

# ROMANIAN MATHEMATICAL MAGAZINE

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

$$\frac{\sqrt[5]{c}(b^2 \cdot \sqrt[3]{a} + a^2 \cdot \sqrt[3]{b})}{b \cdot \sqrt[5]{a} + a \cdot \sqrt[5]{b}} + \frac{\sqrt[5]{a}(b^2 \cdot \sqrt[3]{c} + c^2 \cdot \sqrt[3]{b})}{b \cdot \sqrt[5]{c} + c \cdot \sqrt[5]{b}} + \frac{\sqrt[5]{b}(a^2 \cdot \sqrt[3]{c} + c^2 \cdot \sqrt[3]{a})}{a \cdot \sqrt[5]{c} + c \cdot \sqrt[5]{a}} \geq 3$$

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$\forall A, B, C > 0, (A + B), (B + C), (C + A)$  form sides of a triangle  
 $(\because (A + B) + (B + C) > (C + A)$  and analogs)  
 $\Rightarrow \sqrt{A + B}, \sqrt{B + C}, \sqrt{C + A}$  form sides of a triangle with area  $F$  (say)  
 and  $16F^2 = 2 \sum_{cyc} (A + B)(B + C) - \sum_{cyc} (A + B)^2$

$$= 2 \sum_{cyc} \left( \sum_{cyc} AB + B^2 \right) - 2 \sum_{cyc} A^2 - 2 \sum_{cyc} AB$$

$$= 6 \sum_{cyc} AB + 2 \sum_{cyc} A^2 - 2 \sum_{cyc} A^2 - 2 \sum_{cyc} AB \Rightarrow 4F = 2 \sqrt{\sum_{cyc} AB} \rightarrow (1)$$

Now,  $\forall x, y, z > 0, \sqrt{\sum_{cyc} \frac{xy}{(y+z)(z+x)}} \stackrel{?}{\geq} \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \Leftrightarrow \sum_{cyc} \frac{x^2 y^2}{xy(y+z)(z+x)} \stackrel{?}{\geq} \frac{3}{4}$

Via Bergstrom, LHS of (\*)  $\geq \frac{(\sum_{cyc} xy)^2}{\sum_{cyc} (xy(\sum_{cyc} xy + z^2))} = \frac{(\sum_{cyc} xy)^2}{(\sum_{cyc} xy)^2 + xyz \sum_{cyc} x}$

$$\stackrel{?}{\geq} \frac{3}{4} \Leftrightarrow \left( \sum_{cyc} xy \right)^2 \stackrel{?}{\geq} 3xyz \sum_{cyc} x \rightarrow \text{true} \therefore \sqrt{\sum_{cyc} \frac{xy}{(y+z)(z+x)}} \stackrel{?}{\geq} \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \rightarrow (2)$$

We have :

$$\frac{\sqrt[5]{c}(b^2 \cdot \sqrt[3]{a} + a^2 \cdot \sqrt[3]{b})}{b \cdot \sqrt[5]{a} + a \cdot \sqrt[5]{b}} + \frac{\sqrt[5]{a}(b^2 \cdot \sqrt[3]{c} + c^2 \cdot \sqrt[3]{b})}{b \cdot \sqrt[5]{c} + c \cdot \sqrt[5]{b}} + \frac{\sqrt[5]{b}(a^2 \cdot \sqrt[3]{c} + c^2 \cdot \sqrt[3]{a})}{a \cdot \sqrt[5]{c} + c \cdot \sqrt[5]{a}}$$

$$= \frac{\sqrt[5]{a} \left( a \cdot \frac{b^2 \cdot \sqrt[3]{c} + c^2 \cdot \sqrt[3]{b}}{bc} \right)}{b \cdot \sqrt[5]{c} + c \cdot \sqrt[5]{b}} + \frac{\sqrt[5]{b} \left( b \cdot \frac{a^2 \cdot \sqrt[3]{c} + c^2 \cdot \sqrt[3]{a}}{ca} \right)}{a \cdot \sqrt[5]{c} + c \cdot \sqrt[5]{a}} + \frac{\sqrt[5]{c} \left( c \cdot \frac{b^2 \cdot \sqrt[3]{a} + a^2 \cdot \sqrt[3]{b}}{ab} \right)}{b \cdot \sqrt[5]{a} + a \cdot \sqrt[5]{b}}$$

$$\stackrel{abc=1}{=} \frac{\sqrt[5]{a} \left( \frac{bc}{a} \left( \frac{b^2 \cdot \sqrt[3]{c} + c^2 \cdot \sqrt[3]{b}}{b^2 c^2} \right) \right)}{\frac{\sqrt[5]{b}}{b} + \frac{\sqrt[5]{c}}{c}} + \frac{\sqrt[5]{b} \left( \frac{ca}{b} \left( \frac{a^2 \cdot \sqrt[3]{c} + c^2 \cdot \sqrt[3]{a}}{c^2 a^2} \right) \right)}{\frac{\sqrt[5]{c}}{c} + \frac{\sqrt[5]{a}}{a}} + \frac{\sqrt[5]{c} \left( \frac{ab}{c} \left( \frac{b^2 \cdot \sqrt[3]{a} + a^2 \cdot \sqrt[3]{b}}{a^2 b^2} \right) \right)}{\frac{\sqrt[5]{a}}{a} + \frac{\sqrt[5]{b}}{b}}$$

$$= \frac{\sqrt[5]{a} \left( \frac{\sqrt[3]{b}}{b^2} + \frac{\sqrt[3]{c}}{c^2} \right)}{\frac{\sqrt[5]{b}}{b} + \frac{\sqrt[5]{c}}{c}} + \frac{\sqrt[5]{b} \left( \frac{\sqrt[3]{c}}{c^2} + \frac{\sqrt[3]{a}}{a^2} \right)}{\frac{\sqrt[5]{c}}{c} + \frac{\sqrt[5]{a}}{a}} + \frac{\sqrt[5]{c} \left( \frac{\sqrt[3]{a}}{a^2} + \frac{\sqrt[3]{b}}{b^2} \right)}{\frac{\sqrt[5]{a}}{a} + \frac{\sqrt[5]{b}}{b}}$$

$$= \frac{x}{y+z} (B + C) + \frac{y}{z+x} (C + A) + \frac{z}{x+y} (A + B)$$

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$$\left( x = \frac{\sqrt[5]{a}}{a}, y = \frac{\sqrt[5]{b}}{b}, z = \frac{\sqrt[5]{c}}{c}, A = \frac{\sqrt[3]{a}}{a^2}, B = \frac{\sqrt[3]{b}}{b^2}, C = \frac{\sqrt[3]{c}}{c^2} \right)$$

$$= \frac{x}{y+z} \cdot \sqrt{B+C}^2 + \frac{y}{z+x} \cdot \sqrt{C+A}^2 + \frac{z}{x+y} \cdot \sqrt{A+B}^2 \stackrel{\text{Oppenheim}}{\geq}$$

$$4F. \sqrt{\sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{xy}{(y+z)(z+x)}} \stackrel{\text{via (1) and (2)}}{\geq} 2 \sqrt{\sum_{\text{cyc}} AB} \cdot \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} = \sqrt{3 \sum_{\text{cyc}} \left( \frac{\sqrt[3]{a}}{a^2} \cdot \frac{\sqrt[3]{b}}{b^2} \right)} \stackrel{\text{A-G}}{\geq}$$

$$\sqrt{9 \cdot \sqrt[3]{\frac{a^2 b^2 c^2}{a^4 b^4 c^4}}} \stackrel{abc=1}{=} \sqrt{9} = 3 \quad \forall a, b, c > 0 \mid abc = 1, " = " \text{ iff } a = b = c = 1 \text{ (QED)}$$