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If $x, y, z > 0$ and $(x+y)(y+z)(z+x) = 64$, then prove that :

$$\frac{x}{(y+z)(x+2y)^2} + \frac{y}{(z+x)(y+2z)^2} + \frac{z}{(x+y)(z+2x)^2} \geq \frac{1}{24}$$

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$$\begin{aligned}
& \frac{x}{(y+z)(x+2y)^2} + \frac{y}{(z+x)(y+2z)^2} + \frac{z}{(x+y)(z+2x)^2} \\
&= \frac{\left(\frac{x}{x+2y}\right)^2}{(xy+zx)} + \frac{\left(\frac{y}{y+2z}\right)^2}{(yz+xy)} + \frac{\left(\frac{z}{z+2x}\right)^2}{(zx+yz)} \stackrel{\text{Bergstrom}}{\geq} \frac{\left(\sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{x}{x+2y}\right)^2}{2 \sum_{\text{cyc}} xy} = \frac{\left(\sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{x^2}{x^2+2xy}\right)^2}{2 \sum_{\text{cyc}} xy} \\
&\stackrel{\text{Bergstrom}}{\geq} \frac{\left(\frac{(\sum_{\text{cyc}} x)^2}{\sum_{\text{cyc}} x^2 + 2 \sum_{\text{cyc}} xy}\right)^2}{2 \sum_{\text{cyc}} xy} = \frac{\left(\frac{(\sum_{\text{cyc}} x)^2}{(\sum_{\text{cyc}} x)^2}\right)^2}{2 \sum_{\text{cyc}} xy} \stackrel{?}{\geq} \frac{1}{24} \Leftrightarrow \sum_{\text{cyc}} xy \stackrel{?}{\leq} 12 \\
&\stackrel{(x+y)(y+z)(z+x) = 64}{=} \frac{12}{16} \cdot \sqrt[3]{(x+y)^2(y+z)^2(z+x)^2} \\
&\Leftrightarrow 27 \prod_{\text{cyc}} (x+y)^2 \stackrel{?}{\geq} \stackrel{(*)}{64} \left(\sum_{\text{cyc}} xy \right)^3 \\
&\text{Now, } \left(\sum_{\text{cyc}} x \right) \left(\sum_{\text{cyc}} xy \right) \stackrel{\text{A-G}}{\geq} \left(3 \cdot \sqrt[3]{xyz} \right) \left(3 \cdot \sqrt[3]{x^2y^2z^2} \right) = 9xyz \\
&\Rightarrow 9 \left(\left(\sum_{\text{cyc}} x \right) \left(\sum_{\text{cyc}} xy \right) - xyz \right) \geq 8 \left(\sum_{\text{cyc}} x \right) \left(\sum_{\text{cyc}} xy \right) \\
&\Rightarrow 9 \prod_{\text{cyc}} (x+y) \geq 8 \left(\sum_{\text{cyc}} x \right) \left(\sum_{\text{cyc}} xy \right) \\
&\Rightarrow 81 \prod_{\text{cyc}} (x+y)^2 \geq 64 \left(\sum_{\text{cyc}} x \right)^2 \left(\sum_{\text{cyc}} xy \right)^2 \geq 64 \left(3 \sum_{\text{cyc}} xy \right) \left(\sum_{\text{cyc}} xy \right)^2 \\
&\Rightarrow 27 \prod_{\text{cyc}} (x+y)^2 \geq 64 \left(\sum_{\text{cyc}} xy \right)^3 \Rightarrow (*) \text{ is true} \\
&\therefore \frac{x}{(y+z)(x+2y)^2} + \frac{y}{(z+x)(y+2z)^2} + \frac{z}{(x+y)(z+2x)^2} \geq \frac{1}{24} \\
&\forall x, y, z > 0 \mid (x+y)(y+z)(z+x) = 64, " = " \text{ iff } x = y = z = 2 \text{ (QED)}
\end{aligned}$$