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In  $\triangle ABC$  the following relationship holds:

$$\sum \frac{\cot \frac{A}{2}}{\tan \frac{B}{2} + \tan \frac{C}{2}} \geq \frac{9}{2}$$

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$$\frac{A}{2} + \frac{B}{2} + \frac{C}{2} = \frac{\pi}{2} \text{ or } \tan\left(\frac{A}{2} + \frac{B}{2}\right) = \tan\left(\frac{\pi}{2} - \frac{C}{2}\right) \text{ or,}$$

$$\frac{\left(\tan \frac{A}{2} + \tan \frac{B}{2}\right)}{1 - \tan \frac{A}{2} \tan \frac{B}{2}} = \cot \frac{C}{2} \text{ or } \sum \tan \frac{A}{2} \tan \frac{B}{2} = 1 \quad (1)$$

$$\sum \frac{\cot \frac{A}{2}}{\tan \frac{B}{2} + \tan \frac{C}{2}} = \sum \frac{1^2}{\tan \frac{B}{2} \tan \frac{A}{2} + \tan \frac{A}{2} \tan \frac{C}{2}} \stackrel{\text{Bergstrom}}{\geq} \frac{(1+1+1)^2}{2 \sum \tan \frac{A}{2} \tan \frac{B}{2}} \stackrel{(1)}{=} \frac{9}{2}$$

*Equality holds  $A = B = C = \frac{\pi}{3}$*