

The background of the cover is a vibrant space scene. It features a large, bright yellow and orange sun or star in the upper center, casting a glow over the scene. To the left, a large, reddish planet with a textured surface is visible. In the lower left, another smaller reddish planet is shown. The right side of the image is filled with a field of dark, irregularly shaped asteroids or meteoroids, some appearing to be in motion. The overall color palette is dominated by reds, oranges, yellows, and blues, creating a dramatic and cosmic atmosphere.

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**4001. In  $\triangle ABC$  the following relationship holds:**

$$w_a \cos\left(\frac{A}{2}\right) + w_b \cos\left(\frac{B}{2}\right) + w_c \cos\left(\frac{C}{2}\right) = \frac{sr}{R} \left( \frac{r_a + r_b}{h_a + h_b} + \frac{r_c + r_b}{h_c + h_b} + \frac{r_a + r_c}{h_a + h_c} \right)$$

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$$r_c + r_b = s \left( \tan\left(\frac{B}{2}\right) + \tan\left(\frac{C}{2}\right) \right) = s \cdot \frac{\sin\left(\frac{B+C}{2}\right)}{\cos\left(\frac{B}{2}\right) \cdot \cos\left(\frac{C}{2}\right)} =$$

$$s \cdot \frac{\cos\left(\frac{A}{2}\right)}{\cos\left(\frac{B}{2}\right) \cdot \cos\left(\frac{C}{2}\right)} = s \cdot \frac{\cos^2\left(\frac{A}{2}\right)}{\cos\left(\frac{A}{2}\right) \cdot \cos\left(\frac{B}{2}\right) \cdot \cos\left(\frac{C}{2}\right)} = s \cdot \frac{\cos^2\left(\frac{A}{2}\right)}{\frac{s}{4R}} = 4R \cdot \cos^2\left(\frac{A}{2}\right) \quad (1)$$

$$h_c + h_b = \frac{2F(b+c)}{bc} \quad (2)$$

We have from (1) and (2) :

$$\frac{r_c + r_b}{h_c + h_b} = \frac{4R \cdot \cos^2\left(\frac{A}{2}\right)}{\frac{2F(b+c)}{bc}} = \frac{4Rbc \cdot \cos^2\left(\frac{A}{2}\right)}{2sr(b+c)} =$$

$$\frac{2bc \cdot \cos\left(\frac{A}{2}\right)}{b+c} \cdot \cos\left(\frac{A}{2}\right) = w_a \cos\left(\frac{A}{2}\right) \cdot \frac{R}{sr}$$

$$w_a \cos\left(\frac{A}{2}\right) = \frac{sr}{R} \cdot \frac{r_c + r_b}{h_c + h_b}$$

Let's summarize what we got from others by analogy:

$$w_a \cos\left(\frac{A}{2}\right) + w_b \cos\left(\frac{B}{2}\right) + w_c \cos\left(\frac{C}{2}\right) = \frac{sr}{R} \left( \frac{r_a + r_b}{h_a + h_b} + \frac{r_c + r_b}{h_c + h_b} + \frac{r_a + r_c}{h_a + h_c} \right)$$

**4002. In any  $\triangle ABC$  the following relationship holds :**

$$\frac{g_a + g_b + g_c}{2r} + \frac{1}{2} \cdot \sqrt[4]{l_a l_b l_c} \cdot \prod_{\text{cyc}} \left( \frac{p_a}{p_a \cdot \sqrt{g_a} - \sqrt{4r^2 + (b-c)^2}} \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \geq$$

$$\geq 2 \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{h_a - r}{g_a - n_a + \sqrt{4r^2 + (b-c)^2}} + \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{h_a}{n_a + s}$$

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$$2 \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{h_a - r}{g_a - n_a + \sqrt{4r^2 + (b-c)^2}} + \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{h_a}{n_a + s} = \frac{g_a + g_b + g_c + s}{2r}$$

(Reference : Identity in Triangle by Bogdan Fustei – 4;  
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∴ the main inequality becomes :  $\frac{g_a + g_b + g_c}{2r} +$

$$\frac{1}{2} \cdot \sqrt[4]{\frac{l_a l_b l_c}{g_a g_b g_c}} \cdot \prod_{\text{cyc}} \left( \frac{p_a}{p_a \cdot \sqrt{\frac{l_a}{g_a} - \sqrt{4r^2 + (b-c)^2}}} \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \stackrel{?}{\geq} \frac{g_a + g_b + g_c + s}{2r}$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \sqrt[4]{\frac{l_a l_b l_c}{g_a g_b g_c}} \cdot \prod_{\text{cyc}} \left( \frac{p_a}{p_a \cdot \sqrt{\frac{l_a}{g_a} - \sqrt{4r^2 + (b-c)^2}}} \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \stackrel{?}{\geq} \frac{s}{r}$$

$$\text{Now, } \left(\frac{s}{r}\right)^2 \leq \sqrt{\frac{l_a l_b l_c}{g_a g_b g_c}} \prod_{\text{cyc}} \frac{p_a}{p_a \cdot \sqrt{\frac{l_a}{g_a} - \sqrt{4r^2 + (b-c)^2}}}$$

(Reference : Inequality in Triangle by Bogdan Fustei – 109;  
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$$\Rightarrow \sqrt[4]{\frac{l_a l_b l_c}{g_a g_b g_c}} \cdot \prod_{\text{cyc}} \left( \frac{p_a}{p_a \cdot \sqrt{\frac{l_a}{g_a} - \sqrt{4r^2 + (b-c)^2}}} \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \geq \frac{s}{r} \Rightarrow (*) \text{ is true}$$

$$\therefore \frac{g_a + g_b + g_c}{2r} + \frac{1}{2} \cdot \sqrt[4]{\frac{l_a l_b l_c}{g_a g_b g_c}} \cdot \prod_{\text{cyc}} \left( \frac{p_a}{p_a \cdot \sqrt{\frac{l_a}{g_a} - \sqrt{4r^2 + (b-c)^2}}} \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \geq$$

$$2 \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{h_a - r}{g_a - n_a + \sqrt{4r^2 + (b-c)^2}} + \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{h_a}{n_a + s} \quad \forall \Delta ABC,$$

" = " iff  $\Delta ABC$  is equilateral (QED)

**4003. In  $\Delta ABC$  the following relationship holds:**

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

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$$\frac{a+b}{h_a} + \frac{b+c}{h_b} + \frac{c+a}{h_c} = \left(\frac{a}{h_a} + \frac{b}{h_b} + \frac{c}{h_c}\right) + \left(\frac{b}{h_a} + \frac{c}{h_b} + \frac{a}{h_c}\right)$$

$$l_2 \qquad \qquad \qquad l \qquad \qquad \qquad l_1$$

$$l_1 = \frac{a^2}{a.h_a} + \frac{b^2}{b.h_b} + \frac{c^2}{c.h_c} = \frac{a^2}{2F} + \frac{b^2}{2F} + \frac{c^2}{2F} = \frac{a^2+b^2+c^2}{2F} \quad (I)$$

In  $\Delta ABC$  and  $\Delta A'B'C'$  :  $A'B'=B'C'=A'C'=1$  ( Daniel Pedoe 's )

$$a^2(1^2 + 1^2 - 1^2) + b^2(1^2 + 1^2 - 1^2) + c^2(1^2 + 1^2 - 1^2) \geq 16F \cdot F'$$

$$F' = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{4} \Rightarrow a^2 + b^2 + c^2 \geq 16F \times \frac{\sqrt{3}}{4} = 4\sqrt{3}F \Rightarrow l_1 \geq 2\sqrt{3}$$

$$l_2 = \frac{b}{h_a} + \frac{c}{h_b} + \frac{a}{h_c} = \frac{ab}{a.h_a} + \frac{bc}{b.h_b} + \frac{ca}{c.h_c} = \frac{1}{\sin A} + \frac{1}{\sin B} + \frac{1}{\sin C} \quad (II)$$

Let be the function  $f(x) = \frac{1}{\sin x}$

By using Jensen's inequality:

$$\frac{1}{\sin A} + \frac{1}{\sin B} + \frac{1}{\sin C} \geq 3 \left( \frac{1}{\sin \frac{A+B+C}{3}} \right) = 2\sqrt{3}$$

$$l = l_1 + l_2 \geq 4\sqrt{3}$$

**Solution 2 by Khaled Abd Imouti, Kasem Abotrabi-Syria**

$$P_{\Delta} = a + b + c, \quad (a + b + c)^2 \geq 12\sqrt{3}S_{\Delta}$$

$$\sqrt{\frac{a^2 + b^2 + c^2}{3}} \geq \frac{a + b + c}{3} \dots (QM - AM) \Rightarrow \frac{a^2 + b^2 + c^2}{3} \geq \frac{(a + b + c)^2}{9} \Rightarrow$$

$$a^2 + b^2 + c^2 \geq \frac{(a + b + c)^2}{3} \Rightarrow a^2 + b^2 + c^2 \geq 4\sqrt{3}S_{\Delta} \Rightarrow$$

$$\frac{a^2}{S_{\Delta}} + \frac{b^2}{S_{\Delta}} + \frac{c^2}{S_{\Delta}} = 4\sqrt{3} \quad (I)$$

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

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

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$$= \left( \frac{a^2}{2S_{\Delta}} + \frac{b^2}{2S_{\Delta}} + \frac{c^2}{2S_{\Delta}} \right) + \left( \frac{b}{h_a} + \frac{c}{h_b} + \frac{a}{h_c} \right)$$

$$l_2 = \frac{ab}{a \cdot h_a} + \frac{bc}{b \cdot h_b} + \frac{ca}{c \cdot h_c} = \frac{1}{2S_{\Delta}} (ab + bc + ca) =$$

$$= \frac{1}{2S_{\Delta}} \left( \frac{2S_{\Delta}}{\sin A} + \frac{2S_{\Delta}}{\sin B} + \frac{2S_{\Delta}}{\sin C} \right) = \frac{1}{\sin A} + \frac{1}{\sin B} + \frac{1}{\sin C}$$

Let be the function  $f(x) = \frac{1}{\sin x}$

By using Jensen's inequality:

$$l_2 \geq 2\sqrt{3} \Rightarrow l_2 \geq 3 \left( \frac{1}{\sin \frac{A+B+C}{3}} \right)$$

$$\text{So : } l = l_1 + l_2 \geq 2\sqrt{3} + 2\sqrt{3} = 4\sqrt{3}$$

**4004. In any  $\Delta ABC$  the following relationship holds :**

$$\frac{1}{3r^2} \leq \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{1}{r_a^2} \leq \frac{R^2}{12r^4}$$

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*Solution by Soumava Chakraborty-Kolkata-India*

$$\sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{1}{r_a^2} = \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{(s-a)^2}{r^2 s^2} = \frac{3s^2 - 2s \cdot 2s + 2(s^2 - 4Rr - r^2)}{r^2 s^2} = \frac{s^2 - 8Rr - 2r^2}{r^2 s^2}$$

$$\stackrel{?}{\leq} \frac{R^2}{12r^4} \Leftrightarrow (R^2 - 12r^2)s^2 + 24r^3(4R + r) \stackrel{?}{\geq} 0 \text{ and it's trivially true if :}$$

$$R^2 - 12r^2 \geq 0 \text{ and when : } R^2 - 12r^2 < 0, \text{ then : LHS of } (*) \stackrel{\text{Gerretsen}}{\geq}$$

$$(R^2 - 12r^2)(4R^2 + 4Rr + 3r^2) + 24r^3(4R + r) \stackrel{?}{\geq} 0$$

$$\Leftrightarrow 4t^4 + 4t^3 - 45t^2 + 48t - 12 \stackrel{?}{\geq} 0 \left( t = \frac{R}{r} \right) \Leftrightarrow (t-2)(4t^3 + 12t^2 - 21t + 6) \stackrel{?}{\geq} 0$$

$$\rightarrow \text{true} \because t \stackrel{\text{Euler}}{\geq} 2 \Rightarrow (*) \text{ is true } \forall \Delta ABC \because \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{1}{r_a^2} \leq \frac{R^2}{12r^4} \text{ and again,}$$

$$\sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{1}{r_a^2} = \frac{s^2 - 8Rr - 2r^2}{r^2 s^2} \stackrel{?}{\geq} \frac{1}{3r^2} \Leftrightarrow s^2 \stackrel{?}{\geq} 12Rr + 3r^2 \rightarrow \text{true}$$

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$$\because s^2 \stackrel{\text{Gerretsen}}{\geq} 12Rr + 3r^2 + 4r(R - 2r) \stackrel{\text{Euler}}{\geq} 12Rr + 3r^2 \therefore \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{1}{r_a^2} \geq \frac{1}{3r^2} \text{ and so,}$$

$$\frac{1}{3r^2} \leq \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{1}{r_a^2} \leq \frac{R^2}{12r^4} \forall \Delta ABC, " = " \text{ iff } \Delta ABC \text{ is equilateral (QED)}$$

**4005. In any  $\Delta ABC$  the following relationship holds :**

$$\sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{h_a}{h_a^2 + r^2} \leq \frac{9}{10r}$$

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$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{h_a}{h_a^2 + r^2} &\stackrel{?}{\leq} \frac{9}{10r} \Leftrightarrow \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{\frac{h_a}{r}}{\frac{h_a^2}{r^2} + 1} \stackrel{?}{\leq} \frac{9}{10} \Leftrightarrow \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{\frac{3}{x}}{\frac{x^2}{9} + 1} \stackrel{?}{\leq} \frac{9}{10} \\ \left(x = \frac{3r}{h_a}, y = \frac{3r}{h_b}, z = \frac{3r}{h_c}\right) &\Leftrightarrow \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{x}{9 + x^2} \stackrel{?}{\leq} \frac{3}{10} \quad (*) \end{aligned}$$

Now,  $f(t) = \frac{t}{9 + t^2} \forall t \in (0, 3)$  is concave as  $f''(t) = \frac{2t(t^2 - 27)}{(t^2 + 9)^3} < 0$

$(\because t^2 < 9 < 27) \therefore$  as  $\sum_{\text{cyc}} x = 3 \Rightarrow 0 < x, y, z < 3$ , hence :  $\sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{x}{9 + x^2}$

$$\stackrel{\text{jensen}}{\leq} 3 \cdot \frac{\frac{\sum_{\text{cyc}} x}{3}}{9 + \left(\frac{\sum_{\text{cyc}} x}{3}\right)^2} = \frac{3}{9 + 1} = \frac{3}{10} \Rightarrow (*) \text{ is true and so,}$$

$$\sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{h_a}{h_a^2 + r^2} \leq \frac{9}{10r} \forall \Delta ABC, " = " \text{ iff } \Delta ABC \text{ is equilateral (QED)}$$

**4006. In  $\Delta ABC$  the following relationship holds:**

$$\sum \frac{h_a}{bc} \leq \frac{3}{4r}$$

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Let  $\Delta$  denote the area of  $\triangle ABC$ .

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Here, } \sum \frac{h_a}{bc} &= \sum \frac{\frac{2\Delta}{a}}{bc} = \sum \frac{2\Delta}{abc} = \sum \frac{2\Delta}{4\Delta \cdot R} = \sum \frac{1}{2R} = \\ &= \frac{3}{2R} \stackrel{\text{Euler}}{\cong} \frac{3}{2 \cdot 2r} = \frac{3}{4r} \end{aligned}$$

Equality holds iff the triangle is equilateral. (QED)

**4007. In  $\triangle ABC$  the following relationship holds:**

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

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$$\begin{aligned} a \tan\left(\frac{A}{2}\right) + b \tan\left(\frac{B}{2}\right) + c \tan\left(\frac{C}{2}\right) &= a \cdot \frac{r_a}{s} + b \cdot \frac{r_b}{s} + c \cdot \frac{r_c}{s} = \\ &= \frac{ar_a + br_b + cr_c}{s} = \frac{2s(2R - r)}{s} = 4R - 2r \stackrel{\text{Euler}}{\geq} 3R \end{aligned}$$

Equality holds for  $a = b = c$ .

**4008.**

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

$$\sum_{\text{cyc}} \left( \frac{\sin \frac{A}{2} + \sin \frac{B}{2}}{\sin^2 \frac{B}{2} \sin^2 \frac{C}{2}} \cdot \frac{\sin^2 \frac{C}{2} \cdot \sqrt{\sin \frac{B}{2} + \sin \frac{C}{2}} + \sin^2 \frac{B}{2} \cdot \sqrt{\sin \frac{C}{2} + \sin \frac{A}{2}}}{\sin \frac{A}{2} + \sin \frac{B}{2} + 2 \sin \frac{C}{2}} \right) \geq 12$$

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$$\forall A', B', C', x', y', z' > 0,$$

$$\frac{x'}{y' + z'}(B' + C') + \frac{y'}{z' + x'}(C' + A') + \frac{z'}{x' + y'}(A' + B') \stackrel{\text{Walter Janous}}{\geq} \sqrt{3 \sum_{\text{cyc}} A' B'}$$

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$$\begin{aligned}
 & \text{Now, } \sum_{\text{cyc}} \left( \frac{\sin \frac{A}{2} + \sin \frac{B}{2}}{\sin^2 \frac{B}{2} \sin^2 \frac{C}{2}} \cdot \frac{\sin^2 \frac{C}{2} \cdot \sqrt{\sin \frac{B}{2} + \sin \frac{C}{2}} + \sin^2 \frac{B}{2} \cdot \sqrt{\sin \frac{C}{2} + \sin \frac{A}{2}}}{\sin \frac{A}{2} + \sin \frac{B}{2} + 2 \sin \frac{C}{2}} \right) = \\
 & \sum_{\text{cyc}} \left( \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})} \cdot \left( \frac{\sqrt{\sin \frac{B}{2} + \sin \frac{C}{2}}}{\sin^2 \frac{B}{2}} + \frac{\sqrt{\sin \frac{C}{2} + \sin \frac{A}{2}}}{\sin^2 \frac{C}{2}} \right) \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{A}{2} + \sin \frac{B}{2}, y' = \sin \frac{B}{2} + \sin \frac{C}{2}, z' = \sin \frac{C}{2} + \sin \frac{A}{2}, \\ A' = \frac{\sqrt{\sin \frac{A}{2} + \sin \frac{B}{2}}}{\sin^2 \frac{A}{2}}, B' = \frac{\sqrt{\sin \frac{B}{2} + \sin \frac{C}{2}}}{\sin^2 \frac{B}{2}}, C' = \frac{\sqrt{\sin \frac{C}{2} + \sin \frac{A}{2}}}{\sin^2 \frac{C}{2}} \end{array} \right) \stackrel{\text{via } \textcircled{1}}{\geq} \\
 & \sqrt{3 \sum_{\text{cyc}} \left( \frac{\sqrt{\sin \frac{A}{2} + \sin \frac{B}{2}}}{\sin^2 \frac{A}{2}} \cdot \frac{\sqrt{\sin \frac{B}{2} + \sin \frac{C}{2}}}{\sin^2 \frac{B}{2}} \right)} \stackrel{\text{AM-GM}}{\geq} 3 \cdot \sqrt[6]{\prod_{\text{cyc}} \left( \frac{\sin \frac{B}{2} + \sin \frac{C}{2}}{\sin^4 \frac{A}{2}} \right)} \stackrel{\text{Cesaro}}{\geq} \\
 & 3 \cdot \sqrt[6]{\frac{8}{\sin^3 \frac{A}{2} \sin^3 \frac{B}{2} \sin^3 \frac{C}{2}}} = \frac{3\sqrt{2}}{\sqrt{\sin \frac{A}{2} \sin \frac{B}{2} \sin \frac{C}{2}}} \stackrel{\sin \frac{A}{2} \sin \frac{B}{2} \sin \frac{C}{2} \leq \frac{1}{8}}{\geq} \frac{3\sqrt{2}}{\sqrt{\frac{1}{8}}} = 3\sqrt{2} \cdot 2\sqrt{2} = 12 \\
 & \text{and so, } \sum_{\text{cyc}} \left( \frac{\sin \frac{A}{2} + \sin \frac{B}{2}}{\sin^2 \frac{B}{2} \sin^2 \frac{C}{2}} \cdot \frac{\sin^2 \frac{C}{2} \cdot \sqrt{\sin \frac{B}{2} + \sin \frac{C}{2}} + \sin^2 \frac{B}{2} \cdot \sqrt{\sin \frac{C}{2} + \sin \frac{A}{2}}}{\sin \frac{A}{2} + \sin \frac{B}{2} + 2 \sin \frac{C}{2}} \right) \geq 12 \\
 & \forall \Delta ABC, " = " \text{ iff } \Delta ABC \text{ is equilateral (QED)}
 \end{aligned}$$

**4009. In any  $\Delta ABC$  the following relationship holds :**

$$s^2 + 16Rr + 22r^2 \leq (\sqrt{r_a r_b} + \sqrt{r_b r_c} + \sqrt{r_c r_a})^2 \leq \frac{1}{9} (18s^2 + 82Rr + 79r^2)$$

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$$\left( \sum_{\text{cyc}} \sqrt{r_b r_c} \right)^2 = s^2 + 2s \cdot \sum_{\text{cyc}} \sqrt{(s-b)(s-c)} \stackrel{?}{\leq} \frac{1}{9} (18s^2 + 82Rr + 79r^2)$$



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$(t-2)((t-2)(328t-115)+135) \stackrel{?}{\geq} 0 \left(t = \frac{R}{r}\right) \rightarrow \text{true} \because t \stackrel{\text{Euler}}{\geq} 2 \Rightarrow \textcircled{3} \text{ is true}$

**Case 2**  $452R^2 - 1562Rr + 1073r^2 < 0$  and then : LHS of  $\textcircled{3} \stackrel{\text{Rouche}}{\geq}$   
 $(452R^2 - 1562Rr + 1073r^2) \left(2R^2 + 10Rr - r^2 + 2(R-2r) \cdot \sqrt{R^2 - 2Rr}\right) \stackrel{?}{\geq} \textcircled{3}_{\text{RHS}}$   
 $\Leftrightarrow 2(R-2r) \overbrace{(452R^3 - 1358R^2r + 1093Rr^2 - 343r^3)}^{\sigma > 0} \stackrel{?}{\geq}$   
 $2(R-2r) \cdot \sqrt{R^2 - 2Rr} \cdot \overbrace{-(452R^2 - 1562Rr + 1073r^2)}^{\mu > 0}$

$\Leftrightarrow \sigma^2 \stackrel{?}{\geq} (R^2 - 2Rr)\mu^2 \left(\because R \stackrel{\text{Euler}}{\geq} 2r\right) \Leftrightarrow (t-2)(32t^3 + 8t^2 + 36t - 28) + 25 +$

$64 \left( (9266t^2 + 2444t + 11177)(t-2)^3 + 22343t^2 - 90307t + 91253 \right) \stackrel{?}{\geq} 0$

$\rightarrow \text{true (strict inequality)} \because t \stackrel{\text{Euler}}{\geq} 2$  and  $\because (90307)^2 - 4(22343)(91253) < 0$   
 $\Rightarrow \textcircled{3} \text{ is true and combining, } \textcircled{3} \Rightarrow \textcircled{2} \Rightarrow \textcircled{1} \Rightarrow (**)\Rightarrow (*) \text{ is true and again,}$

$$\begin{aligned} & \left( \sum_{\text{cyc}} \sqrt{r_b r_c} \right)^2 \stackrel{\text{GM-HM}}{\geq} s^2 + \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{4s(s-b)(s-c)}{s-b+s-c} = \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{4sbc(s-b)(s-c)}{4Rrs} \\ & = s^2 + \frac{r(s^2 + (4R+r)^2)}{R} \stackrel{\text{Gerretsen + Euler}}{\geq} s^2 + \frac{r(14Rr - r^2 + (4R+r)^2)}{R} \\ & = s^2 + 16Rr + 22r^2 \text{ and so, } s^2 + 16Rr + 22r^2 \leq (\sqrt{r_a r_b} + \sqrt{r_b r_c} + \sqrt{r_c r_a})^2 \leq \\ & \frac{1}{9}(18s^2 + 82Rr + 79r^2) \forall \Delta ABC, " = " \text{ iff } \Delta ABC \text{ is equilateral (QED)} \end{aligned}$$

**4010. In  $\Delta ABC$  the following relationship holds:**

$$\frac{w_a}{h_a} + \frac{h_a}{w_a} \leq \sqrt{\frac{R+6r}{2r}}$$

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*Solution by Tapas Das-India*

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{w_a}{h_a} &= \frac{2\sqrt{bc \cdot s(s-a)}}{b+c} \cdot \frac{2R}{bc} = \frac{4R\sqrt{s(s-a)}}{(2(s-a)+a)\sqrt{bc}} \stackrel{\text{AM-GM}}{\leq} \frac{4R\sqrt{s(s-a)}}{2\sqrt{2(s-a)abc}} = \\ &= 2R\sqrt{\frac{s}{8Rsr}} = \sqrt{\frac{R}{2r}} \quad (1) \end{aligned}$$

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$$\left(\frac{w_a}{h_a} + \frac{h_a}{w_a}\right)^2 = \left(\frac{w_a}{h_a}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{h_a}{w_a}\right)^2 + 2 \stackrel{(1)}{w_a \geq h_a} \leq \left(\sqrt{\frac{R}{2r}}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{w_a}{w_a}\right)^2 + 2 = \frac{R+6r}{2r}$$

$$\frac{w_a}{h_a} + \frac{h_a}{w_a} \leq \sqrt{\frac{R+6r}{2r}}$$

Equality holds for an equilateral triangle.

4011. In any  $\triangle ABC$  the following relationship holds :

$$\max \left\{ \sqrt{\frac{b}{c}} + \sqrt{\frac{c}{b}}, \frac{a+b}{a+c} + \frac{a+c}{a+b} \right\} \leq \sqrt{\frac{\sin \frac{B}{2}}{\sin \frac{C}{2}}} + \sqrt{\frac{\sin \frac{C}{2}}{\sin \frac{B}{2}}} \leq \frac{w_b}{w_c} + \frac{w_c}{w_b}$$

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Solution by Soumava Chakraborty-Kolkata-India

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\sin^2 \frac{B}{2}}{\sin^2 \frac{C}{2}} + \frac{\sin^2 \frac{C}{2}}{\sin^2 \frac{B}{2}} - 2 &= \frac{(\sin^2 \frac{B}{2} - \sin^2 \frac{C}{2})^2}{\sin^2 \frac{B}{2} \sin^2 \frac{C}{2}} = \frac{\left(\frac{(s-c)(s-a)}{ca} - \frac{(s-a)(s-b)}{ab}\right)^2}{\frac{(s-c)(s-a)}{ca} \cdot \frac{(s-a)(s-b)}{ab}} \\ &= \frac{(b(s-c) - c(s-b))^2}{bc(s-b)(s-c)} \Rightarrow \frac{\sin^2 \frac{B}{2}}{\sin^2 \frac{C}{2}} + \frac{\sin^2 \frac{C}{2}}{\sin^2 \frac{B}{2}} - 2 = \frac{s^2(b-c)^2}{bc(s-b)(s-c)} \rightarrow (m) \text{ \& now,} \end{aligned}$$

$$\frac{a+b}{a+c} + \frac{a+c}{a+b} \stackrel{?}{\leq} \sqrt{\frac{\sin \frac{B}{2}}{\sin \frac{C}{2}}} + \sqrt{\frac{\sin \frac{C}{2}}{\sin \frac{B}{2}}} \Leftrightarrow \left(\frac{a+b}{a+c}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{a+c}{a+b}\right)^2 \stackrel{?}{\leq} \frac{\sin \frac{B}{2}}{\sin \frac{C}{2}} + \frac{\sin \frac{C}{2}}{\sin \frac{B}{2}}$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \left(\frac{a+b}{a+c}\right)^4 + \left(\frac{a+c}{a+b}\right)^4 - 2 \stackrel{?}{\leq} \frac{\sin^2 \frac{B}{2}}{\sin^2 \frac{C}{2}} + \frac{\sin^2 \frac{C}{2}}{\sin^2 \frac{B}{2}} - 2 \Leftrightarrow$$

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

$$\Leftrightarrow \frac{((a+b)^2 + (c+a)^2)^2(2a+b+c)^2(b-c)^2}{(a+b)^4(c+a)^4} \stackrel{?}{\leq} \frac{s^2(b-c)^2}{bc(s-b)(s-c)} \Leftrightarrow$$

$$bc(s-b)(s-c)((a+b)^2 + (c+a)^2)^2(2a+b+c)^2 \stackrel{?}{\leq} s^2(a+b)^4(c+a)^4$$

$$(\because (b-c)^2 \geq 0) \text{ and } \because bc(s-b)(s-c) \stackrel{\text{AM-GM}}{\leq} \frac{(b+c)^2 a^2}{16} \therefore \text{it suffices to prove :}$$

$$4s(a+b)^2(c+a)^2 \stackrel{?}{\geq} a(b+c)((a+b)^2 + (c+a)^2)(2a+b+c) \Leftrightarrow$$

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$$4 \left( \sum_{\text{cyc}} x \right) (2z + x + y)^2 (2y + z + x)^2 \stackrel{?}{\geq}$$

$$(y+z)(2x+y+z)((2z+x+y)^2 + (2y+z+x)^2)(2(y+z) + 2x + y + z)$$

$$(x = s - a, y = s - b, z = s - c \Rightarrow a = y + z, b = z + x, c = x + y) \Leftrightarrow$$

$$4x^5 + 20x^4(y+z) + 36x^3(y+z)^2 + 8x^3yz + 26x^2(y+z)^3 + 40x^2yz(y+z) +$$

$$6x(y+z)^4 + 56xyz(y+z)^2 + 4xy^2z^2 + (y+z)^5 + 22yz(y+z)^3 + 4y^2z^2(y+z)$$

$$\stackrel{?}{\geq} 0 \rightarrow \text{true (strict inequality)} \Rightarrow \frac{a+b}{a+c} + \frac{a+c}{a+b} \stackrel{\textcircled{1}}{\leq} \sqrt{\frac{\sin \frac{B}{2}}{\sin \frac{C}{2}}} + \sqrt{\frac{\sin \frac{C}{2}}{\sin \frac{B}{2}}}$$

$$\text{Again, } \sqrt{\frac{b}{c}} + \sqrt{\frac{c}{b}} \stackrel{?}{\leq} \sqrt{\frac{\sin \frac{B}{2}}{\sin \frac{C}{2}}} + \sqrt{\frac{\sin \frac{C}{2}}{\sin \frac{B}{2}}} \stackrel{\text{squaring twice and via (m)}}{\Leftrightarrow} \frac{s^2(b-c)^2}{bc(s-b)(s-c)} \stackrel{?}{\geq} \frac{(b^2-c^2)^2}{b^2c^2}$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \left( \sum_{\text{cyc}} x \right)^2 (z+x)(x+y) \stackrel{?}{\geq} yz(2x+y+z)^2 (\because (b-c)^2 \geq 0)$$

$$\Leftrightarrow x^4 + 3x^3(y+z) + 3x^2(y^2 + yz + z^2) + x(y^3 + z^3 + y^2z + yz^2) \stackrel{?}{\geq} 0$$

$$\rightarrow \text{true (strict inequality)} \because \sqrt{\frac{b}{c}} + \sqrt{\frac{c}{b}} \stackrel{\textcircled{2}}{\leq} \sqrt{\frac{\sin \frac{B}{2}}{\sin \frac{C}{2}}} + \sqrt{\frac{\sin \frac{C}{2}}{\sin \frac{B}{2}}}$$

$$\text{Finally, } \frac{w_b}{w_c} + \frac{w_c}{w_b} = \frac{2a \cdot 4R \cos \frac{C}{2} \sin \frac{C}{2} \cdot \cos \frac{B}{2}}{c+a} + \frac{2a \cdot 4R \cos \frac{B}{2} \sin \frac{B}{2} \cdot \cos \frac{C}{2}}{a+b}$$

$$\frac{2a \cdot 4R \cos \frac{B}{2} \sin \frac{B}{2} \cdot \cos \frac{C}{2}}{a+b} + \frac{2a \cdot 4R \cos \frac{C}{2} \sin \frac{C}{2} \cdot \cos \frac{B}{2}}{c+a}$$

$$= \frac{\left( \sqrt{\frac{\sin \frac{C}{2}}{\sin \frac{B}{2}}} \right)^2}{\frac{c+a}{a+b}} + \frac{\left( \sqrt{\frac{\sin \frac{B}{2}}{\sin \frac{C}{2}}} \right)^2}{\frac{a+b}{c+a}} \stackrel{\text{Bergstrom}}{\geq} \frac{\left( \sqrt{\frac{\sin \frac{B}{2}}{\sin \frac{C}{2}}} + \sqrt{\frac{\sin \frac{C}{2}}{\sin \frac{B}{2}}} \right)^2}{\frac{c+a}{a+b} + \frac{a+b}{c+a}} \stackrel{\text{via } \textcircled{1}}{\geq}$$

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$$\frac{\left( \sqrt{\frac{\sin \frac{B}{2}}{\sin \frac{C}{2}}} + \sqrt{\frac{\sin \frac{C}{2}}{\sin \frac{B}{2}}} \right) \left( \frac{c+a}{a+b} + \frac{a+b}{c+a} \right)}{\frac{c+a}{a+b} + \frac{a+b}{c+a}}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{w_b}{w_c} + \frac{w_c}{w_b} \stackrel{\textcircled{3}}{\geq} \sqrt{\frac{\sin \frac{B}{2}}{\sin \frac{C}{2}}} + \sqrt{\frac{\sin \frac{C}{2}}{\sin \frac{B}{2}}} \text{ and so, } \textcircled{1}, \textcircled{2} \text{ and } \textcircled{3}$$

$$\Rightarrow \max \left\{ \sqrt{\frac{b}{c}} + \sqrt{\frac{c}{b}}, \frac{a+b}{a+c} + \frac{a+c}{a+b} \right\} \leq \sqrt{\frac{\sin \frac{B}{2}}{\sin \frac{C}{2}}} + \sqrt{\frac{\sin \frac{C}{2}}{\sin \frac{B}{2}}} \leq \frac{w_b}{w_c} + \frac{w_c}{w_b} \quad \forall \Delta ABC,$$

" = " iff  $b = c$

4012. In any  $\Delta ABC$  the following relationship holds :

$$\frac{r_b + r_c}{w_a} \leq \frac{\sin \frac{B}{2}}{\sin \frac{C}{2}} + \frac{\sin \frac{C}{2}}{\sin \frac{B}{2}}$$

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Solution by Soumava Chakraborty-Kolkata-India

$$\frac{r_b + r_c}{w_a} \stackrel{?}{\leq} \frac{\sin \frac{B}{2}}{\sin \frac{C}{2}} + \frac{\sin \frac{C}{2}}{\sin \frac{B}{2}} \Leftrightarrow \frac{4R \cdot s(s-a)}{bc \cdot \frac{2bc}{b+c} \cdot \cos^2 \frac{A}{2}} \stackrel{?}{\leq} \frac{(s-c)(s-a)}{ca} + \frac{(s-a)(s-b)}{ab}$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \frac{s(s-a)}{bc \cdot \frac{2bc}{b+c} \cdot \frac{s(s-a)}{bc}} \stackrel{?}{\leq} \frac{b(s-c)(s-a) + c(s-a)(s-b)}{abc \cdot (s-a)}$$

$$\Leftrightarrow 2(zx(z+x) + xy(x+y)) \stackrel{?}{\geq} x(y+z)(2x+y+z)$$

$(x = s-a, y = s-b, z = s-c \Rightarrow a = y+z, b = z+x, c = x+y)$

$$\Leftrightarrow x(y-z)^2 \stackrel{?}{\geq} 0 \rightarrow \text{true} \because x > 0 \therefore \frac{r_b + r_c}{w_a} \leq \frac{\sin \frac{B}{2}}{\sin \frac{C}{2}} + \frac{\sin \frac{C}{2}}{\sin \frac{B}{2}} \quad \forall \Delta ABC,$$

" = " iff  $b = c$

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4013. In any  $\Delta ABC$  with  $\omega \rightarrow$

Brocard's angle the following relationship holds :

$$\frac{1}{\sin \omega} \geq 2 \cdot \frac{m_a + m_b + m_c}{h_a + h_b + h_c}$$

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Since  $\frac{1}{\sin \omega} = \frac{\sqrt{\sum_{cyc} a^2 b^2}}{2rs}$  and  $\therefore \left( \sum_{cyc} m_a \right)^2 \stackrel{\text{Chu-Yang}}{\leq} 4s^2 - 16Rr + 5r^2$

$\therefore$  in order to prove :  $\frac{1}{\sin \omega} \stackrel{?}{\geq} 2 \cdot \frac{m_a + m_b + m_c}{h_a + h_b + h_c}$ , it suffices to prove :

$$\begin{aligned} & ((s^2 + 4Rr + r^2)^2 - 16Rrs^2)(s^2 + 4Rr + r^2)^2 \stackrel{?}{\geq} 64R^2 r^2 s^2 (4s^2 - 16Rr + 5r^2) \\ & \Leftrightarrow s^8 + 4r^2 s^6 - r^2(288R^2 - 16Rr - 6r^2)s^4 + \end{aligned}$$

$$r^3(1024R^3 - 256R^2r + 32Rr^2 + 4r^3)s^2 + r^4(4R + r)^4 \stackrel{?}{\geq} 0 \text{ and } \therefore$$

$(s^2 - 16Rr + 5r^2)^4 \stackrel{\text{Gerretsen}}{\geq} 0 \therefore$  in order to prove ①, it suffices to prove :

LHS of ①  $\stackrel{?}{\geq} (s^2 - 16Rr + 5r^2)^4 \Leftrightarrow (4R - r)s^6 - r(114R^2 - 61Rr + 9r^2)s^4 +$   
 $r^2(1088R^3 - 976R^2r + 302Rr^2 - 31r^3)s^2 -$

$$r^3(4080R^4 - 5136R^3r + 2394R^2r^2 - 501Rr^3 + 39r^4) \stackrel{?}{\geq} 0 \text{ and } \therefore$$

$(4R - r)(s^2 - 16Rr + 5r^2)^3 \stackrel{\text{Gerretsen}}{\geq} 0 \therefore$  in order to prove ②, it suffices to prove :

LHS of ②  $\stackrel{?}{\geq} (4R - r)(s^2 - 16Rr + 5r^2)^3 \Leftrightarrow (78R^2 - 47Rr + 6r^2)s^4 -$   
 $r(1984R^3 - 1712R^2r + 478Rr^2 - 44r^3)s^2 +$

$$r^2(12304R^4 - 14320R^3r + 6246R^2r^2 - 1199Rr^3 + 86r^4) \stackrel{?}{\geq} 0 \text{ and } \therefore$$

$(78R^2 - 47Rr + 6r^2)(s^2 - 16Rr + 5r^2)^2 \stackrel{\text{Gerretsen}}{\geq} 0 \therefore$  in order to prove ③,

it suffices to prove : LHS of ③  $\stackrel{?}{\geq} (78R^2 - 47Rr + 6r^2)(s^2 - 16Rr + 5r^2)^2$

$$\Leftrightarrow (128R^3 - 143R^2r + 46Rr^2 - 4r^3)s^2 \stackrel{?}{\geq} r \left( \frac{1916R^4 - 2548R^3r +}{1190R^2r^2 - 234Rr^3 + 16r^4} \right)$$

Finally, LHS of ④  $\stackrel{\text{Gerretsen}}{\geq} (128R^3 - 143R^2r + 46Rr^2 - 4r^3)(16Rr - 5r^2) \stackrel{?}{\geq}$

$$\text{RHS of ④} \Leftrightarrow 132t^4 - 380t^3 + 261t^2 - 60t + 4 \stackrel{?}{\geq} 0 \left( t = \frac{R}{r} \right)$$

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$$\Leftrightarrow (t-2)(132t^3 - 116t^2 + 29t - 2) \stackrel{?}{\geq} 0 \rightarrow \text{true} \because t \stackrel{\text{Euler}}{\geq} 2 \Rightarrow \textcircled{4} \Rightarrow \textcircled{3} \Rightarrow \textcircled{2}$$

$$\Rightarrow \textcircled{1} \text{ is true } \therefore \frac{1}{\sin \omega} \geq 2 \cdot \frac{m_a + m_b + m_c}{h_a + h_b + h_c} \quad \forall \Delta ABC,$$

" = " iff  $\Delta ABC$  is equilateral (QED)

**4014. In  $\Delta ABC$  the following relationship holds:**

$$\sqrt{\frac{m_a}{r_a}} + \sqrt{\frac{r_a}{m_a}} \leq \sqrt{\frac{2R}{r}}$$

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*Solution by Tapas Das-India*

$$n_a^2 = s^2 - 2r_a h_a \text{ (Bogdan Fustei) }, r_a = s \tan \frac{A}{2}$$

$$\sqrt{\frac{m_a}{r_a}} + \sqrt{\frac{r_a}{m_a}} = \frac{m_a + r_a}{\sqrt{m_a r_a}} = \sqrt{\frac{(m_a + r_a)^2}{m_a r_a}} = \sqrt{\frac{m_a^2 + r_a^2}{m_a r_a} + 2} \stackrel{\substack{m_a \leq n_a \\ m_a \geq h_a}}{\leq} \sqrt{\frac{n_a^2 + r_a^2}{h_a r_a} + 2} =$$

$$= \sqrt{\frac{s^2 - 2r_a h_a + r_a^2}{r_a h_a} + 2} = \sqrt{\frac{s^2 + s^2 \tan^2 \left(\frac{A}{2}\right)}{\frac{2F^2}{a(s-a)}}} = \sqrt{\frac{s^2 \sec^2 \left(\frac{A}{2}\right)}{\frac{2F^2}{a(s-a)}}} = \sqrt{\frac{a(s-a)}{2r^2 \cos^2 \left(\frac{A}{2}\right)}} =$$

$$= \sqrt{\frac{abc}{2sr^2}} = \sqrt{\frac{4Rrs}{2sr^2}} = \sqrt{\frac{2R}{r}}$$

Equality holds for an equilateral triangle.

**4015. In  $\Delta ABC$  the following relationship holds:**

$$\frac{b}{c} + \frac{c}{b} \leq \frac{s^2}{4Rr} - \frac{11}{8}$$

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*Solution by Tapas Das-India*

*We need to show :*

$$\frac{b}{c} + \frac{c}{b} \leq \frac{s^2}{4Rr} - \frac{11}{8} \quad \text{or,} \quad \frac{s^2}{4Rr} - \left(\frac{b}{c} + \frac{c}{b}\right) \geq \frac{11}{8}$$

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now, we will show  $(a + b + c)^3 - 8a(b^2 + c^2) \geq 11abc$

or,  $(a + b + c)^3 - 8a(b^2 + c^2) - 11abc \geq 0$

$a = \max\{a, b, c\}$ .

Let  $b = a - x, c = a - y$  where  $x, y \geq 0$

$$(a + b + c)^3 - 8a(b^2 + c^2) - 11abc =$$

$$= (3a - x - y)^3 - 8a((a - x)^2 + (a - y)^2) - 11a(a - x)(a - y) =$$

$$= ax^2 + ay^2 + 7axy - x^3 - 3x^2y - 3xy^2 - y^3 = a((x + y)^2 + 5xy) - (x + y)^3 =$$

$$= (x + y)^2(a - x - y) + 5axy = (x + y)^2(b + c - a) + 5axy \geq 0 \text{ true}$$

(as  $b = a - x, c = a - y, x, y \geq 0$  then  $a - x - y = b + c - a > 0$  in any triangle)

so  $(a + b + c)^3 - 8a(b^2 + c^2) \geq 11abc$

$$R.H.S = \frac{s^2}{4Rr} - \left( \frac{b}{c} + \frac{c}{b} \right) = \frac{s^3}{4Rrs} - \frac{b^2 + c^2}{bc} = \frac{(a + b + c)^3}{8abc} - \frac{b^2 + c^2}{bc} =$$

$$= \frac{(a + b + c)^3 - 8a(b^2 + c^2)}{8abc} \geq \frac{11abc}{8abc} = \frac{11}{8}$$

Equality holds for an equilateral triangle.

**4016. In any  $\triangle ABC$  the following relationship holds :**

$$\max \left\{ \frac{2w_a}{h_a}, \sqrt{\frac{\sin \frac{B}{2}}{\sin \frac{C}{2}}} + \sqrt{\frac{\sin \frac{C}{2}}{\sin \frac{B}{2}}} \right\} \leq \sqrt{\frac{\tan \frac{B}{2}}{\tan \frac{C}{2}}} + \sqrt{\frac{\tan \frac{C}{2}}{\tan \frac{B}{2}}} \leq \frac{r_b + r_c}{w_a}$$

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$$\frac{2w_a}{h_a} \leq \frac{2 \cdot \sqrt{s(s-a)} \cdot a}{2 \cdot \sqrt{s(s-a)(s-b)(s-c)}} = \frac{s-b+s-c}{\sqrt{(s-b)(s-c)}} = \sqrt{\frac{s-b}{s-c}} + \sqrt{\frac{s-c}{s-b}}$$

$$= \sqrt{\frac{r_c}{r_b}} + \sqrt{\frac{r_b}{r_c}} = \sqrt{\frac{\tan \frac{C}{2}}{\tan \frac{B}{2}}} + \sqrt{\frac{\tan \frac{B}{2}}{\tan \frac{C}{2}}} \text{ and again, } \sqrt{\frac{\sin \frac{B}{2}}{\sin \frac{C}{2}}} + \sqrt{\frac{\sin \frac{C}{2}}{\sin \frac{B}{2}}} \leq \sqrt{\frac{\tan \frac{B}{2}}{\tan \frac{C}{2}}} + \sqrt{\frac{\tan \frac{C}{2}}{\tan \frac{B}{2}}}$$

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$$\begin{aligned}
 & \text{squaring } \Leftrightarrow \frac{\sin \frac{B}{2}}{\sin \frac{C}{2}} + \frac{\sin \frac{C}{2}}{\sin \frac{B}{2}} \stackrel{?}{\leq} \frac{\tan \frac{B}{2}}{\tan \frac{C}{2}} + \frac{\tan \frac{C}{2}}{\tan \frac{B}{2}} \\
 & \Leftrightarrow \sqrt{\frac{(s-c)(s-a)}{ca}} + \sqrt{\frac{(s-a)(s-b)}{ab}} \stackrel{?}{\leq} \frac{s-c}{s-b} + \frac{s-b}{s-c} \\
 & \Leftrightarrow \sqrt{\frac{b}{c} \cdot \frac{s-c}{s-b}} + \sqrt{\frac{c}{b} \cdot \frac{s-b}{s-c}} \stackrel{?}{\leq} \frac{s-c}{s-b} + \frac{s-b}{s-c} \\
 & \text{Now, LHS of } (*) \stackrel{\text{CBS}}{\leq} \sqrt{\frac{b}{c} + \frac{c}{b}} \cdot \sqrt{\frac{s-c}{s-b} + \frac{s-b}{s-c}} \stackrel{?}{\leq} \frac{s-c}{s-b} + \frac{s-b}{s-c} \\
 & \Leftrightarrow \frac{b}{c} + \frac{c}{b} - 2 \stackrel{?}{\leq} \frac{s-c}{s-b} - 1 + \frac{s-b}{s-c} - 1 \Leftrightarrow \frac{(b-c)^2}{bc} \stackrel{?}{\leq} \frac{b-c}{s-b} - \frac{b-c}{s-c} \\
 & \Leftrightarrow \frac{(b-c)^2}{bc} \stackrel{?}{\leq} \frac{(b-c)^2}{(s-b)(s-c)} \Leftrightarrow \frac{(b-c)^2}{bc(s-b)(s-c)} \cdot (-s^2 + sa + bc - bc) \stackrel{?}{\leq} 0 \\
 & \Leftrightarrow \frac{-s(s-a)(b-c)^2}{bc(s-b)(s-c)} \stackrel{?}{\leq} 0 \rightarrow \text{true} \Rightarrow (*) \text{ is true} \\
 & \therefore \sqrt{\frac{\sin \frac{B}{2}}{\sin \frac{C}{2}}} + \sqrt{\frac{\sin \frac{C}{2}}{\sin \frac{B}{2}}} \stackrel{?}{\leq} \sqrt{\frac{\tan \frac{B}{2}}{\tan \frac{C}{2}}} + \sqrt{\frac{\tan \frac{C}{2}}{\tan \frac{B}{2}}} \text{ and finally,} \\
 & w_a \cdot \left( \sqrt{\frac{\tan \frac{B}{2}}{\tan \frac{C}{2}}} + \sqrt{\frac{\tan \frac{C}{2}}{\tan \frac{B}{2}}} \right) \leq \sqrt{s(s-a)} \cdot \left( \sqrt{\frac{s-c}{s-b}} + \sqrt{\frac{s-b}{s-c}} \right) \\
 & = \frac{\sqrt{s(s-a)(s-b)(s-c)}}{s-b} + \frac{\sqrt{s(s-a)(s-b)(s-c)}}{s-c} = r_b + r_c \\
 & \therefore \sqrt{\frac{\tan \frac{B}{2}}{\tan \frac{C}{2}}} + \sqrt{\frac{\tan \frac{C}{2}}{\tan \frac{B}{2}}} \stackrel{?}{\leq} \frac{r_b + r_c}{w_a} \text{ and so, } \max \left\{ \frac{2w_a}{h_a}, \sqrt{\frac{\sin \frac{B}{2}}{\sin \frac{C}{2}}} + \sqrt{\frac{\sin \frac{C}{2}}{\sin \frac{B}{2}}} \right\} \leq \\
 & \sqrt{\frac{\tan \frac{B}{2}}{\tan \frac{C}{2}}} + \sqrt{\frac{\tan \frac{C}{2}}{\tan \frac{B}{2}}} \leq \frac{r_b + r_c}{w_a} \forall \Delta ABC, " = " \text{ iff } b = c \text{ (QED)}
 \end{aligned}$$

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4017. In any  $\Delta ABC$  the following relationship holds :

$$\frac{w_a}{h_a} + \frac{h_a}{w_a} \leq \frac{\cos \frac{B}{2}}{\cos \frac{C}{2}} + \frac{\cos \frac{C}{2}}{\cos \frac{B}{2}} \leq \min \left\{ \frac{w_b}{w_c} + \frac{w_c}{w_b}, \frac{2w_a}{h_a} \right\}$$

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$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\cos \frac{B}{2}}{\cos \frac{C}{2}} + \frac{\cos \frac{C}{2}}{\cos \frac{B}{2}} &= \frac{\cos^2 \frac{A}{2} + \cos^2 \frac{B}{2} + \cos^2 \frac{C}{2} - 1 + \sin^2 \frac{A}{2}}{\cos \frac{B}{2} \cos \frac{C}{2}} \\ &= \frac{2 + \frac{4R \sin \frac{A}{2} \sin \frac{B}{2} \sin \frac{C}{2}}{2R} - 1 + \sin^2 \frac{A}{2}}{\frac{1}{2}(C+S)} \quad \left( C = \cos \frac{B-C}{2}, S = \sin \frac{A}{2} \right) \\ &= \frac{1 + S^2 + S(C-S)}{\frac{1}{2}(C+S)} \\ \therefore \frac{\cos \frac{B}{2}}{\cos \frac{C}{2}} + \frac{\cos \frac{C}{2}}{\cos \frac{B}{2}} &= \frac{2(1+SC)}{C+S} \rightarrow \textcircled{1} \text{ and so, via } \textcircled{1}, \frac{w_a}{h_a} + \frac{h_a}{w_a} \stackrel{?}{\leq} \frac{\cos \frac{B}{2}}{\cos \frac{C}{2}} + \frac{\cos \frac{C}{2}}{\cos \frac{B}{2}} \\ \Leftrightarrow C + \frac{1}{C} &\stackrel{?}{\leq} \frac{2(1+SC)}{C+S} \Leftrightarrow 2C + 2SC^2 \stackrel{?}{\geq} C + S + C^3 + SC^2 \Leftrightarrow C - C^3 \stackrel{?}{\geq} S - SC^2 \\ \Leftrightarrow (1 - C^2)(C - S) &\stackrel{?}{\geq} 0 \rightarrow \text{true} \because C^2 = \cos^2 \frac{B-C}{2} \leq 1 \text{ and } \because C = \cos \frac{B-C}{2} = \end{aligned}$$

$$\frac{b+c}{a} \cdot \sin \frac{A}{2} \stackrel{b+c > a}{>} \sin \frac{A}{2} = S \therefore \frac{w_a}{h_a} + \frac{h_a}{w_a} \leq \frac{\cos \frac{B}{2}}{\cos \frac{C}{2}} + \frac{\cos \frac{C}{2}}{\cos \frac{B}{2}} \text{ and again,}$$

$$\frac{\cos \frac{B}{2}}{\cos \frac{C}{2}} + \frac{\cos \frac{C}{2}}{\cos \frac{B}{2}} \stackrel{?}{\leq} \frac{w_b}{w_c} + \frac{w_c}{w_b}$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \frac{s(s-b)}{ca} + \frac{\cos^2 \frac{C}{2}}{ab} \stackrel{?}{\leq} \frac{s(s-b) - \frac{s(s-b)(c-a)^2}{(c+a)^2} + s(s-c) - \frac{s(s-c)(a-b)^2}{(a+b)^2}}{\frac{2ca}{c+a} \cdot \cos \frac{B}{2} \cdot \frac{2ab}{a+b} \cdot \cos \frac{C}{2}}$$

$$\begin{aligned} &\Leftrightarrow 4as \left( s(b+c) - (b^2 + c^2) \right) (a+b)(c+a) \stackrel{?}{\leq} \\ &sa(a+b)^2(c+a)^2 - s(s-b)(c-a)^2(a+b)^2 - s(s-c)(a-b)^2(c+a)^2 \\ &\Leftrightarrow 4(y+z) \left( \frac{(x+y+z)(2x+y+z)}{((z+x)^2 + (x+y)^2)} - \right) (2z+x+y)(2y+z+x) \stackrel{?}{\leq} \end{aligned}$$

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$$(y+z)(2z+x+y)^2(2y+z+x)^2 - y(z-x)^2(2z+x+y)^2 - z(x-y)^2(2y+z+x)^2 \quad \left( \begin{array}{l} x = s - a, y = s - b, z = s - c \Rightarrow \\ a = y + z, b = z + x, c = x + y, s = x + y + z \end{array} \right)$$

$$\Leftrightarrow x(y^2 - z^2)^2 + y^5 + z^5 + y^4z + yz^4 \stackrel{?}{\geq} 2y^3z^2 + 2y^2z^3 \rightarrow \text{true}$$

$$\because y^5 + yz^4 \stackrel{\text{AM-GM}}{\geq} 2y^3z^2 \text{ and } z^5 + y^4z \stackrel{\text{AM-GM}}{\geq} 2y^2z^3$$

$$\therefore \boxed{\frac{\cos \frac{B}{2}}{\cos \frac{C}{2}} + \frac{\cos \frac{C}{2}}{\cos \frac{B}{2}} \leq \frac{w_b}{w_c} + \frac{w_c}{w_b}} \text{ and finally, via } \textcircled{1}, \frac{\cos \frac{B}{2}}{\cos \frac{C}{2}} + \frac{\cos \frac{C}{2}}{\cos \frac{B}{2}} \stackrel{?}{\leq} \frac{2w_a}{h_a}$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \frac{2(1 + SC)}{C + S} \stackrel{?}{\leq} \frac{2}{C} \Leftrightarrow SC^2 \stackrel{?}{\leq} S \rightarrow \text{true} \because C^2 = \cos^2 \frac{B-C}{2} \leq 1$$

$$\therefore \boxed{\frac{\cos \frac{B}{2}}{\cos \frac{C}{2}} + \frac{\cos \frac{C}{2}}{\cos \frac{B}{2}} \leq \frac{2w_a}{h_a}} \text{ and so, } \frac{w_a}{h_a} + \frac{h_a}{w_a} \leq \frac{\cos \frac{B}{2}}{\cos \frac{C}{2}} + \frac{\cos \frac{C}{2}}{\cos \frac{B}{2}} \leq$$

$$\min \left\{ \frac{w_b}{w_c} + \frac{w_c}{w_b}, 2 \frac{w_a}{h_a} \right\} \forall \Delta ABC, " = " \text{ iff } b = c \text{ (QED)}$$

4018. In  $\Delta ABC$  the following relationship holds:

$$\sqrt{\frac{w_a}{r_a}} + \sqrt{\frac{r_a}{w_a}} \leq \sqrt{\frac{2R}{r}}$$

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Solution by Tapas Das-India

$$n_a^2 = s^2 - 2r_a h_a \text{ (Bogdan Fustei)}, r_a = s \tan \frac{A}{2}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \sqrt{\frac{w_a}{r_a}} + \sqrt{\frac{r_a}{w_a}} &= \frac{w_a + r_a}{\sqrt{w_a r_a}} = \sqrt{\frac{(w_a + r_a)^2}{w_a r_a}} = \sqrt{\frac{w_a^2 + r_a^2}{w_a r_a} + 2} \stackrel{\substack{w_a \leq n_a \\ w_a \geq h_a}}{\leq} \sqrt{\frac{n_a^2 + r_a^2}{h_a r_a} + 2} = \\ &= \sqrt{\frac{s^2 - 2r_a h_a + r_a^2}{r_a h_a} + 2} = \sqrt{\frac{s^2 + s^2 \tan^2 \left(\frac{A}{2}\right)}{2F^2}} = \sqrt{\frac{s^2 \sec^2 \left(\frac{A}{2}\right)}{2F^2}} = \sqrt{\frac{a(s-a)}{2r^2 \cos^2 \left(\frac{A}{2}\right)}} = \\ &= \sqrt{\frac{abc}{2sr^2}} = \sqrt{\frac{4Rrs}{2sr^2}} = \sqrt{\frac{2R}{r}} \end{aligned}$$

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Equality holds for an equilateral triangle.

4019.

In any  $\Delta ABC$  with  $\omega \rightarrow$  Brocard's angle, the following relationship holds :

$$\frac{b+c}{2a} + \frac{2a}{b+c} \leq \min \left\{ \frac{1}{\sin \omega}, \frac{s^2}{4Rr} - \frac{11}{8}, \frac{s^2}{27r^2} + 1 \right\}$$

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Solution by Soumava Chakraborty-Kolkata-India

Let  $x = s - a, y = s - b, z = s - c$ ; then :  $a = y + z, b = z + x, c = x + y$   
 and  $s = x + y + z$  and furthermore, we denote :  $\frac{y+z}{x} = m$  and  $\frac{yz}{x^2} = n$  and  
 then, we have the following set S of relations :  $y^2 + z^2 = x^2(m^2 - 2n), y^3 + z^3 = x^3(m^3 - 3nn), y^4 + z^4 = x^4((m^2 - 2n)^2 - 2n^2), y^5 + z^5 = x^5(m((m^2 - 2n)^2 + n^2 - nm^2)), y^6 + z^6 = x^6((m^3 - 3nn)^2 - 2n^3), y^7 + z^7 = x^7(m((m^3 - 3nn)^2 - 2n^3) - mn((m^2 - 2n)^2 + n^2 - nm^2)),$   
 $y^8 + z^8 = x^8(((m^2 - 2n)^2 - 2n^2)^2 - 2n^4)$  and now,  $\frac{b+c}{2a} + \frac{2a}{b+c} \stackrel{?}{\leq} \frac{1}{\sin \omega}$   
 $\Leftrightarrow \frac{4 \sum_{cyc} a^2 b^2}{2 \sum_{cyc} a^2 b^2 - \sum_{cyc} a^4} - 2 \stackrel{?}{\geq} \frac{(b+c)^4 + 16a^4}{4a^2(b+c)^2}$   
 $\Leftrightarrow \frac{(y+z)^4 + (z+x)^4 + (x+y)^4}{2xyz(x+y+z)} \stackrel{?}{\geq} \frac{(2x+y+z)^4 + 16(y+z)^4}{(y+z)^2(2x+y+z)^2}$   
 $\Leftrightarrow 4x^6(y-z)^2 + 12x^5(y-z)^2(y+z) + 21x^4(y^2+z^2)^2 - 76x^4y^2z^2 + 4x^4yz(y^2+z^2) + 22x^3(y^5+z^5) + 30x^3yz(y^3+z^3) - 20x^3y^2z^2(y+z) + 15x^2(y^6+z^6) + 27x^2yz(y^4+z^4) - 23x^2y^2z^2(y+z)^2 - 24y^3z^3 + 6x(y^7+z^7) + 11xyz(y^5+z^5) - 25xy^2z^2(y^3+z^3) - 88xy^3z^3(y+z) + y^8+z^8 + 6yz(y^6+z^6) + 17y^2z^2(y^4+z^4) + 30y^3z^3(y^2+z^2) + 36y^4z^4 \stackrel{?}{\geq} 0$  and  $\therefore 4x^6(y-z)^2 +$

$12x^5(y-z)^2(y+z) \geq 0$  & via set of relations "S", to prove (1), suffices to prove, following simplification :  $(m+2)^2n^2 - (2m^4 + 31m^3 + 63m^2 + 80m + 80)n +$

$m^2(m^4 + 6m^3 + 15m^2 + 22m + 21) \stackrel{?}{\geq} 0$  and discriminant  $\delta$  of LHS of (2) =

$$(2m^4 + 31m^3 + 63m^2 + 80m + 80)^2 - 4m^2(m+2)^2 \left( \frac{m^4 + 6m^3 + 15m^2 + 22m + 21}{22m + 21} \right)$$

$$= 84m^7 + 1041m^6 + 3802m^5 + 8573m^4 + 14352m^3 + 16144m^2 + 12800m + 6400 > 0 \therefore \text{in order to prove (2), it suffices to prove :}$$

$$2(m+2)^2n \stackrel{?}{\leq} (2m^4 + 31m^3 + 63m^2 + 80m + 80) - \sqrt{\delta} \text{ and } \therefore n \stackrel{AM-GM}{\leq} \frac{m^2}{4}$$

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$\therefore$  it suffices to prove :  $2\sqrt{\delta} \stackrel{?}{\leq} 2(2m^4 + 31m^3 + 63m^2 + 80m + 80) - m^2(m+2)^2$   
 $\Leftrightarrow 2\sqrt{\delta} \stackrel{?}{\leq} 3m^4 + 58m^3 + 122m^2 + 160m + 160 \stackrel{\text{squaring}}{\Leftrightarrow}$

$$\boxed{m^2(m+2)^2(3m+2)^2(m-2)^2 \stackrel{?}{\geq} 0} \rightarrow \text{true} \Rightarrow \textcircled{1} \text{ is true} \therefore \frac{b+c}{2a} + \frac{2a}{b+c} \leq \frac{1}{\sin \omega}$$

Again,  $\frac{b+c}{2a} + \frac{2a}{b+c} \stackrel{?}{\leq} \frac{s^2}{4Rr} - \frac{11}{8}$  via earlier substitutions  
 $\Leftrightarrow$

$$\begin{aligned} & (8(x+y+z)^3 - 11(y+z)(z+x)(x+y))(2x+y+z) \stackrel{?}{\geq} \\ & 4(z+x)(x+y)((2x+y+z)^2 + 4(y+z)^2) \Leftrightarrow 2x^3(y+z) + 3x^2(y+z)^2 - \\ & 16x^2yz + 9x(y^3+z^3) - 11xyz(y+z) + 8(y^2+z^2)^2 - 30y^2z^2 + yz(y^2+z^2) \stackrel{?}{\geq} 0 \end{aligned}$$

via set of relations S and following simplification

$$\Leftrightarrow 8m^4 + 9m^3 + 3m^2 + 2m - n(31m^2 + 38m + 16) \stackrel{?}{\geq} 0 \text{ and}$$

$$\therefore n \stackrel{\text{AM-GM } m^2}{\leq} \frac{m^2}{4} \therefore \text{it suffices to prove :}$$

$$\begin{aligned} & 4(8m^4 + 9m^3 + 3m^2 + 2m) - m^2(31m^2 + 38m + 16) \stackrel{?}{\geq} 0 \\ \Leftrightarrow & \boxed{m(m+2)(m-2)^2 \stackrel{?}{\geq} 0} \rightarrow \text{true} \therefore \frac{b+c}{2a} + \frac{2a}{b+c} \leq \frac{s^2}{4Rr} - \frac{11}{8} \end{aligned}$$

Finally,  $\frac{b+c}{2a} + \frac{2a}{b+c} \stackrel{?}{\leq} \frac{s^2}{27r^2} + 1$  via earlier substitutions  
 $\Leftrightarrow$

$$\begin{aligned} & 2(y+z)(2x+y+z)((x+y+z)^3 + 27xyz) \stackrel{?}{\geq} 27xyz((2x+y+z)^2 + 4(y+z)^2) \\ \Leftrightarrow & 4x^4(y+z) + 14x^3(y+z)^2 - 108x^3yz + 18x^2(y+z)^3 + 10x(y^2+z^2)^2 - \end{aligned}$$

via set of relations S and following simplification

$$122xy^2z^2 - 41xyz(y^2+z^2) + 2(y+z)^5 \stackrel{?}{\geq} 0 \Leftrightarrow$$

$$2m^5 + 10m^4 + 18m^3 + 14m^2 + 4m \stackrel{?}{\geq} (81m^2 + 108)n \text{ and } \therefore n \stackrel{\text{AM-GM } m^2}{\leq} \frac{m^2}{4}$$

$\therefore$  it suffices to prove :  $4(2m^5 + 10m^4 + 18m^3 + 14m^2 + 4m) \stackrel{?}{\geq} m^2(81m^2 + 108)$

$$\Leftrightarrow \boxed{m(8m^2 - 9m + 4)(m-2)^2 \stackrel{?}{\geq} 0} \rightarrow \text{true} \therefore \text{discriminant of } 8m^2 - 9m + 4 =$$

$$81 - 128 < 0 \Rightarrow 8m^2 - 9m + 4 > 0 \therefore \frac{b+c}{2a} + \frac{2a}{b+c} \leq \frac{s^2}{27r^2} + 1 \therefore$$

$$\frac{b+c}{2a} + \frac{2a}{b+c} \leq \min \left\{ \frac{1}{\sin \omega}, \frac{s^2}{4Rr} - \frac{11}{8}, \frac{s^2}{27r^2} + 1 \right\} \forall \Delta ABC,$$

" = " iff  $\Delta ABC$  is equilateral (QED) " = " iff  $\Delta ABC$  is equilateral (QED)

4020. If in  $\Delta ABC$ ,  $a = \max\{a, b, c\}$  then:

$$\frac{b+c}{2a} + \frac{2a}{b+c} \leq \frac{2s^2}{9Rr} - 1$$

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$$\frac{2s^2}{9Rr} = \frac{2s^3}{9Rrs} = \frac{8s^3}{9(4Rrs)} = \frac{(a+b+c)^3}{9abc}$$

Let  $x = \frac{b+c}{a} > 1$  (as in  $\triangle ABC$   $b+c > a$ )

$$x = \frac{b+c}{a} = \frac{b+c}{\sqrt{a^2}} \stackrel{a=\max\{a,b,c\}}{\leq} \frac{b+c}{\sqrt{bc}} \stackrel{AM-GM}{\leq} \frac{b+c}{\frac{b+c}{2}} = 2 \text{ so } 1 < x \leq 2$$

$$bc \stackrel{AM-GM}{\leq} \left(\frac{b+c}{2}\right)^2 \text{ or } bc \stackrel{x=\frac{b+c}{a}}{\leq} \frac{a^2 x^2}{4} \text{ \& } abc \leq \frac{a^3 x^2}{4}$$

$$\frac{(a+b+c)^3}{9abc} = \frac{a^3 \left(1 + \frac{b+c}{a}\right)^3}{9abc} \geq \frac{a^3(1+x)^3}{9 \cdot \frac{a^3 x^2}{4}} = \frac{4(1+x)^3}{9x^2}$$

We need to show :

$$\frac{b+c}{2a} + \frac{2a}{b+c} \leq \frac{2s^2}{9Rr} - 1 \text{ or } \frac{2s^2}{9Rr} - \left(\frac{b+c}{2a} + \frac{2a}{b+c}\right) \geq 1 \text{ or}$$

$$\frac{2s^2}{9Rr} - \left(\frac{b+c}{2a} + \frac{2a}{b+c}\right) - 1 \geq 0 \text{ or } \frac{4(1+x)^3}{9x^2} - \frac{x}{2} - \frac{2}{x} - 1 \geq 0$$

$$L.H.S = \frac{4(1+x)^3}{9x^2} - \frac{x}{2} - \frac{2}{x} - 1 = \frac{8(1+x)^3 - 9x^3 - 36x - 18x^2}{18x^2} =$$

$$= \frac{8 - 12x + 6x^2 - x^3}{18x^2} = \frac{(2-x)^3}{18x^2} \geq 0 \text{ true as } 1 < x \leq 2$$

Equality holds for an equilateral triangle.

**4021. In any  $\triangle ABC$  the following relationship holds :**

$$\max \left\{ \frac{h_b + h_c}{2r_a} + \frac{2r_a}{h_b + h_c}, \frac{r_b + r_c}{2h_a} + \frac{2h_a}{r_b + r_c} \right\} \leq \frac{R}{r}$$

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$$\frac{h_b + h_c}{2r_a} + \frac{2r_a}{h_b + h_c} \stackrel{?}{\leq} \frac{R}{r} \Leftrightarrow \frac{\frac{1}{b} + \frac{1}{c}}{\frac{1}{s-a}} + \frac{\frac{1}{s-a}}{\frac{1}{b} + \frac{1}{c}} \stackrel{?}{\leq} \frac{abc}{4(s-a)(s-b)(s-c)}$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \frac{b^2c^2 + (s-a)^2(b+c)^2}{bc(s-a)(b+c)} \stackrel{?}{\leq} \frac{abc}{4(s-a)(s-b)(s-c)} \Leftrightarrow$$

$$(z+x)^2(x+y)^2(y+z)(2x+y+z) \geq 4yz((z+x)^2(x+y)^2 + x^2(2x+y+z)^2)$$

$$(x = s-a, y = s-b, z = s-c \Rightarrow a = y+z, b = z+x, c = x+y)$$

$$\Leftrightarrow 2x^5(y+z) + 5x^4(y+z)^2 - 20x^4yz + 4x^3(y+z)^3 - 20x^3yz(y+z) +$$

$$x^2((y+z)^2 - 2yz)^2 - 8x^2y^2z^2 + 2x^2yz((y+z)^2 - 2yz) +$$

$$2xyz((y+z)^3 - 3yz(y+z)) + y^2z^2(y-z)^2 \geq 0 \text{ and } \because y^2z^2(y-z)^2 \geq 0$$

$\therefore$  it suffices to prove :  $2m + 5m^2 - 20n + 4m^3 - 20mn + (m^2 - 2n)^2 - 8n^2 +$

$$2n(m^2 - 2n) + 2n(m^3 - 3mn) \stackrel{?}{\geq} 0 \left( m = \frac{y+z}{x}, n = \frac{yz}{x^2} \right)$$

$$\Leftrightarrow (6m+8)n^2 - (2m^3 - 2m^2 - 20m - 20)n - (m^4 + 4m^3 + 5m^2 + 2m) \stackrel{?}{\geq} 0 \quad (*)$$

Now, LHS of (\*) is a quadratic polynomial in "n" with discriminant,  $\delta =$   
 $(2m^3 - 2m^2 - 20m - 20)^2 + 4(6m+8)(m^4 + 4m^3 + 5m^2 + 2m)$   
 $= 4(m^6 + 4m^5 + 13m^4 + 62m^3 + 172m^2 + 216m + 100) > 0$  and so,  
 in order to prove (\*), it suffices to prove :

$$2(6m+8)n \stackrel{?}{\geq} 2m^3 - 2m^2 - 20m - 20 + \sqrt{\delta} \text{ AND}$$

$$2(6m+8)n \stackrel{?}{\geq} 2m^3 - 2m^2 - 20m - 20 - \sqrt{\delta}$$

Now, since  $n \stackrel{AM-GM}{\leq} \frac{m^2}{4} \therefore$  in order to prove (1), it suffices to prove :

$$(3m+4)m^2 \stackrel{?}{\leq} 2m^3 - 2m^2 - 20m - 20 + \sqrt{\delta} \Leftrightarrow m^3 + 6m^2 + 20m + 20 \stackrel{?}{\leq} \sqrt{\delta}$$

$$\Leftrightarrow 4(m^6 + 4m^5 + 13m^4 + 62m^3 + 172m^2 + 216m + 100) \stackrel{?}{\geq}$$

$$(m^3 + 6m^2 + 20m + 20)^2 \Leftrightarrow m(3m+4)(m+2)^2(m-2)^2 \stackrel{?}{\geq} 0 \rightarrow \text{true } \because m > 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \textcircled{1} \text{ is true and also, } 2(6m+8)n + \sqrt{\delta} > \sqrt{\delta}$$

$$= \sqrt{(2m^3 - 2m^2 - 20m - 20)^2 + 4(6m+8)(m^4 + 4m^3 + 5m^2 + 2m)} >$$

$$\sqrt{(2m^3 - 2m^2 - 20m - 20)^2} = |2m^3 - 2m^2 - 20m - 20| \geq$$

$$2m^3 - 2m^2 - 20m - 20 \Rightarrow 2(6m+8)n > 2m^3 - 2m^2 - 20m - 20 - \sqrt{\delta}$$

$$\Rightarrow \textcircled{2} \text{ is true (strict inequality) } \therefore \textcircled{1} \text{ and } \textcircled{2} \text{ are both true } \Rightarrow (*) \text{ is true}$$

$$\therefore \frac{h_b + h_c}{2r_a} + \frac{2r_a}{h_b + h_c} \leq \frac{R}{r} \text{ and again, } \frac{r_b + r_c}{2h_a} + \frac{2h_a}{r_b + r_c} \stackrel{?}{\leq} \frac{R}{r}$$

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$$\Leftrightarrow \frac{\frac{1}{s-b} + \frac{1}{s-c}}{\frac{4}{a}} + \frac{\frac{4}{a}}{\frac{1}{s-b} + \frac{1}{s-c}} \stackrel{?}{\leq} \frac{abc}{4(s-a)(s-b)(s-c)}$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \frac{a^4 + 16(s-b)^2(s-c)^2}{4a^2(s-b)(s-c)} \stackrel{?}{\leq} \frac{abc}{4(s-a)(s-b)(s-c)}$$

$$\Leftrightarrow (y+z)^3(x^2 + x(y+z) + yz) \stackrel{?}{\geq} x((y+z)^4 + 16y^2z^2)$$

$$\Leftrightarrow (mx)^3(x^2 + x(mx) + nx^2) \stackrel{?}{\geq} x((mx)^4 + 16n^2x^4) \Leftrightarrow m^3(n+1) \stackrel{?}{\geq} 16n^2 \quad (**)$$

Now, via AM – GM,  $m^2 \geq 4n \therefore m^3(n+1) \geq 4n(2\sqrt{n})(2\sqrt{n}) = 16n^2$

$\Rightarrow (**)$  is true  $\therefore \frac{r_b + r_c}{2h_a} + \frac{2h_a}{r_b + r_c} \leq \frac{R}{r}$  and so,

$$\max \left\{ \frac{h_b + h_c}{2r_a} + \frac{2r_a}{h_b + h_c}, \frac{r_b + r_c}{2h_a} + \frac{2h_a}{r_b + r_c} \right\} \leq \frac{R}{r} \quad \forall \Delta ABC,$$

"=" iff  $\Delta ABC$  is equilateral (QED)

**4022. In  $\Delta ABC$  the following relationship holds:**

$$\max \left\{ \sqrt{\frac{b}{c}} + \sqrt{\frac{c}{b}}, \frac{a+b}{a+c} + \frac{a+c}{a+b} \right\} \leq \sqrt{\frac{\sin \frac{B}{2}}{\sin \frac{C}{2}}} + \sqrt{\frac{\sin \frac{C}{2}}{\sin \frac{B}{2}}} \leq \frac{w_b}{w_c} + \frac{w_c}{w_b}$$

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Here, WLOG assume that  $b \geq c \Rightarrow B \geq C \Rightarrow$  All  $\left\{ \sqrt{\frac{b}{c}}, \frac{a+b}{a+c}, \sqrt{\frac{\sin \frac{B}{2}}{\sin \frac{C}{2}}}, \frac{w_c}{w_b} \right\} \geq 1$

The function  $f(x) = x + \frac{1}{x}$  is strictly increasing for  $x \geq 1$ .

$\therefore$  In order to prove the original inequality, it suffices to prove that:

$$\max \left\{ \sqrt{\frac{b}{c}}, \frac{a+b}{a+c} \right\} \leq \sqrt{\frac{\sin \frac{B}{2}}{\sin \frac{C}{2}}} \leq \frac{w_c}{w_b}$$

Via Sine Law:  $\frac{\sin B}{\sin C} = \frac{b}{c} \Rightarrow \frac{2 \sin \frac{B}{2} \cos \frac{B}{2}}{2 \sin \frac{C}{2} \cos \frac{C}{2}} = \frac{b}{c} \Rightarrow \frac{\sin \frac{B}{2}}{\sin \frac{C}{2}} = \frac{b}{c} \cdot \frac{\cos \frac{C}{2}}{\cos \frac{B}{2}}$

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$$\text{Since } B \geq C \Rightarrow \frac{\cos \frac{C}{2}}{\cos \frac{B}{2}} \geq 1, \Leftrightarrow \frac{\sin \frac{B}{2}}{\sin \frac{C}{2}} \geq \frac{b}{c} \cdot 1 \Leftrightarrow \sqrt{\frac{\sin \frac{B}{2}}{\sin \frac{C}{2}}} \stackrel{\textcircled{1}}{\geq} \sqrt{\frac{b}{c}}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Now, Via HAS Formula: } \sin^2 \frac{B}{2} &= \frac{(s-a)(s-c)}{ac} \Rightarrow \frac{\sin^2 \frac{B}{2}}{\sin^2 \frac{C}{2}} \\ &= \frac{b(a+b-c)}{c(a+c-b)} \stackrel{?}{\geq} \left(\frac{a+b}{a+c}\right)^4 \end{aligned}$$

$$\Leftrightarrow (b-c) \left[ \underbrace{a^5 + a^4(b+c) + 2a^3bc + 2a^2bc(b+c) + abc(3b^2 - bc + 3c^2) + bc(b^3 + c^3)}_{>0} \right] \stackrel{?}{\geq} 0$$

$$\text{which is trivially true } \because b \geq c \Rightarrow \sqrt{\frac{\sin \frac{B}{2}}{\sin \frac{C}{2}}} \stackrel{\textcircled{2}}{\geq} \frac{a+b}{a+c}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Finally, } \frac{w_c}{w_b} &= \frac{b(a+c) \cos \frac{C}{2}}{c(a+b) \cos \frac{B}{2}} = \left( \frac{b \cdot \cos \frac{C}{2}}{c \cdot \cos \frac{B}{2}} \right) \cdot \frac{a+c}{a+b} = \left( \frac{\sin \frac{B}{2}}{\sin \frac{C}{2}} \right) \cdot \frac{a+c}{a+b} \stackrel{\text{Via } \textcircled{2}}{\geq} \sqrt{\frac{\sin \frac{B}{2}}{\sin \frac{C}{2}}} \\ &\mapsto \textcircled{3} \end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore \text{Via } \textcircled{1}, \textcircled{2} \text{ and } \textcircled{3}: \max \left\{ \sqrt{\frac{b}{c}}, \frac{a+b}{a+c} \right\} \leq \sqrt{\frac{\sin \frac{B}{2}}{\sin \frac{C}{2}}} \leq \frac{w_c}{w_b}. \text{ Which follows:}$$

$$\max \left\{ \sqrt{\frac{b}{c}} + \sqrt{\frac{c}{b}}, \frac{a+b}{a+c} + \frac{a+c}{a+b} \right\} \leq \sqrt{\frac{\sin \frac{B}{2}}{\sin \frac{C}{2}}} + \sqrt{\frac{\sin \frac{C}{2}}{\sin \frac{B}{2}}} \leq \frac{w_b}{w_c} + \frac{w_c}{w_b}$$

Equality holds if the triangle is isosceles ( $b = c$ ).

**4023. In any  $\Delta ABC$  the following relationship holds :**

$$\sqrt{\frac{r_b + r_c}{2r_a}} + \sqrt{\frac{2r_a}{r_b + r_c}} \leq \sqrt{\frac{2R}{r}}$$

Proposed by Dang Ngoc Minh-Vietnam

Solution by Soumava Chakraborty-Kolkata-India

$$\frac{r_b + r_c}{2r_a} = \frac{4R \cos^2 \frac{A}{2}}{2 \cdot 4R \cos \frac{A}{2} \cos \frac{B}{2} \cos \frac{C}{2} \cdot \tan \frac{A}{2}} = \frac{1 - S^2}{S(C+S)}$$

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$$\begin{aligned}
 \left( C = \cos \frac{B-C}{2} \text{ and } S = \sin \frac{A}{2} \right) & \therefore \frac{r_b + r_c}{2r_a} \stackrel{\textcircled{1}}{=} \frac{1 - S^2}{S(C+S)} \text{ and } \frac{2R}{r} = \frac{2R}{4R \sin \frac{A}{2} \sin \frac{B}{2} \sin \frac{C}{2}} \\
 & = \frac{1}{S(C-S)} \therefore \frac{2R}{r} \stackrel{\textcircled{2}}{=} \frac{1}{S(C-S)} \text{ and now, } \sqrt{\frac{r_b + r_c}{2r_a}} + \sqrt{\frac{2r_a}{r_b + r_c}} \stackrel{?}{\leq} \sqrt{\frac{2R}{r}} \\
 \Leftrightarrow \frac{r_b + r_c}{2r_a} + \frac{2r_a}{r_b + r_c} + 2 & \stackrel{?}{\leq} \frac{2R}{r} \text{ via } \textcircled{1} \text{ and } \textcircled{2} \Leftrightarrow \frac{1 - S^2}{S(C+S)} + \frac{S(C+S)}{1 - S^2} + 2 \stackrel{?}{\leq} \frac{1}{S(C-S)} \\
 & \Leftrightarrow 2 - 2C^2 - S^2 + C^2S^2 + CS - C^3S \stackrel{?}{\geq} 0 \\
 \Leftrightarrow 2(1 - C^2) - S^2(1 - C^2) + CS(1 - C^2) & \stackrel{?}{\geq} 0 \Leftrightarrow (1 - C^2)(2 + S(C - S)) \stackrel{?}{\geq} 0 \\
 \rightarrow \text{true} \because C^2 = \cos^2 \frac{B-C}{2} \leq 1 \text{ and } C - S = \frac{b+c}{a} \cdot \sin \frac{A}{2} - \sin \frac{A}{2} & > \sin \frac{A}{2} - \sin \frac{A}{2} = 0 \\
 \therefore \sqrt{\frac{r_b + r_c}{2r_a}} + \sqrt{\frac{2r_a}{r_b + r_c}} & \leq \sqrt{\frac{2R}{r}} \forall \Delta ABC, " = " \text{ iff } b = c \text{ (QED)}
 \end{aligned}$$

4024. For  $x = (4r^2 + (b - c)^2)^{\frac{1}{2}}$  and analogs,

in any  $\Delta ABC$ , the following relationship holds :

$$\frac{AI + BI + CI}{r} \leq \sum_{\text{cyc}} \sqrt{\frac{yz}{\left( p_b \left( \frac{l_b}{g_b} \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} - y \right) \left( p_c \left( \frac{l_c}{g_c} \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} - z \right)}}$$

Proposed by Bogdan Fuștei-Romania

Solution by Soumava Chakraborty-Kolkata-India

$$\begin{aligned}
 m_a n_a & \stackrel{?}{\geq} p_a^2 + \frac{(b-c)^2}{18} \stackrel{\text{Fustei and Ajiba}}{\Leftrightarrow} \\
 \left( s(s-a) + \frac{(b-c)^2}{4} \right) \left( s(s-a) + \frac{s(b-c)^2}{a} \right) & \stackrel{?}{\geq} \left( s(s-a) + \frac{s(3s+a)(b-c)^2}{(2s+a)^2} \right)^2 \\
 + \frac{(b-c)^4}{324} + \frac{(b-c)^2}{9} \cdot \left( s(s-a) + \frac{s(3s+a)(b-c)^2}{(2s+a)^2} \right) & \\
 \Leftrightarrow s(s-a)(b-c)^2 \left( \frac{s}{a} + \frac{1}{4} \right) + \frac{s(b-c)^4}{4a} & \stackrel{?}{\geq} \frac{s^2(3s+a)^2(b-c)^4}{(2s+a)^4} + \\
 2s(s-a) \cdot \frac{s(3s+a)(b-c)^2}{(2s+a)^2} + \frac{(b-c)^4}{324} + s(s-a) \cdot \frac{(b-c)^2}{9} + \frac{s(3s+a)(b-c)^4}{9(2s+a)^2} &
 \end{aligned}$$

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$$\begin{aligned} &\Leftrightarrow s(s-a) \left( \frac{s}{a} + \frac{1}{4} - \frac{2s(3s+a)(b-c)^2}{(2s+a)^2} - \frac{1}{9} \right) + \\ &\left( \frac{s}{4a} - \frac{s^2(3s+a)^2}{(2s+a)^4} - \frac{1}{324} - \frac{s(3s+a)}{9(2s+a)^2} \right) (b-c)^2 \stackrel{?}{\geq} 0 \quad (\because (b-c)^2 \geq 0) \\ &\Leftrightarrow \frac{s(s-a)(144s^3 - 52s^2a - 16sa^2 + 5a^3)}{36a(2s+a)^2} + \\ &\frac{1296s^5 - 772s^4a - 608s^3a^2 + 48s^2a^3 + 37sa^4 - a^5}{324a(2s+a)^4} \cdot (b-c)^2 \stackrel{?}{\geq} 0 \\ &\Leftrightarrow \frac{s(s-a) \left( (s-a)(144s^2 + 92sa + 76a^2) + 81a^3 \right)}{36a(2s+a)^2} + \\ &\frac{(s-a) \left( (s-a)(1296s^3 + 1820s^2a + 1736sa^2 + 1700a^3) + \right)}{324a(2s+a)^4} \cdot (b-c)^2 \stackrel{?}{\geq} 0 \end{aligned}$$

→ true (strict inequality)  $\therefore m_a n_a \geq p_a^2 + \frac{(b-c)^2}{18} \geq p_a^2 \Rightarrow m_a n_a \geq p_a^2 \rightarrow \textcircled{1}$

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and  $n_a g_a \geq m_a l_a \rightarrow \textcircled{2} \therefore \textcircled{1} \cdot \textcircled{2} \Rightarrow (m_a n_a)(n_a g_a) \geq p_a^2 \cdot m_a l_a$

$\Rightarrow n_a \geq p_a \cdot \sqrt{\frac{l_a}{g_a}}$  and analogs and also,  $x = (4r^2 + (b-c)^2)^{\frac{1}{2}}$

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$\frac{a n_a}{s}$  and analogs  $\therefore \sum_{\text{cyc}} \sqrt{\frac{yz}{\left( p_b \left( \frac{l_b}{g_b} \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} - y \right) \left( p_c \left( \frac{l_c}{g_c} \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} - z \right)}} =$

$$\sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{1}{\sqrt{\left( \frac{p_b \left( \frac{l_b}{g_b} \right)^{\frac{1}{2}}}{y} - 1 \right) \left( \frac{p_c \left( \frac{l_c}{g_c} \right)^{\frac{1}{2}}}{z} - 1 \right)}} \geq \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{1}{\sqrt{\left( \frac{n_b}{\left( \frac{b n_b}{s} \right)} - 1 \right) \left( \frac{n_c}{\left( \frac{c n_c}{s} \right)} - 1 \right)}} =$$

$$\sum_{\text{cyc}} \sqrt{\frac{bc}{(s-b)(s-c)}} = \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{1}{\sin \frac{A}{2}} = \frac{1}{r} \cdot \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{r}{\sin \frac{A}{2}} = \frac{1}{r} \cdot \sum_{\text{cyc}} AI \therefore \frac{AI + BI + CI}{r} \leq$$

$$\sum_{\text{cyc}} \sqrt{\frac{yz}{\left( p_b \left( \frac{l_b}{g_b} \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} - y \right) \left( p_c \left( \frac{l_c}{g_c} \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} - z \right)}} \quad \forall \Delta ABC, " = " \text{ iff } \Delta ABC \text{ is equilateral (QED)}$$

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4025. In any  $\Delta ABC$  the following relationship holds :

$$\frac{r_b + r_c}{2w_a} + \frac{2w_a}{r_b + r_c} \leq \frac{2s}{3\sqrt{3}r}$$

Proposed by Dang Ngoc Minh-Vietnam

Solution by Soumava Chakraborty-Kolkata-India

Let  $x = s - a, y = s - b, z = s - c$  & then :  $a = y + z, b = z + x, c = x + y$

and  $s = x + y + z$  and furthermore, we denote :  $\frac{y+z}{x} = m$  and  $\frac{yz}{x^2} = n$  and

then, we have the following set "S" of relations :  $y^2 + z^2 = x^2(m^2 - 2n)$ ,

$$y^3 + z^3 = x^3(m^3 - 3nn), y^4 + z^4 = x^4((m^2 - 2n)^2 - 2n^2),$$

$$y^5 + z^5 = x^5(m((m^2 - 2n)^2 + n^2 - nm^2)), y^6 + z^6 = x^6((m^3 - 3nn)^2 - 2n^3),$$

$$y^7 + z^7 = x^7(m((m^3 - 3nn)^2 - 2n^3) - mn((m^2 - 2n)^2 + n^2 - nm^2)),$$

$$y^8 + z^8 = x^8(((m^2 - 2n)^2 - 2n^2)^2 - 2n^4) \text{ and now, } \frac{r_b + r_c}{2w_a} = \frac{\frac{rsa(s-a)}{(s-b)(s-c)(s-a)}}{\frac{4\sqrt{bc}}{b+c} \cdot \sqrt{s(s-a)}}$$

$$= \frac{rs \cdot a(s-a)}{r^2s \cdot \frac{4\sqrt{bc}}{b+c} \cdot \sqrt{s(s-a)}} \Rightarrow \left(\frac{r_b + r_c}{2w_a}\right)^2 = \frac{a^2(s-a)^2}{r^2s \cdot \frac{16bc}{(b+c)^2} \cdot (s-a)}$$

$$= \frac{a^2(s-a)^2}{(s-a)(s-b)(s-c) \cdot \frac{16bc}{(b+c)^2} \cdot (s-a)} \Rightarrow \left(\frac{r_b + r_c}{2w_a}\right)^2 = \frac{a^2(b+c)^2}{16bc(s-b)(s-c)}$$

$$\text{and so, } \frac{r_b + r_c}{2w_a} + \frac{2w_a}{r_b + r_c} \stackrel{?}{\leq} \frac{2s}{3\sqrt{3}r} \Leftrightarrow \left(\frac{r_b + r_c}{2w_a}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{2w_a}{r_b + r_c}\right)^2 + 2$$

$$\stackrel{?}{\leq} \frac{4s^2}{27r^2} = \frac{4s^3}{27(s-a)(s-b)(s-c)}$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \frac{a^2(b+c)^2}{16bc(s-b)(s-c)} + \frac{16bc(s-b)(s-c)}{a^2(b+c)^2} + 2 \stackrel{?}{\leq} \frac{4s^3}{27(s-a)(s-b)(s-c)}$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \frac{(y+z)^2(2x+y+z)^2}{16yz(z+x)(x+y)} + \frac{16yz(z+x)(x+y)}{(y+z)^2(2x+y+z)^2} + 2 \stackrel{?}{\leq} \frac{4(x+y+z)^3}{27xyz}$$

$$\Leftrightarrow 256x^7(y+z)^2 + 1280x^6(y+z)^3 + 2192x^5(y^2+z^2)^2 - 4544x^5y^2z^2 +$$

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$$\begin{aligned}
 & 5568x^5yz(y^2 + z^2) + 1952x^4(y^5 + z^5) + 3872x^4yz(y^3 + z^3) - \\
 & 11968x^4y^2z^2(y + z) + 1016x^3(y^6 + z^6) + 3376x^3yz(y^4 + z^4) - \\
 & 6008x^3y^2z^2(y^2 + z^2) - 30560x^3y^3z^3 + 296x^2(y^7 + z^7) + 2424x^2yz(y^5 + z^5) + \\
 & 4520x^2y^2z^2(y^3 + z^3) - 10312x^2y^3z^3(y + z) + 37x(y^8 + z^8) + 744xyz(y^6 + z^6) \\
 & + 2860xy^2z^2(y^4 + z^4) + 5336xy^3z^3(y^2 + z^2) - 546xy^4z^4 + 64yz(y + z)^7z^4 \quad \boxed{?} \quad \boxed{\ominus} \quad 0
 \end{aligned}$$

& via set of relations "S", to prove ①, suffices to prove, following simplification

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \overbrace{(6912 + 13824m + 10368m^2 + 3456m^3 + 864m^4)}^{\Omega_1} n^2 - \\
 & \overbrace{(64m^7 + 448m^6 + 352m^5 - 2720m^4 - 5888m^3 - 3200m^2)}^{\Omega_2} n - \\
 & \overbrace{(37m^8 + 296m^7 + 1016m^6 + 1952m^5 + 2192m^4 + 1280m^3 + 256m^2)}^{\Omega_3} + \\
 & 6912n^4 + 13824(m + 1)n^3 \quad \boxed{?} \quad \boxed{\ominus} \quad 0 \text{ and } \therefore 6912n^4 + 13824(m + 1)n^3
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\stackrel{\text{AM-GM}}{\leq} 6912n^2 \left( \frac{m^4}{16} \right) + 13824(m + 1)n^2 \left( \frac{m^2}{4} \right) \therefore \text{in order to prove } \textcircled{2},$$

it suffices to prove :  $\Omega_1 \cdot n^2 - \Omega_2 \cdot n - \Omega_3 + 432n^2m^4 + 3456(m + 1)m^2n^2 \stackrel{?}{\leq} 0$

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \Leftrightarrow \overbrace{(6912 + 13824m + 13824m^2 + 6912m^3 + 1296m^4)}^{\sigma_1} n^2 - \\
 & \overbrace{(64m^7 + 448m^6 + 352m^5 - 2720m^4 - 5888m^3 - 3200m^2)}^{\sigma_2} n - \\
 & \overbrace{(37m^8 + 296m^7 + 1016m^6 + 1952m^5 + 2192m^4 + 1280m^3 + 256m^2)}^{\sigma_3} \quad \boxed{?} \quad \boxed{\ominus} \quad \boxed{\textcircled{3}} \quad 0
 \end{aligned}$$

Now, LHS of ③ is a quadratic polynomial in "n" with discriminant,

$$\boxed{\delta} = \sigma_2^2 + 4\sigma_1\sigma_3 \quad \boxed{> 0} \quad (\because \sigma_1, \sigma_3 > 0) \text{ and so, in order to prove } \textcircled{3},$$

$$\text{it suffices to prove : } 2\sigma_1 \cdot n \quad \boxed{?} \quad \boxed{\textcircled{m}} \quad \sigma_2 + \sqrt{\delta} \text{ AND } 2\sigma_1 \cdot n \quad \boxed{?} \quad \boxed{\textcircled{n}} \quad \sigma_2 - \sqrt{\delta}$$

Now, since  $n \stackrel{\text{AM-GM}}{\leq} \frac{m^2}{4} \therefore$  in order to prove (m), it suffices to prove :

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$$\sigma_1 \cdot \frac{m^2}{2} \leq \sigma_2 + \sqrt{\delta} \Leftrightarrow -8m^2(m+2)^2(8m^3 - 57m^2 - 192m - 208) \leq \sqrt{\delta}$$

and it's trivially true if :  $8m^3 - 57m^2 - 192m - 208 \geq 0$  and when :

$8m^3 - 57m^2 - 192m - 208 < 0$ , then it suffices to prove :

$$64m^4(m+2)^4(8m^3 - 57m^2 - 192m - 208)^2 \leq \sigma_2^2 + 4\sigma_1\sigma_3$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \boxed{6912m^2(4m+1)(3m^2+4m+4)(m+2)^6(m-2)^2 \geq 0} \rightarrow \text{true} \because m > 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{(m) is true and also, } 2\sigma_1 \cdot n + \sqrt{\delta} > \sqrt{\delta} = \sqrt{\sigma_2^2 + 4\sigma_1\sigma_3} > \sqrt{\sigma_2^2} = |\sigma_2| \geq \sigma_2$$

$\Rightarrow 2\sigma_1 \cdot n > \sigma_2 - \sqrt{\delta} \Rightarrow \text{(n) is true (strict inequality)} \therefore \text{(m) and (n) are both true}$

$$\Rightarrow \textcircled{3} \Rightarrow \textcircled{2} \Rightarrow \textcircled{1} \text{ is true} \therefore \frac{r_b + r_c}{2w_a} + \frac{2w_a}{r_b + r_c} \leq \frac{2s}{3\sqrt{3}r} \forall \Delta ABC,$$

" = " iff  $\Delta ABC$  is equilateral (QED)

**4026. In any  $\Delta ABC$  the following relationship holds :**

$$3r \sqrt{\frac{3R}{2}} \leq w_a \cdot \sqrt{r_a} \leq m_a \cdot \sqrt{r_a} \leq \frac{s^2}{3\sqrt{3}r}$$

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$$m_a \cdot \sqrt{r_a} \leq \frac{s^2}{3\sqrt{3}r} \Leftrightarrow \left( \frac{(b-c)^2 + 4s(s-a)}{4} \right) \cdot \frac{rs}{s-a} \leq \frac{s^4}{27r}$$

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

$$\Leftrightarrow 4(x+y+z)^4 \geq 27yz((y-z)^2 + 4x(x+y+z))$$

$$\left( \begin{array}{l} x = s - a, y = s - b, z = s - c \Rightarrow a = y + z, b = z + x, c = x + y \\ \text{and } s = x + y + z \end{array} \right)$$

$$\Leftrightarrow 4x^4 + 16x^3(y+z) + 24x^2(y+z)^2 - 108x^2 \cdot yz + 16x(y+z)^3 - 108xyz(y+z) + 4((y+z)^2 - 2yz)^2 + 70x^2y^2z^2 - 11yz((y+z)^2 - 2yz) \geq 0$$

$$\Leftrightarrow 4x^4 + 16x^3(mx) + 24x^2(mx)^2 - 108x^2 \cdot nx^2 + 16x(mx)^3 - 108x \cdot nx^2(mx)$$

$$+ 4((mx)^2 - 2nx^2)^2 + 70x^2 \cdot n^2x^4 - 11nx^2((mx)^2 - 2nx^2) \geq 0$$

$$\left( \frac{y+z}{x} = m \text{ and } \frac{yz}{x^2} = n \right) \Leftrightarrow 108n^2 - 27(m+2)^2 \cdot n + 4(m+1)^4 \geq 0$$

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Now, LHS of ① is a quadratic polynomial in "n" with discriminant,  $\delta = 729(m+2)^4 - (16)(108)(m+1)^4$

$$= -27(37m^4 + 40m^3 - 264m^2 - 608m - 368) \leq 0 \text{ if :}$$

$37m^4 + 40m^3 - 264m^2 - 608m - 368 \geq 0$  and then ① is definitely true

and when :  $37m^4 + 40m^3 - 264m^2 - 608m - 368 < 0$ , then :  $\delta > 0$

and then, in order to prove ①, it suffices to prove :  $216n \stackrel{?}{\leq} 27(m+2)^2 - \sqrt{\delta}$

and since  $n \stackrel{\text{AM-GM}}{\leq} \frac{m^2}{4} \therefore$  it suffices to prove :  $54m^2 \stackrel{?}{\leq} 27(m+2)^2 - \sqrt{\delta}$

$$\Leftrightarrow \sqrt{\delta} \stackrel{?}{\leq} 27(4 + 4m - m^2) \quad \text{②}$$

Now,  $37m^4 + 40m^3 - 264m^2 - 608m - 368$

$$= (m^2 - 4m - 4)(37m^2 + 188m + 636) + 2688m + 2176$$

$$\Rightarrow m^2 - 4m - 4 = \frac{(37m^4 + 40m^3 - 264m^2 - 608m - 368) - 2688m - 2176}{37m^2 + 188m + 636}$$

$< 0 \Rightarrow 4 + 4m - m^2 > 0$  and so, following squaring, ② becomes :

$$729(4 + 4m - m^2)^2 \stackrel{?}{\geq} -27(37m^4 + 40m^3 - 264m^2 - 608m - 368)$$

$$\Leftrightarrow 432(m+1)(4m+1)(m-2)^2 \stackrel{?}{\geq} 0 \rightarrow \text{true} \because m > 0 \Rightarrow \text{②} \Rightarrow \text{① is true}$$

$$\therefore m_a \cdot \sqrt{r_a} \leq \frac{s^2}{3\sqrt{3r}} \text{ and again, } w_a \cdot \sqrt{r_a} \stackrel{?}{\geq} 3r \cdot \sqrt{\frac{3R}{2}} \quad \text{③ squaring} \Leftrightarrow$$

$$\left( s(s-a) \cdot \frac{4bc}{(b+c)^2} \right) \cdot \frac{rs}{s-a} \stackrel{?}{\geq} 9r^2 \cdot \frac{3abc}{8rs}$$

$$\Leftrightarrow 32(x+y+z)^3 \stackrel{?}{\geq} 27(y+z)(2x+y+z)^2$$

$$\Leftrightarrow 32x^3 - 12x^2(y+z) - 12x(y+z)^2 + 5(y+z)^3 \stackrel{?}{\geq} 0$$

$$\Leftrightarrow 32x^3 - 12x^2(mx) - 12x(mx)^2 + 5(mx)^3 \stackrel{?}{\geq} 0 \Leftrightarrow (5m+8)(m-2)^2 \stackrel{?}{\geq} 0$$

$$\rightarrow \text{true} \because m > 0 \therefore w_a \cdot \sqrt{r_a} \geq 3r \cdot \sqrt{\frac{3R}{2}} \text{ and } \because w_a \leq m_a, \text{ hence :}$$

$$3r \cdot \sqrt{\frac{3R}{2}} \leq w_a \cdot \sqrt{r_a} \leq m_a \cdot \sqrt{r_a} \leq \frac{s^2}{3\sqrt{3r}},$$

"=" for  $m_a \cdot \sqrt{r_a} \leq \frac{s^2}{3\sqrt{3r}}$  iff  $\Delta ABC$  is equilateral, "=" for  $w_a \cdot \sqrt{r_a} \geq 3r \cdot \sqrt{\frac{3R}{2}}$

iff  $b+c=2a$  and "=" for  $w_a \cdot \sqrt{r_a} \leq m_a \cdot \sqrt{r_a}$  iff  $b=c$  (QED)

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4027. In any  $\Delta ABC$  the following relationship holds :

$$g_a \leq \sqrt{\frac{R+2r}{4r}} h_a$$

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$$\begin{aligned} g_a^2 &\stackrel{?}{\leq} \left(\frac{R}{4r} + \frac{1}{2}\right) \cdot h_a^2 \stackrel{\text{via Bogdan Fustei}}{\Leftrightarrow} s(s-a) - \frac{s-a}{a} \cdot (b-c)^2 \stackrel{?}{\leq} \\ &\left(\frac{abc}{16(s-a)(s-b)(s-c)} + \frac{1}{2}\right) \left(s(s-a) - \frac{s(s-a)}{a^2} \cdot (b-c)^2\right) \\ &\Leftrightarrow \frac{sa - (b-c)^2}{a} \stackrel{?}{\leq} s \cdot \frac{abc + 8(s-a)(s-b)(s-c)}{16(s-a)(s-b)(s-c)} \cdot \frac{4(s-b)(s-c)}{a^2} \\ &\Leftrightarrow ((y+z)(z+x)(x+y) + 8xyz)(x+y+z) \stackrel{?}{\geq} 4(y+z)x \left(\frac{(y+z)(x+y+z)}{(y-z)^2} - 1\right) \\ &\left(x = s-a, y = s-b, z = s-c \Rightarrow a = y+z, b = z+x, c = x+y \text{ and } s = x+y+z\right) \\ &\Leftrightarrow x^3(y+z) - 2x^2(y+z)^2 + 8x^2 \cdot yz + x \left((y+z)^3 - 3yz(y+z)\right) - \\ &\quad 4x \cdot yz(y+z) + yz(y+z)^2 \stackrel{?}{\geq} 0 \\ &\Leftrightarrow x^3(mx) - 2x^2(mx)^2 + 8x^2 \cdot nx^2 + x \left((mx)^3 - 3nx^2(mx)\right) - \\ &\quad 4x \cdot nx^2(mx) + nx^2(mx)^2 \stackrel{?}{\geq} 0 \left(m = \frac{y+z}{x}, n = \frac{yz}{x^2}\right) \\ &\Leftrightarrow n(m^2 - 7m + 8) + m(m-1)^2 \stackrel{?}{\geq} 0 \text{ and it's trivially true if :} \end{aligned}$$

$$m^2 - 7m + 8 \geq 0 \text{ and when : } m^2 - 7m + 8 < 0, \text{ then : since } n \stackrel{\text{AM-GM}}{\leq} \frac{m^2}{4}$$

$$\therefore \text{ in order to prove } (*), \text{ it suffices to prove : } \frac{m^2}{4} \cdot (m^2 - 7m + 8) + m(m-1)^2 \stackrel{?}{\geq} 0$$

$$\Leftrightarrow (m+1)(m-2)^2 \stackrel{?}{\geq} 0 \rightarrow \text{true} \because m > 0 \text{ as } x, y, z > 0 \Rightarrow (*) \text{ is true}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore g_a &\leq \sqrt{\frac{R+2r}{4r}} \cdot h_a, \text{ " = " iff } y = z \text{ and } y+z = 2x \Rightarrow \\ &\text{" = " iff } \Delta ABC \text{ is equilateral (QED)} \end{aligned}$$

4028. In any  $\Delta ABC$  the following relationship holds :

$$p_a \leq \frac{\sqrt{9s^2 - 48Rr - 66r^2}}{9r} \cdot h_a$$

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$$p_a^2 \stackrel{?}{\leq} \frac{9s^2 - 48Rr - 66r^2}{81r^2} \cdot h_a^2$$

$$s(s-a) + \frac{s(3s+a)}{(2s+a)^2} \cdot (b-c)^2 \stackrel{?}{\leq}$$

$$\left( \frac{9s^3}{81(s-a)(s-b)(s-c)} - \frac{66}{81} \right) \left( \frac{4s(s-a)(s-b)(s-c)}{a^2} \right)$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \frac{x(y+z+2(x+y+z))^2 + (y+z+3(x+y+z))(y-z)^2}{(y+z+2(x+y+z))^2}$$

$$\stackrel{?}{\leq} \frac{12(x+y+z)^3 - 16(y+z)(z+x)(x+y) - 88xyz}{27(y+z)^2}$$

$$(x = s - a, y = s - b, z = s - c \Rightarrow a = y + z, b = z + x, c = x + y \text{ and } s = x + y + z)$$

$$\Leftrightarrow 12x^5 + 56x^4(y+z) + 80x^3(y+z)^2 - 88x^3 \cdot nx^2 +$$

$$36x^2 \left( (mx)^3 - 3nx^2(mx) \right) - 172x^2 \cdot nx^2 \cdot mx - 165x \cdot nx^2 \cdot (mx)^2 +$$

$$72 \cdot nx^2 \cdot \left( (mx)^3 - 3nx^2(mx) \right) + 216n^2x^4 \cdot mx \stackrel{?}{\geq} 0 \left( m = \frac{y+z}{x}, n = \frac{yz}{x^2} \right)$$

$$\Leftrightarrow n(72m^3 - 165m^2 - 280m - 88) + 36m^3 + 80m^2 + 56m + 12 \stackrel{?}{\geq} 0 \text{ and it's } (*)$$

trivially true if :  $72m^3 - 165m^2 - 280m - 88 \geq 0$  and when :

$$72m^3 - 165m^2 - 280m - 88 < 0, \text{ then : since } n \stackrel{\text{AM-GM}}{\leq} \frac{m^2}{4}$$

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

$$\frac{m^2}{4} \cdot (72m^3 - 165m^2 - 280m - 88) + 36m^3 + 80m^2 + 56m + 12 \stackrel{?}{\geq} 0$$

$$\Leftrightarrow (8m+3)(3m+2)^2(m-2)^2 \stackrel{?}{\geq} 0 \rightarrow \text{true} \because m > 0 \text{ as } x, y, z > 0 \Rightarrow (*) \text{ is true}$$

$$\therefore p_a \leq \frac{\sqrt{9s^2 - 48Rr - 66r^2}}{9r} \cdot h_a'' ='' \text{ iff } y = z \text{ and } y + z = 2x \Rightarrow$$

'' ='' iff  $\Delta ABC$  is equilateral (QED)

**4029. In any  $\Delta ABC$  the following relationship holds :**

$$g_b g_c \leq r \left( r_a + 2a \cos \frac{A}{2} \right)$$

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$$g_a \stackrel{\text{Bogdan Fustei}}{=} \sqrt{(s-a)^2 + \frac{4(s-a)(s-b)(s-c)}{a}} > s-a \text{ and analogs}$$

and so,  $g_b g_c > (s-b)(s-c) = rr_a \therefore g_b g_c \stackrel{?}{\leq} r \left( r_a + 2a \cos \frac{A}{2} \right)$

$$\Leftrightarrow (g_b g_c - rr_a)^2 \stackrel{?}{\leq} 4r^2 a^2 \cdot \frac{s(s-a)}{bc} \stackrel{\text{via Bogdan Fustei}}{\Leftrightarrow}$$

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

$$(s-b)^2 (s-c)^2 - \frac{4(s-a)^2 (s-b)(s-c)a^2}{bc} \stackrel{?}{\leq} 2g_b g_c (s-b)(s-c)$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \frac{(y(z+x) + 4zx)(z(x+y) + 4xy) + yz(z+x)(x+y) - 4x^2(y+z)^2}{(z+x)(x+y)} \stackrel{?}{\leq} 2g_b g_c$$

$(x = s-a, y = s-b, z = s-c \Rightarrow a = y+z, b = z+x, c = x+y)$

$$\Leftrightarrow \frac{2yz(5x^2 + 3xy + 3xz + yz)}{(z+x)(x+y)} \stackrel{?}{\leq} 2g_b g_c \stackrel{\text{via Bogdan Fustei}}{\Leftrightarrow}$$

$$\frac{y^2 z^2 (5x^2 + 3xy + 3xz + yz)^2}{(z+x)^2 (x+y)^2} \stackrel{?}{\leq} \frac{yz(y(z+x) + 4zx)(z(x+y) + 4xy)}{(z+x)(x+y)}$$

$$\Leftrightarrow 4x^3 (x(y-z)^2 + y^3 + z^3 - yz(y+z)) \stackrel{?}{\geq} 0 \Leftrightarrow 4x^3 (x+y+z)(y-z)^2 \stackrel{?}{\geq} 0$$

$\rightarrow \text{true} \because x, y, z > 0 \therefore g_b g_c \leq r \left( r_a + 2a \cos \frac{A}{2} \right) \forall \Delta ABC,$   
 " = " iff  $\Delta ABC$  is equilateral (QED)

**4030. In any  $\Delta ABC$  the following relationship holds :**

$$\frac{m_b}{h_c} + \frac{m_c}{h_b} \leq \frac{\sqrt{s^2 - 11r^2}}{2r}$$

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$$m_a m_b \stackrel{?}{\leq} \frac{2c^2 + ab}{4} \Leftrightarrow \left( \frac{2b^2 + 2c^2 - a^2}{4} \right) \left( \frac{2c^2 + 2a^2 - b^2}{4} \right) \stackrel{?}{\leq} \frac{(2c^2 + ab)^2}{16}$$

$$\Leftrightarrow a^4 + b^4 - 2a^2 b^2 - a^2 c^2 + 2abc^2 - b^2 c^2 \stackrel{?}{\geq} 0$$

$$\Leftrightarrow (a+b)^2 (a-b)^2 - c^2 (a-b)^2 \stackrel{?}{\geq} 0 \Leftrightarrow (a-b)^2 (a+b+c)(a+b-c) \stackrel{?}{\geq} 0$$

$\rightarrow \text{true} \Rightarrow m_a m_b \leq \frac{2c^2 + ab}{4}$  and analogs  $\therefore \left( \frac{m_b}{h_c} + \frac{m_c}{h_b} \right)^2 = \frac{m_b^2}{h_c^2} + \frac{m_c^2}{h_b^2} + \frac{2m_b m_c}{h_b h_c} \leq$

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$$\frac{c^2(4s(s-b) + (c-a)^2)}{16r^2s^2} + \frac{b^2(4s(s-c) + (a-b)^2)}{16r^2s^2} + \frac{2bc\left(\frac{2a^2+bc}{4}\right)}{4r^2s^2} \stackrel{?}{\leq} \frac{s^2 - 11r^2}{4r^2}$$

$$\Leftrightarrow 4\left(\sum_{\text{cyc}} x\right)^4 - 44xyz\left(\sum_{\text{cyc}} x\right) \stackrel{?}{\geq} 4\left(\sum_{\text{cyc}} x\right)y(x+y)^2 + (x+y)^2(z-x)^2 +$$

$$4\left(\sum_{\text{cyc}} x\right)z(z+x)^2 + (z+x)^2(x-y)^2 + 4(y+z)^2(z+x)(x+y) +$$

$$2(z+x)^2(x+y)^2 \left( \begin{array}{l} x = s - a, y = s - b, z = s - c \Rightarrow \\ a = y + z, b = z + x, c = x + y \text{ and } s = x + y + z \end{array} \right)$$

$$\Leftrightarrow 2x^3(y+z) + x^2(y+z)^2 - 5x^2 \cdot yz - 5x \cdot yz(y+z) + 2yz(y+z)^2 - y^2z^2 \stackrel{?}{\geq} 0$$

$$\Leftrightarrow 2x^3(mx) + x^2(mx)^2 - 5x^2 \cdot nx^2 - 5x \cdot nx^2 \cdot mx + 2nx^2(mx)^2 - n^2x^4 \stackrel{?}{\geq} 0$$

$$\left(\frac{y+z}{x} = m \text{ and } \frac{yz}{x^2} = n\right) \Leftrightarrow n^2 - (2m^2 - 5m - 5)n - (m^2 + 2m) \stackrel{?}{\geq} 0$$

Now, LHS of ① is a quadratic polynomial in "n" with discriminant,  $\delta = (2m^2 - 5m - 5)^2 + 4(m^2 + 2m) > 0$  and so,

in order to prove ①, it suffices to prove :

$$2n \stackrel{?}{\geq} 2m^2 - 5m - 5 + \sqrt{\delta} \text{ AND } 2n \stackrel{?}{\geq} 2m^2 - 5m - 5 - \sqrt{\delta}$$

Since  $n \stackrel{\text{AM-GM}}{\leq} \frac{m^2}{4}$   $\therefore$  in order to prove (\*), it suffices to prove :

$\frac{m^2}{2} \stackrel{?}{\leq} 2m^2 - 5m - 5 + \sqrt{\delta} \Leftrightarrow 2\sqrt{\delta} \stackrel{?}{\geq} 10m + 10 - 3m^2$  and it's trivially true if :  $10m + 10 - 3m^2 \leq 0$  and when :  $10m + 10 - 3m^2 > 0$ , then it suffices to prove :

$$4(2m^2 - 5m - 5)^2 + 16(m^2 + 2m) \stackrel{?}{\geq} (10m + 10 - 3m^2)^2$$

$$\Leftrightarrow m(7m + 8)(m - 2)^2 \stackrel{?}{\geq} 0 \rightarrow \text{true} \because m > 0 \Rightarrow (*) \text{ is true}$$

Again,  $2n + \sqrt{\delta} > \sqrt{(2m^2 - 5m - 5)^2 + 4(m^2 + 2m)} > \sqrt{(2m^2 - 5m - 5)^2}$   
 $= |2m^2 - 5m - 5| \geq 2m^2 - 5m - 5$  and so,  $2n > 2m^2 - 5m - 5 - \sqrt{\delta}$

$\Rightarrow (**)$  is true (strict inequality)  $\therefore$  both (\*) and (\*\*) are true  $\Rightarrow$  ① is true

$$\therefore \frac{m_b}{h_c} + \frac{m_c}{h_b} \leq \frac{\sqrt{s^2 - 11r^2}}{2r} \forall \Delta ABC, "=" iff  $\Delta ABC$  is equilateral (QED)$$

4031. In any  $\Delta ABC$  the following relationship holds :

$$m_b h_c + m_c h_b \leq 2m_a r_a$$

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$$2(8 + 4m)n \stackrel{?}{\geq} 2m^3 + 2m^2 - 16m - 20 - \sqrt{\delta} \quad (**)$$

Since  $n \stackrel{\text{AM-GM}}{\leq} \frac{m^2}{4} \therefore$  in order to prove (\*), it suffices to prove :

$$2(2 + m)m^2 \stackrel{?}{\leq} 2m^3 + 2m^2 - 16m - 20 + \sqrt{\delta}$$

$$\Leftrightarrow 2m^2 + 16m + 20 \stackrel{?}{\leq} \sqrt{\delta} \stackrel{\text{squaring}}{\Leftrightarrow}$$

$$(2m^3 + 2m^2 - 16m - 20)^2 + 4(8 + 4m)(2m^3 + 5m^2 + 4m) \stackrel{?}{\geq}$$

$$(2m^2 + 16m + 20)^2 \Leftrightarrow \boxed{4m(m + 2)^3(m - 2)^2 \geq 0} \rightarrow \text{true} \because m > 0$$

$\Rightarrow$  (\*) is true and again,  $2(8 + 4m)n + \sqrt{\delta} >$

$$\sqrt{(2m^3 + 2m^2 - 16m - 20)^2 + 4(8 + 4m)(2m^3 + 5m^2 + 4m)} >$$

$$\sqrt{(2m^3 + 2m^2 - 16m - 20)^2} = |2m^3 + 2m^2 - 16m - 20| \geq$$

$2m^3 + 2m^2 - 16m - 20$  and so,  $2(8 + 4m)n > 2m^3 + 2m^2 - 16m - 20 - \sqrt{\delta}$

$\Rightarrow$  (\*\*) is true (strict inequality)  $\therefore$  both (\*) and (\*\*) are true  $\Rightarrow$  ① is true

$\therefore m_b h_c + m_c h_b \leq 2m_a r_a \forall \Delta ABC, "="$  iff  $\Delta ABC$  is equilateral (QED)

4032. In  $\Delta ABC$  the following relationship holds:

$$\sum_{cyc}^3 \sqrt{\left(1 + \frac{6r}{h_a}\right) \left(\frac{r}{h_b}\right)} \geq 3$$

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Solution by Jenish Rijal-Nepal

By applying Hölder's Inequality, we obtain:

$$\sum_{cyc}^3 \sqrt{\left(1 + \frac{6r}{h_a}\right) \left(\frac{r}{h_b}\right)} = \sum_{cyc} \left( \sqrt[3]{\left(1 + \frac{6r}{h_a}\right)^3} \sqrt[3]{\left(\frac{r}{h_b}\right)} \cdot \sqrt[3]{1} \right) \leq \sqrt[3]{\sum_{cyc} \left(1 + \frac{6r}{h_a}\right) \cdot \sum_{cyc} \left(\frac{r}{h_b}\right) \cdot \sum_{cyc} (1)}$$

Now,

$$\begin{aligned} & \sqrt[3]{\sum_{cyc} \left(1 + \frac{6r}{h_a}\right) \cdot \sum_{cyc} \left(\frac{r}{h_b}\right) \cdot \sum_{cyc} (1)} = \sqrt[3]{\left(3 + \sum_{cyc} \frac{6r}{h_a}\right) \cdot \left(r \cdot \sum_{cyc} \frac{1}{h_b}\right) \cdot 3} = \\ & = \sqrt[3]{\left(3 + 6r \cdot \sum_{cyc} \frac{1}{h_a}\right) \left(r \cdot \sum_{cyc} \frac{1}{h_b}\right) \cdot 3} = \sqrt[3]{\left(3 + 6r \cdot \frac{1}{r}\right) \left(r \cdot \frac{1}{r}\right) \cdot 3} = \sqrt[3]{27} = 3 \end{aligned}$$

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$$\therefore \sum_{cyc} \sqrt[3]{\left(1 + \frac{6r}{h_a}\right) \left(\frac{r}{h_b}\right)} \leq 3$$

Equality holds iff  $\triangle ABC$  is equilateral.

**4033. In any  $\triangle ABC$  the following relationship holds :**

$$\left(\sum_{cyc} \frac{1}{h_a^3} + \frac{R}{2r^2s^2}\right) \left(\sum_{cyc} \frac{1}{h_b h_c}\right) \geq \frac{4}{81r^5}$$

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$$\begin{aligned} & \left(\sum_{cyc} \frac{1}{h_a^3} + \frac{R}{2r^2s^2}\right) \left(\sum_{cyc} \frac{1}{h_b h_c}\right) = \\ & = \left(\frac{2s(s^2 - 6Rr - 3r^2)}{8r^3s^3} + \frac{R}{2r^2s^2}\right) \left(\frac{s^2 + 4Rr + r^2}{2R \cdot \frac{2r^2s^2}{R}}\right) = \\ & = \frac{(s^2 - 4Rr - 3r^2)(s^2 + 4Rr + r^2)}{16r^5s^4} \stackrel{?}{\geq} \frac{4}{81r^5} \\ & \Leftrightarrow 17s^4 - 162r^2s^2 - r^2(1296R^2 + 1296Rr + 243r^2) \stackrel{?}{\geq} 0 \end{aligned} \quad \textcircled{1}$$

Now, via Gerretsen, LHS of  $\textcircled{1} \geq$

$$17s^2(16Rr - 5r^2) - 162r^2s^2 - r^2(1296R^2 + 1296Rr + 243r^2) \stackrel{?}{\geq} 0$$

$$\Leftrightarrow (272R - 247r)s^2 \stackrel{?}{\geq} r(1296R^2 + 1296Rr + 243r^2) \text{ and indeed,}$$

$$(272R - 247r)s^2 \stackrel{\text{Gerretsen}}{\geq} (272R - 247r)(16Rr - 5r^2) \stackrel{?}{\geq}$$

$$r(1296R^2 + 1296Rr + 243r^2) \Leftrightarrow 16r(R - 2r)(191R - 31r) \stackrel{?}{\geq} 0$$

$$\rightarrow \text{true} \because R \stackrel{\text{Euler}}{\geq} 2r \Rightarrow \textcircled{2} \Rightarrow \textcircled{1} \text{ is true and so,}$$

$$\left(\sum_{cyc} \frac{1}{h_a^3} + \frac{R}{2r^2s^2}\right) \left(\sum_{cyc} \frac{1}{h_b h_c}\right) \geq \frac{4}{81r^5} \quad \forall \triangle ABC,$$

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4034. In  $\triangle ABC$  the following relationship holds:

$$9 - \frac{2r}{R} \leq \prod_{cyc} \frac{r_b + r_c}{r_a} \leq \frac{4R}{r}$$

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$$\begin{aligned} \frac{r_b + r_c}{r_a} &= \frac{p \left( \tan\left(\frac{B}{2}\right) + \tan\left(\frac{C}{2}\right) \right)}{p \tan\left(\frac{A}{2}\right)} = \frac{\frac{\sin\left(\frac{B}{2} + \frac{C}{2}\right)}{\cos\left(\frac{B}{2}\right) \cdot \cos\left(\frac{C}{2}\right)}}{\tan\left(\frac{A}{2}\right)} = \frac{\cos\left(\frac{A}{2}\right)}{\tan\left(\frac{A}{2}\right) \cdot \cos\left(\frac{B}{2}\right) \cdot \cos\left(\frac{C}{2}\right)} \\ \prod_{cyc} \frac{r_b + r_c}{r_a} &= \frac{\cos\left(\frac{A}{2}\right)}{\tan\left(\frac{A}{2}\right) \cdot \cos\left(\frac{B}{2}\right) \cdot \cos\left(\frac{C}{2}\right)} \cdot \frac{\cos\left(\frac{B}{2}\right)}{\tan\left(\frac{B}{2}\right) \cdot \cos\left(\frac{A}{2}\right) \cdot \cos\left(\frac{C}{2}\right)} \cdot \frac{\cos\left(\frac{C}{2}\right)}{\tan\left(\frac{C}{2}\right) \cdot \cos\left(\frac{A}{2}\right) \cdot \cos\left(\frac{B}{2}\right)} \\ &= \frac{1}{\tan\left(\frac{A}{2}\right) \cdot \tan\left(\frac{B}{2}\right) \cdot \tan\left(\frac{C}{2}\right) \cdot \cos\left(\frac{A}{2}\right) \cdot \cos\left(\frac{B}{2}\right) \cdot \cos\left(\frac{C}{2}\right)} = \\ &= \frac{1}{\prod_{cyc} \sin\left(\frac{A}{2}\right)} = \frac{4R}{r} \\ \frac{r_b + r_c}{r_a} &= \frac{\frac{F}{p-b} + \frac{F}{p-c}}{\frac{F}{p-a}} = \frac{a(p-a)}{(p-b)(p-c)} \\ \prod_{cyc} \frac{r_b + r_c}{r_a} &= \frac{a(p-a)}{(p-b)(p-c)} \cdot \frac{b(p-b)}{(p-a)(p-c)} \cdot \frac{c(p-c)}{(p-a)(p-b)} = \\ &= \frac{abc}{(p-a)(p-b)(p-c)} = \frac{4RF \cdot p}{p(p-a)(p-b)(p-c)} = \\ &= \frac{4RF \cdot p}{F^2} = \frac{4Rp}{F} = \frac{4R \cdot p}{pr} = \frac{4R}{r} \\ \frac{4R}{r} &\geq 9 - \frac{2r}{R}; \text{ Let } \frac{R}{r} = x, \text{ Then: } 4x \geq 9 - \frac{2}{x} \rightarrow \\ 4x^2 - 9x + 2 &\geq 0 \rightarrow (4x-1)(x-2) \geq 0 \quad x \rightarrow x \geq 2, \frac{R}{r} \geq 2 \quad (\text{True}) \end{aligned}$$

Equality holds if  $a = b = c$

4035. In any  $\triangle ABC$  the following relationship holds :

$$108r^2(R-r) \leq \sum_{cyc} a^2 r_a \leq 27R^2(R-r)$$

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$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{\text{cyc}} a^2 r_a &= \sum_{\text{cyc}} \left( a^2 \cdot \frac{rs}{s-a} \right) = \frac{rs}{r^2 s} \cdot \sum_{\text{cyc}} (a^2(-s^2 + sa + bc)) \\ &= \frac{-2s^2(s^2 - 4Rr - r^2) + 2s^2(s^2 - 6Rr - 3r^2) + 8Rrs^2}{r} = \frac{4s^2(R-r)}{r} \text{ and } \therefore \\ 108r^2 &\stackrel{\text{Mitrinovic}}{\leq} 4s^2 \stackrel{\text{Mitrinovic}}{\leq} 27R^2 \therefore 108r^2(R-r) \leq \sum_{\text{cyc}} a^2 r_a \leq 27R^2(R-r) \\ &\forall \Delta ABC, " = " \text{ iff } \Delta ABC \text{ is equilateral (QED)} \end{aligned}$$

**4036. In any acute  $\Delta ABC$  the following relationship holds :**

$$3(p^2 - (2R + r)^2) \leq \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{AH \cdot BH^2}{AH + BH} \leq 6(R - r)^2$$

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$\Delta ABC$  is acute  $\Rightarrow AH = 2R \cos A > 0$  and analogs

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{AH \cdot BH^2}{AH + BH} &\stackrel{\text{AM-GM}}{\geq} 3 \cdot \sqrt[3]{\frac{\prod_{\text{cyc}} AH^3}{\prod_{\text{cyc}} (AH + BH)}} \stackrel{\text{AM-GM}}{\geq} 3 \left( \prod_{\text{cyc}} AH \right) \cdot \frac{3}{\sum_{\text{cyc}} (AH + BH)} \\ &= 9 \cdot 8R^3 \cdot \frac{p^2 - (2R + r)^2}{4R^2} \cdot \frac{1}{2R} \cdot \frac{1}{2 \sum_{\text{cyc}} \cos A} \geq 9 \cdot 8R^3 \cdot \frac{p^2 - (2R + r)^2}{4R^2} \cdot \frac{1}{2R} \cdot \frac{3}{2} \\ &\therefore \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{AH \cdot BH^2}{AH + BH} \geq 3(p^2 - (2R + r)^2) \text{ and again,} \\ \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{AH \cdot BH^2}{AH + BH} &\stackrel{\text{AM-GM}}{\leq} \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{(AH + BH)^2 \cdot BH}{4(AH + BH)} = \frac{1}{8} \left( 2 \sum_{\text{cyc}} AH^2 + \left( \sum_{\text{cyc}} AH \right)^2 - \sum_{\text{cyc}} AH^2 \right) \\ &= \frac{1}{8} \left( 4R^2 \left( 3 - \sum_{\text{cyc}} \sin^2 A \right) + 4R^2 \cdot \frac{(R + r)^2}{R^2} \right) \\ &= \frac{1}{8} \left( 12R^2 + 4(R + r)^2 - 2(p^2 - 4Rr - r^2) \right) \stackrel{\text{Gerretsen}}{\leq} \\ &\frac{1}{8} \left( 12R^2 + 4(R + r)^2 - 2(16Rr - 5r^2 - 4Rr - r^2) \right) = 2(R^2 - Rr + r^2) \stackrel{?}{\leq} 6(R - r)^2 \\ &\Leftrightarrow 2R^2 - 5Rr + 2r^2 \stackrel{?}{\geq} 0 \Leftrightarrow (2R - r)(R - 2r) \stackrel{?}{\geq} 0 \rightarrow \text{true } \therefore R \stackrel{\text{Euler}}{\geq} 2r \end{aligned}$$

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$$\therefore \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{AH \cdot BH^2}{AH + BH} \leq 6(R - r)^2 \text{ and so, } 3(p^2 - (2R + r)^2) \leq \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{AH \cdot BH^2}{AH + BH} \leq 6(R - r)^2$$

$\forall$  acute  $\triangle ABC$ , " $=$ " iff  $\triangle ABC$  is equilateral (QED)

**4037. In any  $\triangle ABC$  the following relationship holds :**

$$54r \left(1 - \frac{r}{R}\right) \leq \sum_{\text{cyc}} h_a \cot^2 \frac{A}{2} \leq \frac{27R}{2} \left(\frac{R}{r} - 1\right)^2$$

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$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{\text{cyc}} h_a \cot^2 \frac{A}{2} &= \sum_{\text{cyc}} \left( \frac{bc}{2R} \cdot \frac{s(s-a)^2}{(s-b)(s-c)(s-a)} \right) \\ &= \frac{1}{2Rr^2} \cdot \sum_{\text{cyc}} (bc(s^2 - 2sa + a^2)) = \frac{s^2(s^2 + 4Rr + r^2) - 4s \cdot 4Rrs}{2Rr^2} \\ &= \frac{s^2(s^2 - 12Rr + r^2)}{2Rr^2} \stackrel{\text{Mitrinovic and Gerretsen}}{\leq} \frac{27R^2}{4} (4R^2 - 8Rr + 4r^2) = \frac{27R(R-r)^2}{2r^2} \\ &= \frac{27R}{2} \left(\frac{R}{r} - 1\right)^2 \therefore \sum_{\text{cyc}} h_a \cot^2 \frac{A}{2} \leq \frac{27R}{2} \left(\frac{R}{r} - 1\right)^2 \text{ and again,} \\ \sum_{\text{cyc}} h_a \cot^2 \frac{A}{2} &= \frac{s^2(s^2 - 12Rr + r^2)}{2Rr^2} \stackrel{\text{Mitrinovic and Gerretsen}}{\geq} \frac{27r^2(4Rr - 4r^2)}{2Rr^2} = 54r \left(1 - \frac{r}{R}\right) \\ \therefore \sum_{\text{cyc}} h_a \cot^2 \frac{A}{2} &\geq 54r \left(1 - \frac{r}{R}\right) \text{ and so, } 54r \left(1 - \frac{r}{R}\right) \leq \sum_{\text{cyc}} h_a \cot^2 \frac{A}{2} \leq \frac{27R}{2} \left(\frac{R}{r} - 1\right)^2 \\ &\forall \triangle ABC, " $=$ " iff  $\triangle ABC$  is equilateral (QED) \end{aligned}$$

**4038.**

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

$$\frac{1}{3r} \leq \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{\tan^2 \frac{A}{2}}{h_a} \leq \frac{8R^2 - 23r^2}{27r^3}$$

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$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{\tan^2 \frac{A}{2}}{h_a} &= 2R \cdot \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{(s-b)(s-c)}{s(s-a)bc} = 2R \cdot \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{-s(s-a) + bc}{s(s-a)bc} \\ &= 2R \left( \frac{-2s}{4Rrs} + \frac{1}{r^2 s^2} \sum_{\text{cyc}} (s-b)(s-c) \right) = 2R \left( -\frac{1}{2Rr} + \frac{4R+r}{rs^2} \right) = \frac{8R^2 + 2Rr - s^2}{rs^2} \\ &\stackrel{\text{Gerretsen and Mitrinovic}}{\leq} \frac{8R^2 + 2Rr - 16Rr + 5r^2}{27r^3} \stackrel{\text{Euler}}{\leq} \frac{8R^2 - 28Rr + 5r^2}{27r^3} \text{ and so,} \\ \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{\tan^2 \frac{A}{2}}{h_a} &\leq \frac{8R^2 - 23r^2}{27r^3} \text{ and again, } \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{\tan^2 \frac{A}{2}}{h_a} = \frac{8R^2 + 2Rr - s^2}{rs^2} \stackrel{?}{\geq} \frac{1}{3r} \\ \Leftrightarrow 2s^2 &\stackrel{?}{\leq} 12R^2 + 3Rr \text{ and indeed, } 2s^2 \stackrel{\text{Gerretsen}}{\leq} 8R^2 + 8Rr + 6r^2 \stackrel{?}{\leq} 12R^2 + 3Rr \\ \Leftrightarrow (4R + 3r)(R - 2r) &\stackrel{?}{\geq} 0 \rightarrow \text{true} \because R \stackrel{\text{Euler}}{\geq} 2r \text{ and so, } \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{\tan^2 \frac{A}{2}}{h_a} \geq \frac{1}{3r} \\ \therefore \frac{1}{3r} &\leq \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{\tan^2 \frac{A}{2}}{h_a} \leq \frac{8R^2 - 23r^2}{27r^3} \forall \Delta ABC, " = " \text{ iff } \Delta ABC \text{ is equilateral (QED)} \end{aligned}$$

**4039. In any  $\Delta ABC$  the following relationship holds :**

$$\sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{\tan \frac{A}{2}}{\tan \frac{B}{2}} \geq \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{\cos^2 \frac{A}{2}}{\cos^2 \frac{B}{2}}$$

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$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{\tan \frac{A}{2}}{\tan \frac{B}{2}} &\stackrel{?}{\geq} \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{\cos^2 \frac{A}{2}}{\cos^2 \frac{B}{2}} \Leftrightarrow \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{r_a}{r_b} \stackrel{?}{\geq} \frac{s(s-a)}{s(s-b)} \Leftrightarrow \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{s-b}{s-a} \stackrel{?}{\geq} \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{a(s-a)}{b(s-b)} \\ &\Leftrightarrow \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{y}{x} \stackrel{?}{\geq} \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{(y+z)x}{(z+x)y} \left( \begin{array}{l} x = s-a, y = s-b, z = s-c \Rightarrow \\ a = y+z, b = z+x, c = x+y \end{array} \right) \\ &\Leftrightarrow \frac{1}{xyz} \cdot \sum_{\text{cyc}} y^2 z \stackrel{?}{\geq} \frac{1}{xyz(x+y)(y+z)(z+x)} \cdot \sum_{\text{cyc}} ((x+y)(y+z)^2 \cdot zx^2) \end{aligned}$$

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$$\Leftrightarrow \sum_{\text{cyc}} x^4 y^2 + xyz \sum_{\text{cyc}} x^3 \stackrel{?}{\geq} xyz \sum_{\text{cyc}} xy^2 + 3x^2 y^2 z^2$$

$$\text{Now, } \sum_{\text{cyc}} x^4 y^2 = (x^2 y)^2 + (y^2 z)^2 + (z^2 x)^2 \geq$$

$$(x^2 y)(y^2 z) + (y^2 z)(z^2 x) + (z^2 x)(x^2 y) = xyz \sum_{\text{cyc}} xy^2 \text{ and also,}$$

$$xyz \sum_{\text{cyc}} x^3 \stackrel{\text{AM-GM}}{\geq} 3x^2 y^2 z^2 \text{ and so, } \sum_{\text{cyc}} x^4 y^2 + xyz \sum_{\text{cyc}} x^3 \geq xyz \sum_{\text{cyc}} xy^2 + 3x^2 y^2 z^2$$

$$\Rightarrow \textcircled{1} \text{ is true } \therefore \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{\tan \frac{A}{2}}{\tan \frac{B}{2}} \geq \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{\cos^2 \frac{A}{2}}{\cos^2 \frac{B}{2}} \forall \Delta ABC, " = " \text{ iff } \Delta ABC \text{ is equilateral (QED)}$$

**4040. In any  $\Delta ABC$  the following relationship holds :**

$$\sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{\cot \frac{A}{2}}{\cot \frac{B}{2}} \geq \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{\sin A}{\sin B}$$

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$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{\cot \frac{A}{2}}{\cot \frac{B}{2}} &\stackrel{?}{\geq} \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{\sin A}{\sin B} \Leftrightarrow \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{r_b}{r_a} \stackrel{?}{\geq} \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{a}{b} \Leftrightarrow \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{s-a}{s-b} \stackrel{?}{\geq} \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{a}{b} \\ &\Leftrightarrow \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{x}{y} \stackrel{?}{\geq} \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{y+z}{z+x} \left( \begin{array}{l} x = s-a, y = s-b, z = s-c \\ a = y+z, b = z+x, c = x+y \end{array} \right) \\ &\Leftrightarrow \frac{1}{xyz} \cdot \sum_{\text{cyc}} zx^2 \stackrel{?}{\geq} \frac{1}{(x+y)(y+z)(z+x)} \cdot \sum_{\text{cyc}} ((x+y)(y+z)^2) \end{aligned}$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \sum_{\text{cyc}} x^2 y^4 + \sum_{\text{cyc}} x^3 y^3 \stackrel{?}{\geq} xyz \sum_{\text{cyc}} x^2 y + 3x^2 y^2 z^2$$

$$\text{Now, } \sum_{\text{cyc}} x^2 y^4 = (xy^2)^2 + (yz^2)^2 + (zx^2)^2 \geq$$

$$(xy^2)(yz^2) + (yz^2)(zx^2) + (zx^2)(xy^2) = xyz \sum_{\text{cyc}} x^2 y \text{ and also,}$$

$$\sum_{\text{cyc}} x^3 y^3 \stackrel{\text{AM-GM}}{\geq} 3x^2 y^2 z^2 \text{ and so, } \sum_{\text{cyc}} x^2 y^4 + \sum_{\text{cyc}} x^3 y^3 \geq xyz \sum_{\text{cyc}} x^2 y + 3x^2 y^2 z^2$$

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$$\Rightarrow \textcircled{1} \text{ is true } \therefore \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{\cot \frac{A}{2}}{\cot \frac{B}{2}} \geq \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{\sin A}{\sin B} \quad \forall \Delta ABC, " = " \text{ iff } \Delta ABC \text{ is equilateral (QED)}$$

**4041. In any acute  $\Delta ABC$  the following relationship holds :**

$$\sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{\tan A}{\tan B} \geq \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{\sin 2A}{\sin 2B}$$

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Let us consider  $a \Delta A'B'C'$  with angles  $A' \equiv (\pi - 2A)$ ,  $B' \equiv (\pi - 2B)$  and  $C' \equiv (\pi - 2C)$  & then :  $\cos A' \cos B' \cos C' = \cos(\pi - 2A) \cos(\pi - 2B) \cos(\pi - 2C)$   
 $= -\cos 2A \cos 2B \cos 2C = 1 + 4 \cos A \cos B \cos C > 0$

( $\because \Delta ABC$  being acute  $\Rightarrow \cos A \cos B \cos C > 0$ )  $\Rightarrow \Delta A'B'C'$  is acute  $\rightarrow (*)$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Now, } \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{\cot \frac{A}{2}}{\cot \frac{B}{2}} &\stackrel{?}{\geq} \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{\sin A}{\sin B} \Leftrightarrow \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{r_b}{r_a} \stackrel{?}{\geq} \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{a}{b} \Leftrightarrow \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{s-a}{s-b} \stackrel{?}{\geq} \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{a}{b} \\ &\Leftrightarrow \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{x}{y} \stackrel{?}{\geq} \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{y+z}{z+x} \quad (x = s-a, y = s-b, z = s-c \Rightarrow) \\ &\quad (a = y+z, b = z+x, c = x+y) \\ &\Leftrightarrow \frac{1}{xyz} \cdot \sum_{\text{cyc}} zx^2 \stackrel{?}{\geq} \frac{1}{(x+y)(y+z)(z+x)} \cdot \sum_{\text{cyc}} ((x+y)(y+z)^2) \\ &\Leftrightarrow \sum_{\text{cyc}} x^2y^4 + \sum_{\text{cyc}} x^3y^3 \stackrel{?}{\geq} xyz \sum_{\text{cyc}} x^2y + 3x^2y^2z^2 \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Now, } \sum_{\text{cyc}} x^2y^4 = (xy^2)^2 + (yz^2)^2 + (zx^2)^2 \geq$$

$$(xy^2)(yz^2) + (yz^2)(zx^2) + (zx^2)(xy^2) = xyz \sum_{\text{cyc}} x^2y \text{ and also,}$$

$$\sum_{\text{cyc}} x^3y^3 \stackrel{\text{AM-GM}}{\geq} 3x^2y^2z^2 \text{ and so, } \sum_{\text{cyc}} x^2y^4 + \sum_{\text{cyc}} x^3y^3 \geq xyz \sum_{\text{cyc}} x^2y + 3x^2y^2z^2$$

$$\Rightarrow \textcircled{1} \text{ is true } \therefore \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{\cot \frac{A}{2}}{\cot \frac{B}{2}} \geq \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{\sin A}{\sin B} \quad \forall \Delta ABC \text{ and implementing it}$$

$$\text{on } \Delta A'B'C', \text{ we get : } \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{\cot \frac{\pi-2A}{2}}{\cot \frac{\pi-2B}{2}} \geq \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{\sin(\pi-2A)}{\sin(\pi-2B)} \text{ on } \Delta A'B'C', \text{ we get :}$$

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$$\sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{\cot \frac{\pi - 2A}{2}}{\cot \frac{\pi - 2B}{2}} \geq \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{\sin(\pi - 2A)}{\sin(\pi - 2B)} \Rightarrow \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{\tan A}{\tan B} \geq \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{\sin 2A}{\sin 2B} \text{ and } \therefore$$

via (\*)

$$\Delta A'B'C' \text{ is acute, hence: } \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{\tan A}{\tan B} \geq \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{\sin 2A}{\sin 2B} \forall \text{ acute } \Delta ABC,$$

" = " iff  $\Delta ABC$  is equilateral (QED)

**4042. In  $\Delta ABC$  the following relationship holds:**

$$(m_a)^{b^2+c^2} (m_b)^{a^2+c^2} (m_c)^{b^2+a^2} \geq (3r)^{72r^2}$$

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$$\begin{aligned} (m_a)^{b^2+c^2} (m_b)^{a^2+c^2} (m_c)^{b^2+a^2} &\stackrel{\text{Weighted}}{\geq} \left( \frac{2(a^2 + b^2 + c^2)}{\frac{a^2 + b^2}{m_c} + \frac{c^2 + b^2}{m_a} + \frac{a^2 + c^2}{m_b}} \right)^{2 \sum a^2} \stackrel{\text{Chebyshev}}{\geq} \\ &\geq \left( \frac{2(a^2 + b^2 + c^2)}{\frac{1}{3} \left( 2(a^2 + b^2 + c^2) \left( \frac{1}{m_a} + \frac{1}{m_b} + \frac{1}{m_c} \right) \right)} \right)^{2 \sum a^2} \geq \left( \frac{3}{\frac{1}{h_a} + \frac{1}{h_b} + \frac{1}{h_c}} \right)^{2 \sum a^2} \stackrel{\text{Neuberg}}{\geq} \\ &\geq \left( \frac{3}{\frac{1}{r}} \right)^{72r^2} = (3r)^{72r^2}. \text{ Equality holds if } a = b = c. \end{aligned}$$

**4043. In any  $\Delta ABC$  the following relationship holds :**

$$\sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{1}{\sqrt{\sin A}} \geq \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{1}{\sqrt{\cos \frac{A}{2}}}$$

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$$\sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{1}{\sqrt{\cos \frac{A}{2}}} = \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{\sqrt{2 \cos \frac{B-C}{2}}}{\sqrt{2 \sin \frac{B+C}{2} \cos \frac{B-C}{2}}} \leq \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{\sqrt{2}}{\sqrt{2 \sin \frac{B+C}{2} \cos \frac{B-C}{2}}}$$

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$$\begin{aligned}
 (\because 0 < \cos \frac{B-C}{2} \leq 1) &= \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{\sqrt{2}}{\sqrt{\sin B + \sin C}} \\
 \therefore \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{1}{\sqrt{\cos \frac{A}{2}}} &\leq \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{\sqrt{2}}{\sqrt{\sin B + \sin C}} \rightarrow \textcircled{1} \\
 \text{Again, } \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{1}{\sqrt{\sin A}} &= \frac{1}{2} \cdot \sum_{\text{cyc}} \left( \frac{1}{\sqrt{\sin B}} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{\sin C}} \right) \stackrel{\text{Bergstrom}}{\geq} \frac{1}{2} \cdot \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{4}{\sqrt{\sin B} + \sqrt{\sin C}} \\
 &\stackrel{\text{CBS}}{\geq} \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{2}{\sqrt{2(\sin B + \sin C)}} = \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{\sqrt{2}}{\sqrt{\sin B + \sin C}} \stackrel{\text{via } \textcircled{1}}{\geq} \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{1}{\sqrt{\cos \frac{A}{2}}} \text{ and so,} \\
 \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{1}{\sqrt{\sin A}} &\geq \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{1}{\sqrt{\cos \frac{A}{2}}} \quad \forall \Delta ABC, " = " \text{ iff } \Delta ABC \text{ is equilateral (QED)}
 \end{aligned}$$

4044. In any acute  $\Delta ABC$  the following relationship holds :

$$\sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{1}{\sqrt{\cos A}} \geq \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{1}{\sqrt{\sin \frac{A}{2}}}$$

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$$\begin{aligned}
 \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{1}{\sqrt{\sin \frac{A}{2}}} &= \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{\sqrt{2 \cos \frac{B-C}{2}}}{\sqrt{2 \cos \frac{B+C}{2} \cos \frac{B-C}{2}}} \leq \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{\sqrt{2}}{\sqrt{2 \cos \frac{B+C}{2} \cos \frac{B-C}{2}}} \\
 (\because 0 < \cos \frac{B-C}{2} \leq 1) &= \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{\sqrt{2}}{\sqrt{\cos B + \cos C}} \\
 \therefore \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{1}{\sqrt{\sin \frac{A}{2}}} &\leq \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{\sqrt{2}}{\sqrt{\cos B + \cos C}} \rightarrow \textcircled{1} \\
 \text{Again, } \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{1}{\sqrt{\cos A}} &= \frac{1}{2} \cdot \sum_{\text{cyc}} \left( \frac{1}{\sqrt{\cos B}} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{\cos C}} \right) \stackrel{\text{Bergstrom}}{\geq} \frac{1}{2} \cdot \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{4}{\sqrt{\cos B} + \sqrt{\cos C}} \stackrel{\text{CBS}}{\geq} \\
 \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{2}{\sqrt{2(\cos B + \cos C)}} &= \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{\sqrt{2}}{\sqrt{\cos B + \cos C}} \stackrel{\text{via } \textcircled{1}}{\geq} \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{1}{\sqrt{\sin \frac{A}{2}}} \text{ and so,}
 \end{aligned}$$

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$$\sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{1}{\sqrt{\cos A}} \geq \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{1}{\sqrt{\sin \frac{A}{2}}} \quad \forall \text{ acute } \triangle ABC, " = " \text{ iff } \triangle ABC \text{ is equilateral (QED)}$$

**4045. In  $\triangle ABC$  the following relationship holds:**

$$\frac{a^3}{h_a^3} + \frac{a^3}{h_b^3} + \frac{a^3}{h_c^3} \geq \frac{a^3}{r_a^3} + \frac{a^3}{r_b^3} + \frac{a^3}{r_c^3}$$

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$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{a^3}{h_a^3} &\geq \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{a^3}{r_a^3} \Leftrightarrow \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{a^3}{h_a^3} = \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{a^6}{8\Delta^3} \geq \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{a^3}{r_a^3} = \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{a^3(b+c-a)^3}{8\Delta^3} \Leftrightarrow \\ &\sum_{\text{cyc}} a^6 \geq \sum_{\text{cyc}} a^3(b+c-a)^3 \end{aligned}$$

Thus, it suffices to prove that:  $\sum_{\text{cyc}} a^3(b+c-a)^3 \leq \sum_{\text{cyc}} a^6$

By AM – GM Inequality,

$$a(b+c-a) \leq \left(\frac{a+b+c-a}{2}\right)^2 = \left(\frac{b+c}{2}\right)^2 \Rightarrow a^3(b+c-a)^3 \leq \left(\frac{b+c}{2}\right)^6$$

By symmetry, the same holds for  $b$  and  $c$ .

$$\Rightarrow \sum_{\text{cyc}} a^3(b+c-a)^3 \leq \sum_{\text{cyc}} \left(\frac{b+c}{2}\right)^6 \stackrel{\text{Power Mean}}{\leq} \sum_{\text{cyc}} \left(\frac{b^6+c^6}{2}\right) = \sum_{\text{cyc}} a^6.$$

Equality holds if and only if the triangle is equilateral.

**4046. In any  $\triangle ABC$  the following relationship holds :**

$$m_b + m_c \leq \frac{\sqrt{s^2 - 7Rr + 3r^2}}{4r} (h_b + h_c)$$

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Let  $x = s - a, y = s - b, z = s - c$ ; then :  $a = y + z, b = z + x, c = x + y$

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and  $s = x + y + z$  and furthermore, we denote :  $\frac{y+z}{x} = m$  and  $\frac{yz}{x^2} = n$

and then, we have the following set "S" of relations :  $y^2 + z^2 = x^2(m^2 - 2n)$ ,

$$y^3 + z^3 = x^3(m^3 - 3nn), y^4 + z^4 = x^4((m^2 - 2n)^2 - 2n^2),$$

$$y^5 + z^5 = x^5(m((m^2 - 2n)^2 + n^2 - nm^2)), y^6 + z^6 = x^6((m^3 - 3nn)^2 - 2n^3),$$

$$\text{and now, } (m_b + m_c)^2 \leq m_b^2 + m_c^2 + \frac{2a^2 + bc}{2}$$

(Reference : Solution to Inequality in Triangle – 316 by Dang Ngoc Minh;  
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$$= \frac{4s(s-b) + (c-a)^2 + 4s(s-c) + (a-b)^2 + 2(2a^2 + bc)}{2} \stackrel{?}{\leq}$$

$$\frac{s^2 - 7Rr + 3r^2}{16r^2} \cdot (h_b + h_c)^2 = \frac{s^3 - 7Rrs + 3r^2s}{16r^2} \left( 4r^2s \left( \frac{1}{b^2} + \frac{1}{c^2} + \frac{2}{bc} \right) \right)$$

$$\Leftrightarrow 4(y+z) \left( \sum_{cyc} x \right) + (z-x)^2 + (x-y)^2 + 2(2(y+z)^2 + (z+x)(x+y)) \stackrel{?}{\leq}$$

$$\frac{(x+y+z)(2x+y+z)^2}{(z+x)^2(x+y)^2} \left( \left( \sum_{cyc} x \right)^3 - \frac{7}{4}(y+z)(z+x)(x+y) + 3xyz \right)$$

$$\Leftrightarrow 4x^5(y+z) - 4x^4(y+z)^2 + 16x^4 \cdot yz - 3x^3(y+z)^3 + 4x^3 \cdot yz(y+z) + 26x^2(y^2+z^2)^2 - 112x^2 \cdot y^2z^2 + 4x^2 \cdot yz(y^2+z^2) + 25x(y^5+z^5) + 30xyz(y^3+z^3) - 51x \cdot y^2z^2(y+z) + 4(y^6+z^6) + 17yz(y^4+z^4) - 4y^2z^2(y+z)^3$$

$$- 26y^3z^3 \stackrel{?}{\geq} 0 \text{ and via set of relations "S", in order to prove } \textcircled{1},$$

it suffices to prove, following simplification :

$$\overbrace{(36m^2 + 16m + 16)}^{\sigma_1} n^2 + \overbrace{(7m^4 + 95m^3 + 100m^2 - 4m - 16)}^{\sigma_2} n -$$

$$\overbrace{(4m^6 + 25m^5 + 26m^4 - 3m^3 - 4m^2 + 4m)}^{\sigma_3} \stackrel{?}{\geq} 0$$

Now, LHS of  $\textcircled{2}$  is a quadratic polynomial in "n" with discriminant,  $\textcircled{8} =$

$$\sigma_2^2 + 4\sigma_1\sigma_3 = (m+1)^2(m+2)^2(625m^4 + 1436m^3 - 716m^2 - 96m + 64)$$

$$\text{Now, } 625m^4 + 1436m^3 - 716m^2 - 96m + 64 =$$

$$\frac{1}{27} \left( (1875m^2 + 5558m + 1349)(3m-1)^2 + 379 - 56m \right) > 0 \text{ whenever :}$$

$$0 < m \leq \frac{379}{56} \text{ and } 625m^4 + 1436m^3 - 716m^2 - 96m + 64 =$$

$$(625m^2 + 2686m + 4031)(m-1)^2 + 5280m - 3967 > 0 \text{ when : } m > \frac{379}{56}$$

$$\text{and so, } \textcircled{8} = (m+1)^2(m+2)^2(625m^4 + 1436m^3 - 716m^2 - 96m + 64)$$

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$> 0 \forall m > 0$  and so, in order to prove (2), it suffices to prove :

$$2\sigma_1 \cdot n \stackrel{?}{\leq} \sigma_2 + \sqrt{\delta} \text{ AND } 2\sigma_1 \cdot n \stackrel{?}{\geq} \sigma_2 - \sqrt{\delta}$$

Now, since  $n \stackrel{\text{AM-GM}}{\leq} \frac{m^2}{4} \therefore$  in order to prove (m), it suffices to prove :

$$\sigma_1 \cdot \frac{m^2}{2} \stackrel{?}{\leq} \sigma_2 + \sqrt{\delta} \Leftrightarrow (m+2)^2(25m^2+3m-4) \stackrel{?}{\leq} \sqrt{\delta} \text{ and it's trivially true if : } \\ 25m^2+3m-4 \leq 0 \text{ and when : } 25m^2+3m-4 > 0, \text{ then it suffices to prove : } \\ (m+2)^4(25m^2+3m-4)^2 \stackrel{?}{\leq} (m+1)^2(m+2)^2 \left( \frac{625m^4+1436m^3-716m^2-}{96m+64} \right)$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \boxed{4m(m+2)^2(m-2)^2(9m^2+4m+4) \stackrel{?}{\geq} 0} \rightarrow \text{true}$$

$$\therefore m > 0 \Rightarrow \text{(m) is true and also, } 2\sigma_1 \cdot n + \sqrt{\delta} > \sqrt{\delta} = \sqrt{\sigma_2^2 + 4\sigma_1\sigma_3}$$

$$= \sqrt{\sigma_2^2 + 4(36m^2 + 16m + 16) \cdot m(m+1)^2(4m^3 + 17m^2 - 12m + 4)}$$

$$> \sqrt{\sigma_2^2} \quad (\because \Delta \text{ of } 17m^2 - 12m + 4 = -128 < 0 \Rightarrow 4m^3 + 17m^2 - 12m + 4 > 0)$$

$$= |\sigma_2| \geq -\sigma_2 \quad (\because |x| + x \geq 0 \forall x \in \mathbb{R}) \Rightarrow 2\sigma_1 \cdot n > -\sigma_2 - \sqrt{\delta} \Rightarrow \text{(n) is true}$$

(strict inequality)  $\therefore$  (m) and (n) are both true  $\Rightarrow$  (2)  $\Rightarrow$  (1) is true

$$\therefore m_b + m_c \leq \frac{\sqrt{s^2 - 7Rr + 3r^2}}{4r} (h_b + h_c) \forall \Delta ABC,$$

" = " iff  $\Delta ABC$  is equilateral (QED)

**4047. In any  $\Delta ABC$  holds :**

$$\max \left\{ \frac{w_b + w_c}{h_b + h_c} + \frac{h_b + h_c}{w_b + w_c}, \frac{m_b + m_c}{w_b + w_c} + \frac{w_b + w_c}{m_b + m_c} \right\} \leq \frac{m_b + m_c}{h_b + h_c} + \frac{h_b + h_c}{m_b + m_c} \leq \frac{\sqrt{s^2 - 7Rr + 51r^2}}{4r}$$

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Let  $x = s - a, y = s - b, z = s - c$ ; then :  $a = y + z, b = z + x, c = x + y$

and  $s = x + y + z$  and furthermore, we denote :  $\frac{y+z}{x} = m$  and  $\frac{yz}{x^2} = n$

and then, we have the following set "S" of relations :  $y^2 + z^2 = x^2(m^2 - 2n),$

$$y^3 + z^3 = x^3(m^3 - 3nn), y^4 + z^4 = x^4((m^2 - 2n)^2 - 2n^2),$$

$$y^5 + z^5 = x^5 \left( m((m^2 - 2n)^2 + n^2 - nm^2) \right), y^6 + z^6 = x^6((m^3 - 3nn)^2 - 2n^3),$$

$$\text{and now, } (m_b + m_c)^2 \leq m_b^2 + m_c^2 + \frac{2a^2 + bc}{2}$$

(Reference : Solution to Inequality in Triangle - 316 by Dang Ngoc Minh;)

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$$= \frac{4s(s-b) + (c-a)^2 + 4s(s-c) + (a-b)^2 + 2(2a^2 + bc)}{16r^2} \stackrel{?}{\leq} \frac{s^2 - 7Rr + 3r^2}{16r^2} \cdot (h_b + h_c)^2 = \frac{s^3 - 7Rrs + 3r^2s}{16r^2} \left( 4r^2s \left( \frac{1}{b^2} + \frac{1}{c^2} + \frac{2}{bc} \right) \right)$$

$$\Leftrightarrow 4(y+z) \left( \sum_{\text{cyc}} x \right) + (z-x)^2 + (x-y)^2 + 2 \left( 2(y+z)^2 + (z+x)(x+y) \right) \stackrel{?}{\leq} \frac{(x+y+z)(2x+y+z)^2}{(z+x)^2(x+y)^2} \left( (x+y+z)^3 - \frac{7}{4}(y+z)(z+x)(x+y) + 3xyz \right)$$

$$\Leftrightarrow 4x^5(y+z) - 4x^4(y+z)^2 + 16x^4 \cdot yz - 3x^3(y+z)^3 + 4x^3 \cdot yz(y+z) + 26x^2(y^2+z^2)^2 - 112x^2 \cdot y^2z^2 + 4x^2 \cdot yz(y^2+z^2) + 25x(y^5+z^5) + 30xyz(y^3+z^3) - 51x \cdot y^2z^2(y+z) + 4(y^6+z^6) + 17yz(y^4+z^4) - 4y^2z^2(y+z)^3 - 26y^3z^3 \stackrel{?}{\geq} 0$$

and via set of relations "S", to prove (1), suffices to prove,

$$\overbrace{(36m^2 + 16m + 16)}^{\sigma_1} n^2 + \overbrace{(7m^4 + 95m^3 + 100m^2 - 4m - 16)}^{\sigma_2} n - \overbrace{(4m^6 + 25m^5 + 26m^4 - 3m^3 - 4m^2 + 4m)}^{\sigma_3} \stackrel{?}{\geq} 0; \text{ now, discriminant, } \delta =$$

$$\sigma_2^2 + 4\sigma_1\sigma_3 = (m+1)^2(m+2)^2 \overbrace{(625m^4 + 1436m^3 - 716m^2 - 96m + 64)}^{\mu} \&$$

$$\mu = \frac{1}{27} \left( (1875m^2 + 5558m + 1349)(3m-1)^2 + 379 - 56m \right) > 0 \text{ for } m \leq \frac{379}{56}$$

$$\& \mu = (625m^2 + 2686m + 4031)(m-1)^2 + 5280m - 3967 > 0 \text{ when } : m > \frac{379}{56}$$

$\delta > 0 \forall m > 0$  and so, in order to prove (2), it suffices to prove :

$$2\sigma_1 \cdot n \stackrel{?}{\geq} \sigma_2 + \sqrt{\delta} \text{ AND } 2\sigma_1 \cdot n \stackrel{?}{\geq} \sigma_2 - \sqrt{\delta}$$

Since  $n \stackrel{\text{AM-GM}}{\leq} \frac{m^2}{4} \therefore$  to prove (m), it suffices to prove :  $\sigma_1 \cdot \frac{m^2}{2} \stackrel{?}{\leq} -\sigma_2 + \sqrt{\delta}$

$\Leftrightarrow (m+2)^2(25m^2 + 3m - 4) \stackrel{?}{\leq} \sqrt{\delta}$  and it's trivially true if :  $25m^2 + 3m - 4 \leq 0$  and when :  $25m^2 + 3m - 4 > 0$ , then it suffices to prove :

$$(m+2)^4(25m^2 + 3m - 4)^2 \stackrel{?}{\leq} (m+1)^2(m+2)^2\mu \Leftrightarrow$$

$$\boxed{4m(m+2)^2(m-2)^2(9m^2 + 4m + 4) \stackrel{?}{\geq} 0} \rightarrow \text{true; also, } 2\sigma_1 \cdot n + \sqrt{\delta} > \sqrt{\delta}$$

$$= \sqrt{\sigma_2^2 + 4(36m^2 + 16m + 16) \cdot m(m+1)^2 \left( 4m^3 + \overbrace{17m^2 - 12m + 4}^{\Delta = -128 < 0} \right)} > \sqrt{\sigma_2^2}$$

$$\geq -\sigma_2 \Rightarrow 2\sigma_1 \cdot n > -\sigma_2 - \sqrt{\delta} \therefore (m), (n) \text{ true } \therefore \frac{m_b + m_c}{h_b + h_c} \stackrel{(\blacksquare)}{\leq} \frac{\sqrt{s^2 - 7Rr + 3r^2}}{4r}$$

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Let  $\theta = \frac{\sqrt{s^2 - 7Rr + 51r^2}}{4r}$  and then :  $\theta^2 \stackrel{?}{\geq} 4 \Leftrightarrow s^2 - 7Rr + 51r^2 \stackrel{?}{\geq} 64r^2$

$\rightarrow$  true via Gerretsen and Euler :  $\theta \geq 2 \rightarrow (\blacksquare\blacksquare)$  and let  $t = \frac{m_b + m_c}{h_b + h_c}$

and then :  $t + \frac{1}{t} \stackrel{?}{\leq} \theta \Leftrightarrow 2t \stackrel{?}{\leq} \theta + \sqrt{\theta^2 - 4}$  AND  $2t \stackrel{?}{\leq} \theta - \sqrt{\theta^2 - 4}$

Now,  $2t \stackrel{\text{via } (\blacksquare)}{\leq} 2 \cdot \frac{\sqrt{s^2 - 7Rr + 3r^2}}{4r} \stackrel{?}{\leq} \frac{\sqrt{s^2 - 7Rr + 51r^2}}{4r} + \frac{\sqrt{s^2 - 7Rr - 13r^2}}{4r}$

squaring  
 $\Leftrightarrow s^2 - 7Rr - 13r^2 \stackrel{?}{\leq} \sqrt{(s^2 - 7Rr - 13r^2)(s^2 - 7Rr + 51r^2)}$   
 $\Leftrightarrow s^2 - 7Rr - 13r^2 \stackrel{?}{\leq} s^2 - 7Rr + 51r^2$  ( $\because s^2 - 7Rr - 13r^2 \stackrel{\text{Gerretsen and Euler}}{\geq} 0$ )

$\rightarrow$  true  $\Rightarrow$  (i) is true; again,  $2t \geq 2 \stackrel{?}{\geq} \theta - \sqrt{\theta^2 - 4} \Leftrightarrow \theta^2 - 4 \stackrel{?}{\geq} \theta^2 - 4\theta + 4 \rightarrow$   
 true via  $(\blacksquare\blacksquare) \Rightarrow$  (ii) true :  $t + \frac{1}{t} \leq \theta$  & let  $\frac{w_b + w_c}{h_b + h_c} = \alpha \geq 1$  &  $\frac{m_b + m_c}{w_b + w_c} = \beta \geq 1$

then :  $(\alpha + \frac{1}{\alpha}), (\beta + \frac{1}{\beta}) \leq t + \frac{1}{t}$  ( $\because \alpha, \beta \leq t$  with  $\alpha, \beta, t \geq 1$  &  $k + \frac{1}{k}$  is  $\uparrow$  on  $[1, \infty)$ )

$\therefore (\alpha + \frac{1}{\alpha}), (\beta + \frac{1}{\beta}) \leq t + \frac{1}{t}$  & so,  $\max\{\alpha + \frac{1}{\alpha}, \beta + \frac{1}{\beta}\} \leq t + \frac{1}{t} \leq \frac{\sqrt{s^2 - 7Rr + 51r^2}}{4r}$

$\forall \Delta ABC, " = " \text{ iff } a = b = c \text{ (QED)}$

4048. In  $\Delta ABC$  the following relationship holds:

$$1 + \sum_{cyc} \frac{r^2}{h_a^2} \geq 4 \sum_{cyc} \frac{r^2}{h_a h_b}$$

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Solution by Jenish Rijal-Nepal

$$\frac{r}{h_a} + \frac{r}{h_b} + \frac{r}{h_c} = 1 \quad \left[ \because \frac{r}{h_a} + \frac{r}{h_b} + \frac{r}{h_c} = r \left( \frac{1}{h_a} + \frac{1}{h_b} + \frac{1}{h_c} \right) = r \cdot \frac{1}{r} = 1 \right]$$

$$\Rightarrow \left( \frac{r}{h_a} + \frac{r}{h_b} + \frac{r}{h_c} \right)^2 = 1^2 = 1 \Rightarrow \sum_{cyc} \frac{r^2}{h_a^2} + 2 \cdot \sum_{cyc} \frac{r^2}{h_a h_b} = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow 4 \sum_{cyc} \frac{r^2}{h_a h_b} = 2 - 2 \sum_{cyc} \frac{r^2}{h_a^2}$$

Substituting this into our original inequality:

$$1 + \sum_{cyc} \frac{r^2}{h_a^2} \geq 2 - 2 \sum_{cyc} \frac{r^2}{h_a^2} \Leftrightarrow 3 \sum_{cyc} \frac{r^2}{h_a^2} \geq 1 \Leftrightarrow \sum_{cyc} \frac{r^2}{h_a^2} \geq \frac{1}{3}$$

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Thus it suffices to show that:  $\sum_{cyc} \frac{r^2}{h_a^2} \geq \frac{1}{3}$

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{cyc} \frac{r^2}{h_a^2} &= \sum_{cyc} \frac{\left(\frac{r}{h_a}\right)^2}{1} \stackrel{\text{BERGSTROM}}{\geq} \frac{\left(\sum_{cyc} \frac{r}{h_a}\right)^2}{3} = \frac{1^2}{3} = \frac{1}{3} \\ \therefore 1 + \sum_{cyc} \frac{r^2}{h_a^2} &\geq 4 \sum_{cyc} \frac{r^2}{h_a h_b} \end{aligned}$$

Equality holds if and only if the triangle is equilateral.

**4049. In  $\triangle ABC$  the following relationship holds:**

$$\frac{r_a r_b^2 + r_b r_c^2 + r_c r_a^2}{(r_a + r_b + r_c)(r_a r_b + r_b r_c + r_c r_a)} \geq \frac{16r^2 - 3R^2}{3R^2}$$

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$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{cyc} r_a r_b^2 &= \sum_{cyc} \frac{(r_a r_b)^2}{r_a} \stackrel{\text{BERGSTROM}}{\geq} \frac{(r_a r_b + r_b r_c + r_c r_a)^2}{r_a + r_b + r_c} \\ \therefore LHS &= \frac{r_a r_b^2 + r_b r_c^2 + r_c r_a^2}{(r_a + r_b + r_c)(r_a r_b + r_b r_c + r_c r_a)} \geq \frac{r_a r_b + r_b r_c + r_c r_a}{(r_a + r_b + r_c)^2} \end{aligned}$$

Via well-known identities  $\sum_{cyc} r_a = 4R + r$  and  $\sum_{cyc} r_a r_b = s^2$ , we have:

$$LHS \geq \frac{r_a r_b + r_b r_c + r_c r_a}{(r_a + r_b + r_c)^2} = \frac{s^2}{(4R + r)^2} \stackrel{\text{Mitrinovic}}{\geq} \frac{27r^2}{(4R + r)^2}$$

$$\text{Thus, it suffices to prove that: } \frac{27r^2}{(4R + r)^2} \geq \frac{16r^2 - 3R^2}{3R^2}$$

$$\Leftrightarrow 48R^4 + 24R^3r - 172R^2r^2 - 128Rr^3 - 16r^4 \geq 0$$

$$\Leftrightarrow 4(R - 2r)(12R^3 + 30R^2r + 17Rr^2 + 2r^3) \geq 0$$

which is true via Euler's Inequality ( $R \geq 2r$ )

Equality holds if and only if the triangle is equilateral.

**4050. In  $\triangle ABC$  the following relationship holds:**

$$\frac{a}{b} \sqrt{a^2 + b^2} + \frac{b}{c} \sqrt{b^2 + c^2} + \frac{c}{a} \sqrt{c^2 + a^2} > \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \left( \frac{a^2 - b^2}{a + 3b} + \frac{b^2 - c^2}{b + 3c} + \frac{c^2 - a^2}{c + 3a} \right)$$

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$$\sqrt{a^2 + b^2} \stackrel{RMS-AM}{\geq} \frac{a+b}{\sqrt{2}} \Leftrightarrow \frac{a}{b} \sqrt{a^2 + b^2} \geq \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \cdot \frac{a(a+b)}{b}$$

$$\frac{a(a+b)}{b} - \frac{a^2 - b^2}{a+3b} = (a+b) \left( \frac{a}{b} - \frac{a-b}{a+3b} \right) = \dots = \frac{(a+b)^3}{b(a+3b)} > 0$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \frac{a(a+b)}{b} > \frac{a^2 - b^2}{a+3b} \Leftrightarrow \frac{a}{b} \sqrt{a^2 + b^2} \geq \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \cdot \frac{a(a+b)}{b} > \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \cdot \left( \frac{a^2 - b^2}{a+3b} \right)$$

$$\text{Thus, } \sum_{cyc} \frac{a}{b} \sqrt{a^2 + b^2} > \sum_{cyc} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \cdot \left( \frac{a^2 - b^2}{a+3b} \right)$$

$$\frac{a}{b} \sqrt{a^2 + b^2} + \frac{b}{c} \sqrt{b^2 + c^2} + \frac{c}{a} \sqrt{c^2 + a^2} > \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \left( \frac{a^2 - b^2}{a+3b} + \frac{b^2 - c^2}{b+3c} + \frac{c^2 - a^2}{c+3a} \right)$$

**4051. In any  $\Delta ABC$  the following relationship holds :**

$$\frac{s - n_a - n_b - n_c}{2r} + \sum_{cyc} \frac{n_a}{h_a} \geq \sum_{cyc} \left( \left( \frac{n_a - \sqrt{4r^2 + (b-c)^2}}{\sqrt{4r^2 + (b-c)^2}} \right) \cdot \left( \frac{m_b}{b} + \frac{m_c}{c} - \frac{n_a}{h_a} \right) \right)$$

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$$\begin{aligned} & \sum_{cyc} \left( \left( \frac{n_a - \sqrt{4r^2 + (b-c)^2}}{\sqrt{4r^2 + (b-c)^2}} \right) \cdot \left( \frac{m_b}{b} + \frac{m_c}{c} - \frac{n_a}{h_a} \right) \right) \stackrel{\text{Bogdan Fustei}}{=} \\ & \sum_{cyc} \left( \left( \frac{n_a - \frac{an_a}{s}}{\frac{an_a}{s}} \right) \cdot \left( \frac{m_b}{b} + \frac{m_c}{c} - \frac{n_a}{h_a} \right) \right) = \sum_{cyc} \left( \frac{s-a}{a} \right) \cdot \left( \frac{m_b}{b} + \frac{m_c}{c} - \frac{n_a}{h_a} \right) \\ & = \sum_{cyc} \left( \frac{s-a}{a} \right) \cdot \left( \frac{m_b}{b} + \frac{m_c}{c} \right) - \sum_{cyc} \frac{sn_a}{2rs} + \sum_{cyc} \frac{n_a}{h_a} \stackrel{?}{\leq} \frac{s - n_a - n_b - n_c}{2r} + \sum_{cyc} \frac{n_a}{h_a} \\ & \Leftrightarrow \frac{s}{2r} \stackrel{?}{\geq} \sum_{cyc} \left( \left( \frac{s-a}{a} \right) \cdot \left( \frac{m_b}{b} + \frac{m_c}{c} \right) \right) \end{aligned}$$

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$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{Now, } \sum_{\text{cyc}} \left( \left( \frac{s-a}{a} \right) \cdot \left( \frac{m_b}{b} + \frac{m_c}{c} \right) \right) &= \frac{1}{abc} \sum_{\text{cyc}} ((s-a)(bm_c + cm_b)) \\
 &= \frac{2rs}{4Rrs} \cdot \sum_{\text{cyc}} \left( (s-a) \left( \frac{m_c}{h_b} + \frac{m_b}{h_c} \right) \right) \leq \frac{1}{2R} \cdot \sum_{\text{cyc}} \left( (s-a) \left( \frac{R}{r} \right) \right) \\
 &\left( \begin{array}{l} \because \frac{R}{r} \geq \frac{m_b}{h_c} + \frac{m_c}{h_b} \text{ and analogs} \rightarrow \text{reference : article titled} \\ \text{"New Triangle Inequalities With Brocard's Angle"} \\ \text{by Bogdan Fustei, Mohamed Amine Ben Ajiba; Lemma 12, 6 - 7,} \\ \text{published at : www.ssmrmh.ro} \end{array} \right) \\
 &= \frac{1}{2r} \sum_{\text{cyc}} (s-a) = \frac{s}{2r} \Rightarrow (*) \text{ is true } \therefore \frac{s - n_a - n_b - n_c}{2r} + \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{n_a}{h_a} \\
 &\geq \sum_{\text{cyc}} \left( \left( \frac{n_a - \sqrt{4r^2 + (b-c)^2}}{\sqrt{4r^2 + (b-c)^2}} \right) \cdot \left( \frac{m_b}{b} + \frac{m_c}{c} - \frac{n_a}{h_a} \right) \right) \forall \Delta ABC, \\
 &\quad \text{"=" iff } \Delta ABC \text{ is equilateral (QED)}
 \end{aligned}$$

4052. In any  $\Delta ABC$  the following relationship holds :

$$16m_a \geq 9p_a + 2g_a + 5\sqrt{r_b r_c}$$

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Solution by Soumava Chakraborty-Kolkata-India

$$\begin{aligned}
 9p_a + 2g_a + 5\sqrt{r_b r_c} &\stackrel{\text{CBS}}{\leq} \sqrt{(9+2+5)(9p_a^2 + 2g_a^2 + 5s(s-a))} \stackrel{?}{\leq} 16m_a \\
 &\Leftrightarrow 16m_a^2 \stackrel{?}{\geq} 9p_a^2 + 2g_a^2 + 5s(s-a) \\
 &\Leftrightarrow 16s(s-a) + 4(b-c)^2 \stackrel{?}{\geq} 9s(s-a) + \frac{9s(3s+a)(b-c)^2}{(2s+a)^2} + \\
 &\quad 2s(s-a) - \frac{2(s-a)(b-c)^2}{a} + 5s(s-a) \\
 &\text{(via Bogdan Fustei and Mohamed Amine Ben Ajiba and via Bogdan Fustei)} \\
 &\Leftrightarrow 4 + \frac{2(s-a)}{a} \stackrel{?}{\geq} \frac{9s(3s+a)}{(2s+a)^2} \quad (\because (b-c)^2 \geq 0) \Leftrightarrow 8s^3 - 11s^2a + sa^2 + 2a^3 \stackrel{?}{\geq} 0 \\
 &\Leftrightarrow (s-a) \left( (s-a)(8s+5a) + 3a^2 \right) \stackrel{?}{\geq} 0 \rightarrow \text{true } \because s > a \\
 &\therefore 16m_a \geq 9p_a + 2g_a + 5\sqrt{r_b r_c} \forall \Delta ABC, \text{ " = " iff } b = c \text{ (QED)}
 \end{aligned}$$

4053. In any  $\Delta ABC$  the following relationship holds :

$$18p_a \geq 7n_a + 4m_a + 7g_a$$

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$$\begin{aligned}
 7n_a + 4m_a + 7g_a &\stackrel{\text{CBS}}{\leq} \sqrt{(7+4+7)(7n_a^2 + 4m_a^2 + 7g_a^2)} \stackrel{?}{\leq} 18p_a \\
 &\Leftrightarrow 18p_a^2 \stackrel{?}{\geq} 7n_a^2 + 4m_a^2 + 7g_a^2 \\
 \Leftrightarrow 18s(s-a) + \frac{18s(3s+a)(b-c)^2}{(2s+a)^2} &\stackrel{?}{\geq} 7s(s-a) + \frac{7s}{a}(b-c)^2 + 4s(s-a) + \\
 &\quad (b-c)^2 + 7s(s-a) - \frac{7(s-a)(b-c)^2}{a}
 \end{aligned}$$

(via Bogdan Fustei and Mohamed Amine Ben Ajiba and via Bogdan Fustei)

$$\begin{aligned}
 \Leftrightarrow \frac{18s(3s+a)}{(2s+a)^2} &\stackrel{?}{\geq} \frac{7s}{a} + 1 - \frac{7(s-a)}{a} \quad (\because (b-c)^2 \geq 0) \Leftrightarrow \frac{9s(3s+a)}{(2s+a)^2} \stackrel{?}{\geq} 4 \\
 \Leftrightarrow 11s^2 - 7sa - 4a^2 &\stackrel{?}{\geq} 0 \Leftrightarrow (s-a)(11s+4a) \stackrel{?}{\geq} 0 \rightarrow \text{true} \because s > a \\
 \therefore 18p_a &\geq 7n_a + 4m_a + 7g_a \quad \forall \Delta ABC, " = " \text{ iff } b = c \text{ (QED)}
 \end{aligned}$$

**4054. In any acute  $\Delta ABC$  the following relationship holds :**

$$\sum_{\text{cyc}} \tan^2 A \geq \sum_{\text{cyc}} \cot^2 \frac{A}{2}$$

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**Solution by Soumava Chakraborty-Kolkata-India**

$$\begin{aligned}
 \sum_{\text{cyc}} \tan^2 A &= \left( \sum_{\text{cyc}} \tan A \right)^2 - 2 \sum_{\text{cyc}} \tan A \tan B \\
 &= \left( \frac{\prod_{\text{cyc}} \sin A}{\prod_{\text{cyc}} \cos A} \right)^2 - 2 \left( \frac{\prod_{\text{cyc}} \sin A}{\prod_{\text{cyc}} \cos A} \right) \left( \sum_{\text{cyc}} \cot A \right) \\
 &= \left( \frac{\frac{4Rrs}{8R^3}}{\frac{s^2 - 4R^2 - 4Rr - r^2}{4R^2}} \right)^2 - 2 \left( \frac{\frac{4Rrs}{8R^3}}{\frac{s^2 - 4R^2 - 4Rr - r^2}{4R^2}} \right) \left( \frac{s^2 - 4Rr - r^2}{2rs} \right) \\
 &= \frac{4r^2s^2 - 2(s^2 - 4R^2 - 4Rr - r^2)(s^2 - 4Rr - r^2)}{(s^2 - 4R^2 - 4Rr - r^2)^2} \stackrel{?}{\geq} \sum_{\text{cyc}} \cot^2 \frac{A}{2} \\
 &= \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{s^2}{r_a^2} = s^2 \left( \frac{1}{r^2} - \frac{2(4R+r)}{s^2r} \right) = \frac{s^2 - 8Rr - 2r^2}{r^2}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\Leftrightarrow -s^6 + (8R^2 + 16Rr + 2r^2)s^4 - (16R^4 + 96R^3r + 96R^2r^2 + 24Rr^3 - 3r^4)s^2$$

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$$+8Rr(16R^4 + 36R^3r + 28R^2r^2 + 9Rr^3 + r^4) \stackrel{?}{\geq} 0 \quad (*)$$

and  $\because P = -(s^2 - 4R^2 - 4Rr - r^2)(s^2 - 2R^2 - 8Rr - 3r^2)(s^2 - 4R^2 - 4Rr - 3r^2)$   
 Walker and Gerretsen  $\geq 0$  (and  $\because s > 2R + r$ )  $\therefore$  in order to prove (\*), it suffices to prove :

$$\text{LHS of } (*) \stackrel{?}{\geq} P \Leftrightarrow -(2R^2 + 5r^2)s^4 + (16R^4 + 16R^3r + 32R^2r^2 + 48Rr^3 + 18r^4)s^2 - (32R^6 + 64R^5r + 80R^4r^2 + 160R^3r^3 + 158R^2r^4 + 64Rr^5 + 9r^6) \stackrel{?}{\geq} 0 \quad (**)$$

and  $\because Q = -(2R^2 + 5r^2)(s^2 - 4R^2 - 4Rr - r^2)(s^2 - 4R^2 - 4Rr - 3r^2) \stackrel{?}{\geq} 0$   
 s > 2R+r and Gerretsen  
 $\therefore$  in order to prove (\*\*), it suffices to prove : LHS of (\*\*)  $\stackrel{?}{\geq} Q$

$$\Leftrightarrow 32R^4 + 16R^3r + 4R^2r^2 + 8Rr^3 + 3r^4 \stackrel{?}{\geq} (8R^2 - 4Rr + r^2)s^2 \quad (***)$$

$$\text{Finally, } (8R^2 - 4Rr + r^2)s^2 \stackrel{\text{Rouche}}{\leq} (8R^2 - 4Rr + r^2)(2R^2 + 10Rr - r^2 + 2(R - 2r) \cdot \sqrt{R^2 - 2Rr}) \stackrel{?}{\leq} \text{LHS of } (***)$$

$$\Leftrightarrow 2(R - 2r)(8R^3 - 12R^2r + Rr^2 - r^3) \stackrel{?}{\geq} 2(R - 2r) \cdot \sqrt{R^2 - 2Rr} \cdot (8R^2 - 4Rr + r^2)$$

and  $\because R - 2r \stackrel{\text{Euler}}{\geq} 0$   $\therefore$  it suffices to prove :

$$(8R^3 - 12R^2r + Rr^2 - r^3) \stackrel{?}{>} (R^2 - 2Rr)(8R^2 - 4Rr + r^2)^2$$

$$\Leftrightarrow r^3(32R^3 + 8R^2r + r^3) \stackrel{?}{>} 0 \rightarrow \text{trivially true} \Rightarrow (***) \Rightarrow (***) \Rightarrow (*) \text{ is true}$$

$$\therefore \sum_{\text{cyc}} \tan^2 A \geq \sum_{\text{cyc}} \cot^2 \frac{A}{2} \forall \text{ acute } \triangle ABC, " = " \text{ iff } \triangle ABC \text{ is equilateral (QED)}$$

4055. In  $\triangle ABC$  the following relationship holds:

$$(r_a)^{a^2} \cdot (r_b)^{b^2} \cdot (r_c)^{c^2} \geq (3r)^{36r^2}$$

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Solution by Mirsadix Muzefferov-Azerbaijan

$$(r_a)^{a^2} \cdot (r_b)^{b^2} \cdot (r_c)^{c^2} \stackrel{\text{Weighted GM-HM}}{\geq} \left( \frac{a^2 + b^2 + c^2}{\frac{a^2}{r_a} + \frac{b^2}{r_b} + \frac{c^2}{r_c}} \right)^{a^2 + b^2 + c^2} \stackrel{\text{Chebyshev}}{\geq}$$

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$$\geq \left( \frac{(a^2 + b^2 + c^2)}{\frac{1}{3} \left( (a^2 + b^2 + c^2) \left( \frac{1}{r_a} + \frac{1}{r_b} + \frac{1}{r_c} \right) \right)} \right)^{a^2+b^2+c^2} = (3R)^{a^2+b^2+c^2} \stackrel{\text{Neuberg}}{\geq} (3R)^{36r^2}$$

*Equality holds if  $a = b = c$ .*

**4056. In  $\triangle ABC$  the following relationship holds:**

$$(r_a + r_b)^c \cdot (r_b + r_c)^a \cdot (r_a + r_c)^b \leq (3R)^{3R\sqrt{3}}$$

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In  $\triangle ABC$  wlog :  $a \leq b \leq c$ ,  $r_a \leq r_b \leq r_c$   
 $\rightarrow \begin{cases} r_a + r_b \leq r_a + r_c \leq r_b + r_c \\ c \geq b \geq a \end{cases}$

$$\begin{aligned} & (r_a + r_b)^c \cdot (r_b + r_c)^a \cdot (r_a + r_c)^b \stackrel{\text{Weighted GM-HM}}{\geq} \\ & \leq \left( \frac{c(r_a + r_b) + a(r_b + r_c) + b(r_a + r_c)}{a + b + c} \right)^{a+b+c} \stackrel{\sum a \text{ Chebyshev}}{\geq} \\ & \leq \left( \frac{\frac{1}{3}(a + b + c)(2(r_a + r_b + r_c))}{a + b + c} \right)^{a+b+c} = \\ & = \left( \frac{2}{3}(4R + r) \right)^{a+b+c} \stackrel{\text{Euler}}{\geq} \left( \frac{2}{3} \left( 4R + \frac{R}{2} \right) \right)^{2p} \stackrel{\text{Mitrinovici}}{\geq} (3R)^{2p} \stackrel{\geq}{\geq} (3R)^{3R\sqrt{3}} \end{aligned}$$

*Equality holds if  $a = b = c$ .*

**4057. In  $\triangle ABC$  the following relationship holds:**

$$(m_a + m_b)^c \cdot (m_c + m_b)^a \cdot (m_a + m_c)^b \geq (6r)^{6r\sqrt{3}}$$

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$$(m_a + m_b)^c \cdot (m_c + m_b)^a \cdot (m_a + m_c)^b \stackrel{\text{Weighted GM-HM}}{\geq}$$

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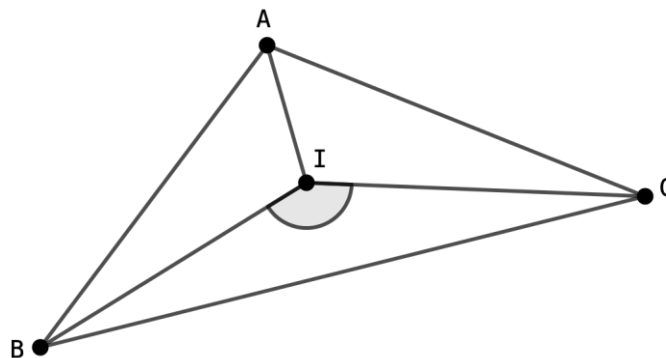
$$\begin{aligned}
 &\geq \left( \frac{a+b+c}{\frac{a}{m_c+m_b} + \frac{b}{m_a+m_c} + \frac{c}{m_a+m_b}} \right)^{\Sigma a} \geq \\
 &\text{In } \triangle ABC \text{ wlog: } a \leq b \leq c, \quad m_c \leq m_b \leq m_a \\
 &\rightarrow \begin{cases} \frac{1}{m_a+m_b} \leq \frac{1}{m_a+m_c} \leq \frac{1}{m_c+m_b} \\ c \geq b \geq a \end{cases} \\
 &\stackrel{\text{Chebyshev}}{\geq} \left( \frac{a+b+c}{\frac{1}{3}(a+b+c) \left( \frac{1}{m_c+m_b} + \frac{1}{m_a+m_c} + \frac{1}{m_a+m_b} \right)} \right)^{\Sigma a} = \\
 &= \left( \frac{3}{\frac{1}{m_c+m_b} + \frac{1}{m_a+m_c} + \frac{1}{m_a+m_b}} \right)^{\Sigma a \left\{ \frac{1}{m_c+m_b} \leq \frac{1}{4} \left( \frac{1}{m_b} + \frac{1}{m_c} \right) \right\}} \stackrel{\geq}{=} \\
 &\left( \frac{3}{\frac{1}{4} \cdot 2 \left( \frac{1}{m_a} + \frac{1}{m_b} + \frac{1}{m_c} \right)} \right)^{\Sigma a} = \left( \frac{6}{\frac{1}{m_a} + \frac{1}{m_b} + \frac{1}{m_c}} \right)^{\Sigma a} \geq \left( \frac{6}{\frac{1}{h_a} + \frac{1}{h_b} + \frac{1}{h_c}} \right)^{\Sigma a} = \\
 &\stackrel{\text{Mitrinović}}{=} (6r)^{\Sigma a} \stackrel{\geq}{=} (6r)^{6r\sqrt{3}} \\
 &\text{Equality holds if } a = b = c
 \end{aligned}$$

4058. In  $\triangle ABC$ ,  $I$  – incenter, the following relationship holds:

$$\sin A + \sin B + \sin C = 4 \sin(\widehat{AIB}) \sin(\widehat{BIC}) \sin(\widehat{CIA})$$

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$$\sphericalangle BIC = 180^\circ - \frac{\widehat{B}}{2} - \frac{\widehat{C}}{2} = 180^\circ - \frac{\widehat{B} + \widehat{C}}{2} =$$

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$$= 180^\circ - \frac{180^\circ - \widehat{A}}{2} = 180^\circ - 90^\circ + \frac{\widehat{A}}{2} = 90^\circ + \frac{\widehat{A}}{2}$$

$$\sin(\widehat{BIC}) = \sin\left(90^\circ + \frac{A}{2}\right) = \sin 90^\circ \cos \frac{A}{2} + \sin \frac{A}{2} \cos 90^\circ = \cos \frac{A}{2}$$

$$\text{Analogous: } \sin(\widehat{AIB}) = \cos \frac{C}{2}; \sin(\widehat{CIA}) = \sin \frac{B}{2}$$

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

$$= 2 \sin \frac{180^\circ - C}{2} \cos \frac{A-B}{2} + 2 \sin \frac{C}{2} \cos \frac{C}{2} =$$

$$= 2 \cos \frac{C}{2} \cos \frac{A-B}{2} + 2 \cos \frac{C}{2} \cdot \cos\left(90^\circ - \frac{C}{2}\right) =$$

$$= 2 \cos \frac{C}{2} \left( \cos \frac{A-B}{2} + \cos \frac{180^\circ - C}{2} \right) =$$

$$= 2 \cos \frac{C}{2} \cdot 2 \cos \frac{A-B+180^\circ-C}{4} \cos \frac{A-B-180^\circ+C}{4} =$$

$$= 4 \cos \frac{C}{2} \cos \frac{A-B-C+A+B+C}{4} \cos \frac{A-B-A-B-C+C}{4} =$$

$$= 4 \cos \frac{C}{2} \cos \frac{2A}{4} \cos\left(-\frac{2B}{4}\right) = 4 \cos \frac{A}{2} \cos \frac{B}{2} \cos \frac{C}{2} = 4 \sin(\widehat{AIB}) \sin(\widehat{BIC}) \sin(\widehat{CIA})$$

**4059. In  $\triangle ABC$  the following relationship holds:**

$$\sin 2026A + \sin 2026B + \sin 2026C = 4 \sin 1013A \sin 1013B \sin 1013C$$

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Denote:

$$1013A = x; 1013B = y; 1013C = z$$

$$x + y + z = 1013(A + B + C) = 1013\pi \quad (1)$$

$$\cos\left(\frac{1013\pi}{2} - y\right) = \cos \frac{1013\pi}{2} \cos y + \sin \frac{1013\pi}{2} \sin y =$$

$$= \cos\left(506\pi + \frac{\pi}{2}\right) \cos y + \sin\left(506\pi + \frac{\pi}{2}\right) \sin y = \cos \frac{\pi}{2} \cos y + \sin \frac{\pi}{2} \sin y = \sin y$$

$$\cos\left(\frac{1013\pi}{2} - y\right) = \sin y \quad (2)$$

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Analogous:

$$\begin{aligned}
 \cos\left(x - \frac{1013\pi}{2}\right) &= \cos\left(\frac{1013\pi}{2} - x\right) = \sin x \quad (3) \\
 \sin 2026A + \sin 2026B + \sin 2026C &= \sin 2x + \sin 2y + \sin 2z = \\
 &= 2 \sin \frac{2x+2y}{2} \cos \frac{2x-2y}{2} + 2 \sin z \cos z = \\
 &= 2 \sin(x+y) \cos(x-y) + 2 \sin z \cos z \stackrel{(1)}{=} \\
 &= 2 \sin(1013\pi - z) \cos(x-y) + 2 \sin z \cos z = \\
 &= 2(\sin 1013\pi \cos z - \sin z \cos 1013\pi) \cos(x-y) + 2 \sin z \cos z = \\
 &= 2(0 \cdot \cos z - \sin z \cdot (-1)^{1013}) \cos(x-y) + 2 \sin z \cos z = \\
 &= 2 \sin z \cos(x-y) + 2 \sin z \cos z = 2 \sin z (\cos(x-y) + \cos z) = \\
 &= 2 \sin z \cdot 2 \cos \frac{x-y+z}{2} \cdot \cos \frac{x-y-z}{2} = \\
 &= 4 \sin z \cos \frac{x+z-y}{2} \cos \frac{y+z-x}{2} \stackrel{(1)}{=} \\
 &= 4 \sin z \cos\left(\frac{1013\pi - 2y}{2}\right) \cos\left(\frac{1013\pi - 2x}{2}\right) \stackrel{(2),(3)}{=} 4 \sin z \sin y \sin x = \\
 &= 4 \sin 1013A \sin 1013B \sin 1013C
 \end{aligned}$$

4060. If in  $\triangle ABC$  we have:  $\tan \frac{A}{2} \tan \frac{B}{2} = \frac{1}{3}$  then:

$$2 \sin C = \sin A + \sin B$$

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$$\begin{aligned}
 \tan \frac{A}{2} \tan \frac{B}{2} = \frac{1}{3} &\Rightarrow \sqrt{\frac{(s-b)(s-c)}{s(s-a)}} \cdot \sqrt{\frac{(s-a)(s-c)}{s(s-b)}} = \frac{1}{3} \\
 \Rightarrow \frac{s-c}{s} = \frac{1}{3} &\Rightarrow 3s - 3c = s \Rightarrow 2s - 3c = 0 \\
 \Rightarrow a + b + c - 3c = 0 &\Rightarrow 2c = a + b \\
 2 \cdot 2R \sin C = 2R \sin A + 2R \sin B \\
 2 \sin C = \sin A + \sin B
 \end{aligned}$$

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4061. In  $\triangle ABC$  the following relationship holds:

$$\cot A + \cot B + \cot C = \frac{\sin^2 A + \sin^2 B + \sin^2 C}{2 \sin A \sin B \sin C}$$

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Solution by Daniel Sitaru – Romania

$$\begin{aligned} \cot A + \cot B + \cot C &= \sum_{cyc} \cot A = \sum_{cyc} \frac{\cos A}{\sin A} = \\ &= \sum_{cyc} \frac{b^2 + c^2 - a^2}{2bc \sin A} = \sum_{cyc} \frac{b^2 + c^2 - a^2}{2bc \sin A} = \sum_{cyc} \frac{b^2 + c^2 - a^2}{4F} = \\ &= \frac{1}{4F} \left( \sum_{cyc} b^2 + \sum_{cyc} c^2 - \sum_{cyc} a^2 \right) = \frac{1}{4F} \left( \sum_{cyc} a^2 + \sum_{cyc} a^2 - \sum_{cyc} a^2 \right) = \frac{1}{4F} \sum_{cyc} a^2 = \\ &= \frac{1}{4F} (a^2 + b^2 + c^2) = \frac{1}{4 \cdot 2R^2 \sin A \sin B \sin C} \sum_{cyc} 4R^2 \sin^2 A = \\ &= \frac{4R^2}{8R^2} \cdot \frac{\sin^2 A + \sin^2 B + \sin^2 C}{\sin A \sin B \sin C} = \frac{\sin^2 A + \sin^2 B + \sin^2 C}{2 \sin A \sin B \sin C} \end{aligned}$$

4062. In any  $\triangle ABC$  the following relationship holds :

$$g_a n_a \leq s(s-a) + \frac{1}{2}(b-c)^2 \leq m_a n_a$$

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$$\begin{aligned} g_a n_a &\stackrel{?}{\leq} s(s-a) + \frac{1}{2}(b-c)^2 \\ \Leftrightarrow \left( s(s-a) - \frac{(s-a)(b-c)^2}{a} \right) \left( s(s-a) + \frac{s}{a}(b-c)^2 \right) &\stackrel{?}{\leq} \\ s^2(s-a)^2 + \frac{(b-c)^4}{4} + s(s-a)(b-c)^2 & \\ \Leftrightarrow s^2(s-a)^2 + \frac{s^2(s-a)}{a}(b-c)^2 - \frac{s(s-a)^2}{a}(b-c)^2 - \frac{s(s-a)}{a^2}(b-c)^4 &\stackrel{?}{\leq} \end{aligned}$$

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$$\begin{aligned}
 & s^2(s-a)^2 + \frac{(b-c)^4}{4} + s(s-a)(b-c)^2 \\
 \Leftrightarrow & \left( \frac{1}{4} + \frac{s(s-a)}{a^2} \right) (b-c)^2 + s(s-a) \left( 1 + \frac{s-a}{a} - \frac{s}{a} \right) \stackrel{?}{\geq} 0 \quad (\because (b-c)^2 \geq 0) \\
 \Leftrightarrow & \frac{(2s-a)^2(b-c)^2}{4a^2} \stackrel{?}{\geq} 0 \rightarrow \text{true} \therefore g_a n_a \leq s(s-a) + \frac{1}{2}(b-c)^2 \\
 & \text{and } m_a n_a \stackrel{?}{\geq} s(s-a) + \frac{1}{2}(b-c)^2 \\
 \Leftrightarrow & \left( s(s-a) + \frac{(b-c)^2}{4} \right) \left( s(s-a) + \frac{s}{a}(b-c)^2 \right) \stackrel{?}{\geq} \\
 & s^2(s-a)^2 + \frac{(b-c)^4}{4} + s(s-a)(b-c)^2 \\
 \Leftrightarrow & s^2(s-a)^2 + \frac{s^2(s-a)}{a}(b-c)^2 + \frac{s(s-a)}{4}(b-c)^2 + \frac{s}{4a}(b-c)^4 \stackrel{?}{\geq} \\
 & s^2(s-a)^2 + \frac{(b-c)^4}{4} + s(s-a)(b-c)^2 \\
 \Leftrightarrow & \frac{s-a}{4a} \cdot (b-c)^2 + s(s-a) \left( \frac{s}{a} + \frac{1}{4} - 1 \right) \stackrel{?}{\geq} 0 \quad (\because (b-c)^2 \geq 0) \\
 \Leftrightarrow & \frac{s-a}{4a} \cdot (b-c)^2 + s(s-a) \left( \frac{4s-3a}{a} \right) \stackrel{?}{\geq} 0 \rightarrow \text{true} \therefore s > a \\
 & \therefore m_a n_a \geq s(s-a) + \frac{1}{2}(b-c)^2 \text{ and so,} \\
 & g_a n_a \leq s(s-a) + \frac{1}{2}(b-c)^2 \leq m_a n_a \forall \Delta ABC, " = " \text{ iff } b = c \text{ (QED)}
 \end{aligned}$$

**4063. In any  $\Delta ABC$  the following relationship holds :**

$$s(s-a) + \frac{2}{3}(b-c)^2 \leq p_a n_a$$

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$$\begin{aligned}
 & p_a n_a \stackrel{?}{\geq} s(s-a) + \frac{2}{3}(b-c)^2 \\
 \Leftrightarrow & \left( s(s-a) + \frac{s(3s+a)(b-c)^2}{(2s+a)^2} \right) \left( s(s-a) + \frac{s}{a}(b-c)^2 \right) \stackrel{?}{\geq} \\
 & s^2(s-a)^2 + \frac{4(b-c)^4}{9} + \frac{4}{3}s(s-a)(b-c)^2 \\
 \Leftrightarrow & s^2(s-a)^2 + \frac{s^2(s-a)}{a}(b-c)^2 + \frac{s^2(3s+a)(s-a)}{(2s+a)^2}(b-c)^2 +
 \end{aligned}$$

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$$\begin{aligned} \frac{s^2(3s+a)}{a(2s+a)^2} (b-c)^4 &\stackrel{?}{\geq} s^2(s-a)^2 + \frac{4(b-c)^4}{9} + \frac{4}{3}s(s-a)(b-c)^2 \\ \Leftrightarrow \left( \frac{s^2(3s+a)}{a(2s+a)^2} - \frac{4}{9} \right) (b-c)^2 + s(s-a) \left( \frac{s}{a} + \frac{s(3s+a)}{(2s+a)^2} - \frac{4}{3} \right) &\stackrel{?}{\geq} 0 \\ (\because (b-c)^2 \geq 0) \Leftrightarrow \frac{(s-a)(27s^2+20sa+4a^2)}{9a(2s+a)^2} \cdot (b-c)^2 + & \\ s(s-a) \cdot \frac{(s-a)(12s^2+17sa+7a^2)+3a^3}{3a(2s+a)^2} &\stackrel{?}{\geq} 0 \rightarrow \text{true} \because s > a \\ \therefore s(s-a) + \frac{2}{3}(b-c)^2 &\leq p_a n_a \forall \Delta ABC, '' = '' \text{ iff } b = c \text{ (QED)} \end{aligned}$$

4064. In  $\Delta ABC$  the following relationship holds

$$\frac{a+b}{\sin^2 C} + \frac{b+c}{\sin^2 A} + \frac{c+a}{\sin^2 B} \geq 8\sqrt{3}R$$

Proposed by Nguyen Hung Cuong – Vietnam

Solution by Daniel Sitaru – Romania

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{a+b}{\sin^2 C} + \frac{b+c}{\sin^2 A} + \frac{c+a}{\sin^2 B} &= \sum_{cyc} \frac{a+b}{\sin^2 C} \geq 3 \sqrt[3]{\frac{(a+b)(b+c)(c+a)}{\sin^2 A \sin^2 B \sin^2 C}} \stackrel{CESARO}{\geq} \\ &\geq 3 \sqrt[3]{\frac{8abc}{4R^2 \cdot 4R^2 \cdot 4R^2}} = 3 \cdot 4R^2 \sqrt[3]{\frac{8abc}{a^2 b^2 c^2}} = 12R^2 \cdot 2 \cdot \frac{1}{\sqrt[3]{abc}} = \frac{24R^2}{\sqrt[3]{4Rrs}} \geq \\ \stackrel{EULER}{\geq} \frac{24R^2}{\sqrt[3]{4R \cdot \frac{R}{2} \cdot s}} &= \frac{24R^2}{\sqrt[3]{2R^2 \cdot \frac{3\sqrt{3}}{2} R}} = \frac{24R^2}{\sqrt[3]{(\sqrt{3}R)^3}} = \frac{24R^2}{\sqrt{3}R} = \frac{24R}{\sqrt{3}} = \frac{24\sqrt{3}R}{3} = 8\sqrt{3}R \end{aligned}$$

Equality holds for  $a = b = c$ .

4065. In  $\Delta ABC$  the following relationship holds:

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

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$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{a+b}{(\sin A + \sin B)^2} + \frac{b+c}{(\sin B + \sin C)^2} + \frac{c+a}{(\sin C + \sin A)^2} = \\ & = \sum_{cyc} \frac{a+b}{(\sin A + \sin B)^2} = \sum_{cyc} \frac{a+b}{\left(\frac{a}{2R} + \frac{b}{2R}\right)^2} = 4R^2 \sum_{cyc} \frac{a+b}{(a+b)^2} = \\ & = 4R^2 \cdot \sum_{cyc} \frac{1^2}{a+b} \stackrel{\text{BERGSTROM}}{\geq} 4R^2 \cdot \frac{(1+1+1)^2}{a+b+b+c+c+a} = \\ & = 4R^2 \cdot \frac{9}{4s} = \frac{9R^2}{s} \stackrel{\text{MITRINOVIC}}{\geq} \frac{9R^2}{\frac{3\sqrt{3}}{2}R} = \frac{3R \cdot 2}{\sqrt{3}} = 2\sqrt{3}R \end{aligned}$$

Equality holds for  $a = b = c$ .

**4066. In  $\triangle ABC$  the following relationship holds:**

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

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*Solution by Daniel Sitaru – Romania*

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{a+b}{(\sin A + \sin B)^3} + \frac{b+c}{(\sin B + \sin C)^3} + \frac{c+a}{(\sin C + \sin A)^3} = \\ & = \sum_{cyc} \frac{a+b}{(\sin A + \sin B)^3} = \sum_{cyc} \frac{a+b}{\left(\frac{a}{2R} + \frac{b}{2R}\right)^3} = 8R^3 \sum_{cyc} \frac{a+b}{(a+b)^3} = 8R^3 \sum_{cyc} \frac{1}{(a+b)^2} \stackrel{\text{RADON}}{\geq} \\ & \geq 8R^3 \cdot \frac{(1+1+1)^3}{(a+b+b+c+c+a)^2} = \frac{8R^3 \cdot 27}{4 \cdot 4s^2} = \frac{27R^3}{2s^2} \stackrel{\text{MITRINOVICI}}{\geq} \frac{27R^3}{2 \cdot \left(\frac{3\sqrt{3}}{2}R\right)^2} = \\ & = \frac{27R^3}{2 \cdot \frac{27R^2}{4}} = 2R \end{aligned}$$

Equality holds for  $a = b = c$ .

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4067. In  $\triangle ABC$  the following relationship holds:

$$\frac{a}{\sin^3 B} + \frac{b}{\sin^3 C} + \frac{c}{\sin^3 A} \geq 8R$$

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Solution by Daniel Sitaru – Romania

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{a}{\sin^3 B} + \frac{b}{\sin^3 C} + \frac{c}{\sin^3 A} &= \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{a}{\sin^3 B} \stackrel{\text{AM-GM}}{\geq} 3 \cdot \sqrt[3]{\frac{abc}{\sin^3 A \sin^3 B \sin^3 C}} = \\ &= 3 \sqrt[3]{\frac{abc}{\left(\frac{abc}{2R}\right)^3}} = 3 \sqrt[3]{\frac{(8R^3)^3}{(abc)^2}} = \frac{24R^3}{\sqrt[3]{(abc)^2}} \stackrel{\text{EULER}}{\geq} \\ &\geq \frac{24R^3}{\sqrt[3]{16R^2 \cdot \frac{R^2}{4} s^2}} \stackrel{\text{MITRINOVIC}}{\geq} \frac{24R^3}{\sqrt[3]{4R^4 \cdot \frac{27R^2}{4}}} = \frac{24R^3}{3R^2} = 8R \end{aligned}$$

Equality holds for  $a = b = c$ .

4068. In  $\triangle ABC$  the following relationship holds:

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

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Solution by Daniel Sitaru – Romania

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

Equality holds for  $a = b = c$ .

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4069. In  $\triangle ABC$  the following relationship holds:

$$\frac{a+b}{\sin A} + \frac{b+c}{\sin B} + \frac{c+a}{\sin C} \geq 12R$$

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Solution by Daniel Sitaru – Romania

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{a+b}{\sin A} + \frac{b+c}{\sin B} + \frac{c+a}{\sin C} &= \sum_{cyc} \frac{a+b}{\sin A} = \sum_{cyc} \frac{a+b}{\frac{a}{2R}} = 2R \sum_{cyc} \frac{a+b}{a} \stackrel{AM-GM}{\geq} \\ &\geq 2R \cdot 3 \sqrt[3]{\frac{(a+b)(b+c)(c+a)}{abc}} \stackrel{CESARO}{\geq} 6R \cdot \sqrt[3]{\frac{8abc}{abc}} = 6R \sqrt[3]{8} = 6R \cdot 2 = 12R \end{aligned}$$

Equality holds for  $a = b = c$ .

4070. In  $\triangle ABC$  the following relationship holds:

$$\frac{h_a}{b} + \frac{h_b}{c} + \frac{h_c}{a} \leq \frac{3\sqrt{3}}{4} \cdot \frac{R}{r}$$

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Solution by Daniel Sitaru – Romania

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

Equality holds for  $a = b = c$ .

4071. In  $\triangle ABC$  the following relationship holds:

$$\frac{r_a r_b r_c}{h_a h_b h_c} = \frac{R}{2r}$$

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$$\begin{aligned} \frac{r_a r_b r_c}{h_a h_b h_c} &= \frac{\frac{F}{s-a} \cdot \frac{F}{s-b} \cdot \frac{F}{s-c}}{\frac{2F}{a} \cdot \frac{2F}{b} \cdot \frac{2F}{c}} = \frac{abc}{8(s-a)(s-b)(s-c)} = \\ &= \frac{abcs}{8s(s-a)(s-b)(s-c)} = \frac{4RFs}{8F^2} = \frac{4Rr}{8F} = \frac{4Rs}{8rs} = \frac{R}{2r} \end{aligned}$$

**4072. In any  $\Delta ABC$  the following relationship holds :**

$$\frac{|b^2 - c^2|}{a} \leq \min \left\{ 4 \cdot \sqrt{R(R - 2r)}, 2\sqrt{s^2 - 4Rr - 19r^2}, 4 \cdot \sqrt{\frac{62}{135}(2s^2 - 27Rr)} \right\}$$

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*Solution by Soumava Chakraborty-Kolkata-India*

Let  $x = s - a, y = s - b, z = s - c$  & then :  $a = y + z, b = z + x, c = x + y$   
and  $s = x + y + z$  and furthermore, we denote :  $\frac{y+z}{x} = m$  and  $\frac{yz}{x^2} = n$  and then,

we have the following set "S" of relations :  $y^2 + z^2 = x^2(m^2 - 2n),$   
 $y^3 + z^3 = x^3(m^3 - 3nn), y^4 + z^4 = x^4((m^2 - 2n)^2 - 2n^2),$   
 $y^5 + z^5 = x^5(m((m^2 - 2n)^2 + n^2 - nm^2)), y^6 + z^6 = x^6((m^3 - 3nn)^2 - 2n^3),$

and now,  $\frac{|b^2 - c^2|}{a} \stackrel{?}{\leq} 4 \cdot \sqrt{R(R - 2r)}$   
 $\Leftrightarrow \frac{(b+c)^2(b-c)^2}{a^2} \stackrel{?}{\leq} 16 \left( \frac{a^2 b^2 c^2}{16s(s-a)(s-b)(s-c)} - \frac{abc}{2s} \right)$   
 $\Leftrightarrow \frac{(2x+y+z)^2(y-z)^2}{(y+z)^2} \stackrel{?}{\leq} 16 \cdot \frac{(y+z)^2(z+x)^2(x+y)^2 - 8xyz(y+z)(z+x)(x+y)}{16xyz(x+y+z)}$   
 $\Leftrightarrow x^4(y^2+z^2)^2 + 12x^4 \cdot y^2z^2 + 2x^3(y^5+z^5) - 6x^3 \cdot yz(y^3+z^3) +$   
 $4x^3 \cdot y^2z^2(y+z) + x^2(y^6+z^6) - 5x^2 \cdot yz(y^4+z^4) - 9x^2 \cdot y^2z^2(y^2+z^2) -$   
 $6x^2 \cdot y^3z^3 + x \cdot yz(y^5+z^5) + x \cdot y^2z^2(y^3+z^3) - 2x \cdot y^3z^3(y+z) + y^2z^2(y+z)^4$

$\stackrel{?}{\leq} 0$  and via set of relations "S", in order to prove ①, it suffices to prove,

following simplification :  $\overbrace{(m^4 - 4m^3 + 20m^2 + 32m + 16)}^{\Omega_1} n^2 +$   
 $\overbrace{(m^5 - 11m^4 - 16m^3 - 4m^2)}^{\Omega_2} n + m^4(m+1)^2 \stackrel{?}{\leq} 0$  and now, LHS of ②

is a quadratic polynomial in "n" with discriminant,  $\delta = \Omega_2^2 - 4\Omega_1 \cdot m^4(m+1)^2$

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$$= -m^4(m+1)^2(3m+2)(m+6)(m-2)^2 \leq 0 \rightarrow \text{true } (\because m > 0)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore \frac{|b^2 - c^2|}{a} &\leq 4 \cdot \sqrt{R(R-2r)} \text{ and again, } \frac{|b^2 - c^2|}{a} \stackrel{?}{\leq} 2\sqrt{s^2 - 4Rr - 19r^2} \\ \Leftrightarrow \frac{(2x+y+z)^2(y-z)^2}{(y+z)^2} &\stackrel{?}{\leq} \frac{4((x+y+z)^3 - (y+z)(z+x)(x+y) - 19xyz)}{x+y+z} \\ \Leftrightarrow 16x^3 \cdot yz + 32x^2 \cdot yz(y+z) + 3x(y^4 + z^4) - 44x \cdot yz(y^2 + z^2) - 94x \cdot y^2z^2 + \\ &3(y+z)^5 \stackrel{?}{\geq} 0 \text{ and via set of relations "S", to prove (i), it suffices to prove,} \end{aligned}$$

following simplification :  $3m^5 + 3m^4 + n(16 + 32m - 56m^2) \stackrel{?}{\geq} 0$  and it's

trivially true if :  $16 + 32m - 56m^2 \geq 0$  and when :  $16 + 32m - 56m^2 < 0$ ,  
then, since  $n \stackrel{\text{AM-GM}}{\leq} \frac{m^2}{4}$ , in order to prove (ii), it suffices to prove :

$$\begin{aligned} 3m^5 + 3m^4 + m^2(4 + 8m - 14m^2) &\stackrel{?}{\geq} 0 \Leftrightarrow m^2(3m+1)(m-2)^2 \stackrel{?}{\geq} 0 \\ \rightarrow \text{true} \therefore \frac{|b^2 - c^2|}{a} &\leq 2\sqrt{s^2 - 4Rr - 19r^2} \text{ \& } \frac{|b^2 - c^2|}{a} \stackrel{?}{\leq} 4 \cdot \sqrt{\frac{62}{135}(2s^2 - 27Rr)} \\ \Leftrightarrow \frac{(2x+y+z)^2(y-z)^2}{(y+z)^2} &\stackrel{?}{\leq} 4 \cdot \frac{496(x+y+z)^3 - 1674(y+z)(z+x)(x+y)}{135(x+y+z)} \\ \Leftrightarrow 1444x^3(y+z)^2 + 2160x^3 \cdot yz - 1824x^2(y+z)^3 + 4320x^2 \cdot yz(y+z) - \\ &1419x(y^2+z^2)^2 - 276x \cdot y^2z^2 - 2976x \cdot yz(y^2+z^2) + 1849(y^5+z^5) + \\ &3089yz(y^3+z^3) + 22y^2z^2(y+z) \stackrel{?}{\geq} 0 \text{ and via set of relations "S",} \end{aligned}$$

in order to prove (a), it suffices to prove, following simplification :

$$\begin{aligned} &1849m^5 - 1419m^4 - 1824m^3 + 1444m^2 + \\ &n(2160 + 4320m + 2700m^2 - 6156m^3) \stackrel{?}{\geq} 0 \text{ and it's trivially true if :} \end{aligned}$$

$$2160 + 4320m + 2700m^2 - 6156m^3 \geq 0 \text{ and when :}$$

$$2160 + 4320m + 2700m^2 - 6156m^3 < 0, \text{ then, since } n \stackrel{\text{AM-GM}}{\leq} \frac{m^2}{4},$$

$$\therefore \text{ to prove (b), it suffices to prove : } 1849m^5 - 1419m^4 - 1824m^3 + 1444m^2 + m^2(540 + 1080m + 675m^2 - 1539m^3) \stackrel{?}{\geq} 0 \Leftrightarrow 62m^2(5m+8)(m-2)^2 \stackrel{?}{\geq} 0$$

$$\rightarrow \text{true } (\because m > 0) \therefore \frac{|b^2 - c^2|}{a} \leq 4 \cdot \sqrt{\frac{62}{135}(2s^2 - 27Rr)} \text{ and so,}$$

$$\frac{|b^2 - c^2|}{a} \leq \min \left\{ 4 \cdot \sqrt{R(R-2r)}, 2\sqrt{s^2 - 4Rr - 19r^2}, 4 \cdot \sqrt{\frac{62}{135}(2s^2 - 27Rr)} \right\}$$

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$\forall \Delta ABC, '' = ''$  for 1<sup>st</sup> inequality iff  $b + c = 2a$  and  $'' = ''$  for 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> inequalities iff  $\Delta ABC$  is equilateral (QED)

**4073. In any  $\Delta ABC$  the following relationship holds :**

$$s(s-a) + \frac{1}{3}(b-c)^2 \leq p_a m_a \leq s(s-a) + \frac{1}{2}(b-c)^2$$

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*Solution by Soumava Chakraborty-Kolkata-India*

$$\begin{aligned} & s(s-a) + \frac{1}{3}(b-c)^2 \stackrel{?}{\leq} p_a m_a \\ \Leftrightarrow & s^2(s-a)^2 + \frac{(b-c)^4}{9} + \frac{2}{3}s(s-a)(b-c)^2 \stackrel{?}{\leq} \\ & \left( s(s-a) + \frac{s(3s+a)(b-c)^2}{(2s+a)^2} \right) \left( s(s-a) + \frac{(b-c)^2}{4} \right) \\ \Leftrightarrow & s^2(s-a)^2 + \frac{(b-c)^4}{9} + \frac{2}{3}s(s-a)(b-c)^2 \stackrel{?}{\leq} s^2(s-a)^2 + s(s-a) \cdot \frac{(b-c)^2}{4} + \\ & \frac{s(3s+a)(b-c)^2}{(2s+a)^2} \cdot s(s-a) + \frac{s(3s+a)}{(2s+a)^2} \cdot \frac{(b-c)^4}{4} \\ \Leftrightarrow & \left( \frac{s(3s+a)}{4(2s+a)^2} - \frac{1}{9} \right) (b-c)^2 + \\ & s(s-a) \cdot \left( \frac{1}{4} + \frac{s(3s+a)}{(2s+a)^2} - \frac{2}{3} \right) \stackrel{?}{\geq} 0 \quad (\because (b-c)^2 \geq 0) \\ \Leftrightarrow & \frac{(s-a)(11s+4a)}{36(2s+a)^2} (b-c)^2 + s(s-a) \left( \frac{(s-a)(16s+8a)+3a^2}{12(2s+a)^2} \right) \stackrel{?}{\geq} 0 \rightarrow \text{true} \\ & \because s > a \therefore p_a m_a \geq s(s-a) + \frac{1}{3}(b-c)^2 \\ \text{Again, } & p_a m_a \stackrel{?}{\leq} s(s-a) + \frac{1}{2}(b-c)^2 \\ \Leftrightarrow & s^2(s-a)^2 + s(s-a) \cdot \frac{(b-c)^2}{4} + \frac{s(3s+a)(b-c)^2}{(2s+a)^2} \cdot s(s-a) + \\ & \frac{s(3s+a)}{(2s+a)^2} \cdot \frac{(b-c)^4}{4} \stackrel{?}{\leq} s^2(s-a)^2 + \frac{(b-c)^4}{4} + s(s-a)(b-c)^2 \\ \Leftrightarrow & \left( \frac{1}{4} - \frac{s(3s+a)}{4(2s+a)^2} \right) \cdot (b-c)^2 + s(s-a) \cdot \left( \frac{3}{4} - \frac{s(3s+a)}{(2s+a)^2} \right) \stackrel{?}{\geq} 0 \quad (\because (b-c)^2 \geq 0) \\ \Leftrightarrow & \frac{s^2+3sa+a^2}{4(2s+a)^2} \cdot (b-c)^2 + s(s-a) \cdot \frac{8sa+3a^2}{4(2s+a)^2} \stackrel{?}{\geq} 0 \rightarrow \text{true} \because s > a \\ \therefore & p_a m_a \leq s(s-a) + \frac{1}{2}(b-c)^2 \text{ and so, } s(s-a) + \frac{1}{3}(b-c)^2 \leq p_a m_a \leq \end{aligned}$$

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$$s(s-a) + \frac{1}{2}(b-c)^2 \forall \Delta ABC, " = " \text{ iff } b = c \text{ (QED)}$$

**4074. In any  $\Delta ABC$  the following relationship holds:**

$$\sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{1}{h_a \cdot \sqrt{\frac{1}{h_b} + \frac{1}{h_c}}} \geq \sqrt{\frac{3}{2r}}$$

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*Solution by Soumava Chakraborty-Kolkata-India*

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{1}{h_a \cdot \sqrt{\frac{1}{h_b} + \frac{1}{h_c}}} &\stackrel{?}{\geq} \sqrt{\frac{3}{2r}} \Leftrightarrow \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{1}{\frac{3r}{x} \cdot \sqrt{\frac{y+z}{3r}}} \stackrel{?}{\geq} \sqrt{\frac{3}{2r}} \left( x = \frac{3r}{h_a}, y = \frac{3r}{h_b}, z = \frac{3r}{h_c} \right) \\ &\Leftrightarrow \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{x}{\sqrt{y+z}} \stackrel{?}{\geq} \frac{3}{\sqrt{2}} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Indeed, } \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{x}{\sqrt{y+z}} &= \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{x^2}{x \cdot \sqrt{y+z}} \stackrel{\text{Bergstrom}}{\geq} \frac{(\sum_{\text{cyc}} x)^2}{\sum_{\text{cyc}} (\sqrt{x} \cdot \sqrt{xy+zx})} \stackrel{\text{CBS}}{\geq} \\ &\frac{(\sum_{\text{cyc}} x)^2}{\sqrt{2(\sum_{\text{cyc}} x)(\sum_{\text{cyc}} xy)}} \geq \frac{(\sum_{\text{cyc}} x)^2}{\sqrt{2(\sum_{\text{cyc}} x) \cdot \frac{(\sum_{\text{cyc}} x)^2}{3}}} = \frac{9}{\sqrt{6 \cdot \frac{9}{3}}} \end{aligned}$$

$$\left( \because \sum_{\text{cyc}} x = 3r, \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{1}{h_a} = \frac{3r}{r} = 3 \right) = \frac{3}{\sqrt{2}} \Rightarrow (*) \text{ is true and so,}$$

$$\sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{1}{h_a \cdot \sqrt{\frac{1}{h_b} + \frac{1}{h_c}}} \geq \sqrt{\frac{3}{2r}} \forall \Delta ABC, " = " \text{ iff } \Delta ABC \text{ is equilateral (QED)}$$

**4075. In any  $\Delta ABC$  the following relationship holds:**

$$\sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{1}{r_a \cdot \sqrt{\frac{1}{r_b} + \frac{1}{r_c}}} \geq \sqrt{\frac{3}{2r}}$$

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$$\sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{1}{r_a \cdot \sqrt{\frac{1}{r_b} + \frac{1}{r_c}}} \stackrel{?}{\geq} \sqrt{\frac{3}{2r}} \Leftrightarrow \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{1}{\frac{3r}{x} \cdot \sqrt{\frac{y+z}{3r}}} \stackrel{?}{\geq} \sqrt{\frac{3}{2r}} \left( x = \frac{3r}{r_a}, y = \frac{3r}{r_b}, z = \frac{3r}{r_c} \right)$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{x}{\sqrt{y+z}} \stackrel{?}{\geq} \frac{3}{\sqrt{2}}$$

Indeed,  $\sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{x}{\sqrt{y+z}} = \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{x^2}{x \cdot \sqrt{y+z}} \stackrel{\text{Bergstrom}}{\geq} \frac{(\sum_{\text{cyc}} x)^2}{\sum_{\text{cyc}} (\sqrt{x} \cdot \sqrt{xy+zx})} \stackrel{\text{CBS}}{\geq}$

$$\frac{(\sum_{\text{cyc}} x)^2}{\sqrt{2(\sum_{\text{cyc}} x)(\sum_{\text{cyc}} xy)}} \geq \frac{(\sum_{\text{cyc}} x)^2}{\sqrt{2(\sum_{\text{cyc}} x) \cdot \frac{(\sum_{\text{cyc}} x)^2}{3}}} = \frac{9}{\sqrt{6 \cdot \frac{9}{3}}}$$

$$\left( \because \sum_{\text{cyc}} x = 3r, \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{1}{r_a} = \frac{3r}{r} = 3 \right) = \frac{3}{\sqrt{2}} \Rightarrow (*) \text{ is true and so,}$$

$$\sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{1}{r_a \cdot \sqrt{\frac{1}{r_b} + \frac{1}{r_c}}} \geq \sqrt{\frac{3}{2r}} \forall \Delta ABC, " = " \text{ iff } \Delta ABC \text{ is equilateral (QED)}$$

**4076. In any  $\Delta ABC$  the following relationship holds :**

$$\sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{\sqrt{\cot A}}{a} \leq \frac{1}{2r^2} \cdot \sqrt{\frac{2R^2 + r^2}{3\sqrt{3}}}$$

*Proposed by Marin Chirciu-Romania*

*Solution by Soumava Chakraborty-Kolkata-India*

$$\sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{\sqrt{\cot A}}{a} \stackrel{\text{CBS}}{\leq} \sqrt{\sum_{\text{cyc}} \cot A} \cdot \sqrt{\frac{1}{16R^2 r^2 s^2} \cdot \sum_{\text{cyc}} a^2 b^2} \stackrel{\text{Goldstone}}{\leq}$$

$$\sqrt{\frac{s^2 - 4Rr - r^2}{2rs}} \cdot \sqrt{\frac{4R^2 s^2}{16R^2 r^2 s^2}} \stackrel{\text{Mitrinovic and Gerretsen}}{\leq} \sqrt{\frac{4R^2 + 2r^2}{2r^2 \cdot 3\sqrt{3}}} \cdot \sqrt{\frac{1}{4r^2}} = \frac{1}{2r^2} \cdot \sqrt{\frac{2R^2 + r^2}{3\sqrt{3}}}$$

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and so,  $\sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{\sqrt{\cot A}}{a} \leq \frac{1}{2r^2} \cdot \sqrt{\frac{2R^2 + r^2}{3\sqrt{3}}} \forall \Delta ABC, " = " \text{ iff } \Delta ABC \text{ is equilateral (QED)}$

**4077. In any  $\Delta ABC$  the following relationship holds :**

$$10 \sum_{\text{cyc}} \left(\frac{r}{h_a}\right)^3 - 9 \sum_{\text{cyc}} \left(\frac{r}{h_a}\right)^5 \geq 1$$

*Proposed by Marin Chirciu-Romania*

*Solution by Soumava Chakraborty-Kolkata-India*

Let  $x = \frac{3r}{h_a}, y = \frac{3r}{h_b}, z = \frac{3r}{h_c}$  and then :  $\sum_{\text{cyc}} x = 3r \cdot \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{1}{h_a} = \frac{3r}{r} = 3$  and so,

$$10 \sum_{\text{cyc}} \left(\frac{r}{h_a}\right)^3 - 9 \sum_{\text{cyc}} \left(\frac{r}{h_a}\right)^5 \stackrel{?}{\geq} 1$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \frac{10}{243} \left(\sum_{\text{cyc}} x^3\right) \left(\sum_{\text{cyc}} x\right)^2 - \frac{9}{243} \left(\sum_{\text{cyc}} x^5\right) \stackrel{?}{\geq} \frac{1}{243} \left(\sum_{\text{cyc}} x\right)^5$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \sum_{\text{cyc}} x^4 y + \sum_{\text{cyc}} x y^4 \stackrel{?}{\geq} 2xyz \sum_{\text{cyc}} xy \rightarrow \text{true} \because \sum_{\text{cyc}} x^4 y + \sum_{\text{cyc}} x y^4 = \sum_{\text{cyc}} (z(x^4 + y^4))$$

$$\stackrel{\text{AM-GM}}{\geq} 2 \sum_{\text{cyc}} (zx^2 y^2) = 2xyz \sum_{\text{cyc}} xy \therefore 10 \sum_{\text{cyc}} \left(\frac{r}{h_a}\right)^3 - 9 \sum_{\text{cyc}} \left(\frac{r}{h_a}\right)^5 \geq 1 \forall \Delta ABC,$$

" = " iff  $\Delta ABC$  is equilateral (QED)

**4078. In any  $\Delta ABC$  the following relationship holds :**

$$10 \sum_{\text{cyc}} \left(\frac{r}{r_a}\right)^3 - 9 \sum_{\text{cyc}} \left(\frac{r}{r_a}\right)^5 \geq 1$$

*Proposed by Marin Chirciu-Romania*

*Solution by Soumava Chakraborty-Kolkata-India*

Let  $x = \frac{3r}{r_a}, y = \frac{3r}{r_b}, z = \frac{3r}{r_c}$  and then :  $\sum_{\text{cyc}} x = 3r \cdot \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{1}{r_a} = \frac{3r}{r} = 3$  and so,

$$10 \sum_{\text{cyc}} \left(\frac{r}{r_a}\right)^3 - 9 \sum_{\text{cyc}} \left(\frac{r}{r_a}\right)^5 \stackrel{?}{\geq} 1$$

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$$\Leftrightarrow \frac{10}{243} \left( \sum_{\text{cyc}} x^3 \right) \left( \sum_{\text{cyc}} x \right)^2 - \frac{9}{243} \left( \sum_{\text{cyc}} x^5 \right) \stackrel{?}{\geq} \frac{1}{243} \left( \sum_{\text{cyc}} x \right)^5$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \sum_{\text{cyc}} x^4 y + \sum_{\text{cyc}} xy^4 \stackrel{?}{\geq} 2xyz \sum_{\text{cyc}} xy \rightarrow \text{true} \because \sum_{\text{cyc}} x^4 y + \sum_{\text{cyc}} xy^4 = \sum_{\text{cyc}} (z(x^4 + y^4))$$

$$\stackrel{\text{AM-GM}}{\geq} 2 \sum_{\text{cyc}} (zx^2y^2) = 2xyz \sum_{\text{cyc}} xy \because 10 \sum_{\text{cyc}} \left( \frac{r}{r_a} \right)^3 - 9 \sum_{\text{cyc}} \left( \frac{r}{r_a} \right)^5 \geq 1 \forall \Delta ABC,$$

" = " iff  $\Delta ABC$  is equilateral (QED)

**4079. In  $\Delta ABC$  the following relationship holds:**

$$r_a r_b + r_b r_c + r_c r_a \geq h_a h_b + h_b h_c + h_c h_a$$

*Proposed by Nguyen Hung Cuong – Vietnam*

*Solution by Daniel Sitaru – Romania*

$$\sum_{\text{cyc}} r_a r_b \geq \sum_{\text{cyc}} h_a h_b, \quad \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{F}{s-a} \cdot \frac{F}{s-b} \geq \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{2F}{a} \cdot \frac{2F}{b}$$

$$\sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{1}{(s-a)(s-b)} \geq 4 \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{1}{ab}, \quad \frac{s-c+s-b+s-a}{(s-a)(s-b)(s-c)} \geq 4 \cdot \frac{a+b+c}{abc}$$

$$\frac{s}{(s-a)(s-b)(s-c)} \geq 4 \cdot \frac{2s}{4RF}, \quad \frac{s^2}{s(s-a)(s-b)(s-c)} \geq \frac{2s}{R \cdot rs}$$

$$\frac{s^2}{F^2} \geq \frac{2}{Rr}, \quad \frac{s^2}{r^2 s^2} \geq \frac{2}{Rr}$$

$$\frac{1}{r^2} \geq \frac{2}{Rr} \Leftrightarrow R \geq 2r \quad (\text{Euler})$$

Equality holds for  $a = b = c$ .

**4080. In  $\Delta ABC$  the following relationship holds:**

$$216r^3 \leq (h_a + h_b)(h_b + h_c)(h_c + h_a) \leq 27R^3$$

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$$(h_a + h_b)(h_b + h_c)(h_c + h_a) = \prod_{\text{cyc}} (h_a + h_b) =$$

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$$\begin{aligned}
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 & = \prod_{cyc} \left( \frac{2F}{a} + \frac{2F}{b} \right) = 8F^3 \prod_{cyc} \left( \frac{1}{a} + \frac{1}{b} \right) = \\
 & = 8F^3 \prod_{cyc} \left( \frac{a+b}{ab} \right) = 8F^3 \cdot \frac{(a+b)(b+c)(c+a)}{abc \cdot abc} \stackrel{\text{CESARO}}{\geq} \\
 & \geq 8F^3 \cdot \frac{8abc}{abc \cdot abc} = \frac{64F^3}{abc} = \frac{64F^3}{4RF} = \frac{16F^2}{R} = \frac{16r^2s^2}{R}
 \end{aligned}$$

Remains to prove:

$$216r^3 \leq \frac{16r^2s^2}{R} \leq 27R^3$$

$$\frac{16r^2s^2}{R} \stackrel{\text{EULER}}{\leq} \frac{16 \cdot \left(\frac{R}{2}\right)^2 \cdot s^2}{R} = 4Rs^2 \stackrel{\text{MITRINOVIC}}{\leq} 4R \cdot \left(\frac{3\sqrt{3}}{2}R\right)^2 = 4R \cdot \frac{27R^2}{4} = 27R^3$$

$$\frac{16r^2s^2}{R} \geq 216r^3 \Leftrightarrow \frac{2r^2s^2}{R} \geq 27r^3 \Leftrightarrow \frac{2s^2}{R} \geq 27r \Leftrightarrow 2s^2 \geq 27Rr \quad (\text{to prove})$$

$$2s^2 \stackrel{\text{GERRESTEN}}{\geq} 2(16Rr - 5r^2) = 32Rr - 10r^2 \geq 27Rr \Leftrightarrow$$

$$\Leftrightarrow 5Rr \geq 10r^2 \Leftrightarrow R \geq 2r \quad (\text{Euler})$$

Equality holds for  $a = b = c$ .

**4081. In  $\triangle ABC$  the following relationship holds:**

$$216r^3 \leq (r_a + r_b)(r_b + r_c)(r_c + r_a) \leq 27R^3$$

*Proposed by Nguyen Hung Cuong – Vietnam*

*Solution by Daniel Sitaru – Romania*

$$\begin{aligned}
 (r_a + r_b)(r_b + r_c)(r_c + r_a) &= \prod_{cyc} (r_a + r_b) = \\
 &= \prod_{cyc} \left( \frac{F}{s-a} + \frac{F}{s-b} \right) = F^3 \prod_{cyc} \left( \frac{1}{s-a} + \frac{1}{s-b} \right) = \\
 &= F^3 \prod_{cyc} \frac{s-b+s-a}{(s-a)(s-b)} = F^3 \prod_{cyc} \frac{2s-a-b}{(s-a)(s-b)} = \\
 &= F^3 \prod_{cyc} \frac{a+b+c-a-b}{(s-a)(s-b)} = F^3 \prod_{cyc} \frac{c}{(s-a)(s-b)} =
 \end{aligned}$$

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$$= F^3 \cdot \frac{abc}{(s-a)^2(s-b)^2(s-c)^2} = \frac{F^3 \cdot abc \cdot s^2}{s^2(s-a)^2(s-b)^2(s-c)^2} = \frac{F^3 \cdot 4RF \cdot s^2}{F^4} = 4Rs^2$$

Remains to prove:

$$216r^3 \leq 4Rs^2 \leq 27R^3$$

$$4Rs^2 \stackrel{\text{MITRINOVIC}}{\leq} 4R \cdot \left(\frac{3\sqrt{3}}{2}R\right)^2 = 4R \cdot \frac{27R^2}{4} = 27R^3$$

$$4Rs^2 \stackrel{\text{MITRINOVIC}}{\geq} 4R \cdot (3\sqrt{3}r)^2 = 4R \cdot 27r^2 \stackrel{\text{EULER}}{\geq} 4 \cdot 2r \cdot 27r^2 = 216r^3$$

Equality holds for  $a = b = c$ .

**4082. In  $\triangle ABC$  the following relationship holds:**

$$(h_a + h_b)^{\cos \frac{C}{2}} \cdot (h_b + h_c)^{\cos \frac{A}{2}} \cdot (h_c + h_a)^{\cos \frac{B}{2}} \leq (3R)^{\frac{3\sqrt{3}}{2}}$$

*Proposed by Nguyen Hung Cuong – Vietnam*

*Solution by Daniel Sitaru – Romania*

$$\text{WLOG: } a \leq b \leq c \Rightarrow \frac{1}{a} \geq \frac{1}{b} \geq \frac{1}{c} \Rightarrow \frac{2F}{a} \geq \frac{2F}{b} \geq \frac{2F}{c}$$

$$\Rightarrow h_a \geq h_b \geq h_c \Rightarrow \begin{cases} h_a + h_c \geq h_b + h_c \\ h_b + h_a \geq h_c + h_a \end{cases} \Rightarrow h_a + h_b \geq h_a + h_c \geq h_b + h_c \quad (1)$$

$$a \leq b \leq c \Rightarrow \cos \frac{A}{2} \geq \cos \frac{B}{2} \cos \frac{C}{2} \Rightarrow \cos \frac{C}{2} \leq \cos \frac{B}{2} \leq \cos \frac{A}{2} \quad (2)$$

By (1); (2) and Cebyshev's inequality:

$$\begin{aligned} & (h_a + h_b) \cos \frac{C}{2} + (h_b + h_c) \cos \frac{A}{2} + (h_c + h_a) \cos \frac{A}{2} \leq \\ & \leq \frac{1}{3} (h_a + h_b + h_b + h_c + h_c + h_a) \left( \cos \frac{A}{2} + \cos \frac{B}{2} + \cos \frac{C}{2} \right) = \\ & = \frac{2}{3} (h_a + h_b + h_c) \left( \cos \frac{A}{2} + \cos \frac{B}{2} + \cos \frac{C}{2} \right) \quad (3) \end{aligned}$$

$$\prod_{cyc} (h_a + h_b) \cos \frac{C}{2} \stackrel{\text{WEIGHTED AM-GM}}{\leq}$$

$$\leq \left( \frac{(h_a + h_b) \cos \frac{C}{2} + (h_b + h_c) \cos \frac{A}{2} + (h_c + h_a) \cos \frac{B}{2}}{\cos \frac{A}{2} + \cos \frac{B}{2} + \cos \frac{C}{2}} \right)^{\cos \frac{A}{2} + \cos \frac{B}{2} + \cos \frac{C}{2}} \leq$$

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$$\begin{aligned}
 & \stackrel{(3)}{\leq} \left( \frac{\frac{2}{3}(h_a + h_b + h_c) \left( \cos \frac{A}{2} + \cos \frac{B}{2} + \cos \frac{C}{2} \right)^{\cos \frac{A}{2} + \cos \frac{B}{2} + \cos \frac{C}{2}}}{\cos \frac{A}{2} + \cos \frac{B}{2} + \cos \frac{C}{2}} \right) \leq \\
 & \stackrel{\text{Jensen}}{\leq} \left( \frac{2}{3} \left( \frac{2F}{a} + \frac{2F}{b} + \frac{2F}{c} \right) \right)^{3 \cos \frac{A+B+C}{6}} = \left( \frac{4F}{3} \cdot \frac{ab + bc + ca}{abc} \right)^{3 \cos \frac{\pi}{6}} = \\
 & = \left( \frac{4F}{3} \cdot \frac{s^2 + r^2 + 4Rr}{4Rr} \right)^{\frac{3\sqrt{3}}{2}} = \left( \frac{s^2 + r^2 + 4Rr}{3R} \right)^{\frac{3\sqrt{3}}{2}} \leq \\
 & \stackrel{\text{MITRINOVIC}}{\leq} \left( \frac{\frac{27R^2}{4} + r^2 + 4Rr}{3R} \right)^{\frac{3\sqrt{3}}{2}} \stackrel{\text{EULER}}{\leq} \\
 & \leq \left( \frac{\frac{27R^2}{4} + \frac{R^2}{4} + 4R \cdot \frac{R}{2}}{3R} \right)^{\frac{3\sqrt{3}}{2}} = \left( \frac{7R^2 + 2R^2}{3R} \right)^{\frac{3\sqrt{3}}{2}} = (3R)^{\frac{3\sqrt{3}}{2}}
 \end{aligned}$$

Equality holds for  $a = b = c$ .

**4083. In  $\triangle ABC$  the following relationship holds:**

$$(ab)^{\sin C} \cdot (bc)^{\sin A} \cdot (ca)^{\sin B} \leq (3R^2)^{\frac{3\sqrt{3}}{2}}$$

*Proposed by Nguyen Hung Cuong – Vietnam*

*Solution by Daniel Sitaru – Romania*

$$\begin{aligned}
 & (ab)^{\sin C} \cdot (bc)^{\sin A} \cdot (ca)^{\sin B} \stackrel{\text{WEIGHTED AM-GM}}{\leq} \\
 & \leq \left( \frac{ab \sin C + bc \sin A + ca \sin B}{\sin A + \sin B + \sin C} \right)^{\sin A + \sin B + \sin C} = \left( \frac{2F + 2F + 2F}{\frac{s}{R}} \right)^{\frac{s}{R}} \stackrel{\text{MITRINOVIC}}{\leq} \\
 & \leq \left( \frac{6F}{\frac{s}{R}} \right)^{\frac{1}{R} \cdot \frac{3\sqrt{3}}{2} R} = \left( \frac{6FR}{s} \right)^{\frac{3\sqrt{3}}{2}} = \left( \frac{6rsR}{s} \right)^{\frac{3\sqrt{3}}{2}} = (6rR)^{\frac{3\sqrt{3}}{2}} \leq \left( 6 \cdot \frac{R}{2} \cdot R \right)^{\frac{3\sqrt{3}}{2}} = (3R^2)^{\frac{3\sqrt{3}}{2}}
 \end{aligned}$$

Equality holds for  $a = b = c$ .

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4084. In  $\triangle ABC$  the following relationship holds:

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

Proposed by Nguyen Hung Cuong – Vietnam

Solution by Daniel Sitaru – Romania

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{r_a + 2r_b}{h_c} + \frac{r_b + 2r_c}{h_a} + \frac{r_c + 2r_a}{h_b} &= \sum_{cyc} \frac{r_a + 2r_b}{h_c} = \sum_{cyc} \frac{r_a}{h_c} + 2 \sum_{cyc} \frac{r_b}{h_c} \stackrel{AM-GM}{\geq} \\ &\geq 3 \sqrt[3]{\frac{r_a r_b r_c}{h_a h_b h_c}} + 2 \cdot 3 \sqrt[3]{\frac{r_a r_b r_c}{h_a h_b h_c}} = 9 \sqrt[3]{\frac{r_a r_b r_c}{h_a h_b h_c}} \geq 9 \Leftrightarrow \sqrt[3]{\frac{r_a r_b r_c}{h_a h_b h_c}} \geq 1 \Leftrightarrow r_a r_b r_c \geq h_a h_b h_c \end{aligned}$$

$$\frac{F}{s-a} \cdot \frac{F}{s-b} \cdot \frac{F}{s-c} \geq \frac{2F}{a} \cdot \frac{2F}{b} \cdot \frac{2F}{c}$$

$$abc \geq 8(s-a)(s-b)(s-c)$$

$$abc \cdot s \geq 8s(s-a)(s-b)(s-c)$$

$$4RF \cdot s \geq 8F^2, \quad Rs \geq 2F, \quad Rs \geq 2rs$$

$$R \geq 2r \quad (\text{Euler})$$

Equality holds for  $a = b = c$ .

4085. In any  $\triangle ABC$  the following relationship holds :

$$\sum_{cyc} \frac{a+b}{\sqrt{r_c}} \leq 2 \sum_{cyc} \frac{a}{\sqrt{h_a}}$$

Proposed by Nguyen Hung Cuong-Vietnam

Solution by Soumava Chakraborty-Kolkata-India

Let  $\sqrt{s-a} = x, \sqrt{s-b} = y, \sqrt{s-c} = z$  ( $\because (s-a), (s-b), (s-c) > 0$ )

and then :  $s-a = x^2, s-b = y^2, s-c = z^2 \Rightarrow 3s - 2s = \sum_{cyc} x^2$  and so,

$$a = y^2 + z^2, b = z^2 + x^2, c = x^2 + y^2 \therefore \sum_{cyc} \frac{b+c}{\sqrt{r_a}} \stackrel{?}{\leq} 2 \sum_{cyc} \frac{a}{\sqrt{h_a}} \Leftrightarrow$$

$$\sum_{cyc} \frac{x(2x^2 + y^2 + z^2)}{\sqrt{rs}} \stackrel{?}{\leq} \sum_{cyc} \frac{(y^2 + z^2) \cdot \sqrt{2(y^2 + z^2)}}{\sqrt{rs}}$$

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$$\Leftrightarrow \sum_{\text{cyc}} \left( (y^2 + z^2) \cdot \sqrt{2(y^2 + z^2)} \right) \stackrel{?}{\geq} \sum_{\text{cyc}} \left( x(2x^2 + y^2 + z^2) \right)$$

Now,  $\sum_{\text{cyc}} \left( (y^2 + z^2) \cdot \sqrt{2(y^2 + z^2)} \right) \geq$

$$\sum_{\text{cyc}} \left( (y^2 + z^2)(y + z) \right) \stackrel{?}{=} \sum_{\text{cyc}} \left( x(2x^2 + y^2 + z^2) \right)$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \sum_{\text{cyc}} \left( (y^2 + z^2) \left( \sum_{\text{cyc}} x - x \right) \right) \stackrel{?}{=} \left( \sum_{\text{cyc}} x^2 \right) \left( \sum_{\text{cyc}} x \right) + \sum_{\text{cyc}} x^3$$

$$\Leftrightarrow 2 \left( \sum_{\text{cyc}} x^2 \right) \left( \sum_{\text{cyc}} x \right) - P \stackrel{?}{=} 2 \sum_{\text{cyc}} x^3 + P \left( P = \sum_{\text{cyc}} x^2 y + \sum_{\text{cyc}} x y^2 \right)$$

$$\Leftrightarrow 2 \sum_{\text{cyc}} x^3 + 2P - P \stackrel{?}{=} 2 \sum_{\text{cyc}} x^3 + P \rightarrow \text{true} \Rightarrow (*) \text{ is true}$$

$$\therefore \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{a+b}{\sqrt{r_c}} \leq 2 \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{a}{\sqrt{h_a}} \quad \forall \Delta ABC, " = " \text{ iff } \Delta ABC \text{ is equilateral (QED)}$$

**4086. In any acute triangle ABC the following relationship holds :**

$$r_a \sqrt{\cos A} + r_b \sqrt{\cos B} + r_c \sqrt{\cos C} \leq \frac{9\sqrt{2}}{4} R$$

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*Solution by Soumava Chakraborty-Kolkata-India*

$$\sum_{\text{cyc}} (r_a \cdot \sqrt{\cos A}) = s \sum_{\text{cyc}} \left( \sqrt{\tan \frac{A}{2}} \cdot \sqrt{\tan \frac{A}{2} \cdot \cos A} \right) \stackrel{\text{CBS}}{\leq}$$

$$s \cdot \sqrt{\sum_{\text{cyc}} \tan \frac{A}{2}} \cdot \sqrt{\sum_{\text{cyc}} \left( \tan \frac{A}{2} \cdot \left( 2 \cos^2 \frac{A}{2} - 1 \right) \right)} = s \cdot \sqrt{\frac{4R+r}{s}} \cdot \sqrt{\sum_{\text{cyc}} \sin A - \sum_{\text{cyc}} \tan \frac{A}{2}}$$

$$= s \cdot \sqrt{\frac{4R+r}{s}} \cdot \sqrt{\frac{s}{R} - \frac{4R+r}{s}} = s \cdot \sqrt{\frac{4R+r}{s}} \cdot \sqrt{\frac{s^2 - 4R^2 - Rr}{Rs}} \stackrel{\text{Gerretsen}}{\leq}$$

$$\sqrt{\frac{4R+r}{R}} \cdot \sqrt{3Rr + 3r^2} = \sqrt{\frac{3r(4R+r)(R+r)}{R}} \stackrel{\text{Euler}}{\leq} \sqrt{\frac{3 \cdot \frac{R}{2} \cdot \frac{9R}{2} \cdot \frac{3R}{2}}{R}} = 9R \cdot \sqrt{\frac{2}{16}}$$

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$$= \frac{9\sqrt{2}}{4}R \text{ and so, } r_a \cdot \sqrt{\cos A} + r_b \cdot \sqrt{\cos B} + r_c \cdot \sqrt{\cos C} \leq \frac{9\sqrt{2}}{4}R \forall \text{ acute } \triangle ABC,$$

" = " iff  $\triangle ABC$  is equilateral (QED)

**4087. In  $\triangle ABC$  the following relationship holds:**

$$\frac{w_a}{h_a} + \frac{h_a}{w_a} \leq \frac{\cos \frac{B}{2}}{\cos \frac{C}{2}} + \frac{\cos \frac{C}{2}}{\cos \frac{B}{2}} \leq \min \left\{ \frac{w_b}{w_c} + \frac{w_c}{w_b}, \frac{2w_a}{h_a} \right\}$$

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*Solution by Jenish Rijal-Nepal*

$$\text{Let } u = \cos\left(\frac{B-C}{2}\right) \text{ and } v = \cos\left(\frac{B+C}{2}\right) = \sin\frac{A}{2}.$$

*Also, assume  $M$  to be the middle term.*

*We know  $\frac{|B-C|}{2} < \frac{B+C}{2} < \frac{\pi}{2} \Rightarrow 0 < v < u \leq 1$ . Now, let's prove the LHS:*

$$* \frac{\cos \frac{B}{2}}{\cos \frac{C}{2}} + \frac{\cos \frac{C}{2}}{\cos \frac{B}{2}} = \frac{1 + \cos\left(\frac{B+C}{2}\right)\cos\left(\frac{B-C}{2}\right)}{\frac{1}{2}\left[\cos\left(\frac{B+C}{2}\right) + \cos\left(\frac{B-C}{2}\right)\right]} = \frac{2 + 2vu}{v + u}.$$

*The inequality  $\frac{w_a}{h_a} + \frac{h_a}{w_a} \leq M$  is equivalent to:*

$$\frac{w_a}{h_a} + \frac{h_a}{w_a} = \frac{u^2 + 1}{u} \leq M = \frac{2 + 2vu}{v + u} \Leftrightarrow (u^2 - 1)(u - v) \leq 0$$

*which is true  $\because v < u \leq 1$ .*

*Now, let us prove the RHS i.e.  $M \leq \frac{2w_a}{h_a} = \frac{2}{u}$ :*

$$M = \frac{2 + 2vu}{v + u} \leq \frac{2}{u} \Leftrightarrow u(1 + vu) \leq v + u \Leftrightarrow u^2 \leq 1 \text{ which is true } \because u \leq 1.$$

*At last, WLOG assume:  $b \geq c$ .*

$$\text{Let } t = \frac{\cos \frac{B}{2}}{\cos \frac{C}{2}} \leq 1. \text{ Now, } \frac{w_b}{w_c} = \left[ \frac{c(a+b)}{b(a+c)} \right] \cdot \frac{\cos \frac{B}{2}}{\cos \frac{C}{2}} = k \cdot t ; \frac{c(a+b)}{b(a+c)} = k$$

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$$\text{As } b \geq c \Rightarrow k = \frac{ac + bc}{ab + bc} \leq 1. \text{ Thus, } 0 < kt \leq t \leq 1.$$

We can observe that the function  $f(x) = x + \frac{1}{x}$  is strictly decreasing on  $(0, 1]$ .

And the middle term is  $f(t)$ , i. e.,  $f(t) = M$ .

$$0 < kt \leq t \leq 1 \Rightarrow f(kt) \stackrel{\text{Monotonicity}}{\geq} f(t) \Rightarrow \frac{w_b}{w_c} + \frac{w_c}{w_b} \geq M.$$

$$\therefore \frac{w_a}{h_a} + \frac{h_a}{w_a} \leq \frac{\cos \frac{B}{2}}{\cos \frac{C}{2}} + \frac{\cos \frac{C}{2}}{\cos \frac{B}{2}} \leq \min \left\{ \frac{w_b}{w_c} + \frac{w_c}{w_b}, \frac{2w_a}{h_a} \right\}$$

Equality holds if and only if the triangle is isosceles ( $b = c$ ).

**4088. In  $\triangle ABC$  the following relationship holds:**

$$m_a^{m_a} \cdot m_b^{m_b} \cdot m_c^{m_c} \geq (3r)^{m_a+m_b+m_c}$$

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*Solution by Khaled Abd Imouti, Kasem Abotrabi – Syria*

Let be  $f: (0, \infty) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}; f(x) = x \ln x$

$$f'(x) = \ln x + x \cdot \frac{1}{x} = \ln x + 1; f''(x) = \frac{1}{x} > 0 \Rightarrow f \text{ convex}$$

By Jensen's inequality:

$$f(m_a) + f(m_b) + f(m_c) \geq 3f\left(\frac{m_a + m_b + m_c}{3}\right)$$

$$m_a \ln m_a + m_b \ln m_b + m_c \ln m_c \geq 3 \frac{m_a + m_b + m_c}{3} \cdot \ln \left(\frac{m_a + m_b + m_c}{3}\right)$$

$$\ln(m_a^{m_a}) + \ln(m_b^{m_b}) + \ln(m_c^{m_c}) \geq (m_a + m_b + m_c) \ln \left(\frac{m_a + m_b + m_c}{3}\right) \quad (1)$$

$$h_a \leq m_a; h_b \leq m_b; h_c \leq m_c \Rightarrow$$

$$\frac{1}{h_a} \geq \frac{1}{m_a}; \frac{1}{h_b} \geq \frac{1}{m_b}; \frac{1}{h_c} \geq \frac{1}{m_c}$$

$$\frac{1}{h_a} + \frac{1}{h_b} + \frac{1}{h_c} \geq \frac{1}{m_a} + \frac{1}{m_b} + \frac{1}{m_c}$$

$$\frac{1}{r} \geq \frac{1}{m_a} + \frac{1}{m_b} + \frac{1}{m_c} \stackrel{\text{BERGSTROM}}{\geq} \frac{(1+1+1)^2}{m_a + m_b + m_c} =$$

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$$= \frac{9}{m_a + m_b + m_c} \Rightarrow m_a + m_b + m_c \geq 9r \Rightarrow \frac{m_a + m_b + m_c}{3} \geq 3r \quad (2)$$

$$\ln\left(\frac{m_a + m_b + m_c}{3}\right) \geq \ln(3r)$$

By (1):

$$\ln(m_a^{m_a} \cdot m_b^{m_b} \cdot m_c^{m_c}) \geq (m_a + m_b + m_c) \ln\left(\frac{m_a + m_b + m_c}{3}\right) \geq$$

$$\stackrel{(2)}{\geq} (m_a + m_b + m_c) \ln(3r) = \ln(3r)^{m_a + m_b + m_c}$$

$$\ln(m_a^{m_a} \cdot m_b^{m_b} \cdot m_c^{m_c}) \geq \ln(3r)^{m_a + m_b + m_c}$$

$$m_a^{m_a} \cdot m_b^{m_b} \cdot m_c^{m_c} \geq (3r)^{m_a + m_b + m_c}$$

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

**4089. In  $\triangle ABC$  the following relationship holds:**

$$\frac{(a+b)^2}{h_c} + \frac{(b+c)^2}{h_a} + \frac{(c+a)^2}{h_b} \geq 48r$$

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*Solution by Daniel Sitaru – Romania*

$$\frac{(a+b)^2}{h_c} + \frac{(b+c)^2}{h_a} + \frac{(c+a)^2}{h_b} = \sum_{cyc} \frac{(a+b)^2}{h_c} \geq$$

$$\stackrel{AM-GM}{\geq} 3 \sqrt[3]{\frac{((a+b)(b+c)(c+a))^2}{h_a h_b h_c}} \stackrel{CESARO}{\geq} 3 \sqrt[3]{\frac{(8abc)^2}{h_a h_b h_c}} =$$

$$= 3 \sqrt[3]{\frac{64 \cdot (4RF)^2}{\frac{2F}{a} \cdot \frac{2F}{b} \cdot \frac{2F}{c}}} = \frac{3}{2F} \cdot 4 \sqrt[3]{(4RF)^2 \cdot abc} =$$

$$= \frac{6}{F} \sqrt[3]{(4RF)^3} = \frac{6}{F} \cdot 4RF = 24R \stackrel{EULER}{\geq} 24 \cdot 2r = 48r$$

Equality holds for  $a = b = c$ .

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4090. In  $\triangle ABC$  the following relationship holds:

$$\frac{(r_a + r_b)^2}{h_c} + \frac{(r_b + r_c)^2}{h_a} + \frac{(r_c + r_a)^2}{h_b} \geq 36r$$

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$$\begin{aligned} \frac{(r_a + r_b)^2}{h_c} + \frac{(r_b + r_c)^2}{h_a} + \frac{(r_c + r_a)^2}{h_b} &= \sum_{cyc} \frac{(r_a + r_b)^2}{h_c} \geq \\ &\stackrel{AM-GM}{\geq} 3 \sqrt[3]{\frac{((r_a + r_b)(r_b + r_c)(r_c + r_a))^2}{h_a h_b h_c}} \stackrel{CESARO}{\geq} 3 \sqrt[3]{\frac{(8r_a r_b r_c)^2}{h_a h_b h_c}} = \\ &= 3 \sqrt[3]{\frac{64 \cdot \left(\frac{F}{s-a} \cdot \frac{F}{s-b} \cdot \frac{F}{s-c}\right)^2}{\frac{2F}{a} \cdot \frac{2F}{b} \cdot \frac{2F}{c}}} = 12 \sqrt[3]{\frac{F^6}{((s-a)(s-b)(s-c))^2} \cdot \frac{abc}{8F^3}} = \\ &= \frac{12}{2} \sqrt[3]{\frac{F^3 \cdot 4RF \cdot s^2}{(s(s-a)(s-b)(s-c))^2}} = 6 \sqrt[3]{\frac{4Rs^2 F^4}{F^4}} = \\ &= 6 \sqrt[3]{4Rs^2} \stackrel{MITRINOVIC}{\geq} 6 \sqrt[3]{4R \cdot 27r^2} \stackrel{EULER}{\geq} 6 \cdot 3 \sqrt[3]{8r \cdot r^2} = 36r \end{aligned}$$

Equality holds for  $a = b = c$ .

4091. In  $\triangle ABC$  the following relationship holds:

$$\frac{(a+b)^2}{r_c} + \frac{(b+c)^2}{r_a} + \frac{(c+a)^2}{r_b} \geq 48r$$

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$$\begin{aligned} \frac{(a+b)^2}{r_c} + \frac{(b+c)^2}{r_a} + \frac{(c+a)^2}{r_b} &= \sum_{cyc} \frac{(a+b)^2}{r_c} \geq \\ &\stackrel{AM-GM}{\geq} 3 \sqrt[3]{\frac{((a+b)(b+c)(c+a))^2}{r_a r_b r_c}} \stackrel{CESARO}{\geq} 3 \sqrt[3]{\frac{(8abc)^2}{\frac{F}{s-a} \cdot \frac{F}{s-b} \cdot \frac{F}{s-c}}} = 3 \sqrt[3]{\frac{64(abc)^2}{\frac{F^3 s}{F^2}}} = \end{aligned}$$

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$$\begin{aligned}
 &= 12 \sqrt[3]{\frac{(4RF)^2}{Fs}} = 12 \sqrt[3]{\frac{16R^2F^2}{Fs}} = 12 \sqrt[3]{\frac{16R^2F}{s}} = 12 \sqrt[3]{\frac{16R^2rs}{s}} = \\
 &= 12 \sqrt[3]{16R^2r} \stackrel{EULER}{\geq} 12 \sqrt[3]{16 \cdot 4r^2 \cdot r} = 12 \sqrt[3]{64r^3} = 12 \cdot 4r = 48r
 \end{aligned}$$

Equality holds for  $a = b = c$ .

4092. In  $\triangle ABC$  the following relationship holds:

$$\frac{r_a + r_b}{h_c} + \frac{r_b + r_c}{h_a} + \frac{r_c + r_a}{h_b} \leq \frac{3R}{r}$$

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$$\begin{aligned}
 \sum_{cyc} \frac{r_a + r_b}{h_c} &= \sum_{cyc} \frac{\frac{F}{s-a} + \frac{F}{s-b}}{\frac{2F}{c}} = \sum_{cyc} \frac{\frac{1}{s-a} + \frac{1}{s-b}}{\frac{2}{c}} = \\
 &= \frac{1}{2} \sum_{cyc} \frac{c(s-a+s-b)}{(s-a)(s-b)} = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{cyc} \frac{c(a+b+c-a-b)}{(s-a)(s-b)} = \\
 &= \frac{1}{2} \sum_{cyc} \frac{c^2}{(s-a)(s-b)} = \frac{1}{2(s-a)(s-b)(s-c)} \sum_{cyc} c^2(s-c) = \\
 &= \frac{s}{2s(s-a)(s-b)(s-c)} \cdot 4rs(R+r) = \\
 &= \frac{4rs^2(R+r)}{2F^2} = \frac{2rs^2(R+r)}{r^2s^2} = \frac{2(R+r)}{r} \leq \frac{2\left(R + \frac{R}{2}\right)}{r} = \frac{2 \cdot \frac{3R}{2}}{r} = \frac{3R}{r}
 \end{aligned}$$

Equality holds for  $a = b = c$ .

4093. In  $\triangle ABC$  the following relationship holds:

$$\frac{m_a^2 + m_b^2}{c} + \frac{m_b^2 + m_c^2}{a} + \frac{m_c^2 + m_a^2}{b} \geq 9\sqrt{3}r$$

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$$\begin{aligned}
 & \frac{m_a^2 + m_b^2}{c} + \frac{m_b^2 + m_c^2}{a} + \frac{m_c^2 + m_a^2}{b} = \\
 &= \sum_{cyc} \frac{m_a^2 + m_b^2}{c} = \sum_{cyc} \frac{2(b^2 + c^2) - a^2 + 2(a^2 + c^2) - b^2}{4c} = \\
 &= \sum_{cyc} \frac{b^2 + a^2 + 4c^2}{4c} = \frac{1}{4} \sum_{cyc} \frac{b^2}{c} + \frac{1}{4} \sum_{cyc} \frac{a^2}{c} + \sum_{cyc} c \geq \\
 &\stackrel{\text{BERGSTROM}}{\geq} \frac{1}{4} \cdot \frac{(a+b+c)^2}{a+b+c} + \frac{1}{4} \cdot \frac{(a+b+c)^2}{a+b+c} + 2s = \\
 &= \frac{a+b+c}{4} + \frac{a+b+c}{4} + 2s = \frac{2s}{4} + \frac{2s}{4} + 2s = \\
 &= \frac{4s}{4} + 2s = 3s \stackrel{\text{MITRINOVIC}}{\geq} 3 \cdot 3\sqrt{3}r = 9\sqrt{3}r
 \end{aligned}$$

Equality holds for  $a = b = c$ .

4094. In  $\triangle ABC$  the following relationship holds:

$$\frac{m_a^2 + m_b^2}{c^2} + \frac{m_b^2 + m_c^2}{a^2} + \frac{m_c^2 + m_a^2}{b^2} \geq \frac{9}{2}$$

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$$\begin{aligned}
 & \frac{m_a^2 + m_b^2}{c^2} + \frac{m_b^2 + m_c^2}{a^2} + \frac{m_c^2 + m_a^2}{b^2} = \\
 &= \sum_{cyc} \frac{m_a^2 + m_b^2}{c^2} = \sum_{cyc} \frac{2(b^2 + c^2) - a^2 + 2(a^2 + c^2) - b^2}{4c^2} = \\
 &= \sum_{cyc} \frac{b^2 + a^2 + 4c^2}{4c^2} = \frac{1}{4} \sum_{cyc} \frac{b^2}{c^2} + \frac{1}{4} \sum_{cyc} \frac{a^2}{c^2} + \sum_{cyc} \frac{4c^2}{4c^2} \geq \\
 &\stackrel{\text{AM-GM}}{\geq} \frac{1}{4} \cdot 3 \sqrt[3]{\frac{b^2}{c^2} \cdot \frac{c^2}{a^2} \cdot \frac{a^2}{b^2}} + \frac{1}{4} \cdot 3 \sqrt[3]{\frac{a^2}{c^2} \cdot \frac{b^2}{a^2} \cdot \frac{c^2}{b^2}} + 3 = \\
 &= \frac{3}{4} + \frac{3}{4} + 3 = \frac{6}{4} + 3 = \frac{3}{2} + 3 = \frac{9}{2}
 \end{aligned}$$

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Equality holds for  $a = b = c$ .

4095. In  $\triangle ABC$  the following relationship holds:

$$\frac{r_a^2 + r_b^2}{c} + \frac{r_b^2 + r_c^2}{a} + \frac{r_c^2 + r_a^2}{b} \geq 9\sqrt{3}r$$

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$$\begin{aligned} \frac{r_a^2 + r_b^2}{c} + \frac{r_b^2 + r_c^2}{a} + \frac{r_c^2 + r_a^2}{b} &= \sum_{cyc} \frac{r_a^2 + r_b^2}{c} = \sum_{cyc} \frac{r_a^2}{c} + \sum_{cyc} \frac{r_b^2}{c} \stackrel{BERGSTROM}{\geq} \\ &\geq \frac{(r_a + r_b + r_c)^2}{a + b + c} + \frac{(r_a + r_b + r_c)^2}{a + b + c} = \frac{2(r_a + r_b + r_c)^2}{a + b + c} = \\ &= \frac{2(4R + r)^2}{2s} = \frac{(4R + r)^2}{s} \stackrel{DOUCET}{\geq} \frac{(4R + r)^2}{\frac{4R + r}{\sqrt{3}}} = \sqrt{3}(4R + r) \stackrel{EULER}{\geq} \\ &\geq \sqrt{3}(4 \cdot 2r + r) = 9\sqrt{3}r \end{aligned}$$

Equality holds for  $a = b = c$ .

4096. In  $\triangle ABC$  the following relationship holds:

$$r_a^2 r_b^2 + r_b^2 r_c^2 + r_c^2 r_a^2 + n_a^2 n_b^2 + n_b^2 n_c^2 + n_c^2 n_a^2 \geq 2h_a h_b h_c (h_a + h_b + h_c)$$

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Solution by Jenish Rijal-Nepal

$$\begin{aligned} h_c &= \frac{2r_a r_b}{r_a + r_b} \stackrel{HM-GM}{\geq} \sqrt{r_a r_b} \Leftrightarrow r_a r_b \geq h_c^2 \Leftrightarrow \\ r_a r_b \cdot n_a n_b &\geq h_c^2 \cdot h_a h_b \quad [\because n_a \geq h_a \text{ and } n_b \geq h_b] \\ \therefore r_a r_b n_a n_b &\stackrel{\textcircled{1}}{\geq} h_a h_b h_c^2 \end{aligned}$$

Now, via AM – GM Inequality:

$$\begin{aligned} r_a^2 r_b^2 + n_a^2 n_b^2 &\geq 2\sqrt{r_a^2 r_b^2 n_a^2 n_b^2} = r_a r_b n_a n_b \stackrel{\text{Via } \textcircled{1}}{\geq} 2h_a h_b h_c^2 \Rightarrow \\ \sum_{cyc} (r_a^2 r_b^2 + n_a^2 n_b^2) &\geq 2 \sum_{cyc} (h_a h_b h_c^2) \\ \Leftrightarrow r_a^2 r_b^2 + r_b^2 r_c^2 + r_c^2 r_a^2 + n_a^2 n_b^2 + n_b^2 n_c^2 + n_c^2 n_a^2 &\geq 2h_a h_b h_c (h_a + h_b + h_c). \end{aligned}$$

Equality holds if and only if the triangle is equilateral.

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4097. In  $\triangle ABC$  the following relationship holds:

$$\sum_{cyc} \frac{\sin \frac{A}{2} \left( \sin^2 \frac{B}{2} \sqrt{\sin \frac{A}{2}} + \sin^2 \frac{C}{2} \sqrt{\sin \frac{C}{2}} \right)}{\sin^2 \frac{B}{2} \sin^2 \frac{C}{2} \left( \sin \frac{B}{2} + \sin \frac{C}{2} \right)} \geq 6\sqrt{2}$$

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**Solution by Jenish Rijal-Nepal**

$$\text{Let } (x, y, z) = \left( \sin \frac{A}{2}, \sin \frac{B}{2}, \sin \frac{C}{2} \right). \Rightarrow x, y, z \in (0, 1)$$

**Lemma 1:**  $xyz \leq \frac{1}{8}$ .

**Proof:** We know that:  $r = 4R \sin \frac{A}{2} \sin \frac{B}{2} \sin \frac{C}{2} \Rightarrow xyz = \frac{r}{4R} \stackrel{\text{Euler}}{\leq} \frac{1}{8}$ .

**Lemma 2:**  $x + y + z \leq \frac{3}{2}$

**Proof:** Since the sine function is concave on  $(0, \pi)$ , by Jensen's Inequality,

$$x + y + z = \sin \frac{A}{2} + \sin \frac{B}{2} + \sin \frac{C}{2} \leq 3 \cdot \sin \left( \frac{\frac{A}{2} + \frac{B}{2} + \frac{C}{2}}{3} \right) = 3 \cdot \sin \left( \frac{\pi}{6} \right) = \frac{3}{2}$$

**Claim 1:**  $\prod (x + y) \leq 1$

**Proof:**  $\prod (x + y) \stackrel{AM-GM}{\geq} \left( \frac{x + y + y + z + z + x}{3} \right)^3 = \left( \frac{2(x + y + z)}{3} \right)^3 \stackrel{\text{Lemma 2}}{\leq} 1$

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{cyc} \frac{\sin \frac{A}{2} \left( \sin^2 \frac{B}{2} \sqrt{\sin \frac{A}{2}} + \sin^2 \frac{C}{2} \sqrt{\sin \frac{C}{2}} \right)}{\sin^2 \frac{B}{2} \sin^2 \frac{C}{2} \left( \sin \frac{B}{2} + \sin \frac{C}{2} \right)} &= \sum_{cyc} \frac{x(y^2\sqrt{x} + z^2\sqrt{z})}{y^2z^2(y+z)} = \\ &= \sum_{cyc} \left( \frac{x\sqrt{x}}{z^2(y+z)} + \frac{x\sqrt{z}}{y^2(y+z)} \right) \end{aligned}$$

By AM – GM Inequality,

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{cyc} \left( \frac{x\sqrt{x}}{z^2(y+z)} + \frac{x\sqrt{z}}{y^2(y+z)} \right) &\geq 6 \cdot \sqrt[6]{\prod \left( \frac{x\sqrt{x}}{z^2(y+z)} \cdot \frac{x\sqrt{z}}{y^2(y+z)} \right)} = \\ &= 6 \cdot \sqrt[6]{\frac{x^3y^3z^3}{x^4y^4z^4(x+y)^2(y+z)^2(x+z)^2}} = 6 \cdot \sqrt[6]{\frac{1}{xyz \cdot [\prod(x+y)]^2}} \end{aligned}$$

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From Lemma 1 and Claim 1 it follows that:

$$\sum_{cyc} \frac{\sin \frac{A}{2} \left( \sin^2 \frac{B}{2} \sqrt{\sin \frac{A}{2}} + \sin^2 \frac{C}{2} \sqrt{\sin \frac{C}{2}} \right)}{\sin^2 \frac{B}{2} \sin^2 \frac{C}{2} \left( \sin \frac{B}{2} + \sin \frac{C}{2} \right)} = \sum_{cyc} \left( \frac{x\sqrt{x}}{z^2(y+z)} + \frac{x\sqrt{z}}{y^2(y+z)} \right) \geq$$

$$\geq 6 \cdot \sqrt[6]{\frac{1}{\frac{1}{8} \cdot (1)^2}} = 6\sqrt{2}$$

Equality holds if and only if the triangle is equilateral.

4098. In  $\triangle ABC$  the following relationship holds:

$$1 + \sum_{cyc} \frac{r^2}{h_a^2} \geq 4 \sum_{cyc} \frac{r^2}{h_a h_b}$$

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$$\frac{r}{r_a} + \frac{r}{r_b} + \frac{r}{r_c} = 1 \quad \left[ \because \frac{r}{r_a} + \frac{r}{r_b} + \frac{r}{r_c} = r \left( \frac{1}{r_a} + \frac{1}{r_b} + \frac{1}{r_c} \right) = r \cdot \frac{1}{r} = 1 \right]$$

$$\Rightarrow \left( \frac{r}{r_a} + \frac{r}{r_b} + \frac{r}{r_c} \right)^2 = 1^2 = 1 \Rightarrow \sum_{cyc} \frac{r^2}{r_a^2} + 2 \cdot \sum_{cyc} \frac{r^2}{r_a r_b} = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow 4 \sum_{cyc} \frac{r^2}{r_a r_b} = 2 - 2 \sum_{cyc} \frac{r^2}{r_a^2}$$

Substituting this into our original inequality:

$$1 + \sum_{cyc} \frac{r^2}{r_a^2} \geq 2 - 2 \sum_{cyc} \frac{r^2}{r_a^2} \Leftrightarrow 3 \sum_{cyc} \frac{r^2}{r_a^2} \geq 1 \Leftrightarrow \sum_{cyc} \frac{r^2}{r_a^2} \geq \frac{1}{3}$$

Thus it suffices to show that:

$$\sum_{cyc} \frac{r^2}{r_a^2} \geq \frac{1}{3}$$

$$\sum_{cyc} \frac{r^2}{r_a^2} = \sum_{cyc} \frac{\left( \frac{r}{r_a} \right)^2}{1} \stackrel{\text{BERGSTROM}}{\geq} \frac{\left( \sum_{cyc} \frac{r}{r_a} \right)^2}{3} = \frac{1^2}{3} = \frac{1}{3}$$

$$\therefore 1 + \sum_{cyc} \frac{r^2}{r_a^2} \geq 4 \sum_{cyc} \frac{r^2}{r_a r_b}$$

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Equality holds if and only if the triangle is equilateral.

4099. In  $\triangle ABC$  the following relationship holds:

$$\sum_{cyc} \frac{r_b \sqrt{r_c}}{r_a^2} \geq \sqrt{\frac{3}{r}}$$

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Solution by Jenish Rijal-Nepal

$$\text{Let } r_a = \frac{1}{x}, r_b = \frac{1}{y}, \text{ and } r_c = \frac{1}{z}.$$

$$\text{Using the identity } \sum_{cyc} \frac{1}{r_a} = \frac{1}{r}, \text{ we have } x + y + z = \frac{1}{r}.$$

$$\text{Substituting these into the LHS: } LHS = \sum_{cyc} \frac{r_b \sqrt{r_c}}{r_a^2} = \sum_{cyc} \frac{\frac{1}{y} \sqrt{\frac{1}{z}}}{\frac{1}{x^2}} = \sum_{cyc} \frac{x^2}{y\sqrt{z}}$$

$$\text{Now, } \sum_{cyc} \frac{x^2}{y\sqrt{z}} \stackrel{\text{BERGSTROM}}{\geq} \frac{(x+y+z)^2}{\sum_{cyc} y\sqrt{z}} \mapsto \textcircled{1}$$

Again by Cauchy's Inequality,

$$\left( \sum_{cyc} \sqrt{y} \cdot \sqrt{yz} \right)^2 = \left( \sum_{cyc} y\sqrt{z} \right)^2 \leq (x+y+z)(xy+yz+zx) \Rightarrow$$

$$\sum_{cyc} y\sqrt{z} \leq \sqrt{(x+y+z)(xy+yz+zx)}$$

Substituting this bound back into  $\textcircled{1}$ :

$$\sum_{cyc} \frac{x^2}{y\sqrt{z}} \geq \frac{(x+y+z)^2}{\sqrt{(x+y+z)(xy+yz+zx)}} = \sqrt{\frac{(x+y+z)^3}{(xy+yz+zx)}}$$

Since  $(a+b+c)^2 \geq 3(ab+bc+ac)$ , it follows that:

$$\sum_{cyc} \frac{h_b \sqrt{h_c}}{h_a^2} = \sum_{cyc} \frac{x^2}{y\sqrt{z}} \geq \sqrt{\frac{(x+y+z)^3}{(xy+yz+zx)}} \geq \sqrt{3(x+y+z)} = \sqrt{3 \cdot \frac{1}{r}}$$

$$\therefore \sum_{cyc} \frac{r_b \sqrt{r_c}}{r_a^2} \geq \sqrt{\frac{3}{r}}$$

Equality holds if and only if the triangle is equilateral.

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**4100. In  $\triangle ABC$  the following relationship holds:**

$$\frac{a^2 + b^2}{r_c} + \frac{b^2 + c^2}{r_a} + \frac{c^2 + a^2}{r_b} \geq 24r$$

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$$\begin{aligned} \frac{a^2 + b^2}{r_c} + \frac{b^2 + c^2}{r_a} + \frac{c^2 + a^2}{r_b} &= \sum_{cyc} \frac{a^2 + b^2}{r_c} \stackrel{AM-GM}{\geq} \sum_{cyc} \frac{2ab}{r_c} = 2 \sum_{cyc} \frac{ab}{r_c} \stackrel{AM-GM}{\geq} \\ &= 2 \cdot 3 \sqrt[3]{\frac{(abc)^2}{r_a r_b r_c}} = 6 \sqrt[3]{\frac{16r^2 F^2}{Fs}} = 6 \cdot 2 \sqrt[3]{\frac{2R^2 F}{s}} = 12 \sqrt[3]{\frac{2R^2 r s}{s}} = 12 \sqrt[3]{2R^2 r} \geq \\ &\geq 12 \sqrt[3]{2 \cdot 4r^2 \cdot r} = 12 \cdot 2r = 24r \end{aligned}$$

Equality holds for  $a = b = c$ .

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