^2 &= BD \cdot BD = \left(2R_2 \cos \frac{C}{2}\right) \left(2R_1 \sin \frac{C}{2}\right) \\ &= 2R_1 R_2 \left(2 \sin \frac{C}{2} \cos \frac{C}{2}\right) = 2R_1 R_2 \sin C \end{aligned}$$

$$< 2R_1 R_2 (\text{as } \sin C < 1) \stackrel{AM-GM}{<} 2 \left(\frac{R_1 + R_2}{2}\right)^2 = \frac{(R_1 + R_2)^2}{2} (**)$$

$$\text{Now from (*) \& (**) we have } 2[BDE] < BD^2 < \frac{(R_1 + R_2)^2}{2}$$

1872.

Let ABC be the triangle in which the following relationship holds:

$$\left(1 - \frac{r_a}{r_b}\right) \left(1 - \frac{r_a}{r_c}\right) = 2$$

$$\text{Prove that: } \frac{1}{e^{\sin B}} + \frac{1}{e^{\sin C}} \geq \frac{2}{e^{\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}}}$$

Proposed by Tapas Das-India

Solution by Mirsadix Muzefferov-Azerbaijan

$$\left(1 - \frac{r_a}{r_b}\right) \left(1 - \frac{r_a}{r_c}\right) = 2 \Rightarrow$$

$$(r_b - r_a)(r_c - r_a) = 2 \cdot r_b \cdot r_c \Rightarrow r_b r_c - r_a r_b - r_a r_c + (r_a)^2 = 2 \cdot r_b \cdot r_c$$

$$r_a r_b + r_b r_c + r_a r_c = (r_a)^2 \Rightarrow r_a = p \cdot \operatorname{tg} \frac{A}{2}$$

$$\operatorname{tg} \frac{A}{2} \cdot \operatorname{tg} \frac{B}{2} + \operatorname{tg} \frac{B}{2} \cdot \operatorname{tg} \frac{C}{2} + \operatorname{tg} \frac{A}{2} \cdot \operatorname{tg} \frac{C}{2} = \operatorname{tg}^2 \frac{A}{2} \rightarrow \operatorname{tg}^2 \frac{A}{2} = 1 \rightarrow$$

$A = 90^\circ$ (Right triangle)

$$\text{Here: } \operatorname{tg} \frac{A}{2} \cdot \operatorname{tg} \frac{B}{2} + \operatorname{tg} \frac{B}{2} \cdot \operatorname{tg} \frac{C}{2} + \operatorname{tg} \frac{A}{2} \cdot \operatorname{tg} \frac{C}{2} = 1 \text{ (true)}$$

$$\frac{1}{e^{\sin B}} + \frac{1}{e^{\sin C}} = e^{-\sin B} + e^{-\sin C} \stackrel{A-G}{\geq} 2 \sqrt{e^{-\sin B - \sin C}}$$

$$\sin B + \sin C = 2 \sin \frac{B+C}{2} \cdot \cos \frac{B-C}{2} = 2 \cos \frac{A}{2} \cdot \cos \frac{B-C}{2} \stackrel{A=90^\circ}{=} 2 \cdot \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \cdot \cos \frac{B-C}{2}$$

$$\leq \frac{2}{\sqrt{2}}$$

$$\frac{1}{e^{\sin B}} + \frac{1}{e^{\sin C}} \geq 2 \cdot \sqrt{e^{-\frac{2}{\sqrt{2}}}} = \frac{2}{e^{\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}}} \text{ (Proved)}$$

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1873. In $\triangle ABC$ the following relationship holds:

$$\frac{1}{-a+b+c}\sqrt{\tan A} + \frac{1}{a-b+c}\sqrt{\tan B} + \frac{1}{a+b-c}\sqrt{\tan C} \geq \frac{1}{2r}\sqrt[4]{27}$$

Proposed by Vasile Mircea Popa-Romania

Solution by Tapas Das-India

$$A + B + C = \pi \text{ or } A + B = \pi - C \text{ or } \tan(A + B) = -\tan C \text{ or}$$

$$\frac{\tan A + \tan B}{1 - \tan A \tan B} = -\tan C \text{ or } \sum \tan A = \prod \tan A \quad (1)$$

$$\prod \tan A = \sum \tan A \stackrel{\text{Jensen}}{\geq} 3 \tan \frac{\pi}{3} = 3\sqrt{3} = (\sqrt{3})^3 \quad (2)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \sum \frac{1}{s-a} &= \frac{3s^2 - 2s(a+b+c) + ab + bc + ca}{(s-a)(s-b)(s-c)} = \\ &= \frac{r(4R+r)}{sr^2} = \frac{1}{r} \frac{4R+r}{s} \stackrel{\text{Doucet}}{\geq} \frac{\sqrt{3}}{r} \quad (3) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} &\frac{1}{-a+b+c}\sqrt{\tan A} + \frac{1}{a-b+c}\sqrt{\tan B} + \frac{1}{a+b-c}\sqrt{\tan C} = \\ &= \frac{1}{2(s-a)}\sqrt{\tan A} + \frac{1}{2(s-b)}\sqrt{\tan B} + \frac{1}{2(s-c)}\sqrt{\tan C} \stackrel{\text{Chebyshev}}{\geq} \\ &\geq \frac{1}{3} \cdot \frac{1}{2} \left(\sum \frac{1}{s-a} \right) \left(\sum \sqrt{\tan A} \right) \stackrel{\text{AM-GM}}{\geq} \\ &\geq \frac{1}{3} \cdot \frac{1}{2} \left(\sum \frac{1}{s-a} \right) \cdot 3 \left(\prod \tan A \right)^{\frac{1}{6}} \stackrel{(3)\&(2)}{\geq} \frac{1}{6} \frac{\sqrt{3}}{r} 3 \left((\sqrt{3})^3 \right)^{\frac{1}{6}} = \\ &= \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2r} (\sqrt{3})^{\frac{1}{2}} = \frac{(\sqrt{3})^{\frac{3}{2}}}{2r} = \frac{3^{\frac{3}{4}}}{2r} = \frac{1}{2r} \sqrt[4]{27} \end{aligned}$$

Equality holds for $a = b = c$.

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1874. In $\triangle ABC$ the following relationship holds:

$$\frac{\left(\sin \frac{A}{2}\right)}{\sin \frac{B}{2} \sin \frac{C}{2}} \cdot \frac{b^2 \sin \frac{B}{2} + c^2 \sin \frac{C}{2}}{c \sin \frac{B}{2} + b \sin \frac{C}{2}} + \frac{\left(\sin \frac{B}{2}\right)}{\sin \frac{A}{2} \sin \frac{C}{2}} \cdot \frac{a^2 \sin \frac{A}{2} + c^2 \sin \frac{C}{2}}{c \sin \frac{A}{2} + a \sin \frac{C}{2}} + \frac{\left(\sin \frac{C}{2}\right)}{\sin \frac{B}{2} \sin \frac{A}{2}} \cdot \frac{a^2 \sin \frac{A}{2} + b^2 \sin \frac{B}{2}}{b \sin \frac{A}{2} + a \sin \frac{B}{2}} \geq 12\sqrt{3}r$$

Proposed by Zaza Mzhavanadze-Georgia

Solution by Tapas Das-India

WLOG $a \geq b \geq c$, then $\sin \frac{A}{2} \geq \sin \frac{B}{2} \geq \sin \frac{C}{2}$ and $a \sin \frac{A}{2} \geq b \sin \frac{B}{2} \geq c \sin \frac{C}{2}$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{b^2 \sin \frac{B}{2} + c^2 \sin \frac{C}{2}}{c \sin \frac{B}{2} + b \sin \frac{C}{2}} &= \frac{b(b \sin \frac{B}{2}) + c(c \sin \frac{C}{2})}{c \sin \frac{B}{2} + b \sin \frac{C}{2}} \stackrel{\text{Chebyshev}}{\geq} \\ &\geq \frac{\frac{1}{2}(b+c)(b \sin \frac{B}{2} + c \sin \frac{C}{2})}{(b \sin \frac{B}{2} + c \sin \frac{C}{2})} = \frac{1}{2}(b+c) \stackrel{\text{AM-GM}}{\geq} \frac{2\sqrt{ab}}{2} = \sqrt{ab} \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Similarly: } \frac{a^2 \sin \frac{A}{2} + c^2 \sin \frac{C}{2}}{c \sin \frac{A}{2} + a \sin \frac{C}{2}} \geq \sqrt{ac} \text{ and } \frac{a^2 \sin \frac{A}{2} + b^2 \sin \frac{B}{2}}{b \sin \frac{A}{2} + a \sin \frac{B}{2}} \geq \sqrt{ab}$$

using above relation:

$$\begin{aligned} &\frac{\left(\sin \frac{A}{2}\right)}{\sin \frac{B}{2} \sin \frac{C}{2}} \cdot \frac{b^2 \sin \frac{B}{2} + c^2 \sin \frac{C}{2}}{c \sin \frac{B}{2} + b \sin \frac{C}{2}} + \frac{\left(\sin \frac{B}{2}\right)}{\sin \frac{A}{2} \sin \frac{C}{2}} \cdot \frac{a^2 \sin \frac{A}{2} + c^2 \sin \frac{C}{2}}{c \sin \frac{A}{2} + a \sin \frac{C}{2}} + \frac{\left(\sin \frac{C}{2}\right)}{\sin \frac{B}{2} \sin \frac{A}{2}} \cdot \frac{a^2 \sin \frac{A}{2} + b^2 \sin \frac{B}{2}}{b \sin \frac{A}{2} + a \sin \frac{B}{2}} \geq \\ &\geq \frac{\left(\sin \frac{A}{2}\right)}{\sin \frac{B}{2} \sin \frac{C}{2}} \cdot \sqrt{bc} + \frac{\left(\sin \frac{B}{2}\right)}{\sin \frac{A}{2} \sin \frac{C}{2}} \cdot \sqrt{ac} + \frac{\left(\sin \frac{C}{2}\right)}{\sin \frac{B}{2} \sin \frac{A}{2}} \cdot \sqrt{ab} \stackrel{\text{AM-GM}}{\geq} \\ &\geq 3 \sqrt[3]{\frac{\left(\sin \frac{A}{2}\right)}{\sin \frac{B}{2} \sin \frac{C}{2}} \cdot \sqrt{bc} \cdot \frac{\left(\sin \frac{B}{2}\right)}{\sin \frac{A}{2} \sin \frac{C}{2}} \cdot \sqrt{ac} \cdot \frac{\left(\sin \frac{C}{2}\right)}{\sin \frac{B}{2} \sin \frac{A}{2}} \cdot \sqrt{ab}} = 3 \sqrt[3]{\frac{abc}{\prod \sin \frac{A}{2}}} \\ &= 3 \left(4Rrs \cdot \frac{4R}{r}\right)^{\frac{1}{3}} \stackrel{\text{Euler \& Mitrinovic}}{\geq} 3(4 \cdot 2r \cdot r \cdot 3\sqrt{3}r \cdot 4 \cdot 2r)^{\frac{1}{3}} = \end{aligned}$$

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$$= 3 \left(64 r^3 (\sqrt{3})^3 \right)^{\frac{1}{3}} = 3 \cdot 4 \cdot \sqrt{3} r = 12\sqrt{3}r$$

Equality for $a = b = c$

1875.

In any ΔABC and $\forall n \in \mathbb{N}$, the following relationship holds :

$$\sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{b^{2n+1} \cot \frac{C}{2} + c^{2n+1} \cot \frac{B}{2}}{a(b^{n+1} + c^{n+1})} \geq 3\sqrt{3}(abc)^{\frac{n-1}{3}}$$

Proposed by Zaza Mzhavanadze-Georgia

Solution by Soumava Chakraborty-Kolkata-India

$\forall A, B, C > 0, (A+B), (B+C), (C+A)$ form sides of a triangle

($\because (A+B) + (B+C) > (C+A)$ and analogs) $\Rightarrow \sqrt{A+B}, \sqrt{B+C}, \sqrt{C+A}$ form sides of a triangle with area F (say) and $16F^2 =$

$$\begin{aligned} 2 \sum_{\text{cyc}} (A+B)(B+C) - \sum_{\text{cyc}} (A+B)^2 &= 2 \sum_{\text{cyc}} \left(\sum_{\text{cyc}} AB + B^2 \right) - 2 \sum_{\text{cyc}} A^2 - 2 \sum_{\text{cyc}} AB \\ &= 6 \sum_{\text{cyc}} AB + 2 \sum_{\text{cyc}} A^2 - 2 \sum_{\text{cyc}} A^2 - 2 \sum_{\text{cyc}} AB \Rightarrow 4F = 2 \sqrt{\sum_{\text{cyc}} AB} \rightarrow (1) \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Now, } \forall x, y, z > 0, \sqrt{\sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{xy}{(y+z)(z+x)}} \stackrel{?}{\geq} \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \Leftrightarrow \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{x^2 y^2}{xy(y+z)(z+x)} \stackrel{?}{\geq} \frac{3}{4}$$

$$\text{Via Bergstrom, LHS of } (*) \geq \frac{(\sum_{\text{cyc}} xy)^2}{\sum_{\text{cyc}} (xy(\sum_{\text{cyc}} xy + z^2))} = \frac{(\sum_{\text{cyc}} xy)^2}{(\sum_{\text{cyc}} xy)^2 + xyz \sum_{\text{cyc}} x}$$

$$\stackrel{?}{\geq} \frac{3}{4} \Leftrightarrow \left(\sum_{\text{cyc}} xy \right)^2 \stackrel{?}{\geq} 3xyz \sum_{\text{cyc}} x \rightarrow \text{true} \therefore \sqrt{\sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{xy}{(y+z)(z+x)}} \stackrel{?}{\geq} \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \rightarrow (2)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{We have : } & \frac{b^{2n+1} \cot \frac{C}{2} + c^{2n+1} \cot \frac{B}{2}}{a(b^{n+1} + c^{n+1})} + \frac{c^{2n+1} \cot \frac{A}{2} + a^{2n+1} \cot \frac{C}{2}}{b(c^{n+1} + a^{n+1})} \\ & + \frac{a^{2n+1} \cot \frac{B}{2} + b^{2n+1} \cot \frac{A}{2}}{c(a^{n+1} + b^{n+1})} \\ & = \frac{\frac{b^n}{c^{n+1}} \cot \frac{C}{2} + \frac{c^n}{b^{n+1}} \cot \frac{B}{2}}{a \left(\frac{1}{c^{n+1}} + \frac{1}{b^{n+1}} \right)} + \frac{\frac{c^n}{a^{n+1}} \cot \frac{A}{2} + \frac{a^n}{c^{n+1}} \cot \frac{C}{2}}{b \left(\frac{1}{a^{n+1}} + \frac{1}{c^{n+1}} \right)} + \frac{\frac{a^n}{b^{n+1}} \cot \frac{B}{2} + \frac{b^n}{a^{n+1}} \cot \frac{A}{2}}{c \left(\frac{1}{b^{n+1}} + \frac{1}{a^{n+1}} \right)} \end{aligned}$$

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$$\begin{aligned}
 &= \frac{1}{\frac{1}{b^{n+1}} + \frac{1}{c^{n+1}}} \cdot \left(\frac{c^n a^n \cot \frac{B}{2}}{b^{n+1}} + \frac{a^n b^n \cot \frac{C}{2}}{c^{n+1}} \right) + \frac{1}{\frac{1}{c^{n+1}} + \frac{1}{a^{n+1}}} \cdot \left(\frac{a^n b^n \cot \frac{C}{2}}{c^{n+1}} + \frac{b^n c^n \cot \frac{A}{2}}{a^{n+1}} \right) \\
 &\quad + \frac{1}{\frac{1}{a^{n+1}} + \frac{1}{b^{n+1}}} \cdot \left(\frac{b^n c^n \cot \frac{A}{2}}{a^{n+1}} + \frac{c^n a^n \cot \frac{B}{2}}{b^{n+1}} \right) \\
 &= \frac{x}{y+z} (B+C) + \frac{y}{z+x} (C+A) + \frac{z}{x+y} (A+B) \\
 &\quad \left(x = \frac{1}{a^{n+1}}, y = \frac{1}{b^{n+1}}, z = \frac{1}{c^{n+1}}, A = \frac{b^n c^n \cot \frac{A}{2}}{a^{n+1}}, B = \frac{c^n a^n \cot \frac{B}{2}}{b^{n+1}}, C = \frac{a^n b^n \cot \frac{C}{2}}{c^{n+1}} \right) \\
 &= \frac{x}{y+z} \cdot \sqrt{B+C}^2 + \frac{y}{z+x} \cdot \sqrt{C+A}^2 + \frac{z}{x+y} \cdot \sqrt{A+B}^2 \stackrel{\text{Oppenheim}}{\geq} \\
 &\quad 4F. \sqrt{\sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{xy}{(y+z)(z+x)}} \stackrel{\text{via (1) and (2)}}{\geq} 2 \sqrt{\sum_{\text{cyc}} AB} \cdot \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \\
 &= \sqrt{3 \sum_{\text{cyc}} \left(\frac{b^n c^n \cot \frac{A}{2}}{a^{n+1}} \cdot \frac{c^n a^n \cot \frac{B}{2}}{b^{n+1}} \right)} = \sqrt{\frac{3(abc)^n}{(abc)^{n+1}} \cdot \sum_{\text{cyc}} \left(c^{2n+1} \cdot \cot \frac{A}{2} \cot \frac{B}{2} \right)} \\
 &\stackrel{A-G}{\geq} 3 \cdot \frac{1}{abc} \cdot \sqrt{(abc)^{2n+1} \cdot \left(\prod_{\text{cyc}} \cot \frac{A}{2} \right)^2} = 3 \sqrt{(abc)^{\frac{2n-2}{3}} \cdot \sqrt{\frac{s^6}{(r_a r_b r_c)^2}}} \\
 &= 3(abc)^{\frac{n-1}{3}} \cdot \sqrt{\frac{s^6}{r^2 s^4}} = 3(abc)^{\frac{n-1}{3}} \cdot \sqrt[3]{\frac{s}{r}} \stackrel{\text{Mitrinovic}}{\geq} = 3(abc)^{\frac{n-1}{3}} \cdot \sqrt{3} \\
 &\therefore \frac{b^{2n+1} \cot \frac{C}{2} + c^{2n+1} \cot \frac{B}{2}}{a(b^{n+1} + c^{n+1})} + \frac{c^{2n+1} \cot \frac{A}{2} + a^{2n+1} \cot \frac{C}{2}}{b(c^{n+1} + a^{n+1})} + \frac{a^{2n+1} \cot \frac{B}{2} + b^{2n+1} \cot \frac{A}{2}}{c(a^{n+1} + b^{n+1})} \\
 &\geq 3\sqrt{3}(abc)^{\frac{n-1}{3}} \forall \Delta ABC, " = " \text{ iff } \Delta ABC \text{ is equilateral (QED)}
 \end{aligned}$$

1876.

In any ΔABC , the following relationship holds :

$$\frac{h_a + w_b}{m_a r_b} + \frac{h_b + w_c}{m_b r_c} + \frac{h_c + w_a}{m_c r_a} \geq \frac{8r}{R^2}$$

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$$\begin{aligned}
 & \frac{h_a + w_b}{m_a r_b} + \frac{h_b + w_c}{m_b r_c} + \frac{h_c + w_a}{m_c r_a} \geq \\
 & \geq \frac{h_a}{m_a r_b} + \frac{h_b}{m_b r_c} + \frac{h_c}{m_c r_a} + \frac{h_b}{m_a r_b} + \frac{h_c}{m_b r_c} + \frac{h_a}{m_c r_a} \stackrel{A-G}{\geq} \\
 & \geq 6 \sqrt[6]{\frac{(\prod_{cyc} h_a)^2}{(\prod_{cyc} m_a)^2 (\prod_{cyc} r_a)^2}} \stackrel{m_a m_b m_c \leq \frac{Rs^2}{2}}{\geq} 6 \sqrt[3]{\frac{2r^2 s^2}{R \cdot \frac{Rs^2}{2} \cdot rs^2}} \stackrel{\text{Mitrinovic}}{\geq} \\
 & \geq 6 \sqrt[3]{\frac{2r^2 s^2}{R \cdot \frac{Rs^2}{2} \cdot r \cdot \frac{27R^2}{4}}} = 2 \sqrt[3]{\frac{16r}{R^4}} \stackrel{?}{\geq} \frac{8r}{R^2} \\
 \Leftrightarrow \frac{16r}{R^4} \stackrel{?}{\geq} \frac{64r^3}{R^6} & \Leftrightarrow R^2 \stackrel{?}{\geq} 4r^2 \rightarrow \text{true via Euler} \therefore \frac{h_a + w_b}{m_a r_b} + \frac{h_b + w_c}{m_b r_c} + \frac{h_c + w_a}{m_c r_a} \\
 & \geq \frac{8r}{R^2} \forall \Delta ABC, " = " \text{ iff } \Delta ABC \text{ is equilateral}
 \end{aligned}$$

Proof of $m_a m_b m_c \leq \frac{Rs^2}{2}$

$$\begin{aligned}
 m_a^2 m_b^2 m_c^2 &= \frac{1}{64} (2b^2 + 2c^2 - a^2)(2c^2 + 2a^2 - b^2)(2a^2 + 2b^2 - c^2) \\
 &= \frac{1}{64} \left(-4 \sum_{cyc} a^6 + 6 \left(\sum_{cyc} a^4 b^2 + \sum_{cyc} a^2 b^4 \right) + 3a^2 b^2 c^2 \right) \rightarrow (1)
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{Now, } \sum_{cyc} a^6 &= \left(\sum_{cyc} a^2 \right)^3 - 3(a^2 + b^2)(b^2 + c^2)(c^2 + a^2) \\
 &= \left(\sum_{cyc} a^2 \right)^3 - 3 \left(2a^2 b^2 c^2 + \sum_{cyc} \left(a^2 b^2 \left(\sum_{cyc} a^2 - c^2 \right) \right) \right) \\
 &= \left(\sum_{cyc} a^2 \right)^3 + 3a^2 b^2 c^2 - 3 \left(\sum_{cyc} a^2 b^2 \right) \left(\sum_{cyc} a^2 \right) \\
 \therefore \sum_{cyc} a^6 &= \left(\sum_{cyc} a^2 \right)^3 + 3a^2 b^2 c^2 - 3 \left(\sum_{cyc} a^2 b^2 \right) \left(\sum_{cyc} a^2 \right) \rightarrow (2)
 \end{aligned}$$

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$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{Also, } \sum_{\text{cyc}} a^4 b^2 + \sum_{\text{cyc}} a^2 b^4 &= \sum_{\text{cyc}} \left(a^2 b^2 \left(\sum_{\text{cyc}} a^2 - c^2 \right) \right) = \\
 &= \left(\sum_{\text{cyc}} a^2 b^2 \right) \left(\sum_{\text{cyc}} a^2 \right) - 3a^2 b^2 c^2 \rightarrow (3) \therefore (1), (2), (3) \Rightarrow m_a^2 m_b^2 m_c^2 \\
 &= \frac{1}{64} \left(-4 \left(\sum_{\text{cyc}} a^2 \right)^3 - 12a^2 b^2 c^2 + 12 \left(\sum_{\text{cyc}} a^2 b^2 \right) \left(\sum_{\text{cyc}} a^2 \right) \right. \\
 &\quad \left. + 6 \left(\sum_{\text{cyc}} a^2 b^2 \right) \left(\sum_{\text{cyc}} a^2 \right) - 18a^2 b^2 c^2 + 3a^2 b^2 c^2 \right) \\
 &= \frac{1}{64} \left(-4 \left(\sum_{\text{cyc}} a^2 \right)^3 + 18 \left(\sum_{\text{cyc}} a^2 b^2 \right) \left(\sum_{\text{cyc}} a^2 \right) - 27a^2 b^2 c^2 \right) \\
 &= \frac{1}{64} \left(-4 \left(\sum_{\text{cyc}} a^2 \right)^3 + 18 \left(\left(\sum_{\text{cyc}} ab \right)^2 - 16Rrs^2 \right) \left(\sum_{\text{cyc}} a^2 \right) - 27a^2 b^2 c^2 \right) \\
 &= \frac{1}{64} \left(-32(s^2 - 4Rr - r^2)^3 + 36(s^2 - 4Rr - r^2)(s^2 + 4Rr + r^2)^2 \right. \\
 &\quad \left. - 576Rrs^2(s^2 - 4Rr - r^2) - 432R^2 r^2 s^2 \right) \\
 &= \frac{1}{16} (s^6 - s^4(12Rr - 33r^2) - s^2(60R^2 r^2 + 120Rr^3 + 33r^4) - r^3(4R + r)^3) \\
 &\leq \frac{R^2 s^4}{4} \Leftrightarrow
 \end{aligned}$$

$$s^6 - s^4(4R^2 + 12Rr - 33r^2) - s^2(60R^2 r^2 + 120Rr^3 + 33r^4) - r^3(4R + r)^3 \stackrel{(*)}{\leq} 0$$

Now, LHS of (*) $\stackrel{\text{Gerretsen}}{\leq} -s^4(8Rr - 36r^2) - s^2(60R^2 r^2 + 120Rr^3 + 33r^4) - r^3(4R + r)^3 \stackrel{?}{\leq} 0$

$$\Leftrightarrow s^4(8R - 16r) + s^2(60R^2 r + 120Rr^2 + 33r^3) + r^2(4R + r)^3 \stackrel{?}{\geq} 20rs^4 \quad (**)$$

Now, LHS of (**) $\stackrel{\text{Gerretsen}}{\geq} s^2(16Rr - 5r^2)(8R - 16r)$

+ $s^2(60R^2 r + 120Rr^2 + 33r^3) + r^2(4R + r)^3$ and

RHS of (**) $\stackrel{\text{Gerretsen}}{\leq} 20rs^2(4R^2 + 4Rr + 3r^2)$

(*), (**) \Rightarrow in order to prove (**), it suffices to prove :

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$$s^2(16Rr - 5r^2)(8R - 16r) + s^2(60R^2r + 120Rr^2 + 33r^3) + r^2(4R + r)^3 \geq 20rs^2(4R^2 + 4Rr + 3r^2)$$

$$\Leftrightarrow s^2(108R^2 - 256Rr + 53r^2) + r(4R + r)^3 \geq 0$$

$$\Leftrightarrow s^2(108R^2 - 256Rr + 80r^2) + r(4R + r)^3 \stackrel{(\dots)}{\geq} 27r^2s^2$$

Now, LHS of (\dots) $\stackrel{\text{Gerretsen}}{\geq} \stackrel{(\dots)}{(108R^2 - 256Rr + 80r^2)(16Rr - 5r^2) + r(4R + r)^3}$

and RHS of (\dots) $\stackrel{\text{Gerretsen}}{\leq} \stackrel{(\dots)}{27r^2(4R^2 + 4Rr + 3r^2)}$

$(\dots), (\dots) \Rightarrow$ in order to prove (\dots) , it suffices to prove :

$$(108R^2 - 256Rr + 80r^2)(16Rr - 5r^2) + r(4R + r)^3 \geq 27r^2(4R^2 + 4Rr + 3r^2)$$

$$\Leftrightarrow 224t^3 - 587t^2 + 308t - 60 \geq 0 \quad \left(\text{where } t = \frac{R}{r}\right)$$

$$\Leftrightarrow (t - 2)((t - 2)(224t + 309) + 648) \geq 0 \rightarrow \text{true} \because t \stackrel{\text{Euler}}{\geq} 2 \Rightarrow (\dots) \Rightarrow (\dots)$$

$$\Rightarrow (\dots) \text{ is true} \Rightarrow m_a^2 m_b^2 m_c^2 \leq \frac{R^2 s^4}{4} \Rightarrow m_a m_b m_c \leq \frac{Rs^2}{2} \text{ (QED)}$$

1877. In $\triangle ABC$ the following relationship holds:

$$\sum \frac{\cot \frac{B}{2} \frac{\sin C}{\sin A} + \cot \frac{C}{2} \frac{\sin B}{\sin A}}{\sin C + \sin B} \geq 6$$

Proposed by Zaza Mzhavanadze-Georgia

Solution by Tapas Das-India

WLOG $a \geq b \geq c$ then $\cot \frac{A}{2} \leq \cot \frac{B}{2} \leq \cot \frac{C}{2}$ and $\sin A \geq \sin B \geq \sin C$

$$\sum \frac{\cot \frac{B}{2} \frac{\sin C}{\sin A} + \cot \frac{C}{2} \frac{\sin B}{\sin A}}{\sin C + \sin B} \stackrel{\text{Chebyshev}}{\geq} \sum \frac{\frac{1}{\sin A} \left(\frac{1}{2} (\cot \frac{B}{2} + \cot \frac{C}{2}) (\sin C + \sin B) \right)}{\sin C + \sin B} =$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \sum \frac{1}{\sin A} \left(\cot \frac{B}{2} + \cot \frac{C}{2} \right) \stackrel{AM-GM}{\geq} \frac{1}{2} \sum \frac{1}{\sin A} 2 \sqrt{\left(\cot \frac{B}{2} \cot \frac{C}{2} \right)} =$$

$$= \sum \frac{1}{\sin A} \sqrt{\left(\cot \frac{B}{2} \cot \frac{C}{2} \right)} \stackrel{AM-GM}{\geq} 3 \sqrt[3]{\frac{\prod \cot \frac{A}{2}}{\prod \sin A}} = 3 \sqrt[3]{\frac{\frac{s}{r}}{\frac{sR}{2R^2}}} = 3 \sqrt[3]{2 \left(\frac{R}{r} \right)^2} \stackrel{\text{Euler}}{\geq} 3 \sqrt[3]{8} = 6$$

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Equality holds for $A = B = C$

1878. In $\triangle ABC$ the following relationship holds:

$$\frac{(a+b)^3}{m_a+r_b} + \frac{(b+c)^3}{m_b+r_c} + \frac{(c+a)^3}{m_c+r_a} \geq \frac{192\sqrt{3}r^3}{R}$$

Proposed by Zaza Mzhavanadze-Georgia

Solution by Tapas Das-India

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{(a+b)^3}{m_a+r_b} + \frac{(b+c)^3}{m_b+r_c} + \frac{(c+a)^3}{m_c+r_a} &\stackrel{\text{Holder}}{\geq} \frac{(2a+2b+2c)^3}{3(\sum m_a + \sum r_a)} \stackrel{\text{Leuenger}}{\geq} \\ &\geq \frac{64s^3}{3(4R+r) \cdot 2} \stackrel{\text{Mitrinovic \& Euler}}{\geq} 64 \cdot 27r^2 \cdot \frac{3\sqrt{3}r}{6 \frac{9R}{2}} = \frac{192\sqrt{3}r^3}{R} \end{aligned}$$

Equality holds for $a = b = c$

1879. In $\triangle ABC$ the following relationship holds:

$$\sum \frac{\cot^n \frac{B \sin C}{2 \sin A} + \cot^n \frac{C \sin B}{2 \sin A}}{\sin C + \sin B} \geq 6 \cdot 3^{\frac{n-1}{2}}, n \in \mathbb{N}$$

Proposed by Zaza Mzhavanadze-Georgia

Solution by Tapas Das-India

WLOG $a \geq b \geq c$ then $\cot \frac{A}{2} \leq \cot \frac{B}{2} \leq \cot \frac{C}{2}$ and $\sin A \geq \sin B \geq \sin C$

$$\begin{aligned} \sum \frac{\cot^n \frac{B \sin C}{2 \sin A} + \cot^n \frac{C \sin B}{2 \sin A}}{\sin C + \sin B} &\stackrel{\text{Chebysv}}{\geq} \sum \frac{\frac{1}{\sin A} \left(\frac{1}{2} (\cot^n \frac{B}{2} + \cot^n \frac{C}{2}) (\sin C + \sin B) \right)}{\sin C + \sin B} \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \sum \frac{1}{\sin A} \left(\cot^n \frac{B}{2} + \cot^n \frac{C}{2} \right) \stackrel{\text{AM-GM}}{\geq} \frac{1}{2} \sum \frac{1}{\sin A} 2 \sqrt{\left(\cot^n \frac{B}{2} \cot^n \frac{C}{2} \right)} = \end{aligned}$$

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$$= \sum \frac{1}{\sin A} \sqrt{\left(\cot^n \frac{B}{2} \cot^n \frac{C}{2}\right)^{AM-GM}} \geq 3 \sqrt[3]{\frac{\prod \cot^n \frac{A}{2}}{\prod \sin A}} = 3 \sqrt[3]{\frac{\left(\frac{S}{r}\right)^n}{\frac{sr}{2R^2}}} = 3 \sqrt[3]{2 \left(\frac{R}{r}\right)^2 \left(\frac{S}{r}\right)^{n-1}} \stackrel{Euler}{\geq}$$

$$3 \sqrt[3]{8 \left(\frac{S}{r}\right)^{\frac{n-1}{3}}} \stackrel{Mitrinovic}{\geq} 6(\sqrt{3})^{n-1} = 6 \cdot 3^{\frac{n-1}{2}}$$

Equality holds for $A = B = C$

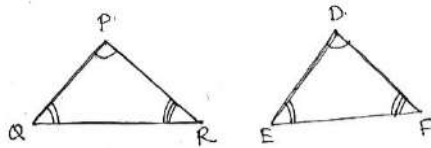
1880.

ABC, A'B'C' and A''B''C'' are 3 similar triangles.

If the sides BC, B'C' and B''C''

are sides in a right triangle then the area of the biggest triangle is the sum of the areas of the other two triangle.

Proposed by Ioannis Stampouloglou-Greece



Solution by Tapas Das-India

Theorem: If ΔPQR and ΔDEF are similar ($\angle P = \angle D, \angle Q = \angle E, \angle R = \angle F$) then

$$\frac{[PQR]}{[DEF]} = \frac{QR^2}{EF^2} = \frac{PR^2}{DF^2} = \frac{PQ^2}{DE^2}$$

Proof: $\Delta PQR \sim \Delta DEF$ and

($\angle P = \angle D, \angle Q = \angle E, \angle R = \angle F$) so corresponding sides are proportional

$$\frac{QR}{EF} = \frac{PR}{DF} = \frac{PQ}{DE} \quad (1)$$

$$\text{Now } \frac{[PQR]}{[DEF]} = \frac{\frac{1}{2} PQ \cdot PR \sin P}{\frac{1}{2} DE \cdot DF \sin D} \quad (\text{since } \angle P = \angle D) = \frac{PQ \cdot PR}{DE \cdot DF} \stackrel{(1)}{=} \frac{QR \cdot QR}{EF \cdot EF} = \frac{QR^2}{EF^2}$$

$$\text{Similarly } \frac{[PQR]}{[DEF]} = \frac{PR^2}{DF^2} \text{ and } \frac{[PQR]}{[DEF]} = \frac{PQ^2}{DE^2} \text{ or}$$

$$\frac{[PQR]}{[DEF]} = \frac{QR^2}{EF^2} = \frac{PR^2}{DF^2} = \frac{PQ^2}{DE^2} \quad (\text{proof complete})$$

According to the given problem $\Delta ABC, \Delta A'B'C'$ and $\Delta A''B''C''$ are similar, let side $BC > B'C', BC > B''C''$ and according to the question they form right angle triangle, so

$$B''C''^2 = BC^2 + B'C'^2 \quad (2) \text{ and we need to show } [ABC] + [A'B'C'] = [A''B''C'']$$

now using the above theorem we have

$$\frac{[ABC]}{BC^2} = \frac{[A'B'C']}{B'C'^2} = \frac{[A''B''C'']}{B''C''^2} = K(\text{say}).$$

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$$[ABC] = K \cdot BC^2, [A'B'C'] = K \cdot B'C'^2, [A''B''C''] = K \cdot B''C''^2$$

$$[ABC] + [A'B'C'] = K \cdot BC^2 + K \cdot B'C'^2 = K(BC^2 + B'C'^2) \stackrel{(2)}{=} KB''C''^2 = [A''B''C'']$$

or $[ABC] + [A'B'C'] = [A''B''C'']$ (proof complete)

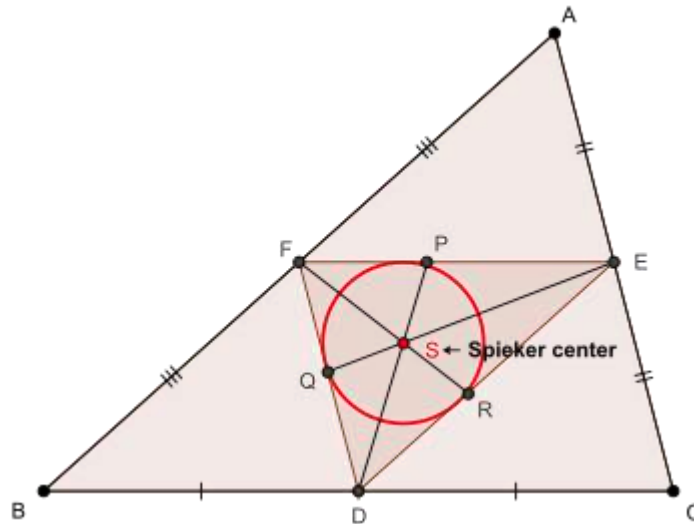
1881.

In any ΔABC , the following relationship holds :

$$\sum_{\text{cyc}} \left((2n_a + n_b) \cdot \sqrt{\frac{n_a}{n_b}} \right) \geq \sum_{\text{cyc}} \left(3p_a \cdot \sqrt{\frac{w_a}{g_a}} \right)$$

Proposed by Bogdan Fuștei-Romania

Solution by Soumava Chakraborty-Kolkata-India



Let AS produced meet BC at X and $m(\angle BAX) = \alpha$ and $m(\angle CAX) = \beta$ (say)
and inradius of $\Delta DEF = r'$ (say)

$$\text{Now, } 16[DEF]^2 = 2 \sum \left(\frac{a^2}{4} \right) \left(\frac{b^2}{4} \right) - \sum \frac{a^4}{16} = \frac{1}{16} \left(2 \sum a^2 b^2 - \sum a^4 \right) = \frac{16r^2 s^2}{16}$$

$$\Rightarrow [DEF] = \frac{rs}{4} \Rightarrow r' \left(\frac{\frac{a}{2} + \frac{b}{2} + \frac{c}{2}}{2} \right) = \frac{rs}{4} \Rightarrow r' = \frac{r}{2} \rightarrow (1)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \because \text{Spieker center is incenter of } \Delta DEF, \therefore m(\angle AFS) &= B + \frac{C}{2} = \frac{2B + C}{2} = \frac{B + \pi - A}{2} \\ &= \frac{\pi}{2} - \frac{A - B}{2} \text{ and } m(\angle AES) = C + \frac{B}{2} = \frac{\pi}{2} - \frac{A - C}{2} \rightarrow (2) \end{aligned}$$

Via (1), (2) and using cosine law on ΔAFS and ΔAES , we arrive at :

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$$\begin{aligned}
 AS^2 &= \frac{r^2}{4\sin^2 \frac{C}{2}} + \frac{c^2}{4} - \left(\frac{2r}{2\sin \frac{C}{2}} \right) \left(\frac{c}{2} \right) \sin \frac{A-B}{2} \\
 &= \frac{r^2}{4\sin^2 \frac{B}{2}} + \frac{b^2}{4} - \left(\frac{2r}{2\sin \frac{B}{2}} \right) \left(\frac{b}{2} \right) \sin \frac{A-C}{2} \\
 \Rightarrow 2AS^2 &\stackrel{(i)}{=} \frac{r^2}{4\sin^2 \frac{C}{2}} + \frac{c^2}{4} - \left(\frac{2r}{2\sin \frac{C}{2}} \right) \left(\frac{c}{2} \right) \sin \frac{A-B}{2} + \frac{r^2}{4\sin^2 \frac{B}{2}} + \frac{b^2}{4} \\
 &\quad - \left(\frac{2r}{2\sin \frac{B}{2}} \right) \left(\frac{b}{2} \right) \sin \frac{A-C}{2} \\
 \text{Now, } &\left(\frac{2r}{2\sin \frac{C}{2}} \right) \left(\frac{c}{2} \right) \sin \frac{A-B}{2} + \left(\frac{2r}{2\sin \frac{B}{2}} \right) \left(\frac{b}{2} \right) \sin \frac{A-C}{2} \\
 &= \frac{r}{2} \left(4R \cos \frac{C}{2} \sin \frac{A-B}{2} + 4R \cos \frac{B}{2} \sin \frac{A-C}{2} \right) \\
 &= Rr \left(2\sin \frac{A+B}{2} \sin \frac{A-B}{2} + 2\sin \frac{A+C}{2} \sin \frac{A-C}{2} \right) \\
 &= Rr \left(1 - 2\sin^2 \frac{B}{2} + 1 - 2\sin^2 \frac{C}{2} - 2 \left(1 - 2\sin^2 \frac{A}{2} \right) \right) \\
 &= 2Rr \left(\frac{2a(s-b)(s-c) - b(s-c)(s-a) - c(s-a)(s-b)}{abc} \right) \\
 &= \frac{Rr}{8Rrs} (2a^3 + (b+c)a^2 - 2a(b^2+c^2) - (b+c)(b-c)^2) \\
 &= \frac{4(b+c)bc\sin^2 \frac{A}{2} - 2a \cdot 2bcc\cos A}{8s} = \frac{bc \left((2s-a)\sin^2 \frac{A}{2} - a \left(1 - 2\sin^2 \frac{A}{2} \right) \right)}{2s} \\
 &= \frac{bc \left((2s+a)\sin^2 \frac{A}{2} - a \right)}{2s} = \frac{(2s+a)(s-b)(s-c)}{2s} - 2Rr \\
 &\Rightarrow - \left(\frac{2r}{2\sin \frac{C}{2}} \right) \left(\frac{c}{2} \right) \sin \frac{A-B}{2} - \left(\frac{2r}{2\sin \frac{B}{2}} \right) \left(\frac{b}{2} \right) \sin \frac{A-C}{2} \\
 &\quad \stackrel{(*)}{=} \frac{-(2s+a)(s-b)(s-c)}{2s} + 2Rr \\
 \text{Again, } &\frac{r^2}{4\sin^2 \frac{B}{2}} + \frac{r^2}{4\sin^2 \frac{C}{2}} = \frac{r^2}{4} \left(\frac{ca}{(s-c)(s-a)} + \frac{ab}{(s-a)(s-b)} \right)
 \end{aligned}$$

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$$= \frac{r^2}{4r^2s} (ca(s-b) + ab(s-c)) = \frac{ab+ca}{4} - 2Rr \stackrel{(**)}{=} \frac{r^2}{4\sin^2 \frac{B}{2}} + \frac{r^2}{4\sin^2 \frac{C}{2}}$$

$$(i), (*), (**) \Rightarrow 2AS^2 = \frac{b^2 + c^2 + ab + ca}{4} - \frac{(2s+a)(s-b)(s-c)}{2s}$$

$$= \frac{(a+b+c)(b^2 + c^2 + ab + ca) - (2a+b+c)(c+a-b)(a+b-c)}{8s}$$

$$= \frac{b^3 + c^3 - abc + a(2b^2 + 2c^2 - a^2)}{4s} \Rightarrow 2AS^2 \stackrel{(ii)}{=} \frac{b^3 + c^3 - abc + a(4m_a^2)}{4s}$$

Via sine law on $\triangle AFS$, $\frac{r}{2\sin \frac{C}{2} \sin \alpha} = \frac{AS}{\cos \frac{A-B}{2}} = \frac{4s}{cAS}$

$$\Rightarrow c \sin \alpha \stackrel{(***)}{=} \frac{r(a+b)}{2AS} \text{ and via sine law on } \triangle AES, b \sin \beta \stackrel{****)}{=} \frac{r(a+c)}{2AS}$$

Now, $[BAX] + [BAX] = [ABC] \Rightarrow \frac{1}{2} p_a c \sin \alpha + \frac{1}{2} p_a b \sin \beta = rs$

via (***) and ****) $\frac{p_a(a+b+a+c)}{4AS} = s \Rightarrow p_a = \frac{4s}{2s+a} AS$

$$\Rightarrow p_a^2 \stackrel{\text{via (ii)}}{=} \frac{16s^2}{(2s+a)^2} \cdot \frac{b^3 + c^3 - abc + a(4m_a^2)}{8s}$$

$$\therefore p_a^2 \stackrel{(*)}{=} \frac{2s}{(2s+a)^2} (b^3 + c^3 - abc + a(4m_a^2))$$

Now, $b^3 + c^3 - abc + a(4m_a^2) = b^3 + c^3 - abc + a(2b^2 + 2c^2 - a^2)$

$$= (b+c)(b^2 - bc + c^2) + a(b^2 - bc + c^2) + a(b^2 + c^2 - a^2)$$

$$= 2s(b^2 - bc + c^2) + a(b^2 - bc + c^2 + bc - a^2)$$

$$= (2s+a)(b^2 - bc + c^2) + a \left(\frac{(b+c)^2 - (b-c)^2}{4} - a^2 \right)$$

$$= (2s+a)(b^2 - bc + c^2) + \frac{a(b+c+2a)(b+c-2a)}{4} - \frac{a(b-c)^2}{4}$$

$$= (2s+a)(b^2 - bc + c^2) + \frac{a(2s-a+2a)(b+c-2a)}{4} - \frac{a(b-c)^2}{4}$$

$$= (2s+a) \cdot \frac{4b^2 + 4c^2 - 4bc + a(b+c-2a)}{4} - \frac{a(b-c)^2}{4}$$

$$= (2s+a).$$

$$\frac{4(z+x)^2 + 4(x+y)^2 - 4(z+x)(x+y) + (y+z)((z+x) + (x+y) - 2(y+z))}{4}$$

$$- \frac{a(b-c)^2}{4} \quad (a = y+z, b = z+x, c = x+y)$$

$$= (2s+a) \cdot \frac{4x(x+y+z) + 2x(y+z) + 3(y-z)^2}{4} - \frac{a(b-c)^2}{4}$$

$$= (2s+a) \left(s(s-a) + \frac{3}{4}(b-c)^2 + \frac{a(s-a)}{2} \right) - \frac{a(b-c)^2}{4}$$

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$$\begin{aligned}
 &= (2s + a) \left(s(s - a) + \frac{3}{4}(b - c)^2 + \frac{a(s - a)}{2} \right) - \frac{(a + 2s - 2s)(b - c)^2}{4} \\
 &= (2s + a) \left(s(s - a) + \frac{(b - c)^2}{2} + \frac{a(s - a)}{2} \right) + \frac{s(b - c)^2}{2}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore \boxed{\mathbf{b^3 + c^3 - abc + a(4m_a^2)} \stackrel{(\bullet\bullet)}{=} (2s + a) \left(\frac{(s - a)(2s + a)}{2} + \frac{(b - c)^2}{2} \right) + \frac{s(b - c)^2}{2}}$$

$$\therefore (\bullet), (\bullet\bullet) \Rightarrow \mathbf{p_a^2} = \frac{2s}{(2s + a)^2} \left(\frac{(s - a)(2s + a)^2}{2} + \frac{(2s + a)(b - c)^2}{2} + \frac{s(b - c)^2}{2} \right)$$

$$= s(s - a) + (b - c)^2 \left(\left(\frac{s}{2s + a} \right)^2 + \frac{s}{2s + a} + \frac{1}{4} - \frac{1}{4} \right)$$

$$= s(s - a) - \frac{(b - c)^2}{4} + (b - c)^2 \cdot \left(\frac{s}{2s + a} + \frac{1}{2} \right)^2$$

$$= s(s - a) + \frac{(b - c)^2}{4} \left(\frac{(4s + a)^2}{(2s + a)^2} - 1 \right)$$

$$\Rightarrow \mathbf{p_a^2} \stackrel{(\bullet\bullet\bullet)}{=} s(s - a) + \frac{s(3s + a)(b - c)^2}{(2s + a)^2}$$

$$\text{Now, } \mathbf{m_a n_a} \stackrel{?}{\geq} \mathbf{p_a^2} + \frac{(b - c)^2}{18} \stackrel{\text{via } (\bullet\bullet\bullet)}{\Leftrightarrow}$$

$$\left(s(s - a) + \frac{(b - c)^2}{4} \right) \left(s(s - a) + \frac{s(b - c)^2}{a} \right) \stackrel{?}{\geq} \left(s(s - a) + \frac{s(3s + a)(b - c)^2}{(2s + a)^2} \right)^2$$

$$+ \frac{(b - c)^4}{324} + \frac{(b - c)^2}{9} \cdot \left(s(s - a) + \frac{s(3s + a)(b - c)^2}{(2s + a)^2} \right)$$

$$\Leftrightarrow s(s - a)(b - c)^2 \left(\frac{s}{a} + \frac{1}{4} \right) + \frac{s(b - c)^4}{4a} \stackrel{?}{\geq} \frac{s^2(3s + a)^2(b - c)^4}{(2s + a)^4} +$$

$$2s(s - a) \cdot \frac{s(3s + a)(b - c)^2}{(2s + a)^2} + \frac{(b - c)^4}{324} + s(s - a) \cdot \frac{(b - c)^2}{9} + \frac{s(3s + a)(b - c)^4}{9(2s + a)^2}$$

$$\Leftrightarrow s(s - a) \left(\frac{s}{a} + \frac{1}{4} - \frac{2s(3s + a)(b - c)^2}{(2s + a)^2} - \frac{1}{9} \right) +$$

$$\left(\frac{s}{4a} - \frac{s^2(3s + a)^2}{(2s + a)^4} - \frac{1}{324} - \frac{s(3s + a)}{9(2s + a)^2} \right) (b - c)^2 \stackrel{?}{\geq} 0 \quad (\because (b - c)^2 \geq 0)$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \frac{s(s - a)(144s^3 - 52s^2a - 16sa^2 + 5a^3)}{36a(2s + a)^2}$$

$$+ \frac{1296s^5 - 772s^4a - 608s^3a^2 + 48s^2a^3 + 37sa^4 - a^5}{324a(2s + a)^4} \cdot (b - c)^2 \stackrel{?}{\geq} 0$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \frac{s(s - a) \left((s - a)(144s^2 + 92sa + 76a^2) + 81a^3 \right)}{36a(2s + a)^2} +$$

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$$\frac{(s-a) \left((s-a)(1296s^3 + 1820s^2a + 1736sa^2 + 1700a^3) + 1701a^4 \right)}{324a(2s+a)^4} \cdot (b-c)^2$$

$$\stackrel{?}{\geq} 0 \rightarrow \text{true (strict inequality)} \therefore m_a n_a \geq p_a^2 + \frac{(b-c)^2}{18} \geq p_a^2 \Rightarrow \boxed{\sqrt{m_a n_a} \stackrel{(\blacksquare)}{\geq} p_a}$$

Now, Stewart's theorem $\Rightarrow b^2(s-c) + c^2(s-b) \stackrel{(4)}{=} an_a^2 + a(s-b)(s-c)$
 $\Rightarrow s(b^2 + c^2) - bc(2s-a) = an_a^2 + a(s^2 - s(2s-a) + bc) \Rightarrow s(b^2 + c^2) - 2sbc$
 $= an_a^2 + a(as - s^2) \Rightarrow s(b^2 + c^2 - a^2 - 2bc) = an_a^2 - as^2 \Rightarrow an_a^2 = as^2 +$
 $s(2bccosA - 2bc) = as^2 - 4sbc \sin^2 \frac{A}{2} = as^2 - \frac{4sbc(s-b)(s-c)(s-a)}{bc(s-a)}$

$$= as^2 - \frac{as(c+a-b)(a+b-c)}{a} = as^2 - as \left(\frac{a^2 - (b-c)^2}{a} \right)$$

$$\Rightarrow n_a^2 = s \left(s - \frac{a^2 - (b-c)^2}{a} \right) \Rightarrow n_a^2 \stackrel{(\ast\ast\ast\ast)}{=} s \left(s - a + \frac{(b-c)^2}{a} \right)$$

Also, Stewart's theorem $\Rightarrow b^2(s-c) + c^2(s-b) = an_a^2 +$
 $a(s-b)(s-c)$ and $b^2(s-b) + c^2(s-c) \stackrel{(5)}{=} ag_a^2 + a(s-b)(s-c)$ and
 adding (4) and (5), we get:

$$(b^2 + c^2)(2s - b - c) = an_a^2 + ag_a^2 + 2a(s-b)(s-c)$$

$$\Rightarrow 2a(b^2 + c^2) = 2a(n_a^2 + g_a^2) + a(a+b-c)(c+a-b)$$

$$\Rightarrow 2(b^2 + c^2) = 2(n_a^2 + g_a^2) + a^2 - (b-c)^2$$

$$\Rightarrow 2(b^2 + c^2) - a^2 + (b-c)^2 = 2(n_a^2 + g_a^2) \Rightarrow 4m_a^2 + (b-c)^2 = 2(n_a^2 + g_a^2)$$

$$\Rightarrow 2(b-c)^2 + 4s(s-a) = 2(n_a^2 + g_a^2) \Rightarrow n_a^2 + g_a^2 \stackrel{(\ast\ast\ast\ast\ast)}{=} (b-c)^2 + 2s(s-a)$$

Using $(\ast\ast\ast\ast)$ and $(\ast\ast\ast\ast\ast)$, we get : $g_a^2 = (b-c)^2 + 2s(s-a) - s^2$
 $+ \frac{4s(s-b)(s-c)}{a} = s^2 - 2sa + a^2 + (b-c)^2 - a^2 + \frac{4s(s-b)(s-c)}{a}$

$$= (s-a)^2 + (b-c+a)(b-c-a) + \frac{4s(s-b)(s-c)}{a} = (s-a)^2 -$$

$$4(s-b)(s-c) + \frac{4s(s-b)(s-c)}{a} = (s-a)^2 + 4(s-b)(s-c) \left(\frac{s}{a} - 1 \right)$$

$$= (s-a)^2 + \frac{4(s-a)(s-b)(s-c)}{a} = (s-a) \left(s - a + \frac{a^2 - (b-c)^2}{a} \right)$$

$$\Rightarrow g_a^2 \stackrel{(\ast\ast\ast\ast\ast)}{=} (s-a) \left(s - \frac{(b-c)^2}{a} \right) \therefore (\ast\ast\ast\ast), (\ast\ast\ast\ast\ast\ast) \Rightarrow n_a^2 g_a^2 =$$

$$s(s-a) \left(s - a + \frac{(b-c)^2}{a} \right) \left(s - \frac{(b-c)^2}{a} \right)$$

$$= s(s-a) \left(s(s-a) + s \frac{(b-c)^2}{a} - \frac{(b-c)^2}{a} (s-a) - \frac{(b-c)^4}{a^2} \right)$$

$$\Rightarrow n_a^2 g_a^2 \stackrel{(a)}{=} s(s-a) \left(s(s-a) + (b-c)^2 - \frac{(b-c)^4}{a^2} \right)$$

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$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{Again, } m_a^2 w_a^2 &= \frac{(b-c)^2 + 4s(s-a)}{4} \cdot \frac{4bcs(s-a)}{(b+c)^2} \\
 \Rightarrow m_a^2 w_a^2 &\stackrel{(b)}{=} s(s-a) \frac{bc}{(b+c)^2} \left((b-c)^2 + 4s(s-a) \right) \therefore (1), (2) \Rightarrow n_a^2 g_a^2 - m_a^2 w_a^2 \\
 &= s(s-a) \left(s(s-a) + (b-c)^2 - \frac{(b-c)^4}{a^2} - \frac{bc}{(b+c)^2} \left((b-c)^2 + 4s(s-a) \right) \right) \\
 &= s(s-a) \left(\frac{s(s-a) + (b-c)^2 \left(\frac{a^2 - (b-c)^2}{a^2} \right)}{-\frac{bc}{(b+c)^2} \left((b-c)^2 + (b+c)^2 - a^2 \right)} \right) \\
 &= s(s-a) \left(s(s-a) - bc + (a^2 - (b-c)^2) \left(\frac{(b-c)^2}{a^2} + \frac{bc}{(b+c)^2} \right) \right) \\
 &= \frac{s(s-a)}{4} \left(((b+c)^2 - a^2 - 4bc) + (a^2 - (b-c)^2) \left(\frac{4(b-c)^2}{a^2} + \frac{4bc}{(b+c)^2} \right) \right) \\
 &= \frac{s(s-a)}{4} \left((b-c)^2 - a^2 + (a^2 - (b-c)^2) \left(\frac{4(b-c)^2}{a^2} + \frac{4bc}{(b+c)^2} \right) \right) \\
 &= \frac{s(s-a)}{4} (a^2 - (b-c)^2) \left(\frac{4(b-c)^2}{a^2} + \frac{4bc}{(b+c)^2} - 1 \right) \\
 &= \frac{s(s-a)}{4} \cdot 4(s-b)(s-c) \left(\frac{4(b-c)^2}{a^2} - \frac{(b-c)^2}{(b+c)^2} \right) = r^2 s^2 (b-c)^2 \left(\frac{4}{a^2} - \frac{1}{(b+c)^2} \right) \\
 &= r^2 s^2 (b-c)^2 \left(\frac{2}{a} + \frac{1}{b+c} \right) \left(\frac{2b+2c-a}{a(b+c)} \right) \geq 0 \Rightarrow n_a^2 g_a^2 \geq m_a^2 w_a^2 \\
 &\Rightarrow \boxed{\sqrt{n_a g_a} \stackrel{(\blacksquare\blacksquare)}{\geq} \sqrt{m_a w_a}}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{We have : } (2n_a + n_b) \cdot \sqrt{\frac{n_a}{n_b}} &\stackrel{G-H}{\geq} (2n_a + n_b) \cdot \frac{2 \cdot \frac{n_a}{n_b} \cdot 1}{\frac{n_a}{n_b} + 1} = (n_a + n_a + n_b) \cdot \frac{2n_a}{n_a + n_b} \\
 &= \frac{2n_a^2}{n_a + n_b} + 2n_a \Rightarrow \sum_{\text{cyc}} \left((2n_a + n_b) \cdot \sqrt{\frac{n_a}{n_b}} \right) \geq 2 \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{n_a^2}{n_a + n_b} + 2 \sum_{\text{cyc}} n_a
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{Bergstrom} \\
 \geq \frac{2(\sum_{\text{cyc}} n_a)^2}{2 \sum_{\text{cyc}} n_a} + 2 \sum_{\text{cyc}} n_a &\Rightarrow \sum_{\text{cyc}} \left((2n_a + n_b) \cdot \sqrt{\frac{n_a}{n_b}} \right) \stackrel{(\blacksquare\blacksquare\blacksquare)}{\geq} 3 \sum_{\text{cyc}} n_a
 \end{aligned}$$

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$$\begin{aligned} \text{Now, } \frac{n_a}{p_a \cdot \sqrt{\frac{w_a}{g_a}}} &= \frac{\sqrt{n_a g_a} \cdot \sqrt{\frac{n_a}{w_a}} \text{ via (■)} \geq \frac{\sqrt{m_a w_a} \cdot \sqrt{\frac{n_a}{w_a}}}{p_a} = \frac{\sqrt{m_a n_a}}{p_a} \text{ via (■)} \geq 1 \\ \Rightarrow \boxed{3n_a} &\geq \boxed{3p_a \cdot \sqrt{\frac{w_a}{g_a}}} \Rightarrow \sum_{\text{cyc}} \left((2n_a + n_b) \cdot \sqrt{\frac{n_a}{n_b}} \right) \text{ via (■)} \geq 3 \sum_{\text{cyc}} n_a \\ \text{via (■)} \sum_{\text{cyc}} \left(3p_a \cdot \sqrt{\frac{w_a}{g_a}} \right) &\therefore \sum_{\text{cyc}} \left((2n_a + n_b) \cdot \sqrt{\frac{n_a}{n_b}} \right) \geq \sum_{\text{cyc}} \left(3p_a \cdot \sqrt{\frac{w_a}{g_a}} \right) \\ &\forall \Delta ABC, " = " \text{ iff } \Delta ABC \text{ is equilateral (QED)} \end{aligned}$$

1882.

In any ΔABC with $\omega \rightarrow$ Brocard's angle, the following relationship holds :

$$\sum_{\text{cyc}}^4 \sqrt{\left(2 + \frac{1}{\sin \omega}\right) \left(3 + \frac{n_a}{h_a}\right)} \geq \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{\sqrt{b} + \sqrt{c}}{\sqrt{a}}$$

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$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\sum_{\text{cyc}} a^2 b^2}{4F^2} &\stackrel{?}{\geq} \frac{(c^2 + a^2)^2}{c^2 a^2} \Leftrightarrow \frac{\sum_{\text{cyc}} a^4 + 16F^2}{8F^2} \stackrel{?}{\geq} \frac{c^4 + a^4 + 2c^2 a^2}{c^2 a^2} \\ &\Leftrightarrow \frac{\sum_{\text{cyc}} a^4}{8F^2} \stackrel{?}{\geq} \frac{c^4 + a^4}{c^2 a^2} \Leftrightarrow \frac{\sum_{\text{cyc}} a^4}{c^4 + a^4} \stackrel{?}{\geq} \frac{8F^2}{c^2 a^2} \\ &\Leftrightarrow \frac{\sum_{\text{cyc}} a^4 - (c^4 + a^4)}{c^4 + a^4} \stackrel{?}{\geq} \frac{2a^2 b^2 + 2b^2 c^2 - (\sum_{\text{cyc}} a^4)}{2c^2 a^2} \\ &\Leftrightarrow \frac{b^4}{c^4 + a^4} + \frac{b^4}{2c^2 a^2} + \frac{c^4 + a^4}{2c^2 a^2} \stackrel{?}{\geq} \frac{b^2(c^2 + a^2)}{c^2 a^2} \\ &\Leftrightarrow \frac{b^4(c^2 + a^2)^2}{2c^2 a^2(c^4 + a^4)} + \frac{c^4 + a^4}{2c^2 a^2} \stackrel{?}{\geq} \frac{b^2(c^2 + a^2)}{c^2 a^2} \\ &\Leftrightarrow b^4(c^2 + a^2)^2 + (c^4 + a^4)^2 \stackrel{?}{\geq} 2b^2(c^2 + a^2)(c^4 + a^4) \rightarrow \text{true via AM - GM} \\ \therefore \frac{\sum_{\text{cyc}} a^2 b^2}{4F^2} &\geq \frac{(c^2 + a^2)^2}{c^2 a^2} \Rightarrow \frac{\sqrt{\sum_{\text{cyc}} a^2 b^2}}{2F} \geq \frac{c}{a} + \frac{a}{c} \Rightarrow \frac{1}{\sin \omega} \stackrel{(*)}{\geq} \frac{c}{a} + \frac{a}{c} \text{ and analogs} \\ \text{Now, Stewart's theorem} &\Rightarrow b^2(s - c) + c^2(s - b) = an_a^2 + a(s - b)(s - c) \\ \Rightarrow s(b^2 + c^2) - bc(2s - a) &= an_a^2 + a(s^2 - s(2s - a) + bc) \Rightarrow s(b^2 + c^2) - 2sbc \\ &= an_a^2 + a(as - s^2) \Rightarrow s(b^2 + c^2 - a^2 - 2bc) = an_a^2 - as^2 \Rightarrow an_a^2 = as^2 + \end{aligned}$$

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$$\begin{aligned} s(2bc \cos A - 2bc) &= as^2 - 4sbc \sin^2 \frac{A}{2} = as^2 - \frac{4sbc(s-b)(s-c)(s-a)}{bc(s-a)} \\ &= as^2 - s(a^2 - (b-c)^2) = as(s-a) + s(b-c)^2 \\ &\Rightarrow n_a^2 = s(s-a) + \frac{s}{a}(b-c)^2 \rightarrow (1) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Now, } n_a &\geq \frac{b^2 - bc + c^2}{2R} \Leftrightarrow \frac{n_a}{h_a} \geq \frac{b^2 - bc + c^2}{bc} \Leftrightarrow \frac{n_a^2}{h_a^2} - 1 \geq \left(\frac{b^2 - bc + c^2}{bc} \right)^2 - 1 \\ &= \frac{(b-c)^2(b^2 + c^2)}{b^2c^2} \Leftrightarrow \frac{n_a^2 - h_a^2}{h_a^2} \geq \frac{(b-c)^2(b^2 + c^2)}{b^2c^2} \\ &\stackrel{\text{via (1)}}{\Leftrightarrow} s(s-a) + \frac{s}{a}(b-c)^2 - s(s-a) + \frac{s(s-a)(b-c)^2}{a^2} \geq \\ &\frac{(b-c)^2(b^2 + c^2)}{b^2c^2} \cdot \frac{b^2c^2}{4R^2} \Leftrightarrow \left(\frac{s}{a} + \frac{s(s-a)}{a^2} \right) (b-c)^2 \geq \frac{(b-c)^2(b^2 + c^2)}{4R^2} \Leftrightarrow \\ \frac{s^2}{a^2} &\geq \frac{b^2 + c^2}{4R^2} \quad (\because (b-c)^2 \geq 0) \Leftrightarrow 4R^2s^2 \geq a^2b^2 + c^2a^2 \rightarrow \text{true (strict inequality)} \\ \therefore 4R^2s^2 &\stackrel{\text{Goldstone}}{\geq} \sum_{\text{cyc}} a^2b^2 > a^2b^2 + c^2a^2 \therefore n_a \geq \frac{b^2 - bc + c^2}{2R} \text{ and analogs} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore (*) \text{ and } (**) &\Rightarrow \left(2 + \frac{1}{\sin \omega} \right) \left(3 + \frac{n_a}{h_a} \right) \geq \left(2 + \frac{b}{c} + \frac{c}{b} \right) \left(3 + \frac{b^2 - bc + c^2}{2R \cdot \frac{bc}{2R}} \right) \\ &= \frac{(b+c)^2}{bc} \cdot \frac{(b+c)^2}{bc} \Rightarrow \sqrt[4]{\left(2 + \frac{1}{\sin \omega} \right) \left(3 + \frac{n_a}{h_a} \right)} \geq \frac{b+c}{\sqrt{bc}} \text{ and analogs} \\ \therefore \sum_{\text{cyc}} \sqrt[4]{\left(2 + \frac{1}{\sin \omega} \right) \left(3 + \frac{n_a}{h_a} \right)} &\geq \sum_{\text{cyc}} \sqrt{\frac{b}{c}} + \sum_{\text{cyc}} \sqrt{\frac{c}{b}} = \sum_{\text{cyc}} \sqrt{\frac{c}{a}} + \sum_{\text{cyc}} \sqrt{\frac{b}{a}} \\ &\therefore \sum_{\text{cyc}} \sqrt[4]{\left(2 + \frac{1}{\sin \omega} \right) \left(3 + \frac{n_a}{h_a} \right)} \geq \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{\sqrt{b} + \sqrt{c}}{\sqrt{a}} \quad \forall \Delta ABC, \\ &\text{with equality iff } \Delta ABC \text{ is equilateral (QED)} \end{aligned}$$

1883. In ΔABC the following relationship holds:

$$\frac{b+c-a}{m_a} + \frac{a+c-b}{m_b} + \frac{a+b-c}{m_c} \leq 2R \left(\frac{1}{a} + \frac{1}{b} + \frac{1}{c} \right)$$

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Solution by Tapas Das-India

$$(a+b+c) \left(\frac{1}{a} + \frac{1}{b} + \frac{1}{c} \right)^{c-s} \geq 9 \quad (1)$$

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$$\sum \sqrt{s-a} \stackrel{CBS}{\leq} \sqrt{3(3s-a-b-c)} = \sqrt{3s} \quad (2)$$

$$\frac{b+c-a}{m_a} + \frac{a+c-b}{m_b} + \frac{a+b-c}{m_c} \stackrel{m_a \geq \sqrt{s(s-a)}}{\leq}$$

$$\frac{2(s-a)}{\sqrt{s(s-a)}} + \frac{2(s-b)}{\sqrt{s(s-b)}} + \frac{2(s-c)}{\sqrt{s(s-c)}} = \frac{2}{\sqrt{s}} \sum \sqrt{s-a} \stackrel{(2)}{\leq} \frac{2}{\sqrt{s}} \cdot \sqrt{3s} = 2\sqrt{3} =$$

$$= 2 \cdot \frac{9}{3\sqrt{3}} \stackrel{(1)}{\leq} \frac{2}{3\sqrt{3}} (a+b+c) \left(\frac{1}{a} + \frac{1}{b} + \frac{1}{c} \right) = \frac{4s}{3\sqrt{3}} \left(\frac{1}{a} + \frac{1}{b} + \frac{1}{c} \right) \stackrel{Mitrinovic}{\leq}$$

$$\leq \frac{4(3\sqrt{3}R)}{3\sqrt{3}} \left(\frac{1}{a} + \frac{1}{b} + \frac{1}{c} \right) = 2R \left(\frac{1}{a} + \frac{1}{b} + \frac{1}{c} \right)$$

Equality holds for $a = b = c$.

1884. In $\triangle ABC$ the following relationship holds:

$$\frac{xr_a + yr_b}{zr_c} + \frac{yr_a + zr_c}{xr_b} + \frac{xr_c + zr_b}{yr_a} \geq 12 \sqrt[3]{\frac{r}{4R}}$$

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Solution by Tapas Das-India

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{xr_a + yr_b}{zr_c} + \frac{yr_a + zr_c}{xr_b} + \frac{xr_c + zr_b}{yr_a} = \\ & = \left(\frac{xr_a}{zr_c} + \frac{yr_a}{xr_b} + \frac{zr_c}{yr_a} \right) + \left(\frac{yr_b}{zr_c} + \frac{zr_c}{xr_b} + \frac{zr_b}{yr_a} \right) \stackrel{AM-GM}{\geq} \\ & \geq 6 \left(\left(\frac{xr_a}{zr_c} \cdot \frac{yr_a}{xr_b} \cdot \frac{zr_c}{yr_a} \right) \cdot \left(\frac{yr_b}{zr_c} \cdot \frac{zr_c}{xr_b} \cdot \frac{zr_b}{yr_a} \right) \right)^{\frac{1}{3}} = \end{aligned}$$

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$$= 6(1)^{\frac{1}{3}} = 6 = 12 \cdot \frac{1}{2} = 12 \left(\frac{1}{8}\right)^{\frac{1}{3}} = 12 \left(\frac{r}{8R}\right)^{\frac{1}{3}} \stackrel{\text{Euler}}{\geq} 12 \left(\frac{r}{8R}\right)^{\frac{1}{3}} = 12 \sqrt[3]{\frac{r}{4R}}$$

1885. In $\triangle ABC$ the following relationship holds:

$$3\sqrt{3}r \leq \frac{ar_a}{r_b + r_c} + \frac{br_b}{r_c + r_a} + \frac{cr_c}{r_a + r_b} \leq \left(\frac{R}{r} - 1\right)s$$

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WLOG $a \geq b \geq c$ then $r_a \geq r_b \geq r_c$ and $(r_a + r_b) \geq (r_a + r_c) \geq (r_b + r_c)$
and $\frac{r_a}{(r_b + r_c)} \geq \frac{r_b}{(r_a + r_c)} \geq \frac{r_c}{(r_a + r_b)}$

$$\begin{aligned} \sum ar_a &= F \sum \frac{a}{s-a} = \frac{F}{(s-a)(s-b)(s-c)} \left(\sum a(s-b)(s-c) \right) = \\ &= \frac{F}{sr^2} (s^2(a+b+c) - 2s(ab+bc+ca) + 3abc) = \\ &= \frac{F}{sr^2} (2s^3 - 2s(s^2 + r^2 + 4Rr) + 12Rrs) = \frac{F}{sr^2} (2Rr - r^2)2s = \frac{2s(2Rr - r^2)}{r} \quad (1) \end{aligned}$$

$$\frac{ar_a}{r_b + r_c} + \frac{br_b}{r_c + r_a} + \frac{cr_c}{r_a + r_b} = \sum \frac{ar_a}{r_b + r_c} \stackrel{\text{AM-HM}}{\leq} \sum \frac{1}{4} a \left(\frac{r_a}{r_b} + \frac{r_a}{r_c} \right) =$$

$$\begin{aligned} \sum \frac{1}{4} a \left(\frac{r_a}{r_b} + \frac{r_a}{r_c} + \frac{r_a}{r_a} - 1 \right) &= \sum ar_a \left(\frac{1}{r_a} + \frac{1}{r_b} + \frac{1}{r_c} \right) \frac{1}{4} - \sum \frac{a}{4} = \\ &= \frac{1}{4r} \sum ar_a - \frac{s}{2} \stackrel{(1)}{=} \frac{2s(2Rr - r^2)}{r(4r)} - \frac{s}{2} = \frac{s}{2} \left(\frac{2R}{r} - 2 \right) = \left(\frac{R}{r} - 1 \right) s \end{aligned}$$

$$\frac{ar_a}{r_b + r_c} + \frac{br_b}{r_c + r_a} + \frac{cr_c}{r_a + r_b} \stackrel{\text{Chebyshev}}{\geq}$$

$$\geq \frac{1}{3} \left(\sum a \right) \left(\sum \frac{r_a}{r_b + r_c} \right) \stackrel{\text{Nesbitt}}{\geq} \frac{1}{3} 2s \cdot \frac{3}{2} \stackrel{\text{Mitrinovic}}{\geq} 3\sqrt{3}r$$

Equality holds for $a = b = c$.

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1886. In any $\triangle ABC$, the following relationship holds :

$$\frac{9}{4s^2} \leq \frac{1}{(r_a + h_a)^2} + \frac{1}{(r_b + h_b)^2} + \frac{1}{(r_c + h_c)^2} \leq \frac{1}{12r^2}$$

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$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{a(s-a)}{b+c} &= \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{(a-2s+2s)(s-a)}{2s-a} = \\ &= -\sum_{\text{cyc}} (s-a) + 2s^2 \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{1}{b+c} + 2s \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{-a+2s-2s}{2s-a} \\ &= -s + 2s^2 \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{1}{b+c} + 6s - 4s^2 \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{1}{b+c} = 5s - 2s^2 \cdot \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{(c+a)(a+b)}{\prod_{\text{cyc}}(b+c)} \\ &= 5s - 2s^2 \cdot \frac{(\sum_{\text{cyc}} a^2 + 2 \sum_{\text{cyc}} ab) + \sum_{\text{cyc}} ab}{2s(s^2 + 2Rr + r^2)} = 5s - 2s^2 \cdot \frac{4s^2 + s^2 + 4Rr + r^2}{2s(s^2 + 2Rr + r^2)} \\ &= 5s - s \cdot \frac{5s^2 + 4Rr + r^2}{s^2 + 2Rr + r^2} \Rightarrow \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{a(s-a)}{b+c} = \frac{s(6Rr + 4r^2)}{s^2 + 2Rr + r^2} \rightarrow (1) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Now, } \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{1}{(r_a + h_a)^2} &= \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{1}{\left(\frac{rs}{s-a} + \frac{2rs}{a}\right)^2} = \frac{1}{r^2 s^2} \cdot \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{a^2(s-a)^2}{(b+c)^2} \\ &\geq \frac{1}{3r^2 s^2} \cdot \left(\sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{a(s-a)}{b+c}\right)^2 \stackrel{\text{via (1)}}{\geq} \frac{s^2 r^2 (6R + 4r)^2}{3r^2 s^2 (s^2 + 2Rr + r^2)^2} \stackrel{?}{\geq} \frac{9}{4s^2} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} &\Leftrightarrow 4s^2(6R + 4r)^2 \stackrel{?}{\geq} 27(s^2 + 2Rr + r^2)^2 \\ &\Leftrightarrow (144R^2 + 84Rr + 10r^2)s^2 \stackrel{?}{\geq} 27s^4 + 27r^2(2R + r)^2 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Now, RHS of (*)} &\stackrel{\text{Gerretsen}}{\leq} (108R^2 + 108Rr + 81r^2)s^2 + 27r^2(2R + r)^2 \\ &\stackrel{?}{\leq} (144R^2 + 84Rr + 10r^2)s^2 \Leftrightarrow (36R^2 - 24Rr - 71r^2)s^2 \stackrel{?}{\geq} 27r^2(2R + r)^2 \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Again, } \because 36R^2 - 24Rr - 71r^2 = (R - 2r)(36R + 48r) + 25r^2 \stackrel{\text{Euler}}{\geq} 25r^2 > 0$$

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore \text{LHS of (**)} &\stackrel{\text{Gerretsen}}{\geq} (36R^2 - 24Rr - 71r^2)(16Rr - 5r^2) \stackrel{?}{\geq} 27r^2(2R + r)^2 \\ &\Leftrightarrow 144t^3 - 168t^2 - 281t + 82 \geq 0 \left(t = \frac{R}{r}\right) \end{aligned}$$

$$\Leftrightarrow (t-2)(144t^2 + 99t + 21(t-2) + 1) \stackrel{?}{\geq} 0 \rightarrow \text{true} \because t \stackrel{\text{Euler}}{\geq} 2$$

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$$\Rightarrow (**) \Rightarrow (*) \text{ is true } \therefore \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{1}{(r_a + h_a)^2} \geq \frac{9}{4s^2}$$

$$\text{Also, } \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{1}{(r_a + h_a)^2} \stackrel{\text{A-G}}{\leq} \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{1}{4r_a h_a} = \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{a(s-a)}{8r^2 s^2}$$

$$= \frac{1}{8r^2 s^2} \cdot (s(2s) - 2(s^2 - 4Rr - r^2)) = \frac{4R + r}{4rs^2} \stackrel{\text{Gerretsen + Euler}}{\leq} \frac{4R + r}{4r \cdot 3r(4R + r)}$$

$$\therefore \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{1}{(r_a + h_a)^2} \leq \frac{1}{12r^2} \text{ and so,}$$

$$\frac{9}{4s^2} \leq \frac{1}{(r_a + h_a)^2} + \frac{1}{(r_b + h_b)^2} + \frac{1}{(r_c + h_c)^2} \leq \frac{1}{12r^2} \quad \forall \Delta ABC,$$

" = " iff ΔABC is equilateral (QED)

1887. If in ΔABC : $a = \frac{b+c}{2}$ then:

$$\sin^2 \frac{A}{2} \geq \frac{r}{2R}$$

Proposed by Marian Ursărescu-Romania

Solution 1 by Tapas Das-India

Lemma:

$$\cos \frac{B-C}{2} \geq \sqrt{\frac{2r}{R}}$$

(Reference : Geometric Inequalities Marathon, First 100 problems and solutions)(1)

$$\text{Mollweide's: } \frac{\cos \frac{B-C}{2}}{\sin \frac{A}{2}} = \frac{b+c}{a}$$

$$\text{Now } a = \frac{b+c}{2} \text{ or } \frac{\cos \frac{B-C}{2}}{\sin \frac{A}{2}} = \frac{b+c}{a} = 2$$

$$\text{or } 2 \sin \frac{A}{2} = \cos \frac{B-C}{2} \stackrel{(1)}{\geq} \sqrt{\frac{2r}{R}} \text{ or } \sin^2 \frac{A}{2} \geq \frac{r}{2R}$$

Solution 2 by Tapas Das-India

$$\cos \frac{B-C}{2} = \cos \frac{B}{2} \cos \frac{C}{2} + \sin \frac{B}{2} \sin \frac{C}{2} =$$

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$$\begin{aligned}
 &= \sqrt{\frac{s(s-b)}{ac}} \sqrt{\frac{s(s-c)}{ab}} + \sqrt{\frac{(s-a)(s-c)}{ac}} \sqrt{\frac{(s-a)(s-b)}{ab}} = \\
 &= \frac{1}{a\sqrt{bc}} (2s-a)\sqrt{(s-b)(s-c)} = \frac{1}{a\sqrt{bc}} (b+c) \left(\sqrt{s(s-a)(s-b)(s-c)} \right) = \\
 &= \frac{1}{a\sqrt{bc}} (b+c) \frac{2 \left(\sqrt{s(s-a)(s-b)(s-c)} \right)}{2\sqrt{s(s-a)}} = \frac{\frac{2F}{a} (b+c)}{2\sqrt{bcs(s-a)}} = \frac{h_a}{w_a} = \\
 &= \frac{(b+c)bc}{2R \cdot 2\sqrt{bcs(s-a)}} = \frac{(2(s-a) + a)\sqrt{bc}}{4R\sqrt{s(s-a)}} \stackrel{AM-GM}{\geq} \\
 &\geq \frac{2\sqrt{2(s-a)abc}}{4R\sqrt{s(s-a)}} = \frac{1}{2R} \sqrt{\frac{8Rsr}{s}} = \sqrt{\frac{2r}{R}} \quad (1) \\
 &\text{Mollweide's: } \frac{\cos \frac{B-C}{2}}{\sin \frac{A}{2}} = \frac{b+c}{a} \\
 &\text{Now } a = \frac{b+c}{2} \text{ or } \frac{\cos \frac{B-C}{2}}{\sin \frac{A}{2}} = \frac{b+c}{a} = 2 \\
 &\text{or } 2 \sin \frac{A}{2} = \cos \frac{B-C}{2} \stackrel{(1)}{\geq} \sqrt{\frac{2r}{R}} \text{ or } \sin^2 \frac{A}{2} \geq \frac{r}{2R}
 \end{aligned}$$

1888. In $\triangle ABC$ the following relationship holds:

$$\frac{2}{R} \leq \frac{1}{s_a} + \frac{1}{s_b} + \frac{1}{s_c} \leq \frac{R}{2r^2}$$

Proposed by Marian Ursărescu-Romania

Solution by Tapas Das-India

$$s_a = \frac{2bcm_a}{b^2 + c^2}$$

$$m_a - s_a = m_a \left(1 - 2bc \frac{1}{b^2 + c^2} \right) = \frac{m_a}{b^2 + c^2} (b-c)^2 \geq 0 \text{ so } m_a \geq s_a \quad (1)$$

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$$\frac{1}{s_a} + \frac{1}{s_b} + \frac{1}{s_c} \stackrel{\text{Bergstrom}}{\geq} \frac{(1+1+1)^2}{s_a + s_b + s_c} \stackrel{(1)}{\geq} \frac{9}{m_a + m_b + m_c} \stackrel{\text{Leuenberger}}{\geq} \frac{9}{4R+r} \stackrel{\text{Euler}}{\geq} \frac{9}{\frac{9R}{2}} = \frac{2}{R}$$

$$\frac{1}{s_a} + \frac{1}{s_b} + \frac{1}{s_c} \leq \frac{1}{h_a} + \frac{1}{h_b} + \frac{1}{h_c} = \frac{1}{r} = \frac{r}{r^2} \stackrel{\text{Euler}}{\leq} \frac{\frac{R}{2}}{r^2} = \frac{R}{2r^2}$$

Equality for $a = b = c$.

1889. In any $\triangle ABC$, the following relationship holds :

$$\frac{9}{8} \leq \sum_{\text{cyc}} \left(\frac{r_a}{b+c} \cdot \sin A \right) \leq \frac{9R}{16r}$$

Proposed by Marin Chirciu-Romania

Solution by Soumava Chakraborty-Kolkata-India

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{\text{cyc}} \left(\frac{r_a}{b+c} \cdot \sin A \right) &= \frac{1}{2R} \cdot \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{rsa}{(s-a)(2s-a)} \\ &= \frac{r}{2R} \cdot \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{a((2s-a) - (s-a))}{(s-a)(2s-a)} = \frac{r}{2R} \left(\sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{a-s+s}{s-a} - \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{a}{b+c} \right) \\ &= \frac{r}{2R} \left(-3 + \frac{s(4Rr+r^2)}{r^2s} - \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{a}{b+c} \right) \stackrel{(1)}{=} \frac{r}{2R} \left(\frac{4R-2r}{r} - \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{a}{b+c} \right) \\ &= \frac{r}{2R} \left(\frac{4R-2r}{r} - \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{2s-(b+c)}{b+c} \right) = \frac{r}{2R} \left(\frac{4R-2r}{r} + 3 - 2s \cdot \frac{4s^2+s^2+4Rr+r^2}{2s(s^2+2Rr+r^2)} \right) \\ &= \frac{(4R-4r)s^2 + 2Rr(4R+r)}{2R(s^2+2Rr+r^2)} \stackrel{?}{\geq} \frac{9}{8} \Leftrightarrow (7R-16r)s^2 + Rr(14R-r) \stackrel{?}{\geq} 0 \end{aligned}$$

Case 1 $7R - 16r \geq 0$ and then : LHS of (*) $\geq Rr(14R-r) > 0 \Rightarrow (*)$ is true (strict inequality)

Case 2 $7R - 16r < 0$ and then : LHS of (*) $\geq (7R-16r)(4R^2+4Rr+3r^2) + Rr(14R-r) \stackrel{?}{\geq} 0 \Leftrightarrow 14t^3 - 11t^2 - 22t - 24 \stackrel{?}{\geq} 0$ ($t = \frac{R}{r}$)

$\Leftrightarrow (t-2)(14t^2+17t+12) \stackrel{?}{\geq} 0 \rightarrow \text{true} \because t \stackrel{\text{Euler}}{\geq} 2 \Rightarrow (*)$ is true

\therefore combining both cases, (*) is true for all triangles $\therefore \sum_{\text{cyc}} \left(\frac{r_a}{b+c} \cdot \sin A \right) \geq \frac{9}{8}$

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$$\begin{aligned} \text{Again, } \sum_{\text{cyc}} \left(\frac{r_a}{b+c} \cdot \sin A \right) &\stackrel{\text{via (1)}}{=} \frac{r}{2R} \left(\frac{4R-2r}{r} - \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{a}{b+c} \right) \stackrel{\text{Nesbitt}}{\leq} \frac{r}{2R} \left(\frac{4R-2r}{r} - \frac{3}{2} \right) \\ &= \frac{8R-7r}{4R} \stackrel{?}{\leq} \frac{9R}{16r} \Leftrightarrow 9R^2 - 32Rr + 28r^2 \stackrel{?}{\geq} 0 \Leftrightarrow (9R-14r)(R-2r) \stackrel{?}{\geq} 0 \rightarrow \text{true} \\ \because R &\stackrel{\text{Euler}}{\geq} 2 \Rightarrow \sum_{\text{cyc}} \left(\frac{r_a}{b+c} \cdot \sin A \right) \leq \frac{9R}{16r} \text{ and so, } \frac{9}{8} \geq \sum_{\text{cyc}} \left(\frac{r_a}{b+c} \cdot \sin A \right) \leq \frac{9R}{16r} \\ &\forall \Delta ABC, \text{ with equality iff } \Delta ABC \text{ is equilateral (QED)} \end{aligned}$$

1890. In ΔABC the following relationship holds:

$$\frac{b}{s-b} + \frac{c}{s-c} \geq \frac{8R}{r} \cdot \frac{s-a}{a} \cdot \sin \frac{A}{2}$$

Proposed by Marin Chirciu-Romania

Solution by Tapas Das-India

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\frac{b}{s-b} + \frac{c}{s-c}}{\frac{s-a}{a} \sin \frac{A}{2}} &= \frac{1}{\sin \frac{A}{2}} \left(\frac{ab}{(s-b)(s-a)} + \frac{ac}{(s-c)(s-a)} \right) = \\ &= \frac{1}{\sin \frac{A}{2}} \left(\frac{1}{\sin^2 \frac{C}{2}} + \frac{1}{\sin^2 \frac{B}{2}} \right) \stackrel{AM-GM}{\geq} \frac{2}{\sin \frac{A}{2}} \left(\frac{1}{\sin \frac{B}{2}} \frac{1}{\sin \frac{C}{2}} \right) = 2 \cdot \left(\frac{4R}{r} \right) = \frac{8R}{r} \\ \text{or } \frac{b}{s-b} + \frac{c}{s-c} &\geq \frac{8R}{r} \cdot \frac{s-a}{a} \cdot \sin \frac{A}{2} \end{aligned}$$

Equality for $a = b = c$.

1891. Prove that:

$$\sin(6^\circ) = 4 \sin(12^\circ) \cdot \sin(18^\circ) \cdot \sin(24^\circ)$$

Proposed by Murat Oz-Turkiye

Solution by Shirvan Tahirov-Azerbaijan

$$\begin{aligned} \sin(\pi - x) &= \sin x \rightarrow \sin\left(\pi - \frac{2\pi}{5}\right) = \sin \frac{2\pi}{5} \\ \sin \frac{3\pi}{5} &= \sin \frac{2\pi}{5} \rightarrow \sin \frac{\pi}{5} \left(3 - 4 \sin^2 \frac{\pi}{5}\right) = 2 \sin \frac{\pi}{5} \cos \frac{\pi}{5} \\ 3 - 4 \sin^2 \frac{\pi}{5} &= 2 \cos \frac{\pi}{5} \rightarrow 3 - 4 \left(1 - \cos^2 \frac{\pi}{5}\right) = 2 \cos \frac{\pi}{5} \end{aligned}$$

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$$4\cos^2\frac{\pi}{5} - 2\cos\frac{\pi}{5} - 1 = 0 \rightarrow \cos\frac{\pi}{5} = \frac{\sqrt{5} + 1}{4}$$

$$1 - 2\sin^2\frac{\pi}{10} = \frac{\sqrt{5} + 1}{4} \rightarrow \sin^2\frac{\pi}{10} = \frac{3 - \sqrt{5}}{8} \rightarrow \sin^2\frac{\pi}{10} = \left(\frac{\sqrt{5} - 1}{4}\right)^2$$

$$\sin\frac{\pi}{10} = \frac{\sqrt{5} - 1}{4} \rightarrow \sin 18^\circ = \frac{\sqrt{5} - 1}{4}$$

We must prove that:

$$4\sin 12^\circ \sin 18^\circ \sin 24^\circ = \sin 6^\circ \Leftrightarrow$$

$$\Leftrightarrow 8\cos 6^\circ 4\sin 12^\circ \sin 18^\circ \sin 24^\circ = 2\cos 6^\circ \sin 6^\circ \Leftrightarrow$$

$$\Leftrightarrow 8\cos 6^\circ \sin 12^\circ \sin 18^\circ \sin 24^\circ = \sin 12^\circ \Leftrightarrow 8\cos 6^\circ \sin 18^\circ \sin 24^\circ = 1 \Leftrightarrow$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \sin 24^\circ \cos 6^\circ \sin 18^\circ = \frac{1}{8} \Leftrightarrow \frac{1}{2}(\sin(24^\circ + 6^\circ) + \sin(24^\circ - 6^\circ))\sin 18^\circ = \frac{1}{8} \Leftrightarrow$$

$$\Leftrightarrow (\sin 30^\circ + \sin 18^\circ)\sin 18^\circ = \frac{1}{4} \Leftrightarrow \left(\frac{1}{2} + \frac{\sqrt{5} - 1}{4}\right)\frac{\sqrt{5} - 1}{4} = \frac{1}{4} \Leftrightarrow$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \frac{\sqrt{5} + 1}{4} \cdot \frac{\sqrt{5} - 1}{4} = \frac{1}{4} \Leftrightarrow \frac{5 - 1}{16} = \frac{1}{4} \Leftrightarrow \frac{1}{4} = \frac{1}{4}$$

1892. In $\triangle ABC$ the following relationship holds:

$$\sum \frac{h_a}{b+c} \sin A \geq \frac{9r}{4R}$$

Proposed by Marin Chirciu-Romania

Solution by Tapas Das-India

$$\sum \frac{h_a}{b+c} \sin A = \sum \frac{bc}{2R} \cdot \frac{a}{2R} \cdot \frac{1}{b+c} = \frac{abc}{4R^2} \sum \frac{1}{b+c} \stackrel{\text{Bergstrom}}{\geq}$$

$$\geq \frac{abc}{4R^2} \cdot \frac{(1+1+1)^2}{2a+2b+2c} = \frac{abc}{4R^2} \cdot \frac{9}{4s} = 4Rrs \cdot \frac{9}{16R^2s} = \frac{9r}{4R}$$

Equality holds for $a = b = c$

1893. In $\triangle ABC$ the following relationship holds:

$$\sum h_a^3 \leq \sum r_a^3$$

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Lemma : $h_a^2 \leq r_b r_c$

Proof: $h_a^2 \leq r_b r_c$ or $\frac{4F^2}{a^2} \leq \frac{F^2}{(s-b)(s-c)}$ or $4(s-b)(s-c) \leq a^2$

or $4(s-b)(s-c) \leq ((s-b) + (s-c))^2$ true

since $((s-b) + (s-c))^2 \stackrel{AM-GM}{\geq} \left(2((s-b)(s-c))^{\frac{1}{2}} \right)^2 = 4(s-b)(s-c)$

$$\begin{aligned} \sum r_a^3 &= \left(\sum r_a \right)^3 - 3 \left(\left(\sum r_a \right) \left(\sum r_a r_b \right) - r_a r_b r_c \right) = \\ &= (4R+r)^3 - 3 \left((4R+r)s^2 - s^2 r \right) = (4R+r)^3 - 12Rs^2 \quad (1) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \sum r_b^2 r_c^2 &= \left(\sum r_b r_c \right)^2 - 2r_a r_b r_c \left(\sum r_a \right) = s^4 - 2s^2 r (4R+r) \stackrel{\text{Gerretsen}}{\leq} \\ &\leq s^2 (4R^2 + 4Rr + 3r^2 - 8Rr - 2r^2) = s^2 (2R-r)^2 \quad (2) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \sum h_a^3 &\stackrel{\text{Lemma}}{\leq} \sum (r_b r_c) \sqrt{r_b r_c} \stackrel{CBS}{\leq} \sqrt{\left(\sum (r_b r_c) \right) \left(\sum r_b^2 r_c^2 \right)} \stackrel{(2)}{\leq} \\ &\leq \sqrt{s^2 s^2 (2R-r)^2} = s^2 (2R-r) \quad (3) \end{aligned}$$

from (1)&(2) we need to show $(4R+r)^3 - 12Rs^2 \geq s^2(2R-r)$ or $(4R+r)^3 \geq s^2(14R-r)$ or $(4R+r)^3 \stackrel{\text{Gerretsen}}{\geq} (4R^2 + 4Rr + 3r^2)(14R-r)$ or

$$\begin{aligned} (4x+1)^3 &\stackrel{\frac{R}{r}=x>2}{\geq} (4x^2 + 4x + 3)(14x-1) \text{ or} \\ 64x^3 + 48x^2 + 12x + 1 &\geq 56x^3 + 52x^2 + 38x - 3 \text{ or} \\ 4x^3 - 2x^2 - 13x + 2 &\geq 0 \end{aligned}$$

or $(x-2)(4x^2 + 6x - 2) \geq 0$ true as $x \geq 2$

Equality holds for $a = b = c$

1894. In $\triangle ABC$ the following relationship holds:

$$129r^3 - 6R^3 \leq \sum r_a^3 \leq 82R^3 - 575r^3$$

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$$\begin{aligned} \sum r_a^3 &= \left(\sum r_a\right)^3 - 3\left(\left(\sum r_a\right)\left(\sum r_a r_b\right) - r_a r_b r_c\right) = \\ &= (4R + r)^3 - 3\left((4R + r)s^2 - s^2 r\right) = (4R + r)^3 - 12Rs^2 \quad (1) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Now from (1)} \quad \sum r_a^3 &\stackrel{\text{Euler \& Mitrinovic}}{\leq} (4R + r)^3 - 12R(16Rr - 5r^2) = \\ &= (64R^3 + 48R^2r + 12Rr^2 + r^3) - 12(2r)27r^2 = \\ &= (64R^3 + 48R^2r + 12Rr^2 + r^3) - 648r^3 \end{aligned}$$

We need to show that:

$$\begin{aligned} (64R^3 + 48R^2r + 12Rr^2 + r^3) - 648r^3 &\leq 82R^3 - 575r^3 \text{ or} \\ 6(3R^3 - 8R^2r - 2Rr^2 + 12r^3) &\geq 0 \text{ or} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} 3x^3 - 8x^2 - 2x + 12 &\stackrel{\frac{R}{r}=x \geq 2}{\geq} 0 \text{ or} \\ (x - 2)(3x^2 - 2x - 6) &\geq 0 \text{ or} \end{aligned}$$

$$(x - 2)\left(x(x - 2) + 2(x^2 - 3)\right) \geq 0 \text{ true as } x \geq 2$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{From (1)} \quad \sum r_a^3 &\stackrel{\text{Gerretsen}}{\geq} (4R + r)^3 - 12R(4R^2 + 4Rr + 3r^2) = \\ &= (64R^3 + 48R^2r + 12Rr^2 + r^3) - 12R(4R^2 + 4Rr + 3r^2) \end{aligned}$$

We need to show that:

$$(64R^3 + 48R^2r + 12Rr^2 + r^3) - 12R(4R^2 + 4Rr + 3r^2) \geq 129r^3 - 6R^3$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{or } 22R^3 - 24Rr^2 - 128r^3 &\geq 0 \text{ or} \\ 2(11R^3 - 12Rr^3 - 64r^3) &\geq 0 \text{ or} \\ (R - 2r)(11R^2 + 22Rr + 32r^2) &\geq 0 \text{ true} \end{aligned}$$

Equality holds for } a = b = c

1895. In $\triangle ABC$ the following relationship holds:

$$\sum a\left(\sin \frac{B}{2} + \sin \frac{C}{2}\right) \leq 3\sqrt{3}R$$

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WLOG $a \geq b \geq c$ then $\sin \frac{A}{2} \geq \sin \frac{B}{2} \geq \sin \frac{C}{2}$ and

$$\sin \frac{A}{2} + \sin \frac{B}{2} \geq \sin \frac{B}{2} + \sin \frac{C}{2} \geq \sin \frac{C}{2} + \sin \frac{A}{2}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \sum a(\sin \frac{B}{2} + \sin \frac{C}{2}) &\stackrel{\text{Chebyshev}}{\leq} \frac{1}{3}(\sum a) \left(\sum \sin \frac{A}{2} + \sin \frac{B}{2} \right) = \frac{2s}{3} \cdot 2 \left(\sum \sin \frac{A}{2} \right) \stackrel{\text{Jensen}}{\leq} \\ &\leq \frac{4s}{3} 3 \sin \frac{\pi}{6} = 2s \leq 3\sqrt{3}R \text{ (Mitrinovic)} \end{aligned}$$

Equality for $a = b = c$

1896. In $\triangle ABC$ the following relationship holds:

$$a^{m_a} b^{m_b} c^{m_c} \leq (R\sqrt{3})^{\frac{9R}{2}}$$

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Solution by Tapas Das-India

WLOG $a \geq b \geq c$ then $m_a \leq m_b \leq m_c$

$$\begin{aligned} am_a + bm_b + cm_c &\stackrel{\text{Chebyshev}}{\leq} \frac{1}{3}(a+b+c)(m_a+m_b+m_c) = \\ &= \frac{1}{3}2s(m_a+m_b+m_c) \quad (1) \end{aligned}$$

$$(m_a+m_b+m_c) \stackrel{\text{Leuenberger}}{\leq} 4R+r \stackrel{\text{Euler}}{\leq} \frac{9R}{2} \quad (2)$$

$$\frac{am_a + bm_b + cm_c}{(m_a + m_b + m_c)} \stackrel{(1)}{\leq} \frac{\frac{1}{3}2s(m_a + m_b + m_c)}{(m_a + m_b + m_c)} = \frac{1}{3}2s \stackrel{\text{Mitrinovic}}{\leq} \frac{2}{3} \frac{3\sqrt{3}R}{2} = \sqrt{3}R \quad (3)$$

$$a^{m_a} b^{m_b} c^{m_c} \stackrel{\text{AM-GM}}{\leq} \left(\frac{am_a + bm_b + cm_c}{(m_a + m_b + m_c)} \right)^{(m_a+m_b+m_c)} \stackrel{(2)\&(3)}{\leq} (R\sqrt{3})^{\frac{9R}{2}}$$

Equality for $a = b = c$

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1897. In $\triangle ABC$ the following relationship holds:

$$m_a r_a + m_b r_b + m_c r_c \leq \frac{27R^2}{4}$$

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Solution by Tapas Das-India

WLOG $a \geq b \geq c$ then $m_a \leq m_b \leq m_c$ and $r_a \geq r_b \geq r_c$

$$\begin{aligned} m_a r_a + m_b r_b + m_c r_c &\stackrel{\text{Chebyshev}}{\leq} \frac{1}{3} \left(\sum m_a \right) \left(\sum r_a \right) \stackrel{\text{Leuenberger}}{\leq} \\ &\leq \frac{1}{3} (4R + r)(4R + r) \stackrel{\text{Euler}}{\leq} \frac{1}{3} \left(4R + \frac{R}{2} \right)^2 = \frac{27R^2}{4} \end{aligned}$$

Equality for $a = b = c$

1898. In $\triangle ABC$ the following relationship holds:

$$\sum \frac{a}{b+c} \tan \frac{A}{2} \geq \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}$$

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Solution by Tapas Das-India

WLOG $a \geq b \geq c$ then $\tan \frac{A}{2} \geq \tan \frac{B}{2} \geq \tan \frac{C}{2}$ and $\frac{a}{b+c} \geq \frac{b}{c+a} \geq \frac{c}{a+b}$

$$\sum \frac{a}{b+c} \tan \frac{A}{2} \stackrel{\text{Chebysv}}{\geq} \frac{1}{3} \left(\sum \frac{a}{b+c} \right) \left(\sum \tan \frac{A}{2} \right) \stackrel{\text{Nesbitt}}{\geq} \frac{1}{3} \cdot \frac{3}{2} \cdot \frac{4R+r}{s} \stackrel{\text{Doucet}}{\geq} \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}$$

Equality for $a = b = c$

1899.

In any acute $\triangle ABC$, the following relationship holds :

$$\left(\sin \frac{A}{2} \right)^{\sin \frac{A}{2}} + \left(\sin \frac{B}{2} \right)^{\sin \frac{B}{2}} + \left(\sin \frac{C}{2} \right)^{\sin \frac{C}{2}} \geq \frac{3\sqrt{2}}{2}$$

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$$\begin{aligned} \text{LHS} &\stackrel{\text{A-G}}{\geq} 3 \prod_{\text{cyc}} \left(\left(\sin \frac{A}{2} \right)^{\frac{\sin \frac{A}{2}}{3}} \right) \stackrel{?}{\geq} \frac{3\sqrt{2}}{2} \Leftrightarrow \sum_{\text{cyc}} \left(\frac{\sin \frac{A}{2}}{3} \cdot \ln \left(\sin \frac{A}{2} \right) \right) \stackrel{?}{\geq} \ln \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \\ &\Leftrightarrow \sum_{\text{cyc}} \left(\sin \frac{A}{2} \cdot \ln \left(\sin \frac{A}{2} \right) \right) \stackrel{?}{\geq} 3 \ln \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \quad (*) \end{aligned}$$

Let $f(x) = \sin \frac{x}{2} \cdot \ln \left(\sin \frac{x}{2} \right) \forall x \in \left(0, \frac{\pi}{2} \right)$ and then :

$$f''(x) = \frac{1 - \left(\sin^2 \frac{x}{2} \right) \left(2 + \ln \left(\sin \frac{x}{2} \right) \right)}{4 \sin \frac{x}{2}} \rightarrow (1)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \because \ln \left(\sin \frac{x}{2} \right) &\leq \sin \frac{x}{2} - 1 \therefore \left(\sin^2 \frac{x}{2} \right) \left(2 + \ln \left(\sin \frac{x}{2} \right) \right) \leq \left(\sin^2 \frac{x}{2} \right) \left(1 + \sin \frac{x}{2} \right) \stackrel{?}{<} 1 \\ \Leftrightarrow \csc^2 \frac{x}{2} &> 1 + \sin \frac{x}{2} \Leftrightarrow \cot^2 \frac{x}{2} > \sin \frac{x}{2} \Leftrightarrow \cos^2 \frac{x}{2} > \sin^3 \frac{x}{2} \rightarrow \text{true} \because 0 < \frac{x}{2} < \frac{\pi}{4} \end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow \cos^2 \frac{x}{2} > \sin^2 \frac{x}{2} \stackrel{1 > \sin \frac{x}{2}}{>} \sin^3 \frac{x}{2} \therefore \left(\sin^2 \frac{x}{2} \right) \left(2 + \ln \left(\sin \frac{x}{2} \right) \right) < 1 \stackrel{\text{via (1)}}{\Rightarrow} f''(x) > 0$$

$$\therefore \sum_{\text{cyc}} \left(\sin \frac{A}{2} \cdot \ln \left(\sin \frac{A}{2} \right) \right) \stackrel{\text{Jensen}}{\geq} 3 \sin \frac{\pi}{6} \cdot \ln \left(\sin \frac{\pi}{6} \right) = \frac{3}{2} \cdot \ln \frac{1}{2} = 3 \ln \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \Rightarrow (*) \text{ is true}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore \left(\sin \frac{A}{2} \right)^{\frac{\sin \frac{A}{2}}{3}} + \left(\sin \frac{B}{2} \right)^{\frac{\sin \frac{B}{2}}{3}} + \left(\sin \frac{C}{2} \right)^{\frac{\sin \frac{C}{2}}{3}} &\geq \frac{3\sqrt{2}}{2} \\ \forall \text{ acute } \triangle ABC, " = " \text{ iff } \triangle ABC \text{ is equilateral (QED)} \end{aligned}$$

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$$\sum m_a \csc A \geq 6\sqrt{3}r$$

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$$\sum \frac{1}{h_a} = \frac{1}{r}, \sum h_a \stackrel{\text{AM-HM}}{\geq} \frac{9}{\sum \frac{1}{h_a}} = 9r \quad (1)$$

WLOG $a \geq b \geq c$ then $m_a \leq m_b \leq m_c$

$$\sum m_a \csc A = 2R \sum \frac{m_a}{a} \stackrel{\text{Chebyshev}}{\geq} 2R \cdot \frac{1}{3} \left(\sum m_a \right) \left(\sum \frac{1}{a} \right) \geq$$

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$$\geq 2R \frac{1}{3} \left(\sum h_a \right) \left(\sum \frac{1}{a} \right) \stackrel{\text{Leuenberger \& (1)}}{\geq} 2R \frac{1}{3} (9r) \frac{\sqrt{3}}{R} = 6\sqrt{3}r$$

Equality for $a = b = c$

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