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

$$\frac{48r^4}{3R^4 - 32r^4} \leq \left(\frac{m_a w_b}{w_c h_a}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{w_b h_c}{h_a m_b}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{h_c m_a}{m_b w_c}\right)^2 \leq 9 \cdot \left(\frac{9}{8} \cdot \left(\frac{R}{r}\right)^3 - 8\right)^2 - 6$$

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$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{1}{am_a} \sum_{cyc} a^2 \geq 2\sqrt{3} \Leftrightarrow \frac{1}{a^2 m_a^2} \geq \frac{12}{(\sum_{cyc} a^2)^2} \\ \Leftrightarrow & \left(\sum_{cyc} a^2\right)^2 - 3a^2(2b^2 + 2c^2 - a^2) \geq 0 \Leftrightarrow \left(\sum_{cyc} a^2\right)^2 - 3a^2 \left(2 \sum_{cyc} a^2 - 3a^2\right) \\ & \geq 0 \Leftrightarrow \left(\sum_{cyc} a^2\right)^2 - 6a^2 \sum_{cyc} a^2 + 9a^4 \geq 0 \Leftrightarrow \left(\sum_{cyc} a^2 - 3a^2\right)^2 \geq 0 \end{aligned}$$

$$\Leftrightarrow (b^2 + c^2 - 2a^2)^2 \geq 0 \rightarrow \text{true} \Rightarrow am_a \leq \frac{\sum_{cyc} a^2}{2\sqrt{3}} \text{ and analogs} \rightarrow (1)$$

$$\text{Also, } 2s^2 \stackrel{\text{Gerretsen}}{\geq} 27Rr + 5r(R - 2r) \stackrel{\text{Euler}}{\geq} 27Rr \therefore 2s^2 \geq 27Rr \rightarrow (2)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Now, } & \left(\frac{m_a w_b}{w_c h_a}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{w_b h_c}{h_a m_b}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{h_c m_a}{m_b w_c}\right)^2 \\ & \leq \left(\frac{m_a}{h_a}\right)^2 \left(\frac{m_b}{h_c}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{m_b}{h_b}\right)^2 \left(\frac{m_c}{h_a}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{m_c}{h_c}\right)^2 \left(\frac{m_a}{h_b}\right)^2 \\ = & \frac{(am_a)^2}{4r^2 s^2} \cdot \frac{c^2(2c^2 + 2a^2 + 2b^2 - 3b^2)}{16r^2 s^2} + \frac{(bm_b)^2}{4r^2 s^2} \cdot \frac{a^2(2a^2 + 2b^2 + 2c^2 - 3c^2)}{16r^2 s^2} \\ & + \frac{(cm_c)^2}{4r^2 s^2} \cdot \frac{b^2(2b^2 + 2c^2 + 2a^2 - 3a^2)}{16r^2 s^2} \stackrel{\text{via (1)}}{\leq} \frac{(\sum_{cyc} a^2)^2}{48r^2 s^2 \cdot 16r^2 s^2} \cdot \left(2 \left(\sum_{cyc} a^2\right)^2 - 3 \sum_{cyc} a^2 b^2\right) \end{aligned}$$

$$\stackrel{\text{Leibnitz and (2)}}{\leq} \frac{81R^4 (162R^4 - 3abc(\sum_{cyc} a))}{384r^4 s^2 \cdot 27Rr} = \frac{R^3 \cdot 162R^4}{128r^5 s^2} - \frac{R^3 \cdot 24Rrs^2}{128r^5 s^2}$$

$$\stackrel{\text{via (2)}}{\leq} \frac{R^3 \cdot 162R^4}{64r^5 \cdot 27Rr} - \frac{6R^4}{32r^4} = \frac{R^3(3R^3 - 6Rr^2)}{32r^6} \stackrel{?}{\leq} 9 \cdot \left(\frac{9}{8} \cdot \left(\frac{R}{r}\right)^3 - 8\right)^2 - 6$$

$$= \frac{9(9R^3 - 64r^3)^2 - 384r^6}{64r^6} \Leftrightarrow 241t^6 + 4t^4 - 3456t^3 + 12160 \stackrel{?}{\geq} 0 \left(t = \frac{R}{r}\right)$$

$$\Leftrightarrow (t - 2) \left( (t - 2)(241t^4 + 964t^3 + 2896t^2 + 4272t + 5504) + 4928 \right) \stackrel{?}{\geq} 0 \rightarrow \text{true}$$

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$$\begin{aligned} \because t &\stackrel{\text{Euler}}{\geq} 2 \therefore \left(\frac{m_a w_b}{w_c h_a}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{w_b h_c}{h_a m_b}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{h_c m_a}{m_b w_c}\right)^2 \leq 9 \cdot \left(\frac{9}{8} \cdot \left(\frac{R}{r}\right)^3 - 8\right)^2 - 6 \\ \text{Again, } \left(\frac{m_a w_b}{w_c h_a}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{w_b h_c}{h_a m_b}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{h_c m_a}{m_b w_c}\right)^2 &\stackrel{\text{A-G}}{\geq} 3 \cdot \sqrt[3]{\frac{m_a^4 w_b^4 h_c^4}{w_c^4 h_a^4 m_b^4}} \geq 3 \cdot \sqrt[3]{\frac{h_a^4 h_b^4 h_c^4}{m_c^4 m_a^4 m_b^4}} \\ m_a m_b m_c \leq \frac{R s^2}{2} &\geq 3 \cdot \sqrt[3]{\frac{(2r^2 s^2)^4}{R^4}} = 3 \cdot \frac{4r^2}{R^2} \cdot \sqrt[3]{\frac{4r^2}{R^2}} \stackrel{?}{\geq} \frac{48r^4}{3R^4 - 32r^4} \Leftrightarrow \frac{4r^2}{R^2} \stackrel{?}{\geq} \frac{64r^6 R^6}{(3R^4 - 32r^4)^3} \\ &\Leftrightarrow 27t^{12} - 880t^8 + 9216t^4 - 32768 \stackrel{?}{\geq} 0 \\ &\Leftrightarrow (t-2)^2 \left( \begin{aligned} &27t^{10} + 108t^9 + 324t^8 + 864t^7 + 1280t^6 \\ &+ 1664t^5 + 1536t^4 - 512t^3 + 1024t^2 + 6144t + 20480 \end{aligned} \right) \\ &\quad + 57344(t-2) \stackrel{?}{\geq} 0 \rightarrow \text{true} \because t \stackrel{\text{Euler}}{\geq} 2 \\ \therefore \left(\frac{m_a w_b}{w_c h_a}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{w_b h_c}{h_a m_b}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{h_c m_a}{m_b w_c}\right)^2 &\geq \frac{48r^4}{3R^4 - 32r^4} \\ \Rightarrow \frac{48r^4}{3R^4 - 32r^4} \leq \left(\frac{m_a w_b}{w_c h_a}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{w_b h_c}{h_a m_b}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{h_c m_a}{m_b w_c}\right)^2 &\leq 9 \cdot \left(\frac{9}{8} \cdot \left(\frac{R}{r}\right)^3 - 8\right)^2 - 6 \\ \forall \Delta ABC, " = " \text{ iff } \Delta ABC \text{ is equilateral (QED)} \end{aligned}$$

**Proof of  $m_a m_b m_c \leq \frac{R s^2}{2}$**

$$\begin{aligned} m_a^2 m_b^2 m_c^2 &= \frac{1}{64} (2b^2 + 2c^2 - a^2)(2c^2 + 2a^2 - b^2)(2a^2 + 2b^2 - c^2) \\ &\stackrel{(1)}{=} \frac{1}{64} \left\{ -4 \sum_{\text{cyc}} a^6 + 6 \left( \sum_{\text{cyc}} a^4 b^2 + \sum_{\text{cyc}} a^2 b^4 \right) + 3a^2 b^2 c^2 \right\} \\ \text{Now, } \sum_{\text{cyc}} a^6 &= \left( \sum_{\text{cyc}} a^2 \right)^3 - 3(a^2 + b^2)(b^2 + c^2)(c^2 + a^2) \\ &= \left( \sum_{\text{cyc}} a^2 \right)^3 - 3 \left( 2a^2 b^2 c^2 + \sum_{\text{cyc}} \left( a^2 b^2 \left( \sum_{\text{cyc}} a^2 - c^2 \right) \right) \right) \\ &= \left( \sum_{\text{cyc}} a^2 \right)^3 + 3a^2 b^2 c^2 - 3 \left( \sum_{\text{cyc}} a^2 b^2 \right) \left( \sum_{\text{cyc}} a^2 \right) \\ \therefore \sum_{\text{cyc}} a^6 &\stackrel{(2)}{=} \left( \sum_{\text{cyc}} a^2 \right)^3 + 3a^2 b^2 c^2 - 3 \left( \sum_{\text{cyc}} a^2 b^2 \right) \left( \sum_{\text{cyc}} a^2 \right) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \sum_{\text{cyc}} a^4 b^2 + \sum_{\text{cyc}} a^2 b^4 &= \sum_{\text{cyc}} \left( a^2 b^2 \left( \sum_{\text{cyc}} a^2 - c^2 \right) \right) \stackrel{(3)}{=} \\
 &= \left( \sum_{\text{cyc}} a^2 b^2 \right) \left( \sum_{\text{cyc}} a^2 \right) - 3a^2 b^2 c^2 \therefore (1), (2), (3) \Rightarrow m_a^2 m_b^2 m_c^2 \\
 &= \frac{1}{64} \left( -4 \left( \sum_{\text{cyc}} a^2 \right)^3 - 12a^2 b^2 c^2 + 12 \left( \sum_{\text{cyc}} a^2 b^2 \right) \left( \sum_{\text{cyc}} a^2 \right) \right. \\
 &\quad \left. + 6 \left( \sum_{\text{cyc}} a^2 b^2 \right) \left( \sum_{\text{cyc}} a^2 \right) - 18a^2 b^2 c^2 + 3a^2 b^2 c^2 \right) \\
 &= \frac{1}{64} \left( -4 \left( \sum_{\text{cyc}} a^2 \right)^3 + 18 \left( \sum_{\text{cyc}} a^2 b^2 \right) \left( \sum_{\text{cyc}} a^2 \right) - 27a^2 b^2 c^2 \right) \\
 &= \frac{1}{64} \left( -4 \left( \sum_{\text{cyc}} a^2 \right)^3 + 18 \left( \left( \sum_{\text{cyc}} ab \right)^2 - 16Rrs^2 \right) \left( \sum_{\text{cyc}} a^2 \right) - 27a^2 b^2 c^2 \right) \\
 &= \frac{1}{64} \left\{ -32(s^2 - 4Rr - r^2)^3 + 36(s^2 - 4Rr - r^2)(s^2 + 4Rr + r^2)^2 \right. \\
 &\quad \left. - 576Rrs^2(s^2 - 4Rr - r^2) - 432R^2 r^2 s^2 \right\} \\
 &= \frac{1}{16} \{ s^6 - s^4(12Rr - 33r^2) - s^2(60R^2 r^2 + 120Rr^3 + 33r^4) - r^3(4R + r)^3 \} \\
 &\leq \frac{R^2 s^4}{4} \Leftrightarrow
 \end{aligned}$$

$$s^6 - s^4(4R^2 + 12Rr - 33r^2) - s^2(60R^2 r^2 + 120Rr^3 + 33r^4) - r^3(4R + r)^3 \stackrel{(\circ)}{\leq} 0$$

Now, LHS of  $(\circ)$   $\stackrel{\text{Gerretsen}}{\leq} -s^4(8Rr - 36r^2) - s^2(60R^2 r^2 + 120Rr^3 + 33r^4) - r^3(4R + r)^3 \stackrel{?}{\leq} 0$

$$\Leftrightarrow s^4(8R - 16r) + s^2(60R^2 r + 120Rr^2 + 33r^3) + r^2(4R + r)^3 \stackrel{?}{\geq} 20rs^4 \quad (\bullet\bullet)$$

Now, LHS of  $(\bullet\bullet)$   $\stackrel{\text{Gerretsen}}{\geq} \stackrel{(a)}{s^2(16Rr - 5r^2)(8R - 16r)}$

$+ s^2(60R^2 r + 120Rr^2 + 33r^3) + r^2(4R + r)^3$  and

RHS of  $(\bullet\bullet)$   $\stackrel{\text{Gerretsen}}{\leq} \stackrel{(b)}{20rs^2(4R^2 + 4Rr + 3r^2)}$

$(a), (b) \Rightarrow$  in order to prove  $(\bullet\bullet)$ , it suffices to prove :

$$s^2(16Rr - 5r^2)(8R - 16r) + s^2(60R^2 r + 120Rr^2 + 33r^3) + r^2(4R + r)^3$$

$$\geq 20rs^2(4R^2 + 4Rr + 3r^2)$$

$$\Leftrightarrow s^2(108R^2 - 256Rr + 53r^2) + r(4R + r)^3 \geq 0$$

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$$\Leftrightarrow s^2(108R^2 - 256Rr + 80r^2) + r(4R + r)^3 \stackrel{(\bullet\bullet\bullet)}{\geq} 27r^2s^2$$

Now, LHS of  $(\bullet\bullet\bullet) \stackrel{\text{Gerretsen}}{\geq} (108R^2 - 256Rr + 80r^2)(16Rr - 5r^2) + r(4R + r)^3$

and RHS of  $(\bullet\bullet\bullet) \stackrel{\text{Gerretsen}}{\leq} \stackrel{(d)}{27r^2(4R^2 + 4Rr + 3r^2)}$

(c), (d)  $\Rightarrow$  in order to prove  $(\bullet\bullet\bullet)$ , it suffices to prove :

$$(108R^2 - 256Rr + 80r^2)(16Rr - 5r^2) + r(4R + r)^3 \geq 27r^2(4R^2 + 4Rr + 3r^2)$$

$$\Leftrightarrow 224t^3 - 587t^2 + 308t - 60 \geq 0 \quad \left(\text{where } t = \frac{R}{r}\right)$$

$$\Leftrightarrow (t - 2)((t - 2)(224t + 309) + 648) \geq 0 \rightarrow \text{true} \because t \stackrel{\text{Euler}}{\geq} 2 \Rightarrow (\bullet\bullet\bullet) \Rightarrow (\bullet\bullet)$$

$$\Rightarrow (\bullet) \text{ is true} \Rightarrow m_a^2 m_b^2 m_c^2 \leq \frac{R^2 s^4}{4} \Rightarrow m_a m_b m_c \leq \frac{R s^2}{2} \quad (\text{QED})$$