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*Inspired by a problem of Professor Daniel Sitaru*

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

$$\mathbf{8m_a m_b m_c \geq (w_a + w_b)(w_b + w_c)(w_c + w_a) \geq 8s_a s_b s_c}$$

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$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{1}{w_a} &\stackrel{\text{CBS}}{\leq} \sqrt{\sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{1}{h_a}} \cdot \sqrt{\sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{h_a}{w_a^2}} = \sqrt{\frac{1}{2Rr} \cdot \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{bc}{bc - \frac{a^2 bc}{(b+c)^2}}} \\ &= \sqrt{\frac{1}{2Rr} \cdot \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{(s+s-a)^2}{4s(s-a)}} = \sqrt{\frac{1}{2Rr} \cdot \left( \frac{s(4Rr+r^2)}{4r^2 s} + \frac{s}{4s} + \frac{3}{2} \right)} = \sqrt{\frac{R+2r}{2Rr^2}} \stackrel{?}{\leq} \frac{3R+2r}{4Rr} \\ &\Leftrightarrow (R-2r)^2 \stackrel{?}{\geq} 0 \rightarrow \text{true} \therefore \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{1}{w_a} \leq \frac{3R+2r}{4Rr} \rightarrow \textcircled{1} \text{ and now, } 8 \prod_{\text{cyc}} m_a = \\ &8 \prod_{\text{cyc}} w_a \cdot \prod_{\text{cyc}} \frac{m_a}{w_a} \stackrel{\text{Lascu}}{\geq} 8 \prod_{\text{cyc}} w_a \cdot \prod_{\text{cyc}} \frac{\frac{b+c}{2} \cos \frac{A}{2}}{\frac{2bc \cos^2 \frac{A}{2}}{b+c}} = 8 \prod_{\text{cyc}} w_a \cdot \prod_{\text{cyc}} \frac{(b+c)^2}{4bc} \\ &= 8 \prod_{\text{cyc}} w_a \cdot \frac{4s^2(s^2+2Rr+r^2)^2}{64 \cdot 16R^2 r^2 s^2} \therefore 8m_a m_b m_c \geq \prod_{\text{cyc}} w_a \cdot \frac{(s^2+2Rr+r^2)^2}{32R^2 r^2} \rightarrow \textcircled{2} \end{aligned}$$

and again,  $\prod_{\text{cyc}} (w_b + w_c) = \prod_{\text{cyc}} w_a \cdot \left( \left( \sum_{\text{cyc}} w_a \right) \left( \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{1}{w_a} \right) - 1 \right)$

$$\stackrel{\text{via } \textcircled{1}}{\leq} \prod_{\text{cyc}} w_a \cdot \left( \sqrt{\frac{2s^2 + 41Rr + 26r^2}{2}} \cdot \left( \frac{3R+2r}{4Rr} \right) - 1 \right)$$

(Reference : Inequality in Triangle by Dang Ngoc Minh – 113; published at [www.ssmrmh.ro](http://www.ssmrmh.ro))

via  $\textcircled{2}$   $\Rightarrow$  it suffices to prove :  $\frac{(s^2+2Rr+r^2)^2}{32R^2 r^2} + 1 \stackrel{?}{\geq} \sqrt{\frac{2s^2+41Rr+26r^2}{2}} \cdot \left( \frac{3R+2r}{4Rr} \right)$

$$\Leftrightarrow \frac{((s^2+2Rr+r^2)^2 + 32R^2 r^2)^2}{32R^2 r^2} \stackrel{?}{\geq} (2s^2+41Rr+26r^2)(3R+2r)^2$$

$$\Leftrightarrow s^8 + (8Rr+4r^2)s^6 + r^2(88R^2+24Rr+6r^2)s^4 - r^2(576R^4+480R^3r+80R^2r^2-24Rr^3-4r^4)s^2 -$$

$$r^3(11808R^5 + 21936R^4r + 14944R^3r^2 + 3240R^2r^3 - 8Rr^4 - r^5) \stackrel{?}{\geq} 0 \text{ and } \therefore P =$$

$$(s^2 - 2Rr - 8Rr - 3r^2)^4 + 8(R^2 + 5Rr + 2r^2)(s^2 - 2Rr - 8Rr - 3r^2)^3$$

$\stackrel{\text{Walker}}{\geq} 0 \therefore$  to prove (\*), it suffices to prove : LHS of (\*)  $\stackrel{?}{\geq} P$

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$$\Leftrightarrow (3R^4 + 30R^3r + 95R^2r^2 + 60Rr^3 + 12r^4)s^4 - (8R^6 + 108R^5r + 594R^4r^2 + 1136R^3r^3 + 898R^2r^4 + 312Rr^5 + 40r^6)s^2 + 6R^8 + 104R^7r + 712R^6r^2 + 960R^5r^3 + 1613R^4r^4 + 2114R^3r^5 + 1503R^2r^6 + 460Rr^7 + 44r^8 \stackrel{?}{\geq} 0 \text{ and } \therefore Q =$$

$$(3R^4 + 30R^3r + 95R^2r^2 + 60Rr^3 + 12r^4)(s^2 - 2R^2 - 8Rr - 3r^2)^2 \stackrel{Walker}{\geq} 0$$

$\therefore$  to prove (\*\*), it suffices to prove : LHS of (\*\*)  $\stackrel{?}{\geq} Q \Leftrightarrow$

$$(2R^6 + 30R^5r + 142R^4r^2 + 402R^3r^3 + 340R^2r^4 + 120Rr^5 + 16r^6)s^2 \stackrel{?}{\geq} (**)$$

$$3R^8 + 56R^7r + 428R^6r^2 + 2372R^5r^3 + 4521R^4r^4 + 3830R^3r^5 + 1572R^2r^6 + 328Rr^7 + 32r^8 \text{ and finally, LHS of (***)} \stackrel{Walker}{\geq}$$

$$(2R^6 + 30R^5r + 142R^4r^2 + 402R^3r^3 + 340R^2r^4 + 120Rr^5 + 16r^6) \left( \frac{2R^2 + 8Rr + 3r^2}{3r^2} \right) \stackrel{?}{\geq} \text{RHS of (***)} \Leftrightarrow$$

$$t^8 + 20t^7 + 102t^6 - 342t^5 - 199t^4 + 336t^3 + 440t^2 + 160t + 16 \stackrel{?}{\geq} 0 \left( t = \frac{R}{r} \right) \Leftrightarrow$$

$$(t - 2) \left( (t - 2)(t^6 + 24t^5 + 194t^4 + 338t^3 + 377t^2 + 492t + 900) + 1792 \right) \stackrel{?}{\geq} 0$$

$$\rightarrow \text{true} \because t \stackrel{Euler}{\geq} 2 \Rightarrow (***) \Rightarrow (**) \Rightarrow (*) \text{ is true } \therefore 8m_a m_b m_c \geq \prod_{cyc} (w_b + w_c)$$

$$\forall \text{ acute } \Delta ABC \text{ and } \forall \text{ acute } \Delta ABC, \frac{m_a}{w_a} \stackrel{Tsintsifas}{\leq} \frac{b^2 + c^2}{2bc} \text{ and analogs } \Rightarrow w_a \geq s_a$$

$$\text{and analogs } \therefore (w_a + w_b)(w_b + w_c)(w_c + w_a) \stackrel{Cesaro}{\geq} 8w_a w_b w_c \geq 8s_a s_b s_c$$

$$\therefore 8m_a m_b m_c \geq (w_a + w_b)(w_b + w_c)(w_c + w_a) \geq 8s_a s_b s_c \forall \text{ acute } \Delta ABC, \\ \text{"=" iff } \Delta ABC \text{ is equilateral (QED)}$$