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S.2556 If $x, y \geq 0$ and $a, b, c, x + y > 0$ then:

$$(a^2x^2 + b^2y^2 + 2)(b^2x^2 + c^2y^2 + 2)(c^2x^2 + a^2y^2 + 2) \geq \frac{9}{2}(x + y)^2(ab + bc + ca)$$

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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

$$\begin{aligned} & (a^2x^2 + b^2y^2 + 2)(b^2x^2 + c^2y^2 + 2)(c^2x^2 + a^2y^2 + 2) \geq \\ & \geq \frac{3}{4}(\sqrt{2})^4 \left(\sqrt{a^2x^2 + b^2y^2} + \sqrt{b^2x^2 + c^2y^2} + \sqrt{c^2x^2 + a^2y^2} \right)^2 \quad (1) \end{aligned}$$

By Minkovski inequality, $QM - AM$ inequality $\sqrt{\frac{x^2+y^2}{2}} \geq \frac{x+y}{2}$, and the known inequality

$(a + b + c)^2 \geq 3(ab + bc + ca)$, we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} & \sqrt{a^2x^2 + b^2y^2} + \sqrt{b^2x^2 + c^2y^2} + \sqrt{c^2x^2 + a^2y^2} \geq \\ & \geq \sqrt{(ax + bx + cx)^2 + (by + cy + ay)^2} = \sqrt{(x^2 + y^2)(a + b + c)^2} > \\ & > \frac{x + y}{\sqrt{2}} \sqrt{3(ab + bc + ca)} \quad (2) \end{aligned}$$

Using (1) and (2) it results that

$$\begin{aligned} & (a^2x^2 + b^2y^2 + 2)(b^2x^2 + c^2y^2 + 2)(c^2x^2 + a^2y^2 + 2) \geq \\ & \geq 3 \left(\frac{x + y}{\sqrt{2}} \sqrt{3(ab + bc + ca)} \right)^2 = \frac{9}{2}(x + y)^2(ab + bc + ca). \end{aligned}$$

Equality holds if and only if $x = y, \sqrt{x^2(a^2 + b^2)} = \sqrt{x^2(b^2 + c^2)} = \sqrt{x^2(c^2 + a^2)} = 1$,
that is $x = y, a = b = c = \frac{1}{x\sqrt{2}}$.

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 $x = y = z = \frac{t}{\sqrt{2}}$.

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 $x = y = z = \frac{t}{\sqrt{2}}$.