

Inequality with altitudes, circumradius and inradius in a triangle.

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In any triangle with altitudes h_a, h_b, h_c , where R, r are its circumradius and inradius respectively, show that

$$(h_a - r)(h_b - r)(h_c - r) \leq 4Rr^2$$

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Let s be semiperimeter of the triangle. Since $h_a = \frac{2rs}{a}$ then $h_a - r = \frac{2rs}{a} - r =$

$$\frac{r(2s - a)}{a} = \frac{r(b + c)}{a} \text{ and, therefore, } \prod (h_a - r) \leq 4Rr^2 \Leftrightarrow \prod \frac{r(b + c)}{a} \leq 4Rr^2 \Leftrightarrow$$

$$\frac{r^3(a + b)(b + c)(c + a)}{abc} \leq 4Rr^2 \Leftrightarrow \frac{r(a + b)(b + c)(c + a)}{abc} \leq 4R \Leftrightarrow$$

$$\frac{r(a + b)(b + c)(c + a)}{4Rrs} \leq 4R \Leftrightarrow (a + b)(b + c)(c + a) \leq 16R^2s \Leftrightarrow$$

$$(a + b + c)(ab + bc + ca) - abc \leq 16Rs \Leftrightarrow 2s(ab + bc + ca) - 4Rrs \leq 16R^2s \Leftrightarrow$$

$$ab + bc + ca \leq 8R^2 + 2Rr \Leftrightarrow s^2 + 4Rr + r^2 \leq 8R^2 + 2Rr \Leftrightarrow s^2 \leq 8R^2 - 2Rr - r^2.$$

Since $s^2 \leq 4R^2 + 4Rr + 3r^2$ (Gerretsens's Inequality) and $2r \leq R$ (Euler's Inequality)

$$\text{we obtain } 8R^2 - 2Rr - r^2 - s^2 \geq 8R^2 - 2Rr - r^2 - (4R^2 + 4Rr + 3r^2) =$$

$$4R^2 - 6Rr - 4r^2 = (R - 2r)(2R + r) \geq 0.$$
