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

$$\frac{a^2}{a+2r} + \frac{b^2}{b+2r} + \frac{c^2}{c+2r} \geq 3s - (m_a + m_b + m_c)$$

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$$\begin{aligned} \frac{a^2}{a+2r} + \frac{b^2}{b+2r} + \frac{c^2}{c+2r} &\stackrel{\text{Bergstrom}}{\geq} \frac{(\sum_{\text{cyc}} a)^2}{\sum_{\text{cyc}} a + 6r} = \frac{2s^2}{s+3r} \stackrel{?}{\geq} 3s - \sum_{\text{cyc}} m_a \\ \Leftrightarrow \frac{-s^2 - 9rs}{s+3r} &\stackrel{?}{\geq} - \sum_{\text{cyc}} m_a \Leftrightarrow \sum_{\text{cyc}} m_a \stackrel{?}{\geq} \frac{s^2 + 9rs}{s+3r} \rightarrow \textcircled{1} \text{ and when : } \sum_{\text{cyc}} m_a \geq \sqrt{3}s, \end{aligned}$$

then, in order to prove  $\textcircled{1}$ , it suffices to prove :  $\sqrt{3}s + 3\sqrt{3}r \stackrel{?}{\geq} s + 9r$   
 $\Leftrightarrow (\sqrt{3} - 1)s \stackrel{?}{\geq} 3\sqrt{3}(\sqrt{3} - 1)r \rightarrow \text{true via Mitrinovic} \Rightarrow \textcircled{1} \text{ is true and we now}$   
 focus on the scenario when :  $\sum_{\text{cyc}} m_a \leq \sqrt{3}s$  and we shall now prove :

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{2(\sum_{\text{cyc}} m_a)^3}{3(\sum_{\text{cyc}} m_a)^2 + 27F} &\stackrel{(*)}{\geq} \sum_{\text{cyc}} m_a - \frac{1}{2} \sum_{\text{cyc}} a \\ \Leftrightarrow 2 \left( \sum_{\text{cyc}} m_a \right)^3 + 27rs^2 &\geq 3 \left( \sum_{\text{cyc}} m_a \right)^3 - 3s \left( \sum_{\text{cyc}} m_a \right)^2 + 27F \left( \sum_{\text{cyc}} m_a \right) \text{ and} \\ \therefore \sum_{\text{cyc}} m_a \leq \sqrt{3}s &\Rightarrow 27rs^2 \geq 9r \left( \sum_{\text{cyc}} m_a \right)^2 \therefore \text{it suffices to prove :} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} 9rt + 3st - 27rs - t^2 &\stackrel{?}{\geq} 0 \left( t = \sum_{\text{cyc}} m_a \right) \Leftrightarrow t^2 - (9r + 3s)t + 27rs \stackrel{?}{\leq} 0 \\ \Leftrightarrow t &\leq \frac{9r + 3s + \sqrt{(9r + 3s)^2 - 108rs}}{2} \wedge t \geq \frac{9r + 3s - \sqrt{(9r + 3s)^2 - 108rs}}{2} \\ \Leftrightarrow t &\leq \frac{9r + 3s + 3s - 9r}{2} \wedge t \geq \frac{9r + 3s - 3s + 9r}{2} \Leftrightarrow t \leq 3s \wedge t \geq 9r \rightarrow \text{true} \\ \therefore t = \sum_{\text{cyc}} m_a &\leq \sqrt{3}s < 3s \wedge t \geq \sum_{\text{cyc}} h_a \geq 9r \Rightarrow (*) \text{ is true and implementing } (*) \end{aligned}$$

on a triangle with sides  $\frac{2m_a}{3}, \frac{2m_b}{3}, \frac{2m_c}{3}$  whose sides and area as a consequence of trivial calculations are :  $\frac{a}{2}, \frac{b}{2}, \frac{c}{2}$  and  $\frac{F}{3}$  respectively, we get :

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$$\frac{2 \left( \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{a}{2} \right)^3}{3 \left( \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{a}{2} \right)^2 + 9F} \geq \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{a}{2} - \frac{1}{2} \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{2m_a}{3} \Rightarrow \frac{2s^2}{3s + 9r} \geq s - \frac{1}{3} \sum_{\text{cyc}} m_a$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{-s^2 - 9rs}{s + 3r} \geq \sum_{\text{cyc}} m_a \Rightarrow \sum_{\text{cyc}} m_a \geq \frac{s^2 + 9rs}{s + 3r} \Rightarrow \textcircled{1} \text{ is true and}$$

combining both cases,  $\textcircled{1}$  is true  $\forall \Delta ABC \Rightarrow \frac{a^2}{a + 2r} + \frac{b^2}{b + 2r} + \frac{c^2}{c + 2r} \geq 3s - (m_a + m_b + m_c) \forall \Delta ABC, " = " \text{ iff } \Delta ABC \text{ is equilateral (QED)}$