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If in ΔABC , $a \leq b \leq c$ then :

$$\frac{a+b}{m_a+m_b} \leq \frac{b+c}{m_b+m_c}$$

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$$\begin{aligned} m_b + m_c &\stackrel{?}{\leq} m_a + m_b \Leftrightarrow 2a^2 + 2b^2 - c^2 \stackrel{?}{\leq} 2b^2 + 2c^2 - a^2 \\ &\Leftrightarrow 3(c^2 - a^2) \stackrel{?}{\geq} 0 \rightarrow \text{true} \because c \geq a \therefore \frac{1}{m_a + m_b} \leq \frac{1}{m_b + m_c} \\ &\Rightarrow \frac{a+b}{m_a + m_b} \leq \frac{a+b}{m_b + m_c} \stackrel{a \leq c}{\leq} \frac{b+c}{m_b + m_c} \\ \therefore \frac{a+b}{m_a + m_b} &\leq \frac{b+c}{m_b + m_c} \text{ in } \Delta ABC \text{ such that : } a \leq b \leq c, '' = '' \text{ iff } a = c \text{ (QED)} \end{aligned}$$