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In any ΔABC , the following relationship holds :

$$\frac{6 \sum_{cyc} m_a^2}{\sqrt{a^2 + b^2 + c^2}} \geq \sum_{cyc} ((s_b + s_c) \sin^2 A) + \sum_{cyc} ((m_b + m_c) \sin^2 A) \geq \frac{6F}{R} \cdot \sqrt{10 \left(\frac{r}{R}\right) - 8 \left(\frac{r}{R}\right)^2}$$

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Solution 1 by Mohamed Amine Ben Ajiba-Tanger-Morocco

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{cyc} (s_b + s_c) \sin^2 A + \sum_{cyc} (m_b + m_c) \sin^2 A &= \sum_{cyc} (\sin^2 B + \sin^2 C) s_a + \sum_{cyc} (\sin^2 B + \sin^2 C) m_a \\ &= \sum_{cyc} \frac{b^2 + c^2}{4R^2} \cdot \frac{2bc}{b^2 + c^2} m_a + \sum_{cyc} \frac{b^2 + c^2}{4R^2} \cdot m_a = \frac{1}{4R^2} \sum_{cyc} (b + c)^2 m_a \leq \frac{1}{4R^2} \sum_{cyc} 2(b^2 + c^2) m_a \\ &= \frac{2}{R} \sum_{cyc} \frac{b^2 + c^2}{4R} \cdot m_a \stackrel{\text{Tereshin}}{\geq} \frac{2}{R} \sum_{cyc} m_a^2 \stackrel{\text{Leibniz}}{\geq} \frac{6(m_a^2 + m_b^2 + m_c^2)}{\sqrt{a^2 + b^2 + c^2}} \end{aligned}$$

Again, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{cyc} (s_b + s_c) \sin^2 A + \sum_{cyc} (m_b + m_c) \sin^2 A &= \frac{1}{4R^2} \sum_{cyc} (b + c)^2 m_a \geq \\ &\geq \frac{1}{4R^2} \sum_{cyc} (a + 2(s - a))(b + c) w_a \stackrel{\text{AM-GM}}{\geq} \frac{1}{4R^2} \sum_{cyc} 2\sqrt{2a(s - a)} \cdot 2\sqrt{bcs(s - a)} = \\ &= \frac{\sqrt{2sabc}}{R^2} \sum_{cyc} (s - a) = \frac{2s\sqrt{2s^2 Rr}}{R^2} \stackrel{\text{Gerresten}}{\geq} \frac{2s\sqrt{2(16Rr - 5r^2)Rr}}{R^2} = \frac{2F}{R} \sqrt{2\left(16 - \frac{5r}{R}\right)} = \\ &= \frac{6F}{R} \sqrt{10 \frac{r}{R} - 8 \left(\frac{r}{R}\right)^2 + \frac{4}{9} \left(1 - \frac{2r}{R}\right) \left(8 - \frac{9r}{R}\right)} \stackrel{\text{Euler}}{\geq} \frac{6F}{R} \sqrt{10 \frac{r}{R} - 8 \left(\frac{r}{R}\right)^2}. \end{aligned}$$

which completes the proof. Equality holds iff ΔABC is equilateral.

Solution 2 by Soumava Chakraborty-Kolkata-India

$$\begin{aligned} m_b &\stackrel{?}{\leq} \frac{2c^2 + ab}{4} \Leftrightarrow \left(\frac{2b^2 + 2c^2 - a^2}{4}\right) \left(\frac{2c^2 + 2a^2 - b^2}{4}\right) \stackrel{?}{\leq} \frac{(2c^2 + ab)^2}{16} \\ &\Leftrightarrow a^4 + b^4 - 2a^2b^2 - a^2c^2 + 2abc^2 - b^2c^2 \stackrel{?}{\geq} 0 \\ &\Leftrightarrow (a + b)^2(a - b)^2 - c^2(a - b)^2 \stackrel{?}{\geq} 0 \Leftrightarrow (a - b)^2(a + b + c)(a + b - c) \stackrel{?}{\geq} 0 \\ &\rightarrow \text{true} \Rightarrow m_a m_b \leq \frac{2c^2 + ab}{4} \text{ and analogs} \rightarrow (1) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \text{Now, } \sum_{\text{cyc}} \left((s_b + s_c) \sin^2 A \right) + \sum_{\text{cyc}} \left((m_b + m_c) \sin^2 A \right) \leq \\
 & \sum_{\text{cyc}} \left((m_b + m_c) \sin^2 A \right) + \sum_{\text{cyc}} \left((m_b + m_c) \sin^2 A \right) \left(\because s_a = \frac{2bc}{b^2 + c^2} \cdot m_a \stackrel{A-G}{\leq} m_a \right. \\
 & \qquad \qquad \qquad \left. \text{and analogs} \right) \\
 & = \frac{2}{4R^2} \sum_{\text{cyc}} a^2 (m_b + m_c) \stackrel{\text{CBS}}{\leq} \frac{1}{2R^2} \cdot \sqrt{\sum_{\text{cyc}} a^2} \cdot \sqrt{\sum_{\text{cyc}} a^2 (m_b + m_c)^2} \\
 & \stackrel{\text{via (1)}}{\leq} \frac{1}{2R^2} \cdot \sqrt{\sum_{\text{cyc}} a^2} \cdot \sqrt{\sum_{\text{cyc}} a^2 (m_b^2 + m_c^2) + \sum_{\text{cyc}} \left(2a^2 \cdot \frac{2a^2 + bc}{4} \right)} \\
 & = \frac{1}{2R^2} \cdot \sqrt{\sum_{\text{cyc}} a^2} \cdot \sqrt{\sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{a^2 (b^2 + c^2 + 4a^2)}{4} + \sum_{\text{cyc}} \left(\frac{4a^4 + 2a^2 bc}{4} \right)} \\
 & = \frac{1}{2R^2} \cdot \sqrt{\sum_{\text{cyc}} a^2} \cdot \sqrt{\frac{1}{2} \left(4 \left(2 \sum_{\text{cyc}} a^2 b^2 - 16r^2 s^2 \right) + \sum_{\text{cyc}} a^2 b^2 + 8Rrs^2 \right)} \\
 & = \frac{1}{2R^2} \cdot \sqrt{\sum_{\text{cyc}} a^2} \cdot \sqrt{\frac{9((s^2 + 4Rr + r^2)^2 - 16Rrs^2) - 64r^2 s^2 + 8Rrs^2}{2}} \stackrel{?}{\leq} \frac{6 \sum_{\text{cyc}} m_a^2}{\sqrt{a^2 + b^2 + c^2}} \\
 & = \frac{9 \sum_{\text{cyc}} a^2}{2 \sqrt{\sum_{\text{cyc}} a^2}} \Leftrightarrow 9 \left((s^2 + 4Rr + r^2)^2 - 16Rrs^2 \right) - 64r^2 s^2 + 8Rrs^2 \stackrel{?}{\leq} 162R^4
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\Leftrightarrow 9s^4 - (64Rr + 46r^2)s^2 + 9r^2(4R + r)^2 - 162R^4 \stackrel{?}{\leq} 0 \quad (*)$$

Now, Rouché $\Rightarrow s^2 - (m - n) \geq 0$ and $s^2 - (m + n) \leq 0$, where $m = 2R^2 + 10Rr - r^2$ and $n = 2(R - 2r) \cdot \sqrt{R^2 - 2Rr} \therefore (s^2 - (m + n))(s^2 - (m - n)) \leq 0 \Rightarrow s^4 - s^2(2m) + m^2 - n^2 \leq 0 \Rightarrow s^4 - s^2(4R^2 + 20Rr - 2r^2) + r(4R + r)^3$

$\leq 0 \therefore$ in order to prove $(*)$, it suffices to prove :

$$\begin{aligned}
 & 9s^4 - (64Rr + 46r^2)s^2 + 9r^2(4R + r)^2 - 162R^4 \\
 & \leq 9s^4 - 9s^2(4R^2 + 20Rr - 2r^2) + 9r(4R + r)^3 \Leftrightarrow
 \end{aligned}$$

$$(18R^2 + 58Rr - 32r^2)s^2 \stackrel{(**)}{\leq} 81R^4 + 288R^3r + 144R^2r^2 + 18Rr^3 \text{ and}$$

again, LHS of $(**)$ $\stackrel{\text{Gerretsen}}{\leq} (18R^2 + 58Rr - 32r^2)(4R^2 + 4Rr + 3r^2) \stackrel{?}{\leq}$

$$\text{RHS of } (**)\Leftrightarrow 9t^4 - 16t^3 - 14t^2 - 28t + 96 \geq 0 \left(t = \frac{R}{r} \right)$$

$$\Leftrightarrow (t - 2) \left((t - 2)(9t^2 + 20t + 30) + 12 \right) \geq 0 \rightarrow \text{true} \therefore t \stackrel{\text{Euler}}{\geq} 2$$

$\Rightarrow (**)\Rightarrow (*)$ is true

$$\therefore \sum_{\text{cyc}} \left((s_b + s_c) \sin^2 A \right) + \sum_{\text{cyc}} \left((m_b + m_c) \sin^2 A \right) \leq \frac{6 \sum_{\text{cyc}} m_a^2}{\sqrt{a^2 + b^2 + c^2}}$$

Again, $\sum_{\text{cyc}} \left((s_b + s_c) \sin^2 A \right) + \sum_{\text{cyc}} \left((m_b + m_c) \sin^2 A \right) \geq 2 \sum_{\text{cyc}} \left((h_b + h_c) \sin^2 A \right)$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= \frac{1}{4R^3} \cdot \sum_{\text{cyc}} a^2(ca + ab) = \frac{1}{4R^3} \cdot \sum_{\text{cyc}} \left(a^2 \left(\sum_{\text{cyc}} ab - bc \right) \right) \\
 &= \frac{(s^2 + 4Rr + r^2)(s^2 - 4Rr - r^2) - 4Rrs^2}{2R^3} \stackrel{?}{\geq} \frac{6F}{R} \cdot \sqrt{10 \left(\frac{r}{R}\right) - 8 \left(\frac{r}{R}\right)^2} \\
 &= \frac{6rs}{R^2} \cdot \sqrt{10Rr - 8r^2} \\
 &\Leftrightarrow \frac{\left((s^2 + 4Rr + r^2)(s^2 - 4Rr - r^2) - 4Rrs^2 \right)^2}{4R^6} \stackrel{?}{\geq} \frac{36r^2s^2(10Rr - 8r^2)}{R^4} \\
 &\Leftrightarrow s^8 - 8Rrs^6 - r^2(16R^2 + 16Rr + 2r^2)s^4 - Rr^3(1312R^2 - 1216Rr - 8r^2)s^2 \\
 &\quad + r^4(4R + r)^4 \stackrel{?}{\geq} 0 \text{ and } \because (s^2 - 16Rr + 5r^2)^4 \stackrel{\text{Gerretsen}}{\geq} 0 \therefore \text{in order} \\
 &\quad \text{to prove (***)}, \text{ it suffices to prove : LHS of (***)} \geq (s^2 - 16Rr + 5r^2)^4 \\
 &\quad \Leftrightarrow (14R - 5r)s^6 - r(388R^2 - 236Rr + 38r^2)s^4 \\
 &\quad \quad + r^2(3768R^3 - 3536R^2r + 1202Rr^2 - 125r^3) \\
 &\quad - r^3(16320R^4 - 20544R^3r + 9576R^2r^2 - 2004Rr^3 + 156r^4) \stackrel{****}{\geq} 0 \text{ and} \\
 &\quad \because (14R - 5r)(s^2 - 16Rr + 5r^2)^3 \stackrel{\text{Gerretsen}}{\geq} 0 \therefore \text{in order to prove (****)}, \text{ it suffices} \\
 &\quad \text{to prove : LHS of (****)} \geq (14R - 5r)(s^2 - 16Rr + 5r^2)^3 \\
 &\quad \Leftrightarrow (284R^2 - 214Rr + 37r^2)s^4 - r(6984R^3 - 7024R^2r + 2248Rr^2 - 250r^3) \\
 &\quad + r^2(41024R^4 - 53696R^3r + 26424R^2r^2 - 5746Rr^3 + 469r^4) \stackrel{*****}{\geq} 0 \text{ and} \\
 &\quad \because (284R^2 - 214Rr + 37r^2)(s^2 - 16Rr + 5r^2)^3 \stackrel{\text{Gerretsen}}{\geq} 0 \therefore \text{in order} \\
 &\quad \text{to prove (****)}, \text{ it suffices to prove : LHS of (****)} \geq \\
 &\quad (284R^2 - 214Rr + 37r^2)(s^2 - 16Rr + 5r^2)^3 \\
 &\quad \Leftrightarrow (526R^3 - 666R^2r + 269Rr^2 - 30r^3)s^2 \stackrel{*****}{\geq} \\
 &\quad r(7920R^4 - 11632R^3r + 6097R^2r^2 - 1381Rr^3 + 114r^4) \\
 &\quad \text{Finally, } (526R^3 - 666R^2r + 269Rr^2 - 30r^3)s^2 \stackrel{\text{Gerretsen}}{\geq} \\
 &\quad (526R^3 - 666R^2r + 269Rr^2 - 30r^3)(16Rr - 5r^2) \stackrel{?}{\geq} \\
 &\quad r(7920R^4 - 11632R^3r + 6097R^2r^2 - 1381Rr^3 + 114r^4) \\
 &\quad \Leftrightarrow 496t^4 - 1654t^3 + 1537t^2 - 444t + 36 \geq 0 \\
 &\quad \Leftrightarrow (t - 2) \left((t - 2)(496t^2 + 330t + 873) + 1728 \right) \geq 0 \rightarrow \text{true } \because t \stackrel{\text{Euler}}{\geq} 2 \\
 &\quad \Rightarrow \text{*****} \Rightarrow \text{****} \Rightarrow \text{****} \Rightarrow \text{***} \text{ is true} \\
 &\therefore \sum_{\text{cyc}} \left((s_b + s_c) \sin^2 A \right) + \sum_{\text{cyc}} \left((m_b + m_c) \sin^2 A \right) \geq \frac{6F}{R} \cdot \sqrt{10 \left(\frac{r}{R}\right) - 8 \left(\frac{r}{R}\right)^2} \\
 &\text{and so, } \frac{6 \sum_{\text{cyc}} m_a^2}{\sqrt{a^2 + b^2 + c^2}} \geq \sum_{\text{cyc}} \left((s_b + s_c) \sin^2 A \right) + \sum_{\text{cyc}} \left((m_b + m_c) \sin^2 A \right) \\
 &\geq \frac{6F}{R} \cdot \sqrt{10 \left(\frac{r}{R}\right) - 8 \left(\frac{r}{R}\right)^2} \quad \forall \Delta ABC, " = " \text{ iff } \Delta ABC \text{ is equilateral (QED)}
 \end{aligned}$$