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In any ΔABC the following relationship holds :

$$\sum_{cyc} \frac{r_a^2 + r^2}{r_a^2 - r^2} \geq \frac{15}{4}$$

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Let $x = \frac{3r}{r_a}, y = \frac{3r}{r_b}, z = \frac{3r}{r_c}$ and then : $\sum_{cyc} \frac{r_a^2 + r^2}{r_a^2 - r^2} \geq \frac{15}{4} \Leftrightarrow \sum_{cyc} \frac{\frac{9}{x^2} + 1}{\frac{9}{x^2} - 1} \stackrel{(*)}{\geq} \frac{15}{4}$

Let $f(t) = \frac{9+t^2}{9-t^2} \forall t \in (0, 3)$ and then $f''(t) = \frac{108(t^2+3)}{(9-t^2)^3} > 0 \Rightarrow f(t)$ is convex

and so, as $\sum_{cyc} x = \sum_{cyc} \frac{3r}{r_a} = 3 \Rightarrow 0 < x, y, z < 3 \therefore \sum_{cyc} \frac{\frac{9}{x^2} + 1}{\frac{9}{x^2} - 1} \stackrel{\text{Jensen}}{\geq} 3 \cdot \frac{9 + \left(\frac{\sum_{cyc} x}{3}\right)^2}{9 - \left(\frac{\sum_{cyc} x}{3}\right)^2}$

$= 3 \cdot \frac{10}{8} = \frac{15}{4} \Rightarrow (*)$ is true $\therefore \sum_{cyc} \frac{r_a^2 + r^2}{r_a^2 - r^2} \geq \frac{15}{4} \forall \Delta ABC$,

"=" iff ΔABC is equilateral (QED)