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In any ΔABC , the following relationship holds :

$$\frac{n_a}{w_a} + \frac{n_b}{w_b} + \frac{n_c}{w_c} \leq \frac{13R}{8r} - \frac{1}{4}$$

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$$\begin{aligned} & \text{Stewart's theorem} \Rightarrow b^2(s-c) + c^2(s-b) = an_a^2 + a(s-b)(s-c) \\ \Rightarrow s(b^2 + c^2) - bc(2s-a) &= an_a^2 + a(s^2 - s(2s-a) + bc) \Rightarrow s(b^2 + c^2) - 2sbc \\ &= an_a^2 + a(as - s^2) \Rightarrow s(b^2 + c^2 - a^2 - 2bc) = an_a^2 - as^2 \Rightarrow an_a^2 = as^2 + \\ s(2bc \cos A - 2bc) &= as^2 - 4sbc \sin^2 \frac{A}{2} = as^2 - \frac{4sbc(s-b)(s-c)(s-a)}{bc(s-a)} \\ &= as^2 - \frac{as(c+a-b)(a+b-c)}{a} = as^2 - as \left(\frac{a^2 - (b-c)^2}{a} \right) \\ \Rightarrow n_a^2 &= s \left(s - \frac{a^2 - (b-c)^2}{a} \right) \Rightarrow n_a^2 = s \left(s - a + \frac{(b-c)^2}{a} \right) \\ \Rightarrow n_a^2 &= s(s-a) + \frac{s}{a} \cdot (b-c)^2 \text{ and analogs} \\ \therefore \frac{n_a}{w_a} + \frac{n_b}{w_b} + \frac{n_c}{w_c} &= \sum_{\text{cyc}} \left(\frac{\sqrt{as(s-a) + s(b-c)^2}}{a} \cdot \frac{(b+c) \cdot \sqrt{(s-b)(s-c)}}{2\sqrt{bc} \cdot \sqrt{s(s-a)(s-b)(s-c)}} \right) \\ &= \frac{1}{2\sqrt{4Rrs} \cdot rs} \cdot \sum_{\text{cyc}} \left(\sqrt{(as(s-a) + s(b-c)^2)(b+c)} \cdot \sqrt{(b+c)(s-b)(s-c)} \right) \stackrel{\text{CBS}}{\leq} \\ & \frac{1}{2\sqrt{4Rrs} \cdot rs} \cdot \sqrt{\sum_{\text{cyc}} ((as(s-a) + s(b-c)^2)(b+c))} \cdot \sqrt{\sum_{\text{cyc}} ((b+c)(s-b)(s-c))} \rightarrow (a) \\ & \text{Now, } \sum_{\text{cyc}} ((as(s-a) + s(b-c)^2)(b+c)) \\ &= s \sum_{\text{cyc}} (a(s-a)(2s-a)) + s \sum_{\text{cyc}} ((2s-a)(b-c)^2) \\ &= 2s^2 \left(s(2s) - \sum_{\text{cyc}} a^2 \right) - s \left(s \sum_{\text{cyc}} a^2 - \sum_{\text{cyc}} a^3 \right) + 4s^2 \left(\sum_{\text{cyc}} a^2 - \sum_{\text{cyc}} ab \right) \\ & \quad - s \left(\left(\sum_{\text{cyc}} a \right) \left(\sum_{\text{cyc}} ab \right) - 9abc \right) \\ &= 2s^2 (2s^2 - 2(s^2 - 4Rr - r^2)) - 2s^2 ((s^2 - 4Rr - r^2) - (s^2 - 6Rr - 3r^2)) \\ & \quad + 4s^2 (s^2 - 12Rr - 3r^2) - 2s^2 (s^2 - 14Rr + r^2) \end{aligned}$$

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$$\Rightarrow \sum_{\text{cyc}} \left((as(s-a) + s(b-c)^2)(b+c) \right) = 2s^2(s^2 - 4Rr - 7r^2) \rightarrow \text{(m) and}$$

$$\sum_{\text{cyc}} \left((b+c)(s-b)(s-c) \right) = \sum_{\text{cyc}} \left((s-b)(s-c)(2s-a) \right)$$

$$= 2s(4Rr + r^2) - \sum_{\text{cyc}} \left(a(-s^2 + sa + bc) \right)$$

$$= 2s(4Rr + r^2) + s^2(2s) - 2s(s^2 - 4Rr - r^2) - 12Rrs$$

$$\Rightarrow \sum_{\text{cyc}} \left((b+c)(s-b)(s-c) \right) = 4rs(R+r) \rightarrow \text{(n)} \therefore \text{(a), (m), (n)} \Rightarrow$$

$$\left(\frac{n_a}{w_a} + \frac{n_b}{w_b} + \frac{n_c}{w_c} \right)^2 \leq \frac{2s^2(s^2 - 4Rr - 7r^2) \cdot 4rs(R+r)}{16Rrs \cdot r^2 s^2} \stackrel{?}{\leq} \left(\frac{13R}{8r} - \frac{1}{4} \right)^2$$

$$= \frac{(13R - 2r)^2}{64r^2} \Leftrightarrow 32(R+r)(s^2 - 4Rr - 7r^2) \stackrel{?}{\geq} R(13R - 2r)^2$$

Now, LHS of ① $\stackrel{\text{Rouche}}{\leq} 32(R+r) \left(2R^2 + 6Rr - 8r^2 + 2(R-2r) \cdot \sqrt{R^2 - 2Rr} \right)$

$$\stackrel{?}{\geq} R(13R - 2r)^2 \Leftrightarrow 105R^3 - 308R^2r + 68Rr^2 + 256r^3 \stackrel{?}{\geq}$$

$$64(R+r)(R-2r) \cdot \sqrt{R^2 - 2Rr}$$

$$\Leftrightarrow (R-2r)(105R^2 - 98Rr - 128r^2) \stackrel{?}{\geq} 64(R+r)(R-2r) \cdot \sqrt{R^2 - 2Rr}$$

Now, $105R^2 - 98Rr - 128r^2 = (R-2r)(105R + 112r) + 96r^2 \stackrel{\text{Euler}}{\geq} 96r^2 > 0$ and

$\therefore R - 2r \stackrel{\text{Euler}}{\geq} 0 \therefore$ in order to prove ②, it suffices to prove :

$$(105R^2 - 98Rr - 128r^2)^2 > 4096(R^2 - 2Rr)(R+r)^2$$

$$\Leftrightarrow 6929t^4 - 20580t^3 - 4988t^2 + 33280t + 16384 > 0 \left(t = \frac{R}{r} \right)$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \frac{1}{27} \left((20787t^2 + 35266t + 36437)(3t-7)^2 + 700880(t-2) + 58715 \right) > 0$$

\rightarrow true $\therefore t \stackrel{\text{Euler}}{\geq} 2 \Rightarrow$ ② \Rightarrow ① is true $\therefore \left(\frac{n_a}{w_a} + \frac{n_b}{w_b} + \frac{n_c}{w_c} \right)^2 \leq \left(\frac{13R}{8r} - \frac{1}{4} \right)^2$ and so,

$$\frac{n_a}{w_a} + \frac{n_b}{w_b} + \frac{n_c}{w_c} \leq \frac{13R}{8r} - \frac{1}{4} \forall \Delta ABC, \text{ with equality iff } \Delta ABC \text{ is equilateral (QED)}$$