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In any ΔABC the following relationship holds :

$$\frac{n_a}{h_a} \geq \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{g_c}{l_b} + \frac{g_b}{l_c} \right)$$

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Let $x = s - a, y = s - b, z = s - c$ and then : $a = y + z, b = z + x, c = x + y$ and $s = x + y + z$ and furthermore, we denote : $\frac{y+z}{x} = m$ and $\frac{yz}{x^2} = n$ and then, we have the following set "S" of relations : $y^2 + z^2 = x^2(m^2 - 2n)$,

$$\begin{aligned} & \text{squaring and via Bogdan Fustei} \\ & y^3 + z^3 = x^3(m^3 - 3mn), \text{ and now, } g_b g_c \leq r_a w_a \Leftrightarrow \\ & \left((s-b)^2 + \frac{4(s-a)(s-b)(s-c)}{b} \right) \left((s-c)^2 + \frac{4(s-a)(s-b)(s-c)}{c} \right) \leq \\ & \quad \frac{s(s-b)(s-c)}{s-a} \cdot \frac{4bc}{(b+c)^2} \cdot s(s-a) \\ & \Leftrightarrow 4(z+x)^2(x+y)^2(x+y+z)^2 \geq (4zx + xy + yz)(4xy + zx + yz)(2x + y + z)^2 \\ & \Leftrightarrow 4x^6 + 16x^5(y+z) + 8x^4(y^2+z^2) - 12x^4 \cdot yz - 32x^3 \cdot yz(y+z) - \\ & 5x^2 \cdot yz(y+z)^2 + 3x \cdot yz(y^3+z^3) + 13x \cdot y^2z^2(y+z) + 3y^2z^2(y+z)^2 \geq 0 \text{ and via} \end{aligned}$$

set of relations "S", to prove ①, it suffices to prove, following simplification :

$$\overbrace{(3m^2 + 4m)}^{\Omega_1} n^2 + \overbrace{(3m^3 - 5m^2 - 32m - 28)}^{\Omega_2} n + \overbrace{(8m^2 + 16m + 4)}^{\Omega_3} + \geq 0$$

and it's trivially true when : $\Omega_2 \geq 0$ and when : $\Omega_2 < 0$, then :

$$3m^3 - 5m^2 - 32m - 28 = (m-5)(3m^2 + 10m + 18) + 62 < 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (m-5)(3m^2 + 10m + 18) < -62 < 0 \Rightarrow m < 5 \rightarrow \text{(i)}$$

Now, LHS of ② is a quadratic polynomial in "n" with discriminant, $\delta =$

$$\sigma_2^2 - 4\sigma_1\sigma_3 = (m+1)(m+2)^2(9m^3 - 75m^2 + 40m + 196) \text{ and when : } 9m^3 - 75m^2 + 40m + 196 \leq 0, \text{ then } \delta \leq 0 \Rightarrow \text{② is trivially true and when :}$$

$$9m^3 - 75m^2 + 40m + 196 > 0, \text{ then : } 9m^3 - 75m^2 + 40m + 196$$

$$= \left(3m(m-5) - 3m - \frac{86}{3} \right) (3m-7) - \frac{14}{3} > 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \left(3m(m-5) - 3m - \frac{86}{3} \right) (3m-7) > \frac{14}{3} > 0 \text{ and } \therefore m \leq 5 \text{ via (i)}$$

$$\Rightarrow 3m(m-5) - 3m - \frac{86}{3} < 0 \therefore m < \frac{7}{3} \rightarrow \text{(ii) and so, when : } \delta > 0,$$

$$\text{then it suffices to prove : } 2\Omega_1 \cdot n \leq -\Omega_2 - \sqrt{\delta} \Leftrightarrow \text{and } \therefore n \leq \frac{AM-GM}{4} m^2$$

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$\therefore$ suffices to prove : $\Omega_1 \cdot \frac{m^2}{2} \stackrel{?}{\leq} -\Omega_2 - \sqrt{\delta} \Leftrightarrow -(m+2)^2(3m^2 - 2m - 14) \stackrel{?}{\geq} 2\sqrt{\delta}$

and $\because 3m^2 - 2m - 14 = \left(m + \frac{5}{3}\right)(3m - 7) - \frac{7}{3} \stackrel{\text{via (ii)}}{<} 0 \therefore$ it suffices to prove :

$$(m+2)^4(3m^2 - 2m - 14)^2 \stackrel{?}{\geq} 4(m+1)(m+2)^2(9m^3 - 75m^2 + 40m + 196)$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \boxed{m(m+2)^2(m-2)^2(3m+4)(3m^2+16m+4) \stackrel{?}{\geq} 0} \therefore g_b g_c \leq r_a w_a$$

and analogously, $\boxed{g_c g_a \leq r_b l_b} \rightarrow (*)$ and $\boxed{g_a g_b \leq r_c l_c} \rightarrow (**)$

$$\text{Now, } n_a \geq \frac{m_a l_a}{g_a} \Rightarrow \frac{2n_a}{h_a} \stackrel{\text{Bogdan Fustei}}{\geq} \frac{2m_a l_a}{h_a g_a} \stackrel{\text{Lascu} + \text{AM-GM}}{\geq} 4R \cdot \frac{s(s-a)}{bc} \cdot \frac{1}{g_a}$$

$$= 4R \cos^2 \frac{A}{2} \cdot \frac{1}{g_a} = \frac{r_b + r_c}{g_a} \stackrel{?}{\geq} \frac{g_c}{l_b} + \frac{g_b}{l_c} \Leftrightarrow r_b + r_c \stackrel{?}{\geq} \frac{g_c g_a}{l_b} + \frac{g_a g_b}{l_c} \rightarrow \text{true}$$

$$\therefore \frac{g_c g_a}{l_b} + \frac{g_a g_b}{l_c} \stackrel{\text{via } (*) \text{ and } (**)}{\leq} \frac{r_b l_b}{l_b} + \frac{r_c l_c}{l_c} = r_b + r_c \therefore \frac{n_a}{h_a} \geq \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{g_c}{l_b} + \frac{g_b}{l_c} \right) \forall \Delta ABC,$$

" = " iff ΔABC is equilateral (QED)