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In  $\Delta ABC$  the following relationship holds:

$$\sum \cos A - 2 \sum \cos A \cos A \geq 0$$

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$$\begin{aligned} \sum \cos A - 2 \sum \cos A \cos A &= \left(1 + \frac{r}{R}\right) - 2 \frac{s^2 + r^2 - 4R^2}{4R^2} \geq \\ &\stackrel{\text{Gerretsen}}{\geq} \left(1 + \frac{r}{R}\right) - \frac{4R^2 + 4Rr + 3r^2 + r^2 - 4R^2}{2R^2} = \\ &= 1 + \frac{r}{R} - \frac{2r}{R} - 2 \left(\frac{r}{R}\right)^2 \stackrel{r=x \leq \frac{1}{2}}{=} 1 - x - 2x^2 \end{aligned}$$

*According to the problem we need to show:*

$$\begin{aligned} 1 - x - 2x^2 &\geq 0 \text{ or } 2x^2 + x - 1 \leq 0 \\ (x+1)(2x-1) &\leq 0 \text{ true as } x = \frac{r}{R} \leq \frac{1}{2} \text{ (Euler)} \end{aligned}$$

*Equality holds for an equilateral triangle.*