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In $\triangle ABC$ the following relationship holds:

$$\frac{h_a + h_b}{a + b} + \frac{h_b + h_c}{b + c} + \frac{h_c + h_a}{c + a} \leq \frac{3\sqrt{3}}{2}$$

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$$\begin{aligned} \frac{h_a + h_b}{a + b} + \frac{h_b + h_c}{b + c} + \frac{h_c + h_a}{c + a} &= \sum_{cyc} \frac{h_a + h_b}{a + b} = \\ &= \sum_{cyc} \frac{\frac{2F}{a} + \frac{2F}{b}}{a + b} = 2F \sum_{cyc} \frac{\frac{1}{a} + \frac{1}{b}}{a + b} = 2F \sum_{cyc} \frac{1}{ab} = \\ &= 2F \cdot \frac{a + b + c}{abc} = 2F \cdot \frac{2s}{4RF} = \frac{s}{R} \stackrel{\text{MITRINOVIC}}{\leq} \frac{3\sqrt{3}R}{2} \cdot \frac{1}{R} = \frac{3\sqrt{3}}{2} \end{aligned}$$

Equality holds for $a = b = c$.