

A SHARPENED VERSION OF THE FUNDAMENTAL TRIANGLE INEQUALITY

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Abstract. In this note, we show a sharpened version of the classical fundamental triangle inequality, as follows

$$2R^2 + 10Rr - r^2 - 2(R - 2r)\sqrt{R^2 - 2Rr} \cos \phi \leq s^2 \leq 2R^2 + 10Rr - r^2 + 2(R - 2r)\sqrt{R^2 - 2Rr} \cos \phi,$$

where $\phi = \min_{1 \leq i < j \leq 3} |A_i - A_j|$.

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