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In $\triangle ABC$ the following relationship holds:

$$\frac{3R}{r} - 2 \geq \frac{a}{b} + \frac{b}{c} + \frac{c}{a} + \frac{3\sqrt[3]{abc}}{a+b+c} \geq 4$$

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Lemma: $\forall x, y, z > 0, \frac{x}{y} + \frac{y}{z} + \frac{z}{x} \geq \frac{(x+y+z)}{\sqrt[3]{xyz}}$

Proof: $3\left(\frac{x}{y} + \frac{y}{z} + \frac{z}{x}\right) = \left(\frac{x}{y} + \frac{x}{y} + \frac{y}{z}\right) + \left(\frac{y}{z} + \frac{y}{z} + \frac{z}{x}\right) + \left(\frac{z}{x} + \frac{z}{x} + \frac{x}{y}\right) \stackrel{AM-GM}{\geq}$
 $\geq \sum \frac{3x}{\sqrt[3]{xyz}} = \frac{3(x+y+z)}{\sqrt[3]{xyz}} \text{ or } \frac{x}{y} + \frac{y}{z} + \frac{z}{x} \geq \frac{(x+y+z)}{\sqrt[3]{xyz}} \text{ (proof complete)}$

$$\frac{a}{b} + \frac{b}{c} + \frac{c}{a} + \frac{3\sqrt[3]{abc}}{a+b+c} = \frac{2}{3}\left(\frac{a}{b} + \frac{b}{c} + \frac{c}{a}\right) + \frac{1}{3}\left(\frac{a}{b} + \frac{b}{c} + \frac{c}{a}\right) + \frac{3\sqrt[3]{abc}}{a+b+c} \geq$$

$$\stackrel{AM-GM \text{ Lemma}}{\geq} \frac{2}{3} \times 3 + \frac{1}{3} \cdot \frac{a+b+c}{\sqrt[3]{abc}} + \frac{3\sqrt[3]{abc}}{a+b+c} \stackrel{AM-GM}{\geq} 2 + 2 \sqrt{\frac{1}{3} \cdot \frac{a+b+c}{\sqrt[3]{abc}} \cdot \frac{3\sqrt[3]{abc}}{a+b+c}} = 4$$

$$\frac{3\sqrt[3]{abc}}{a+b+c} \stackrel{AM-GM}{\leq} \frac{a+b+c}{a+b+c} = 1 \text{ \& } \frac{a}{b} + \frac{b}{c} + \frac{c}{a} \stackrel{CBS}{\leq}$$

$$\leq \sqrt{\left(\sum a^2\right)\left(\sum \frac{1}{a^2}\right)} \stackrel{Leibniz, Steining}{\leq} \sqrt{\frac{9R^2}{4r^2}} = \frac{3R}{2r}$$

We need to show: $1 + \frac{3R}{2r} \leq \frac{3R}{r} - 2$ or, $\frac{3R}{2r} \geq 3$ or, $R \geq 2r$ true by Euler.

Equality holds for an equilateral triangle.