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**In any  $\Delta ABC$  with  $k^3 = h_a h_b h_c$  and**

**$t^3 = (abc)^2$ , the following relationship holds**

$$\frac{r_a^2}{k+a^2} + \frac{r_b^2}{k+b^2} + \frac{r_c^2}{k+c^2} \geq \frac{108r^3}{t+6R^3}$$

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$$\begin{aligned}
 \sum_{\text{cyc}} a^2 r_a &= rs \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{a^2}{s-a} = rs \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{(a-s+s)^2}{s-a} \\
 &= rs \left( \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{(s-a)^2}{s-a} - 2s \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{s-a}{s-a} + \frac{s^2}{r^2 s} \sum_{\text{cyc}} (s-b)(s-c) \right) \\
 &= rs \left( s - 6s + \frac{s(4R+r)}{r} \right) \Rightarrow \sum_{\text{cyc}} a^2 r_a = 4(R-r)s^2 \rightarrow (1) \\
 \text{Now, } \frac{\sqrt[3]{a^2 b^2 c^2} \cdot (4R+r)^3}{(4R+r) \cdot 324r^3 \cdot \sqrt[3]{h_a h_b h_c}} &\stackrel{\text{Euler}}{\geq} \frac{\sqrt[3]{16R^2 r^2 s^2} \cdot (9r)^2}{324r^3 \cdot \sqrt[3]{2r^2 s^2}} = \frac{R}{2r} \stackrel{\text{Euler}}{\geq} 1 \\
 \Rightarrow t(4R+r)^3 &\geq 324r^3 k(4R+r) \rightarrow (2) \\
 \text{Also, } \frac{R^3(4R+r)^3}{216(R-r)r^3 s^2} &\stackrel{\text{Mitrinovic}}{\geq} \frac{4R^3(4R+r)^3}{216(R-r)r^3 \cdot 27R^2} \stackrel{?}{\geq} 1 \\
 \Leftrightarrow R(4R+r)^3 &\stackrel{?}{\geq} 1458(R-r)r^3 \\
 \Leftrightarrow 64t^4 + 48t^3 + 12t^2 - 1457t + 1458 &\stackrel{?}{\geq} 0 \quad \left( t = \frac{R}{r} \right) \\
 \Leftrightarrow (t-2) \left( (t-2)(64t^2 + 304t + 972) + 1215 \right) &\stackrel{?}{\geq} 0 \rightarrow \text{true} \because t \stackrel{\text{Euler}}{\geq} 2 \\
 \Rightarrow 6R^3(4R+r)^3 &\geq 108 \cdot 12(R-r)r^3 s^2 \rightarrow (3) \\
 \text{So, } \frac{r_a^2}{k+a^2} + \frac{r_b^2}{k+b^2} + \frac{r_c^2}{k+c^2} &= \frac{r_a^3}{kr_a + a^2 r_a} + \frac{r_b^3}{kr_b + b^2 r_b} + \frac{r_c^3}{kr_c + c^2 r_c} \\
 &\stackrel{\text{Holder and via (1)}}{\geq} \frac{(4R+r)^3}{3k(4R+r) + 12(R-r)s^2} \stackrel{?}{\geq} \frac{108r^3}{t+6R^3} \\
 \Leftrightarrow t(4R+r)^3 + 6R^3(4R+r)^3 &\stackrel{?}{\geq} 324r^3 k(4R+r) + 108 \cdot 12(R-r)r^3 s^2 \\
 \rightarrow \text{true via (2) + (3)} &\because \frac{r_a^2}{k+a^2} + \frac{r_b^2}{k+b^2} + \frac{r_c^2}{k+c^2} \stackrel{?}{\geq} \frac{108r^3}{t+6R^3} \\
 \forall \Delta ABC, " = " \text{ iff } \Delta ABC \text{ is equilateral (QED)}
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