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If $x, y, z > 0$, then prove that:

$$\prod \frac{(x+y)^7 - x^7 - y^7}{(x+y)^5 - x^5 - y^5} \geq \frac{343}{125} \left(\sum xy \right)^3$$

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To prove that $(x+y)^7 - x^7 - y^7 = 7xy(x+y)(x^2 + xy + y^2)$ (1)

denote $A = (x+y)^7 - x^7 - y^7$

$$x^7 + y^7 = (x+y)(x^6 - x^5y + x^4y^2 - x^3y^3 + x^2y^4 - xy^5 + y^6)$$

$$\text{and } (x+y)^6 = x^6 + 6x^5y + 15x^4y^2 + 20x^3y^3 + 15x^2y^4 + 6xy^5 + y^6$$

then we have:

$$\begin{aligned} A &= (x+y)(7x^5y + 14x^4y^2 + 21x^3y^3 + 14x^2y^4 + 7xy^5) = \\ &= 7xy(x+y)(x^4 + 2x^3y + 3x^2y^2 + 2xy^3 + y^4) = \\ &= 7xy(x+y)(x^2 + xy + y^2)^2 \quad (1) \end{aligned}$$

Similarly to prove $(x+y)^5 - x^5 - y^5 = 5xy(x+y)(x^2 + yx + y^2)$ (2)

Using (1) and (2) \Rightarrow

$$\begin{aligned} \prod \frac{(x+y)^7 - x^7 - y^7}{(x+y)^5 - x^5 - y^5} &= \prod \frac{7xy(x+y)(x^2 + xy + y^2)^2}{5xy(x+y)(x^2 + xy + y^2)} = \\ &= \frac{343}{125} (x^2 + xy + y^2) \cdot (y^2 + yz + z^2)(z^2 + zx + x^2) \end{aligned}$$

further applying Holder's inequality we have:

$$\prod (x^2 + xy + y^2) \geq \left(\sum xy \right)^3$$