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In $\triangle ABC$ the following relationship holds:

$$\sum \frac{\ln^{k+1} a}{\ln(b+c-a)} \geq \frac{\ln^k abc}{3^{k-1}}, k \in \mathbb{N}$$

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$$abc = 4Rrs \stackrel{\text{Euler}}{\geq} 8r^2s = 8(s-a)(s-b)(s-c) =$$

$$= (2s-2a)(2s-2b)(2s-2c) = (a+b-c)(b+c-a)(c+a-b) \quad (1)$$

$$\text{and } \sum \ln(b+c-a) = \ln((a+b-c)(b+c-a)(c+a-b)) \stackrel{(1)}{\leq} \ln abc \quad (A)$$

$$\begin{aligned} & \left(\sum \frac{\ln^{k+1} a}{\ln(b+c-a)} \right) \sum \ln(b+c-a) \stackrel{\text{Holder}}{\geq} \frac{1}{(\ln a + \ln b + \ln c)^{k+1}} \\ & \geq \frac{1}{3^{k-1} \ln(b+c-a) + \ln(c+a-b) + \ln(b+a-c)} \stackrel{(A)}{\geq} \frac{1}{3^{k-1}} \frac{(\ln abc)^{k+1}}{\ln abc} = \frac{\ln^k abc}{3^{k-1}} \end{aligned}$$

Equality holds for an equilateral triangle.