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**In any  $\Delta ABC$ , the following relationship holds :**

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{w_a}} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{w_b}} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{w_c}} \leq \sqrt{2R} \left( \frac{1}{a} + \frac{1}{b} + \frac{1}{c} \right)$$

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$$\begin{aligned}
 \sum_{\text{cyc}} w_a &= \sum_{\text{cyc}} \left( 2\sqrt{bc} \cdot \frac{\sqrt{s(s-a)}}{b+c} \right) \stackrel{\text{CBS}}{\leq} 2 \sqrt{\sum_{\text{cyc}} bc} \cdot \sqrt{\sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{s(s-a)}{(b+c)^2}} \stackrel{\text{A-G}}{\leq} \\
 &\quad \sqrt{\sum_{\text{cyc}} bc} \cdot \sqrt{\sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{s(s-a)}{bc}} = \sqrt{\sum_{\text{cyc}} bc} \cdot \sqrt{\sum_{\text{cyc}} \cos^2 \frac{A}{2}} \\
 &= \sqrt{\sum_{\text{cyc}} bc} \cdot \sqrt{\frac{4R+r}{2R}} \Rightarrow \sum_{\text{cyc}} w_a \leq \sqrt{\sum_{\text{cyc}} ab} \cdot \sqrt{\frac{4R+r}{2R}} \rightarrow (a) \\
 \text{Now, } \frac{1}{\sqrt{w_a}} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{w_b}} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{w_c}} &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{w_a w_b w_c}} \cdot \sum_{\text{cyc}} \sqrt{w_b w_c} \stackrel{\text{CBS}}{\leq} \\
 \frac{\sqrt{s^2 + 2Rr + r^2}}{\sqrt{16Rr^2s^2}} \cdot \sqrt{\sum_{\text{cyc}} w_b} \sqrt{\sum_{\text{cyc}} w_c} &\stackrel{\text{via (a)}}{\leq} \frac{\sqrt{s^2 + 2Rr + r^2}}{\sqrt{16Rr^2s^2}} \cdot \sqrt{\sum_{\text{cyc}} ab} \cdot \sqrt{\frac{4R+r}{2R}} \\
 &\stackrel{?}{\leq} \sqrt{2R} \left( \frac{1}{a} + \frac{1}{b} + \frac{1}{c} \right) = \frac{\sqrt{2R}}{4Rrs} \left( \sum_{\text{cyc}} ab \right) \\
 \Leftrightarrow 4R(s^2 + 4Rr + r^2) &\stackrel{?}{\geq} (4R+r)(s^2 + 2Rr + r^2) \Leftrightarrow 8R^2 - 2Rr - r^2 \stackrel{?}{\geq} s^2 \rightarrow \text{true} \\
 \because 8R^2 - 2Rr - r^2 - s^2 &= 2(R-2r)(2R+r) + 4R^2 + 4Rr + 3r^2 - s^2 \stackrel{\substack{\text{Euler} \\ \text{and}}}{{\geq}} \stackrel{\text{Gerretsen}}{{\geq}} 0 \\
 \therefore \frac{1}{\sqrt{w_a}} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{w_b}} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{w_c}} &\leq \sqrt{2R} \left( \frac{1}{a} + \frac{1}{b} + \frac{1}{c} \right) \forall \Delta ABC, \\
 " = " &\text{ iff } \Delta ABC \text{ is equilateral (QED)}
 \end{aligned}$$