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In any acute ΔABC , the following relationship holds :

$$\left(\sin \frac{A}{2}\right)^{\sin \frac{A}{2}} + \left(\sin \frac{B}{2}\right)^{\sin \frac{B}{2}} + \left(\sin \frac{C}{2}\right)^{\sin \frac{C}{2}} \geq \frac{3\sqrt{2}}{2}$$

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$$\begin{aligned} \text{LHS} &\stackrel{\text{A-G}}{\geq} 3 \prod_{\text{cyc}} \left(\left(\sin \frac{A}{2} \right)^{\frac{\sin \frac{A}{2}}{3}} \right) \stackrel{?}{\geq} \frac{3\sqrt{2}}{2} \Leftrightarrow \sum_{\text{cyc}} \left(\frac{\sin \frac{A}{2}}{3} \cdot \ln \left(\sin \frac{A}{2} \right) \right) \stackrel{?}{\geq} \ln \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \\ &\Leftrightarrow \sum_{\text{cyc}} \left(\sin \frac{A}{2} \cdot \ln \left(\sin \frac{A}{2} \right) \right) \stackrel{?}{\underset{(*)}{\geq}} 3 \ln \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \end{aligned}$$

Let $f(x) = \sin \frac{x}{2} \cdot \ln \left(\sin \frac{x}{2} \right) \forall x \in \left(0, \frac{\pi}{2} \right)$ and then :

$$f''(x) = \frac{1 - \left(\sin^2 \frac{x}{2} \right) \left(2 + \ln \left(\sin \frac{x}{2} \right) \right)}{4 \sin \frac{x}{2}} \rightarrow (1)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \because \ln \left(\sin \frac{x}{2} \right) &\leq \sin \frac{x}{2} - 1 \therefore \left(\sin^2 \frac{x}{2} \right) \left(2 + \ln \left(\sin \frac{x}{2} \right) \right) \leq \left(\sin^2 \frac{x}{2} \right) \left(1 + \sin \frac{x}{2} \right) \stackrel{?}{<} 1 \\ \Leftrightarrow \csc^2 \frac{x}{2} &> 1 + \sin \frac{x}{2} \Leftrightarrow \cot^2 \frac{x}{2} > \sin \frac{x}{2} \Leftrightarrow \cos^2 \frac{x}{2} > \sin^3 \frac{x}{2} \rightarrow \text{true} \because 0 < \frac{x}{2} < \frac{\pi}{4} \end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow \cos^2 \frac{x}{2} > \sin^2 \frac{x}{2} \stackrel{1 > \sin \frac{x}{2}}{>} \sin^3 \frac{x}{2} \therefore \left(\sin^2 \frac{x}{2} \right) \left(2 + \ln \left(\sin \frac{x}{2} \right) \right) < 1 \stackrel{\text{via (1)}}{\Rightarrow} f''(x) > 0$$

$$\therefore \sum_{\text{cyc}} \left(\sin \frac{A}{2} \cdot \ln \left(\sin \frac{A}{2} \right) \right) \stackrel{\text{Jensen}}{\geq} 3 \sin \frac{\pi}{6} \cdot \ln \left(\sin \frac{\pi}{6} \right) = \frac{3}{2} \cdot \ln \frac{1}{2} = 3 \ln \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \Rightarrow (*) \text{ is true}$$

$$\therefore \left(\sin \frac{A}{2} \right)^{\sin \frac{A}{2}} + \left(\sin \frac{B}{2} \right)^{\sin \frac{B}{2}} + \left(\sin \frac{C}{2} \right)^{\sin \frac{C}{2}} \geq \frac{3\sqrt{2}}{2}$$

\forall acute ΔABC , " = " iff ΔABC is equilateral (QED)