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In any ΔABC , the following relationship holds :

$$p^2 r (2R - r + 2\sqrt{R(R - 2r)}) \geq m_a w_a h_a r_a \geq \frac{4p^2 r^3 (2R - r - 2\sqrt{R(R - 2r)})}{R^2}$$

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We shall first prove that : $m_a \leq 2R - r + 2\sqrt{R(R - 2r)} \forall \Delta ABC$

Case 1 \hat{A} is acute and then : $m_a \leq 2R \cos^2 \frac{A}{2} \stackrel{?}{\leq} 2R - r + 2\sqrt{R(R - 2r)} \Leftrightarrow$
 $2Rs^2 - 2Rs(c - s) + 2R\sqrt{1 - 4sc + 4s^2} \stackrel{?}{\geq} 0$ ($c = \cos \frac{B - C}{2}$ and $s = \sin \frac{A}{2}$)
 $\Leftrightarrow \sqrt{1 - 4sc + 4s^2} \stackrel{?}{\geq} sc - 2s^2$ which is trivially true if $sc - 2s^2 < 0$ and

so, we now focus on the scenario when : $sc - 2s^2 \geq 0$ and then :

① $\Leftrightarrow 1 - 4sc + 4s^2 \stackrel{?}{\geq} s^2 c^2 + 4s^4 - 4cs^3$ and $\because c \leq 1 \therefore$ in order to prove ②,

it suffices to prove : $1 - 4sc + 4s^2 \stackrel{?}{\geq} s^2 + 4s^4 - 4cs^3$

$\Leftrightarrow 1 - s^2 + 4s^2(1 - s^2) - 4sc(1 - s^2) \stackrel{?}{\geq} 0 \Leftrightarrow (1 - s^2)(1 - 4sc + 4s^2) \stackrel{?}{\geq} 0$
 $\Leftrightarrow \cos^2 \frac{A}{2} \cdot \frac{R - 2r}{R} \stackrel{?}{\geq} 0 \rightarrow$ true \Rightarrow ② \Rightarrow ① is true $\therefore m_a \leq 2R - r + 2\sqrt{R(R - 2r)}$

Case 2 $\hat{A} \geq \frac{\pi}{2}$ and then : $4m_a^2 = 2b^2 + 2c^2 - 2a^2 + a^2 = 4bc \cos A + a^2 \leq a^2$
 $\Rightarrow m_a \leq \frac{a}{2} = R \sin A \leq R \stackrel{?}{\leq} 2R - r + 2\sqrt{R(R - 2r)} \Leftrightarrow R - r + 2\sqrt{R(R - 2r)} \stackrel{?}{\geq} 0$

\rightarrow true (strict inequality) \therefore combining both cases,

$$m_a \leq 2R - r + 2\sqrt{R(R - 2r)} \forall \Delta ABC \rightarrow \text{(m)}$$

We shall now prove that : $h_a \geq R + r - \sqrt{R^2 - 4r^2} \forall \Delta ABC$

Now, $\sqrt{R^2 - 4r^2} = \sqrt{(R - 2r)(R + 2r)} = \sqrt{R(1 - 4sc + 4s^2)(R + 4Rs(c - s))}$

$$= R \cdot \sqrt{(1 - 4sc + 4s^2)(1 + 4s(c - s))} \geq R \cdot \sqrt{1 - 4sc + 4s^2}$$

($\because c = \cos \frac{B - C}{2} = \frac{b + c}{a} \cdot \sin \frac{A}{2} > \sin \frac{A}{2} = s$) $\therefore h_a + \sqrt{R^2 - 4r^2} \geq$

$$2R(c^2 - s^2) + R \cdot \sqrt{1 - 4sc + 4s^2} \stackrel{?}{\geq} R + r = R + 2Rs(c - s)$$

$\Leftrightarrow \sqrt{1 - 4sc + 4s^2} \stackrel{?}{\geq} 1 + 2sc - 2c^2$ and it's trivially true when $1 + 2sc - 2c^2$

< 0 and so we now focus on the scenario when : $1 + 2sc - 2c^2 \geq 0$ and then :

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$$\begin{aligned} \textcircled{3} &\Leftrightarrow 1 - 4sc + 4s^2 \geq (1 + 2sc - 2c^2)^2 \Leftrightarrow -c^4 + 2c^3s - c^2s^2 + c^2 - 2cs + s^2 \\ &\geq 0 \Leftrightarrow -c^2(c-s)^2 + (c-s)^2 \geq 0 \Leftrightarrow (c-s)^2(1-c^2) \geq 0 \rightarrow \text{true} \\ &\because 1 \geq \cos^2 \frac{B-C}{2} \Rightarrow \textcircled{3} \text{ is true } \therefore h_a \geq R + r - \sqrt{R^2 - 4r^2} \forall \Delta ABC \rightarrow \text{(n)} \end{aligned}$$

We shall denote the semi-perimeter by "p" and via Lascu + A - G, $m_a w_a h_a r_a$

$$\geq r_b r_c r_a h_a \stackrel{\text{via (n)}}{\geq} r p^2 \left(R + r - \sqrt{R^2 - 4r^2} \right) \stackrel{?}{\geq} \frac{4p^2 r^3 \left(2R - r - 2\sqrt{R(R-2r)} \right)}{R^2}$$

$$\Leftrightarrow R^3 + R^2 r - 8Rr^2 + 4r^3 \stackrel{?}{\geq} R^2 \cdot \sqrt{R^2 - 4r^2} - 8r^2 \cdot \sqrt{R(R-2r)}$$

$$\Leftrightarrow t^3 + t^2 - 8t + 4 - t^2 \cdot \sqrt{t^2 - 4} + 8 \cdot \sqrt{t^2 - 2t} \stackrel{?}{\geq} 0 \left(t = \frac{R}{r} \right)$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \left(t^3 + t^2 - 8t + 4 + 8 \cdot \sqrt{t^2 - 2t} \right)^2 \stackrel{?}{\geq} t^4 (t^2 - 4)$$

$$\left(\because t^3 + t^2 - 8t + 4 = (t-2)(t^2 + 3t - 2) \stackrel{\text{Euler}}{\geq} 0 \right)$$

$$\Leftrightarrow (t-2)(2t^4 - 7t^3 - 22t^2 + 92t - 8) + 16(t-2)(t^2 + 3t - 2) \cdot \sqrt{t^2 - 2t} \stackrel{?}{\geq} 0$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \frac{(t-2)}{128} \left((16t^2 + 48t - 33)(4t - 13)^2 + 232t + 4553 \right) +$$

$$16(t-2)(t^2 + 3t - 2) \cdot \sqrt{t^2 - 2t} \stackrel{?}{\geq} 0 \rightarrow \text{true } \because t \stackrel{\text{Euler}}{\geq} 2$$

$$\therefore m_a w_a h_a r_a \stackrel{\boxed{\geq}}{\geq} \frac{4p^2 r^3 \left(2R - r - 2\sqrt{R(R-2r)} \right)}{R^2}$$

Again, $m_a w_a h_a r_a \stackrel{\text{via (m)}}{\leq} \left(2R - r + 2\sqrt{R(R-2r)} \right) \cdot \frac{2bc}{b+c} \cdot \cos \frac{A}{2} \cdot \frac{rp^2}{2R} \cdot \sec^2 \frac{A}{2}$

$$\stackrel{?}{\leq} p^2 r \left(2R - r + 2\sqrt{R(R-2r)} \right) \Leftrightarrow \frac{4R^2 \cdot \sin B \sin C}{4R^2 \cdot \cos \frac{B-C}{2}} \stackrel{?}{\leq} \cos^2 \frac{A}{2}$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \cos(B-C) + \cos A \stackrel{?}{\leq} 2 \cos^2 \frac{A}{2} \cos \frac{B-C}{2} \Leftrightarrow c(1-s^2) \stackrel{?}{\geq} c^2 - s^2$$

$$\Leftrightarrow c(1-c) + s^2(1-c) \stackrel{?}{\geq} 0 \Leftrightarrow (1-c)(c+s^2) \stackrel{?}{\geq} 0 \rightarrow \text{true } \because 1 \geq \cos \frac{B-C}{2}$$

$$\therefore m_a w_a h_a r_a \stackrel{\boxed{\leq}}{\leq} p^2 r \left(2R - r + 2\sqrt{R(R-2r)} \right) \text{ and so,}$$

$$p^2 r \left(2R - r + 2\sqrt{R(R-2r)} \right) \geq m_a w_a h_a r_a \geq \frac{4p^2 r^3 \left(2R - r - 2\sqrt{R(R-2r)} \right)}{R^2}$$

$\forall \Delta ABC, " = " \text{ iff } \Delta ABC \text{ is equilateral (QED)}$