

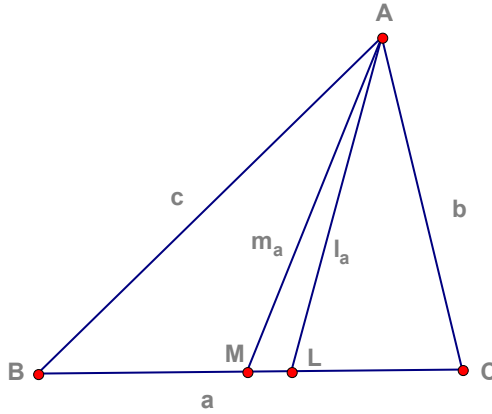
**Inequality with sum of ratios bisector to median.**

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Let  $l_a, l_b, l_c$  be lengths of bisectors of angles  $A, B$  and  $C$  in a triangle  $ABC$  and  $m_a, m_b, m_c$  be lengths of correspondent medians. Prove that

$$\frac{l_a}{m_a} + \frac{l_b}{m_b} + \frac{l_c}{m_c} > 1.$$

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Let  $\delta_a := ML$ . Since  $CL = \frac{ac}{b+c}$  and  $BM = CM = \frac{a}{2}$  then

$$\delta_a = \left| \frac{a}{2} - \frac{ac}{b+c} \right| = \frac{a|b-c|}{2(b+c)} \text{ and, therefore, we have } l_a + \delta_a \geq m_a \Leftrightarrow$$

$$l_a \geq m_a - \delta_a \Leftrightarrow \frac{l_a}{m_a} \geq 1 - \frac{\delta_a}{m_a} = 1 - \frac{a|b-c|}{2(b+c)m_a}.$$

Assuming that  $b \neq c$  (otherwise  $\frac{l_a}{m_a} = 1$ ) we obtain

$$2a^2b^2 + 2b^2c^2 + 2c^2a^2 - a^4 - b^4 - c^4 > 0 \Leftrightarrow$$

$$a^2(2(b^2+c^2) - a^2) - (b^2 - c^2)^2 > 0 \Leftrightarrow 4a^2m_a^2 > (b-c)^2(b+c)^2 \Leftrightarrow$$

$$2am_a > |b-c|(b+c) \Leftrightarrow m_a > \frac{|b-c|(b+c)}{2a} \text{ then}$$

$$\frac{a|b-c|}{2(b+c)m_a} < \frac{a|b-c|}{2(b+c) \cdot \frac{|b-c|(b+c)}{2a}} = \frac{a^2}{(b+c)^2}.$$

Hence,  $\frac{l_a}{m_a} > 1 - \frac{a^2}{(b+c)^2} = \frac{4s(s-a)}{(b+c)^2}$  and this inequality obviously holds also if  $b = c$ .

$$\text{Thus, } \sum \frac{l_a}{m_a} > 4s \sum \frac{s-a}{(b+c)^2}.$$

Assuming that semiperimeter  $s = 1$  (due homogeneity of the latter inequality)

we obtain  $x, y, z > 0, x+y+z = 1, a = 1-x, b = 1-y, c = 1-z, b+c = 1+x, c+a = 1+y, a+b = 1+z$  and

$$\begin{aligned} 4s \sum \frac{s-a}{(b+c)^2} &= 4 \sum \frac{x}{(1+x)^2} = \frac{4 \sum x(1+y+z+yz)^2}{(2+p+q)^2} = \\ &= \frac{4 \sum (xy^2z^2 + 2xy^2z + 2xyz^2 + xy^2 + xz^2 + 4xyz + 2xy + 2xz + x)}{(2+p+q)^2} = \end{aligned}$$

$$\frac{4(pq + 4q + p - 3q + 12q + 4p + 1)}{(2 + p + q)^2} = \frac{20p + 52q + 4pq + 4}{(2 + p + q)^2} > 1$$

because  $20p + 52q + 4pq + 4 - (2 + p + q)^2 = 16p + 48q - (p - q)^2 > p(16 - p) > 0$ .