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In $\triangle ABC$ the following relationship holds:

$$\left(1 + \sin \frac{A}{2} \sin \frac{B}{2}\right)^{\sin \frac{C}{2}} \left(1 + \sin \frac{B}{2} \sin \frac{C}{2}\right)^{\sin \frac{A}{2}} \left(1 + \sin \frac{C}{2} \sin \frac{A}{2}\right)^{\sin \frac{B}{2}} \leq \frac{5\sqrt{5}}{8}$$

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$$\sum \sin \frac{A}{2} \stackrel{\text{Jensen}}{\leq} 3 \sin \frac{A+B+C}{6} = 3 \sin \frac{\pi}{6} = \frac{3}{2} \quad (1)$$

$$\sin \frac{A}{2} \sin \frac{B}{2} \sin \frac{C}{2} \stackrel{\text{AM-GM}}{\leq} \frac{\left(\sum \sin \frac{A}{2}\right)^3}{27} \quad (2)$$

$$\begin{aligned} & \left(1 + \sin \frac{A}{2} \sin \frac{B}{2}\right)^{\sin \frac{C}{2}} \left(1 + \sin \frac{B}{2} \sin \frac{C}{2}\right)^{\sin \frac{A}{2}} \left(1 + \sin \frac{C}{2} \sin \frac{A}{2}\right)^{\sin \frac{B}{2}} \stackrel{\text{AM-GM}}{\leq} \\ & \leq \left(\frac{\sum \left(1 + \sin \frac{B}{2} \sin \frac{C}{2}\right) \sin \frac{A}{2}}{\sum \sin \frac{A}{2}}\right)^{\sum \sin \frac{A}{2}} = \left(\frac{\sum \sin \frac{A}{2} \sin \frac{B}{2} \sin \frac{C}{2} + \sum \sin \frac{A}{2}}{\sum \sin \frac{A}{2}}\right)^{\sum \sin \frac{A}{2}} \leq \\ & = \left(\frac{3 \sin \frac{A}{2} \sin \frac{B}{2} \sin \frac{C}{2} + \sum \sin \frac{A}{2}}{\sum \sin \frac{A}{2}}\right)^{\sum \sin \frac{A}{2}} \stackrel{(2)}{\leq} \left(\frac{3 \cdot \frac{\left(\sum \sin \frac{A}{2}\right)^3}{27} + \sum \sin \frac{A}{2}}{\sum \sin \frac{A}{2}}\right)^{\sum \sin \frac{A}{2}} = \\ & = \left(\frac{1}{9} \left(\sum \sin \frac{A}{2}\right)^2 + 1\right)^{\sum \sin \frac{A}{2}} \stackrel{(1)}{\leq} \left(\frac{1}{9} \left(\frac{3}{2}\right)^2 + 1\right)^{\frac{3}{2}} = \left(\frac{5}{4}\right)^{\frac{3}{2}} = \frac{5\sqrt{5}}{8} \end{aligned}$$

Equality holds for an equilateral triangle.