

ROMANIAN MATHEMATICAL MAGAZINE

In $\triangle ABC$ the following relationship holds:

$$\sum_{cyc} a^2 \cos \frac{B}{2} \cos \frac{C}{2} \geq 27r^2$$

Proposed by Sarkhan Adgozalov-Georgia

Solution by Daniel Sitaru-Romania

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{cyc} a^2 \cos \frac{B}{2} \cos \frac{C}{2} &= \sum_{cyc} a^2 \sqrt{\frac{s(s-b)}{ac}} \cdot \sqrt{\frac{s(s-c)}{ab}} = \\ &= \sum_{cyc} as \sqrt{\frac{(s-b)(s-c)}{bc}} = s \sum_{cyc} a \sin \frac{A}{2} \stackrel{CEBYSHEV}{\geq} \\ &\geq \frac{s}{3} \sum_{cyc} a \sum_{cyc} \sin \frac{A}{2} \stackrel{JENSEN}{\geq} \frac{s}{3} \cdot 2s \cdot 3 \sin \left(\frac{\frac{A}{2} + \frac{B}{2} + \frac{C}{2}}{3} \right) = \\ &= 2s^2 \sin \frac{A+B+C}{6} = 2s^2 \sin \frac{\pi}{6} \stackrel{MITRINOVICI}{\geq} 2 \cdot (3\sqrt{3}r)^2 \cdot \frac{1}{2} = 27r^2 \end{aligned}$$

Equality holds for an equilateral triangle.