

# ROMANIAN MATHEMATICAL MAGAZINE

If  $a, b, c > 0$ , then prove that :

$$\frac{3a^3 + 7b^3}{2a + 3b} + \frac{3b^3 + 7c^3}{2b + 3c} + \frac{3c^3 + 7a^3}{2c + 3a} \geq 3(a^2 + b^2 + c^2) - (ab + bc + ca)$$

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$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{3b^3 + 7c^3}{2b + 3c} - \left( \frac{3(b^2 + c^2)}{2} - bc \right) = \\ &= \frac{6b^3 + 14c^3 - (6b^3 + 6bc^2 - 4b^2c + 9b^2c + 9c^3 - 6bc^2)}{2(2b + 3c)} \\ &\Rightarrow \frac{3b^3 + 7c^3}{2b + 3c} - \left( \frac{3(b^2 + c^2)}{2} - bc \right) = \frac{5c(c^2 - b^2)}{2(2b + 3c)} \text{ and analogs} \\ \therefore \frac{3a^3 + 7b^3}{2a + 3b} + \frac{3b^3 + 7c^3}{2b + 3c} + \frac{3c^3 + 7a^3}{2c + 3a} &\geq 3(a^2 + b^2 + c^2) - (ab + bc + ca) \\ &\Leftrightarrow \sum_{\text{cyc}} \left( \frac{3b^3 + 7c^3}{2b + 3c} - \left( \frac{3(b^2 + c^2)}{2} - bc \right) \right) \geq 0 \\ &\Leftrightarrow \frac{c(c^2 - b^2)}{2b + 3c} + \frac{a(a^2 - c^2)}{2c + 3a} + \frac{b(b^2 - a^2)}{2a + 3b} \geq 0 \\ &\text{clearing denominators and simplifying} \\ &\Leftrightarrow 2 \sum_{\text{cyc}} a^4b + 3 \sum_{\text{cyc}} ab^4 \stackrel{(*)}{\geq} 5abc \sum_{\text{cyc}} ab \\ \text{Now, } 2 \sum_{\text{cyc}} a^4b + 3 \sum_{\text{cyc}} ab^4 &= 2abc \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{a^3}{c} + 3abc \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{b^3}{c} \stackrel{\text{Holder}}{\geq} \\ 2abc \cdot \frac{(\sum_{\text{cyc}} a)^3}{3 \sum_{\text{cyc}} a} + 3abc \cdot \frac{(\sum_{\text{cyc}} a)^3}{3 \sum_{\text{cyc}} a} &= \frac{5abc}{3} \cdot \left( \sum_{\text{cyc}} a \right)^2 \geq \frac{5abc}{3} \cdot 3 \sum_{\text{cyc}} ab \\ &= 5abc \sum_{\text{cyc}} ab \Rightarrow (*) \text{ is true } \therefore \frac{3a^3 + 7b^3}{2a + 3b} + \frac{3b^3 + 7c^3}{2b + 3c} + \frac{3c^3 + 7a^3}{2c + 3a} \\ &\geq 3(a^2 + b^2 + c^2) - (ab + bc + ca) \forall a, b, c > 0, " = " \text{ iff } a = b = c \text{ (QED)} \end{aligned}$$