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$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{\cot^3 \frac{A}{2}}{x \tan \frac{A}{2} + y \tan \frac{B}{2} + z \tan \frac{B}{2} \tan \frac{C}{2}} + \frac{\cot^3 \frac{B}{2}}{x \tan \frac{B}{2} + y \tan \frac{C}{2} + z \tan \frac{C}{2} \tan \frac{A}{2}} + \\ & + \frac{\cot^3 \frac{C}{2}}{x \tan \frac{C}{2} + y \tan \frac{A}{2} + z \tan \frac{A}{2} \tan \frac{B}{2}} \geq \frac{s^4}{((4R+r)^2 x + (y-2x)s^2 + 3zrs)r^2} \end{aligned}$$

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Using formulas

$$\tan \frac{A}{2} = \frac{r}{s-a}, \cot \frac{A}{2} = \frac{s-a}{r}, ab + bc + ca = s^2 + r^2 + 4Rr, F^2 = s(s-a)(s-b)(s-c)$$

we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \tan \frac{A}{2} + \tan \frac{B}{2} + \tan \frac{C}{2} &= \frac{r}{s-a} + \frac{r}{s-b} + \frac{r}{s-c} = \\ &= \frac{r((s-a)(s-b) + (s-b)(s-c) + (s-c)(s-a))}{(s-a)(s-b)(s-c)} = \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} &= \frac{r(3s^2 - s(a+b+c) + ab + bc + ca)}{(s-a)(s-b)(s-c)} = \end{aligned}$$

$$= \frac{sr(3s^2 - 4s^2 + s^2 + r^2 + 4Rr)}{s(s-a)(s-b)(s-c)} = \frac{Fr(4R+r)}{F^2} = \frac{r(4R+r)}{sr} = \frac{4R+r}{s},$$

$$\tan \frac{A}{2} \tan \frac{B}{2} + \tan \frac{B}{2} \tan \frac{C}{2} + \tan \frac{C}{2} \tan \frac{A}{2} = \frac{r^2}{(s-a)(s-b)} + \frac{r^2}{(s-b)(s-c)} + \frac{r^2}{(s-c)(s-a)} = 1,$$

$$\tan \frac{A}{2} \tan \frac{B}{2} \tan \frac{C}{2} = \frac{r^3}{(s-a)(s-b)(s-c)} = \frac{r^3 s}{s(s-a)(s-b)(s-c)} = \frac{r}{s}$$

$$\cot \frac{A}{2} + \cot \frac{B}{2} + \cot \frac{C}{2} = \frac{s-a}{r} + \frac{s-b}{r} + \frac{s-c}{r} = \frac{3s-a-b-c}{r} = \frac{s}{r}.$$

Applying Bergström inequality it follows that

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$$\begin{aligned}
& \frac{\cot^3 \frac{A}{2}}{x \tan \frac{A}{2} + y \tan \frac{B}{2} + z \tan \frac{C}{2} \tan \frac{A}{2}} + \frac{\cot^3 \frac{B}{2}}{x \tan \frac{B}{2} + y \tan \frac{C}{2} + z \tan \frac{C}{2} \tan \frac{B}{2}} \\
& + \frac{\cot^3 \frac{C}{2}}{x \tan \frac{C}{2} + y \tan \frac{A}{2} + z \tan \frac{A}{2} \tan \frac{C}{2}} = \\
= & \frac{\tan \frac{A}{2} \cot^3 \frac{A}{2}}{x \tan^2 \frac{A}{2} + y \tan \frac{A}{2} \tan \frac{B}{2} + z \tan \frac{A}{2} \tan \frac{B}{2} \tan \frac{C}{2}} + \frac{\tan \frac{B}{2} \cot^3 \frac{B}{2}}{x \tan^2 \frac{B}{2} + y \tan \frac{B}{2} \tan \frac{C}{2} + z \tan \frac{B}{2} \tan \frac{C}{2} \tan \frac{A}{2}} \\
& + \frac{\tan \frac{C}{2} \cot^3 \frac{C}{2}}{x \tan^2 \frac{C}{2} + y \tan \frac{C}{2} \tan \frac{A}{2} + z \tan \frac{C}{2} \tan \frac{A}{2} \tan \frac{B}{2}} \geq \\
\geq & \frac{\left(\cot \frac{A}{2} + \cot \frac{B}{2} + \cot \frac{C}{2} \right)^2}{x \left(\tan^2 \frac{A}{2} + \tan^2 \frac{B}{2} + \tan^2 \frac{C}{2} \right) + y \left(\tan \frac{A}{2} \tan \frac{B}{2} + \tan \frac{B}{2} \tan \frac{C}{2} + \tan \frac{C}{2} \tan \frac{A}{2} \right) + 3z \tan \frac{A}{2} \tan \frac{B}{2} \tan \frac{C}{2}} \\
= & \frac{\frac{s^2}{r^2}}{x \left(\frac{4R+r}{s} \right)^2 - 2x + y + \frac{3zr}{s}} = \frac{s^4}{((4R+r)^2 x + (y-2x)s^2 + 3zrs)r^2}.
\end{aligned}$$

Equality holds if and only if ΔABC is equilateral.