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In any ΔABC the following relationship holds :

$$\sqrt{\frac{a}{3a+5b}} + \sqrt{\frac{b}{3b+5c}} + \sqrt{\frac{c}{3c+5a}} \leq \frac{3\sqrt{2}}{4}$$

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$$\begin{aligned} & \sum_{\text{cyc}} \sqrt{\frac{a}{3a+5b}} = \\ &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{(3a+5b)(3b+5c)(3c+5a)}} \cdot \sum_{\text{cyc}} \sqrt{a(3b+5c)(3c+5a)} \leq \\ &\stackrel{\text{CBS}}{\leq} \frac{1}{\sqrt{(3a+5b)(3b+5c)(3c+5a)}} \cdot \sqrt{\sum_{\text{cyc}} (a(3b+5c))} \cdot \sqrt{\sum_{\text{cyc}} (3c+5a)} = \\ &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{\prod_{\text{cyc}} (3a+5b)}} \cdot \sqrt{\left(8 \sum_{\text{cyc}} ab\right) \left(8 \sum_{\text{cyc}} a\right)} \\ &= \sqrt{\frac{64(\sum_{\text{cyc}} a^2b + \sum_{\text{cyc}} ab^2 + 3abc)}{45 \sum_{\text{cyc}} a^2b + 75 \sum_{\text{cyc}} ab^2 + 152abc}} \stackrel{?}{\leq} \frac{3\sqrt{2}}{4} \\ &\Leftrightarrow 107 \sum_{\text{cyc}} a^2b + 168abc \stackrel{?}{\leq} 163 \sum_{\text{cyc}} ab^2 \Leftrightarrow 107 \sum_{\text{cyc}} ((y+z)^2(z+x)) + \\ &\quad 168(y+z)(z+x)(x+y) \stackrel{?}{\leq} 163 \sum_{\text{cyc}} ((y+z)(z+x)^2) \\ &(x=s-a, y=s-b, z=s-c) \Leftrightarrow 56 \sum_{\text{cyc}} x^3 + 107 \sum_{\text{cyc}} x^2y - 163 \sum_{\text{cyc}} xy^2 \stackrel{?}{\leq} 0 \quad (*) \\ &\text{Let } F(X, Y, Z) = 56 \sum_{\text{cyc}} X^3 + 107 \sum_{\text{cyc}} X^2Y - 163 \sum_{\text{cyc}} XY^2 \quad \forall X, Y, Z \geq 0 \text{ and then :} \\ &\quad F(1, 1, 1) = 0 \rightarrow \textcircled{1} \text{ and } F(X, Y, 0) = 56(X^3 + Y^3) + 107X^2Y - 163XY^2 \\ &= \frac{(504X + 1523Y)(9X - 5Y)^2 + 5643XY^2 + 2749Y^3}{729} \geq 0 \Rightarrow F(X, Y, 0) \geq 0 \rightarrow \textcircled{2} \\ &\therefore \textcircled{1} \text{ and } \textcircled{2} \Rightarrow F(X, Y, Z) \geq 0 \quad \forall X, Y, Z \geq 0 \Rightarrow (*) \text{ is true} \\ &\therefore \sqrt{\frac{a}{3a+5b}} + \sqrt{\frac{b}{3b+5c}} + \sqrt{\frac{c}{3c+5a}} \leq \frac{3\sqrt{2}}{4} \quad \forall ABC, \\ &\quad " = " \text{ iff } \Delta ABC \text{ is equilateral (QED)} \end{aligned}$$