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In any ΔABC the following relationship holds :

$$8m_b m_c \geq \max \left\{ 3a^2 - 12Rr + 60r^2, 4a^2 + b^2 + c^2 - \frac{9b^2 c^2 (b - c)^2}{16F^2} \right\}$$

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$$\begin{aligned} (m_b - m_c)^2 &\leq \frac{s^2 + 2Rr - 31r^2}{2} \\ \text{(Reference : Inequality in Triangle - 345 by Dang Ngoc Minh;)} \\ &\quad \text{published at www.ssmrmh.ro} \\ &\Rightarrow 4m_b^2 + 4m_c^2 - 8m_b m_c \leq 2s^2 + 4Rr - 62r^2 \\ &\Rightarrow 8m_b m_c \geq 2c^2 + 2a^2 - b^2 + 2a^2 + 2b^2 - c^2 - 2s^2 - 4Rr + 62r^2 \\ &= 4a^2 + b^2 + c^2 - 2s^2 - 4Rr + 62r^2 = 3a^2 + \sum_{\text{cyc}} a^2 - 2s^2 - 4Rr + 62r^2 \\ &= 3a^2 + 2(s^2 - 4Rr - r^2) - 2s^2 - 4Rr + 62r^2 = 3a^2 - 12Rr + 60r^2 \\ &\therefore \boxed{8m_b m_c \geq 3a^2 - 12Rr + 60r^2, " = " \text{ iff } a = b = c} \text{ and again,} \\ &\quad 8m_b m_c \stackrel{?}{\geq} 4a^2 + b^2 + c^2 - \frac{9b^2 c^2 (b - c)^2}{16F^2} \\ &\Leftrightarrow 8m_b m_c \stackrel{?}{\geq} 4m_b^2 + 4m_c^2 - \frac{9b^2 c^2 (b - c)^2}{16F^2} \Leftrightarrow \frac{9b^2 c^2 (b - c)^2}{16F^2} \stackrel{?}{\geq} 4(m_b - m_c)^2 \\ &= \frac{4(m_b^2 - m_c^2)^2}{(m_b + m_c)^2} = \frac{\left((2c^2 + 2a^2 - b^2) - (2a^2 + 2b^2 - c^2) \right)^2}{4(m_b + m_c)^2} = \frac{9(b - c)^2 (b + c)^2}{4(m_b + m_c)^2} \\ &\Leftrightarrow \frac{bc}{2F} \cdot (m_b + m_c) \stackrel{?}{\geq} b + c \left(\because (b - c)^2 \stackrel{?}{\geq} 0 \right) \rightarrow \text{true} \\ &\therefore \frac{bc}{2F} \cdot (m_b + m_c) \geq \frac{bc}{2F} \cdot (h_b + h_c) = \frac{abc(b + c)}{2F \cdot 2R} = \frac{4RF(b + c)}{4RF} = b + c \\ &\therefore \boxed{8m_b m_c \geq 4a^2 + b^2 + c^2 - \frac{9b^2 c^2 (b - c)^2}{16F^2}, " = " \text{ iff } a = b = c} \text{ and so,} \\ &8m_b m_c \geq \max \left\{ 3a^2 - 12Rr + 60r^2, 4a^2 + b^2 + c^2 - \frac{9b^2 c^2 (b - c)^2}{16F^2} \right\} \forall ABC, \\ &\quad " = " \text{ iff } \Delta ABC \text{ is equilateral (QED)} \end{aligned}$$