

# ROMANIAN MATHEMATICAL MAGAZINE

If  $a, b, c > 0$  and  $abc = 1$ , then prove that :

$$\frac{a^2b^2(b^7c^2 + a^9)}{c(a^5 + b^5)} + \frac{b^2c^2(c^7a^2 + b^9)}{a(b^5 + c^5)} + \frac{c^2a^2(a^7b^2 + c^9)}{b(a^5 + c^5)} \geq 3$$

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$$\begin{aligned}
 & 3b^5 + 2a^5 \stackrel{A-G}{\geq} 5b^3a^2, 3c^5 + 2b^5 \stackrel{A-G}{\geq} 5c^3b^2, 3a^5 + 2c^5 \stackrel{A-G}{\geq} 5a^3c^2 \\
 & \therefore \text{via summation, } 5 \sum_{\text{cyc}} a^5 \geq 5 \sum_{\text{cyc}} a^2b^3 \Rightarrow \sum_{\text{cyc}} a^2b^3 \leq \sum_{\text{cyc}} a^5 \rightarrow (1) \\
 & \text{Now, } \frac{a^2b^2(b^7c^2 + a^9)}{c(a^5 + b^5)} + \frac{b^2c^2(c^7a^2 + b^9)}{a(b^5 + c^5)} + \frac{c^2a^2(a^7b^2 + c^9)}{b(a^5 + c^5)} \stackrel{abc=1}{=} \\
 & \frac{b^7}{c(a^5 + b^5)} + \frac{a^9}{c^3(a^5 + b^5)} + \frac{c^7}{a(b^5 + c^5)} + \frac{b^9}{a^3(b^5 + c^5)} + \frac{a^7}{b(a^5 + c^5)} + \frac{c^9}{b^3(a^5 + c^5)} \\
 & = \frac{b^7}{b^{10}} + \frac{a^9}{b^3c(a^5 + b^5)} + \frac{c^7}{a^{10}} + \frac{b^9}{c^3a(b^5 + c^5)} + \frac{a^7}{c^{10}} + \frac{c^9}{a^3b(b^5 + c^5)} \\
 & = a^{10} \cdot \left( \frac{1}{c^3a(a^5 + b^5)} + \frac{1}{a^3b(a^5 + c^5)} \right) + b^{10} \cdot \left( \frac{1}{b^3c(a^5 + b^5)} + \frac{1}{a^3b(b^5 + c^5)} \right) \\
 & \quad + c^{10} \cdot \left( \frac{1}{c^3a(b^5 + c^5)} + \frac{1}{b^3c(a^5 + c^5)} \right) \stackrel{\substack{A-G \\ \text{and} \\ abc=1}}{\geq} \\
 & \frac{2a^{10}}{\sqrt{a^3c^2(c^5 + a^5)(a^5 + b^5)}} + \frac{2b^{10}}{\sqrt{b^3a^2(a^5 + b^5)(b^5 + c^5)}} + \frac{2c^{10}}{\sqrt{c^3b^2(b^5 + c^5)(c^5 + a^5)}} \\
 & \stackrel{\text{Bergstrom}}{\geq} \frac{2(\sum_{\text{cyc}} a^5)^2}{\sum_{\text{cyc}} \sqrt{a^2b^3(a^5 + b^5)(b^5 + c^5)}} \stackrel{\text{CBS}}{\geq} \frac{2(\sum_{\text{cyc}} a^5)^2}{\sqrt{\sum_{\text{cyc}} a^2b^3 \cdot \sum_{\text{cyc}} \sqrt{(a^5 + b^5)(b^5 + c^5)}}} \\
 & \stackrel{\substack{\text{via (1)} \\ \text{and}}}{\geq} \frac{2(\sum_{\text{cyc}} a^5)^2}{\sqrt{\sum_{\text{cyc}} a^5 \cdot \sum_{\text{cyc}} \sqrt{\frac{(\sum_{\text{cyc}} (b^5 + c^5))^2}{3}}}} = \frac{2\sqrt{3} \cdot (\sum_{\text{cyc}} a^5)^2}{\sqrt{\sum_{\text{cyc}} a^5 \cdot (2 \sum_{\text{cyc}} a^5)}} \\
 & = \sqrt{3 \sum_{\text{cyc}} a^5} \stackrel{A-G}{\geq} \sqrt{9(abc)^{\frac{5}{3}} \stackrel{abc=1}{=} 3} \\
 & \therefore \frac{a^2b^2(b^7c^2 + a^9)}{c(a^5 + b^5)} + \frac{b^2c^2(c^7a^2 + b^9)}{a(b^5 + c^5)} + \frac{c^2a^2(a^7b^2 + c^9)}{b(a^5 + c^5)} \geq 3 \\
 & \forall a, b, c > 0 \mid abc = 1, " = " \text{ iff } a = b = c = 1 \text{ (QED)}
 \end{aligned}$$