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A SPECIAL CLASS OF INEQUALITIES

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Problem: Let a, b, c be nonnegative real numbers such that $c = \min\{a, b, c\}$.

Prove

$$\frac{a^2 + b^2 + c^2}{ab + bc + ca} + \frac{8abc}{(a+b)(b+c)(c+a)} \geq 2 + \frac{2c(a-b)^2}{3(a+b)(b+c)(c+a)}$$

Solution.

lemma:

If $a, b, c \geq 0$ and $c = \min\{a, b, c\}$ then.

$$\frac{a^2 + b^2 + c^2}{ab + bc + ca} + \frac{8abc}{(a+b)(b+c)(c+a)} \geq \frac{2ab + c^2}{ab + bc + ca} + \frac{2(a+b)c}{(b+c)(c+a)} + \frac{2c(a-b)^2}{3(a+b)(b+c)(c+a)}$$

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Write the inequality as follows.

$$\frac{(a-b)^2}{ab+bc+ca} \geq \frac{8(a-b)^2c}{3(a+b)(b+c)(c+a)}$$

or

$$3(a+b)(b+c)(c+a) \geq 8c(ab+bc+ca).$$

We make the substitutions

$$\begin{cases} a = c + x \\ b = c + y \\ x, y \geq 0 \end{cases}$$

The inequality becomes as follows.

$$8(x+y)c^2 + 2(3x^2 + 5xy + 3y^2)c + 3xy(x+y) \geq 0$$

Thus, the proof is completed. Therefore, it suffices to show that

$$\frac{2ab+c^2}{ab+bc+ca} + \frac{2(a+b)c}{(b+c)(c+a)} \geq 2.$$

Or

$$\frac{c^2(a-c)(b-c)}{(a+c)(b+c)(ab+bc+ca)} \geq 0.$$

The equality occurs for $a = b = c$, and for $c = 0$ and $b = c$ ■

Problem: Let a, b, c be nonnegative real numbers such that $a + b + c = 3$ and $c = \min\{a, b, c\}$. Prove that

$$\sum_{cyc} \frac{a^2}{b+c} + 2(ab+bc+ca) \geq \frac{15}{2} + \left(\frac{a-b}{4}\right)^2.$$

Solution.

lemma:

If $a, b, c \geq 0$ and $c = \min\{a, b, c\}$ then.

$$\frac{a^2}{b+c} + \frac{b^2}{c+a} + 2ab \geq \frac{(a+b)^2}{a+b+2c} + \frac{(a+b)^2}{2} + \frac{(a-b)^2}{16}.$$

Or

$$\frac{(a-b)^2(a+b+c)^2}{(a+c)(b+c)(a+b+2c)} \geq \frac{9(a-b)^2}{16}.$$

By the AG inequality, we have

$$(a+c)(b+c)(a+b+2c) \leq \frac{(3+c)^3}{4} \leq 16.$$

Thus, the proof is completed. Therefore, it suffices to show

$$\frac{(3-c)^2}{3+c} + \frac{(a+b)^2}{2} + \frac{c^2}{3-c} + 2c(3-c) \geq \frac{15}{2}.$$

Or

$$\frac{3c^2(c-1)^2}{2(9-c^2)} \geq 0.$$

The equality occurs for $a = b = c$, and for $c = 0$ and $b = c$ ■

Problem: Let a, b, c be nonnegative real numbers such that $a + b + c = 3$ and $c = \min\{a, b, c\}$. Prove

$$3(a^4 + b^4 + c^4) + 33 \geq 14(a^2 + b^2 + c^2) + 2(a - b)^2$$

Solution.

lemma:

If $a, b, c \geq 0$ and $c = \min\{a, b, c\} \rightarrow a + b \geq 2$, then.

$$3(a^4 + b^4) - 14(a^2 + b^2) \geq \frac{3(a+b)^4}{8} - 7(a+b)^2 + 2(a-b)^2.$$

Or

$$\frac{3(a-b)^2(7a^2 + ab + 7b^2)}{8} \geq 9(a-b)^2.$$

We have

$$\frac{3(7a^2 + ab + 7b^2)}{8} = \frac{3[(a-b)^2 + 6(a+b)^2]}{8} \geq 9.$$

Thus, the proof is completed. Therefore, it suffices to

$$\frac{3(3-c)^4}{8} + 3c^4 + 33 \geq 14c^2 + 7(3-c)^2,$$

Which is

$$\frac{3(c-1)^2(3c+1)^2}{8} \geq 0.$$

The equality occurs for $a = b = c = 1$, ■

Problem: Let a, b, c be nonnegative real numbers such that $a + b + c = 3$ and $c = \max\{a, b, c\}$. Prove

$$\frac{1}{a+1} + \frac{1}{b+1} + \frac{1}{c+1} + \frac{2(ab+bc+ca)}{9} \geq \frac{13}{6} + \left(\frac{a-b}{12}\right)^2$$

Solution.

lemma:

If $a, b, c \geq 0$ and $c = \max\{a, b, c\} \Rightarrow a + b \leq 2$

$$\frac{1}{a+1} + \frac{1}{b+1} + \frac{2ab}{9} \geq \frac{4}{a+b+2} + \frac{(a+b)^2}{18} + \frac{(a-b)^2}{144}.$$

Or

$$\frac{(a-b)^2}{(a+1)(b+1)(a+b+2)} \geq \frac{(a-b)^2}{16}.$$

Or

$$(a+1)(b+1)(a+b+2) \leq \frac{(a+b+2)^3}{4} \leq 16.$$

Thus, the proof is completed. Therefore, it suffices to

$$\frac{4}{5-c} + \frac{(3-c)^2}{18} + \frac{1}{c+1} + \frac{2c(3-c)}{9} \geq \frac{13}{6}.$$

Or

$$\frac{(c-1)^2(c-2)^2}{6(5-c)(c+1)} \geq 0.$$

The equality occurs for $a = b = c = 1$, and for $c = 2$ and $a = b = \frac{1}{2}$. ■

Problem: Let a, b, c be positive real numbers such that $a + b + c = 1$ and $c = \max\{a, b, c\}$. Prove

$$\frac{1}{a} + \frac{1}{b} + \frac{1}{c} + 48(ab + bc + ca) \geq 25 + \frac{3(a-b)^2}{2}$$

lemma:

If $a, b, c > 0$ and $c = \max\{a, b, c\} \Rightarrow a + b \leq \frac{2}{3}$ then

$$\frac{1}{a} + \frac{1}{b} + 48ab \geq \frac{4}{a+b} + 12(a+b)^2 + \frac{3(a-b)^2}{2}.$$

Or

$$\frac{(a-b)^2}{ab(a+b)} \geq \frac{27(a-b)^2}{2}.$$

Thus, the proof is completed, because

$$ab(a+b) \leq \frac{(a+b)^3}{4} \leq \frac{2}{27}.$$

T herefore, it suffices to

$$\frac{4}{1-c} + 12(1-c)^2 + \frac{1}{c} + 48c(1-c) \geq 25.$$

Or

$$\frac{(3c-1)^2(2c-1)^2}{c(1-c)} \geq 0.$$

The equality occurs for $a = b = c = \frac{1}{3}$, and for $c = \frac{1}{2}$ and $a = b = \frac{1}{4}$. ■

Example: Schur. Let a, b, c be nonnegative real numbers, then

$$a^3 + b^3 + c^3 + 3abc \geq ab(a+b) + bc(b+c) + ca(c+a)$$

Example: khanhsy. Let a, b, c, m be nonnegative real numbers such that $a + b + c = 3$. Prove that

$$\sum_{cyc} \frac{a^2}{a+2} + \frac{64(ab+bc+ca)}{243} \geq \frac{145}{81}.$$

Example: khanhsy. Let a, b, c, m be nonnegative real numbers such that $a + b + c = 3$. Prove that

$$\sum_{cyc} \frac{1}{a+4} + \frac{16(ab+bc+ca)}{1125} \geq \frac{241}{375}.$$

Example: khanhsy. Let a, b, c, m be nonnegative real numbers such that $a + b + c = 3$. Prove that

$$\sum_{cyc} \frac{a^2}{a+m} + \frac{48m^2}{(3m+3)^3} (ab+bc+ca) \geq \frac{25m^2+18m+9}{3(m+1)^3}.$$

Example: Jack Garfunkel. Let a, b, c , be nonnegative real numbers, then

$$\frac{a^2+b^2+c^2}{ab+bc+ca} + \frac{8abc}{(a+b)(b+c)(c+a)} \geq 2.$$

Example: AoPs. Let a, b, c , be positive real numbers such that $abc = 1$ and. Prove that

$$a^2 + b^2 + c^2 + 6 \geq \frac{3}{2} \left(a + b + c + \frac{1}{a} + \frac{1}{b} + \frac{1}{c} \right).$$

Example: Vasile Cirtoaje. Let a, b, c be positive real numbers such that $a + b + c = 3$. Prove that

$$8 \left(\frac{1}{a} + \frac{1}{b} + \frac{1}{c} \right) + 9 \geq 10(a^2 + b^2 + c^2)$$

Problem: Let a, b, c be positive real numbers. Prove that

$$\left(\frac{a}{a+b}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{b}{b+c}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{c}{c+a}\right)^2 \geq \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{b}{a+b} + \frac{c}{b+c} + \frac{a}{c+a}\right)$$

Solution.

Let

$$\begin{cases} \frac{a}{a+b} = \frac{x+1}{2} \\ \frac{b}{b+c} = \frac{y+1}{2} \\ \frac{c}{c+a} = \frac{z+1}{2} \end{cases}$$

Where $x, y, z \in (-1; 1)$ and $x + y + z + xyz = 0$ This inequality is equivalent to

$$x^2 + y^2 + z^2 + 3(x + y + z) \geq 0$$

Or

$$x^2 + y^2 + z^2 - 3xyz \geq 0$$

By virtue of the Am-GM, we have

$$x^2 + y^2 + z^2 + -xyz \geq 3\sqrt[3]{(xyz)^2} - 3xyz \geq 3|xyz| - 3xyz \geq 0$$

The equation occurs $x = y = z = 0$ or $a = b = c$ ■. **Problem:** Let a, b, c be positive real numbers such that $abc = 1$. Prove that

$$\frac{3a^2 + a}{(1+a)^2} + \frac{3b^2 + b}{(1+b)^2} + \frac{3c^2 + c}{(1+c)^2} \geq 3$$

Solution.

Let

$$\begin{cases} a = \frac{1-x}{1+x} \\ b = \frac{1-y}{1+y} \\ c = \frac{1-z}{1+z} \end{cases}$$

Where $x, y, z \in (-1; 1)$. Since $abc = 1$ involves $x + y + z + xyz = 0$ This inequality is equivalent to

$$\frac{x^2 - 3x + 2}{2} + \frac{y^2 - 3y + 2}{2} + \frac{z^2 - 3z + 2}{2} \geq 3$$

Or

$$x^2 + y^2 + z^2 + 3xyz \geq 0$$

By virtue of the Am-GM, we have

$$x^2 + y^2 + z^2 + 3xyz \geq 3\sqrt[3]{(xyz)^2} + 3xyz \geq 3|xyz| + 3xyz \geq 0$$

The equation occurs $x = y = z = 0$ or $a = b = c$. ■

Example: From Mathematics and Youth Magazine in VietNam. If a, b, c are positive real numbers, then

$$\left(\frac{a}{a+b}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{b}{b+c}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{c}{c+a}\right)^2 + 3 \geq \frac{5}{2} \left(\frac{a}{a+b} + \frac{b}{b+c} + \frac{c}{c+a}\right)$$

Example: Vasile Cirtoaje. If a, b, c are positive real numbers such that $abc = 1$. Prove that

$$\left(1 + \frac{4a}{a+b}\right)^2 + \left(1 + \frac{4b}{b+c}\right)^2 + \left(1 + \frac{4c}{c+a}\right)^2 \geq 27$$

Example: Pham Van Thuan. If a, b, c are positive real numbers, then

$$\frac{1}{(1+a)^2} + \frac{1}{(1+b)^2} + \frac{1}{(1+c)^2} + \frac{2}{(1+a)(1+b)(1+c)} \geq 1$$