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**In any  $\Delta ABC$ , the following relationships hold :**

$$(a) \frac{a^3}{b} + \frac{b^3}{c} + \frac{c^3}{a} \geq a^2 + b^2 + c^2 + \frac{\sum_{cyc}(b-c)^4}{2023(a^2 + b^2 + c^2) + 2024(a+b+c)^2} \text{ and}$$

$$(b) \sum_{cyc} \sqrt{\frac{m_a}{n_a + g_a - m_a}} + \frac{R^2}{r^2} \geq 4 + \sum_{cyc} \sqrt{\frac{a}{b+c-a}}$$

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$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{a^3}{b} + \frac{b^3}{c} + \frac{c^3}{a} - (a^2 + b^2 + c^2) - \frac{\sum_{cyc}(b-c)^4}{2023(a^2 + b^2 + c^2) + 2024(a+b+c)^2} \\ &= \frac{a^4}{ab} + \frac{b^4}{bc} + \frac{c^4}{ca} - (a^2 + b^2 + c^2) - \frac{\sum_{cyc}(b-c)^4}{2023(a^2 + b^2 + c^2) + 2024(a+b+c)^2} \\ & \geq \frac{\text{Bergstrom } (\sum_{cyc} a^2)^2}{\sum_{cyc} ab} - \sum_{cyc} a^2 \\ & - \frac{2}{\sum_{cyc} a^2 + (\sum_{cyc} a)^2} \cdot \left( \sum_{cyc} a^4 + 3 \sum_{cyc} a^2 b^2 - 2 \sum_{cyc} \left( ab \left( \sum_{cyc} a^2 - c^2 \right) \right) \right) \\ &= \frac{\sum_{cyc} a^2}{\sum_{cyc} ab} (s^2 - 12Rr - 3r^2) \\ & - \frac{2}{\sum_{cyc} a^2 + (\sum_{cyc} a)^2} \cdot \left( \left( \sum_{cyc} a^2 \right)^2 + \left( \sum_{cyc} ab \right)^2 - 2abc \sum_{cyc} a \right. \\ & \quad \left. - 2 \left( \sum_{cyc} ab \right) \left( \sum_{cyc} a^2 \right) + 2abc \sum_{cyc} a \right) \\ &= \frac{\sum_{cyc} a^2}{\sum_{cyc} ab} (s^2 - 12Rr - 3r^2) - \frac{2}{\sum_{cyc} a^2 + (\sum_{cyc} a)^2} \cdot \left( \sum_{cyc} a^2 - \sum_{cyc} ab \right)^2 \\ &= \frac{2(s^2 - 4Rr - r^2)}{\sum_{cyc} ab} (s^2 - 12Rr - 3r^2) - \frac{2(s^2 - 12Rr - 3r^2)^2}{\sum_{cyc} a^2 + (\sum_{cyc} a)^2} \\ &= 2(s^2 - 12Rr - 3r^2) \left( \frac{s^2 - 4Rr - r^2}{\sum_{cyc} ab} - \frac{s^2 - 12Rr - 3r^2}{\sum_{cyc} a^2 + (\sum_{cyc} a)^2} \right) \\ &\geq 2(s^2 - 12Rr - 3r^2) \left( \frac{s^2 - 12Rr - 3r^2}{\sum_{cyc} ab} - \frac{s^2 - 12Rr - 3r^2}{\sum_{cyc} a^2 + (\sum_{cyc} a)^2} \right) \end{aligned}$$

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$$\begin{aligned}
 & \left( \because s^2 - 4Rr - r^2 > s^2 - 12Rr - 3r^2 \stackrel{\text{Euler}}{\geq} 16Rr - 5r^2 - 12Rr - 3r^2 \right) \\
 & \qquad \qquad \qquad = 4r(R - 2r) \stackrel{\text{Euler}}{\geq} 0 \\
 & = 2(s^2 - 12Rr - 3r^2)^2 \left( \frac{\sum_{\text{cyc}} a^2 - \sum_{\text{cyc}} ab + (\sum_{\text{cyc}} a)^2}{(\sum_{\text{cyc}} ab)(\sum_{\text{cyc}} a^2 + (\sum_{\text{cyc}} a)^2)} \right) \geq 0 \\
 & \qquad \qquad \qquad \therefore \frac{a^3}{b} + \frac{b^3}{c} + \frac{c^3}{a} \geq a^2 + b^2 + c^2 \\
 & + \frac{\sum_{\text{cyc}} (b-c)^4}{2023(a^2 + b^2 + c^2) + 2024(a+b+c)^2}, \text{'' ='' iff } \Delta \text{ ABC is equilateral}
 \end{aligned}$$

Now, Stewart's theorem  $\Rightarrow b^2(s-c) + c^2(s-b) = an_a^2 + a(s-b)(s-c)$   
 $\Rightarrow s(b^2 + c^2) - bc(2s-a) = an_a^2 + a(s^2 - s(2s-a) + bc) \Rightarrow s(b^2 + c^2) - 2sbc$   
 $= an_a^2 + a(as - s^2) \Rightarrow s(b^2 + c^2 - a^2 - 2bc) = an_a^2 - as^2 \Rightarrow an_a^2 =$   
 $as^2 + s(2bccosA - 2bc) = as^2 - 4sbcsin^2 \frac{A}{2} = as^2 - \frac{4sbc(s-b)(s-c)(s-a)}{bc(s-a)}$   
 $= as^2 - \frac{4\Delta^2}{s-a} = as^2 - 2a \left( \frac{2\Delta}{a} \right) \left( \frac{\Delta}{s-a} \right) = as^2 - 2ah_a r_a \therefore n_a^2 = s^2 - 2r_a h_a$   
 $\Rightarrow a^2 n_a^2 \stackrel{?}{\leq} 4(R-r)^2 s^2 a^2 (s^2 - 2h_a r_a) \stackrel{?}{\leq} 4(R-r)^2 s^2$   
 $\Leftrightarrow (4R^2 \sin^2 A) s^2 - 4rs \left( 4R \sin \frac{A}{2} \cos \frac{A}{2} \right) \left( s \tan \frac{A}{2} \right) \stackrel{?}{\leq} 4(R^2 - 2Rr + r^2) s^2$   
 $\Leftrightarrow R^2(1 - \sin^2 A) - 2Rr \left( 1 - 2\sin^2 \frac{A}{2} \right) + r^2 \stackrel{?}{\geq} 0 \Leftrightarrow R^2 \cos^2 A - 2Rr \cos A + r^2 \stackrel{?}{\geq} 0$   
 $\Leftrightarrow (R \cos A - r)^2 \stackrel{?}{\geq} 0 \rightarrow \text{true} \therefore an_a \leq 2Rs - 2rs \Rightarrow \frac{n_a}{h_a} \leq \frac{2Rs}{a \left( \frac{2rs}{a} \right)} - \frac{2rs}{a \left( \frac{2rs}{a} \right)}$   
 $\Rightarrow \frac{n_a}{h_a} \leq \frac{R}{r} - 1 \text{ and analogs} \rightarrow (1)$

Triangle inequality  $\Rightarrow g_a \leq AI + r \stackrel{?}{\leq} w_a \Leftrightarrow \frac{r}{\sin \frac{A}{2}} + r \stackrel{?}{\leq} \frac{2abc \cos \frac{A}{2}}{a(b+c)}$   
 $\Leftrightarrow \frac{r}{\sin \frac{A}{2}} + r \stackrel{?}{\leq} \frac{8Rrs \cos \frac{A}{2}}{4R(b+c) \sin \frac{A}{2} \cos \frac{A}{2}} \Leftrightarrow \frac{1}{\sin \frac{A}{2}} + 1 \stackrel{?}{\leq} \frac{a+b+c}{(b+c) \sin \frac{A}{2}}$   
 $\Leftrightarrow \frac{1}{\sin \frac{A}{2}} + 1 \stackrel{?}{\leq} \frac{a}{(b+c) \sin \frac{A}{2}} + \frac{1}{\sin \frac{A}{2}} \Leftrightarrow (b+c) \sin \frac{A}{2} \leq a$   
 $\Leftrightarrow 4R \cos \frac{A}{2} \cos \frac{B-C}{2} \sin \frac{A}{2} \stackrel{?}{\leq} 4R \sin \frac{A}{2} \cos \frac{A}{2} \Leftrightarrow \cos \frac{B-C}{2} \leq 1 \rightarrow \text{true}$   
 $\therefore g_a \leq w_a \leq \sqrt{s(s-a)} \leq m_a \text{ and analogs}$   
 $\therefore \sum_{\text{cyc}} \sqrt{\frac{m_a}{n_a + g_a - m_a}} \geq \sum_{\text{cyc}} \sqrt{\frac{h_a}{n_a}} \stackrel{\text{via (1)}}{\geq} \sum_{\text{cyc}} \sqrt{\frac{h_a}{h_a \left( \frac{R}{r} - 1 \right)}}$   
 $\Rightarrow \sum_{\text{cyc}} \sqrt{\frac{m_a}{n_a + g_a - m_a}} \geq 3 \sqrt{\frac{r}{R-r}} \rightarrow (2)$

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$$\begin{aligned}
 & \text{Also, } \sum_{\text{cyc}} \sqrt{\frac{a}{b+c-a}} \stackrel{\text{CBS}}{\leq} \sqrt{\sum_{\text{cyc}} a} \cdot \sqrt{\sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{1}{2(s-a)}} = \sqrt{\frac{2s(4Rr+r^2)}{2r^2s}} \\
 & = \sqrt{\frac{4R+r}{r}} \stackrel{?}{\leq} \frac{R^2-4r^2}{r^2} + 3\sqrt{\frac{r}{R-r}} \Leftrightarrow \frac{R^2-4r^2}{r^2} \stackrel{?}{\geq} \frac{\frac{4R+r}{r} - \frac{9r}{R-r}}{\sqrt{\frac{4R+r}{r}} + 3\sqrt{\frac{r}{R-r}}} \\
 & \Leftrightarrow \frac{(R-2r)(R+2r)}{r^2} \stackrel{?}{\geq} \frac{(4R+5r)(R-2r)}{r(R-r)} \text{ and } \because R-2r \stackrel{\text{Euler}}{\geq} 0 \therefore \text{it suffices to prove :} \\
 & \frac{(R+2r)(R-r)}{r} \left( \sqrt{\frac{4R+r}{r}} + 3\sqrt{\frac{r}{R-r}} \right) \stackrel{?}{>} 4R+5r \\
 & \Leftrightarrow \frac{(R+2r)^2(R-r)^2}{r^2} \left( \frac{4R+r}{r} + \frac{9r}{R-r} + 6\sqrt{\frac{4R+r}{R-r}} \right) \stackrel{?}{>} 4R+5r \quad (*) \\
 & \text{Now, } \frac{4R+r}{R-r} \stackrel{?}{\geq} 9 \cdot \frac{4r^2}{R^2} \Leftrightarrow 4t^3 + t^2 - 36t + 36 \stackrel{?}{\geq} 0 \quad \left( t = \frac{R}{r} \right) \\
 & \Leftrightarrow (t-2) \left( 4t^2 + 9(t-2) \right) \stackrel{?}{\geq} 0 \rightarrow \text{true } \because t \stackrel{\text{Euler}}{\geq} 2 \\
 & \therefore \text{LHS of } (*) > \frac{(R+2r)^2(R-r)^2}{r^2} \left( \frac{4R+r}{r} + \frac{9r}{R-r} + \frac{36r}{R} \right) \\
 & = \frac{(R+2r)^2(R-r)^2}{r^2} \left( \frac{R(4R+r)(R-r) + 9Rr^2 + 36r^2(R-r)}{Rr(R-r)} \right) \stackrel{?}{>} 4R+5r \\
 & \Leftrightarrow 4t^6 + 9t^5 + 35t^4 + 64t^3 - 56t^2 - 201t + 144 \stackrel{?}{>} 0 \\
 & \Leftrightarrow (t-2)(4t^5 + 17t^4 + 69t^3 + 202t^2 + 348t + 495) + 1134 \stackrel{?}{>} 0 \rightarrow \text{true} \\
 & \Rightarrow (*) \text{ is true } \Rightarrow \sum_{\text{cyc}} \sqrt{\frac{a}{b+c-a}} \leq \frac{R^2-4r^2}{r^2} + 3\sqrt{\frac{r}{R-r}} \stackrel{\text{via (2)}}{\leq} \sum_{\text{cyc}} \sqrt{\frac{m_a}{n_a+g_a-m_a}} \\
 & \therefore \sum_{\text{cyc}} \sqrt{\frac{m_a}{n_a+g_a-m_a}} + \frac{R^2}{r^2} \geq 4 + \sum_{\text{cyc}} \sqrt{\frac{a}{b+c-a}}, \\
 & \text{"=" iff } \Delta ABC \text{ is equilateral (QED)}
 \end{aligned}$$