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**J.2616** If  $m, n, x, y, z > 0$ , then:

$$\left(\frac{x^2}{(my + nz)^2} + 2\right) \left(\frac{y^2}{(mz + nx)^2} + 2\right) \left(\frac{z^2}{(mx + ny)^2} + 2\right) \geq \frac{27}{(m + n)^2}$$

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Applying Arkady Alt's inequality  $(a^2 + t^2)(b^2 + t^2)(c^2 + t^2) \geq \frac{3}{4}t^4(a + b + c)^2$

(with equality if and only if  $a = b = c = \frac{t}{\sqrt{2}}$ ), it follows that

$$\begin{aligned} &\left(\frac{x^2}{(my + nz)^2} + 2\right) \left(\frac{y^2}{(mz + nx)^2} + 2\right) \left(\frac{z^2}{(mx + ny)^2} + 2\right) \geq \\ &\geq \frac{3}{4}(\sqrt{2})^2 \left(\frac{x}{my + nz} + \frac{y}{mz + nx} + \frac{z}{mx + ny}\right)^2 \quad (1) \end{aligned}$$

Using Bergström inequality and the known inequality:

$(x + y + z)^2 \geq 3(xy + yz + zx)$ , we obtain:

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{x}{my + nz} + \frac{y}{mz + nx} + \frac{z}{mx + ny} &= \frac{x^2}{mxy + nzx} + \frac{y^2}{myz + nxy} + \frac{z^2}{mzx + nyz} \geq \\ &\geq \frac{(x + y + z)^2}{(m + n)(xy + yz + zx)} \geq \frac{3}{m + n} \quad (2) \end{aligned}$$

By (1) and (2) yields

$$\left(\frac{x^2}{(my + nz)^2} + 2\right) \left(\frac{y^2}{(mz + nx)^2} + 2\right) \left(\frac{z^2}{(mx + ny)^2} + 2\right) \geq 3 \left(\frac{3}{m + n}\right)^2 = \frac{27}{(m + n)^2}.$$

Equality holds if and only if  $x = y = z$  and  $\frac{1}{m+n} = 1$ , that is  $m + n = 1$ .

## ARKADY ALT'S INEQUALITY

If  $t, x, y, z > 0$  then the following relationship holds:

$$(x^2 + t^2)(y^2 + t^2)(z^2 + t^2) \geq \frac{3}{4}t^4(x + y + z)^2$$

with equality if and only if  $x = y = z = \frac{t}{\sqrt{2}}$ .

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**Proof:** We have

$$(x^2 + t^2)(y^2 + t^2) \geq \frac{3}{4}t^2((x + y)^2 + t^2) \Leftrightarrow \left(xy - \frac{t^2}{2}\right)^2 + \frac{t^2}{4}(x - y)^2 \geq 0.$$

Applying Cauchy-Buniakovski-Schwarz inequality we obtain

$$\begin{aligned}(x^2 + t^2)(y^2 + t^2)(z^2 + t^2) &\geq \frac{3t^2}{4}((x + y)^2 + t^2)(t^2 + z^2) \geq \\ &\geq \frac{3t^2}{4}(t(x + y) + tz)^2 = \frac{3}{4}t^4(x + y + z)^2.\end{aligned}$$

The equality holds if and only if  $x = y = z = \frac{t}{\sqrt{2}}$ .