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In any  $\Delta ABC$  and  $\forall n \in \mathbb{N}$ , the following relationship holds :

$$\sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{b^{2n+1} \cot \frac{C}{2} + c^{2n+1} \cot \frac{B}{2}}{a(b^{n+1} + c^{n+1})} \geq 3\sqrt{3}(abc)^{\frac{n-1}{3}}$$

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$\forall A, B, C > 0$ ,  $(A + B)$ ,  $(B + C)$ ,  $(C + A)$  form sides of a triangle

$(\because (A + B) + (B + C) > (C + A)$  and analogs)  $\Rightarrow \sqrt{A + B}$ ,  $\sqrt{B + C}$ ,  $\sqrt{C + A}$  form sides of a triangle with area  $F$  (say) and  $16F^2 =$

$$\begin{aligned} 2 \sum_{\text{cyc}} (A + B)(B + C) - \sum_{\text{cyc}} (A + B)^2 &= 2 \sum_{\text{cyc}} \left( \sum_{\text{cyc}} AB + B^2 \right) - 2 \sum_{\text{cyc}} A^2 - 2 \sum_{\text{cyc}} AB \\ &= 6 \sum_{\text{cyc}} AB + 2 \sum_{\text{cyc}} A^2 - 2 \sum_{\text{cyc}} A^2 - 2 \sum_{\text{cyc}} AB \Rightarrow 4F = 2 \sqrt{\sum_{\text{cyc}} AB} \rightarrow (1) \end{aligned}$$

Now,  $\forall x, y, z > 0$ ,  $\sqrt{\sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{xy}{(y+z)(z+x)}} \stackrel{?}{\geq} \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \Leftrightarrow \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{x^2 y^2}{xy(y+z)(z+x)} \stackrel{?}{\geq} \frac{3}{4}$

Via Bergstrom, LHS of (\*)  $\geq \frac{(\sum_{\text{cyc}} xy)^2}{\sum_{\text{cyc}} (xy(\sum_{\text{cyc}} xy + z^2))} = \frac{(\sum_{\text{cyc}} xy)^2}{(\sum_{\text{cyc}} xy)^2 + xyz \sum_{\text{cyc}} x}$

$$\stackrel{?}{\geq} \frac{3}{4} \Leftrightarrow \left( \sum_{\text{cyc}} xy \right)^2 \stackrel{?}{\geq} 3xyz \sum_{\text{cyc}} x \rightarrow \text{true} \therefore \sqrt{\sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{xy}{(y+z)(z+x)}} \stackrel{?}{\geq} \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \rightarrow (2)$$

We have :

$$\begin{aligned} &\frac{b^{2n+1} \cot \frac{C}{2} + c^{2n+1} \cot \frac{B}{2}}{a(b^{n+1} + c^{n+1})} + \frac{c^{2n+1} \cot \frac{A}{2} + a^{2n+1} \cot \frac{C}{2}}{b(c^{n+1} + a^{n+1})} \\ &\quad + \frac{a^{2n+1} \cot \frac{B}{2} + b^{2n+1} \cot \frac{A}{2}}{c(a^{n+1} + b^{n+1})} \\ &= \frac{\frac{b^n}{c^{n+1}} \cot \frac{C}{2} + \frac{c^n}{b^{n+1}} \cot \frac{B}{2}}{a \left( \frac{1}{c^{n+1}} + \frac{1}{b^{n+1}} \right)} + \frac{\frac{c^n}{a^{n+1}} \cot \frac{A}{2} + \frac{a^n}{c^{n+1}} \cot \frac{C}{2}}{b \left( \frac{1}{a^{n+1}} + \frac{1}{c^{n+1}} \right)} + \frac{\frac{a^n}{b^{n+1}} \cot \frac{B}{2} + \frac{b^n}{a^{n+1}} \cot \frac{A}{2}}{c \left( \frac{1}{b^{n+1}} + \frac{1}{a^{n+1}} \right)} \\ &= \frac{\frac{1}{a^{n+1}}}{\frac{1}{b^{n+1}} + \frac{1}{c^{n+1}}} \cdot \left( \frac{c^n a^n \cot \frac{B}{2}}{b^{n+1}} + \frac{a^n b^n \cot \frac{C}{2}}{c^{n+1}} \right) + \frac{\frac{1}{b^{n+1}}}{\frac{1}{c^{n+1}} + \frac{1}{a^{n+1}}} \cdot \left( \frac{a^n b^n \cot \frac{C}{2}}{c^{n+1}} + \frac{b^n c^n \cot \frac{A}{2}}{a^{n+1}} \right) \\ &\quad + \frac{\frac{1}{c^{n+1}}}{\frac{1}{a^{n+1}} + \frac{1}{b^{n+1}}} \cdot \left( \frac{b^n c^n \cot \frac{A}{2}}{a^{n+1}} + \frac{c^n a^n \cot \frac{B}{2}}{b^{n+1}} \right) \end{aligned}$$

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$$\begin{aligned}
 &= \frac{x}{y+z}(B+C) + \frac{y}{z+x}(C+A) + \frac{z}{x+y}(A+B) \\
 &\left( x = \frac{1}{a^{n+1}}, y = \frac{1}{b^{n+1}}, z = \frac{1}{c^{n+1}}, A = \frac{b^n c^n \cot \frac{A}{2}}{a^{n+1}}, B = \frac{c^n a^n \cot \frac{B}{2}}{b^{n+1}}, C = \frac{a^n b^n \cot \frac{C}{2}}{c^{n+1}} \right) \\
 &= \frac{x}{y+z} \cdot \sqrt{B+C}^2 + \frac{y}{z+x} \cdot \sqrt{C+A}^2 + \frac{z}{x+y} \cdot \sqrt{A+B}^2 \stackrel{\text{Oppenheim}}{\geq} \\
 &\quad 4F. \sqrt{\sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{xy}{(y+z)(z+x)}} \stackrel{\text{via (1) and (2)}}{\geq} 2 \sqrt{\sum_{\text{cyc}} AB} \cdot \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \\
 &= \sqrt{3 \sum_{\text{cyc}} \left( \frac{b^n c^n \cot \frac{A}{2}}{a^{n+1}} \cdot \frac{c^n a^n \cot \frac{B}{2}}{b^{n+1}} \right)} = \sqrt{\frac{3(abc)^n}{(abc)^{n+1}} \cdot \sum_{\text{cyc}} \left( c^{2n+1} \cdot \cot \frac{A}{2} \cot \frac{B}{2} \right)} \\
 &\stackrel{A-G}{\geq} 3 \cdot \sqrt{\frac{1}{abc} \cdot \sqrt[3]{(abc)^{2n+1} \cdot \left( \prod_{\text{cyc}} \cot \frac{A}{2} \right)^2}} = 3 \sqrt{(abc)^{\frac{2n-2}{3}} \cdot \sqrt[3]{\frac{s^6}{(r_a r_b r_c)^2}}} \\
 &= 3(abc)^{\frac{n-1}{3}} \cdot \sqrt[6]{\frac{s^6}{r^2 s^4}} = 3(abc)^{\frac{n-1}{3}} \cdot \sqrt[3]{\frac{s}{r}} \stackrel{\text{Mitrinovic}}{\geq} = 3(abc)^{\frac{n-1}{3}} \cdot \sqrt{3} \\
 &\therefore \frac{b^{2n+1} \cot \frac{C}{2} + c^{2n+1} \cot \frac{B}{2}}{a(b^{n+1} + c^{n+1})} + \frac{c^{2n+1} \cot \frac{A}{2} + a^{2n+1} \cot \frac{C}{2}}{b(c^{n+1} + a^{n+1})} + \frac{a^{2n+1} \cot \frac{B}{2} + b^{2n+1} \cot \frac{A}{2}}{c(a^{n+1} + b^{n+1})} \\
 &\quad \geq 3\sqrt{3}(abc)^{\frac{n-1}{3}} \forall \Delta ABC, " = " \text{ iff } \Delta ABC \text{ is equilateral (QED)}
 \end{aligned}$$