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If  $x, y, z > 0$  and  $xyz = 1$ , then prove that :

$$\frac{(\sqrt{2}x)^2}{(1+xz)(1+xy)} + \frac{(\sqrt{2}y)^2}{(1+yz)(1+xy)} + \frac{(\sqrt{2}z)^2}{(1+xz)(1+yz)} \geq \frac{3}{2}$$

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Solution 1 by Soumava Chakraborty-Kolkata-India

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{x^2}{(1+xz)(1+xy)} &\stackrel{xyz=1}{=} \frac{x^2}{(xyz+xz)(xyz+xy)} = \frac{1}{yz(y+1)(z+1)} \\ &\stackrel{xyz=1}{=} \frac{x(x+1)}{(x+1)(y+1)(z+1)} \text{ and analogs} \\ \therefore \frac{x^2}{(1+xz)(1+xy)} + \frac{y^2}{(1+yz)(1+xy)} + \frac{z^2}{(1+xz)(1+yz)} \\ &= \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{x(x+1)}{(x+1)(y+1)(z+1)} \stackrel{?}{\geq} \frac{3}{4} \Leftrightarrow 4 \sum_{\text{cyc}} x^2 + \sum_{\text{cyc}} x \stackrel{(*)}{\geq} 3xyz + 3 + 3 \sum_{\text{cyc}} xy \\ \text{Now, } 4 \sum_{\text{cyc}} x^2 + \sum_{\text{cyc}} x &\geq \sum_{\text{cyc}} x^2 + 3 \sum_{\text{cyc}} xy + \sum_{\text{cyc}} x \stackrel{A-G}{\geq} \\ 3\sqrt[3]{x^2y^2z^2} + 3 \sum_{\text{cyc}} xy + 3\sqrt[3]{xyz} &\stackrel{xyz=1}{=} 3 + 3 + 3 \sum_{\text{cyc}} xy \stackrel{xyz=1}{=} 3xyz + 3 + 3 \sum_{\text{cyc}} xy \\ \Rightarrow (*) \text{ is true } \therefore \frac{x^2}{(1+xz)(1+xy)} + \frac{y^2}{(1+yz)(1+xy)} + \frac{z^2}{(1+xz)(1+yz)} &\geq \frac{3}{4} \\ \Rightarrow \frac{(\sqrt{2}x)^2}{(1+xz)(1+xy)} + \frac{(\sqrt{2}y)^2}{(1+yz)(1+xy)} + \frac{(\sqrt{2}z)^2}{(1+xz)(1+yz)} &\geq \frac{3}{2} \\ \forall x, y, z > 0 \mid xyz = 1, " = " \text{ iff } x = y = z = 1 \end{aligned}$$

Solution 2 by Pham Duc Nam-Vietnam

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

\* $x + y + z \geq 3\sqrt[3]{xyz} = 3$ . And:

$$(x + y + z)^2 \geq 3(xy + yz + zx) \Rightarrow 2(xy + yz + zx) \leq \frac{2(x+y+z)^2}{3}$$

$$*(1+xz)(1+xy) = xxyz + xy + xz + 1 = x + xy + xz + xyz = x(1+y)(1+z) \Rightarrow$$

$$(1+yz)(1+xy) = y(1+x)(1+z), (1+xz)(1+yz) = z(1+x)(1+y) \Rightarrow$$

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$$\frac{2x^2}{(1+xz)(1+xy)} + \frac{2y^2}{(1+xy)(1+yz)} + \frac{2z^2}{(1+xz)(1+yz)} \stackrel{\text{Bergstrom's}}{\geq}$$

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

$$= \frac{2(x+y+z)^2}{x+y+z+3xyz+2(xy+yz+xz)} \geq \frac{2(x+y+z)^2}{\frac{2}{3}(x+y+z)^2 + (x+y+z) + 3}$$

$$\because f(t) = \frac{2t^2}{\frac{2}{3}t^2 + t + 3}, t \geq 3, f'' = \frac{18t(t+6)}{(2t^2 + 3t + 9)^2} > 0 \forall t \geq 3 \Rightarrow$$

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

**Equality holds iff :  $x=y=z=1$**