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**U.2529** If  $x, y \in \mathbb{R}_+^*$ , then in any triangle  $ABC$  holds the inequality:

$$\frac{a^3}{xa + yb} + \frac{b^3}{xb + yc} + \frac{c^3}{xc + ya} \geq \frac{2(s^2 - r^2 - 4Rr)}{x + y}$$

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Applying Radon's inequality, the known inequality  $ab + bc + ca \leq a^2 + b^2 + c^2$

and the formula  $a^2 + b^2 + c^2 = 2(s^2 - r^2 - 4Rr)$ , it follows that

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{a^3}{xa + yb} + \frac{b^3}{xb + yc} + \frac{c^3}{xc + ya} &= \frac{a^4}{xa^2 + yab} + \frac{b^4}{xb^2 + ybc} + \frac{c^4}{xc^2 + yca} = \\ &= \frac{(a^2)^2}{xa^2 + yab} + \frac{(b^2)^2}{xb^2 + ybc} + \frac{(c^2)^2}{xc^2 + yca} \geq \frac{(a^2 + b^2 + c^2)^2}{x(a^2 + b^2 + c^2) + y(ab + bc + ca)} \geq \\ &= \frac{(a^2 + b^2 + c^2)^2}{(x + y)(a^2 + b^2 + c^2)} = \frac{a^2 + b^2 + c^2}{x + y} = \frac{2(s^2 - r^2 - 4Rr)}{x + y}. \end{aligned}$$

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