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In ΔABC the following relationship holds:

$$\pi \left(\frac{3}{2} + \frac{r}{R} \right) < \left(\sqrt{A \cdot \frac{h_b + h_c}{h_a}} + \sqrt{B \cdot \frac{h_c + h_a}{h_b}} + \sqrt{C \cdot \frac{h_a + h_b}{h_c}} \right)^2 \leq \frac{\pi}{4r^2} (5R^2 - Rr + 6r^2)$$

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We know that $\forall x, y, z > 0, (x + y + z)^2 > x^2 + y^2 + z^2$

$$WLOG \ a \geq b \geq c \ then \ A \geq B \geq C \ and \ \frac{1}{c} \geq \frac{1}{b} \geq \frac{1}{a}$$

$$\left(\sqrt{A \cdot \frac{h_b + h_c}{h_a}} + \sqrt{B \cdot \frac{h_c + h_a}{h_b}} + \sqrt{C \cdot \frac{h_a + h_b}{h_c}} \right)^2 >$$

$$> A \cdot \frac{h_b + h_c}{h_a} + B \cdot \frac{h_c + h_a}{h_b} + C \cdot \frac{h_a + h_b}{h_c} =$$

$$= A \left(\frac{a}{b} + \frac{a}{c} \right) + B \left(\frac{b}{c} + \frac{b}{a} \right) + C \left(\frac{c}{a} + \frac{c}{b} \right) \stackrel{Chebyshev}{\geq}$$

$$\geq \frac{1}{3} (A + B + C) \left(\left(\frac{a}{b} + \frac{a}{c} \right) + \left(\frac{b}{c} + \frac{b}{a} \right) + \left(\frac{c}{a} + \frac{c}{b} \right) \right) \stackrel{AM-GM}{>}$$

$$> \frac{1}{3} \pi 6 \sqrt{\left(\frac{a}{b} \cdot \frac{a}{c} \right) \cdot \left(\frac{b}{c} \cdot \frac{b}{a} \right) \cdot \left(\frac{c}{a} \cdot \frac{c}{b} \right)} = 2\pi = \pi \left(\frac{3}{2} + \frac{1}{2} \right) \stackrel{Euler}{>} \pi \left(\frac{3}{2} + \frac{r}{R} \right)$$

$$\left(\sqrt{A \cdot \frac{h_b + h_c}{h_a}} + \sqrt{B \cdot \frac{h_c + h_a}{h_b}} + \sqrt{C \cdot \frac{h_a + h_b}{h_c}} \right)^2 \stackrel{c-s}{\leq} (A + B + C) \sum \frac{h_b + h_c}{h_a} =$$

$$= \pi \sum \left(\frac{a}{b} + \frac{a}{c} \right) = \pi \sum \left(\frac{a}{b} + \frac{b}{a} \right) \stackrel{Bandila}{\leq} \frac{3\pi R}{r}$$

We need to show $\frac{3\pi R}{r} \leq \frac{\pi}{4r^2} (5R^2 - Rr + 6r^2)$ or

$5R^2 - 13Rr + 6r^2 \geq 0$ or $(R - 2r)(5R - 3r) \geq 0$ True (Euler)

Equality holds for $a = b = c$.