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ABOUT SOME ION IONESCU'S INEQUALITIES

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If $x, y, z \in \mathbb{R}_+^* = (0, \infty)$, then the following inequalities hold:

$$\frac{x}{y+z} + \frac{y}{z+x} + \frac{z}{x+y} \geq \frac{3}{2} \quad (\text{N-I})$$

namely NESBITT-IONESCU inequality, and also:

$$\frac{y+z}{x} + \frac{z+x}{y} + \frac{x+y}{z} \geq 6 \quad (*)$$

Let ABC be a triangle, with the usual notations and s is the semi-perimeter, and F its area.

In *Mathematical Gazette*, 1897, ION IONESCU has established that, in any ABC triangle the

following inequality holds:

$$a^2 + b^2 + c^2 \geq 4\sqrt{3}F \quad (\text{I-W})$$

and this inequality has been rediscovered by ROLAND WEITZENBOCK, in 1919.

Also, in *Mathematical Gazette*, vol., XLVIII, (1942-1943) at page 334, it is proved that, in

any ABC triangle the following inequalities hold:

$$a^2 + b^2 + c^2 = 2(s^2 - r^2 - 4Rr) \quad (**)$$

$$ab + bc + ca = s^2 + r^2 + 4Rr \quad (***)$$

Next, we will establish other inequalities (some known):

TSINTSIFAS'S INEQUALITY:

If $x, y, z \in \mathbb{R}_+^*$, then in any ABC triangle the following inequality holds:

$$\frac{x}{y+z} \cdot a^2 + \frac{y}{z+x} \cdot b^2 + \frac{z}{x+y} \cdot c^2 \geq 2\sqrt{3}F \quad (\text{T})$$

Proof. We have:

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{cyc} \frac{x}{y+z} a^2 &= \sum_{cyc} \frac{x}{y+z} a^2 + 4s^2 - 4s^2 = \sum_{cyc} \frac{x}{y+z} a^2 + (a+b+c)^2 - 4s^2 = \\ &= \sum_{cyc} \frac{x}{y+z} a^2 + a^2 + b^2 + c^2 + 2(ab+bc+ca) - 4s^2 = \\ &= \sum_{cyc} \left(\frac{x}{y+z} + 1 \right) a^2 + 2(ab+bc+ca) - 4s^2 = (x+y+z) \cdot \sum_{cyc} \frac{a^2}{y+z} + \end{aligned}$$

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$$\begin{aligned}
 +2(ab + bc + ca) - 4s^2 &\stackrel{\text{Bergstrom}}{\geq} (x + y + z) \cdot \frac{(a + b + c)^2}{\sum_{cyc}(y + z)} + 2(ab + bc + ca) - 4s^2 \\
 &= (x + y + z) \cdot \frac{4s^2}{2(x + y + z)} + 2(ab + bc + ca) - 4s^2 = 2(ab + bc + ca) - 2s^2 \stackrel{(***)}{=} \\
 &= 2(s^2 + r^2 + 4Rr) - 2s^2 = 2r(4R + r) \stackrel{\text{Doucet}}{\geq} 2r(s\sqrt{3}) = 2\sqrt{3}sr = 2\sqrt{3}F
 \end{aligned}$$

BĂTINEȚU-GIURGIU'S INEQUALITY:

If $x, y, z \in \mathbb{R}_+^*$, then in ABC triangle the following inequality holds:

$$\frac{y+z}{x}a^2 + \frac{z+x}{y}b^2 + \frac{x+y}{z}c^2 \geq 8\sqrt{3}F \quad (\text{B-G})$$

Proof 1. We have:

$$\begin{aligned}
 \sum_{cyc} \frac{y+z}{x}a^2 &\stackrel{\text{Means}}{\geq} 2 \sum_{cyc} \frac{\sqrt{yz}}{x}a^2 \stackrel{\text{Means}}{=} 2 \cdot 3 \cdot \sqrt[3]{\prod_{cyc} \frac{\sqrt{yz}}{x}a^2} = \\
 &= 6 \cdot \sqrt[3]{(abc)^2} \stackrel{\text{Carliz}}{\geq} 6 \cdot \frac{4\sqrt{3}}{3}F = 8\sqrt{3}F
 \end{aligned}$$

Proof 2. We have:

$$\sum_{cyc} \frac{y+z}{x}a^2 = \sum_{cyc} \frac{(y+z)^2}{xy+xz}a^2 \stackrel{\text{Means}}{\geq} 4 \sum_{cyc} \frac{yz}{xy+xz}a^2 \stackrel{(T)}{\geq} 4 \cdot 2\sqrt{3}F = 8\sqrt{3}F$$

Proof 3. We have:

$$\begin{aligned}
 \sum_{cyc} \frac{y+z}{x}a^2 &= \sum_{cyc} \frac{y+z}{x}a^2 + 4s^2 - 4s^2 = \sum_{cyc} \frac{y+z}{x}a^2 + (a+b+c)^2 - 4s^2 = \\
 &= \sum_{cyc} \left(\frac{y+z}{x} + 1 \right) a^2 + 2(ab + bc + ca) - 4s^2 = \\
 &= (x + y + z) \cdot \sum_{cyc} \frac{a^2}{x} + 2(ab + bc + ca) - 4s^2 \stackrel{\text{Bergstrom}}{\geq} \\
 &\geq (x + y + z) \cdot \frac{(a + b + c)^2}{x + y + z} + 2(ab + bc + ca) - 4s^2 = \\
 &= 4s^2 + 2(ab + bc + ca) - 4s^2 = 2(ab + bc + ca) \stackrel{\text{V.O.Gordon}}{\geq} 2 \cdot 4\sqrt{3}F = 8\sqrt{3}F
 \end{aligned}$$

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THE SECOND INEQUALITY OF G. TSINTSIFAS

If $x, y, z \in \mathbb{R}_+^*$, then in any ABC triangle the following inequality holds:

$$\frac{x}{y+z}a^4 + \frac{y}{z+x}b^4 + \frac{z}{x+y}c^4 \geq 8F^2 \quad (\text{G.T.})$$

Proof 1. We have:

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{cyc} \frac{x}{y+z}a^4 &= \sum_{cyc} \frac{x^2}{xy+xz}a^4 = \sum_{cyc} \frac{(xa^2)^2}{xy+xz} \stackrel{\text{Bergstrom}}{\geq} \\ &\geq \frac{(xa^2 + yb^2 + zc^2)^2}{\sum_{cyc}(xy+xz)} = \frac{(xa^2 + yb^2 + zc^2)^2}{2(xy+yz+zx)} \stackrel{\text{Oppenheimer}}{\geq} \frac{16(xy+yz+zx)F^2}{2(xy+yz+zx)} = 8F^2 \end{aligned}$$

Proof 2. We have:

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{cyc} \frac{x}{y+z}a^4 &= \sum_{cyc} \left(\frac{x}{y+z} + 1 \right) a^4 - (a^4 + b^4 + c^4) = (x+y+z) \cdot \sum_{cyc} \frac{a^4}{y+z} - \\ &- (a^4 + b^4 + c^4) \stackrel{\text{Bergstrom}}{\geq} (x+y+z) \cdot \frac{(a^2 + b^2 + c^2)^2}{\sum_{cyc}(y+z)} - (a^4 + b^4 + c^4) = \\ &= (x+y+z) \cdot \frac{a^4 + b^4 + c^4 + 2(a^2b^2 + b^2c^2 + c^2a^2)}{2(x+y+z)} - (a^4 + b^4 + c^4) = \\ &= a^2b^2 + b^2c^2 + c^2a^2 - \frac{1}{2}(a^4 + b^4 + c^4) = \\ &= \frac{1}{2}(a+b+c)(-a+b+c)(a-b+c)(a+b-c) = \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \cdot 16 \cdot s(s-a)(s-b)(s-c) = 8F^2 \end{aligned}$$

Theorem 1. If $m, n, x, y, z \in \mathbb{R}_+^*$, then in any ABC triangle the following inequality holds:

$$\frac{x}{my+nz}a^4 + \frac{y}{mz+nx}b^4 + \frac{z}{mx+ny}c^4 \geq \frac{16}{m+n}F^2 \quad (\text{i})$$

Proof. We have:

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{cyc} \frac{x}{my+nz}a^4 &= \sum_{cyc} \frac{x^2a^4}{mxy+nxz} = \sum_{cyc} \frac{(xa^2)^2}{mxy+nxz} \stackrel{\text{Bergstrom}}{\geq} \\ &\geq \frac{(xa^2 + yb^2 + zc^2)^2}{\sum_{cyc}(mxy+nxz)} = \frac{(xa^2 + yb^2 + zc^2)^2}{(m+n)(xy+yz+zx)} \stackrel{\text{Klamkin}}{\geq} \\ &\geq \frac{16(xy+yz+zx)F^2}{(m+n)(xy+yz+zx)} = \frac{16}{m+n}F^2 \end{aligned}$$

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If in (i) we take $m = n$ we obtain inequality (G.T.)

BĂTINEȚU-GIURGIU-SITARU INEQUALITY

If $x, y, z \in \mathbb{R}_+^*$, then in any ABC triangle the following inequality holds:

$$\frac{y+z}{x}a^4 + \frac{z+x}{y}b^4 + \frac{x+y}{z}c^4 \geq 32F^2 \quad (\text{B-G-S})$$

Proof 1. We have:

$$\sum_{cyc} \frac{y+z}{x}a^4 = \sum_{cyc} \frac{(y+z)^2 a^4}{xy+xz} \stackrel{\text{Means}}{\geq} 4 \sum_{cyc} \frac{yz}{xy+xz} a^4 \stackrel{(G.T.)}{\geq} 4 \cdot 8 \cdot F^2 = 32F^2$$

Proof 2. We have:

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{cyc} \frac{y+z}{x}a^4 &\stackrel{\text{Means}}{\geq} 2 \sum_{cyc} \frac{\sqrt{yz}}{x}a^4 \stackrel{\text{Means}}{\geq} 2 \cdot 3 \cdot \sqrt[3]{\prod_{cyc} \frac{\sqrt{yz}}{x}} a^4 = \\ &= 6\sqrt[3]{(abc)^4} = 6 \left(\sqrt[3]{(abc)^2} \right)^2 \stackrel{\text{Caviliz}}{\geq} 6 \left(\frac{4\sqrt{3}F}{3} \right)^2 = 6 \cdot 16 \cdot \frac{3}{9} F^2 = 2 \cdot 16 \cdot F^2 = 32F^2 \end{aligned}$$

Proof 3. We have:

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{cyc} \frac{y+z}{x}a^4 &= \sum_{cyc} \left(\frac{y+z}{x} + 1 \right) a^4 - (a^4 + b^4 + c^4) = \\ &= (x+y+z) \sum_{cyc} \frac{a^4}{x} - (a^4 + b^4 + c^4) \stackrel{\text{Bergstrom}}{\geq} (x+y+z) \cdot \frac{(a^2 + b^2 + c^2)^2}{x+y+z} - \\ &- (a^4 + b^4 + c^4) = (a^2 + b^2 + c^2)^2 - (a^4 + b^4 + c^4) = 2(a^2b^2 + b^2c^2 + c^2a^2) \geq \\ &\stackrel{\text{Bergstrom}}{\geq} \frac{2}{3}(ab+bc+ca)^2 \stackrel{\text{V.O.Gordon}}{\geq} \frac{2}{3}(4\sqrt{3}F)^2 = 32F^2 \end{aligned}$$

Theorem 2. If $m, n, x, y, z \in \mathbb{R}_+^*$, then in any ABC triangle the following inequality holds:

$$\frac{my+nz}{x}a^4 + \frac{mz+nx}{y}b^4 + \frac{mx+ny}{z}c^4 \geq \frac{64mn}{m+n}F^2 \quad (\text{ii})$$

Proof. We have:

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{cyc} \frac{my+nz}{x}a^4 &= \sum_{cyc} \frac{(my+nz)^2}{mxy+nxz} \stackrel{\text{Means}}{\geq} 4mn \sum_{cyc} \frac{yz}{mxy+nxz} a^4 \stackrel{(i)}{\geq} 4mn \cdot \frac{16}{m+n} F^2 = \\ &= \frac{64mn}{m+n} F^2 \end{aligned}$$

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Theorem 3. If $u, v, x, y, z \in \mathbb{R}_+^*$, then in any ABC triangle the following inequality holds:

$$\frac{uy+uz}{x}a^4 + \frac{uz+vx}{y}b^4 + \frac{ux+vy}{z}c^4 \geq 32\sqrt{uv}F^2 \quad (\text{iii})$$

Proof. We have:

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{cyc} \frac{uy+uz}{x}a^4 &\stackrel{\text{Means}}{\geq} 2\sqrt{uv} \cdot \sum_{cyc} \frac{\sqrt{yz}}{x}a^4 \stackrel{\text{Means}}{\geq} \\ &\geq 2\sqrt{uv} \cdot 3 \cdot \sqrt[3]{\prod_{cyc} \frac{\sqrt{yz}}{x}a^4} = 6\sqrt{uv} \cdot \sqrt[3]{(abc)^4} = \\ &= 6\sqrt{uv} \cdot \left(\sqrt[3]{(abc)^2}\right)^2 \stackrel{\text{Carliz}}{\geq} 6\sqrt{uv} \cdot \left(\frac{4\sqrt{3}}{3}F\right)^2 = \\ &= 6\sqrt{uv} \cdot \frac{16}{3}F^2 = 32\sqrt{uv}F^2 \end{aligned}$$

If $m = n$ relationship (ii) is transformed in relationship (B-G-S), and if $u = v = 1$ relationship (iii), becomes relationship (B-G-S).

If in (B-G-S) inequality $x = y = z$ we obtain inequality:

$$a^4 + b^4 + c^4 \geq 16F^2 \quad (\text{F.G})$$

namely inequality F. GOLDNER.

Theorem 4. If $x, y, z \in \mathbb{R}_+^*$, then in any ABC triangle the following inequality holds:

$$\frac{x^2+y^2+z^2+2yz}{xy+xz}a^2 + \frac{x^2+y^2+z^2+2zx}{yz+yx}b^2 + \frac{x^2+y^2+z^2+2xy}{zx+zy}c^2 \geq 10\sqrt{3}F \quad (\text{j})$$

Proof 1. We have:

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{cyc} \frac{x^2+y^2+z^2+2yz}{xy+xz}a^2 &= \sum_{cyc} \frac{(x+y+z)^2 - 2(xy+xz)}{xy+xz}a^2 = \\ &= (x+y+z)^2 \cdot \sum_{cyc} \frac{a^2}{xy+xz} - 2(a^2+b^2+c^2) \geq 3(xy+yz+zx) \sum_{cyc} \frac{a^2}{xy+xz} - \\ &- 2(a^2+b^2+c^2) \stackrel{\text{Bergstrom}}{\geq} 3(xy+yz+zx) \frac{(a+b+c)^2}{\sum_{cyc}(xy+xz)} - 2(a^2+b^2+c^2) = \\ &= 3(xy+yz+zx) \cdot \frac{4s^2}{2(xy+yz+zx)} - 2(a^2+b^2+c^2) = 6s^2 - 2(a^2+b^2+c^2) = \end{aligned}$$

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$$\begin{aligned} & \stackrel{(**)}{=} 6s^2 - 2 \cdot 2(s^2 - r^2 - 4Rr) = 2s^2 + 4r(4R + r) \geq \\ & \stackrel{\text{Mitrinovic}}{\geq} 2s(3\sqrt{3}r) + 4r(4R + r) \stackrel{\text{Doucet}}{\geq} 6\sqrt{3}sr + 4r(s\sqrt{3}) = \\ & = 10\sqrt{3}sr = 10\sqrt{3}F \end{aligned}$$

Proof 2. According to inequalities (T) and (B-G) we have:

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{cyc} \frac{x}{y+z} a^2 + \sum_{cyc} \frac{y+z}{x} a^2 &= \sum_{cyc} \frac{x^2 + (y+z)^2}{xy+xz} a^2 = \sum_{cyc} \frac{x^2 + y^2 + z^2 + 2yz}{xy+xz} a^2 \geq \\ &\geq 2\sqrt{3}F + 8\sqrt{3}F = 10\sqrt{3}F \end{aligned}$$

We conclude with some remarkable observations

1. If in inequalities (T), (B-G), (j) we take $x = y = z$, we obtain Ion Ionescu's inequality, namely inequality (I-W).
2. If ABC triangle is equilateral then, from inequalities (T), (G.T) we obtain inequality (N-I), and from inequalities (B-G), (D-G-S), we obtain inequality (*).
3. If ABC triangle is equivalent then from inequality (j) we obtain inequality:

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{x^2+y^2+z^2+2yz}{xy+xz} + \frac{x^2+y^2+z^2+2zx}{yz+yx} + \frac{x^2+y^2+z^2+2xy}{zx+zy} \geq \frac{15}{2} \text{ namely} \\ & \frac{x}{y+z} + \frac{y}{z+x} + \frac{z}{x+y} + \frac{y+z}{x} + \frac{z+x}{y} + \frac{x+y}{z} \geq \frac{3}{2} + 6 = \frac{15}{2} \end{aligned}$$

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