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SP263. In $\triangle ABC$ the following relationship holds:

$$12 \leq \sum_{cyc} \left(\frac{a+b}{c} \right)^2 \leq 18 \left(\frac{R}{2r} \right)^2 - 6$$

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$$\begin{aligned} \sum \left(\frac{a+b}{c} \right)^2 - 3 &= \sum \left[\left(\frac{b+c}{a} \right)^2 - 1 \right] = \sum \left[\frac{(b+c+a)(b+c-a)}{a^2} \right] = \sum \left[\frac{4s(s-a)}{a^2} \right] \\ &\leq \sum \left[\frac{4m_a^2}{a^2} \right] = \sum \left[\frac{2b^2 + 2c^2 - a^2}{a^2} \right] \\ &= \sum \frac{(2b^2 + 2c^2 + 2a^2) - 3a^2}{a^2} \\ &= 2(\sum a^2) \left(\sum \frac{1}{a^2} \right) - 9 \stackrel{\text{Leibniz}}{\geq} 18R^2 \left(\frac{\sum a^2 b^2}{16R^2 r^2 s^2} \right) \\ &- 9 \stackrel{\text{Goldstone}}{\geq} \frac{18(4R^2 s^2)}{16r^2 s^2} - 9 = 18 \left(\frac{R}{2r} \right)^2 - 9 \\ &\Rightarrow \sum \left(\frac{a+b}{c} \right)^2 \stackrel{(1)}{\geq} 18 \left(\frac{R}{2r} \right)^2 - 6 \end{aligned}$$

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$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{Again, } \sum \left(\frac{a+b}{c} \right)^2 - 3 &= \sum \left[\frac{4s(s-a)}{a^2} \right] \geq 4 \sum \frac{w_a^2}{a^2} = 4 \sum \left[\frac{\left(\frac{4b^2c^2s(s-a)}{bc(b+c)^2} \right)}{a^2} \right] \\
 &= 4 \sum \left[\frac{\left(\frac{bc(b+c+a)(b+c-a)}{(b+c)^2} \right)}{a^2} \right] \\
 &= 4 \sum \left[\frac{bc\{(b+c)^2 - a^2\}}{(b+c)^2} \right] = 4 \sum \left[\frac{bc - \frac{a^2bc}{(b+c)^2}}{a^2} \right] \\
 &= 4 \sum \frac{bc}{a^2} - 4 \sum \frac{bc}{(b+c)^2} \stackrel{A-G}{\geq} 12 \sqrt[3]{\prod \left(\frac{bc}{a^2} \right)} - \sum \frac{4bc}{(b+c)^2} \stackrel{A-G}{\geq} 12 - \sum(1) \\
 &= 9 \\
 \Rightarrow \sum \left(\frac{a+b}{c} \right)^2 &\stackrel{(2)}{\geq} 12 \therefore \text{combining (1) and (2), } 12 \leq \sum \left(\frac{a+b}{c} \right)^2 \\
 &\leq 18 \left(\frac{R}{2r} \right)^2 - 6 \text{ (Proved)}
 \end{aligned}$$