



## THE BEST MAJORATION FOR THE SUMS $\sum \sin \frac{A}{2}$ , $\sum \cos \frac{A}{2}$ , $\sum \frac{1}{\sin \frac{A}{2}}$ AND $\sum \frac{1}{\cos \frac{A}{2}}$ IN A TRIANGLE

MARIUS DRĂGAN and OVIDIU T. POP

ABSTRACT. The purpose of this article is to find the best homogeneous functions  $f(R, r)$ ,  $g(R, r)$  which minimize and maximize the sums  $\sum \sin \frac{A}{2}$ ,  $\sum \cos \frac{A}{2}$ ,  $\sum \frac{1}{\sin \frac{A}{2}}$  and  $\sum \frac{1}{\cos \frac{A}{2}}$  in a triangle.

### 1. INTRODUCTION

In this section we will recall some known results, which we will use in the following.

In a given triangle  $ABC$ , we denote the lengths of the sides with  $AB = c$ ,  $BC = a$ ,  $CA = b$ ,  $F$  the area,  $r, R$  the radius of the inscribed circle with the center  $I$ , respectively of the circumscribed circle with the center  $O$  of the triangle,  $s = \frac{a+b+c}{2}$  the semiperimeter, the distance between  $O$  and  $I$  by  $d = \sqrt{R^2 - 2Rr}$  and with  $A, B, C$  the measures of the angles of the triangle  $ABC$ .

W.J. Blundon in [7] has proved in 1965 the following inequalities

$$(1) \quad \begin{aligned} 2R^2 + 10Rr - r^2 - 2(R - 2r)\sqrt{R^2 - 2Rr} &\leq s^2 \leq \\ &\leq 2R^2 + 10Rr - r^2 + 2(R - 2r)\sqrt{R^2 - 2Rr}. \end{aligned}$$

The inequalities from (1) represent necessary and sufficient conditions for the existence of a triangle with given elements  $R, r$  and  $s$ .

In several papers, the cases of equality from (1) were studied. For example, the cases of equality were obtained in [12] by A. Lupaş with the algebraic way, in [6] T. Bîrsan geometrically, in [15] Shan-He Wu and Yu-Ming Chu trigonometrically and in [3] D. Andrica, C. Barbu and L.I. Pişcoran by extremal way.

---

**Keywords and phrases:** Trigonometric inequalities in triangle, the best majoration.  
**(2021) Mathematics Subject Classification:** 26D05, 26D15, 51N35  
Received: 06.11.2023. In revised form: 12.01.2024. Accepted: 05.12.2023

Also, in the paper [10] by M. Drăgan and N. Stanciu, equality conditions are given from (1).

In this paper, we will use the above methods and results from the paper [10]. In the following, we mention some results from these papers.

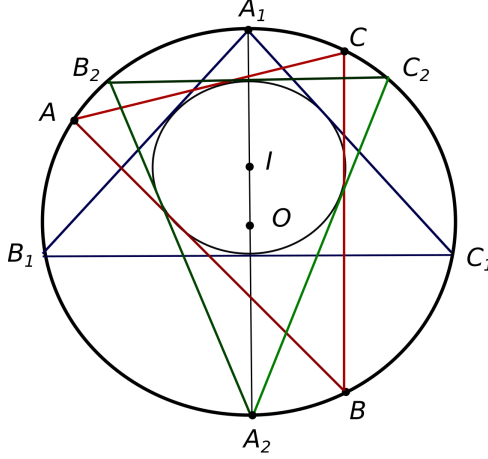


Figure 1

In the following we consider given the triangle  $ABC$ ,  $\mathcal{C}(O, R)$  the circumscribed circle and  $\mathcal{C}(I, r)$  the inscribed circle. The half-lines  $(OI)$ ,  $(IO)$  intersect  $\mathcal{C}(O, R)$  in  $A_1$ , respectively  $A_2$ .

According to Poncelet's Theorem, are obtained the triangles  $A_1B_1C_1$  and  $A_2B_2C_2$ , tangent to the circle  $\mathcal{C}(O, I)$  (see Figure 1).

**Lemma 1.1.** (i) *The lengths of the sides of the triangle  $A_1B_1C_1$  are given by*

$$(2) \quad a_1 = 2\sqrt{R^2 - (r - d)^2}, \quad b_1 = c_1 = \sqrt{2R(R + r - d)},$$

*while those of the sides of the triangle  $A_2B_2C_2$  are given by*

$$(3) \quad a_2 = 2\sqrt{R^2 - (r + d)^2}, \quad b_2 = c_2 = \sqrt{2R(R + r + d)},$$

(ii) *The semiperimeter of the triangle  $A_1B_1C_1$  is*

$$(4) \quad s_1 = \sqrt{\frac{(R + r - d)^3}{R - r - d}} = \sqrt{2R^2 + 10Rr - r^2 - 2\sqrt{R(R - 2r)^3}},$$

*while that of the triangle  $A_2B_2C_2$  is*

$$(5) \quad s_2 = \sqrt{\frac{(R + r + d)^3}{R - r + d}} = \sqrt{2R^2 + 10Rr - r^2 + 2\sqrt{R(R - 2r)^3}}.$$

**Remark 1.1.** It is immediately verified that  $a_1 > b_1$  and  $a_2 < b_2$ .

**Theorem 1.1** (Fundamental triangle inequalities of Blundon). *The following inequalities*

$$(6) \quad s_1 \leq s \leq s_2$$

*hold. The equality occurs on the left-side and right-side of inequality if and only if the triangle  $ABC$  becomes triangle  $A_1B_1C_1$ , respectively triangle  $A_2B_2C_2$ , with the sides from the Lemma 1.1.*

In the following we will study the case  $d \geq r$ , equivalently  $R \geq (\sqrt{2} + 1)r$ , that is the case when the point  $O$  is exterior to the circle  $\mathcal{C}(I, r)$ . The tangents through  $O$  to the circle  $\mathcal{C}(I, r)$  intersect the circle  $\mathcal{C}(O, R)$  in two pairs of points  $B_3, C_3$  and  $B_4, C_4$ . Next we construct the right triangles  $A_3B_3C_3$  and  $A_4B_4C_4$  inscribed in  $\mathcal{C}(O, R)$  and circumscribed to  $\mathcal{C}(I, r)$  (see the Figure 2).

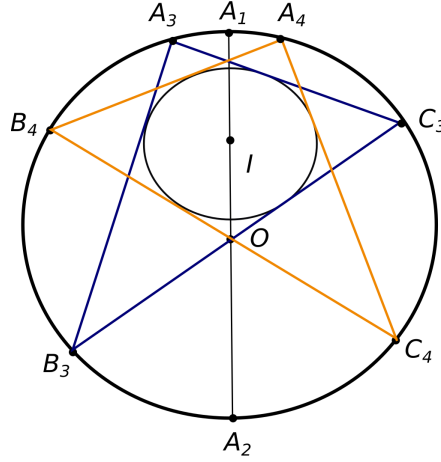


Figure 2

**Remark 1.2.** Immediately check that triangles  $A_3B_3C_3$  and  $A_4B_4C_4$  are congruent.

**Lemma 1.2.** *The right triangle  $A_3B_3C_3$  has the sides*

$$(7) \quad a_3 = 2R, \quad b_3 = R + r - \sqrt{R^2 - 2Rr - r^2}, \quad c_3 = R + r + \sqrt{R^2 - 2Rr - r^2}$$

*and semiperimeter*

$$(8) \quad s_3 = 2R + r.$$

**Lemma 1.3** (C. Ciamberlini, see [8]). *A triangle is an acute or right triangle if and only if*

$$(9) \quad s \geq 2R + r.$$

*Equality occurs if and only if the triangle is right triangle.*

**Lemma 1.4.** *If  $d \geq r$ , then the inequality*

$$(10) \quad s_1 \leq s_3$$

*holds. The equality occurs if and only if  $\frac{R}{r} = 1 + \sqrt{2}$ .*

**Proof.** The inequality (10) is equivalent with

$$2R^2 + 10Rr - r^2 - 2\sqrt{R(R-2r)^3} \leq 4R^2 + 4Rr + r^2, \text{ equivalent with}$$

$$-R^2 + 3Rr - r^2 \leq \sqrt{R(R-2r)^3}. \text{ If } \frac{R}{r} > \frac{3 + \sqrt{5}}{2}, \text{ then } -R^2 + 3Rr - r^2 < 0,$$

so inequality holds. If  $2 \leq \frac{R}{r} \leq \frac{3 + \sqrt{5}}{2}$ , then  $-R^2 + 3Rr - r^2 \geq 0$  and by squaring we have  $(-R^2 + 3Rr - r^2)^2 \leq R(R-2r)^3$ , equivalent after performing some calculation with  $0 \leq R^2 - 2Rr - r^2$ , or  $\frac{R}{r} \geq 1 + \sqrt{2}$ .

From the above it follows that inequality from (10) and the case of equality occurs.

**Theorem 1.2** (Blundons inequalities in non-obtuse triangle). *In any acute or right triangle, the following inequalities*

$$(11) \quad s_1 \leq s \leq s_2 \quad \text{if} \quad 2 \leq \frac{R}{r} \leq \sqrt{2} + 1$$

and

$$(12) \quad s_3 \leq s \leq s_2, \text{ if } \frac{R}{r} \geq \sqrt{2} + 1$$

hold. The equality occurs in the left-side, right-side of inequalities (11) if and only if the triangle  $ABC$  becomes triangle  $A_1B_1C_1$ , respectively  $A_2B_2C_2$ , with the sides from the Lemma 1.1. The equality occurs in the left-side, right-side of inequalities (12) if and only if the triangle  $ABC$  becomes triangle  $A_3B_3C_3$  with the sides from the Lemma 1.2, respectively triangle  $A_2B_2C_2$  from Lemma 1.1.

## 2. MAIN RESULTS

In this section, first we will prove some identities and after that using them we will prove several inequalities.

**Lemma 2.1.** *In  $A_1B_1C_1$  triangle are true the equalities*

$$(13) \quad \sum \sin \frac{A_1}{2} = \sqrt{\frac{R-r+d}{2R}} + \sqrt{2 - \sqrt{\frac{2(R-r+d)}{R}}} = f_1(R, r),$$

$$(14) \quad \sum \cos \frac{A_1}{2} = \sqrt{\frac{R+r-d}{2R}} + \sqrt{2 + \sqrt{\frac{2(R-r+d)}{R}}} = g_1(R, r),$$

$$(15) \quad \sum \frac{1}{\sin \frac{A_1}{2}} = \sqrt{\frac{2R}{R-r+d}} + \sqrt{\frac{8\sqrt{2R}}{\sqrt{2R} - \sqrt{R-r-d}}} = u_1(R, r),$$

and

$$(16) \quad \sum \frac{1}{\cos \frac{A_1}{2}} = \sqrt{\frac{2R}{R+r-d}} + \sqrt{\frac{8\sqrt{2R}}{\sqrt{R-r+d} + \sqrt{2R}}} = v_1(R, r).$$

**Proof.** In triangle  $A_1B_1C_1$ , with the sides from Lemma 1.1 we have

$$\sin \frac{A_1}{2} = \sqrt{\frac{(s_1 - b_1)(s_1 - c_1)}{b_1 c_1}} = \frac{s_1 - b_1}{b_1} = \frac{a_1 + c_1 - b_1}{2b_1} = \sqrt{\frac{R-r+d}{2R}}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} \sin \frac{B_1}{2} &= \sin \frac{C_1}{2} = \sqrt{\frac{(s_1 - b_1)(s_1 - a_1)}{a_1 b_1}} = \frac{1}{2} \sqrt{\frac{2b_1 - a_1}{b_1}} = \\ &= \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} \sqrt{\frac{\sqrt{2R} - \sqrt{R-r+d}}{\sqrt{2R}}} \end{aligned}$$

from where it follows (13). We have

$$\begin{aligned} \cos \frac{A_1}{2} &= \sqrt{\frac{s_1(s_1 - a_1)}{4c_1}} = \frac{1}{2} \sqrt{\frac{(b_1 + c_1)^2 - a_1^2}{b_1^2}} = \frac{1}{2} \sqrt{\frac{4b_1^2 - a_1^2}{b_1^2}} = \\ &= \sqrt{\frac{R+r-d}{2R}} \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\cos \frac{B_1}{2} = \cos \frac{C_1}{2} = \sqrt{\frac{s_1(s_1 - b_1)}{a_1 b_1}} = \frac{1}{2} \sqrt{\frac{a_1 + 2b_1}{b_1}} = \frac{1}{2} \sqrt{2 + 2\sqrt{\frac{R - r + d}{2R}}}$$

from which it follows (14).

From the above relations it follows that the identities (15) and (16) it's true.

**Lemma 2.2.** *In  $A_2B_2C_2$  triangle are true the equalities*

$$(17) \quad \sum \sin \frac{A_2}{2} = \sqrt{\frac{R - r - d}{2R}} + \sqrt{2 - \sqrt{\frac{2(R - r - d)}{R}}} = f_2(R, r),$$

$$(18) \quad \sum \cos \frac{A_2}{2} = \sqrt{\frac{R + r + d}{2R}} + \sqrt{2 + \sqrt{\frac{2(R - r - d)}{R}}} = g_2(R, r),$$

$$(19) \quad \sum \frac{1}{\sin \frac{A_2}{2}} = \sqrt{\frac{2R}{R - r - d}} + \sqrt{\frac{8\sqrt{2R}}{\sqrt{2R} - \sqrt{R - r - d}}} = u_2(R, r)$$

and

$$(20) \quad \sum \frac{1}{\cos \frac{A_2}{2}} = \sqrt{\frac{2R}{R + r + d}} + \sqrt{\frac{8\sqrt{2R}}{\sqrt{R - r - d} + \sqrt{2R}}} = v_2(R, r).$$

**Proof.** In triangle  $A_2B_2C_2$ , with the sides from Lemma 1.1, we have

$$\sin \frac{A_2}{2} = \sqrt{\frac{(s_2 - b_2)(s_2 - c_2)}{b_2 c_2}} = \frac{a_2 + c_2 - b_2}{2b_2} = \frac{a_2}{2b_2} = \sqrt{\frac{R - r - d}{2R}}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} \sin \frac{B_2}{2} = \sin \frac{C_2}{2} &= \sqrt{\frac{(s_2 - a_2)(s_2 - b_2)}{a_2 b_2}} = \frac{1}{2} \sqrt{\frac{2b_2 - a_2}{b_2}} = \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \sqrt{2 - \sqrt{\frac{2(R - r - d)}{R}}} \end{aligned}$$

from where (17) follows.

We have

$$\cos \frac{A_2}{2} = \sqrt{\frac{s_2(s_2 - a_2)}{b_2 c_2}} = \frac{1}{2} \sqrt{\frac{4b_2^2 - a_2^2}{b_2^2}} = \sqrt{\frac{R + r + d}{2R}}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} \cos \frac{B_2}{2} = \cos \frac{C_2}{2} &= \sqrt{\frac{s_2(s_2 - b_2)}{a_2 b_2}} = \frac{1}{2} \sqrt{\frac{2b_2 + a_2}{b_2}} = \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \sqrt{2 + \sqrt{\frac{2(R - r - d)}{R}}}, \end{aligned}$$

from where is it obtained (18).

Taking the relations above into account, the identities (19) and (20) immediately result.

**Lemma 2.3.** *In  $A_3B_3C_3$  triangle are true the equalities*

$$(21) \quad \sum \sin \frac{A_3}{2} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} + \sqrt{\frac{r(R - \sqrt{R^2 - 2Rr - r^2})}{2R(R + r + \sqrt{R^2 - 2Rr - r^2})}} + \sqrt{\frac{r(R - \sqrt{R^2 - 2Rr - r^2})}{2R(R + r + \sqrt{R^2 - 2Rr - r^2})}} = f_3(R, r),$$

$$(22) \quad \sum \cos \frac{A_3}{2} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} + \sqrt{\frac{(2R + r)(R + \sqrt{R^2 - 2Rr - r^2})}{2R(R + r + \sqrt{R^2 - 2Rr - r^2})}} + \sqrt{\frac{(2R + r)(R - \sqrt{R^2 - 2Rr - r^2})}{2R(R + r - \sqrt{R^2 - 2Rr - r^2})}} = g_3(R, r),$$

$$(23) \quad \sum \frac{1}{\sin \frac{A_3}{2}} = \sqrt{2} + \sqrt{\frac{2R(R + r + \sqrt{R^2 - 2Rr - r^2})}{r(R - \sqrt{R^2 - 2Rr - r^2})}} + \sqrt{\frac{2R(R + r + \sqrt{R^2 - 2Rr - r^2})}{r(R - \sqrt{R^2 - 2Rr - r^2})}} = u_3(R, r)$$

and

$$(24) \quad \sum \frac{1}{\cos \frac{A_3}{2}} = \sqrt{2} + \sqrt{\frac{2R(R + r + \sqrt{R^2 - 2Rr - r^2})}{(2R + r)(R + \sqrt{R^2 - 2Rr - r^2})}} + \sqrt{\frac{2R(R + r - \sqrt{R^2 - 2Rr - r^2})}{(2R + r)(R - \sqrt{R^2 - 2Rr - r^2})}} = v_3(R, r).$$

**Proof.** In triangle  $A_3B_3C_3$ , with the sides from Lemma 1.2, we have

$$s_3 - a_3 = r, \quad s_3 - b_3 = R + \sqrt{R^2 - 2Rr - r^2}, \\ s_3 - c_3 = R - \sqrt{R^2 - 2Rr - r^2}. \text{ So}$$

$$\sin \frac{B_3}{2} = \sqrt{\frac{(s_3 - a_3)(s_3 - c_3)}{a_3 c_3}} = \sqrt{\frac{r(R - \sqrt{R^2 - 2Rr - r^2})}{2R(R + r + \sqrt{R^2 - 2Rr - r^2})}}$$

and

$$\sin \frac{C_3}{2} = \sqrt{\frac{(s_3 - a_3)(s_3 - b_3)}{a_3 b_3}} = \sqrt{\frac{r \left( R + \sqrt{R^2 - 2Rr - r^2} \right)}{2R \left( R + r - \sqrt{R^2 - 2Rr - r^2} \right)}},$$

from where (21) is obtained.

We have

$$\cos \frac{B_3}{2} = \sqrt{\frac{s_3(s_3 - b_3)}{a_3 c_3}} = \sqrt{\frac{(2R + r) \left( R + \sqrt{R^2 - 2Rr - r^2} \right)}{2R \left( R + r + \sqrt{R^2 - 2Rr - r^2} \right)}}$$

and

$$\cos \frac{C_3}{2} = \sqrt{\frac{s_3(s_3 - c_3)}{a_3 b_3}} = \sqrt{\frac{(2R + r) \left( R - \sqrt{R^2 - 2Rr - r^2} \right)}{2R \left( R + r - \sqrt{R^2 - 2Rr - r^2} \right)}},$$

from which it follows (22).

Identities (23) and (24) it result immediately from above.

**Lemma 2.4.** *In every ABC triangle are true the equalities*

$$(25) \quad \left( \sum \cos \frac{A}{2} \right)^2 - \left( \sum \sin \frac{A}{2} + 1 \right)^2 = \frac{r}{R}$$

and

$$(26) \quad 2R \sum \cos \frac{A}{2} \left( \sum \sin \frac{A}{2} - 1 \right) = s.$$

**Proof.** By calculation in the left member of (25) we have

$$\begin{aligned} & \left( \sum \cos \frac{A}{2} \right)^2 - \left( \sum \sin \frac{A}{2} + 1 \right)^2 = \sum \cos^2 \frac{A}{2} + 2 \sum \cos \frac{A}{2} \cos \frac{B}{2} - \\ & \quad - \sum \sin^2 \frac{A}{2} - 2 \sum \sin \frac{A}{2} \sin \frac{B}{2} - 2 \sum \sin \frac{A}{2} - 1 = \\ & = \sum \left( \cos^2 \frac{A}{2} - \sin^2 \frac{A}{2} \right) + 2 \sum \left( \cos \frac{A}{2} \cos \frac{B}{2} - \sin \frac{A}{2} \sin \frac{B}{2} \right) - \\ & \quad - 2 \sum \sin \frac{A}{2} - 1 = \sum \cos A + 2 \sum \cos \frac{A+B}{2} - 2 \sum \sin \frac{A}{2} - 1. \end{aligned}$$

From identities  $\sum \cos A = \frac{R+r}{R}$  and  $\sum \cos \frac{A+B}{2} = \sum \sin \frac{A}{2}$  it follows (25).

Also we have

$$\begin{aligned} \sum \cos \frac{A}{2} \left( \sum \sin \frac{A}{2} - 1 \right) &= \sum \cos \frac{A}{2} \sin \frac{A}{2} + \sum \cos \frac{A}{2} \sin \frac{B}{2} - \sum \cos \frac{A}{2} = \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \sum \sin A + \sum \sin \frac{B+C}{2} - \sum \cos \frac{A}{2} \end{aligned}$$

and since  $\sin \frac{B+C}{2} = \cos \frac{A}{2}$  with analogs and  $\sum \sin A = \frac{s}{R}$ , it follows (26).

If we denote with  $f = \sum \sin \frac{A}{2}$  and  $g = \sum \cos \frac{A}{2}$ , from (25) and (26) we

obtain the system 
$$\begin{cases} g^2 - (f + 1)^2 = \frac{r}{R} \\ g(f - 1) = \frac{s}{2R}. \end{cases}$$

Substituting  $g$  from the second equation, after perform some calculations we get

$$(27) \quad \begin{cases} f^4 + \left(\frac{r}{R} - 2\right)f^2 - \frac{2r}{R}f + 1 + \frac{r}{R} - \frac{s^2}{4R^2} = 0 \\ g = \frac{s}{2R} \cdot \frac{1}{f - 1}. \end{cases}$$

From the relationship  $g = \frac{s}{2R} \cdot \frac{1}{f - 1}$  it follows that  $f > 1$  since  $g > 0$ .

Let be the function  $F : (1, \infty) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  defined by

$$F(t) = t^4 + \left(\frac{r}{R} - 2\right)t^2 - \frac{2r}{R}t + 1 + \frac{r}{R} - \frac{s^2}{4R^2}, \quad t \in (1, \infty).$$

We have  $F'(t) = 4t^3 + 2\left(\frac{r}{R} - 2\right)t - \frac{2r}{R} = (t - 1)\left(4t^2 + 4t + \frac{2r}{R}\right) > 0$ , since

$t > 1$ , so  $F$  is increasing on  $(1, \infty)$ . We have  $\lim_{\substack{t \rightarrow 1 \\ t > 1}} F(t) = -\frac{s^2}{4R^2} < 0$  and

$\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} F(t) = +\infty$ , it follows that the equation  $F(t) = 0$  has a unique solution on  $(1, \infty)$ . From (27) we have that  $F(f) = 0$ , so  $f$  represent the unique root of the equation  $F(t) = 0$ .

In the following we keep  $R$  and  $r$  constant.

**Remark 2.1.** Taking into account the formulas for solving the 4<sup>th</sup> degree equation, it turns out that the 4<sup>th</sup> equation with unknown  $f$  from (27) depends on the variable  $s$ . The second relationship from (27) shows that  $g$  also depends on  $s$ .

Taking Remark 2.1 into account, we define the functions  $f, g : [s_1, s_2] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ ,

$f(s) = \sum \sin \frac{A}{2}$ ,  $g(s) = \sum \cos \frac{A}{2}$ , which are the unique solutions of system from Lemma 2.4.

**Theorem 2.1.** *The functions from above are strictly increasing on  $[s_1, s_2]$ .*

**Proof.** From Lemma 2.4 we have  $g^2 - (f + 1)^2 = \frac{r}{R}$  and  $2Rg(f - 1) = s$ .

After differentiate we obtain  $gg' = f'(f + 1)$  and  $g'(f - 1) + gf' = \frac{1}{2R}$ , or

$$(28) \quad f' \left( \frac{f^2 - 1}{g} + g \right) = \frac{1}{2R}.$$

From (27) we have that  $g(s) > 0$  and  $f(s) > 1$ ,  $s \in [s_1, s_2]$ .

According with (28), it follows that  $f'(s) > 0$ ,  $s \in [s_1, s_2]$ , so  $f$  is strictly increasing function. But since  $g \cdot g' = f'(f + 1)$  and  $g(s), f(s), f'(s) > 0$ ,  $s \in [s_1, s_2]$ , it follows that  $g'(s) > 0$ ,  $s \in [s_1, s_2]$ , so  $g$  is strictly increasing function.



In the following we consider the functions

$$u, v : [s_1, s_2] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}, \quad u(s) = \sum \frac{1}{\sin \frac{A}{2}}, \quad v(s) = \sum \frac{1}{\cos \frac{A}{2}}.$$

**Theorem 2.2.** *The function  $u$  is strictly increasing on  $[s_1, s_2]$  and the function  $v$  is strictly decreasing on  $[s_1, s_2]$ .*

**Proof.** For  $s \in [s_1, s_2]$  we have

$$\begin{aligned} f^2(s) &= \left( \sum \sin \frac{A}{2} \right)^2 = \sum \sin^2 \frac{A}{2} + 2 \sum \sin \frac{A}{2} \sin \frac{B}{2} = \\ &= \sum \frac{1 - \cos A}{2} + 2 \sin \frac{A}{2} \sin \frac{B}{2} \sin \frac{C}{2} \sum \frac{1}{\sin \frac{A}{2}}, \end{aligned}$$

so  $f^2(s) = \frac{2R-r}{2R} + \frac{r}{2R}u(s)$ . Since  $f$  is strictly increasing on  $[s_1, s_2]$ , it follows that  $u$  is also strictly increasing on  $[s_1, s_2]$ .

In the same way  $g^2(s) = \sum \cos^2 \frac{A}{2} + 2 \sum \cos \frac{A}{2} \cos \frac{B}{2} = \sum \frac{1 + \cos A}{2} + 2 \cos \frac{A}{2} \cos \frac{B}{2} \cos \frac{C}{2} v(s)$ , so  $g^2(s) = \frac{4R+r}{2R} + \frac{s}{2R}v(s)$ .

From (25) we have  $g^2(s) = (f(s) + 1)^2 + \frac{r}{R}$  and then, the equality from above becomes  $(f(s) + 1)^2 + \frac{r}{R} = \frac{4R+r}{2R} + \frac{s}{2R}v(s)$ , from where

$$s \cdot v(s) = 2R(f(s) + 1)^2 + r - 4R, \quad s \in [s_1, s_2].$$

After differentiate we obtain  $sv'(s) + v(s) = 4R(f(s) + 1)f'(s)$ , or

$$sv'(s) = 4R(f(s) + 1)f'(s) - v(s), \quad s \in [s_1, s_2].$$

Substituting  $v(s)$  in the above relation, we get

$$(29) \quad s \cdot v'(s) = 4R(f(s) + 1)f'(s) - \frac{2R(f(s)+1)^2}{s} + \frac{4R-r}{s}, \quad s \in [s_1, s_2].$$

Since the sine function is concave, we have

$$\sin \frac{A}{2} + \sin \frac{B}{2} + \sin \frac{C}{2} \leq 3 \sin \frac{\frac{A}{2} + \frac{B}{2} + \frac{C}{2}}{3},$$

from where  $f(s) \leq 3 \sin \frac{\pi}{6} = \frac{3}{2} < 2$ , so  $f(s) < 2$ ,  $s \in [s_1, s_2]$ .

On the other hand, from relations (26) we have that  $f(s) > 1$ ,  $s \in [s_1, s_2]$ . Taking (28) and that  $f(s) - 1 > 0$ ,  $s \in [s_1, s_2]$  into account, we have

$$\frac{1}{2R}g(s) = f'(s)(f^2(s) - 1 + g^2(s)) > f'(s) \cdot g^2(s), \quad s \in [s_1, s_2], \text{ or}$$

$f'(s) < \frac{1}{2R} \cdot \frac{1}{g(s)}$ ,  $s \in [s_1, s_2]$ . Also using the relationship (26), we have

$f'(s) < \frac{1}{2R} \cdot \frac{1}{g(s)} = \frac{1}{2R} \cdot \frac{2R}{s} (f(s) - 1)$ , so  $f'(s) < \frac{1}{s} (f(s) - 1)$ ,  $s \in [s_1, s_2]$ .

Taking the above inequalities into account, we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} s \cdot v'(s) &= 4R(f(s) + 1)f'(s) - \frac{2R(f(s) + 1)^2}{s} + \frac{4R - r}{s} < \\ &< 4R(f(s) + 1)\frac{1}{s}(f(s) - 1) - \frac{2R(f(s) + 1)^2}{s} + \frac{4R - r}{s} = \\ &= \frac{2Rf(s)(f(s) - 2) - 2R - r}{s} < 0, \quad s \in [s_1, s_2]. \end{aligned}$$

Then  $v'(s) < 0$ ,  $s \in [s_1, s_2]$ , so  $v$  is strictly decreasing function on  $[s_1, s_2]$ .

**Remark 2.2.** It is immediately seen that

$$\begin{aligned} f(s_1) &= \sin \frac{A_1}{2} + \sin \frac{B_1}{2} + \sin \frac{C_1}{2} = f_1(R, r), \\ g(s_1) &= \cos \frac{A_1}{2} + \cos \frac{B_1}{2} + \cos \frac{C_1}{2} = g_1(R, r) \end{aligned}$$

and analogue.

Taking into account Lemma 2.1–Lemma 2.3, Theorem 1.2, Theorem 2.1 and Theorem 2.2, we give the following inequalities verified by  $\sum \sin \frac{A}{2}$ ,  $\sum \cos \frac{A}{2}$ ,  $\sum \frac{1}{\sin \frac{A}{2}}$ ,  $\sum \frac{1}{\cos \frac{A}{2}}$ . For the equalities see Theorem 1.2.

**Theorem 2.3.** *In every ABC triangle are true the inequalities*

$$(30) \quad f_1(R, r) \leq \sin \frac{A}{2} + \sin \frac{B}{2} + \sin \frac{C}{2} \leq f_2(R, r)$$

and

$$(31) \quad g_1(R, r) \leq \cos \frac{A}{2} + \cos \frac{B}{2} + \cos \frac{C}{2} \leq g_2(R, r).$$

**Theorem 2.4.** *In every ABC acute or right triangle are true the inequalities*

$$(32) \quad f_1(R, r) \leq \sin \frac{A}{2} + \sin \frac{B}{2} + \sin \frac{C}{2} \leq f_2(R, r) \text{ if } 2 \leq \frac{R}{r} \leq \sqrt{2} + 1,$$

$$(33) \quad f_3(R, r) \leq \sin \frac{A}{2} + \sin \frac{B}{2} + \sin \frac{C}{2} \leq f_2(R, r) \text{ if } \frac{R}{r} \geq \sqrt{2} + 1,$$

$$(34) \quad g_1(R, r) \leq \cos \frac{A}{2} + \cos \frac{B}{2} + \cos \frac{C}{2} \leq g_2(R, r) \text{ if } 2 \leq \frac{R}{r} \leq \sqrt{2} + 1$$

and

$$(35) \quad g_3(R, r) \leq \cos \frac{A}{2} + \cos \frac{B}{2} + \cos \frac{C}{2} \leq g_2(R, r) \text{ if } \frac{R}{r} \geq \sqrt{2} + 1.$$

**Theorem 2.5.** *In every ABC triangle are true the inequalities*

$$(36) \quad u_1(R, r) \leq \frac{1}{\sin \frac{A}{2}} + \frac{1}{\sin \frac{B}{2}} + \frac{1}{\sin \frac{C}{2}} \leq u_2(R, r)$$

and

$$(37) \quad v_2(R, r) \leq \frac{1}{\cos \frac{A}{2}} + \frac{1}{\cos \frac{B}{2}} + \frac{1}{\cos \frac{C}{2}} \leq v_1(R, r).$$

**Theorem 2.6.** *In every ABC acute or right triangle are true the inequalities*

$$u_1(R, r) \leq \frac{1}{\sin \frac{A}{2}} + \frac{1}{\sin \frac{B}{2}} + \frac{1}{\sin \frac{C}{2}} \leq u_2(R, r) \quad \text{if } 2 \leq \frac{R}{r} \leq \sqrt{2} + 1,$$

$$u_3(R, r) \leq \frac{1}{\sin \frac{A}{2}} + \frac{1}{\sin \frac{B}{2}} + \frac{1}{\sin \frac{C}{2}} \leq u_2(R, r) \quad \text{if } \frac{R}{r} \geq \sqrt{2} + 1,$$

$$v_2(R, r) \leq \frac{1}{\cos \frac{A}{2}} + \frac{1}{\cos \frac{B}{2}} + \frac{1}{\cos \frac{C}{2}} \leq v_1(R, r) \quad \text{if } 2 \leq \frac{R}{r} \leq \sqrt{2} + 1$$

and

$$v_2(R, r) \leq \frac{1}{\cos \frac{A}{2}} + \frac{1}{\cos \frac{B}{2}} + \frac{1}{\cos \frac{C}{2}} \leq v_3(R, r) \quad \text{if } \frac{R}{r} \geq \sqrt{2} + 1.$$

#### REFERENCES

- [1] Andrica, D. and Barbu, C.I., *A geometric proof of Blundon's inequalities*, Math. Inequal. Appl. **15**(2012), no. 2, 361–370.
- [2] Andrica, D., Barbu, C. and Minculete, N., *A geometric way to generate Blundon type inequalities*, Acta Univ. Apulensis, **31**(2012), 93–106.
- [3] Andrica, D., Barbu C. and Pişcoran, L.I., *The geometry of Blundon's configuration*, Math. Inequal. Appl., **13**(2019), no. 2, 415–422.
- [4] Bencze, M. and Drăgan, M., *Some inequalities in bicentric quadrilateral*, Acta Univ. Sapientia, Mathematica 5, **1**(2013), 20–38.
- [5] Bencze, M. and Drăgan, M., *The Blundon theorem in an acute triangle and some consequences*, Forum Geometricum **18**(2018), 185–194.
- [6] Bîrsan, T., *Dubla inegalitate a lui Blundon revizitată*, Recreații Matematice **1**(2012), 22–24.
- [7] Blundon, W.J., *Inequalities associated with the triangle*. Canad. Math. Bull. **8**(1965), 615–626.
- [8] Ciambertini, C., *Sulla condizione necessaria e sufficiente affinché un triangolo sia acutangolo, rettangolo o ottusangolo*, Boll. Unione Math. Ital. **5**(1945), 37–41.
- [9] Drăgan M., Haivas M. and Maftai I.V., *O demonstrație geometrică a teoremei lui Blundon*, Recreații Matematice, no 1, ianuarie–iunie (2012), 20–21.
- [10] Drăgan M. and Stanciu N., *A new proof of Blundon inequality*, Recreații Matematice, no 2, iulie–decembrie (2017), 100–104.
- [11] Drăgan M., *Inequalities in bicentric quadrilateral*, Editura Paralela 45, 2019.
- [12] Lupaş, A., *Asupra unor inegalități geometrice*, Revista Matematică din Timișoara **1**(1984), 21–23.
- [13] Mitrinović, D.S., Pečarić, J.E. and Volence, V., *Recent advances in geometric inequalities*, Kluwer Acad. Publ. Amsterdam, **1989**.
- [14] Pop, O.T., Minculete, N. and Bencze, M., *An introduction to quadrilateral geometry*, Ed. Didactică și Pedagogică, București, **2013**.
- [15] Wu, Shan-He and Chu, Yu-Ming, *Geometric interpretation of Blundon's inequality and Ciambertini's inequality*, J. Ineq. Appl., **2014**, 1–18.

HIGH SCHOOL "MIRCEA CEL BĂTRÂN"

BUCUREȘTI, ROMANIA

*E-mail address:* marius.dragan2005@yahoo.com

NATIONAL COLLEGE "MIHAI EMINESCU"

5 MIHAI EMINESCU, 440014 SATU MARE, ROMANIA

*E-mail address:* ovidiutiberiu@yahoo.com