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In  $\triangle ABC$  non-right angled holds:

$$\frac{\tan A}{\tan B} + \frac{\tan B}{\tan C} + \frac{\tan C}{\tan A} \geq \frac{\sin 2A}{\sin 2B} + \frac{\sin 2B}{\sin 2C} + \frac{\sin 2C}{\sin 2A}$$

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Lemma  $a, b, c > 0$  then  $\frac{a}{b} + \frac{b}{c} + \frac{c}{a} \geq \frac{a+b}{b+c} + \frac{b+c}{c+a} + \frac{c+a}{a+b}$

Proof:

WLOG  $c = \min(a, b, c)$ , now:

$$\frac{a}{b} + \frac{b}{c} + \frac{c}{a} - 3 \geq \frac{a+b}{b+c} + \frac{b+c}{c+a} + \frac{c+a}{a+b} - 3 = \frac{1}{ab}(a-b)^2 + \frac{1}{ac}(a-c)(b-c) \geq$$

$$\geq \left( \frac{1}{ab} - \frac{1}{(a+c)(b+c)} \right) (a-b)^2 + \left( \frac{1}{ac} - \frac{1}{(a+c)(a+b)} \right) \times (a-c)(b-c) \geq 0,$$

since  $c = \min(a, b, c)$

$$LHS \stackrel{\text{lemma}}{\geq} \sum \frac{\tan A + \tan B}{\tan B + \tan C} = \sum \frac{\sin(B+A)}{\sin(B+C)} \cdot \frac{\cos C}{\cos A} =$$

$$= \sum \frac{2\sin C \cos C}{2\sin A \cos A} = \sum \frac{\sin 2C}{\sin 2A} \quad (\text{Note: } A + B + C = \pi)$$

Equality holds for  $A = B = C$ .