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In any ΔABC , the following relationship holds :

$$(ab + bc + ca) \left(\frac{1}{a} + \frac{1}{b} + \frac{1}{c} \right) \geq 2\sqrt{3}(m_a + m_b + m_c)$$

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$$\begin{aligned} 2\sqrt{3}(m_a + m_b + m_c) &\stackrel{\text{Chu and Yang}}{\leq} 2\sqrt{3(4s^2 - 16Rr + 5r^2)} \stackrel{?}{\leq} \\ (ab + bc + ca) \left(\frac{1}{a} + \frac{1}{b} + \frac{1}{c} \right) &= \frac{(s^2 + 4Rr + r^2)^2}{4Rrs} \\ \Leftrightarrow (s^2 + 4Rr + r^2)^4 - 192R^2r^2s^2(4s^2 - 16Rr + 5r^2) &\stackrel{?}{\geq} 0 \end{aligned}$$

and $\because (s^2 - 16Rr + 5r^2)^4 \stackrel{\text{Gerretsen}}{\geq} 0 \therefore$ in order to prove (*), it suffices to prove :

$$\begin{aligned} \text{LHS of } (*) \geq (s^2 - 16Rr + 5r^2)^4 &\Leftrightarrow (5R - 6r)s^6 - r(138R^2 - 63Rr + 9r^2)s^4 \\ &\quad + r^2(1232R^3 - 1008R^2r + 303Rr^2 - 31r^3)s^2 \\ &\quad - r^3(4080R^4 - 5136R^3r + 2394R^2r^2 - 501Rr^3 + 39r^4) \stackrel{(**)}{\geq} 0 \end{aligned}$$

and $\because (5R - 6r)(s^2 - 16Rr + 5r^2)^3 \stackrel{\text{Gerretsen}}{\geq} 0 \therefore$ in order to prove (**),

$$\begin{aligned} \text{it suffices to prove : LHS of } (**) &\geq (5R - 6r)(s^2 - 16Rr + 5r^2)^3 \\ \Leftrightarrow (51R^2 - 30Rr + 3r^2)s^4 - r(1304R^3 - 1080R^2r + 276Rr^2 - 22r^3)s^2 & \\ + r^2(8200R^4 - 9080R^3r + 3723R^2r^2 - 662Rr^3 + 43r^4) &\stackrel{(***)}{\geq} 0 \text{ and } \therefore \end{aligned}$$

$$(51R^2 - 30Rr + 3r^2)(s^2 - 16Rr + 5r^2)^2 \stackrel{\text{Gerretsen}}{\geq} 0 \therefore \text{in order to prove (***),}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{it suffices to prove : LHS of } (***)&\geq (51R^2 - 30Rr + 3r^2)(s^2 - 16Rr + 5r^2)^2 \\ &\Leftrightarrow (164R^3 - 195R^2r + 60Rr^2 - 4r^3)s^2 \stackrel{****}{\geq} \\ &r(2428R^4 - 3380R^3r + 1560R^2r^2 - 284Rr^3 + 16r^4) \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Now, LHS of } (****) \stackrel{\text{Gerretsen}}{\geq} (164R^3 - 195R^2r + 60Rr^2 - 4r^3)(16Rr - 5r^2)$$

$$\stackrel{?}{\geq} r(2428R^4 - 3380R^3r + 1560R^2r^2 - 284Rr^3 + 16r^4)$$

$$\Leftrightarrow 196t^4 - 560t^3 + 375t^2 - 80t + 4 \stackrel{?}{\geq} 0 \left(t = \frac{R}{r} \right)$$

$$\Leftrightarrow (t - 2)(112t^3 + 84t^2(t - 2) + 39t - 2) \stackrel{?}{\geq} 0 \rightarrow \text{true } \because t \stackrel{\text{Euler}}{\geq} 2$$

$$\Rightarrow (****) \Rightarrow (***) \Rightarrow (**) \Rightarrow (*) \text{ is true } \therefore (ab + bc + ca) \left(\frac{1}{a} + \frac{1}{b} + \frac{1}{c} \right)$$

$$\geq 2\sqrt{3}(m_a + m_b + m_c) \forall \Delta ABC, ''='' \text{ iff } \Delta ABC \text{ is equilateral (QED)}$$