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In  $\Delta ABC$  the following relationship holds:

$$\frac{m_a}{m_b + m_c} \cot \frac{A}{2} + \frac{m_b}{m_c + m_a} \cot \frac{B}{2} + \frac{m_c}{m_a + m_b} \cot \frac{C}{2} \geq \frac{3\sqrt{3}}{2}$$

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*WLOG  $a \geq b \geq c$*

*then  $m_a \leq m_b \leq m_c, m_a + m_b \leq m_a + m_c \leq m_b + m_c,$*

$$\cot \frac{A}{2} \leq \cot \frac{B}{2} \leq \cot \frac{C}{2}$$

$$\frac{m_a}{m_b + m_c} \cot \frac{A}{2} + \frac{m_b}{m_c + m_a} \cot \frac{B}{2} + \frac{m_c}{m_a + m_b} \cot \frac{C}{2} \stackrel{\text{Chebyshev}}{\geq}$$

$$\geq \frac{1}{3} \sum \frac{m_a}{m_b + m_c} \sum \cot \frac{A}{2} \stackrel{\text{Nesbitt}}{\geq}$$

$$\geq \frac{1}{3} \cdot \frac{3}{2} \cdot \frac{s}{r} \stackrel{\text{Mitrinovic}}{\geq} \frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{3\sqrt{3}r}{r} = \frac{3\sqrt{3}}{2}$$

*Equality for  $\Delta ABC$  equilateral*