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In  $\triangle ABC$  the following relationship holds:

$$1 \leq \sum \tan^2 \frac{A}{2} \leq \frac{R}{r} - 1$$

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$$\sum \tan^2 \frac{A}{2} = \left( \frac{4R+r}{s} \right)^2 - 2$$

*We need to show:*

$$\left( \frac{4R+r}{s} \right)^2 - 2 \leq \frac{R}{r} - 1 \text{ or } \left( \frac{4R+r}{s} \right)^2 \leq \frac{R}{r} + 1$$
$$(4R+r)^2 \leq s^2 \left( \frac{R}{r} + 1 \right) \text{ or } (4R+r)^2 \stackrel{\text{Gerretsen}}{\leq} (16Rr - 5r^2) \left( \frac{R+r}{r} \right)$$

$$16R^2 + 8Rr + r^2 \leq 16R^2 + 11Rr - 5r^2 \text{ or } 3Rr \geq 6r^2 \text{ or } R \geq 2r \text{ true by Euler}$$

$$\sum \tan^2 \frac{A}{2} = \left( \frac{4R+r}{s} \right)^2 - 2 \stackrel{\text{Doucè}}{\geq} 3 - 2 = 1$$

Equality holds for an equilateral triangle.