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In any ΔABC , the following relationship holds :

$$\frac{(w_a + w_b + w_c)^2}{h_a h_b + h_b h_c + h_c h_a} \leq \frac{1}{12} + \frac{35R}{24r}$$

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$$\begin{aligned}
 \sum_{\text{cyc}} w_a &= \sum_{\text{cyc}} \left(2\sqrt{bc} \cdot \frac{\sqrt{s(s-a)}}{b+c} \right) \stackrel{\text{CBS}}{\leq} 2 \sqrt{\sum_{\text{cyc}} bc} \cdot \sqrt{\sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{s(s-a)}{(b+c)^2}} \leq \\
 &\stackrel{\text{A-G}}{\leq} \sqrt{\sum_{\text{cyc}} bc} \cdot \sqrt{\sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{s(s-a)}{bc}} = \sqrt{\sum_{\text{cyc}} bc} \cdot \sqrt{\sum_{\text{cyc}} \cos^2 \frac{A}{2}} = \sqrt{\sum_{\text{cyc}} bc} \cdot \sqrt{\frac{4R+r}{2R}} \\
 \Rightarrow \frac{(w_a + w_b + w_c)^2}{h_a h_b + h_b h_c + h_c h_a} &\leq \frac{(s^2 + 4Rr + r^2)(4R+r)}{2R \cdot \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{bc \cdot ca}{4R^2}} = \frac{(s^2 + 4Rr + r^2)(4R+r)}{2R \cdot \frac{4Rrs}{4R^2} \cdot 2s} \\
 &\stackrel{\text{CBS}}{\leq} \frac{35R+2r}{24r} \Leftrightarrow (11R - 4r)s^2 \stackrel{?}{\underset{\substack{\Sigma \\ \text{①}}}{\geq}} r(96R^2 + 48Rr + 6r^2)
 \end{aligned}$$

Now, $(11R - 4r)s^2 \stackrel{\text{Gerretsen}}{\geq} (11R - 4r)(16Rr - 5r^2) \stackrel{?}{\geq} r(96R^2 + 48Rr + 6r^2)$

$$\Leftrightarrow 80R^2 - 167Rr + 14r^2 \stackrel{?}{\geq} 0 \Leftrightarrow (R - 2r)(80R - 7r) \stackrel{?}{\geq} 0 \rightarrow \text{true} \because R \stackrel{\text{Euler}}{\geq} 2r$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{① is true} \therefore \frac{(w_a + w_b + w_c)^2}{h_a h_b + h_b h_c + h_c h_a} \leq \frac{1}{12} + \frac{35R}{24r} \quad \forall \Delta ABC,$$

" = " iff ΔABC is equilateral (QED)