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**In any  $\Delta ABC$  the following relationship holds :**

$$\frac{1}{1 + \tan^4 \frac{A}{2}} + \frac{1}{1 + \tan^4 \frac{B}{2}} + \frac{1}{1 + \tan^4 \frac{C}{2}} \leq \frac{27}{10}$$

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$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{1}{1 + \tan^4 \frac{A}{2}} &= \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{1 + \tan^4 \frac{A}{2} - \tan^4 \frac{A}{2}}{1 + \tan^4 \frac{A}{2}} = 3 - \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{r_a^4}{s^4 + r_a^4} \stackrel{\text{Bergstrom}}{\leq} \\ 3 - \frac{(\sum_{\text{cyc}} r_a^2)^2}{3s^4 + \sum_{\text{cyc}} r_a^4} &= 3 - \frac{((4R + r)^2 - 2s^2)^2}{3s^4 + ((4R + r)^2 - 2s^2)^2 - 2(s^4 - 2r(4R + r)s^2)} \\ &\Leftrightarrow 25s^4 - (448R^2 + 272Rr + 40r^2)s^2 + 7(4R + r)^4 \stackrel{(*)}{\geq} 0 \end{aligned}$$

Now, since  $25s^2(s^2 - 16Rr + 5r^2) \stackrel{\text{Gerretsen}}{\geq} 0 \therefore$  in order to prove  $(*)$ ,

it suffices to prove : LHS of  $(*) \stackrel{?}{\geq} 25s^2(s^2 - 16Rr + 5r^2)$

$$\Leftrightarrow 7(4R + r)^4 \stackrel{?}{\geq} (448R^2 - 128Rr + 165r^2)s^2 \text{ and again,}$$

$$(448R^2 - 128Rr + 165r^2)s^2 \stackrel{\text{Gerretsen}}{\leq}$$

$$(448R^2 - 128Rr + 165r^2)(4R^2 + 4Rr + 3r^2) \stackrel{?}{\leq} 7(4R + r)^4$$

$$\Leftrightarrow 128t^3 - 205t^2 - 41t - 122 \stackrel{?}{\geq} 0 \left( t = \frac{R}{r} \right) \Leftrightarrow (t - 2)(128t^2 + 51t + 61) \stackrel{?}{\geq} 0$$

$$\rightarrow \text{true} \because t \stackrel{\text{Euler}}{\geq} 2 \Rightarrow (***) \Rightarrow (*) \text{ is true} \therefore \frac{1}{1 + \tan^4 \frac{A}{2}} + \frac{1}{1 + \tan^4 \frac{B}{2}} + \frac{1}{1 + \tan^4 \frac{C}{2}}$$

$$\leq \frac{27}{10} \forall \Delta ABC, "=" \text{ iff } \Delta ABC \text{ is equilateral}$$