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In any ΔABC , the following relationship holds :

$$\frac{48r^3}{R^3} \leq \frac{h_a + h_b}{h_c} + \frac{w_b + w_c}{w_a} + \frac{m_c + m_a}{m_b} \leq \frac{3}{4} \cdot \left(9 \cdot \left(\frac{R}{r} \right)^3 - 64 \right)$$

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$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{h_a + h_b}{h_c} + \frac{w_b + w_c}{w_a} + \frac{m_c + m_a}{m_b} \leq \frac{m_a + m_b}{h_c} + \frac{m_b + m_c}{h_a} + \frac{m_c + m_a}{h_b} \\ & = \frac{m_a}{h_c} + \frac{m_b}{h_c} + \frac{m_b}{h_a} + \frac{m_c}{h_a} + \frac{m_c}{h_b} + \frac{m_a}{h_b} \stackrel{\text{CBS}}{\leq} \sqrt{2 \sum_{\text{cyc}} m_a^2} \cdot \sqrt{2 \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{1}{h_a^2}} \\ & = \sqrt{4 \cdot \frac{3}{4} \cdot \sum_{\text{cyc}} a^2 \cdot \frac{1}{4r^2 s^2} \cdot \sum_{\text{cyc}} a^2} \stackrel{\text{Leibnitz and Mitrinovic}}{\leq} \sqrt{\frac{3 \cdot 81R^4}{4r^2 \cdot 27r^2}} = \frac{3R^2}{2r^2} \stackrel{?}{\leq} \frac{3}{4} \cdot \left(9 \cdot \left(\frac{R}{r} \right)^3 - 64 \right) \\ & = \frac{3(9R^3 - 64r^3)}{4r^3} \Leftrightarrow 9t^3 - 64 \stackrel{?}{\geq} 2t^2 \left(t = \frac{R}{r} \right) \Leftrightarrow 9t^3 - 2t^2 - 64 \stackrel{?}{\geq} 0 \\ & \Leftrightarrow (t-2)(9t^2 + 16t + 32) \rightarrow \text{true} \because t \stackrel{\text{Euler}}{\geq} 2 \\ & \therefore \frac{h_a + h_b}{h_c} + \frac{w_b + w_c}{w_a} + \frac{m_c + m_a}{m_b} \leq \frac{3}{4} \cdot \left(9 \cdot \left(\frac{R}{r} \right)^3 - 64 \right) \\ \text{Again, } & \frac{h_a + h_b}{h_c} + \frac{w_b + w_c}{w_a} + \frac{m_c + m_a}{m_b} \geq \frac{h_a + h_b}{m_c} + \frac{h_b + h_c}{m_a} + \frac{h_c + h_a}{m_b} \stackrel{\text{Chebyshev}}{\geq} \\ & \frac{1}{3} \left(\sum_{\text{cyc}} (h_b + h_c) \right) \left(\sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{1}{m_a} \right) \left(\begin{array}{l} \because \text{WLOG assuming } a \geq b \geq c \Rightarrow \\ h_b + h_c \geq h_c + h_a \geq h_a + h_b \text{ and } \frac{1}{m_a} \geq \frac{1}{m_b} \geq \frac{1}{m_c} \end{array} \right) \\ & = \frac{2}{3} \left(2rs \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{1}{a} \right) \left(\sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{1}{m_a} \right) \stackrel{\text{Bergstrom}}{\geq} \frac{2}{3} \cdot 2rs \cdot \frac{9}{2s \cdot \sum_{\text{cyc}} m_a} \stackrel{\text{Leuenberger + Euler}}{\geq} 6r \cdot \frac{9}{2R} \\ & = \frac{12r}{R} = \frac{12R^2 r}{R^3} \stackrel{\text{Euler}}{\geq} \frac{12r \cdot 4r^2}{R^3} \therefore \frac{h_a + h_b}{h_c} + \frac{w_b + w_c}{w_a} + \frac{m_c + m_a}{m_b} \geq \frac{48r^3}{R^3} \text{ and so,} \\ & \frac{48r^3}{R^3} \leq \frac{h_a + h_b}{h_c} + \frac{w_b + w_c}{w_a} + \frac{m_c + m_a}{m_b} \leq \frac{3}{4} \cdot \left(9 \cdot \left(\frac{R}{r} \right)^3 - 64 \right) \\ & \forall \Delta ABC, " = " \text{ iff } \Delta ABC \text{ is equilateral (QED)} \end{aligned}$$