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Multiplying out and simplifying:

$$(AB)h_1 + (MN)h_1 + (MN)h_2 + (DC)h_2 = (AB)h_1 + (AB)h_2 + (DC)h_1 + (DC)h_2$$

$$(MN)h_1 - (DC)h_1 = (AB)h_2 - (MN)h_2$$

$$h_1(MN - DC) = h_2(AB - MN)$$

$$\frac{(AB - MN)}{(MN - DC)} = \frac{h_1}{h_2} \quad \text{--- (2)}$$

Now, (1) = (2), so

$$\frac{(DC + MN)}{(AB + MN)} = \frac{(AB - MN)}{(MN - DC)}$$

both equal to $\frac{h_1}{h_2}$

Multiplying out and simplifying, we get:

$$MN^2 = \frac{AB^2 + DC^2}{2} \quad \text{--- (3)}$$

The key is to use the AM-GM inequality on the RHS of (3) as follows:

$$MN^2 = \frac{AB^2 + DC^2}{2} \geq \sqrt{AB^2 \cdot DC^2} = (AB) \cdot (DC)$$

That is, $MN^2 > AB \cdot DC$ --- (4)

We remove the equality possibility because the equality only happens if $AB = DC$ which is not the case in our problem since we're given that $DC > AB$

We now manipulate inequality (4) as follows:

$$MN^2 + DC \cdot MN > AB \cdot DC + DC \cdot MN$$

$$(DC + MN) \cdot MN > DC \cdot (AB + MN)$$

Dividing (by positive quantities) & rewriting,

$$\frac{(DC + MN)}{(AB + MN)} \cdot \frac{(MN)}{(DC)} > 1$$

using (1)

$$\frac{h_1}{h_2} \cdot \frac{(MN)}{(DC)} > 1$$

continued here

add $DC \cdot MN$ to both sides of the inequality

equivalently (multiply up & down by $\frac{1}{2}$)

$$\frac{\frac{1}{2} \cdot h_1 \cdot (MN)}{\frac{1}{2} \cdot h_2 \cdot (DC)} > 1$$

more than:
 $| \Delta BNM | = \frac{1}{2} h_1 (MN)$
 and
 $| \Delta NCD | = \frac{1}{2} h_2 (DC)$

$$\frac{| \Delta BNM |}{| \Delta NCD |} > 1$$

or just, $| \Delta BNM | > | \Delta NCD |$

QED