

# ROMANIAN MATHEMATICAL MAGAZINE

$\forall a, b, c > 0 \wedge n \in \mathbb{N}$ , prove that :

$$\sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{c \cdot \sqrt{b^n + c^n} + b \cdot \sqrt{c^n + a^n}}{b(a+b)} \geq 3\sqrt{2}(abc)^{\frac{n-2}{6}}$$

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

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

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

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

$$\text{We have : } \frac{c \cdot \sqrt{b^n + c^n} + b \cdot \sqrt{c^n + a^n}}{b(a+b)} + \frac{c \cdot \sqrt{a^n + b^n} + a \cdot \sqrt{c^n + a^n}}{c(b+c)} \\ + \frac{b \cdot \sqrt{a^n + b^n} + a \cdot \sqrt{b^n + c^n}}{a(c+a)} \\ = \frac{\frac{\sqrt{b^n + c^n}}{b} + \frac{\sqrt{c^n + a^n}}{c}}{\frac{a+b}{c}} + \frac{\frac{\sqrt{a^n + b^n}}{a} + \frac{\sqrt{c^n + a^n}}{c}}{\frac{b+c}{a}} + \frac{\frac{\sqrt{a^n + b^n}}{a} + \frac{\sqrt{b^n + c^n}}{b}}{\frac{c+a}{b}} \\ = \frac{c}{a+b} \cdot \left( \frac{\sqrt{b^n + c^n}}{b} + \frac{\sqrt{c^n + a^n}}{c} \right) + \frac{a}{b+c} \cdot \left( \frac{\sqrt{c^n + a^n}}{c} + \frac{\sqrt{a^n + b^n}}{a} \right) \\ + \frac{b}{c+a} \cdot \left( \frac{\sqrt{a^n + b^n}}{a} + \frac{\sqrt{b^n + c^n}}{b} \right) = \frac{x}{y+z} (B+C) + \frac{y}{z+x} (C+A) + \frac{z}{x+y} (A+B)$$

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$$\begin{aligned}
 & \left( A = \frac{\sqrt{a^n + b^n}}{a}, B = \frac{\sqrt{b^n + c^n}}{b}, C = \frac{\sqrt{c^n + a^n}}{c} \right) \\
 & = \frac{x}{y+z} \cdot \sqrt{B+C}^2 + \frac{y}{z+x} \cdot \sqrt{C+A}^2 + \frac{z}{x+y} \stackrel{\text{Oppenheim}}{\geq} 4F \cdot \sqrt{\sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{xy}{(y+z)(z+x)}} \\
 & \stackrel{\text{via (1) and (2)}}{\geq} 2 \sqrt{\sum_{\text{cyc}} AB} \cdot \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} = \sqrt{3 \sum_{\text{cyc}} \left( \frac{\sqrt{a^n + b^n}}{a} \cdot \frac{\sqrt{b^n + c^n}}{b} \right)^{\text{A-G}}} \geq \\
 & 3. \sqrt[3]{\sqrt{\frac{(a^n + b^n)(b^n + c^n)(c^n + a^n)}{a^2 b^2 c^2}}} \stackrel{\text{Cesaro}}{\geq} 3 \cdot \sqrt[6]{\frac{8(abc)^n}{(abc)^2}} = 3\sqrt{2}(abc)^{\frac{n-2}{6}} \\
 & \therefore \frac{c \cdot \sqrt{b^n + c^n} + b \cdot \sqrt{c^n + a^n}}{b(a+b)} + \frac{c \cdot \sqrt{a^n + b^n} + a \cdot \sqrt{c^n + a^n}}{c(b+c)} \\
 & + \frac{b \cdot \sqrt{a^n + b^n} + a \cdot \sqrt{b^n + c^n}}{a(c+a)} \geq 3\sqrt{2}(abc)^{\frac{n-2}{6}} \forall a, b, c > 0 \text{ and } n \in \mathbb{N}, \\
 & \quad " = " \text{ iff } a = b = c \text{ (QED)}
 \end{aligned}$$