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In any ΔABC , the following relationship holds :

$$\frac{r_a r_b a^2 b^2}{(r_a + r_b) m_a^2 m_b^2} + \frac{r_b r_c b^2 c^2}{(r_b + r_c) m_b^2 m_c^2} + \frac{r_c r_a c^2 a^2}{(r_c + r_a) m_c^2 m_a^2} \geq 8r$$

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$$\sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{m_a m_b}{ab} = \frac{9}{4} \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{\text{AG. BG}}{ab} \stackrel{\text{Hayashi 9}}{\geq} \frac{9}{4}$$

and implementing : $\sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{m_a m_b}{ab} \geq \frac{9}{4}$ on a triangle with sides $\frac{2m_a}{3}, \frac{2m_b}{3}, \frac{2m_c}{3}$

whose medians as a consequence of Apollonius' theorem

$= \frac{a}{2}, \frac{b}{2}, \frac{c}{2}$ respectively, we arrive at :

$$\sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{\frac{1}{4} \cdot ab}{\frac{4}{9} \cdot m_a m_b} \geq \frac{9}{4} \Rightarrow \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{ab}{m_a m_b} \geq 4 \rightarrow (1)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Now, } \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{r_a r_b a^2 b^2}{(r_a + r_b) m_a^2 m_b^2} &= \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{\left(\frac{ab}{m_a m_b}\right)^2}{\frac{1}{r_a} + \frac{1}{r_b}} \stackrel{\text{Bergstrom}}{\geq} \\ &\geq \frac{\left(\sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{ab}{m_a m_b}\right)^2}{2 \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{1}{r_a}} \stackrel{\text{via (1)}}{\geq} \frac{16}{\frac{2}{r}} = 8r \end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{r_a r_b a^2 b^2}{(r_a + r_b) m_a^2 m_b^2} \geq 8r \forall \Delta ABC, " = " \text{ iff } \Delta ABC \text{ is equilateral (QED)}$$