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In $\triangle ABC$ the following relationship holds:

$$\sum_{cyc} (\cos A + \cos B)^2 + 2 \sum_{cyc} \cos A \leq 6$$

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$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{cyc} (\cos A + \cos B)^2 + 2 \sum_{cyc} \cos A &= \sum_{cyc} \left(2 \cos \frac{A+B}{2} \cdot \cos \frac{A-B}{2} \right)^2 + 2 \sum_{cyc} \cos A \leq \\ &\stackrel{\cos \frac{A-B}{2} \leq 1}{\leq} \sum_{cyc} \left(2 \cos \frac{\pi - C}{2} \right)^2 + 2 \sum_{cyc} \cos A = 4 \sum_{cyc} \sin^2 \left(\frac{C}{2} \right) + 2 \sum_{cyc} \cos A = \\ &= 2 \sum_{cyc} 2 \sin^2 \left(\frac{C}{2} \right) + 2 \sum_{cyc} \cos A = 2 \sum_{cyc} (1 - \cos C) + 2 \sum_{cyc} \cos A = \\ &= 6 - 2 \sum_{cyc} \cos A + 2 \sum_{cyc} \cos A = 6 \end{aligned}$$

Equality holds for an equilateral triangle.