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S.2560 If $t, x, y, z > 0$ then

$$(x^2y^2 + 2)(y^2z^2 + 2)(z^2x^2 + 2) \left(\frac{1}{(x+y)^4} + t \right) \left(\frac{1}{(y+z)^4} + t \right) \left(\frac{1}{(z+x)^4} + t \right) \geq \frac{729}{64} \cdot t^2$$

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Applying twice Arkady Alt's inequality $(x^2 + t^2)(y^2 + t^2)(z^2 + t^2) \geq \frac{3}{4}t^4(x + y + z)^2$

(with equality if and only if $x = y = z = \frac{t}{\sqrt{2}}$), it follows that

$$\begin{aligned} & (x^2y^2 + 2)(y^2z^2 + 2)(z^2x^2 + 2) \left(\frac{1}{(x+y)^4} + t \right) \left(\frac{1}{(y+z)^4} + t \right) \left(\frac{1}{(z+x)^4} + t \right) \\ & \geq \frac{3}{4}(\sqrt{2})^4(xy + yz + zx)^2 \cdot \frac{3}{4}(\sqrt{t})^4 \left(\frac{1}{(x+y)^2} + \frac{1}{(y+z)^2} + \frac{1}{(z+x)^2} \right)^2 = \\ & = \frac{9}{4} \left((xy + yz + zx) \left(\frac{1}{(x+y)^2} + \frac{1}{(y+z)^2} + \frac{1}{(z+x)^2} \right) \right)^2 \cdot t^2 \quad (1) \end{aligned}$$

The inequality

$$(xy + yz + zx) \left(\frac{1}{(x+y)^2} + \frac{1}{(y+z)^2} + \frac{1}{(z+x)^2} \right) \geq \frac{9}{4} \quad (2)$$

is a famous one, known as Iran 1996. In fact, it was proposed by Ji Chen in *Crux Mathematicorum* nr. 4/1994.

By (1) and (2) it results that

$$(x^2y^2 + 2)(y^2z^2 + 2)(z^2x^2 + 2) \left(\frac{1}{(x+y)^4} + t \right) \left(\frac{1}{(y+z)^4} + t \right) \left(\frac{1}{(z+x)^4} + t \right) \geq \frac{729}{64} \cdot t^2$$

Equality holds if and only if $x = y = z, xy = yz = zx = 1, \frac{1}{(x+y)^2} = \frac{1}{(y+z)^2} = \frac{1}{(z+x)^2} = \frac{\sqrt{t}}{\sqrt{2}}$, that is $x = y = z = 1, t = \frac{1}{8}$.

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

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

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