

**Problem 11696**

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Let  $T$  be a triangle with sides of length  $a, b, c$ , inradius  $r$ , circumradius  $R$ , and semiperimeter  $s$ . Show that

$$\frac{1}{2(r^2 + 4Rr)} + \frac{1}{9} \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{1}{a(s-a)} \geq \frac{4}{9} \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{1}{9Rr - a(s-a)}.$$

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By triangle inequality we have that  $x = s - a$ ,  $y = s - b$ , and  $z = s - c$  are non negative numbers and it is well known that

$$\sigma_1 = a + b + c = s, \quad \sigma_2 = ab + bc + ca = r^2 + 4Rr, \quad \sigma_3 = abc = sr^2.$$

Hence,  $4Rr = (\sigma_1\sigma_2 - \sigma_3)/\sigma_1$  and the required inequality is equivalent to

$$9 + 2\sigma_2 \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{1}{(\sigma_1 - x)x} \geq 32\sigma_1\sigma_2 \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{1}{9(\sigma_1\sigma_2 - \sigma_3) - 4\sigma_1(\sigma_1 - x)x}.$$

After expanding we obtain the following symmetric homogeneous inequality

$$450[7, 5, 0] + 1205[7, 4, 1] + 1733[7, 3, 2] + 450[6, 6, 0] + 2895[6, 5, 1] \\ + 1826[6, 4, 2] + 237[5, 5, 2] \geq 345[6, 3, 3] + 6175[5, 4, 3] + 2276[4, 4, 4]$$

where

$$[\alpha, \beta, \gamma] = \sum_{\text{sym}} x^\alpha y^\beta z^\gamma$$

with  $\alpha \geq \beta \geq \gamma \geq 0$ . Finally, this inequality holds by Muirhead's inequality because

$$345[7, 5, 0] \geq 345[6, 3, 3],$$

$$105[7, 5, 0] + 1205[7, 4, 1] + 1733[7, 3, 2] + 450[6, 6, 0] + 619[6, 5, 1] + 1826[6, 4, 2] + 237[5, 5, 2] \geq 6175[5, 4, 3],$$

$$2276[6, 5, 1] \geq 2276[4, 4, 4].$$

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