

533. SOME INEQUALITIES RELATED TO A TRIANGLE\*

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In this Note we shall prove some inequalities for a triangle. We shall use the same notations as in [1].

**Theorem 1.** *In every triangle*

$$\frac{7Rr - 2r^2}{Rr} \leq \sum \frac{b+c}{a} \leq \frac{2R^2 + Rr + 2r^2}{Rr},$$

with equality if and only if the triangle is equilateral.

**Proof.** Since

$$\sum \frac{b+c}{a} = \frac{s^2 - 2Rr + r^2}{2Rr},$$

in virtue of (see [1], 5.9)

$$(1) \quad 16Rr - 5r^2 \leq s^2 \leq 4R^2 + 4Rr + 3r^2,$$

where equality occurs if and only if the triangle is equilateral, we obtain the statement of Theorem 1.

REMARK. Since  $\sum a(h_b + h_c) = 2F \sum \frac{b+c}{a}$ , from Theorem 1, inequalities

$$\frac{2F(7Rr - 2r^2)}{Rr} \leq \sum a(h_c + h_b) \leq \frac{2F(2R^2 + Rr + 2r^2)}{Rr},$$

follow, which are sharper than inequalities obtained in [2].

**Theorem 2.** *For every triangle, inequalities*

$$(2) \quad \frac{R^2 + 3Rr + 2r^2}{2R^2 + 3Rr + 2r^2} \leq \sum \frac{s-a}{b+c} \leq \frac{6R}{9R - 2r},$$

hold. The equality is valid if and only if the triangle is equilateral.

**Proof.** From the identity

$$\sum \frac{s-a}{b+c} = \frac{1}{2} \left( 1 + \frac{2r(3R+2r)}{s^2+r(2R+r)} \right),$$

and on the basis of (1), inequalities (2) follow.

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**Theorem 3.** *In every triangle*

$$\frac{2}{R} \leq \sum \frac{h_a}{w_a^2} \leq \frac{1}{r},$$

where equality holds if and only if the triangle is equilateral.

*Proof.* Since

$$\frac{R+2r}{2Rr} \geq \frac{2}{R} \quad \text{and} \quad \frac{R+2r}{2Rr} \leq \frac{1}{r},$$

from identity

$$\sum \frac{h_a}{w_a^2} = \frac{R+2r}{2Rr}$$

the statement of the theorem follows.

**Theorem 4.** *For every triangle inequalities*

$$(3) \quad 9r \leq \sum \frac{w_a^2}{h_a} \leq 4R+r$$

are valid.

*Proof.* Since  $w_a \geq h_a$ ,  $w_b \geq h_b$ ,  $w_c \geq h_c$  and  $\sum h_a \geq 9r$ , the first inequality (3) directly follows.

On the basis of identities

$$\sum \frac{w_a^2}{h_a} = 8sR \sum \frac{s-a}{(b+c)^2} \quad \text{and} \quad \sum \frac{s-a}{bc} = \frac{4R+r}{2sR},$$

it follows one after the other

$$\sum \frac{w_a^2}{h_a} \leq 8sR \sum \frac{s-a}{4bc} = 4R+r.$$

Thereby the second inequality in (3) is proved, too.

Since in all the above inequalities, equality holds if and only if the triangle is equilateral, it follows that in (3) equality holds if and only if the triangle is equilateral.

**Theorem 5.** *In every triangle*

$$aw_a + bw_b + cw_c \geq 6sr.$$

*Equality holds if and only if the triangle is equilateral.*

*Proof.* On the basis of inequalities  $w_a \geq h_a$ ,  $w_b \geq h_b$ ,  $w_c \geq h_c$ , where equality holds if and only if the triangle is equilateral, we get

$$\sum aw_a \geq \sum ah_a = \sum a \frac{2F}{a} = 6sr,$$

whereby the theorem is proved.

**Theorem 6.** *For every triangle*

$$(4) \quad 6sr \leq \sum am_a \leq \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \sum a^2.$$

*Equality holds if and only if the triangle is equilateral.*

**Proof.** The first inequality is proved in the same way as the statement of Theorem 5.

On the basis of CAUCHY-SCHWARZ inequality, we have

$$(5) \quad \sum am_a \leq (\sum a^2)^{1/2} (\sum m_a^2)^{1/2}.$$

Since  $\sum m_a^2 = \frac{3}{4} \sum a^2$  from (5) the other inequality in (4) follows, whereby the theorem is proved.

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1° If the triangle is non-obtuse then (see [3])

$$(6) \quad s^2 \geq 2R^2 + 8Rr + 3r^2.$$

Using this inequality and  $\sum \frac{b+c}{a} = \frac{s^2 - 2Rr + r^2}{2Rr}$ , we obtain

$$\frac{R^2 + 3Rr + 2r^2}{Rr} \leq \sum \frac{b+c}{a},$$

i. e., if the triangle is non-obtuse then the following inequalities are valid

$$\frac{R^2 + 3Rr + 2r^2}{Rr} \leq \sum \frac{b+c}{a} \leq \frac{2R^2 + Rr + 2r^2}{Rr}$$

which are sharper than inequalities mentioned in Theorem 1.

2° In the same way we obtain

$$\sum \frac{s-a}{b+c} \leq \frac{R^2 + 8Rr + 4r^2}{2R^2 + 10Rr + 4r^2}$$

which is sharper than the right inequality in (2).

3° Since (see [4])

$$\frac{m_a}{w_a} \geq \frac{(b+c)^2}{4bc} \geq 1,$$

we have

$$(7) \quad aw_a \leq am_a.$$

Similarly

$$(8) \quad bw_b \leq bm_b, \quad cw_c \leq cm_c.$$

Adding (7) and (8) we get

$$\sum aw_a \leq \sum am_a.$$

Therefore

$$6rs \leq \sum aw_a \leq \sum am_a \leq \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \sum a^2.$$

The previous inequalities can be written in the symmetrical form, i.e.

$$6rs \leq \sum aw_a \leq \sum am_a \leq 3Rs.$$

Let  $p_a, p_b, p_c$  be the distances of the circumcentre from the sides  $BC, CA, AB$  respectively. Then

$$m_a \leq R + p_a, \quad m_b \leq R + p_b, \quad m_c \leq R + p_c,$$

which implies

$$am_a + bm_b + cm_c \leq R(a + b + c) + ap_a + bp_b + cp_c.$$

Since

$$ap_a = R^2 \sin 2\alpha, \quad bp_b = R^2 \sin 2\beta, \quad cp_c = R^2 \sin 2\gamma$$

and (see [1] 2.4. p. 18)

$$\sin 2\alpha + \sin 2\beta + \sin 2\gamma \leq \sin \alpha + \sin \beta + \sin \gamma = \frac{a+b+c}{2R}$$

we obtain

$$am_a + bm_b + cm_c \leq 2Rs + Rs = 3Rs.$$

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