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In ΔABC the following relationship holds:

$$\frac{r_a}{r_b} + \frac{r_b}{r_c} + \frac{r_c}{r_a} + \frac{w_a w_b + w_b w_c + w_c w_a}{w_a^2 + w_b^2 + w_c^2} \geq 4$$

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Solution 1 by Tran Hong-Dong Thap-Vietnam

By Adil Abdullayev:

$$\frac{r_a}{r_b} + \frac{r_b}{r_c} + \frac{r_c}{r_a} \geq \frac{2R-r}{r} = \frac{2R}{r} - 1 \quad (1)$$

We have: $h_a \leq w_a \leq m_a$ (etc)

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\sum(w_a w_b)}{\sum w_a^2} \geq \frac{\sum(h_a h_b)}{\sum m_a^2} = \frac{\sum(h_a h_b)}{\frac{3}{4} \sum a^2} \stackrel{\text{Leibniz}}{\geq} \frac{4}{3} \cdot \frac{\sum(h_a h_b)}{9R^2}$$

$$= \frac{4}{3} \cdot \frac{2s^2 r}{9R^2} = \frac{8}{27} \cdot \frac{s^2 r}{R \cdot R^2} \geq \frac{8}{27} \cdot \frac{(3\sqrt{3})^2 r}{R^3} = 8 \left(\frac{r}{R}\right)^3 \quad (2)$$

From (1) and (2) we must show that:

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{2R}{r} - 1 + 8 \left(\frac{r}{R}\right)^3 &\geq 4 \Leftrightarrow 2t + \frac{8}{t^3} - 5 \geq 0 \left(t = \frac{R}{r} \geq 2\right) \\ \Leftrightarrow 2t^4 - 5t^3 + 8 &\geq 0 \Leftrightarrow (t-2)(2t^3 - t^2 - 2t - 4) \geq 0 \end{aligned}$$

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It is true because:

$$t \geq 2 \Rightarrow \begin{cases} t - 2 \geq 0 \\ 2t^3 - t^2 - 2t - 4 = 2(t-2)^3 + 11t^2 - 26t + 12 > 0 \end{cases}$$

(proved)

Solution 2 by Soumava Chakraborty-Kolkata-India

$$\because w_a \geq h_a, \text{ etc \& } w_a^2 \leq s(s-a), \text{ etc,}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore \frac{\sum w_a w_b}{\sum w_a^2} &\geq \frac{\sum h_a h_b}{\sum s(s-a)} = \sum \frac{bc \cdot ca}{4R^2} \\ &= \frac{4Rrs}{4R^2 S^2} \sum (c) = \frac{4Rrs(2S)}{4R^2 S^2} = \frac{2r}{R} \\ &\Rightarrow \frac{\sum w_a w_b}{\sum w_a^2} \stackrel{(1)}{\geq} \frac{2r}{R} \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Again, } \sum \frac{r_a}{r_b} = \sum \frac{r_a^2}{r_a r_b} \stackrel{\text{Bergstrom}}{\geq} \frac{(4R+r)^2}{S^2} \stackrel{(2)}{\geq}$$

$$(1), (2) \Rightarrow LHS \geq \frac{(4R+r)^2}{S^2} + \frac{2r}{R} \geq 4$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \frac{(4R+r)^2}{S^2} \geq \frac{4R-2r}{R} \Leftrightarrow R(4R+r)^2 \stackrel{(3)}{\geq} S^2(4R-2r)$$

$$\text{Now, RHS of (3)} \stackrel{\text{Rouche}}{\leq} (4R-2r)(2R^2 + 10Rr - r^2 + 2(R-2r)\sqrt{R^2 - 2Rr})$$

$$\stackrel{?}{\leq} R(4R+r)^2$$

$$\Leftrightarrow R(4R+r)^2 - (4R-2r)(2R^2 + 10Rr - r^2) \stackrel{?}{\geq} 4(2R-r)(R-2r)\sqrt{R^2 - 2Rr}$$

$$\Leftrightarrow (R-2r)(8R^2 - 12Rr + r^2) \stackrel{?}{\geq} 4(2R-r)(R-2r)\sqrt{R^2 - 2Rr}$$

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

$$8R^2 - 12Rr + r^2 \stackrel{(4)}{\geq} 4(2R-r)\sqrt{R^2 - 2Rr}$$

$$\because 8R^2 - 12Rr + r^2 = 8R(R-2r) + 4Rr + r^2 > 0 \text{ as } R \stackrel{\text{Euler}}{\geq} 2r$$

$$\therefore (4) \Leftrightarrow (8R^2 - 12Rr + r^2)^2 - 16(2R-r)^2(R^2 - 2Rr) > 0$$

$$\Leftrightarrow r^2(4R+r)^2 > 0 \rightarrow \text{true}$$

$$\Rightarrow (4) \Rightarrow (3) \Rightarrow \text{given inequality is true (proved)}$$