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In $\triangle ABC$ the following relationship holds:

$$\frac{a}{b} + \frac{b}{c} + \frac{c}{a} + \frac{R^3}{r^3} \geq 8 + \frac{m_a}{m_b} + \frac{m_b}{m_c} + \frac{m_c}{m_a}$$

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$$\begin{aligned} \frac{m_a}{m_b} + \frac{m_b}{m_c} + \frac{m_c}{m_a} &\stackrel{CBS}{\leq} \sqrt{\left(\sum m_a^2\right)\left(\sum \frac{1}{m_a^2}\right)} \stackrel{m_a \geq \sqrt{s(s-a)}}{\leq} \sqrt{\left(\frac{3}{4}\sum a^2\right)\left(\sum \frac{1}{s(s-a)}\right)} \leq \\ &\stackrel{Leibnitz}{\leq} \sqrt{\left(\frac{3}{4} \times 9R^2\right)\left(\frac{4R+r}{s^2r}\right)} \stackrel{Doucet}{\leq} \sqrt{\left(\frac{3}{4} \times 9R^2\right)\left(\frac{4R+r}{3r(4R+r)r}\right)} = \frac{3R}{2r} \\ &\frac{a}{b} + \frac{b}{c} + \frac{c}{a} \stackrel{AM-GM}{\geq} 3 \end{aligned}$$

We need to show:

$$\frac{a}{b} + \frac{b}{c} + \frac{c}{a} + \frac{R^3}{r^3} \geq 8 + \frac{m_a}{m_b} + \frac{m_b}{m_c} + \frac{m_c}{m_a}$$

$$\text{or, } 3 + \frac{R^3}{r^3} \geq 8 + \frac{3R}{2r} \text{ or, } 2x^3 - 3x - 10 \stackrel{\substack{R/r=x \geq 2 \\ \text{by Euler}}}{\geq} 0 \text{ or, } (x-2)(2x^2 + 4x + 5) \geq 0 \text{ true}$$

Equality holds for an equilateral triangle.