

In any ΔABC , the following relationship holds :

$$\sum_{cyc} \frac{r_a}{r_a + \lambda r_b} \leq \frac{3}{\lambda + 1} \cdot \frac{4(\lambda + 1)R + (1 - 8\lambda)r}{4R + r} \text{ for } \frac{1}{2} \leq \lambda \leq \frac{7}{2}$$

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$$\begin{aligned} & \sum_{cyc} \frac{r_a}{r_a + \lambda r_b} \leq \frac{3}{\lambda + 1} \cdot \frac{4(\lambda + 1)R + (1 - 8\lambda)r}{4R + r} \\ \Leftrightarrow & \sum_{cyc} \frac{r_a + \lambda r_b - \lambda r_b}{r_a + \lambda r_b} \leq \frac{3}{\lambda + 1} \cdot \frac{4R + r + \lambda(4R - 8r)}{4R + r} \\ \Leftrightarrow & 3 - \frac{3}{\lambda + 1} - \lambda \sum_{cyc} \frac{r_b^2}{r_a r_b + \lambda r_b^2} \leq \frac{3\lambda(4R - 8r)}{(\lambda + 1)(4R + r)} \\ \Leftrightarrow & \frac{3\lambda}{\lambda + 1} - \lambda \sum_{cyc} \frac{r_b^2}{r_a r_b + \lambda r_b^2} - \frac{3\lambda(4R - 8r)}{(\lambda + 1)(4R + r)} \leq 0 \\ \Leftrightarrow & \sum_{cyc} \frac{r_b^2}{r_a r_b + \lambda r_b^2} - \frac{3}{\lambda + 1} + \frac{3(4R - 8r)}{(\lambda + 1)(4R + r)} \stackrel{(*)}{\geq} 0 \quad (\because \lambda > 0) \\ \text{Now, } & \sum_{cyc} \frac{r_b^2}{r_a r_b + \lambda r_b^2} - \frac{3}{\lambda + 1} \stackrel{\text{Bergstrom}}{\geq} \frac{(4R + r)^2}{s^2 + \lambda((4R + r)^2 - 2s^2)} - \frac{3}{\lambda + 1} \\ & = \frac{\lambda(4R + r)^2 + (4R + r)^2 - 3s^2 - 3\lambda((4R + r)^2 - 2s^2)}{(\lambda + 1)(s^2 + \lambda((4R + r)^2 - 2s^2))} \\ & = \frac{(4R + r)^2 - 3s^2 - 2\lambda((4R + r)^2 - 3s^2)}{(\lambda + 1)(s^2 + \lambda((4R + r)^2 - 2s^2))} \\ & = \frac{(1 - 2\lambda)((4R + r)^2 - 3s^2)}{(\lambda + 1)(s^2 + \lambda((4R + r)^2 - 2s^2))} \quad \therefore \text{in order to prove } (*), \text{ it suffices to prove :} \\ & \frac{(2\lambda - 1)((4R + r)^2 - 3s^2)}{(\lambda + 1)(s^2 + \lambda((4R + r)^2 - 2s^2))} \leq \frac{3(4R - 8r)}{(\lambda + 1)(4R + r)} \\ \Leftrightarrow & 3(4R - 8r)(\lambda(4R + r)^2 - (2\lambda - 1)s^2) \geq (2\lambda - 1)(4R + r)((4R + r)^2 - 3s^2) \\ \Leftrightarrow & 3\lambda(4R - 8r)(4R + r)^2 \geq (2\lambda - 1)((4R + r)^3 - 3s^2(4R + r) + 3(4R - 8r)s^2) \\ \Leftrightarrow & 3\lambda(4R - 8r)(4R + r)^2 \geq (2\lambda - 1)((4R + r)^3 - 27rs^2) \\ \Leftrightarrow & (4R + r)^3 - 27rs^2 + \lambda(3(4R - 8r)(4R + r)^2 - 2(4R + r)^3 + 54rs^2) \stackrel{(**)}{\geq} 0 \\ \text{Case 1} & \quad 3(4R - 8r)(4R + r)^2 - 2(4R + r)^3 + 54rs^2 \geq 0 \text{ and then : LHS of } (**)\geq \\ & (4R + r)^3 - 27rs^2 \stackrel{\text{Trucht}}{\geq} 3s^2(4R + r - 9r) = 3s^2(4R - 8r) \stackrel{\text{Euler}}{\geq} 0 \Rightarrow (**)\text{ is true} \\ \text{Case 2} & \quad 3(4R - 8r)(4R + r)^2 - 2(4R + r)^3 + 54rs^2 < 0 \text{ and then : LHS of } (**)= \\ & (4R + r)^3 - 27rs^2 - \lambda \left(-(3(4R - 8r)(4R + r)^2 - 2(4R + r)^3 + 54rs^2) \right) \stackrel{0 < \lambda \leq \frac{7}{2}}{\geq} \end{aligned}$$

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$$\begin{aligned}
 & (4R+r)^3 - 27rs^2 - \frac{7}{2} \left(- (3(4R-8r)(4R+r)^2 - 2(4R+r)^3 + 54rs^2) \right) \stackrel{?}{\geq} 0 \\
 \Leftrightarrow & 2(4R+r)^3 - 54rs^2 + 21(4R-8r)(4R+r)^2 - 14(4R+r)^3 + 7 \cdot 54rs^2 \stackrel{?}{\geq} 0 \\
 \Leftrightarrow & (4R+r)^2(84R-168r-48R-12r) + 6 \cdot 54rs^2 \stackrel{?}{\geq} 0 \\
 \Leftrightarrow & (R-5r)(4R+r)^2 + 9rs^2 \stackrel{?}{\geq} 0 \quad \boxed{\begin{matrix} ? \\ \geq \\ (***) \end{matrix}}
 \end{aligned}$$

Now, LHS of (***) $\stackrel{\text{Gerretsen}}{\geq} (R-5r)(4R+r)^2 + 9r(16Rr-5r^2) \stackrel{?}{\geq} 0 \Leftrightarrow$
 $16t^3 - 72t^2 + 105t - 50 \stackrel{?}{\geq} 0 \left(t = \frac{R}{r} \right) \Leftrightarrow (t-2)(4t-5)^2 \stackrel{?}{\geq} 0 \rightarrow \text{true} \because t \stackrel{\text{Euler}}{\geq} 2$
 $\Rightarrow (***) \Rightarrow (**)$ is true \therefore combining both cases, $(**) \Rightarrow (*)$ is true $\forall \Delta ABC$ with
 $\frac{1}{2} \leq \lambda \leq \frac{7}{2} \therefore \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{r_a}{r_a + \lambda r_b} \leq \frac{3}{\lambda+1} \cdot \frac{4(\lambda+1)R + (1-8\lambda)r}{4R+r} \forall \Delta ABC$ with $\frac{1}{2} \leq \lambda \leq \frac{7}{2}$,
 " = " iff ΔABC is equilateral and $\lambda = \frac{7}{2}$ (QED)