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In ΔABC the following relationship holds:

$$\frac{a}{b+c} \left(\tan \frac{B}{2} + \tan \frac{C}{2} \right) + \frac{b}{c+a} \left(\tan \frac{C}{2} + \tan \frac{A}{2} \right) + \frac{c}{a+b} \left(\tan \frac{A}{2} + \tan \frac{B}{2} \right) \geq \sqrt{3}$$

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$$\begin{aligned}
& \frac{a}{b+c} \left(\tan \frac{B}{2} + \tan \frac{C}{2} \right) + \frac{b}{c+a} \left(\tan \frac{C}{2} + \tan \frac{A}{2} \right) + \frac{c}{a+b} \left(\tan \frac{A}{2} + \tan \frac{B}{2} \right) = \\
&= \sum_{cyc} \frac{a}{b+c} \left(\tan \frac{B}{2} + \tan \frac{C}{2} \right) = \sum_{cyc} \frac{a}{b+c} \cdot \frac{\sin \left(\frac{B+C}{2} \right)}{\cos \frac{B}{2} \cos \frac{C}{2}} = \sum_{cyc} \frac{a}{b+c} \cdot \frac{\sin \left(\frac{\pi-A}{2} \right)}{\cos \frac{B}{2} \cos \frac{C}{2}} = \\
&= \sum_{cyc} \frac{a}{b+c} \cdot \frac{\cos \frac{A}{2}}{\cos \frac{B}{2} \cos \frac{C}{2}} \stackrel{AM-GM}{\leq} 3 \cdot \sqrt[3]{\prod_{cyc} \frac{a}{b+c} \cdot \frac{\cos \frac{A}{2}}{\cos \frac{B}{2} \cos \frac{C}{2}}} = \\
&= 3 \cdot \sqrt[3]{\frac{abc}{(a+b)(b+c)(c+a)} \prod_{cyc} \frac{1}{\cos \frac{A}{2}}} = 3 \cdot \sqrt[3]{\frac{4Rrs}{2s(s^2+r^2+2Rr)} \cdot \frac{4R}{s}} = \\
&= 6 \cdot \sqrt[3]{\frac{R^2r}{s(s^2+r^2+2Rr)}} \stackrel{MITRINOVIC}{\leq} 6 \cdot \sqrt[3]{\frac{R^2r}{3\sqrt{3}r(s^2+r^2+2Rr)}} = \\
&= \frac{6}{\sqrt{3}} \cdot \sqrt[3]{\frac{R^2}{s^2+r^2+2Rr}} \stackrel{GERRETSSEN}{\leq} 2\sqrt{3} \cdot \sqrt[3]{\frac{R^2}{4R^2+4Rr+3r^2+r^2+2Rr}} \stackrel{EULER}{\leq} \\
&\geq 2\sqrt{3} \cdot \sqrt[3]{\frac{R^2}{4R^2+6R \cdot \frac{R}{2}+4\left(\frac{R}{2}\right)^2}} = 2\sqrt{3} \cdot \sqrt[3]{\frac{R^2}{4R^2+6R \cdot \frac{R}{2}+4\left(\frac{R}{2}\right)^2}} = \\
&= 2\sqrt{3} \cdot \sqrt[3]{\frac{1}{8}} = \sqrt{3}
\end{aligned}$$

Equality holds for: $a = b = c$.