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**In  $\Delta ABC$  the following relationship holds:**

$$\sum a(h_b + h_c) \leq \sum a(r_b + r_c)$$

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$$\begin{aligned} \sum ar_a &= F \sum \frac{a}{s-a} = \frac{F}{(s-a)(s-b)(s-c)} \left( \sum a(s-b)(s-c) \right) = \\ &= \frac{F}{sr^2} (s^2(a+b+c) - 2s(ab+bc+ca) + 3abc) \\ &= \frac{F}{sr^2} (2s^3 - 2s(s^2 + r^2 + 4Rr) + 12Rrs) = \frac{F}{sr^2} (2Rr - r^2)2s = \frac{2s(2Rr - r^2)}{r} \quad (1) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \sum h_a &= \sum \frac{bc}{2R} = \frac{\sum bc}{2R} = \frac{s^2 + r^2 + 4Rr}{2R} \stackrel{\text{Gerretsen}}{\leq} \\ &\leq \frac{4R^2 + 4Rr + 3r^2 + r^2 + 4Rr}{2R} = \frac{4(R+r)^2}{2R} = \frac{2(R+r)^2}{R} \quad (2) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \sum a(h_b + h_c) &= \sum a(h_a + h_b + h_c) - \sum a h_a = \\ &= (\sum a) (\sum h_a) - \sum a \frac{2F}{a} \stackrel{(2)}{\leq} 2s \cdot \frac{2(R+r)^2}{R} - 6F = \frac{2s}{R} (2(R+r)^2 - 3Rr) \quad (3) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \sum a(r_b + r_c) &= \sum a(r_b + r_a + r_c) - \sum a(r_a) \stackrel{(1)}{=} \\ &= (\sum a) (\sum r_a) - \frac{2s(2Rr - r^2)}{r} = 2s \cdot (4R + r) - 2s(2R - r) = 2s(2R + r) \quad (4) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{We need to show } \sum a(h_b + h_c) &\leq \sum a(r_b + r_c) \text{ or} \\ 2s(2R + r) &\stackrel{(3)\&(4)}{\geq} \frac{2s}{R} (2(R+r)^2 - 3Rr) \text{ or} \end{aligned}$$

$$2R^2 + 2Rr \geq 2R^2 + 4Rr + 2r^2 - 3Rr \text{ or } Rr \geq 2r^2 \text{ or}$$

$$R \geq 2r \text{ True Euler}$$

$$\text{Equality holds for } a = b = c$$