

# ROMANIAN MATHEMATICAL MAGAZINE

*In a non – equilateral  $\Delta ABC$  with  $\frac{2a}{R} = \frac{3\sqrt{3}b}{s} = \frac{s}{r}$  prove that:*

$$R = \frac{14}{3}r$$

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$$\text{Let } \frac{2a}{R} = \frac{3\sqrt{3}b}{s} = \frac{s}{r} = k \text{ then } a = \frac{kR}{2}, b = \frac{ks}{3\sqrt{3}}, c = kr$$

$$abc = 4Rrs \text{ or, } \frac{kR}{2} \cdot \frac{ks}{3\sqrt{3}} \cdot kr = 4Rrs \Rightarrow k = 2\sqrt{3}$$

$$a + b + c = 2s \text{ or, } \frac{kR}{2} + \frac{ks}{3\sqrt{3}} + kr = 2s \text{ or } \sqrt{3}R + \frac{2s}{3} + 2\sqrt{3}r \stackrel{k=2\sqrt{3}}{=} 2s$$

$$\frac{4s}{3} = \sqrt{3}(R + 2r) \text{ or, } \frac{s}{r} = \frac{3\sqrt{3}}{4} \left( \frac{R}{r} + 2 \right) \quad (1)$$

$$ab = \frac{2\sqrt{3}}{3}Rs, bc = \frac{4\sqrt{3}}{3}rs, ca = 6Rr$$

$$ab + bc + ca = s^2 + r^2 + 4Rr \text{ or, } \frac{2\sqrt{3}}{3}Rs + \frac{4\sqrt{3}}{3}rs + 6Rr = s^2 + r^2 + 4Rr$$

$$\text{or, } \frac{2\sqrt{3}}{3}xy + \frac{4\sqrt{3}}{3}y + 6x = y^2 + 1 + 4x, \left( x = \frac{R}{r}, y = \frac{s}{r} \stackrel{(1)}{=} \frac{3\sqrt{3}}{4} \left( \frac{R}{r} + 2 \right) = \frac{3\sqrt{3}}{4}(x + 2) \right)$$

$$\frac{2\sqrt{3}}{3}x \cdot \frac{3\sqrt{3}}{4}(x + 2) + \frac{4\sqrt{3}}{3} \cdot \frac{3\sqrt{3}}{4}(x + 2) + 6x = \left( \frac{3\sqrt{3}}{4}(x + 2) \right)^2 + 1 + 4x$$

$$\frac{3}{2}x(x + 2) + 3(x + 2) + 6x = \frac{27}{16}(x + 2)^2 + 1 + 4x$$

$$\frac{3}{2}x^2 + 12x + 6 = \frac{27}{16}x^2 + \frac{43x}{4} + \frac{31}{4} \text{ or } 3x^2 - 20x + 28 = 0$$

$$(3x - 14)(x - 2) = 0$$

$$x = \frac{14}{3} \left( \text{as } x = \frac{R}{r} \neq 2, \text{ since triangle is non – equilateral} \right) \text{ or } R = \frac{14}{3}r.$$