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In any ΔABC the following relationship holds :

$$g_a^2 g_b^2 + g_b^2 g_c^2 + g_c^2 g_a^2 \geq 9F^2 \geq h_a^2 h_b^2 + h_b^2 h_c^2 + h_c^2 h_a^2$$

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$$\begin{aligned} & \sum_{\text{cyc}} g_a^2 g_b^2 \stackrel{\text{Bogdan Fustei}}{=} \\ & \sum_{\text{cyc}} \left(\left((s-a)^2 + \frac{4(s-a)(s-b)(s-c)}{a} \right) \left((s-b)^2 + \frac{4(s-a)(s-b)(s-c)}{b} \right) \right) \\ &= \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{(x^2(y+z)(x+y) + 4xyz(x+y))(y^2(z+x) + 4xyz)}{(x+y)(y+z)(z+x)} \\ & \quad (x = s-a, y = s-b, z = s-c) \\ &= \frac{\left((\prod_{\text{cyc}}(x+y))(\sum_{\text{cyc}} x^2 y^2) + 4xyz \sum_{\text{cyc}} (y^2(\sum_{\text{cyc}} xy + x^2)) \right) +}{4xyz \sum_{\text{cyc}} (x^2(\sum_{\text{cyc}} xy + y^2)) + 16x^2 y^2 z^2 \cdot 2 \sum_{\text{cyc}} x} \\ &= \frac{(\prod_{\text{cyc}}(x+y) + 8xyz)(\sum_{\text{cyc}} x^2 y^2) + 32x^2 y^2 z^2 \sum_{\text{cyc}} x + 8xyz(\sum_{\text{cyc}} xy)(\sum_{\text{cyc}} x^2)}{(x+y)(y+z)(z+x)} \\ &= \frac{(4Rrs + 8r^2 s)((4Rr + r^2)^2 - 2r^2 s^2) + 32r^4 s^3 + 8r^2 s(4Rr + r^2)(s^2 - 8Rr - 2r^2)}{4Rrs} \\ &\Rightarrow \sum_{\text{cyc}} g_a^2 g_b^2 = \frac{r^2 \left((6R + 6r)s^2 + 16R^3 - 24R^2 r - 15Rr^2 - 2r^3 \right)}{R} \stackrel{?}{\geq} 9F^2 = 9r^2 s^2 \\ &\quad \Leftrightarrow 16R^3 - 24R^2 r - 15Rr^2 - 2r^3 \stackrel{?}{\underset{(*)}{\geq}} (3R - 6r)s^2 \\ &\quad \text{Now, } (3R - 6r)s^2 \stackrel{\text{Gerretsen}}{\leq} (3R - 6r)(4R^2 + 4Rr + 3r^2) \stackrel{?}{\leq} \\ & 16R^3 - 24R^2 r - 15Rr^2 - 2r^3 \Leftrightarrow R^3 - 3R^2 r + 4r^3 \stackrel{?}{\geq} 0 \Leftrightarrow (R - 2r)^2(R + r) \stackrel{?}{\geq} 0 \\ & \rightarrow \text{true} \Rightarrow (*) \text{ is true } \therefore g_a^2 g_b^2 + g_b^2 g_c^2 + g_c^2 g_a^2 \geq 9F^2 \text{ and again, } \sum_{\text{cyc}} h_a^2 h_b^2 = \\ & \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{b^2 c^2 \cdot c^2 a^2}{16R^4} = \frac{16R^2 F^2}{16R^4} \cdot \sum_{\text{cyc}} a^2 \stackrel{\text{Leibnitz}}{\leq} \frac{9R^2 F^2}{R^2} = 9F^2 \\ & \Rightarrow 9F^2 \geq h_a^2 h_b^2 + h_b^2 h_c^2 + h_c^2 h_a^2 \text{ and so,} \\ & g_a^2 g_b^2 + g_b^2 g_c^2 + g_c^2 g_a^2 \geq 9F^2 \geq h_a^2 h_b^2 + h_b^2 h_c^2 + h_c^2 h_a^2 \forall \Delta ABC, \\ & " = " \text{ iff } \Delta ABC \text{ is equilateral (QED)} \end{aligned}$$