

# A NEW DEMONSTRATION OF GARFUNKEL-BANKOFF INEQUALITY

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The following inequality

$$tg^2 \frac{A}{2} + tg^2 \frac{B}{2} + tg^2 \frac{C}{2} \geq 2 - 8 \sin \frac{A}{2} \sin \frac{B}{2} \sin \frac{C}{2} \quad (1)$$

proposed by J.Garfunkel and solution by L.Bankoff in journal Crux Mathematicorum shows that it is equivalent to O.Kooi's inequality :

$$s^2 \leq \frac{R(4R+r)^2}{2(2R-r)} \quad (2)$$

In this article I give a new demonstration

let:  $\frac{A}{2} = \frac{\pi}{2} - \alpha, \frac{B}{2} = \frac{\pi}{2} - \beta, \frac{C}{2} = \frac{\pi}{2} - \gamma$ , where  $\alpha, \beta, \gamma$  the angles an acute triangle

inequality (1) will be equivalent to :

$$ctg^2 \alpha + ctg^2 \beta + ctg^2 \gamma \geq 2 - 8 \cos \alpha \cos \beta \cos \gamma$$

$a^2 = b^2 + c^2 - 2bc \cos \alpha = b^2 + c^2 - 4F \cdot ctg \alpha$ , where  $a, b, c, F$  the sides and area

$$\text{rezult : } ctg \alpha = \frac{b^2 + c^2 - a^2}{4F}, \text{ similarly : } ctg \beta = \frac{c^2 + a^2 - b^2}{4F}, ctg \gamma = \frac{b^2 + a^2 - c^2}{4F}$$

$$16F^2 = \sum_{cyclic} a^2 (b^2 + c^2 - a^2) = \sum_{cyclic} (b^2 + c^2 - a^2)(c^2 + a^2 - b^2)$$

$$\text{let : } b^2 + c^2 - a^2 = x_1 \geq 0, c^2 + a^2 - b^2 = y_1 \geq 0, b^2 + a^2 - c^2 = z_1 \geq 0$$

$$\text{rezult : } 16F^2 = x_1 y_1 + y_1 z_1 + z_1 x_1$$

$$8 \cos \alpha \cos \beta \cos \gamma = \frac{(b^2 + c^2 - a^2)(c^2 + a^2 - b^2)(b^2 + a^2 - c^2)}{a^2 b^2 c^2} = \frac{8x_1 y_1 z_1}{(x_1 + y_1)(y_1 + z_1)(z_1 + x_1)}$$

we shall obtain :

$$\frac{x_1^2 + y_1^2 + z_1^2}{x_1 y_1 + y_1 z_1 + z_1 x_1} + \frac{8x_1 y_1 z_1}{(x_1 + y_1)(y_1 + z_1)(z_1 + x_1)} \geq 2, \text{ or}$$

$$\frac{(x_1 + y_1 + z_1)^2 - 2(x_1 y_1 + y_1 z_1 + z_1 x_1)}{x_1 y_1 + y_1 z_1 + z_1 x_1} + \frac{8x_1 y_1 z_1}{(x_1 + y_1 + z_1)(x_1 y_1 + y_1 z_1 + z_1 x_1) - x_1 y_1 z_1} \geq 2$$

let :  $x_1 + y_1 + z_1 = p$ ,  $x_1y_1 + y_1z_1 + z_1x_1 = q$ ,  $x_1y_1z_1 = r$ , *rezult* :

$$\frac{p^2}{q} - 2 + \frac{8r}{pq-r} \geq 2, \text{ equivalent to :}$$

$$p^2(pq-r) + 8qr \geq 4(pq-r)q,$$

$$r(12q - p^2) + p^3q - 4pq^2 \geq 0$$

$$f(r) = r(12q - p^2) + p^3q - 4pq^2,$$

is a first degree equation

and represents the equations of a straight line in the plane

we consider p and q parameters

$$\text{because : } pq \geq 9r, \text{ we obtain : } r \leq \frac{pq}{9} \text{ and } r \geq 0$$

it is necessary and sufficient : if and only if :  $f\left(\frac{pq}{9}\right) \geq 0$  and  $f(0) \geq 0$

$$f\left(\frac{pq}{9}\right) = \frac{pq}{9}(12q - p^2) + p^3q - 4pq^2 = \frac{12pq^2 - p^3q + 9p^3q - 36pq^2}{9} =$$

$$= \frac{8p^3q - 24pq^2}{9} = \frac{8pq}{9}(p^2 - 3q) \geq 0, \text{ because : } p^2 - 3q \geq 0, \text{ well-known inequality}$$

if  $r = 0$ , *rezult*  $x_1y_1z_1 = 0$ , let  $z_1 = 0$ , *rezult*;  $p = x_1 + y_1$ ,  $q = x_1y_1$

$$\text{and } f(0) = p^3q - 4pq^2 = pq(p^2 - 4q) \geq 0,$$

$$\text{because : } p^2 - 4q = (x_1 + y_1)^2 - 4x_1y_1 = (x_1 - y_1)^2 \geq 0$$

equality for  $p^2 - 3q = 0$ , *rezult* :

$$(x_1 + y_1 + z_1)^2 - 3(x_1y_1 + y_1z_1 + z_1x_1) = 0 = \frac{1}{2}[(x_1 - y_1)^2 + (y_1 - z_1)^2 + (z_1 - x_1)^2]$$

*rezult* :  $x_1 = y_1 = z_1$  imply;  $a = b = c$ ,  $A = B = C$

$$\text{and : } p^2 - 4q = (x_1 + y_1)^2 - 4x_1y_1 = (x_1 - y_1)^2 = 0$$

*rezult* :  $x_1 = y_1$  and  $z_1 = 0$ , imply :  $a = b$  and  $b^2 + a^2 - c^2 = 0$

the triangle is rectangular and isosceles

$$C = \frac{\pi}{2} \text{ and } A = B = \frac{\pi}{4},$$

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