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Prove that in any non isosceles triangle ABC holds:

$$\sqrt{\sum_{cyc} \frac{4(a^2 - ab + b^2)}{(a - b)^2}} > 3$$

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$$\begin{aligned} 4(a^2 - ab + b^2) &= 2 \times 2(a^2 + b^2) - 4ab = \\ &= 2((a + b)^2 + (a - b)^2) - ((a + b)^2 - (a - b)^2) = (a + b)^2 + 3(a - b)^2 \end{aligned}$$

$$\frac{4(a^2 - ab + b^2)}{(a - b)^2} = \frac{(a + b)^2 + 3(a - b)^2}{(a - b)^2} = \frac{(a + b)^2}{(a - b)^2} + 3 > 3 \quad (1)$$

$$\sqrt{\sum_{cyc} \frac{4(a^2 - ab + b^2)}{(a - b)^2}} \stackrel{(1)}{>} \sqrt{3 + 3 + 3} = 3$$