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S.2639 If  $m, n > 0$  and  $m + n = mn$  then in any triangle  $ABC$  with the area  $F$  the following inequality holds:

$$(a^m + b^m + c^m)^{\frac{1}{m}}(a^n + b^n + c^n)^{\frac{1}{n}} \geq 4\sqrt{3}F$$

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By Power Mean inequality we have:

$$\left(\frac{a^m + b^m + c^m}{3}\right)^{1/m} \geq \frac{a + b + c}{3} \Leftrightarrow (a^m + b^m + c^m)^{\frac{1}{m}} \geq \frac{3^{\frac{1}{m}}(a + b + c)}{3} \quad (1)$$

$$\left(\frac{a^n + b^n + c^n}{3}\right)^{1/n} \geq \frac{a + b + c}{3} \Leftrightarrow (a^n + b^n + c^n)^{\frac{1}{n}} \geq \frac{3^{\frac{1}{n}}(a + b + c)}{3} \quad (2)$$

Since  $m + n = mn \Leftrightarrow \frac{1}{m} + \frac{1}{n} = 1$ , applying (1), (2) and the inequality:

$s^2 \geq 3F\sqrt{3}$  (Mitrinovic), it follows that:

$$(a^m + b^m + c^m)^{\frac{1}{m}}(a^n + b^n + c^n)^{\frac{1}{n}} \geq \frac{3^{\frac{1}{m}+\frac{1}{n}}(a + b + c)^2}{9} \geq \frac{12F\sqrt{3}}{3} = 4\sqrt{3}F.$$

Equality holds if and only if the triangle  $ABC$  is equilateral.