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In any ΔABC the following relationship holds :

$$\sin \frac{3A}{2} + \sin \frac{3B}{2} \leq 2 \cos \frac{A-B}{2}$$

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$$\begin{aligned} \sin \frac{3A}{2} + \sin \frac{3B}{2} &= 2 \sin \frac{3A+3B}{4} \cos \frac{3A-3B}{4} \leq 2 \cos \frac{3A-3B}{4} \\ \left(\because 0 < \sin \frac{3A+3B}{4} \leq 1 \text{ as } 0 < \frac{3A+3B}{4} < \frac{3\pi}{4} \right) &\leq 2 \cos \frac{A-B}{2} = 2 \cos^2 \frac{A-B}{4} - 1 \\ &\Leftrightarrow 4 \cos^3 \theta - 3 \cos \theta \leq 2 \cos^2 \theta - 1 \left(\theta = \frac{A-B}{4} \right) \\ &\Leftrightarrow (t-1)(2t^2-1+2t^2+2t) \leq 0 \text{ (} t = \cos \theta \text{)} \rightarrow \text{true} \because -\frac{\pi}{4} < \theta = \frac{A-B}{4} < \frac{\pi}{4} \\ &\Rightarrow \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} < t \leq 1 \Rightarrow 2t^2-1 > 0 \therefore \sin \frac{3A}{2} + \sin \frac{3B}{2} \leq 2 \cos \frac{A-B}{2} \forall \Delta ABC, \\ \text{"="} &\text{ iff } \cos \frac{A-B}{4} = 1 \wedge \sin \frac{3A+3B}{4} = 1 \Rightarrow \text{iff } A=B \text{ and subsequently iff} \\ \sin \frac{3A}{2} &= 1 \text{ and } \because 0 < \frac{3A}{2} < \frac{3\pi}{2} \therefore \sin \frac{3A}{2} = 1 \text{ iff } \frac{3A}{2} = \frac{\pi}{2} \Rightarrow \text{iff } A = \frac{\pi}{3} \text{ and so,} \\ &\text{in conclusion, " = " iff } A=B=\frac{\pi}{3} \text{ (QED)} \end{aligned}$$