

# ROMANIAN MATHEMATICAL MAGAZINE

If  $x, y, z, \lambda > 0, x + y + z = 3$  then:

$$1) \frac{1}{(x + \lambda)^3} + \frac{1}{(y + \lambda)^3} + \frac{1}{(z + \lambda)^3} \geq \frac{3}{(\lambda + 1)^3}$$

$$2) \frac{x}{(y + \lambda)^3} + \frac{y}{(z + \lambda)^3} + \frac{z}{(x + \lambda)^3} \geq \frac{3}{(\lambda + 1)^3}$$

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Let  $f(p) = \frac{1}{(p + \lambda)^3}, p \in (0, 3)$  and  $\lambda \geq 0, f'(p) = -\frac{3}{(p + \lambda)^4},$

$f''(p) = \frac{12}{(p + \lambda)^5} > 0$  so  $f$  is convex  $\in (0, 3)$ . Using Jensen inequality

$$f(x) + f(y) + f(z) \geq 3f\left(\frac{x + y + z}{3}\right) = 3f(1) \text{ or}$$

$$\frac{1}{(x + \lambda)^3} + \frac{1}{(y + \lambda)^3} + \frac{1}{(z + \lambda)^3} \geq \frac{3}{(\lambda + 1)^3}, \text{ equality holds } a = b = c$$

$$2) \frac{x}{(y + \lambda)^3} + \frac{y}{(z + \lambda)^3} + \frac{z}{(x + \lambda)^3} \geq \frac{3}{(\lambda + 1)^3}$$

$$LHS = \sum \frac{x^4}{(xy + \lambda x)^3} \stackrel{\text{Radon}}{\geq} \frac{(x + y + z)^4}{(xy + yz + zx + \lambda(x + y + z))^3}$$

$$\geq \frac{(x + y + z)^4}{\left(\frac{(\sum x)^2}{3} + \lambda(x + y + z)\right)^3} = \frac{3}{(\lambda + 1)^3} \text{ (as } x + y + z = 3)$$