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JP.232. Prove that in any ABC triangle the following relationship holds:

$$\sqrt{\frac{r_a}{r_b r_c}} + \sqrt{\frac{r_b}{r_c r_a}} + \sqrt{\frac{r_c}{r_a r_b}} \geq \sqrt{\frac{3}{r}}$$

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Solution 1 by Soumava Chakraborty-Kolkata-India

$$LHS = \sum \frac{r_a}{\sqrt{r_a r_b r_c}} = \frac{4R + r}{S\sqrt{r}} \stackrel{\text{Trucht}}{\geq} \frac{\sqrt{3}S}{S\sqrt{r}} = \sqrt{\frac{3}{r}}$$

Solution 2 by Mustafa Tarek-Cairo-Egypt

$$\sum_{cyc} \sqrt{\frac{r_a}{r_b r_c}} \geq \sqrt{\frac{3}{r}}$$

First, we will prove the following inequality:

$$\sum_{cyc} \sqrt{\frac{x}{yz}} \geq \sqrt{3 \sum_{cyc} \frac{1}{x}} \text{ where } x, y, z > 0 \quad (1)$$

$$(x - y)^2 + (y - z)^2 + (z - x)^2 \geq 0$$

$$x^2 + y^2 + z^2 \geq xy + yz + zx$$

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$$(x + y + z)^2 \geq 3(xy + yz + xz)$$

$$\frac{x + y + z}{\sqrt{xyz}} \geq \frac{\sqrt{3(xy + yz + xz)}}{\sqrt{xyz}} \Rightarrow \sum_{cyc} \sqrt{\frac{x}{yz}} \geq \sqrt{3 \sum_{cyc} \frac{1}{x}}$$

(1) it is true

In (1) let $x = r_a, y = r_b, z = r_c$ and using the identity

$$\frac{1}{r} = \frac{1}{r_a} + \frac{1}{r_b} + \frac{1}{r_c} \text{ then:}$$

$$\sum_{cyc} \sqrt{\frac{r_a}{r_b r_c}} \geq \sqrt{\frac{3}{r}}$$

Solution 3 by Jalil Hajimir-Canada

$$\sqrt{\frac{r_a}{r_b r_c}} + \sqrt{\frac{r_b}{r_c r_a}} + \sqrt{\frac{r_c}{r_a r_b}} = \frac{r_a + r_b + r_c}{\sqrt{r_a r_b r_c}} \geq \sqrt{3} \sqrt{\frac{1}{r_a} + \frac{1}{r_b} + \frac{1}{r_c}} = \sqrt{\frac{3}{r}}$$

$$\frac{1}{r_a} + \frac{1}{r_b} + \frac{1}{r_c} = \frac{1}{r}$$

$$\frac{x + y + z}{\sqrt{3xyz}} \geq \sqrt{\frac{1}{x} + \frac{1}{y} + \frac{1}{z}}; x, y, z > 0$$

Solution 4 by Bogdan Fustei-Romania

$$s^2 \leq \frac{R(4R+r)^2}{2(2R-r)} \quad (\text{Blundan Inequality})$$

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$$\Rightarrow s^2 \cdot \frac{2(2R-r)}{R} \leq (4R+r)^2 \leq s^2 \cdot \frac{(4R-2r)}{R} \leq (4R+r)^2$$

$$s^2 \left(4 - \frac{2r}{R}\right) \leq (4R+r)^2 \Rightarrow s \sqrt{4 - \frac{2r}{R}} \leq 4R+r$$

$$\sum \sqrt{\frac{r_a}{r_b r_c}} = \sum \sqrt{\frac{r_a^2}{r_a r_b r_c}}; r_a r_b r_c = Ss = s \cdot r \cdot s = s^2 r$$

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$$\sum \sqrt{\frac{r_a}{r_b r_c}} = \sum \frac{r_a}{s\sqrt{r}} = \frac{r_a + r_b + r_c}{s\sqrt{r}} \geq \frac{s\sqrt{4 - \frac{2r}{R}}}{s\sqrt{r}} = \sqrt{\frac{4}{R} - \frac{2}{R}}$$

Now, we will prove that $\frac{4}{r} - \frac{2}{R} \geq \frac{3}{r} \Rightarrow \frac{4}{r} - \frac{3}{r} \geq \frac{2}{R} \Rightarrow \frac{1}{r} \geq \frac{2}{R} \Rightarrow R \geq 2r$ (Euler)

So, finally we have the following: $\sum \sqrt{\frac{r_a}{r_b r_c}} \geq \sqrt{\frac{4}{r} - \frac{2}{R}} \geq \sqrt{\frac{3}{r}}$ Q.E.D.