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

$$\sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{1}{h_a^2 - r^2} \geq \frac{3}{8r^2}$$

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Let  $x = \frac{3r}{h_a}, y = \frac{3r}{h_b}, z = \frac{3r}{h_c}$  and then :  $\sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{1}{h_a^2 - r^2} \stackrel{?}{\geq} \frac{3}{8r^2} \Leftrightarrow \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{1}{\frac{9}{x^2} - 1} \stackrel{?}{\geq} \frac{3}{8}$  (\*)

Let  $f(t) = \frac{t^2}{9 - t^2} \forall t \in (0, 3)$  and then  $f''(t) = \frac{54(t^2 + 3)}{(9 - t^2)^3} > 0$  and so,

as  $\sum_{\text{cyc}} x = \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{3r}{h_a} = 3 \Rightarrow x, y, z < 3 \therefore \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{1}{\frac{9}{x^2} - 1} \stackrel{\text{Jensen}}{\geq} \frac{3}{\frac{9}{\left(\frac{\sum_{\text{cyc}} x}{3}\right)^2} - 1} = \frac{3}{9 - 1} = \frac{3}{8}$

$\Rightarrow (*)$  is true  $\therefore \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{1}{h_a^2 - r^2} \geq \frac{3}{8r^2} \forall \Delta ABC, "="$  iff  $\Delta ABC$  is equilateral (QED)