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In acute  $\triangle ABC$  the following relationship holds:

$$\frac{6}{\pi} < \frac{1}{f(A)} + \frac{1}{f(B)} + \frac{1}{f(C)} < 3, \quad \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \frac{dx}{1 + \cos \alpha \cos x} = f(\alpha)$$

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$$\begin{aligned} f(\alpha) &= \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \frac{dx}{1 + \cos \alpha \cos x} = 2 \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{4}} \frac{dx}{1 + \cos \alpha \left\{ \frac{1 - \tan^2 x}{1 + \tan^2 x} \right\}} = \\ &= 2 \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{4}} \frac{\sec^2 x dx}{1 + \cos \alpha + (1 - \cos \alpha) \tan^2 x} = \\ &= \frac{2}{\sqrt{1 - \cos^2 \alpha}} \left( \tan^{-1} \left( \tan \frac{\alpha}{2} \tan x \right) \right)_0^{\frac{\pi}{4}} = \frac{\alpha}{\sin \alpha} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{f(A)} + \frac{1}{f(B)} + \frac{1}{f(C)} &= \frac{\sin A}{A} + \frac{\sin B}{B} + \frac{\sin C}{C} \\ \frac{2}{\pi} < \sin x < 1 \text{ for } 0 < x < \frac{\pi}{2} \end{aligned}$$

$$\frac{6}{\pi} < \frac{1}{f(A)} + \frac{1}{f(B)} + \frac{1}{f(C)} < 3$$