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In  $\Delta ABC$  the following relationship holds:

$$(a^n + b^n + c^n)(a^n \cos^2 A + b^n \cos^2 B + c^n \cos^2 C) \geq 4F^2 \cdot \sum_{cyc} b^{n-2} c^{n-2}, \quad n \in \mathbb{N}$$

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Let  $H$  be the orthocenter of  $\Delta ABC$ . We have  $(a^n \cdot \overrightarrow{HA} + b^n \cdot \overrightarrow{HB} + c^n \cdot \overrightarrow{HC})^2 \geq 0$ , then

$$\begin{aligned} & a^{2n} \cdot HA^2 + b^{2n} \cdot HB^2 + c^{2n} \cdot HC^2 + a^n b^n \cdot 2\overrightarrow{HA} \cdot \overrightarrow{HB} + b^n c^n \cdot 2\overrightarrow{HB} \cdot \overrightarrow{HC} + c^n a^n \cdot 2\overrightarrow{HC} \cdot \overrightarrow{HA} \geq 0 \\ \Leftrightarrow & a^{2n} \cdot HA^2 + b^{2n} \cdot HB^2 + c^{2n} \cdot HC^2 + a^n b^n \cdot (HA^2 + HB^2 - c^2) + b^n c^n \cdot (HB^2 + HC^2 - a^2) + \\ & + c^n a^n \cdot (HC^2 + HA^2 - b^2) \geq 0 \\ \Leftrightarrow & (a^n + b^n + c^n)(a^n HA^2 + b^n HB^2 + c^n HC^2) \geq a^2 b^2 c^2 (a^{n-2} b^{n-2} + b^{n-2} c^{n-2} + c^{n-2} a^{n-2}) \end{aligned}$$

Since  $HA = 2R|\cos A|$  (and analogs) and  $abc = 4RF$ , then

$$(a^n + b^n + c^n)(a^n \cos^2 A + b^n \cos^2 B + c^n \cos^2 C) \geq 4F^2 (a^{n-2} b^{n-2} + b^{n-2} c^{n-2} + c^{n-2} a^{n-2}),$$

as desired. Equality holds iff  $\Delta ABC$  is equilateral.