

PROBLEM 3.007-Solution by George – Florin Șerban – Romania

$$\begin{aligned}
1 &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{n}{n^2 \sqrt{c_n}} \\
\ln 1 &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\ln \frac{n^{n^2}}{\sqrt{c_n}}}{\sqrt{c_n}} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\ln \frac{n^{n^2}}{c_n}}{n^2} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\ln \frac{(n+1)^{(n+1)^2}}{c_{n+1}} - \ln \frac{n^{n^2}}{c_n}}{(n+1)^2 - n^2} = \\
&= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\ln \frac{(n+1)^{(n+1)^2} c_n}{c_{n+1} n^{n^2}}}{2n+1}, \quad (\text{Cesaro Stolz}) \\
\ln l &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\ln \frac{(n+1)^{(n+1)^2} c_n}{c_{n+1} n^{n^2}}}{2n+1} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\ln \frac{(n+2)^{(n+2)^2} c_{n+1}}{c_{n+2} (n+1)^{(n+1)^2}} - \ln \frac{(n+1)^{(n+1)^2} c_n}{c_{n+1} n^{n^2}}}{(2n+3) - (2n+1)} = \\
&= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\ln \frac{n^{n^2} (n+2)^{(n+2)^2} c_{n+1}^2}{(n+1)^{2(n+1)^2} c_n c_{n+2}}}{2}, \\
\frac{c_{n+1}^2}{c_n c_{n+2}} &= \frac{b_{n+1}^4}{b_{n+1}^2 b_{n+2}^2} = \frac{b_{n+1}^2}{b_{n+2}^2} = \frac{1}{a_{n+2}^2} = \frac{1}{[a + (n+1)r]^2}, \\
\frac{n^{n^2} (n+2)^{(n+2)^2} c_{n+1}^2}{(n+1)^{2(n+1)^2} c_n c_{n+2}} &= \frac{n^{n^2} (n+2)^{n^2} (n+2)^{4n} (n+2)^4}{(n+1)^{2n^2} (n+1)^{4n} (n+1)^2 [a + (n+1)r]^2} = \\
&= \left(\frac{n^2 + 2n}{n^2 + 2n + 1} \right)^{n^2} \left(\frac{n+2}{n+1} \right)^{4n+2} \left(\frac{n+2}{a + (n+1)r} \right)^2, \\
\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{n^2 + 2n}{n^2 + 2n + 1} \right)^2 &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left\{ \left(1 + \frac{-1}{n^2 + 2n + 1} \right)^{\frac{n^2 + 2n + 1}{-1}} \right\}^{\frac{-n^2}{n^2 + 2n + 1}} = e^{-1}, \\
\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{n+2}{n+1} \right)^{4n+2} &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left\{ \left(1 + \frac{1}{n+1} \right)^{\frac{n+1}{1}} \right\}^{\frac{4n+2}{n+1}} = e^4, \\
\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{n+2}{a + (n+1)r} \right)^2 &= \left(\frac{1}{r} \right)^2 = r^{-2}, \\
\ln l &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\ln \frac{n^{n^2} (n+2)^{(n+2)^2} c_{n+1}^2}{(n+1)^{2(n+1)^2} c_n c_{n+2}}}{2} = \frac{\ln e^{-1} \cdot e^4 \cdot r^{-2}}{2} = \ln \sqrt{e^3 \cdot r^{-2}}, \\
l &= \sqrt{e^3 \cdot r^{-2}} = \frac{e\sqrt{e}}{r}, \quad \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{n}{n^2 \sqrt{c_n}} = \frac{e\sqrt{e}}{r}
\end{aligned}$$

PROBLEM 3.008-Solution by Yen Tung Chung – Tainan – Taiwan

$$\int \frac{(2e^x + 1) \sin x - \cos x - 1}{e^{2x} + (\cos x - \sin x + 2)e^x + \cos x - \sin x \cos x - \sin x + 1} dx$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= \int \frac{(2e^x + 1) \sin x - \cos x - 1}{e^{2x} + (\cos x + 1)(1 - \sin x)e^x + (\cos x + 1)(1 - \sin x)} dx \\
&= \int \frac{(2e^x + 1) \sin x - \cos x - 1}{(e^x + \cos x + 1)(e^x - \sin x + 1)} dx = \left(\int \frac{e^x - \sin x}{e^x + \cos x + 1} - \frac{e^x - \cos x}{e^x - \sin x + 1} \right) dx \\
&= \ln|e^x + \cos x + 1| - \ln|e^x - \sin x + 1| + C = \ln \left| \frac{e^x + \cos x + 1}{e^x - \sin x + 1} \right| + C
\end{aligned}$$

PROBLEM 3.009-Solution by Soumitra Mukherjee-Chandar Nagore-India

For $n = 3$; $\left(\frac{3!}{2}\right)^{2e} < e^6 \Leftrightarrow 3^{2e} < e^6 \Leftrightarrow 3^e < e^3$, which is true,

For $n = 4$; $\left(\frac{4!}{2}\right)^{2e} < e^{14} \Leftrightarrow 12^{2e} < e^{14} \Leftrightarrow 12^e < e^7$, which is also true,

Let us assume that the statement is true for $n = k$; $\left(\frac{k!}{2}\right)^{2e} \leq e^{k^2+k-6}$ holds true.

Now, $\left\{\frac{(k+1)!}{2}\right\}^{2e} = \left(\frac{k \times k!}{2}\right)^{2e} = \left(\frac{k}{2}\right)^{2e} \left(\frac{k!}{2}\right)^{2e} \leq \left(\frac{k}{2}\right)^{2e} \cdot e^{k^2+k-6}$

we need to prove, $\left(\frac{k}{2}\right)^{2e} \cdot e^{k^2+k-6} \leq e^{(k+1)^2+(k+1)-6}$

$$\Leftrightarrow \left(\frac{k}{2}\right)^{2e} \leq e^{(k+1)^2-k+1} = e^{2(k+1)} \Leftrightarrow \left(\frac{k}{2}\right)^e \leq e^{k+1} \quad (1)$$

We need to prove statement (1);

Let $f(x) = e^{x+1} - \left(\frac{x}{2}\right)^e \quad \forall x \geq 3$

$$f'(x) = e^{x+1} - \frac{e}{2} \left(\frac{x}{2}\right)^{e-1} \geq 0 \quad \forall x \geq 3.$$

f increasing- on $[3, \infty)$ and $f'(x) \geq 0 \quad \forall x \geq 3$, $f(x) \geq f(3) > 0$

$$e^{x+1} > \frac{e}{2} \left(\frac{x}{2}\right)^{e-1} \quad \forall x \geq 3$$

hence, statement (1) is prove $\left\{\frac{(k+1)!}{2}\right\}^{2e} \leq e^{(k+1)^2+(k+1)-6}$ (proved).

When $n = k$ is true then $n = k + 1$ is also true. So, by theory of Induction, we have,

$$\left(\frac{n!}{2}\right)^{2e} \leq e^{n^2+n-6} \quad (\text{proved}).$$

PROBLEM 3.010-Solution by Henry Ricardo-New York -USA

Let $u = \frac{e^x}{(1+e^x) \ln(1+e^x)}$. Then

$$du = \frac{e^x \ln(1+e^x) - e^{2x}}{(1+e^x)^2 \ln^2(1+e^x)} dx,$$

so that we have

$$\int \frac{e^x \ln(1+e^x) - e^{2x}}{(1+e^x)^2 \ln^2(1+e^x)} dx = \int 1 du = u + C = \frac{e^x}{(1+e^x) \ln(1+e^x)} + C$$

[Since the denominator of the original integrand is $[(1+e^x) \ln(1+e^x)]^2$, this suggested a possible antiderivative of the form $f(x)/[(1+e^x) \ln(1+e^x)]$.
A little calculation indicated that $f(x) = e^x$.]

PROBLEM 3.011- Solution by proposer

We have: $\frac{a}{3a^2+2b^2+c^2} \leq \frac{1}{18} \left(\frac{2}{b} + \frac{1}{c} \right) \Leftrightarrow$
 $3a^2b + 6a^2c + 2b^3 + 2c^3 + 4b^2c + bc^2 \geq$
 $\geq 18 \sqrt[18]{(a^2b)^3(a^2c)^6(b^3)^2(c^3)^2(b^2c)^4(bc^2)} = 18abc$ therefore

$$\begin{cases} \frac{a \ln x}{3a^2 + 2b^2 + c^2} \leq \frac{1}{18} \left(\frac{2}{b} + \frac{1}{c} \right) \ln x \\ \frac{b \ln y}{3b^2 + 2c^2 + a^2} \leq \frac{1}{18} \left(\frac{2}{c} + \frac{1}{a} \right) \ln y \\ \frac{c \ln z}{3c^2 + 2a^2 + b^2} \leq \frac{1}{18} \left(\frac{2}{a} + \frac{1}{b} \right) \ln z \end{cases}$$

After addition we have:

$$\begin{aligned} \sum \ln x \frac{a}{3a^2+2b^2+c^2} &= \sum \frac{a \ln x}{3a^2 + 2b^2 + c^2} \leq \sum \frac{1}{18} \left(\frac{2}{b} + \frac{1}{c} \right) \ln x = \\ &= \frac{1}{18} \sum \frac{2 \ln z + \ln y}{a} = \sum \ln \left(\frac{c^2}{y} \right)^{\frac{1}{18a}} \end{aligned}$$

PROBLEM 3.012-Solution by proposer

$$\begin{aligned} f(x) &= e^x + 2 \sinh x + \sin x - \cos x + 2006 \\ f'(x) + f(x) &= 2e^x + 2(\sinh x + \cosh x) + 2 \sin x + 2006 = 4e^x + 2 \sin x + 2006 = \\ &= 2(2e^x + \sin x + 1003) \text{ so, } \int \frac{2e^x + \sin x + 1003}{e^x + 2 \sinh x + \sin x} = \frac{1}{2} \int \frac{f'(x) + f(x)}{f(x)} dx = \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \int dx + \frac{1}{2} \int \frac{f'(x)}{f(x)} dx = \frac{x}{2} + \ln(e^x + 2 \sinh x + \sin x - \cos x + 2006) + C \end{aligned}$$

PROBLEM 3.013-Solution by Nicolae Papacu - Slobozia - Romania

We have $t = 1 - xy = 1 - x(1 - x) = 1 - x + x^2$ and
 $1 - yx = 1 - (1 - x)x = 1 - x + x^2 = t.$
 Because $x^{2016} = x$, we have $x^{2017} = x^2$ and then
 $t = 1 - x + x^2 = 1 - x + x^{2017} = 1 - x(1 - x^{2016}) = 1 - (1 - x^{2016})x.$
 Because

$$1 - x^{2016} = (1 - x^6) \sum_{k=0}^{372} x^{6k}$$

and $1 - x^6 = (1 + x^3)(1 - x^3) = (1 - x + x^2)(1 + x)(1 - x^3)$, we have

$$1 - x^{2016} = (1 - x^6) \sum_{k=0}^{372} x^{6k} = (1 - x + x^2)(1 + x)(1 - x^3) \sum_{k=0}^{372} x^{6k} = (1 - x + x^2)z$$

and then

$$t = 1 - x + x^2 = 1 - x + x^{2017} = 1 - (1 - x^{2016})x = 1 - (1 - x + x^2)zx,$$

so $t = 1 - tzx$, wherefrom

$$t(1 + zx) = 1. \text{ Analog } (1 + zx)t = 1, \text{ so } t = 1 - xy = 1 - yx \text{ is invertible.}$$

PROBLEM 3.014-Solution by Ravi Prakash-New Delhi-India

$$\begin{aligned}
S &= \lim_{p \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{n=1}^p \sum_{m=1}^p \frac{1}{mn(m+n)} \\
&= \frac{1}{1 \cdot 1 \cdot 2} + \frac{1}{1 \cdot 2 \cdot 3} + \frac{1}{1 \cdot 2 \cdot 4} + \dots + \\
&\quad + \frac{1}{2 \cdot 1 \cdot 3} + \frac{1}{2 \cdot 2 \cdot 4} + \frac{1}{2 \cdot 3 \cdot 5} + \dots + \\
&\quad + \frac{1}{3 \cdot 1 \cdot 4} + \frac{1}{3 \cdot 2 \cdot 5} + \frac{1}{3 \cdot 3 \cdot 6} + \dots
\end{aligned}$$

Let's sum up this double series diagonally:

$$\begin{aligned}
S &= \sum_{k=2}^{\infty} \sum_{m=1}^{k-1} \frac{1}{m(k-m)k} = \sum_{k=2}^{\infty} \frac{1}{k^2} \sum_{m=1}^{k-1} \left(\frac{1}{m} + \frac{1}{k-m} \right) = \\
&= 2 \sum_{k=2}^{\infty} \frac{1}{k^2} \left(1 + \frac{1}{2} + \dots + \frac{1}{k-1} \right) < 2 \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{k(k+1)} \left(1 + \frac{1}{2} + \dots + \frac{1}{k} \right) \\
&= 2 \left[\left(1 - \frac{1}{2} \right) (1) + \left(\frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{3} \right) \left(1 + \frac{1}{2} \right) + \left(\frac{1}{3} - \frac{1}{4} \right) \left(1 + \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{3} \right) + \dots \right] \\
&= 2 \left[\frac{1}{1^2} + \frac{1}{2} \left(1 + \frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{2} \right) + \frac{1}{3} \left(1 + \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{3} - 1 - \frac{1}{2} \right) + \dots \right] \\
&= 2 \left[\frac{1}{1^2} + \frac{1}{2^2} + \frac{1}{3^2} + \dots \right] < 2 \left(\frac{\pi^2}{6} \right) < \frac{\pi^3}{6}
\end{aligned}$$

PROBLEM 3.015-Solution by Dana Heuberger - Romania

We denote with (1) and (2) the equalities from the hypothesis.

For $a = b = 1$, we obtain that $2 = 0$, so the ring has characteristic 2.

$$\text{So } \forall \alpha \in A, \alpha = -\alpha. \quad (3)$$

For $a = 1, b = x \in A$, from (2) we obtain:

$$\begin{aligned}
(1+x)^{2k+1} \cdot (1+x)^2 &= 1+x^{2k+2} \stackrel{(1),(3)}{\Leftrightarrow} (1+x^{2k}) \cdot (1+x^2) = 1+x^{2k+2} \Leftrightarrow \\
&\stackrel{(3)}{\Leftrightarrow} x^{2k} + x^2 = 0 \stackrel{(3)}{\Leftrightarrow} x^{2k} = x^2, \text{ so } \forall x \in A, x^{2k+1} = x^3.
\end{aligned}$$

Replacing x with $x+1$ in the preceding equality and using (1), we deduce:

$$\begin{aligned}
\forall x \in A, (1+x)^3 &= (1+x)^{2k+1} = 1+x^{2k} = 1 \stackrel{(3)}{\Leftrightarrow} 1+x+x^2+x^3 = \\
&\stackrel{(3)}{=} 1+x^2 \stackrel{(3)}{\Leftrightarrow} x^3 = x.
\end{aligned}$$

Replacing x with $x+1$ in the preceding equality and using (3), it follows:

$$\begin{aligned}
\forall x \in A, (1+x)^3 &= 1+x \Leftrightarrow \forall x \in A, 1+x+x^2+x^3 = 1+x \Leftrightarrow \\
&\Leftrightarrow \forall x \in A, x^2 = x.
\end{aligned}$$

So, the ring is boolean, hence is commutative.

PROBLEM 3.016-Solution by Quang Minh Tran - Ho Chi Minh City - VietNam

For all $\theta \in \left[\frac{\pi}{4}, \frac{\pi}{3}\right]$, $n \in \mathbb{N}$ we have:

$$\left| \ln \left[\left(1 + \frac{\sin \theta \sec^2 \theta}{n} \right)^{\cos \theta} \right] \right| \leq |\cos \theta| \cdot \ln \left(1 + \frac{\sin \theta \sec^2 \theta}{n} \right) \leq$$

$$\leq \max_{x \in \left[\frac{\pi}{3}, \frac{\pi}{4}\right]} \ln(1 + \sin \theta \sec^2 \theta) = M_1$$

$$\left| \left(1 + \frac{\cos \theta}{n} \right)^{\cot \theta} \right| \leq \left(1 + \frac{\cos \theta}{n} \right)^{\cot \theta} \leq (1 + \cos \theta)^{\cot \theta} \leq$$

$$\leq \max_{x \in \left[\frac{\pi}{3}, \frac{\pi}{4}\right]} (1 + \cos \theta)^{\cot \theta} = M_2$$

$$\left| \left(1 + \frac{\cot \theta}{n} \right)^{\sin \theta \cdot \sec^2 \theta} \right| \leq \left(1 + \frac{\cot \theta}{n} \right)^{\sin \theta \cdot \sec^2 \theta} \leq (1 + \cot \theta)^{\sin \theta \cdot \sec^2 \theta} \leq$$

$$\leq \max_{x \in \left[\frac{\pi}{3}, \frac{\pi}{4}\right]} (1 + \cot \theta)^{\sin \theta \cdot \sec^2 \theta} = M_3$$

So for all $\theta \in \left[\frac{\pi}{4}, \frac{\pi}{3}\right]$, $n \in \mathbb{N}$ exists $M > 0$ such that:

$$\left| \ln \left[\left(1 + \frac{\sin \theta \sec^2 \theta}{n} \right)^{\cos \theta} \right] \cdot \left[\left(1 + \frac{\cos \theta}{n} \right)^{\cot \theta} \right] \cdot \left[\left(1 + \frac{\cot \theta}{n} \right)^{\sin \theta \cdot \sec^2 \theta} \right] \right| \leq M$$

For all $\theta \in \left[\frac{\pi}{4}, \frac{\pi}{3}\right]$ we have:

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \ln \left(1 + \frac{\sin \theta \sec^2 \theta}{n} \right)^{\cos \theta} \left(1 + \frac{\cos \theta}{n} \right)^{\cot \theta} \left(1 + \frac{\cot \theta}{n} \right)^{\sin \theta \sec^2 \theta} = 0$$

Use Lebesgue dominated convergence theorem we have:

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \int_{\frac{\pi}{4}}^{\frac{\pi}{3}} \ln \left(1 + \frac{\sin \theta \sec^2 \theta}{n} \right)^{\cos \theta} \left(1 + \frac{\cos \theta}{n} \right)^{\cot \theta} \left(1 + \frac{\cot \theta}{n} \right)^{\sin \theta \sec^2 \theta} d\theta = \int_{\frac{\pi}{4}}^{\frac{\pi}{3}} 0 \cdot d\theta = 0$$

PROBLEM 3.017-Solution by Ravi Prakash-New Delhi-India

$$a_{n+1} = \frac{1}{2}a_n + \frac{n^2 - 2n - 1}{n^2(n+1)^2}, \forall n \geq 1$$

$$= \frac{1}{2}a_n + \frac{2}{(n+1)^2} - \frac{1}{n^2} \Rightarrow a_{n+1} - \frac{2}{(n+1)^2} = \frac{1}{2} \left(a_n - \frac{2}{n^2} \right) \forall n \geq 1$$

$$\text{Let } b_n = a_n - \frac{2}{n^2}$$

$$b_1 = 1 - 2 = -1 \text{ and } b_{n+1} = \frac{1}{2}b_n \forall n \geq 1 \Rightarrow b_n = \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^{n-1} b_1 = -\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^{n-1}$$

$$\therefore a_n = \frac{1}{2n^2} - \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^{n-1} \quad \forall n \geq 1$$

$$a_1 = 1, a_2 = 0, a_3 = \frac{2}{9} - \frac{1}{4} = -\frac{1}{36}; a_4 = \frac{2}{16} - \frac{1}{8} = 0; a_5 = \frac{2}{25} - \frac{1}{32} > 0$$

As $2^n > n^2 \forall n \geq 5$, we get $a_n > 0 \forall n \geq 5$. Let $s_n = a_1 + a_2 + \dots + a_n$, then

$s_1 = a_1 = 1, s_2 = 1, s_3 = \frac{35}{36}, s_4 = \frac{35}{36}, s_5 = s_4 + a_5 > s_4$. In fact $s_{n+1} > s_n > s_5 > s_4$
 $\forall n \geq 5$. Thus, s_n is minimum when $n = 3$ or 4 .

PROBLEM 3.018-Solution by proposer

$$\text{Let } A = \begin{pmatrix} a & bc & 1 \\ 1 & cb & a \end{pmatrix}, A^T = \begin{pmatrix} a & 1 \\ b & c \\ c & b \\ 1 & a \end{pmatrix}, \text{ then } A \cdot A^T = \begin{pmatrix} 1 + \sum_{cyc} a^2 & 2(a+bc) \\ 2(a+bc) & 1 + \sum_{cyc} a^2 \end{pmatrix}$$

Applying Cauchy – Binet $\det(A \cdot A^T) \geq 0 \Rightarrow 1 + \sum_{cyc} a^2 \geq 2(a+bc)$

putting $b = \sqrt{\cos x}, c = \frac{1}{x}$ and $a = e^{\frac{\pi}{12}}$, then $(e^{\frac{\pi}{12}} - 1)^2 + \cos x + \frac{1}{x^2} \geq 2 \frac{\sqrt{\cos x}}{x}$, then

integrating both sides

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\pi}{12} (e^{\frac{\pi}{12}} - 1)^2 + \int_{\frac{\pi}{6}}^{\frac{\pi}{4}} \cos x \, dx + \int_{\frac{\pi}{6}}^{\frac{\pi}{4}} \frac{dx}{x^2} &\geq 2 \int_{\frac{\pi}{6}}^{\frac{\pi}{4}} \frac{\sqrt{\cos x}}{x} \, dx \\ \Rightarrow \frac{\pi}{24} (e^{\frac{\pi}{12}} - 1)^2 + \frac{\sqrt{2} - 1}{4} + \frac{152}{\pi^3} &\geq \int_{\frac{\pi}{6}}^{\frac{\pi}{4}} \frac{\sqrt{\cos x}}{x} \, dx \end{aligned}$$

PROBLEM 3.019-Solution by proposer

$$p = 2, E(n, k, 2) = 2 \sum_{i=1}^{\lfloor \frac{k}{\sqrt{n}} \rfloor} i^k - \sum_{i=1}^{\lfloor \sqrt{2n} \rfloor} i^k - \lfloor \sqrt{n} \rfloor + (2n+1) \left(\lfloor \sqrt{2n} \rfloor - \lfloor \sqrt{n} \rfloor \right)$$

$$\text{and } \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\lfloor \frac{k}{\sqrt{n}} \rfloor}{\frac{k}{\sqrt{n}}} \Rightarrow \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\lfloor \sqrt{2n} \rfloor}{\sqrt{2n}} = \sqrt{2}$$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n^{\frac{k}{\sqrt{n}}}} \sum_{i=1}^{\lfloor \sqrt{2n} \rfloor} i^k = \frac{2^{\frac{k}{\sqrt{2}}}}{k+1} \text{ and finally } \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{E(n, k, 2)}{n^{\frac{k}{\sqrt{n}}}} = \frac{2k}{k+1} (\sqrt{2} - 1)$$

PROBLEM 3.020-Solution by proposer

$$\begin{aligned} \left(\sum_{k=1}^n \frac{1}{k(k+1)} x_k \right)^2 &= \left(\sum_{k=1}^n \sqrt{\frac{1}{k(k+1)}} \sqrt{\frac{1}{k(k+1)}} x_k \right)^2 \leq \\ &\leq \sum_{k=1}^n \left(\sqrt{\frac{1}{k(k+1)}} \right)^2 \sum_{k=1}^n \left(\sqrt{\frac{1}{k(k+1)}} x_k \right)^2 = \\ &= \sum_{k=1}^n \left(\frac{1}{k} - \frac{1}{k+1} \right) \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{x_k^2}{k(k+1)} = \frac{n}{n+1} \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{x_k^2}{k(k+1)} \end{aligned}$$

PROBLEM 3.021-Solution by Ravi Prakash - New Delhi - India

$$\begin{aligned}
& \text{For } 0 < x < 1, 1 - x^2 + x^{2015} - x^{2016} = (1-x)[1+x+x^{2015}] > 0 \\
& \text{Also, } x^2 - x^{2015} + x^{2016} = x^2 + x^{2016} - x^{2015} \geq 2(x^{1009}) - x^{2015} \\
& = x^{1009} + x^{1009} - x^{2015} > 0 \Rightarrow 1 - x^2 + x^{2015} - x^{2016} < 1 \\
& 0 < 1 - x^2 + x^{2015} - x^{2016} < 1 \quad (1) \\
& \text{Also, } x^{2015} - x^{2016} = x^{2015}(1-x) > 0 \text{ for } 0 < x < 1 \\
& \Rightarrow 1 - x^2 + x^{2015} - x^{2016} > 1 - x^2, \quad (2) \quad 0 < x < 1. \text{ From (1) and (2) for } 0 < x < 1 \\
& 1 - x^2 < 1 - x^2 + x^{2015} - x^{2016} < 1 \Rightarrow 1 < \frac{1}{\sqrt{1-x^2+x^{2015}-x^{2016}}} < \frac{1}{\sqrt{1-x^2}} \\
& 1 < \int_0^1 \frac{dx}{\sqrt{1-x^2+x^{2015}-x^{2016}}} < \frac{\pi}{2}
\end{aligned}$$

PROBLEM 3.022-Solution by Soumava Chakraborty - Kolkata - India

$$\begin{aligned}
& (r^2 + r_a r_b)(r^2 + r_b r_c)(r^2 + r_c r_a) = r^6 + r^4 \left(\sum r_a r_b \right) + r^2 r_a r_b r_c \left(\sum r_a \right) + (r_a r_b r_c)^2 \\
& = r^6 + r^4 s^2 + r^2 \left(\frac{S^2}{r} \right) (4R + r) + \left(\frac{S^2}{r} \right)^2 \\
& \left(\sum r_a r_b = s^2; r_a r_b r_c = \frac{S^2}{r}; \sum r_a = 4R + r \right) = r^6 + r^4 s^2 + r^3 s^2 (4R + r) + r^2 s^4 \\
& (r^2 + r_a r_b)(r^2 + r_b r_c)(r^2 + r_c r_a) \geq \frac{1000}{27} r^2 s^2 \\
& \Leftrightarrow r^6 + r^4 s^2 + r^4 s^2 + 4R r^3 s^2 + r^2 s^4 \geq \frac{1000}{27} r^4 s^2 \\
& \Leftrightarrow 27r^6 - 946r^4 s^2 + 27r^2 s^4 + 108R r^3 s^2 \geq 0 \\
& \Leftrightarrow 27r^4 - 946r^2 s^2 + 27s^4 + 108R r s^2 \geq 0 \quad (1) \\
& \text{Now, } 27r^4 - 946r^2 s^2 + 27s^4 + 108r s^2 \geq 27r^4 - 946r^2 s^2 + 27s^4 + 216r^2 s^2 \\
& \quad (R \geq 2r) \\
& = 27r^4 - 730r^2 s^2 + 27s^4 = (27r^2 - s^2)(r^2 - 27s^2) = (s^2 - 27r^2)(27s^2 - r^2) \geq 0 \\
& \quad \left(\begin{array}{c} \text{Gerretsen} \\ s^2 \end{array} \geq 16Rr - 5r^2 \geq \begin{array}{c} \text{Euler} \\ 32r^2 - 5r^2 = 27r^2 \end{array} \right). (1) \text{ is proved (Done).}
\end{aligned}$$

PROBLEM 3.023-Solution by proposer

$$\begin{aligned}
& \text{We have: } \frac{(y+z)(z+x)}{4yz} \geq \frac{x+z}{y+z} \Leftrightarrow (y-z)^2 \geq 0 \Rightarrow \\
& \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \left(\frac{(y+z)(z+x)}{4yz} \right)^a \geq \left(\frac{x+z}{y+z} \right)^a \\ \left(\frac{(z+x)(x+y)}{4zx} \right)^b \geq \left(\frac{y+x}{z+x} \right)^b \\ \left(\frac{(x+y)(y+z)}{4xy} \right)^c \geq \left(\frac{z+y}{x+y} \right)^c \end{array} \right.
\end{aligned}$$

After multiplication we obtain: $\prod \left(\frac{x+y}{2x}\right)^{b+c} \geq \prod (x+y)^{b-c}$

PROBLEM 3.024-Solution by Hamza Mahmood-Lahore-Pakistan

Compute $\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \operatorname{arctanh}\left(\frac{1}{F_{2n}}\right)$, where F_n is the n th Fibonacci number with $F_1 = 1$

The n^{th} Fibonacci number can be expressed as:

$$F_n = \frac{1}{\sqrt{5}} \left\{ \left(\frac{1+\sqrt{5}}{2}\right)^n - \left(\frac{1-\sqrt{5}}{2}\right)^n \right\} \Rightarrow F_{2n} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{5}} \left\{ \left(\frac{1+\sqrt{5}}{2}\right)^{2n} - \left(\frac{1-\sqrt{5}}{2}\right)^{2n} \right\}$$

$$\Rightarrow F_{2n} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{5}} \left\{ \left(\frac{3+\sqrt{5}}{2}\right)^n - \left(\frac{3-\sqrt{5}}{2}\right)^n \right\}$$

$$\text{Let } a = \frac{3+\sqrt{5}}{2} \Rightarrow \frac{1}{a} = \frac{2}{3+\sqrt{5}} = \frac{3-\sqrt{5}}{2}$$

$$\Rightarrow F_{2n} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{5}} \left\{ a^n - \left(\frac{1}{a}\right)^n \right\} = \frac{a^{2n} - 1}{\sqrt{5}a^n} \Rightarrow \frac{F_{2n} + 1}{F_{2n} - 1} = \frac{a^{2n} + \sqrt{5}a^n - 1}{a^{2n} - \sqrt{5}a^n - 1}$$

$$\text{Now } \operatorname{arctanh}(x) = \frac{1}{2} \ln \left(\frac{1+x}{1-x}\right), x < 1$$

$$\text{Since } F_{2n} > 1 \text{ for } n \geq 2 \Rightarrow \frac{1}{F_{2n}} < 1 \Rightarrow \operatorname{arctanh}\left(\frac{1}{F_{2n}}\right) = \frac{1}{2} \ln \left(\frac{F_{2n}+1}{F_{2n}-1}\right) = \frac{1}{2} \ln \left(\frac{a^{2n} + \sqrt{5}a^n - 1}{a^{2n} - \sqrt{5}a^n - 1}\right)$$

$$\text{Now } a + \left(-\frac{1}{a}\right) = a - \frac{1}{a} = \frac{3+\sqrt{5}}{2} - \frac{3-\sqrt{5}}{2} = \sqrt{5} \text{ \& } a \left(-\frac{1}{a}\right) = -1$$

$$\text{So, } \frac{a^{2n} + \sqrt{5}a^n - 1}{a^{2n} - \sqrt{5}a^n - 1} = \frac{a^{2n} + (a + (-\frac{1}{a}))a^n + (a)(-\frac{1}{a})}{a^{2n} - (a + (-\frac{1}{a}))a^n + (a)(-\frac{1}{a})} = \frac{a^{2n} - (\frac{1}{a} + (-a))a^n + (\frac{1}{a})(-a)}{a^{2n} - (a + (-\frac{1}{a}))a^n + (a)(-\frac{1}{a})}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{a^{2n} + \sqrt{5}a^n - 1}{a^{2n} - \sqrt{5}a^n - 1} = \frac{(a^n - \frac{1}{a})(a^n + a)}{(a^n - a)(a^n + \frac{1}{a})}$$

$$x^2 - (p+q)x + pq = (x-p)(x-q)$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{a^{2n} + \sqrt{5}a^n - 1}{a^{2n} - \sqrt{5}a^n - 1} = \frac{(a^n - \frac{1}{a})a(a^{n-1} + 1)}{a(a^{n-1} - 1)(a^n + \frac{1}{a})} = \frac{(a^{n+1} - 1)(a^{n-1} + 1)}{(a^{n-1} - 1)(a^{n+1} + 1)}$$

$$\ln \left\{ \frac{(a^{n+1} - 1)(a^{n-1} + 1)}{(a^{n-1} - 1)(a^{n+1} + 1)} \right\} = \ln(a^{n+1} - 1) - \ln(a^{n-1} - 1) + \ln(a^{n-1} + 1) - \ln(a^{n+1} + 1)$$

Now

$$\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \operatorname{arctanh}\left(\frac{1}{F_{2n}}\right) = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \ln \left\{ \frac{(a^{n+1} - 1)(a^{n-1} + 1)}{(a^{n-1} - 1)(a^{n+1} + 1)} \right\}$$

$$\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \operatorname{arctanh}\left(\frac{1}{F_{2n}}\right) = \frac{1}{2} [\ln(a^3 - 1) + \ln(a^4 - 1) + \ln(a^5 - 1) + \ln(a^6 - 1) + \dots]$$

$$\begin{aligned} & -\{\ln(a - 1) + \ln(a^2 - 1) + \ln(a^3 - 1) + \ln(a^4 - 1) + \dots\} \\ & +\{\ln(a + 1) + \ln(a^2 + 1) + \ln(a^3 + 1) + \ln(a^4 + 1) + \ln(a^5 + 1) + \dots\} \\ & -\{\ln(a^3 + 1) + \ln(a^4 + 1) + \ln(a^5 + 1) + \dots\} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \operatorname{arctanh}\left(\frac{1}{F_{2n}}\right) &= \frac{1}{2} \{-\ln(a-1) - \ln(a^2-1) + \ln(a+1) + \ln(a^2+1)\} = \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \ln \left\{ \frac{(a+1)(a^2+1)}{(a-1)(a^2-1)} \right\} \\ \text{Since } a &= \frac{3+\sqrt{5}}{2} \Rightarrow a+1 = \frac{5+\sqrt{5}}{2}, a-1 = \frac{1+\sqrt{5}}{2}, a^2 = \frac{7+3\sqrt{5}}{2}, a^2+1 = \frac{9+3\sqrt{5}}{2}, \\ a^2-1 &= \frac{5+3\sqrt{5}}{2} \\ \frac{(a+1)(a^2+1)}{(a-1)(a^2-1)} &= \frac{(5+\sqrt{5})(9+3\sqrt{5})}{(1+\sqrt{5})(5+3\sqrt{5})} = \frac{45+15\sqrt{5}+9\sqrt{5}+15}{5+3\sqrt{5}+5\sqrt{5}+15} = \frac{60+24\sqrt{5}}{20+8\sqrt{5}} = 3 \\ \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \operatorname{arctanh}\left(\frac{1}{F_{2n}}\right) &= \frac{1}{2} \ln 3 = \ln \sqrt{3} \end{aligned}$$

PROBLEM 3.025-Solution by Soumitra Moukherjee - Chandar Nagore - India

$$\begin{aligned} x_n &= {}^{3n}\sqrt{n!} \Rightarrow \ln x_n = \frac{1}{3n} \ln n!. \text{ Using Stirling's formula,} \\ \ln n! &= \ln \sqrt{2\pi} + \left(n + \frac{1}{2}\right) \ln n - n + O\left(\frac{1}{n}\right) \\ \ln x_n &= \frac{1}{3n} \ln n! = \frac{1}{3n} \ln \sqrt{2\pi} + \frac{1}{3} \left(1 + \frac{1}{2n}\right) \ln n - \frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{3} O\left(\frac{1}{n^2}\right) \\ \ln x_{n+1} &= \frac{1}{3(n+1)} \ln \sqrt{2\pi} + \frac{1}{3} \left(1 + \frac{1}{2(n+1)}\right) \ln(n+1) - \frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{3} O\left(\frac{1}{(n+1)^2}\right) \\ \ln x_{n+1} - \ln x_n &= -\frac{\ln 2\pi}{6n(n+1)} + \frac{1}{3} \ln\left(1 + \frac{1}{n}\right) + \frac{1}{6(n+1)} \ln(n+1) - \frac{1}{6n} \ln n + O\left(\frac{1}{n^2}\right) \end{aligned}$$

Using Lagrange's Mean Value Theorem:

$$\begin{aligned} \ln x_{n+1} - \ln x_n &= (x_{n+1} - x_n) \frac{1}{c_n} \text{ where } c_n \in (x_n, x_{n+1}) \\ \text{Also, } \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} c_n &= \frac{1}{e}; \quad {}^3\sqrt{n^2} (\ln x_{n+1} - \ln x_n) \\ &= -\frac{{}^3\sqrt{n^2} \ln 2\pi}{6n(n+1)} + \frac{{}^3\sqrt{n^2}}{3} \ln\left(1 + \frac{1}{n}\right) + \frac{{}^3\sqrt{n^2}}{6(n+1)} \ln(n+1) - \frac{{}^3\sqrt{n^2}}{6n} \ln n + O\left(\frac{1}{n^2}\right). \text{ Now,} \\ \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} {}^3\sqrt{n^2} (\ln x_{n+1} - \ln x_n) &= 0 \\ \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} {}^3\sqrt{n^2} (x_{n+1} - x_n) &= \frac{1}{e} \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} {}^3\sqrt{n^2} (\ln x_{n+1} - \ln x_n) = 0 \\ \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} {}^3\sqrt{n^2} \left({}^{3n+3}\sqrt{(n+1)!} - {}^{3n}\sqrt{n!} \right) &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

PROBLEM 3.026-Solution by George - Florin Șerban - Romania

Proposition: Let be the sequence:

$$(a_n)_{n \geq 1}, a_n > 0, \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{a_{n+1}}{a_n} = 1, \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{a_n}{n} = a \in (0, \infty), \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{a_{n+1}}{a_n}\right)^n = b,$$

then $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (a_{n+1} - a_n) = a \ln b$

Solution:

$$\begin{aligned} \left(\frac{a_{n+1}}{a_n}\right)^n &= \left[1 + \left(\frac{a_{n+1} - a_n}{a_n}\right)^{\frac{a_n}{a_{n+1}-a_n}}\right]^{\frac{n}{a_n}(a_{n+1}-a_n)} \\ \ln\left(\frac{a_{n+1}}{a_n}\right)^n &= \ln\left[1 + \left(\frac{a_{n+1} - a_n}{a_n}\right)^{\frac{a_n}{a_{n+1}-a_n}}\right]^{\frac{n}{a_n}(a_{n+1}-a_n)}, \\ \frac{a_n}{n} \ln\left(\frac{a_{n+1}}{a_n}\right)^n &= (a_{n+1} - a_n) \ln\left[1 + \left(\frac{a_{n+1} - a_n}{a_n}\right)^{\frac{a_n}{a_{n+1}-a_n}}\right], \\ \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{a_{n+1} - a_n}{a_n} &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{a_{n+1}}{a_n} - \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{a_n}{a_n} = 1 - 1 = 0, \\ \text{Then } \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \ln\left[1 + \left(\frac{a_{n+1}-a_n}{a_n}\right)^{\frac{a_n}{a_{n+1}-a_n}}\right] &= \ln e = 1, \text{ then} \\ \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{a_n}{n} \ln\left(\frac{a_{n+1}}{a_n}\right)^n &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (a_{n+1} - a_n) \ln\left[1 + \left(\frac{a_{n+1} - a_n}{a_n}\right)^{\frac{a_n}{a_{n+1}-a_n}}\right], \\ \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{a_n}{n} \ln\left(\frac{a_{n+1}}{a_n}\right)^n &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (a_{n+1} - a_n) = a(\ln b). \\ l &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{n+1}{\sqrt[2n+2]{(2n+1)!!}} - \frac{n}{\sqrt[2n]{(2n-1)!!}}\right)^{\sqrt{n}} = \\ &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{(n+1)\sqrt{n+1}}{\sqrt[2n+2]{(2n+1)!!}} \cdot \frac{\sqrt{n}}{\sqrt{n+1}} - \frac{n\sqrt{n}}{\sqrt[2n]{(2n-1)!!}}\right)^{\sqrt{n}} \cdot \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{n}}\right)^{\sqrt{n}}, \\ &\quad \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\sqrt{n}}{\sqrt{n+1}} = 1, \\ l &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{(n+1)\sqrt{n+1}}{\sqrt[2n+2]{(2n+1)!!}} - \frac{n\sqrt{n}}{\sqrt[2n]{(2n-1)!!}}\right)^{\sqrt{n}} \cdot \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{n}}\right)^{\sqrt{n}} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (a_{n+1} - a_n) \cdot \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{n}}\right)^{\sqrt{n}}, \\ a_n &= \frac{n\sqrt{n}}{\sqrt[2n]{(2n-1)!!}}, \quad \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{a_n}{n} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\sqrt{n}}{\sqrt[2n]{(2n-1)!!}} = \sqrt{\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{n^n}{\sqrt[2n]{(2n-1)!!}}} = \\ &= \sqrt{\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{(n+1)^n(n+1)}{(2n+1)!!} \cdot \frac{(2n-1)!!}{n^n}}, \\ \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{a_n}{n} &= \sqrt{\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(1 + \frac{1}{n}\right)^n \cdot \frac{n+1}{2n+1}} = \sqrt{\frac{e}{2}}, \\ \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{a_{n+1}}{a_n} &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{a_{n+1}}{n+1} \cdot \frac{n}{a_n} \cdot \frac{n+1}{n} = \sqrt{\frac{e}{2}} \cdot \sqrt{\frac{2}{e}} \cdot 1 = 1, \\ b &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{a_{n+1}}{a_n}\right)^n = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{(n+1)\sqrt{n+1}}{\sqrt[2n+2]{(2n+1)!!}} \cdot \frac{\sqrt[2n]{(2n-1)!!}}{n\sqrt{n}}\right)^n = \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{2^n \sqrt{(2n-1)!!}}{2^{n+2} \sqrt{(2n+1)!!}} \right)^n, \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{(n+1)\sqrt{n+1}}{n\sqrt{n}} = 1, \\
b &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{2^n \sqrt{(2n-1)!!}}{\sqrt{2n+1}} \right)^{\frac{n}{n+1}} = \sqrt{\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{2^n \sqrt{(2n-1)!!}}{\sqrt{(2n+1)^n}} \right)^{\frac{n}{n+1}}} = \\
&= \sqrt{\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{(2n+1)!!}{(2n+3)^n (2n+3)} \cdot \frac{(2n+1)^n}{(2n-1)!!}} \\
b &= \sqrt{\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{2n+1}{2n+3} \right)^n \cdot \frac{2n+1}{2n+3}} = \sqrt{\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(1 + \frac{-2}{2n+3} \right)^{\frac{2n+3}{-2} \cdot \frac{-2n}{2n+3}}} = \sqrt{e^{-1}} = e^{-\frac{1}{2}}, \\
&\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{2n+1}{2n+3} = 1, \\
\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (a_{n+1} - a_n) &= a \cdot \ln b = \sqrt{\frac{e}{2}} \cdot \ln e^{-\frac{1}{2}} = \frac{-1}{2} \sqrt{\frac{e}{2}}, \\
l &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (a_{n+1} - a_n) \cdot \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{n}} \right)^{\sqrt{n}} = \frac{-1}{2} \sqrt{\frac{e}{2}} \cdot 0 = 0.
\end{aligned}$$

PROBLEM 3.027-Solution by Feti Sinani-Kosovo

$$\begin{aligned}
\Gamma(x) &\sim \left(\frac{x-1}{e} \right)^{x-1} \sqrt{2\pi(x-1)} \Rightarrow \Gamma(x) = \left(\frac{x-1}{e} \right)^{x-1} \sqrt{2\pi(x-1)} + \\
&\quad + o\left(\left(\frac{x-1}{e} \right)^{x-1} \sqrt{2\pi(x-1)} \right), x \rightarrow \infty \\
(x+1)\Gamma(x+2)^{-\frac{1}{2x+2}} &= (x+1)e^{-\frac{\ln \Gamma(x+2)}{2x+2}} = (x+1)e^{-\frac{\ln \left(\left(\frac{x+1}{e} \right)^{x+1} \sqrt{2\pi(x+1)(1+o(1))} \right)}{2x+2}} = \\
&= (x+1) \frac{\sqrt{e}}{\sqrt{x+1}} \left(1 - \frac{\ln \sqrt{2\pi}}{x+1} + o\left(\frac{1}{x^{\frac{3}{2}}} \right) \right) \left(1 - \frac{\ln(x+1)}{4(x+1)} + o\left(\frac{1}{x^{\frac{3}{2}}} \right) \right) = \\
&= \sqrt{e}\sqrt{x} \left(1 + \frac{1}{2x} + o\left(\frac{1}{x^{\frac{3}{2}}} \right) \right) \left(1 + o\left(\frac{1}{x^{\frac{3}{2}}} \right) \right) = \sqrt{e}\sqrt{x} + o(1) \quad (x \rightarrow \infty) \\
x\Gamma(x+1)^{-\frac{1}{2x}} &= x \frac{\sqrt{e}}{\sqrt{x}} \left(1 - \frac{\ln \sqrt{2\pi}}{x} + o\left(\frac{1}{x^{\frac{3}{2}}} \right) \right) \left(1 - \frac{\ln x}{4x} + o\left(\frac{1}{x^{\frac{3}{2}}} \right) \right) = \sqrt{e}\sqrt{x} + o(1) \\
\therefore \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{x+1}{\Gamma(x+2)^{\frac{1}{2x+2}}} - \frac{x}{\Gamma(x+1)^{\frac{1}{2x}}} \right)^{\sqrt{x}} &= \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} e^{\sqrt{x} \ln(o(1)_+)} = e^{-\infty} = 0
\end{aligned}$$

PROBLEM 3.028-Solution by Marian Ursărescu - Romania

Let $g: [x, x+1] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ $g(t) = t^{\frac{(m+1)(t+1)}{t}}$. From Lagrange theorem we have: $\exists x \in (x, x+1)$.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Such that } \frac{g(x+1)-g(x)}{x+1-x} &= g'(c) \Rightarrow (x+1)^{\frac{(m+1)(x+2)}{x+1}} - x^{\frac{(m+1)(x+1)}{x}} = \\ &= c^{\frac{(m+1)(c+1)}{c}} \left[(m+1) \left(-\frac{1}{t^2} \right) \ln c + (m+1) \frac{c+1}{c} \cdot \frac{1}{c} \right] \\ &\Rightarrow \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{f(x)}{x^m} = \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{(m+1)c^{\frac{(m+1)(c+1)}{c} \left[-\frac{\ln c}{c^2} + \frac{c+1}{c^2} \right]}}{x^m} \quad (1) \end{aligned}$$

Because $c \in (x, x+1)$ and $x \rightarrow \infty$ we calculate this.

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{(m+1)x^{(m+1)\left(1+\frac{1}{x}\right)} \left[-\frac{\ln x}{x^2} + \frac{x+1}{x^2} \right]}{x^m} &= (m+1) \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} x^{\frac{m+1}{x}} \cdot x \left[-\frac{\ln x}{x^2} + \frac{x+1}{x^2} \right] = \\ &= (m+1) \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} x^{\frac{m+1}{x}} \left[-\frac{\ln x}{x} + \frac{x+1}{x} \right] \quad (2) \end{aligned}$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} x^{\frac{m+1}{x}} = e^{\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{m+1}{x} \ln x} \stackrel{L'H}{=} e^{(m+1) \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{x}} = e^0 = 1 \quad (3)$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} -\frac{\ln x}{x} \stackrel{L'H}{=} \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} -\frac{1}{x} = 0 \quad (4)$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{x+1}{x} = 1 \quad (5). \text{ From (1)+(2)+(3)+(4)+(5)} \Rightarrow \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{f(x)}{x^m} = m+1.$$

PROBLEM 3.029-Solution by Anas Adlany - Khemis Des Zemamra - Morocco

Put $x+y=s$ and $p=xy$ then $s^2 \geq 4p \Leftrightarrow \frac{s}{1+s^2} < \frac{s}{1+4p}$;

So it suffices to show that $\frac{2}{\pi} \arctan(x+y) \arctan\left(\frac{1}{x+y}\right) < \frac{s}{1+s^2}$

$$\text{or } \arctan(s) - \frac{2}{\pi} (\arctan(s))^2 < \frac{s}{1+s^2}$$

$$\text{But we know that } \begin{cases} \arctan(s) < s \\ \arctan(s) > \frac{s}{1+s^2} \end{cases}$$

$$\Rightarrow \arctan(s) - \frac{2}{\pi} (\arctan(s))^2 < s - \frac{2}{\pi} \left(\frac{s}{1+s^2}\right)^2 < \frac{s}{1+s^2} < \frac{s}{1+4p} \text{ as desired.}$$

PROBLEM 3.030-Solution by proposer

First we show that for all $x, y, z > 0$ and $m \in \mathbb{N}^*$ we have

$$x^{m+1}(y+z) + y^{m+1}(z+x) + z^{m+1}(x+y) \geq 2xyz(x^{m-1} + y^{m-1} + z^{m-1})$$

Proof.

$$\frac{x^m}{y} + \frac{y^m}{x} \geq x^{m-1} + y^{m-1} (x, y > 0). \text{ If } t = \frac{y}{x} > 0 \Rightarrow t^{m+1} + 1 \geq t^m + t \Leftrightarrow$$

$$\Leftrightarrow (t-1)^2(t^{m-1} + t^{m-2} + \dots + t + 1) \geq 0$$

$$\sum \left(\frac{x^m}{y} + \frac{y^m}{x} \right) \geq \sum (x^{m-1} + y^{m-1}) \Rightarrow \sum x^{m+1}(y+z) \geq 2xyz \sum x^{m-1}$$

If $k = k; y = k+1, z = k+2$ then

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{k^{m-1} + (k+1)^{m-1} + (k+2)^{m-1}}{(2k+3)k^{m+1} + 2(k+1)^{m+2} + (2k+1)(k+2)^{n+1}} = \\ & = \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{k^{m-1} + (k+1)^{m-1} + (k+2)^{m-1}}{(k+1+k+2)k^{n+1} + (k+k+2)(k+1)^{n+1} + (k+k+1)(k+2)^{n+1}} \leq \\ & \leq \frac{1}{2} \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{1}{k(k+1)(k+2)} = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{k=1}^n \left(\frac{1}{2k} - \frac{1}{k+1} + \frac{1}{2(k+2)} \right) = \frac{1}{8} - \frac{1}{4(n+1)(n+2)} \end{aligned}$$

PROBLEM 3.031-Solution by Soumitra Mandal - Kolkata - India

$$AB = BA; AC = CA \text{ and } A^2B + C = ABC$$

$$\text{Now } A^2B + C = ABC \Rightarrow (A^2B + C) \cdot B = ABCB \Rightarrow A^2B^2 + CB = ABCB$$

$$\Rightarrow A(AB)B + CB = ABCB \Rightarrow (AB)^2 + CB = ABCB [\because AB = BA]$$

$$\Rightarrow CB = AB(CB - AB) \dots (1)$$

$$\text{Again, } A^2B + C = ABC \Rightarrow B \cdot (A^2B + C) = BABC \Rightarrow BA^2B + BC = BABC$$

$$\Rightarrow (BA)AB + BC = BABC \Rightarrow (BA)^2 + BC = BABC [\because AB = BA]$$

$$\Rightarrow BC = BA(BC - BA) \Rightarrow BC = AB(BC - AB) [\because AB = BA] \dots (2)$$

$$\text{So, from (2) - (1): } BC - CB = AB(BC - CB)$$

$$\det(BC - CB) = \det(AB) \det(BC - CB) \Rightarrow \det(BC - CB)(1 - \det(AB)) = 0$$

$$\text{Now, now } \det(AB) \neq 1 \text{ since if } \det(AB) = 1 \text{ the } AB = I_n \Rightarrow B = A^{-1}$$

so from relation $A^2B + C = ABC$ we would have got $A = O_n$ but $\det(A) \neq 0$, hence a contradiction. So, $\det(AB) = 1$ is neglected.

$$\therefore \det(BC - CB) = 0 \Rightarrow BC = CB \text{ (proved)}$$

PROBLEM 3.032-Solution by Marian Ursărescu - Romania

Theorem: If $M, N \in M_n(\mathbb{C})$ such that $MN = I_n \Rightarrow NM = I_n$ then $MN = NM$

$$x^2A + B = xAB \Rightarrow xAB - x^2 - B = O_n \Rightarrow xA(B - xI_n) - B + xI_n = xI_n$$

$$\Rightarrow (xA - I_n)(B - xI_n) = xI_n \Rightarrow (B - xI_n)(xA - I_n) = xI_n \Rightarrow$$

$$\Rightarrow xBA - B - x^2A + xI_n = I_n \Rightarrow xBA = x^2A + B \Rightarrow AB = BA \text{ and similarly } BC = CB \text{ and}$$

$AC = CA$. We must show this:

$$(x^2y^2z + 2x^2y + x)A + (xy^2z^2 + 2y^2z + y)B + (x^2yz^2 + 2z^2x + z)C = 3xyzABC \quad (1)$$

$$\begin{aligned} xAB = x^2A + B & \Rightarrow xyzABC = x^2yzAC + yzBC = x^2y(z^2C + A) + z(y^2B + C) = \\ & = x^2yz^2C + x^2yA + y^2zB + zC \quad (2) \end{aligned}$$

$$yBC = y^2B + C \Rightarrow xyzABC = xy^2zAB + xzAC =$$

$$= y^2z(x^2A + B) + x(z^2C + A) = x^2y^2zA + y^2zB + xz^2C + xA \quad (3)$$

$$\begin{aligned} zCA = z^2C + A & \Rightarrow xyz = xyz^2BC + xyAB = xz^2(y^2B + C) + y(x^2A + B) = \\ & = xy^2z^2B + xz^2C + x^2yA + yB \quad (4) \end{aligned}$$

From (2)+(3)+(4) $\Rightarrow 3xyzABC = (x^2y^2z + 2x^2y + x)A + (xy^2z^2 + 2y^2z + y)B + (x^2yz^2 + 2z^2x + z)C \Rightarrow (1)$ its true.

PROBLEM 3.033-Solution by proposer

$$\text{By the AM-GM inequality } \Rightarrow \begin{cases} \sqrt[3]{1 \cdot \frac{2a}{a+b} \cdot \frac{3a}{a+b+c}} \leq \frac{1 + \frac{2a}{a+b} + \frac{3a}{a+b+c}}{3} \\ \sqrt[3]{1 \cdot 1 \cdot \frac{3b}{a+b+c}} \leq \frac{1 + 1 + \frac{3b}{a+b+c}}{3} \\ \sqrt[3]{1 \cdot \frac{2b}{a+b} \cdot \frac{3c}{a+b+c}} \leq \frac{1 + \frac{2b}{a+b} + \frac{3c}{a+b+c}}{3} \end{cases}$$

After addition holds $a + \sqrt[3]{ab \frac{a+b}{2}} + \sqrt[3]{abc} \leq \sqrt[3]{a \cdot \frac{a+b}{2} \cdot \frac{a+b+c}{3}}$ but

$a + \sqrt{ab} + \sqrt[3]{abc} \leq a + \sqrt[3]{ab \frac{a+b}{2}} + \sqrt[3]{abc}$ therefore for $a, b, c > 0$ holds:

$$\frac{a + \sqrt{ab} + \sqrt[3]{abc}}{3} \leq \sqrt[3]{a \cdot \frac{a+b}{2} \cdot \frac{a+b+c}{3}} \quad (1)$$

In (1) we take $c = a$ and $c = b$ then: $\frac{a + \sqrt{ab} + \sqrt[3]{a^2b}}{3} \leq \sqrt[3]{a \cdot \frac{a+b}{2} \cdot \frac{2a+b}{3}}$ and

$\frac{a + \sqrt{ab} + \sqrt[3]{ab^2}}{3} \leq \sqrt[3]{a \cdot \frac{a+b}{2} \cdot \frac{a+2b}{3}}$ and after addition holds the desired inequality.

PROBLEM 3.034-Solution by SK Rejuan West Bengal - India

Case I: If three at a, b, c are equal ie $a = b = c \in \mathbb{N}^*$

$$\frac{a+1}{b} = \frac{b+1}{c} = \frac{c+1}{a} = \frac{a+1}{a}, \text{ which belongs to } \mathbb{N} \text{ [given]}$$

Now, $\frac{a+1}{a} \in \mathbb{N}$ if $a = 1 \Rightarrow a = 1 = b = c$

$\therefore (1, 1, 1) = (a, b, c)$ is a solution

Case II: If two of them are equal. Let $a = b (\neq c)$

$\frac{a+1}{b}, \frac{b+1}{c}, \frac{c+1}{a} \in \mathbb{N}$ [given]. Now, $\frac{a+1}{b} = \frac{a+1}{a}$, it belongs to \mathbb{N} if $a = 1 \Rightarrow a = 1 = b$

From $\frac{b+1}{c} \in \mathbb{N}$ we get, $\frac{1+1}{c} \in \mathbb{N} [\because b = 1] \Rightarrow \frac{2}{c} \in \mathbb{N} \Rightarrow c = 1$ or 2

but $c \neq (a = b) \Rightarrow c \neq 1 \Rightarrow c = 2$ ie $(a, b, c) = (1, 1, 2)$ is a solution,

similarly, by taking $a = c (\neq b)$ we get $(a, b, c) = (1, 2, 1)$ is a solution

and by taking $a \neq (b = c)$ we get $(a, b, c) = (2, 1, 1)$ is a solution

Case III: If three of them unequal, so in this case we get six possibilities ie

$a < b < c$ or $a < c < b$ or $b < c < a$ or $b < a < c$ or $c < a < b$ or $c < b < a$

Subcase I: When $a < b < c \Rightarrow (a+1) < b+1 < (c+1)$ (1)

From (1) we get, $\frac{a+1}{b} < \frac{b+1}{b} = 1 + \frac{1}{b}$ [$\because b \in \mathbb{N}^*$]

$\therefore \frac{a+1}{b} \in \mathbb{N}$ and $\frac{a+1}{b} < 1 + \frac{1}{b} \Rightarrow \frac{a+1}{b} = 1 \Rightarrow a+1 = b$

$[\because b \in \mathbb{N}^* \therefore b \geq 1 \Rightarrow \frac{1}{b} \leq 1 \Rightarrow 1 + \frac{1}{b} \leq 2 \Rightarrow \frac{a+1}{b} < 2 \text{ and } \frac{a+1}{b} \in \mathbb{N}]$

Subcase II: If $a < c < b \Rightarrow a+1 < c+1 < b+1$. It is given $\frac{a+1}{b} \in \mathbb{N} \Rightarrow b|(a+1)$

Also by own assumption $a < b$ and by given condition $b|(a+1)$

$\Rightarrow a$ and b must be consecutive number in \mathbb{N}^* and $a < b$

$\therefore a, b$ are consecutive numbers in \mathbb{N}^* and $a < b$ so there exists no number c between a and b which also belongs to \mathbb{N}^* ie for $a < c < b$ and

$$\frac{a+1}{b}, \frac{b+1}{c}, \frac{c+1}{b} \in \mathbb{N} \text{ we get no solutions}$$

\therefore No solutions for the case $a < c < b$ and $\frac{a+1}{b}, \frac{b+1}{c}, \frac{c+1}{a} \in \mathbb{N}$.

Subcase III: If $b < c < a$. In this case, by similar calculation at subcase I we get

$$(a, b, c) = (3, 1, 2); (a, b, c) = (5, 3, 4)$$

Subcase IV: If $b < a < c$

In this case, by similar calculation at subcase II we get \exists no solution.

Subcase V: If $c < a < b$, in this case by similar calculation at subcase I we get,

$$(a, b, c) = (2, 3, 1); (a, b, c) = (4, 5, 3)$$

Subcase VI:

If $c < b < a$, in this case by similar calculation at subcase I we get, \exists no solutions.

$$\text{Similarly from (1) we get, } \frac{b+1}{c} < \frac{c+1}{c} = 1 + \frac{1}{c}$$

$$\therefore \frac{b+1}{c} \in \mathbb{N} \text{ and } \frac{b+1}{c} < 1 + \frac{1}{c} \Rightarrow \frac{b+1}{c} = 1 \Rightarrow b + 1 = c \Rightarrow a + 1 + 1 = c \Rightarrow c = a + 2$$

[by similar assignment]

$$\text{Now, } \frac{c+1}{a} \in \mathbb{N} \text{ [given } \Rightarrow \frac{a+2+1}{a} \in \mathbb{N} \Rightarrow \frac{a+3}{a} \in \mathbb{N} \Rightarrow 1 + \frac{3}{a} \in \mathbb{N}$$

which is possible if $a = 1$ or 3

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} \text{if } a = 1 \Rightarrow b = 2 \Rightarrow c = 3 \\ \text{if } a = 3 \Rightarrow b = 4 \Rightarrow c = 5 \end{array} \right\} (a, b, c) = (1, 2, 3) \text{ is also solution}$$

$$(a, b, c) = (3, 4, 5)$$

Therefore the solutions are:

$$(a, b, c) \in \{(1, 1, 1), (1, 1, 2), (1, 2, 1), (2, 1, 1), (1, 2, 3), (3, 4, 5), (3, 1, 2), (5, 3, 4), (2, 3, 1), (4, 5, 3)\}$$

PROBLEM 3.035-Solution by Soumitra Mandal - Kolkata - India

Theorem: Let $(t, a) \in \mathbb{R}_+^* \times \mathbb{R}_+^*$. If $(a_n)_{n \geq 1} \in S(\mathbb{R}_+^*)$ is a $B - (t + 1, a)$ sequence, then

$(\sqrt[n]{a_n})_{n \geq 1}$ is a $L - (t, a(t + 1), e^{-(t+1)})$ sequence.

$$\begin{aligned} \Omega &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left({}^{3n+3}\sqrt{(2n+1)!!} - {}^{3n}\sqrt{(2n-1)!!} \right) {}^3\sqrt{n^2} = \\ &= \left\{ \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (\sqrt[n+1]{a_{n+1}} - \sqrt[n]{a_n}) \right\} \left(\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} {}^3\sqrt{n^2} \right) \text{ where } a_n = \sqrt[3]{(2n-1)!!} \\ &\quad \text{for all } n \geq 1 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{a_{n+1}}{n \cdot a_n} &= \left(\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{\sqrt[3]{n^2}} \right) \left(\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sqrt[3]{\frac{(2n+1)!!}{n \cdot (2n-1)!!}} \right) = \\ &= \left(\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{\sqrt[3]{n^2}} \right) \left(\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sqrt[3]{\frac{1}{n} \cdot \frac{(2n+1)!}{2^n \cdot n!} \cdot \frac{2^{n-1} \cdot (n-1)!}{(2n-1)!}} \right) = \\ &= \left(\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{\sqrt[3]{n^2}} \right) \left(\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sqrt[3]{2 - \frac{1}{n}} \right) = \sqrt[3]{2} \left(\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{\sqrt[3]{n^2}} \right) \end{aligned}$$

Hence, $(a_n)_{n \geq 1}$ is a $B - \left(1, \sqrt[3]{2} \left(\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{\sqrt[3]{n^2}} \right) \right)$ sequence so by the above theorem

$$\begin{aligned} (\sqrt[n]{a_n})_{n \geq 1} \text{ is a } L - (0, \sqrt[3]{2} \left(\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{\sqrt[3]{n^2}} \right) \cdot 1 \cdot e^{-1}) \text{ sequence} \\ \Omega = \frac{\sqrt[3]{2}}{3} \left(\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sqrt[3]{n^2} \right) \left(\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{\sqrt[3]{n^2}} \right) = \frac{\sqrt[3]{2}}{e} \text{ (Ans:)} \end{aligned}$$

PROBLEM 3.036-Solution by Soumitra Mandal - Kolkata - India

Let $(t, a) \in \mathbb{R}_+ \times \mathbb{R}_+^*$. If $\langle a_n \rangle_{n \geq 1} \in S(\mathbb{R}_+^*)$ is a $B - (t + 1, a)$ sequence then $\langle \sqrt[n]{a_n} \rangle_{n \geq 1}$ is a $L - (t, a(t + 1), e^{-(t+1)})$ sequence.

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (a_{n+1} - a_n) &= r \in \mathbb{R}_+^*, u, v \in \mathbb{R} \text{ and } u + v = 1 \\ a_n! &= a_1 a_2 \dots a_n \text{ and } G_n = \sqrt[n]{a_n!} \text{ where } n \in \mathbb{N}^* \\ \Omega &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left((n + 1)^{u(n+1)} \sqrt[n+1]{(G_{n+1})^v} - n^u \sqrt[n]{(G_n!)^v} \right) \\ &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(\sqrt[n+1]{(n + 1)^{u(n+1)} (G_{n+1})^v} - \sqrt[n]{n^{nu} (G_n!)^v} \right) \\ \text{Let } H_n &= n^{nu} (G_n!)^v \text{ where } n \geq 1 \text{ and } u + v = 1 \\ \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{H_{n+1}}{n \cdot H_n} &= \left(\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n^{1-u}} \right) \left(\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(1 + \frac{1}{n} \right)^{nu} \right) \left(\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{G_{n+1}!}{G_n!} \right)^v \\ &= e^u \left(\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{G_{n+1}}{n} \right)^v \text{ since, } G_{n+1}! = G_{n+1} G_n! \\ &= e^u \left\{ \left(\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n} \right) \left(\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sqrt[n+1]{a_{n+1}!} \right)^v \right\} = e^u \left\{ \left(\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n} \right) \left(\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{a_{n+2}!}{a_{n+1}!} \right)^v \right\} \\ &\quad \text{[Cauchy D - Alembert's Theorem]} \\ &= e^u \left(\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{a_{n+2}}{n} \right)^v = e^u \left(\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{a_{n+3} - a_{n+2}}{n + 1 - n} \right)^v = e^u r^v \end{aligned}$$

Hence, $\langle H_n \rangle_{n \geq 1}$ is a $B - (1, e^u r^v)$ sequence. By the above theorem it yields that $\langle \sqrt[n]{H_n} \rangle_{n \geq 1}$ is a $L - (0, e^u r^v \cdot 1 \cdot e^{-1})$ sequence i.e. $L - (0, e^{u-1} r^v)$ sequence.
 $\Omega = e^{u-1} r^v$ (Ans :)

PROBLEM 3.037-Solution by Soumitra Mandal - Kolkata - India

Theorem: Let $(t, a) \in \mathbb{R}_+ \times \mathbb{R}_+^*$. If $\langle a_n \rangle_{n \geq 1} \in S(\mathbb{R}_+^*)$ is a $B - (t + 1, a)$ sequence then $\langle \sqrt[n]{a_n} \rangle_{n \geq 1}$ is a $L - (t, a(t + 1), e^{-(t+1)})$ sequence.

$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (a_{n+1} - a_n) = a \in \mathbb{R}_+^*$ and $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (b_{n+1} - b_n) = b \in \mathbb{R}_+^*$ and $u + v = 1$

$$\begin{aligned} \Omega &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(a_{n+1}^u \sqrt[n+1]{\left(\prod_{k=1}^{n+1} b_k \right)^v} - a_n^u \sqrt[n]{\left(\prod_{k=1}^n b_k \right)^v} \right) \\ \text{Let } H_n &= a_n^{nu} \left(\prod_{k=1}^n b_k \right)^v \text{ for all } n \geq 1 \text{ and } u + v = 1 \\ \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{H_{n+1}}{n^{u+1} \cdot H_n} &= \left(\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n^{2u+v}} \right) \left(\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_{n+1}^u \right) \left(\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{a_{n+1}}{a_n} \right)^{nu} \right) \left(\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} b_{n+1}^v \right) \\ &= \left(\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n^{2u+v}} \right) \left(\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (a_{n+1} a_n)^u \right) \left(\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} b_{n+1}^v \right) \\ &\quad \text{Applying Cauchy - D'Alembert's theorem} \\ \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sqrt[n]{a_n} &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{a_{n+1}}{a_n} = \left(\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{a_{n+1}}{n} \right)^u \left(\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{a_n}{n} \right)^u \left(\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{b_{n+1}}{n} \right)^v \end{aligned}$$

$$= \left(\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{a_{n+2} - a_{n+1}}{n+1-n} \right)^u \left(\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{a_{n+1} - a_n}{n+1-n} \right)^u \left(\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{b_{n+2} - b_{n+1}}{n+1-n} \right) = a^{2u} b^v$$

Hence $\langle H_n \rangle_{n \geq 1}$ is $B - (u+2, a^{2u} b^v)$ sequence. Hence by the above theorem it yields

$$\langle \sqrt[n]{H_n} \rangle_{n \geq 1} \text{ as a } L - (u+1, a^{2u} b^v (u+2) e^{-(u+2)}) \text{ sequence or}$$

$$L - (u+1, a^{2u} b^v (3u+2v) \cdot e^{-(3u+2v)}) \text{ sequence} \because u+v=1$$

$$\therefore \Omega = \frac{a^{2u} b^v (3u+2v)}{e^{3u+2v}} \quad (\text{Ans :})$$

PROBLEM 3.038-Solution by Soumitra Mandal - Kolkata - India

Theorem: Let $(t, a) \in \mathbb{R}_+ \times \mathbb{R}_+^*$. If $\langle a_n \rangle_{n \geq 1} \in S(\mathbb{R}_+^*)$ is a $B - (t+1, a)$ sequence then

$\langle \sqrt[n]{a_n} \rangle_{n \geq 1}$ is a $L - (t, a(t+1), e^{-(t+1)})$ sequence.

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (a_{n+1} - a_n) = r \in \mathbb{R}_+^*$$

$$a_n! = a_1 a_2 \dots a_n \text{ and } G_n = \sqrt[n]{a_n!} \text{ for all } n \in \mathbb{N}^*$$

$$\Omega = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{(n+1)^2}{\sqrt[n+1]{G_{n+1}!}} - \frac{n^2}{\sqrt[n]{G_n!}} \right) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{(n+1)^{2(n+1)}}{G_{n+1}!} - \frac{n^{2n}}{G_n!} \right)$$

$$\text{Let } H_n = \frac{n^{2n}}{G_n!} \text{ for all } n \geq 1$$

$$\therefore \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{H_{n+1}}{n \cdot H_n} = \left(\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} n \right) \left(\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(1 + \frac{1}{n} \right)^{2(n+1)} \right) \left(\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{G_n!}{G_{n+1}!} \right)$$

$$= \left(\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} n \right) e^2 \left(\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{G_{n+1}!} \right) = e^2 \left(\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} n \right) \left(\frac{1}{\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sqrt[n+1]{a_{n+1}}} \right) = e^2 \left(\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} n \right) \left(\frac{1}{\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{a_{n+2}!}{a_{n+1}!}} \right)$$

Applying Cauchy D-Alembert's Theorem

$$= e^2 \left(\frac{1}{\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{a_{n+2}}{n}} \right) = e^2 \left(\frac{1}{\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{a_{n+3} - a_{n+2}}{n+1-n}} \right) = \frac{e^2}{r}$$

hence $\langle H_n \rangle_{n \geq 1}$ is a $B - \left(1, \frac{e^2}{r} \right)$ sequence. According to the above theorem it yields

$\langle \sqrt[n]{H_n} \rangle_{n \geq 1}$ is a $L - \left(0, \frac{e^2}{r} \cdot 1 \cdot e^{-1} \right)$ sequence i.e. $L - \left(0, \frac{e}{r} \right)$ sequence.

$$\Omega = \frac{e}{r} \quad (\text{Ans :})$$

PROBLEM 3.039-Solution by Soumitra Mandal - Kolkata - India

Theorem: Let $(t, a) \in \mathbb{R}_+ \times \mathbb{R}_+^*$. If $\langle a_n \rangle_{n \geq 1} \in S(\mathbb{R}_+^*)$ is a

$B - (t+1, a)$ sequence then $\langle \sqrt[n]{a_n} \rangle_{n \geq 1}$ is a

$L - (t, a(t+1), e^{-(t+1)})$ sequence.

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (a_{n+1} - a_n) = a \in \mathbb{R}_+^*; \quad \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (b_{n+1} - b_n) = b \in \mathbb{R}_+^*$$

$$P_n = \sqrt{\frac{a_1^2 + a_2^2 + \dots + a_n^2}{n}}, \quad P_n! = \prod_{k=1}^n P_k$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Omega &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (b_{n+1}^{u+n+1} \sqrt[n+1]{(P_{n+1}!)^v} - b_n^u \sqrt[n]{(P_n!)^v}) \text{ where } u + v = 1 \\ &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(\sqrt[n+1]{b_{n+1}^{u(n+1)} (P_{n+1}!)^v} - \sqrt[n]{b_n^{un} (P_n!)^v} \right) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (\sqrt[n+1]{c_{n+1}} - \sqrt[n]{c_n}) \\ &\quad \text{where } c_n = b_n^{un} (P_n!)^v \text{ where } n \in \mathbb{N}^* \\ &\quad \therefore \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{c_{n+1}}{n^{u+1} \cdot c_n} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n^{u+1}} \frac{b_{n+1}^{u(n+1)} (P_{n+1}!)^v}{b_n^{un} (P_n!)^v} = \\ &= \left(\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{b_{n+1}^u}{n^{2u+v}} \right) \left(\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{b_{n+1}}{b_n} \right)^{nu} \right) \left(\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (P_{n+1})^v \right) = \left(\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{b_{n+1}^u}{n^{2u+v}} \right) \left(\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} b_n^u \right) \left(\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (P_{n+1})^v \right) = \\ &\quad \text{Applying Cauchy - D'Alembert's Theorem} \\ &= \left(\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{b_{n+1}}{n} \right)^u \right) \left(\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{b_n}{n} \right)^u \right) \left(\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{P_{n+1}}{n} \right)^v \right) = \\ &= \left(\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{b_{n+2} - b_{n+1}}{n + 1 - n} \right)^u \right) \left(\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{b_{n+1} - b_n}{n + 1 - n} \right)^u \right) \left(\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n^v} \right) \left(\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{\sum_{k=1}^n a_k^2}{n} \right)^{\frac{v}{2}} \right) = \\ &= b^{2u} \left(\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n^v} \right) \left(\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(\prod_{k=1}^n a_k \right)^{\frac{v}{n}} \right) \end{aligned}$$

since

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sqrt[n]{\frac{a_1^2 + a_2^2 + \dots + a_n^2}{n}} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sqrt[n]{a_1 a_2 \dots a_n} = b^{2u} \left(\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n^v} \right) \left(\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_{n+1}^v \right)$$

Applying Cauchy - D'Alembert's Theorem

$$= b^{2u} \left(\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{a_{n+1}}{n} \right)^v \right) = b^{2u} \left(\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{a_{n+2} - a_{n+1}}{n + 1 - n} \right)^v \right) = b^{2u} a^v$$

Hence, $\langle c_n \rangle_{n \geq 1}$ constitutes a $B - (u + 2, b^{2u} a^v)$ sequence by the above theorem $\langle \sqrt[n]{c_n} \rangle_{n \geq 1}$ constitutes $L - (u + 1, b^{2u} a^v (u + 2) e^{-(u+2)})$ sequence or $L - (u + 1, b^{2u} a^v (3u + 2v) e^{-(3u+2v)})$ sequence.

$$\Omega = \frac{b^{2u} a^v (3u+2v)}{e^{3u+2v}} \text{ (Ans:)}$$

PROBLEM 3.040-Solution by Soumitra Mandal - Kolkata - India

Theorem: Let $(t, a) \in \mathbb{R}_+ \times \mathbb{R}_+^*$. If $\langle a_n \rangle_{n \geq 1} \in S(\mathbb{R}_+^*)$ is a $B - (t + 1, a)$ sequence then $\langle \sqrt[n]{a_n} \rangle_{n \geq 1}$ is a $L - (t, a(t + 1), e^{-(t+1)})$ sequence.

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (a_{n+1} - a_n) = r \in \mathbb{R}_+^*$$

for any $x \in \mathbb{R}_+^*$ we denote $M_n^{[x]} = \sqrt[n]{\frac{a_1^x + a_2^x + \dots + a_n^x}{n}}$ and

$$M_n^{[x]}! = M_1^{[x]} M_2^{[x]} \dots M_n^{[x]} \text{ for all } n \in \mathbb{N}^*$$

$$\Omega = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{(n + 1)^2}{\sqrt[n+1]{M_{n+1}^{[x]}}} - \frac{n^2}{\sqrt[n]{M_n^{[x]}}} \right) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(\sqrt[n+1]{\frac{(n + 1)^{2(n+1)}}{M_{n+1}^{[x]}!}} - \sqrt[n]{\frac{n^{2n}}{M_n^{[x]}!}} \right) =$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} ({}^{n+1}\sqrt{c_{n+1}} - {}^n\sqrt{c_n}) \text{ where } c_n = \frac{n^{2n}}{M_n^{[x]!}} \text{ for all } n \geq 1 \\
&\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{c_{n+1}}{n \cdot c_n} = \left(\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n} \right) \left(\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{(n+1)^{2(n+1)} \cdot M_n^{[x]!}}{M_{n+1}^{[x]!}} \right) = \\
&= \left(\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n} \right) \left(\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(1 + \frac{1}{n} \right)^{2n} \right) \left(\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (n+1)^2 \right) \left(\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{M_{n+1}^{[x]}} \right) = \\
&= e^2 \left(\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(1 + \frac{1}{n} \right)^2 \right) \left(\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} n \right) \left(\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{\sqrt[n]{\frac{\sum_{k=1}^{n+1} a_k^x}{n+1}}} \right) = e^2 \left(\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} n \right) \left(\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{\sqrt[n+1]{\prod_{k=1}^{n+1} a_k}} \right)
\end{aligned}$$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sqrt[n]{\frac{\sum_{k=1}^n a_k^x}{n}} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sqrt[n]{\prod_{k=1}^n a_k} = e^2 \left(\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} n \right) \left(\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_{n+1}} \right)$$

Applying Cauchy – D Alembet's Theorem

$$= e^2 \left(\frac{1}{\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{a_{n+1}}{n}} \right) = \frac{e^2}{\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{a_{n+2} - a_n}{n+1 - n}} = \frac{e^2}{r}$$

hence, $\langle c_n \rangle_{n \geq 1}$ is a $B - \left(0, \frac{e^2}{r}\right)$ sequence and by the above theorem

$\langle {}^n\sqrt{c_n} \rangle_{n \geq 1}$ constitutes a $L - \left(1, \frac{e^2}{r} \cdot e^{-1}\right)$ sequence or, $L - \left(1, \frac{e}{r}\right)$ sequence. $\Omega = \frac{e}{r}$ (Ans :)

PROBLEM 3.041-Solution by proposer

$$\text{Let } f(2n+1) = \int_0^\infty u^{2n+1} e^{-u^2} du$$

We now consider another similar integral as a function of v such that:

$$[f(2n+1)]^2 = \int_0^\infty u^{2n+1} e^{-u^2} du \cdot \int_0^\infty v^{2n+1} e^{-v^2} dv = \int_0^\infty \int_0^\infty (uv)^{2n+1} e^{-(u^2+v^2)} dudv$$

We now apply the change of variables: $u = r \cdot \cos \theta$; $v = r \cdot \sin \theta$

And our domain of integration is: $u \geq 0$; $v \geq 0 \Rightarrow 0 \leq \theta \leq \frac{\pi}{2}$; $r \geq 0$

$$\begin{aligned}
\Rightarrow [f(2n+1)]^2 &= \int_0^\infty \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} [\sin(\theta) \cdot \cos(\theta)]^{2n+1} r^{4n+3} e^{-r^2} d\theta dr \\
&= \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} [\sin(\theta) \cdot \cos(\theta)]^{2n+1} d\theta \cdot f(2[2n+1] + 1)
\end{aligned}$$

We now turn our attention back to $f(2n+1)$ and apply the substitution:

$$u^2 = x \Rightarrow du = \frac{1}{2} \cdot x^{-\frac{1}{2}} dx$$

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore \int_0^{\infty} u^{2n+1} e^{-u^2} du &= \frac{1}{2} \int_0^{\infty} x^n e^{-x} dx = \frac{\Gamma(n+1)}{2} = \frac{n!}{2} \\ \Rightarrow \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} [\sin(\theta) \cdot \cos(\theta)]^{2n+1} d\theta &= \frac{[f(2n+1)]^2}{f(2[2n+1]+1)} = \frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{(n!)^2}{(2n+1)!} \end{aligned}$$

Next:

$$\sum_0^{\infty} [\sin(\theta) \cdot \cos(\theta)]^{2n+1} = \frac{\sin(\theta) \cdot \cos(\theta)}{1 - [\sin(\theta) \cdot \cos(\theta)]^2}$$

We consider: $\int \frac{\sin(\theta) \cdot \cos(\theta)}{1 - [\sin(\theta) \cdot \cos(\theta)]^2} d\theta = -2 \int \frac{\sin(2\theta)}{\sin^2(2\theta) - 4} d\theta$

$$= - \int \frac{\sin(x)}{\sin^2(x) - 4} dx = \int \frac{\sin(x)}{\cos^2(x) + 3} dx$$

$\cos(x) = y \Rightarrow dx = -\frac{dy}{\sin(x)}$

$$\Rightarrow \int \frac{\sin(x)}{\cos^2(x) + 3} dx = \int \frac{1}{3 + y^2} dy = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} \arctan\left(\frac{y}{\sqrt{3}}\right)$$

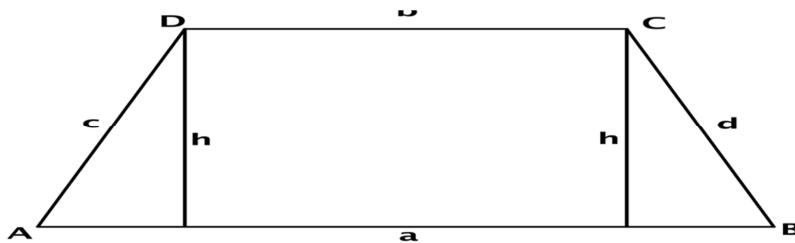
Un-doing the substitutions yields:

$$\int \frac{\sin(\theta) \cdot \cos(\theta)}{1 - [\sin(\theta) \cdot \cos(\theta)]^2} d\theta = \frac{\arctan\left(\frac{\cos(2\theta)}{\sqrt{3}}\right)}{\sqrt{3}}$$

$$\therefore \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \frac{\sin(\theta) \cdot \cos(\theta)}{1 - [\sin(\theta) \cdot \cos(\theta)]^2} d\theta = \frac{\pi}{3^{\frac{3}{2}}}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_0^{\infty} \frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{(n!)^2}{(2n+1)!} &= \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \sum_0^{\infty} [\sin(\theta) \cdot \cos(\theta)]^{2n+1} = \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \frac{\sin(\theta) \cdot \cos(\theta)}{1 - [\sin(\theta) \cdot \cos(\theta)]^2} d\theta = \frac{\pi}{3^{\frac{3}{2}}} \\ \therefore \frac{3^{\frac{3}{2}}}{2} \cdot \sum_0^{\infty} \frac{(n!)^2}{(2n+1)!} &= \pi \end{aligned}$$

PROBLEM 3.042-Solution by SK Rejuan - West Bengal - India



Let ABCD be the trapeze and h be the hight of it. Area $[ABCD] = \frac{1}{2}h(a + b)$

Now, from picture, $h < c$ and $h < b$

$$\Rightarrow 2h < c + d = \frac{(a-b)(c+d)}{(a-b)} \quad [as \ a - b > 0] \Rightarrow 2h < \frac{(a-b)(c+d)}{(a-b)} = \frac{4(a-b)(c+d)}{4(a-b)}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow 2h &< \frac{4(a-b)(c+d)}{(a-b)} < \frac{\{(a-b)+(c+d)\}^2}{4(a-b)} \quad [\text{by } GM < AM] \Rightarrow 2h < \frac{(a-b+c+d)^2}{4(a-b)} \\ &\Rightarrow \frac{1}{4}(a+b) \cdot 2h < \frac{1}{4}(a+b) \frac{(a-b+c+d)^2}{4(a-b)} \\ &\quad [\because a+b > 0] \\ \Rightarrow \frac{1}{2}h(a+b) &< \frac{(a+b)(a-b+c+d)^2}{16(a-b)} \Rightarrow \text{Area } [ABCD] < \frac{(a+b)(a-b+c+d)^2}{16(a-b)} \end{aligned}$$

PROBLEM 3.043-Solution by Nguyen Phuc Tang - Hanoi - Vietnam

We have: $LHS - RHS = \sqrt{\sum(a^2 + 2ab \cos(A-B))} - (a+b+c) + 2(a+b+c) -$
 $-\sum \sqrt{a^2 + 2ab \cos(A-B) + b^2} =$
 $= \sum \frac{2ab[1 - \cos(A-B)]}{\sqrt{a^2 + 2ab \cos(A-B) + b^2} + a+b} - \frac{\sum 2a[-\cos(A-B) + 1]}{\sqrt{\sum(a^2 + 2ab \cos(A-B))} + (a+b+c)}$
We prove that:

$$\sqrt{\sum(a^2 + 2ab \cos(A-B))} + a+b+c \geq \sqrt{a^2 + 2ab \cos(A-B) + b^2} + a+b$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \sqrt{\sum(a^2 + 2ab \cos(A-B))} \geq \sqrt{a^2 + 2ab \cos(A-B) + b^2} - c \quad (*)$$

$$\oplus \text{ case } c \geq \sqrt{a^2 + 2ab \cos(A-B) + b^2} \text{ then } (*) \text{ is true}$$

$$\oplus \text{ case } c < \sqrt{a^2 + 2ab \cos(A-B) + b^2}$$

$$(*) \Leftrightarrow 2bc \cos(B-C) + 2ac \cos(A-C) \geq -2c\sqrt{a^2 + 2ab \cos(A-B) + b^2}$$

$$-[b \cos(B-C) + a \cos(A-C)] \leq \sqrt{a^2 + 2ab \cos(A-B) + b^2} \quad (**)$$

$$\text{if } b \cos(B-C) + a \cos(A-C) \geq 0 \Rightarrow (**) \text{ is true}$$

$$\text{if } b \cos(B-C) + a \cos(A-C) < 0 \Rightarrow \sin B \cos(B-C) + \sin A \cos(A-C) < 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \cos C \sin(A+B) + 2 \sin A \sin B \sin C < 0 \Rightarrow \cos C < 0 \Rightarrow C > A \ \& \ C > B$$

$$(**) \Leftrightarrow b^2(1 - \cos^2(B-C)) + c^2(1 - \cos^2(A-C)) + 2ab[2 \cos(A-B) - 2 \cos(A-C) \cos(B-C)] \geq 0 \quad (***)$$

$$(**) \text{ is true, because}$$

$$2 \cos(A-B) - 2 \cos(A-C) \cos(B-C) = \cos(A-B) - \cos(A+B-2C) =$$

$$= 2 \sin(C-A) \sin(C-B) > 0. \text{ Equality holds if } a = b = c.$$

PROBLEM 3.044-Solution by proposer

$$\text{We prove that: } \sqrt{4n+1} \leq \sqrt{n} + \sqrt{n+1} < \sqrt{4n+2}$$

$$\sqrt{4n+3} \leq \sqrt{n} + \sqrt{n+2} < \sqrt{4n+4}$$

$$\sqrt{4n+5} \leq \sqrt{n} + \sqrt{n+3} < \sqrt{4n+6}$$

$$1) \text{ If } \sqrt{4n+2}, \sqrt{4n+4}, \sqrt{4n+6} \notin \mathbb{N} \text{ then: } [\sqrt{4n+1}] = [\sqrt{4n+2}];$$

$$[\sqrt{4n+3}] = [\sqrt{4n+4}]; [\sqrt{4n+5}] = [\sqrt{4n+6}]$$

$$2) \text{ If } \sqrt{4n+2}, \sqrt{4n+4}, \sqrt{4n+6} \in \mathbb{N} \Rightarrow [\sqrt{4n+2}] = [\sqrt{4n+1}] + 1;$$

$$[\sqrt{4n+4}] = [\sqrt{4n+3}] + 1; [\sqrt{4n+6}] = [\sqrt{4n+5}] + 1 \text{ therefore}$$

$$[\sqrt{n} + \sqrt{n+1}] = [\sqrt{4n+1}]; [\sqrt{n} + \sqrt{n+2}] = [\sqrt{4n+3}]; [\sqrt{n} + \sqrt{n+3}] = [\sqrt{4n+5}]$$

After addition holds.

PROBLEM 3.045-Solution by Hamza Mahmood – Lahore – Pakistan

Let

$$I = \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \dots \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \frac{1}{1 + \sqrt[2]{\tan(x_1)} \cdot \sqrt[3]{\tan(x_2)} \cdot \dots \cdot \sqrt[n]{\tan(x_{n-1})} \cdot \sqrt[n+1]{\tan(x_n)}} dx_1 dx_2 \dots dx_{n-1} dx_n$$

$$\Rightarrow I = \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \dots \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \frac{\prod_{k=2}^{n+1} \sqrt[k]{\cos(x_{k-1})}}{\prod_{k=1}^{n+1} \sqrt[k]{\cos(x_{k-1})} + \prod_{k=2}^{n+1} \sqrt[k]{\sin(x_{k-1})}} dx_1 dx_2 \dots dx_{n-1} dx_n \dots (A)$$

Now by substitution $x_i \rightarrow \frac{\pi}{2} - x_i$, we have:

$$\Rightarrow I = \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \dots \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \frac{\prod_{k=2}^{n+1} \sqrt[k]{\sin(x_{k-1})}}{\prod_{k=1}^{n+1} \sqrt[k]{\sin(x_{k-1})} + \prod_{k=2}^{n+1} \sqrt[k]{\cos(x_{k-1})}} dx_1 dx_2 \dots dx_{n-1} dx_n \dots (B)$$

Adding (A) and (B) gives:

$$\Rightarrow 2I = \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \dots \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \frac{\prod_{k=2}^{n+1} \sqrt[k]{\cos(x_{k-1})} + \prod_{k=2}^{n+1} \sqrt[k]{\sin(x_{k-1})}}{\prod_{k=1}^{n+1} \sqrt[k]{\cos(x_{k-1})} + \prod_{k=2}^{n+1} \sqrt[k]{\sin(x_{k-1})}} dx_1 dx_2 \dots dx_{n-1} dx_n =$$

$$= \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \dots \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} (1) dx_1 dx_2 \dots dx_n \Rightarrow 2I = \left(\frac{\pi}{2}\right)^n \Rightarrow I = \frac{\pi^n}{2^{n+1}}$$

PROBLEM 3.046-Solution by SK Rejuan-West Bengal-India

Given $a, b, c \in \mathbb{R}^+$ such that $\sum a = 1$.

Let us take a, b, c with the associated weight a^2, b^2, c^2 respectively, hence by applying $GM \geq$

HM we get,

$$\left(a^{a^2} \cdot b^{b^2} \cdot c^{c^2}\right)^{\frac{1}{a^2+b^2+c^2}} \geq \frac{a^2 + b^2 + c^2}{\frac{a^2}{a} + \frac{b^2}{b} + \frac{c^2}{c}} \quad [\because a, b, c \neq 0]$$

$$\Rightarrow \left(a^{a^2} \cdot b^{b^2} \cdot c^{c^2}\right) \geq \left(\frac{a^2 + b^2 + c^2}{a + b + c}\right)^{a^2+b^2+c^2}$$

$$\Rightarrow a^{a^2} \cdot b^{b^2} \cdot c^{c^2} \geq (a^2 + b^2 + c^2)^{a^2+b^2+c^2} \quad [as \sum a = 1] \quad [Proved]$$

PROBLEM 3.047-Solution by Soumava Chakraborty-Kolkata-India

a, b, c are distinct rational numbers such that $\frac{a}{b-c} + \frac{b}{c-a} + \frac{c}{a-b} = 0$

$$p.t \underbrace{\sqrt{\frac{(b-c)^4}{a^2} + \frac{(c-a)^4}{b^2} + \frac{(a-b)^4}{c^2}}}_e \text{ is a rational no.} \because \frac{a}{b-c} + \frac{b}{c-a} = \frac{-c}{a-b}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore \frac{-c}{a-b} &= \frac{ac - a^2 + b^2 - bc}{(b-c)(c-a)} = \frac{c(a-b) - (a+b)(a-b)}{(b-c)(c-a)} \\ \Rightarrow \frac{c}{a-b} &= \frac{(a-b)(a+b-c)}{(b-c)(c-a)} \Rightarrow \frac{(a-b)^2}{c} = \frac{(b-c)(c-a)}{a+b-c} \end{aligned}$$

(If $a + b - c = 0$, then $c = 0$. But for e to be defined $c \neq 0 \therefore a + b - c \neq 0$)

$$\therefore \frac{(a-b)^4}{c^2} = \frac{(b-c)^2(c-a)^2}{(a+b-c)^2} \quad (1)$$

$$\text{Similarly, } \frac{a}{b-c} = \frac{(b-c)(b+c-a)}{(c-a)(a-b)}$$

If $b + c - a = 0$, then $a = 0$. But for e to be defined, $a \neq 0 \therefore b + c - a \neq 0$

$$\therefore \frac{(b-c)^4}{a^2} = \frac{(c-a)^2(a-b)^2}{(b+c-a)^2} \quad (2)$$

$$\text{Also, similarly, } \frac{b}{c-a} = \frac{(c-a)(c+a-b)}{(a-b)(b-c)}$$

If $c + a - b = 0$, then $b = 0$. But for e to be defined, $b \neq 0$.

$$\therefore c + a - b \neq 0 \therefore \frac{(c-a)^4}{b^2} = \frac{(a-b)^2(b-c)^2}{(c+a-b)^2} \quad (3)$$

$$(1) + (2) + (3) \Rightarrow e^2 = \frac{(c-a)^2(a-b)^2}{(b+c-a)^2} + \frac{(a-b)^2(b-c)^2}{(c+a-b)^2} + \frac{(b-c)^2(c-a)^2}{(a+b-c)^2} = x^2 + y^2 + z^2$$

$$\text{where } x = \frac{(c-a)(a-b)}{b+c-a}, y = \frac{(a-b)(b-c)}{c+a-b}, z = \frac{(b-c)(c-a)}{a+b-c}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Now, } \sum xy &= \{\prod(a-b)\} \left[\frac{a-b}{(b+c-a)(c+a-b)} + \frac{b-c}{(c+a-b)(a+b-c)} + \frac{c-a}{(a+b-c)(b+c-a)} \right] \\ \Rightarrow \sum xy &= \left\{ \prod(a-b) \left[\frac{(a-b)(a+b-c) + (b-c)(b+c-a) + (c-a)(c+a-b)}{(a+b-c)(b+c-a)(c+a-b)} \right] \right\} \\ &= \left\{ \prod(a-b) \right\} \left[\frac{a^2 - b^2 - ca + bc + b^2 - c^2 - ab + ca + c^2 - a^2 - bc + ab}{(a+b-c)(b+c-a)(c+a-b)} \right] = 0 \end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore e^2 = \sum x^2 = \sum x^2 + 0 = \sum x^2 + 2 \sum xy \quad (\because \sum xy = 0)$$

$$= (x + y + z)^2 \Rightarrow e = |x + y + z|$$

$$= \left| \frac{(c-a)(a-b)}{(b+c-a)} + \frac{(a-b)(b-c)}{(c+a-b)} + \frac{(b-c)(c-a)}{a+b-c} \right|,$$

which is obviously a rational number as a, b, c are rational numbers (Proved).

PROBLEM 3.048-Solution by Soumava Chakraborty-Kolkata-India

$$\begin{aligned} a^4 + b^4 + c^4 + 26abc &\leq 1 \Leftrightarrow a^4 + b^4 + c^4 + 26abc \leq (a+b+c)^4 \\ \Leftrightarrow 2a^3b + 2ab^3 + 2b^3c + 2bc^3 + 2c^3a + 2ca^3 + 3a^2b^2 + 3b^2c^2 + 3c^2a^2 + \\ &\quad + 6a^2bc + 6b^2ca + 6c^2ab \geq 13abc \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Now, } 3 \sum_{(a)} a^2b^2 \geq 3abc(a+b+c) \quad (\because \sum x^2 \geq \sum xy)$$

$$\text{(true for } \forall a, b, c) = 3abc \quad (\because \sum a = 1)$$

$$\text{Also } 6a^2bc + 6b^2ca + 6c^2ab = 6abc(\sum a) \stackrel{(b)}{=} 6abc$$

(a), (b) \Rightarrow it remains to prove:

$$a^3b + ab^3 + b^3c + bc^3 + c^3a + ca^3 \geq 2abc \quad (1)$$

Now, $a^3b + ab^3 = ab(a^2 + b^2) \geq ab \cdot 2ab$ ($\because a^2 + b^2 \geq 2ab$ and $a, b \geq 0$)

$$\Rightarrow a^3b + ab^3 \stackrel{(c)}{\geq} 2a^2b^2. \text{ Similarly, } b^3c + bc^3 \stackrel{(d)}{\geq} 2b^2c^2 \text{ and } c^3a + ca^3 \stackrel{(e)}{\geq} 2c^2a^2$$

$$(c) + (d) + (e) \Rightarrow \sum(a^3b + ab^3) \geq 2 \sum a^2b^2 \geq 2abc(a + b + c) = 2abc \\ \Rightarrow (1) \text{ is true (Proved)}$$

PROBLEM 3.049-Solution by Kevin Soto Palacios - Huarmey - Peru

Siendo ABC un triángulo \wedge si $x, y, z \in \mathbb{R}$, se cumple la siguiente desigualdad:

$x^2 + y^2 + z^2 \geq 2xy \cos A + 2yz \cos B + 2zx \cos C$. En otras palabras:

$$x^2 + y^2 + z^2 \geq xy \frac{b^2+c^2-a^2}{bc} + yz \frac{a^2+c^2-b^2}{ca} + zx \frac{a^2+b^2-c^2}{ab} \quad (A)$$

Aplicando para un triángulo de longitudes m_a, m_b, m_c , tenemos:

$$x^2 + y^2 + z^2 \geq xy \frac{(m_b)^2 + (m_c)^2 - (m_a)^2}{m_b m_c} + \frac{(m_c)^2 + (m_a)^2 - (m_b)^2}{m_c m_a} yz + \\ + \frac{(m_a)^2 + (m_b)^2 - (m_c)^2}{m_a m_b} zx$$

$$4(x^2 + y^2 + z^2)m_a m_b m_c \geq \\ \geq xy(5a^2 - b^2 - c^2)m_a + yz(5b^2 - c^2 - a^2)m_b + zx(5c^2 - a^2 - b^2)m_c$$

Un caso particular, cuando $x = y = z = 1$

$$12m_a m_b m_c \geq (5a^2 - b^2 - c^2)m_a + (5b^2 - c^2 - a^2)m_b + (5c^2 - a^2 - b^2)m_c \\ 12m_a m_b m_c \geq 5a^2 m_a - b^2 m_a - c^2 m_a + 5b^2 m_b - c^2 m_b - a^2 m_b - 5c^2 m_c - a^2 m_c - b^2 m_c \\ a^2(5m_a - m_b - m_c) + b^2(5m_b - m_c - m_a) + c^2(5m_c - m_a - m_b) \leq 12m_a m_b m_c$$

PROBLEM 3.050-Solution by Kevin Soto Palacios - Huarmey - Peru

Si: $a, b, c > 0$, se cumple la siguiente desigualdad: $\frac{a}{b+c} + \frac{b}{c+a} + \frac{c}{a+b} \geq \frac{3}{2} \dots$ (Desigualdad de

Nesbitt). La desigualdad propuesta es equivalente: $\frac{(\frac{c}{a+b})^2}{c^2 a} + \frac{(\frac{a}{b+c})^2}{a^2 b} + \frac{(\frac{b}{c+a})^2}{b^2 c} \geq \frac{3}{4}$

Aplicando la desigualdad de Cauchy:

$$\frac{(\frac{c}{a+b})^2}{c^2 a} + \frac{(\frac{a}{b+c})^2}{a^2 b} + \frac{(\frac{b}{c+a})^2}{b^2 c} \geq \frac{(\frac{a}{b+c} + \frac{b}{c+a} + \frac{c}{a+b})^2}{a^2 b + b^2 c + c^2 a} \geq \frac{9}{3} = \frac{3}{4} \dots \text{ (LQQD)}$$

PROBLEM 3.051-Solution by Soumitra Mandal-Chandar Nagore-India

$$\Gamma(n+1) = n!, \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\sqrt[n]{\Gamma(n+1)}}{n} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\sqrt[n]{n!}}{n} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sqrt[n]{\frac{n!}{n^n}} =$$

$$\stackrel{\text{CAUCHY}}{\stackrel{\text{D'ALEMBERT}}{\cong}} \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{(n+1)!}{(n+1)^{n+1}} \cdot \frac{n^n}{n!} \right) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{n}{n+1} \cdot \frac{1}{\left(1 + \frac{1}{n}\right)^n} \right) = \frac{1}{e}$$

$$\text{Let } u_n = \left(\frac{n+1 \sqrt[n]{\Gamma(n+2)}}{\sqrt[n]{\Gamma(n+1)}} \right)^a \text{ where } n \in \mathbb{N}, \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} u_n = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{n+1 \sqrt[n+1]{(n+1)!}}{\frac{n+1}{\sqrt[n]{n!}}} \cdot \left(1 + \frac{1}{n}\right)^a \right) = 1$$

$$u_n \rightarrow 1 \text{ then } \frac{u_n - 1}{\ln u_n} \rightarrow 1 \text{ as } n \rightarrow \infty$$

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} u_n^n &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{(n+1)!}{n!} \cdot \frac{1}{n+1} \cdot \frac{n+1}{\sqrt[n+1]{(n+1)!}} \right)^a = e^a \\ \therefore \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} ((f(x+1))^a - (f(x))^a) \cdot x^{1-a} &= \lim_{\substack{n \rightarrow \infty \\ n \in \mathbb{N}^*}} ((f(n+1))^a - (f(n))^a) n^{1-a} \\ &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(\left(\frac{\sqrt[n]{n!}}{n} \right)^a \cdot \frac{u_n - 1}{\ln u_n} \cdot \ln u_n^n \right) = \frac{a}{e^a} \end{aligned}$$

PROBLEM 3.052-Solution by Soumava Chakraborty-Kolkata-India

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{a^6}{a^2+b} + \frac{b^6}{b^2+c} + \frac{c^6}{c^2+a} &\stackrel{\text{Bergstrom}}{\geq} \frac{(a^3+b^3+c^3)^2}{\sum a^2 + \sum a} \\ &\stackrel{\text{Chebyshev}}{\geq} \frac{\left(\frac{1}{3}\sum a \sum a^2\right)^2}{\sum a^2 + 3} = \frac{t^2}{t+3}, \text{ where } t = \sum a^2 \therefore \text{it suffices to prove: } \frac{t^2}{t+3} \geq \frac{3}{2} \\ &\Leftrightarrow 2t^2 - 3t - 9 \geq 0 \Leftrightarrow (2t+3)(t-3) \geq 0 \Leftrightarrow t \geq 3 \quad (1) \\ &\quad (\because 2t+3 > 3 > 0) \\ \text{Now, } t = \sum a^2 &\stackrel{\text{Chebyshev}}{\geq} \frac{1}{3}(\sum a)^2 = \frac{9}{3} = 3 \Rightarrow t \geq 3 \Rightarrow (1) \text{ is true (Proved)} \end{aligned}$$

PROBLEM 3.053-Solution by Marian Ursărescu - Romania

We use the following theorem: If $M, N \in M_n(\mathbb{C})$ such that $MN = I_n \Rightarrow NM = I_n$, then $MN = NM$. $x^2A + B = xAB \Rightarrow xAB - x^2A - B = O_n \Rightarrow xA(B - xI_n) - B + xI_n = xI_n \Rightarrow (xA - I_n)(B - xI_n) = xI_n \Rightarrow (B - xI_n)(xA - I_n) = I_n \Rightarrow xBA - B - x^2A + xI_n = I_n \Rightarrow xBA = x^2A + B \Rightarrow AB = BA$ and similarly, $BC = CB$ and $AC = CA$.

$$\left. \begin{aligned} x^2A + B &= xAB \Rightarrow x^2AC + BC = xABC \\ y^2B + C &= yBC \Rightarrow y^2AB + AC = yABC \\ z^2C + A &= zCA \Rightarrow z^2BC + AB = zABC \end{aligned} \right\} \Rightarrow$$

$$(x^2 + 1)AC + (y^2 + 1)AB + (z^2 + 1)BC = (x + y + z)ABC \quad (1)$$

$$x^2A + B = xAB \Rightarrow AB = xA + \frac{1}{x}B$$

$$y^2B + C = yBC \Rightarrow BC = yB + \frac{1}{y}C \quad (2)$$

$$z^2C + A = zCA \Rightarrow CA = zC + \frac{1}{z}A$$

From (1)+(2) we have:

$$\begin{aligned} (y^2 + 1)\left(xA + \frac{1}{x}B\right) + (z^2 + 1)\left(yB + \frac{1}{y}C\right) + (x^2 + 1)\left(zC + \frac{1}{z}A\right) &= (x + y + z)ABC \Leftrightarrow \\ \Leftrightarrow \left(x(y^2 + 1) + \frac{x^2+1}{z}\right)A + \left((z^2 + 1)y + \frac{y^2+1}{x}\right)B + \left((x^2 + 1)z + \frac{z^2+1}{y}\right)C &= (x + y + z)ABC \end{aligned}$$

PROBLEM 3.054-Solution by proposer

Applying Hölder's inequality:

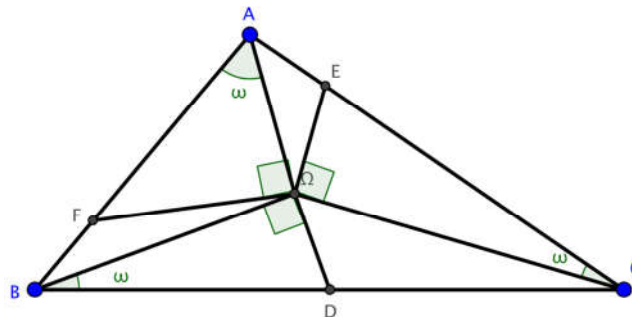
$$\int_0^\infty f(t)g(t)dt \leq \left(\int_0^\infty (f(t))^p dt \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} \left(\int_0^\infty (g(t))^q dt \right)^{\frac{1}{q}}$$

when $\frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{q} = 1$ and $p > 1$. Put $p = \frac{1}{a}, q = \frac{1}{1-a}, f(t) = e^{-t}t^{x+a-1}$,
 $g(t) = e^{-t}t^{x-1}, \Gamma(x) = \int_0^\infty e^{-t}t^{x-1} dt$ we obtain $\frac{\Gamma(x+a)}{x^a\Gamma(x)} \leq 1$
 $(\Gamma(x+1) = x\Gamma(x))$. If in this case we take $a \rightarrow 1-a, x \rightarrow x+a$ we obtain
 $\left(\frac{x}{x+a}\right)^{1-a} \leq \frac{\Gamma(x+a)}{x^a\Gamma(x)}$ finally $\left(\frac{x}{x+a}\right)^{1-a} \leq \frac{\Gamma(x+a)}{x^a\Gamma(x)} \leq 1$. If $a = \frac{1}{2}$
 then we have $\sqrt{x} \leq \frac{\Gamma(x+1)}{\Gamma(x+\frac{1}{2})} \leq \sqrt{x + \frac{1}{2}}$ if $x \rightarrow \sqrt{x} \Rightarrow$
 ${}^4\sqrt{x} \leq \frac{\Gamma(\sqrt{x}+1)}{\Gamma(\sqrt{x}+\frac{1}{2})} \leq \sqrt{\sqrt{x} + \frac{1}{2}} \Rightarrow \sqrt{x} \leq \sqrt{x} \leq \left(\frac{\Gamma(\sqrt{x}+1)}{\Gamma(\sqrt{x}+\frac{1}{2})}\right)^2 \leq \sqrt{x} + \frac{1}{2}$ (1)
 $x \rightarrow {}^4\sqrt{x}; {}^8\sqrt{x} \leq \frac{\Gamma({}^4\sqrt{x}+1)}{\Gamma({}^4\sqrt{x}+\frac{1}{2})} \leq \sqrt{{}^4\sqrt{x} + \frac{1}{2}} \Rightarrow \sqrt{x} \leq \left(\frac{\Gamma({}^4\sqrt{x}+1)}{\Gamma({}^4\sqrt{x}+\frac{1}{2})}\right)^4 \leq \sqrt{x} + {}^4\sqrt{x} + \frac{1}{2}$ (2)
 After addition (1)+(2) holds.

PROBLEM 3.055-Solution by Shivam Sharma-New Delhi-India

$$\begin{aligned} &\Rightarrow \frac{1}{2} \int_0^1 \ln^3(x) \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left(\frac{x}{2}\right)^n dx \Rightarrow \frac{1}{2} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{2^n} \int_0^1 x^n \ln^3(x) dx \\ &\Rightarrow \frac{1}{2} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{2^n} \cdot \frac{\partial^3}{\partial n^3} \left[\int_0^1 x^n dx \right] \Rightarrow \frac{1}{2} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{2^n} \cdot \frac{\partial^3}{\partial n^3} \left[\frac{x^{n+1}}{n+1} \right]_0^1 \\ &\Rightarrow \frac{1}{2} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{2^n} \left[\frac{x^{n+1} \ln^3(x)}{n+1} - \frac{3x^{n+1} \ln^2(x)}{(n+1)^2} + \frac{6x^{n+1} \ln(x)}{(n+1)^3} - \frac{6x^{n+1}}{(n+1)^4} \right]_0^1 \\ &\Rightarrow -6 \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{2^{n+1}(n+1)^4} \Rightarrow -6 \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left(\frac{1}{2^{n+1}}\right), \text{ (OR)} \\ &I = -6Li_4\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) \text{ (Q.E.D.)} \end{aligned}$$

PROBLEM 3.056-Solution by Marian Ursărescu - Romania



$$\begin{aligned} \Delta B\Omega D &\Rightarrow \cos \omega = \frac{B\Omega}{BD} \Rightarrow BD = \frac{B\Omega}{\cos \omega} \quad (1) \\ \text{But from Sines Law we have:} \\ A\Omega &= \frac{b}{a} 2R \sin \omega, B\Omega = \frac{c}{b} 2R \sin \omega \wedge C\Omega = \frac{a}{c} 2R \sin \Omega \quad (2) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{From (1)+(2)} \Rightarrow BD &= \frac{c}{b} 2R \tan \omega \Rightarrow \frac{BD}{BC} = \frac{c}{AB} 2R \tan \omega \Rightarrow \\ \Rightarrow \frac{BD}{BC} + \frac{CE}{CA} + \frac{AF}{AB} &= 2R \tan \omega \left(\frac{c}{ab} + \frac{b}{ac} + \frac{a}{bc} \right) = 2R \tan \omega \frac{(a^2+b^2+c^2)}{abc} \quad (3) \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{But in any } \triangle ABC \text{ we have: } \cot \omega = \frac{a^2+b^2+c^2}{4S}, S = [ABC] \Rightarrow \tan \omega = \frac{4S}{a^2+b^2+c^2} \quad (4)$$

$$\text{From (3)+(4)} \Rightarrow \frac{BD}{BC} + \frac{CE}{CA} + \frac{AF}{AB} = \frac{2R \cdot 4S}{a^2+b^2+c^2} \cdot \frac{(a^2+b^2+c^2)}{abc} = 2 \cdot \frac{4RS}{abc} = 2, \text{ because } abc = 4RS$$

PROBLEM 3.057-Solution by Soumitra Mandal-Chandar Nagore-India

WLOG let us assume $b > a$

Let us assume that the statement

$$\left(\frac{a+b}{2} \right)^n \leq \frac{1}{n+1} \sum_{k=0}^n a^k b^{n-k} \leq \frac{a^n + b^n}{2}$$

be $P(n)$. Now, $P(1): \frac{a+b}{2} \leq \frac{a+b}{2} \leq \frac{a+b}{2}$, which is true

so, $P(1)$ is true. $P(2): \left(\frac{a+b}{2} \right)^2 \leq \frac{1}{3}(a^2 + ab + b^2) \leq \frac{a^2+b^2}{2}$

now, $\frac{a^2+ab+b^2}{3} \geq \left(\frac{a+b}{2} \right)^2 \Leftrightarrow \frac{(a-b)^2}{12} \geq 0$, which is true

again, $\frac{a^2+b^2}{2} \geq \frac{a^2+ab+b^2}{3} \Leftrightarrow \frac{(a-b)^2}{6} \geq 0$, which is true.

$\therefore P(2)$ is established. Let us assume the statement is true for $n = m$.

$\therefore P(m): \left(\frac{a+b}{2} \right)^m \leq \frac{b^{m+1}-a^{m+1}}{(m+1)(b-a)} \leq \frac{a^m+b^m}{2}$. Similarly, $P(m-1)$ is also true.

$$\therefore \left(\frac{a+b}{2} \right)^{m-1} \leq \frac{b^m - a^m}{m(b-a)} \leq \frac{a^{m-1} + b^{m-1}}{2}.$$

We need to prove, $n = m+1$. $\therefore \frac{a^{m+1}+b^{m+1}}{2} - \frac{b^{m+2}-a^{m+2}}{(m+2)(b-a)}$

$$= \frac{m(b-a)(a^{m+1} + b^{m+1})}{2(m+2)(b-a)} - \frac{ab}{m+2} \cdot \frac{b^m - a^m}{b-a} \geq$$

$$\geq \frac{m}{2(m+2)}(a^{m+1} + b^{m+1}) - \frac{abm}{2(m+2)}(a^{m-1} + b^{m-1})$$

$$= \frac{m}{2(m+2)}(b-a)(b^m - a^m) \geq \frac{m^2}{2(m+2)}(b-a)^2 \left(\frac{a+b}{2} \right)^{m-1} \geq 0$$

$$\therefore \frac{a^{m+1} + b^{m+1}}{2} \geq \frac{1}{m+2} \cdot \frac{b^{m+2} - a^{m+2}}{b-a}$$

$$\text{now, } \frac{b^{m+2}-a^{m+2}}{(m+2)(b-a)} - \left(\frac{a+b}{2} \right)^{m+1} = \frac{b^{m+2}-a^{m+2}}{(m+2)(b-a)} - \left(\frac{a+b}{2} \right) \left(\frac{a+b}{2} \right)^m$$

$$\geq \frac{b^{m+2}-a^{m+2}}{(m+2)(b-a)} - \frac{(a+b)(b^{m+1}-a^{m+1})}{2(m+1)(b-a)}$$

$$= \frac{2(m+1)(b^{m+2}-a^{m+2}) - (m+2)(a+b)(b^{m+1}-a^{m+1})}{2(b-a)(m+1)(m+2)}$$

$$= \frac{m(b^{m+1}+a^{m+1})}{2(m+1)(m+2)} - \frac{abm(b^{m-1}+a^{m-1})}{2(m+1)(m+2)} = \frac{m}{2(m+1)(m+2)}(b-a)(b^m - a^m)$$

$$\geq \frac{m^2}{2(m+1)(m+2)}(b-a)^2 \left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right)^{m-1} \geq 0$$

$$\therefore \frac{b^{m+2}-a^{m+2}}{(m+2)(b-a)} \geq \left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right)^{m+1}. \text{ Hence } \left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right)^{m+1} \leq \frac{1}{m+2} \sum_{k=0}^{m+1} a^k b^{m-k} \leq \frac{a^{m+1}+b^{m+1}}{2}$$

$$\therefore P(m+1) \text{ is true. So, by theory of mathematical induction } P(n) \text{ is true.}$$

$$\left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right)^n \leq \frac{1}{n+1} \sum_{k=0}^n a^k b^{n-k} \leq \frac{a^n + b^n}{2}$$

PROBLEM 3.058-Solution by Abdilkadir Altintas - Afyon - Turkey

Let $K(\theta)$ be Kiepert perspector. BXC, AYC and AZB triangles drawn outwardly to the sides of ABC . AX, BY and CZ are concurrent at point

$$K(\theta) = \left(\frac{1}{S_A + S_\theta}, \frac{1}{S_B + S_\theta}, \frac{1}{S_C + S_\theta} \right)$$

where S_A, S_B and S_C are Conway notations of ABC . If $\theta = w$ where w is Brocard angle than

$$S_w = \frac{a^2+b^2+c^2}{2}; X \text{ has barycentric coordintes}$$

$$X = (-a^2 : S_C + S_w : S_B + S_w).$$

$$Y = (S_C + S_w : -b^2 : S_A + S_w),$$

$$Z = (S_B + S_w : S_A + S_w : -c^2).$$

Simplifying we get: $X = (-a^2 : a^2 + c^2 : a^2 + b^2)$; $Y = (a^2 + b^2 : -b^2 : b^2 + c^2)$

$Z = (a^2 + c^2 : b^2 + c^2 : -c^2)$. Using determinant to evaluate the area

$$XYZ = \frac{3(a^2b^2 + a^2c^2 + b^2c^2)}{(a^2 + b^2 + c^2)^2}$$

PROBLEM 3.059-Solution by Ravi Prakash-New Delhi-India

For $a, b > 0$

$$\frac{a^3 + b^3}{2} \geq \left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right)^3 \Rightarrow \frac{a^3 + b^3}{(a+b)^3} \geq \frac{1}{4} \Rightarrow \frac{a^2 - ab + b^2}{(a+b)^2} \geq \frac{1}{4} \Rightarrow \frac{(a^2 - ab + b^2)^2}{(a+b)^4} \geq \frac{1}{16}$$

Similarly for other two expressios. Thus,

$$\frac{(a^2 - ab + b^2)^2}{(a+b)^4} + \frac{(b^2 - bc + c^2)^2}{(b+c)^4} + \frac{(c^2 - ca + a^2)^2}{(c+a)^4} \geq \frac{3}{16}$$

PROBLEM 3.060-Solution by Imad Zak-Saida-Lebanon

$a, b, c > 0$ / $a + b + c = 1$. Prove that: $\left(1 + \frac{1}{2a+b}\right)^c \cdot \left(1 + \frac{1}{2b+c}\right)^a \cdot \left(1 + \frac{1}{2c+a}\right)^b \geq 2$

Let $f(x) = \ln\left(1 + \frac{1}{x}\right)$ for $x > 0 \Rightarrow$

$$f'(x) = -\frac{1}{x+x^2} < 0 \Rightarrow f \text{ is decreasing ... (1)}$$

$$f''(x) = \frac{2x+1}{x^2(x+1)^2} > 0 \Rightarrow f \text{ is convex ... (2)}$$

$$\text{Weighted Jensen's on } f(x) \Rightarrow \sum c \ln\left(1 + \frac{1}{2a+b}\right) =$$

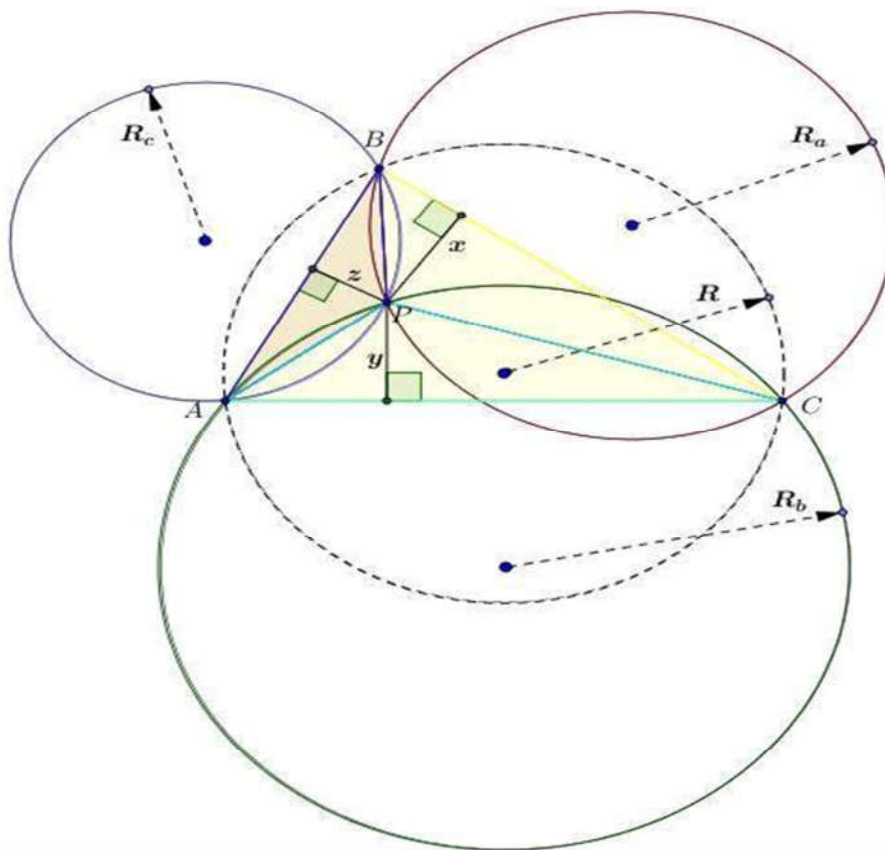
$$\begin{aligned} \sum c \cdot f(2a+b) &\geq (c+a+b)f\left(\frac{c(2a+b)+a(2b+c)+b(2c+a)}{a+b+c}\right) \\ &= 1 \cdot f\left(\frac{3\sum ab}{1}\right) = f(3\sum ab) \geq f(1) = \ln 2 \\ &\text{because } \sum ab \leq \frac{p^2}{3} = \frac{1}{3} \Rightarrow 3\sum ab \leq 1 \text{ f is } \searrow \\ \therefore \sum c \cdot \ln\left(1 + \frac{1}{2a+b}\right) &\geq \ln 2 \Leftrightarrow \sum \ln\left(1 + \frac{1}{2a+b}\right)^c \geq \ln 2 \Leftrightarrow \\ &\ln\left(\prod\left(1 + \frac{1}{2a+b}\right)^c\right) \geq \ln 2 \text{ ln is } \nearrow \Rightarrow \\ \prod\left(1 + \frac{1}{2a+b}\right)^c &\geq 2 \text{ Q.E.D equality holds for } a=b=c=\frac{1}{3} \end{aligned}$$

PROBLEM 3.061-Solution by Soumitra Mandal-Chandar Nagore-India

$$\begin{aligned} \tan \frac{A}{2} &= \frac{\Delta}{p(p-a)}, \tan \frac{B}{2} = \frac{\Delta}{p(p-b)} \text{ and } \tan \frac{C}{2} = \frac{\Delta}{p(p-c)} \\ a) \quad \sum_{cyc} \frac{\tan^3 \frac{A}{2}}{m \tan \frac{B}{2} + n \tan \frac{C}{2}} &\stackrel{HOLDER}{\geq} \frac{(\tan \frac{A}{2} + \tan \frac{B}{2} + \tan \frac{C}{2})^2}{3(m+n)} \\ &= \frac{\Delta^2}{(p(p-a)(p-b)(p-c))^2} \cdot \frac{(\sum(p-a)(p-b))^2}{3(m+n)} = \frac{r^2(r+4R)^2}{\Delta^2 \cdot 3(m+n)} = \frac{(r+4R)^2}{3p^2(m+n)} \\ b) \quad \sum_{cyc} \frac{\tan \frac{A}{2}}{m+n \cdot \tan \frac{B}{2} \cdot \tan \frac{C}{2}} &= \sum_{cyc} \frac{\tan^2 \frac{A}{2}}{m \tan \frac{A}{2} + n \cdot \prod \tan \frac{A}{2}} \\ &\stackrel{BERGSTROM}{=} \frac{(\tan \frac{A}{2} + \tan \frac{B}{2} + \tan \frac{C}{2})^2}{m \sum \tan \frac{A}{2} + 3n \prod \tan \frac{A}{2}} = \frac{\Delta^2}{(p(p-a)(p-b)(p-c))^2} \cdot \frac{(\sum(p-a)(p-b))^2}{\frac{\Delta}{p \prod(p-a)} m (\sum(p-a)(p-b)) + 3n \frac{\Delta^3}{p^3 \prod(p-a)}} \\ &= \frac{1}{\Delta^2} \cdot \frac{r^2(r+4R)^2}{\frac{m}{\Delta} r(r+4R) + 3n \frac{\Delta}{p^2}} = \frac{\Delta}{p^2} \cdot \frac{(r+4R)^2}{mr(r+4R) + 3n \frac{\Delta^2}{p^2}} = \frac{(r+4R)^2}{p(m(r+4R) + 3nr)} \text{ (proved)} \\ c) \quad \sum_{cyc} \frac{\tan^3 \frac{A}{2}}{m \cot \frac{B}{2} + n \cot \frac{C}{2}} &= \\ \left(\prod_{cyc} \tan \frac{A}{2}\right) \sum_{cyc} \frac{\tan^2 \frac{A}{2}}{m \tan \frac{C}{2} + n \tan \frac{B}{2}} &\stackrel{BERGSTROM}{\geq} \left(\sum_{cyc} \tan \frac{A}{2}\right) \frac{\tan \frac{A}{2} + \tan \frac{B}{2} + \tan \frac{C}{2}}{m+n} \\ &= \frac{\Delta^3}{p^3 \prod(p-a)} \cdot \frac{\Delta}{p \prod(p-a)} \cdot \frac{1}{m+n} \left(\sum_{cyc} (p-a)(p-b)\right) \\ &= \frac{\Delta}{p^2} \cdot \frac{1}{\Delta} \cdot \frac{r(r+4R)}{m+n} = \frac{r(r+4R)}{(m+n)p^2} \text{ (proved)} \\ d) \quad \sum_{cyc} \frac{\tan \frac{A}{2}}{(x+y \cdot \tan \frac{B}{2} \cdot \tan \frac{C}{2})^m} &= \sum_{cyc} \frac{\tan^{m+1} \frac{A}{2}}{(x \tan \frac{A}{2} + y \prod \tan \frac{A}{2})^m} \\ &\stackrel{RADON}{\geq} \frac{\left(\sum \tan \frac{A}{2}\right)^{m+1}}{\left(x \sum_{cyc} \tan \frac{A}{2} + 2y \prod \tan \frac{A}{2}\right)^m} = \frac{\left(\sum_{cyc} \frac{\Delta}{p(p-a)}\right)^{m+1}}{\left(x \sum_{cyc} \frac{\Delta}{p(p-a)} + 3y \frac{\Delta^3}{p^3(p-a)}\right)^m} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= \frac{\Delta^{m+1}}{(p \prod (p-a))^{m+1}} \cdot \frac{(\sum_{cyc} (p-a)(p-b))^{m+1}}{\left(\frac{\Delta}{p \prod (p-a)} x \sum_{cyc} (p-a)(p-b) + 3y \frac{\Delta}{p^2}\right)^m} \\
 &= \frac{1}{\Delta^{m+1}} \cdot \frac{r^{m+1}(r+4R)^{m+1}}{\left(\frac{x}{\Delta} r(r+4R) + \frac{3y\Delta}{p^2}\right)^m} = \frac{1}{\Delta} \cdot \frac{r^{m+1}(r+4R)^{m+1}}{(xr(r+4R) + 3yr^2)^m} = \\
 &= \frac{(r+4R)^{m+1}}{p(x(r+4R) + 3yr)^m}
 \end{aligned}$$

PROBLEM 3.062-Solution by Kevin Soto Palacios - Huarmey - Peru



Dado un triángulo equilátero ABC y sea P un punto en este plano. Siendo R, R_a, R_b, R_c , respectivamente los radios de las circunferencias circunscritas ABC, BPC, CPA, APB , además x, y, z son las distancias de P a los lados BC, CA, AB .

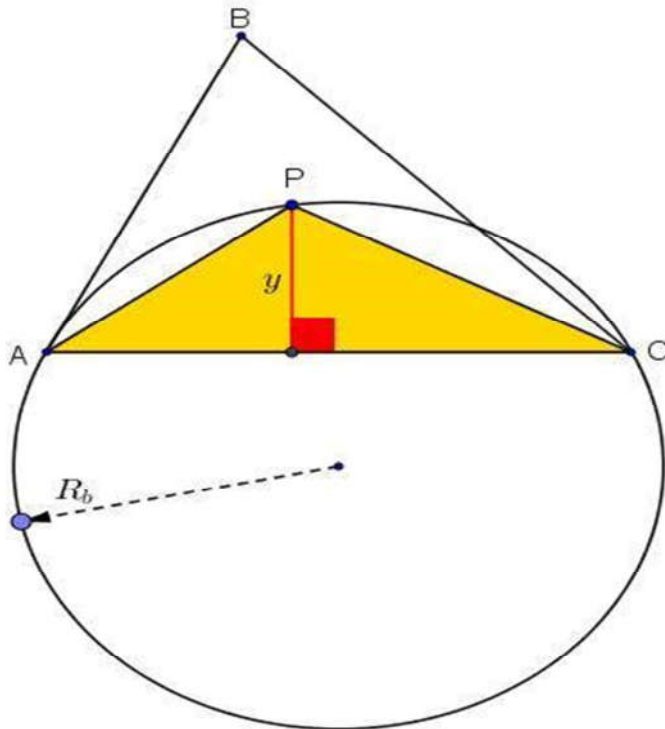
Probar que $xR_a + yR_b + zR_c \geq \frac{3}{2}R^2$

En un ΔABC general, se cumple lo siguiente:

$$S_{\Delta BPC} = \frac{BC \cdot x}{2} = \frac{BP \cdot PC \cdot BC}{4R_a} \Leftrightarrow R_a = \frac{PB \cdot PC}{2x}$$

$$S_{\Delta CPA} = \frac{CA \cdot y}{2} = \frac{CP \cdot PA \cdot CA}{4R_b} \Leftrightarrow R_b = \frac{PC \cdot PA}{2y}$$

$$S_{\Delta CPA} = \frac{AB \cdot z}{2} = \frac{AP \cdot PB \cdot AB}{4R_b} \Leftrightarrow R_c = \frac{PA \cdot PB}{2z}$$



$$[APC] = \frac{AP \cdot PC \cdot AC}{4R_b} \dots(I)$$

$$[APC] = \frac{AC \cdot y}{2} \dots(II)$$

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$$R_b = \frac{AP \cdot PC}{2y}$$

La desigualdad propuesta es equivalente: $PB \cdot PC + PC \cdot PA + PA \cdot PB \geq 3R^2$

Dado que es triángulo equilátero: $BC = CA = AB = l = 2R \sin 60^\circ = \sqrt{3}R$

Es suficiente probar: $PB \cdot PC + BPC \cdot PA + PA \cdot PB \geq l^2$

Para todo, α, β, γ que satisface $\alpha + \beta + \gamma = 360^\circ$ se cumple la siguiente desigualdad $\Rightarrow \cos \alpha + \cos \beta + \cos \gamma \geq -\frac{3}{2}$

En el triángulo APB, por ley de cosenos tenemos

$$l^2 = PA^2 + PB^2 - 2PA \cdot PB \cdot \cos \alpha \Leftrightarrow \cos \alpha = \frac{PA^2 + PB^2 - l^2}{2PA \cdot PB}$$

En el triángulo BPC, por ley de cosenos tenemos

$$l^2 = PB^2 + PC^2 - 2PB \cdot PC \cdot \cos \beta \Leftrightarrow \cos \beta = \frac{PB^2 + PC^2 - l^2}{2PB \cdot PC}$$

En el triángulo CPA, por ley de cosenos tenemos

$$l^2 = PC^2 + PA^2 - 2PC \cdot PA \cdot \cos \gamma \Leftrightarrow \cos \gamma = \frac{PC^2 + PA^2 - l^2}{2PC \cdot PA}$$

Por lo tanto

$$\frac{PA^2 + PB^2 - l^2}{2PA \cdot PB} + \frac{PB^2 + PC^2 - l^2}{2PB \cdot PC} + \frac{PC^2 + PA^2 - l^2}{2PC \cdot PA} + \frac{3}{2} \geq 0$$

$$\Leftrightarrow (PA^2 + PB^2 - l^2)PC + (PB^2 + PC^2 - l^2)PA + (PC^2 + PA^2 - l^2)PB + 3(PA \cdot PB \cdot PC) \geq 0$$

$$\Leftrightarrow PA \cdot PB(PA + PB) + PB \cdot PC(PB + PC) + PC \cdot PA(PC + PA) +$$

$$\begin{aligned}
& +3PA \cdot PB \cdot PC - l^2(PA + PB + PC) \geq 0 \\
\Leftrightarrow & (PA + PB + PC)(PA \cdot PB + PB \cdot PC + PC \cdot PA) - l^2(PA + PB + PC) \geq 0 \\
\Leftrightarrow & (PA + PB + PC)(PA \cdot PB + PB \cdot PC + PC \cdot PA - l^2) \geq 0 \\
& \text{Donde se deduce} \rightarrow PA \cdot PB + PB \cdot PC + PC \cdot PA \geq l^2
\end{aligned}$$

PROBLEM 3.063-Solution by Kevin Soto Palacios - Huarmey - Peru

Elevando al cuadrado la expresión, se tiene lo siguiente:

$$\begin{aligned}
\left(\frac{bcd}{a} + \frac{cda}{b} + \frac{dab}{c} + \frac{abc}{d}\right)^2 &= \left(\frac{bcd}{a} + \frac{cda}{b}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{dab}{c} + \frac{abc}{d}\right)^2 + 2\left(\frac{bcd}{a} + \frac{cda}{b}\right)\left(\frac{dab}{c} + \frac{abc}{d}\right) \\
\left(\frac{bcd}{a} + \frac{cda}{b} + \frac{dab}{c} + \frac{abc}{d}\right)^2 &= \left(\frac{b^2c^2d^2}{a^2} + \frac{c^2d^2a^2}{b^2} + 2c^2d^2\right) + \left(\frac{d^2a^2b^2}{c^2} + \frac{a^2b^2c^2}{d^2} + 2a^2b^2\right) + \\
&+ 2(b^2d^2 + d^2a^2 + b^2c^2 + a^2c^2)
\end{aligned}$$

Ordenando la expresión convenientemente:

$$\begin{aligned}
\left(\frac{bcd}{a} + \frac{cda}{b} + \frac{dab}{c} + \frac{abc}{d}\right)^2 &= \frac{b^2c^2d^2}{a^2} + \frac{c^2d^2a^2}{b^2} + \frac{d^2a^2b^2}{c^2} + \frac{a^2b^2c^2}{d^2} + \\
&+ 2(a^2b^2 + b^2c^2 + c^2d^2 + d^2a^2 + a^2c^2 + b^2d^2) \\
\left(\frac{bcd}{a} + \frac{cda}{b} + \frac{dab}{c} + \frac{abc}{d}\right)^2 &= \frac{b^2c^2d^2}{a^2} + \frac{c^2d^2a^2}{b^2} + \frac{d^2a^2b^2}{c^2} + \frac{a^2b^2c^2}{d^2} + 12 \quad (A)
\end{aligned}$$

Desde que: $a, b, c, d > 0$. Por: $MA \geq MG$

$$\frac{1}{a^4} + \frac{1}{b^4} \geq \frac{2}{a^2b^2} \quad (I),$$

$$\frac{1}{b^4} + \frac{1}{c^4} \geq \frac{2}{b^2c^2} \quad (II),$$

$$\frac{1}{c^4} + \frac{1}{d^4} \geq \frac{2}{c^2d^2} \quad (III)$$

$$\frac{1}{d^4} + \frac{1}{a^4} \geq \frac{2}{d^2a^2} \quad (IV)$$

$$\frac{1}{a^4} + \frac{1}{c^4} \geq \frac{2}{a^2c^2} \quad (V)$$

$$\frac{1}{b^4} + \frac{1}{d^4} \geq \frac{2}{b^2d^2} \quad (VI)$$

Sumando: $(I) + (II) + (III) + (IV) + (V) + (VI)$:

$$\Rightarrow \frac{3}{a^4} + \frac{3}{b^4} + \frac{3}{c^4} + \frac{3}{d^4} \geq \frac{2}{a^2b^2} + \frac{2}{b^2c^2} + \frac{2}{c^2d^2} + \frac{2}{d^2a^2} + \frac{2}{a^2c^2} + \frac{2}{b^2d^2}$$

Multiplicando $\times (abcd)^2 \dots$

$$\Rightarrow 3\left(\frac{b^2c^2d^2}{a^2} + \frac{c^2d^2a^2}{b^2} + \frac{d^2a^2b^2}{c^2} + \frac{a^2b^2c^2}{d^2}\right) \geq 2(c^2d^2 + d^2a^2 + a^2b^2 + b^2c^2 + b^2d^2 + a^2c^2)$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{b^2c^2d^2}{a^2} + \frac{c^2d^2a^2}{b^2} + \frac{d^2a^2b^2}{c^2} + \frac{a^2b^2c^2}{d^2} \geq \frac{2}{3}(a^2b^2 + b^2c^2 + c^2d^2 + d^2a^2 + a^2c^2 + b^2d^2) =$$

$$= \frac{2}{3}(6) = 4. \text{ Finalmente tenemos en ... (A):}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
\left(\frac{bcd}{a} + \frac{cda}{b} + \frac{dab}{c} + \frac{abc}{d}\right)^2 &= \frac{b^2c^2d^2}{a^2} + \frac{c^2d^2a^2}{b^2} + \frac{d^2a^2b^2}{c^2} + \frac{a^2b^2c^2}{d^2} + 12 \geq 4 + 12 = 16 \\
\Rightarrow \frac{bcd}{a} + \frac{cda}{b} + \frac{dab}{c} + \frac{abc}{d} &\geq 4 \quad (LQQD)
\end{aligned}$$

PROBLEM 3.064-Solution by Kevin Soto Palacios - Huarmey - Peru

Tener en cuenta la siguiente identidad

$$(x + y)^3 = x^3 + y^3 + 3xy(x + y), \text{ donde } x = a + b, y = c + d$$

$$(a+b+c+d)^3 = (a+b)^3 + (c+d)^3 + 3(a+b)(c+d)(a+b+c+d)$$

$$(a+b+c+d)^3 = a^3 + b^3 + 3ab(a+b) + c^3 + d^3 + 3cd(c+d) + 12(a+b)(c+d)$$

La desigualdad propuesta es equivalente

$$\Leftrightarrow 3ab(a+b) + 3ab(a+b) + 12(a+b)(c+d) \leq 3(\sqrt[3]{a} + \sqrt[3]{b} + \sqrt[3]{c} + \sqrt[3]{d}) + 48$$

$$\Leftrightarrow (a+b+c+d)^3 \leq a^3 + b^3 + c^3 + d^3 + 3(\sqrt[3]{a} + \sqrt[3]{b} + \sqrt[3]{c} + \sqrt[3]{d}) + 48$$

$$\Leftrightarrow 64 \leq a^3 + b^3 + c^3 + d^3 + 3(\sqrt[3]{a} + \sqrt[3]{b} + \sqrt[3]{c} + \sqrt[3]{d}) + 48$$

$$\Leftrightarrow 16 \leq a^3 + b^3 + c^3 + d^3 + 3(\sqrt[3]{a} + \sqrt[3]{b} + \sqrt[3]{c} + \sqrt[3]{d})$$

Como $a, b, c, d \geq 0$. Aplicando $MA \geq MG$

$$a^3 + \sqrt[3]{a} + \sqrt[3]{a} + \sqrt[3]{a} \geq 4a,$$

$$b^3 + \sqrt[3]{b} + \sqrt[3]{b} + \sqrt[3]{b} \geq 4b,$$

$$c^3 + \sqrt[3]{c} + \sqrt[3]{c} + \sqrt[3]{c} \geq 4c,$$

$$d^3 + \sqrt[3]{d} + \sqrt[3]{d} + \sqrt[3]{d} \geq 4d$$

$$\Rightarrow a^3 + b^3 + c^3 + d^3 + 3(\sqrt[3]{a} + \sqrt[3]{b} + \sqrt[3]{c} + \sqrt[3]{d}) \geq 4(a+b+c+d) = 16$$

PROBLEM 3.065-Solution by proposer

Let X', Y', Z' be respectively images of X, Y, Z with the central symmetry M . Then

$$\text{Vol}(MXYZ) = \text{Vol}(MX'Y'Z').$$

Let A', B', C' be respectively intersections of the line AM with the sides BC, CA, AB . On the rays

SA', SB', SC' we take points A_1, B_1, C_1 , respectively such that

$SA_1 = XM, SB_1 = YM, SC_1 = ZM$. Then the translation by vector \overrightarrow{MS} transforms the tetrahedron $MX'Y'Z'$ into the tetrahedron $SA_1B_1C_1$. Therefore

$$\text{Vol}(MX'Y'Z') = \text{Vol}(SA_1B_1C_1)$$

Thus we have $\text{Vol}(MXYZ) = \text{Vol}(SA_1B_1C_1)$. Furthermore

$$\frac{\text{Vol}(SA_1B_1C_1)}{\text{Vol}(SA'B'C')} = \frac{SA_1}{SA'} \cdot \frac{SB_1}{SB'} \cdot \frac{SC_1}{SC'} = \frac{XM}{SA'} \cdot \frac{YM}{SB'} \cdot \frac{ZM}{SC'} = \frac{AM}{AA'} \cdot \frac{BM}{BB'} \cdot \frac{CM}{CC'}$$

From these above we deduce that: $\frac{\text{Vol}(MXYZ)}{\text{Vol}(SA'B'C')} = \left(1 - \frac{MA'}{AA'}\right) \left(1 - \frac{MB'}{BB'}\right) \left(1 - \frac{MC'}{CC'}\right)$

Using the AM-GM inequality and note that: $\frac{MA'}{AA'} + \frac{MB'}{BB'} + \frac{MC'}{CC'} = 1$, we obtain

$$\left(1 - \frac{MA'}{AA'}\right) \left(1 - \frac{MB'}{BB'}\right) \left(1 - \frac{MC'}{CC'}\right) \leq \left(\frac{3 - \frac{MA'}{AA'} - \frac{MB'}{BB'} - \frac{MC'}{CC'}}{3}\right)^3 = \frac{8}{27}$$

Thus $\frac{\text{Vol}(MXYZ)}{\text{Vol}(SA'B'C')} \leq \frac{8}{27}$. On the other hand: $\frac{\text{Vol}(SA'B'C')}{\text{Vol}(SABC)} = \frac{\text{Area}(A'B'C')}{\text{Area}(ABC)} \leq \frac{1}{4}$

Multiplying up these two inequalities we get: $\frac{\text{Vol}(MXYZ)}{\text{Vol}(SABC)} \leq \frac{2}{27}$, which is the desired result. The

equality holds when the point M is the centroid of the triangle ABC . Now we will prove a

result that has just been used above as $\frac{\text{Area}(A'B'C')}{\text{Area}(ABC)} \leq \frac{1}{4}$. Indeed, this is equivalent to

$$\frac{\text{Area}(AB'C')}{\text{Area}(ABC)} + \frac{\text{Area}(BC'A')}{\text{Area}(ABC)} + \frac{\text{Area}(CA'B')}{\text{Area}(ABC)} \geq \frac{3}{4}, \text{ or } \frac{AB'}{AC} \cdot \frac{AC'}{AB} + \frac{BC'}{BA} \cdot \frac{BA'}{BC} + \frac{CA'}{CB} \cdot \frac{CB'}{CA} \geq \frac{3}{4}.$$

Setting $\frac{A'B}{A'C} = x, \frac{B'C}{B'A} = y, \frac{C'A}{C'B} = z$. By the Ceva's theorem, we have $xyz = 1$. Then our inequality

$$\text{becomes: } \frac{1}{1+y} \cdot \frac{z}{1+z} + \frac{1}{1+z} \cdot \frac{x}{1+x} + \frac{1}{1+x} \cdot \frac{y}{1+y} \geq \frac{3}{4}, \text{ or } \frac{x(1+y)+y(1+z)+z(1+x)}{(1+x)(1+y)(1+z)} \geq \frac{3}{4}, \text{ or}$$

$4(x + y + z + xy + yz + zx) \geq 3(1 + x)(1 + y)(1 + z)$, or $x + y + z + xy + yz + zx \geq 6$

The last inequality is true by $x + y + z \geq 3\sqrt[3]{xyz} = 3$, and

$xy + yz + zx \geq 3\sqrt[3]{x^2y^2z^2} = 3$. The proof is complete and we are done.

PROBLEM 3.066-Solution by Khalef Ahmad El Ruhemi-Jarash-Jordania

$$I := \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \sum_{k=1}^{k=n} \frac{1}{n^3(2k-1)}$$

$$\text{Define } I(x) := \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \sum_{k=1}^{k=n} \frac{x^{2k-1}}{n^3(2k-1)} \Rightarrow I'(x) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \sum_{k=1}^{k=n} \frac{x^{2k-2}}{n^3} = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n^3} \cdot \sum_{k=1}^{k=n} x^{2k-2}$$

$$= \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n^3} \cdot \left(\frac{1-x^{2n}}{1-x^2} \right) = \left(\frac{1}{1-x^2} \right) \cdot \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left(\frac{1-x^{2n}}{n^3} \right)$$

$$= \left(\frac{1}{1-x^2} \right) \cdot \left[\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n^3} - \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{x^{2n}}{n^3} \right] = \frac{1}{(1-x^2)} [Li_3(1) - Li_3(x^2)]$$

Since $I(0) = 0$, then $I = I(1) = \int_0^1 I'(x) dx$

$$\therefore I = \int_0^1 \frac{(Li_3(1) - Li_3(x^2))}{(1-x^2)} dx \quad \text{integrate by parts}$$

$$= -\frac{1}{2} (Li_3(1) - Li_3(x^2)) \ln \left(\frac{1-x}{1+x} \right) \Big|_0^1 + \frac{1}{2} \cdot \int_0^1 \left(\ln \left(\frac{1-x}{1+x} \right) \right) x - \frac{Li_2(x^2)}{x^2} x \cdot 2x dx$$

$$= \int_0^1 \frac{\ln(1+x)}{x} \cdot Li_2(x^2) dx - \int_0^1 \frac{\ln(1-x)}{x} \cdot Li_2(x^2) dx$$

$$= \int_0^1 \frac{2 \ln(1+x)}{x} \cdot (Li_2(x) + Li_2(-x)) dx - \int_0^1 \frac{2 \ln(1-x)}{x} (Li_2(x) + Li_2(-x)) dx$$

$$= 2 \cdot \int_0^1 Li_2(-x) \frac{\ln(1+x)}{x} dx - 2 \cdot \int_0^1 \frac{\ln(1-x)}{x} \cdot Li_2(x) dx +$$

$$+ 2 \cdot \int_0^1 \frac{\ln(1+x)}{x} Li_2(x) dx - 2 \cdot \int_0^1 \frac{\ln(1-x)}{x} \cdot Li_2(-x) dx = I$$

$$\therefore I = -(Li_2(-x))^2 \Big|_0^1 + (Li_2(x))^2 \Big|_0^1$$

$$+ 2 \cdot \int_0^1 \frac{\ln(1+x)}{x} \cdot Li_2(x) dx - 2 \int_0^1 \frac{\ln(1-x)}{x} Li_2(x) dx \quad \text{integrate by parts}$$

$$= (Li_2(1))^2 - (Li_2(-1))^2 + 2 \cdot \int_0^1 \frac{\ln(1+x)}{x} \cdot Li_2(x) dx$$

$$+ 2 \left(Li_2(x) Li_2(-x) \Big|_0^1 - \int_0^1 Li_2(x) \times \frac{\ln(1+x)}{-x} dx \right)$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= (Li_2(1))^2 - (Li_2(-1))^2 + 2Li_2(1)Li_2(-1) + 4 \int_0^1 \frac{\ln(1+x)Li_2(x)}{x} \cdot dx = I \quad (*) \\
&\quad \text{But } \frac{\ln(1+x)}{x} = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{k-1} \cdot x^{k-1}}{k} \\
&\Rightarrow \int_0^1 \frac{\ln(1+x)Li_2(x)}{x} \cdot dx = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{k-1}}{k} \cdot \left(\int_0^1 x^{k-1} \cdot Li_2(x) dx \right) \text{ integrate by parts} \\
&\quad \int_0^1 x^{k-1} \cdot Li_2(x) dx = \frac{x^k}{k} Li_2(x) \Big|_0^1 - \int_0^1 \frac{x^k}{k} \times -\frac{\ln(1-x)}{x} dx \\
&\quad = \frac{Li_2(1)}{k} + \frac{1}{k} \cdot \int_0^1 x^{k-1} \ln(1-x) dx = \frac{Li_2(1)}{k} - \frac{H_k}{k^2} \\
&\quad \therefore \int_0^1 \frac{\ln(1+x) Li_2(x)}{x} \cdot dx = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{k-1}}{k} \cdot \left(\frac{Li_2(1)}{k} - \frac{H_k}{k^2} \right) \\
&\quad \therefore \int_0^1 \frac{\ln(1+x) Li_2(x)}{x} dx = Li_2(1) \cdot \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{k-1}}{k^2} - \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{k-1} \cdot H_k}{k^3} \\
&\quad = \varphi(2)\eta(2) - \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{k-1} H_k}{k^3} \\
&= \left(\frac{\pi^2}{6} \right) \left(1 - \frac{1}{2} \right) \left(\frac{\pi^2}{6} \right) + \left(-\frac{11\pi^4}{360} + \frac{1}{12} \ln^4(2) - \frac{\pi^2 \ln^2(2)}{12} + 2Li_4\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) + \frac{7}{4} \ln(2) \varphi(3) \right) \\
&= \frac{\pi^4}{72} - \frac{11\pi^4}{360} + \frac{1}{12} \ln^4(2) - \frac{\pi^2 \cdot \ln^2(2)}{12} + 2Li_4\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) + \frac{7}{4} \ln(2) \varphi(3) \\
&\quad \text{going to } (*), \text{ and using } Li_2(-1) = -\frac{1}{2} \varphi(2) = -\frac{\pi^2}{12} \\
&I = \frac{\pi^4}{36} - \frac{\pi^4}{144} - \frac{\pi^4}{36} + \frac{\pi^4}{18} - \frac{11\pi^4}{90} + \frac{1}{3} \ln^4(2) - \frac{\pi^2 \cdot \ln^2(2)}{3} \\
&\quad + 8Li_4\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) + 7 \ln(2) \varphi(3) \\
&= -\frac{53\pi^4}{720} - \frac{1}{3} \pi^2 \cdot \ln^2(2) + \frac{1}{3} \ln^4(2) + 7 \ln(2) \varphi(3) + 8Li_4\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) \\
&\therefore \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \sum_{k=1}^{k=n} \frac{1}{n^3(2k-1)} = -\frac{53}{720} \pi^4 - \frac{1}{3} \pi^2 \cdot \ln^2(2) + \frac{1}{3} \ln^4(2) + 7 \ln(2) \varphi(3) + 9Li_4\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)
\end{aligned}$$

PROBLEM 3.067-Solution by Shivam Sharma - New Delhi - India

Applying Abel's summation, with $a_n = H_n$, $b_n = \left(\zeta(8) - \frac{1}{1^8} - \frac{1}{2^8} - \frac{1}{3^8} - \dots - \frac{1}{n^8} \right)$

$$\begin{aligned}
S &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} H_n \left[\zeta(8) - \frac{1}{1^8} - \frac{1}{2^8} - \frac{1}{3^8} - \dots - \frac{1}{(n+1)^8} \right] + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left[\frac{H_{n+1}}{(n+1)^7} - \frac{1}{(n+1)^7} \right] \\
&\Rightarrow 0 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left[\frac{H_{n+1}}{(n+1)^7} - \frac{1}{(n+1)^7} \right] \Rightarrow \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left[\frac{H_{n+1}}{(n+1)^7} - \frac{1}{(n+1)^7} \right] \Rightarrow \sum_{k=2}^{\infty} \left[\frac{H_k}{k^7} - \frac{1}{k^7} \right]
\end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{H_k}{k^7} - \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{k^7} \dots \quad (1)$$

As we know,

$$\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{H_k}{k^m} = \frac{1}{2} \left[(m+2)\zeta(m+1) - \sum_{n=1}^{m-2} \{(\zeta(m-n))(\zeta(n+1))\} \right]$$

if $m = 7$, we get

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{H_k}{k^7} = \frac{\pi^8}{4200} - \zeta(3)\zeta(5)$$

Now put this result in equation (1), we get, $S = \frac{\pi^8}{4200} - \zeta(3)\zeta(5) - \zeta(7)$

PROBLEM 3.068-Solution by Soumava Chakraborty-Kolkata-India

Given inequality $\Leftrightarrow 4\sum a^2 + 4 + 3\sum a^2b^2 + 3a^2b^2c^2 + 2abc(\sum ab) \stackrel{(1)}{\geq} 2abc(\sum a)$

Now, $\forall m, n, p \in \mathbb{R}^*$, $\sum m^2 - \sum mn = \frac{1}{2}[(m-n)^2 + (n-p)^2 + (p-m)^2] \geq 0$

$$\therefore 2\sum a^2b^2 \stackrel{(2)}{\geq} 2abc\left(\sum a\right)$$

(1), (2) \Rightarrow it suffices to prove: $4\sum a^2 + 4 + \sum a^2b^2 + 3a^2b^2c^2 + 2abc(\sum ab) \geq 0 \Leftrightarrow$

$$\Leftrightarrow 3x^2 + (2\sum ab)x + \left(\sum a^2b^2 + 4\sum a^2 + 4\right) \geq 0 \quad (x = abc)$$

Let $f(x) = 3x^2 + (2\sum ab)x + (\sum a^2b^2 + 4\sum a^2 + 4)$, which is a quadratic in x as

$x = abc \neq 0$ ($\because a, b, c \in \mathbb{R}^*$)

Discriminant Δ of $f(x) = 4(\sum ab)^2 - 4 \cdot 3(\sum a^2b^2 + 4\sum a^2 + 4) =$

$$= 4\left\{\sum a^2b^2 + 2abc\left(\sum a\right) - 3\sum a^2b^2 - 12\left(\sum a^2 + 1\right)\right\} =$$

$= 4[2\{abc(\sum a) - \sum a^2b^2\} - 12(\sum a^2 + 1)] < 0$ (using (2) & $\because 12(\sum a^2 + 1) > 0$)

$\therefore f(x) > 0$ ($\because f(x)$ never touches x -axis as roots of $f(x) = 0$ are imaginary) $\therefore f(x) \geq 0$

(Done)

PROBLEM 3.069-Solution by Ravi Prakash-New Delhi-India

As $a > 1$, $0 < \frac{1}{a} < 1 \Rightarrow 0 < 1 - \frac{1}{a} < 1$. Now, $\frac{1 - (1 - \frac{1}{a})^n}{\frac{1}{a}} = \frac{1 - (1 - \frac{1}{a})^n}{1 - (1 - \frac{1}{a})}$

$$= 1 + \left(1 - \frac{1}{a}\right) + \left(1 - \frac{1}{a}\right)^2 + \dots + \left(1 - \frac{1}{a}\right)^{n-1}$$

$$\geq \underbrace{\left(1 - \frac{1}{a}\right)^{n-1} + \left(1 - \frac{1}{a}\right)^{n-1} + \dots + \left(1 - \frac{1}{a}\right)^{n-1}}_{\text{"n" times}}$$

$$\Rightarrow 1 - \left(1 - \frac{1}{a}\right)^n \geq \frac{n}{a} \left(1 - \frac{1}{a}\right)^{n-1} \Rightarrow \left(1 - \frac{1}{a}\right)^n + \frac{n}{a} \left(1 - \frac{1}{a}\right)^{n-1} \leq 1$$

$$\Rightarrow \left(1 - \frac{1}{a} + \frac{n}{a}\right) \left(1 - \frac{1}{a}\right)^{n-1} \leq 1 \Rightarrow (a-1+n)(a-1)^{n-1} \leq a^n$$

PROBLEM 3.070-Solution by Ravi Prakash-New Delhi-India

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \text{Let} \\
 I &= \int_a^b \frac{f(x)g(x)}{1+g(x)} dx \quad (1) \\
 &= \int_a^b \frac{f(a+b-x)g(a+b-x)}{1+g(a+b-x)} dx = \int_a^b \frac{f(x) \left(\frac{1}{g(x)}\right)}{1+\frac{1}{g(x)}} dx \\
 I &= \int_a^b \frac{f(x)}{g(x)+1} dx \quad (2) \\
 & \text{Adding (1) and (2) we get} \\
 2I &= \int_a^b \frac{f(x)(g(x)+1)}{g(x)+1} dx = \int_a^b f(x) dx \Rightarrow I = \frac{1}{2} \int_a^b f(x) dx
 \end{aligned}$$

PROBLEM 3.071-Solution by Khalef Ruhemi-Jarash-Iordania

$$\begin{aligned}
 I &:= \int_0^1 \ln \left[\left(\frac{x + \sqrt{1-x^2}}{x - \sqrt{1-x^2}} \right)^2 \right] \cdot \frac{x dx}{1-x^2} \\
 & \text{Let } x = \sin \theta, dx = \cos \theta d\theta \\
 \therefore I &= \int_{\frac{\pi}{2}}^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \ln \left(\frac{\sin \theta + \cos \theta}{\sin \theta - \cos \theta} \right)^2 \cdot \frac{\sin \theta \cos \theta}{\cos^2 \theta} d\theta = \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \ln \left(\frac{\tan \theta + 1}{\tan \theta - 1} \right)^2 \cdot \tan(\theta) d\theta \\
 & \text{let } \tan \theta = x; \theta = \tan^{-1}(x); d\theta = \frac{dx}{1+x^2} \\
 \therefore I &= \int_0^\infty \frac{x}{1+x^2} \cdot \ln \left(\frac{1+x}{1-x} \right)^2 \cdot dx = \int_0^\infty \frac{2x}{1+x^2} \cdot \ln \left| \frac{1+x}{1-x} \right| \cdot dx, \text{ let } x = \frac{1}{y}, dx = -\frac{dy}{y^2} \\
 \therefore I &= \int_0^\infty \frac{\frac{2}{x}}{\left(1+\frac{1}{x^2}\right)x^2} \ln \left| \frac{1+\frac{1}{x}}{1-\frac{1}{x}} \right| \cdot dx = \int_0^\infty \frac{2}{x(1+x^2)} \cdot \ln \left| \frac{1+x}{1-x} \right| dx \\
 &= \int_0^\infty 2 \ln \left| \frac{1+x}{1-x} \right| \cdot \left(\frac{1}{x} - \frac{x}{1+x^2} \right) \cdot dx \\
 &= \int_0^\infty \frac{2 \ln \left| \frac{1+x}{x} \right|}{x} \cdot dx - \int_0^\infty \frac{2x}{1+x^2} \ln \left| \frac{1+x}{1-x} \right| dx \\
 \therefore I &= 2 \int_0^\infty \frac{\ln \left| \frac{1+x}{1-x} \right| dx}{x} - I \Rightarrow I = \int_0^\infty \frac{\ln \left| \frac{1+x}{1-x} \right| dx}{x} \quad (*) \\
 & \text{integrating by parts} \\
 I &= \lim_{a \rightarrow 0^+} \ln \left| \frac{1+x}{1-x} \right| \cdot \ln x \Big|_a^\infty - \int_0^\infty (\ln x) \cdot \left(\frac{1}{1+x} + \frac{1}{1-x} \right) dx
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow \sum_{\text{cyclic}} \frac{x}{z} \ln \frac{x^2 + bz}{x^2 + az} \leq \sum_{\text{cyclic}} \left(\frac{1}{4} \ln \frac{b}{a} + \frac{b-a}{4z} \right) = \frac{3}{4} \ln \frac{b}{a} + \frac{b-a}{4} \left(\frac{1}{x} + \frac{1}{y} + \frac{1}{z} \right)$$

PROBLEM 3.073-Solution by SK Rejuan-West Bengal-India

$a, b, c \in \mathbb{C}$. The given equation is,

$$\begin{aligned} x^3 - (a+b+c)x^2 + (ab+bc+ca-1)x + b-abc &= 0 \\ \Rightarrow x^3 - bx^2 - (a+c)^2x^2 + b(a+c)x + (ac-1)x + b-abc &= 0 \\ \Rightarrow x^2(x-b) - (a+c)x(x-b) + (ac-1)(x-b) &= 0 \\ \Rightarrow (x-b)\{x^2 - (a+c)x + (ac-1)\} &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

Either $x = b$

$$\text{Or, } x = \frac{(a+c) \pm \sqrt{(a+c)^2 - 4(ac-1)}}{2} = \frac{(a+c) \pm \sqrt{(a+c)^2 - 4ac + 4}}{2} = \frac{(a+c)^2 \pm \sqrt{(a-c)^2 + 4}}{2}$$

$$\therefore \text{Solutions of the given equation } x = b, \frac{(a+c) \pm \sqrt{(a-c)^2 + 4}}{2}$$

PROBLEM 3.074-Solution by Soumitra Mandal-Chandar Nagore-India

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{a_{n+1}}{na_n} = a \in \mathbb{R}_+, u + v = 1 \text{ then}$$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left((n+1)^u \sqrt[n+1]{(a_{n+1}f(n+1))^v} - n^u \sqrt[n]{(a_n f(n))^v} \right)$$

$$= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(\sqrt[n]{\left(\frac{a_n f(n)}{n^n}\right)^v} \cdot \frac{w_{n-1}}{\ln w_n} \cdot \ln w_n^n \right) \text{ where } w_n = \left(1 + \frac{1}{n}\right)^u \frac{\sqrt[n+1]{(a_{n+1}f(n+1))^v}}{\sqrt[n]{(a_n f(n))^v}}$$

$$\text{now, } \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sqrt[n]{\left(\frac{a_n f(n)}{n^n}\right)^v} \stackrel{D'ALEMBERT}{=} \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{a_{n+1}}{na_n} \cdot \frac{f(n+1)}{\left(1 + \frac{1}{n}\right)^n} \cdot \frac{n}{n+1} \right)^v = \left(\frac{a}{e}\right)^v$$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} w_n = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{n+1}{n} \cdot \frac{\sqrt[n+1]{\left(\frac{a_{n+1}f(n+1)}{(n+1)^{n+1}}\right)^v}}{\sqrt[n]{\left(\frac{a_n f(n)}{n^n}\right)^v}} = 1, \text{ so, } \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{w_{n-1}}{\ln w_n} = 1$$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} w_n^n = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(1 + \frac{1}{n}\right)^{nu} \cdot \left(\frac{a_{n+1}}{na_n} \cdot \frac{f(n+1)}{f(n)} \cdot \frac{1}{\sqrt[n+1]{\left(\frac{a_{n+1}f(n+1)}{(n+1)^{n+1}}\right)^v}} \cdot \frac{n}{n+1} \right)^v = e$$

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left((n+1)^u \sqrt[n+1]{(a_{n+1}f(n+1))^v} - n^u \sqrt[n]{(a_n f(n))^v} \right) \\ = \left(\frac{a}{e}\right)^v \cdot 1 \cdot \ln e = \left(\frac{a}{e}\right)^v \text{ (Proved)} \end{aligned}$$

PROBLEM 3.075-Solution by Soumitra Mandal-Chandar Nagore-India

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\sqrt[n]{n!}}{n} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sqrt[n]{\frac{n!}{n^n}} \stackrel{D'ALEMBERT}{=} \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{(n+1)!}{(n+1)^{n+1}} \cdot \frac{n^n}{n!} \right) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{n}{n+1} \cdot \frac{1}{\left(1 + \frac{1}{n}\right)^n} \right) = \frac{1}{e}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
& \text{we know, } \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(\sqrt[n+1]{(n+1)!} - \sqrt[n]{n!} \right) = \frac{1}{e} \\
& \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(a_{n+1} \sqrt[n+1]{(n+1)!} - b_n \sqrt[n]{n!} \right) \\
&= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left((a_{n+1} - a) \sqrt[n+1]{(n+1)!} - (b_n - a) \sqrt[n]{n!} + a \left(\sqrt[n+1]{(n+1)!} - \sqrt[n]{n!} \right) \right) \\
&= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(n(a_{n+1} - a) \frac{\sqrt[n+1]{(n+1)!}}{n+1} \left(1 + \frac{1}{n} \right) - n(b_n - a) \frac{\sqrt[n]{n!}}{n} + \left(\sqrt[n+1]{(n+1)!} - \sqrt[n]{n!} \right) \right) \\
&= \frac{a+b-c}{e}
\end{aligned}$$

PROBLEM 3.076-Solution by Ali Shather-Nasyria-Iraq

$$\begin{aligned}
S &= \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{H_{2n+1}}{n^2} = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{H_{2n}}{n^2} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n^2(2n+1)} = S_1 + S_2 \\
S_1 &= \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{H_{2n}}{n^2} = 4 \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{H_{2n}}{(2n)^2} = 4 \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{H_n}{n^2} \left(\frac{1 + (-1)^n}{2} \right) \\
&= 2 \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{H_n}{n^2} + 2 \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (-1)^n \frac{H_n}{n^2} = 4\xi(3) - \frac{5}{4}\xi(3) = \frac{11}{4}\xi(3) \\
S_2 &= \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n^2(2n+1)} = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n^2} + 4 \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{2n+1} - 2 \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n} \\
&= \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n^2} - 2 \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left(\frac{1}{n} - \frac{1}{n+\frac{1}{2}} \right) = \xi(2) - 2H_{\frac{1}{2}} = \xi(2) - 2(2 - 2 \ln 2) = \xi(2) - 4 + 4 \ln 2 \\
\therefore S &= S_1 + S_2 = \frac{11}{4}\xi(3) + \xi(2) + 4 \ln 2 - 4
\end{aligned}$$

PROBLEM 3.077-Solution by Abdelhak Maoukuf-Casablanca-Morocco

$$\begin{aligned}
L &= \prod_{n=1}^{\infty} \left(e \left(\frac{n}{n+1} \right)^n \sqrt{\frac{n}{n+1}} \right) = \lim_{p \rightarrow \infty} \prod_{n=1}^p \left(e \left(\frac{n}{n+1} \right)^n \sqrt{\frac{n}{n+1}} \right) \\
&= \lim_{p \rightarrow \infty} e^p \prod_{n=1}^p \left(\frac{n^n}{(n+1)^{n+1}} \sqrt{n(n+1)} \right) = \lim_{p \rightarrow \infty} e^p \prod_{n=1}^p \left(\frac{n^n}{(n+1)^{n+1}} \right) \prod_{n=1}^p \left(\sqrt{n(n+1)} \right) \\
&= \lim_{p \rightarrow \infty} e^p \frac{1^1}{(p+1)^{p+1}} \sqrt{p!(p+1)!} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{e^p p!}{(p+1)^{p+\frac{1}{2}}} = \lim_{p \rightarrow \infty} \frac{e^p \left(\frac{p}{e} \right)^p \sqrt{2\pi p}}{(p+1)^{p+\frac{1}{2}}} \\
&= \lim_{p \rightarrow \infty} \sqrt{2\pi \frac{p}{p+1}} \left(\frac{p}{p+1} \right)^p = \lim_{p \rightarrow \infty} \sqrt{2\pi \frac{p}{p+1}} \left(\frac{1}{\left(1 + \frac{1}{p} \right)^p} \right) = \frac{\sqrt{2\pi}}{e} \because \lim_{p \rightarrow \infty} \left(1 + \frac{1}{p} \right)^p = e
\end{aligned}$$

PROBLEM 3.078-Solution by Abdelhak Maoukouf-Casablanca-Morocco

$$\begin{aligned}
\Omega &= \lim_{+\infty} n \left({}^{2n+2}\sqrt{(2n+1)!!} - {}^n\sqrt{(2n-1)!!} \right) \left({}^{2n+2}\sqrt{(n+1)!} - {}^{2n}\sqrt{n!} \right) \\
&= \lim_{+\infty} n \left(\sqrt[2n]{\frac{(2n+1)!}{2^n \times n!}} - \sqrt[2n]{\frac{(2n-1)!}{2^{n-1}(n-1)!}} \right) \left({}^{2n}\sqrt{(n+1)!} - {}^{2n}\sqrt{n!} \right) \\
&= \lim_{+\infty} n \left(\frac{(2n-1)!}{2^{n-1}(n-1)!} \right)^{\frac{1}{2n}} (n!)^{\frac{1}{2n}} \left(\left(\frac{(2n+1)!}{2^n n!} \right) \times \left(\frac{2^{n-1}(n-1)!}{(2n-1)!} \right)^{\frac{1}{2n}} \right)^{\frac{1}{2n}} \\
&\quad \cdot \left((n+1)^{\frac{1}{2n}} \times \frac{1}{(n!)^{\frac{1}{2n}}} - 1 \right) \\
&= \lim_{+\infty} n \left(\frac{(2n-1)! \times n}{2^{n-1}} \right)^{\frac{1}{2n}} \left(\left(\frac{2n \times (2n+1)}{2 \times n} \right)^{\frac{1}{2n}} - 1 \right) \left((n+1)^{\frac{1}{2n}} - 1 \right) \\
&= \lim_{+\infty} n \left(\frac{(2n)!}{2^n} \right)^{\frac{1}{2n}} \left({}^{2n}\sqrt{2n+1} - 1 \right) \left({}^{2n}\sqrt{n+1} - 1 \right) \\
&= \lim_{+\infty} \frac{n}{\sqrt{2}} \cdot \left(\left(\frac{2n}{e} \right)^{2n} \sqrt{4\pi n} \right)^{\frac{1}{2n}} \left(\frac{e^{\frac{\ln(2n+1)}{2n}} - 1}{\frac{\ln(2n+1)}{2n}} \right) \left(\frac{e^{\frac{\ln(n+1)}{2n}} - 1}{\frac{\ln(n+1)}{2n}} \right) \times \\
&\quad \times \frac{\ln(2n+1) \ln(n+1)}{4n^2} \\
&\sim \lim_{+\infty} \frac{n}{\sqrt{2}} \times \left(\frac{2n}{e} \right) \times \frac{\ln(2n+1) \ln(n+1)}{4n^2} = \lim_{+\infty} \frac{\sqrt{2}}{4e} \times \ln(2n+1) \ln(n+1) \rightarrow +\infty
\end{aligned}$$

PROBLEM 3.079-Solution by proposer

$$\text{If } x, t > 0 \text{ then } \frac{t^3}{x+t} \geq \frac{5t^2-x^2}{8} \Leftrightarrow (x-t)^2(3t+x) \geq 0; \frac{1}{x+t} \geq \frac{5}{8t} - \frac{x^2}{8t^3}$$

$$\int_a^b \frac{dt}{x+t} \geq \int_a^b \left(\frac{5}{8t} - \frac{x^2}{8t^3} \right) dt \Leftrightarrow \ln \frac{b+x}{a+x} \geq \frac{5}{8} \ln \frac{b}{a} + \frac{x^2}{16} \left(\frac{1}{b^2} - \frac{1}{a^2} \right) \Rightarrow$$

$$\sum_{\text{cyclic}} \ln \frac{b+x}{a+x} \geq \sum_{\text{cyclic}} \left(\frac{5}{8} \ln \frac{b}{a} + \frac{x^2}{16} \left(\frac{1}{b^2} - \frac{1}{a^2} \right) \right) = \frac{15}{8} \ln \frac{b}{a} + \frac{1}{16} \left(\frac{1}{b^2} - \frac{1}{a^2} \right) (x^2 + y^2 + z^2)$$

PROBLEM 3.080-Solution by Remus Florin Stanca-Romania

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{f(x+1)}{f(x)} = \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{f(x+1)}{x+1} \cdot \frac{x}{f(x)} \cdot \frac{x+1}{x} = 1$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{f(x+1)}{f(x)} \right)^x &= \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{f(x+1) - f(x)}{f(x)} + 1 \right)^{\frac{f(x)}{f(x+1)-f(x)} \cdot x \cdot \frac{f(x+1)-f(x)}{f(x)}} = \\ &= e^{\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{x}{f(x)} \cdot (f(x+1)-f(x))} = b \Rightarrow e^{\frac{\Omega}{a}} = b \Rightarrow \frac{\Omega}{a} = \ln(b) \Rightarrow \Omega = a \ln(b). \end{aligned}$$

PROBLEM 3.081-Solution by Soumitra Mandal-Chandar Nagore-India

$$\begin{aligned} B_n(t) &= n^{1-t} \left(\frac{(n+1)^{2t}}{\left(\sqrt[n+1]{(n+1)!} \right)^t} - \frac{n^{2t}}{\left(\sqrt[n]{n!} \right)^t} \right) \\ &= \left(\left(\frac{n}{\sqrt[n]{n!}} \right)^t \cdot \frac{u_n^{-1}}{\ln u_n} \cdot \ln u_n^n \right) \text{ where } u_n = \left(\frac{(n+1)^2}{\sqrt[n+1]{(n+1)!}} \cdot \frac{\sqrt[n]{n!}}{n^2} \right)^t \quad \forall n \in \mathbb{N} \\ \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{n}{\sqrt[n]{n!}} &\stackrel{\text{CAUCHY-D'ALEMBERT}}{=} \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{(n+1)^{n+1}}{(n+1)!} \cdot \frac{n!}{n^n} \right) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(1 + \frac{1}{n} \right)^n = e \\ \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} u_n &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{n+1}{\sqrt[n+1]{(n+1)!}} \cdot \frac{\sqrt[n]{n!}}{n} \cdot \left(1 + \frac{1}{n} \right)^t \right) = 1, \quad \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{u_n - 1}{\ln u_n} = 1 \\ \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} u_n^n &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{\sqrt[n+1]{(n+1)!}}{n+1} \cdot \left(1 + \frac{1}{n} \right) \cdot \left(1 + \frac{1}{n} \right)^{2n} \right)^t = e^t \\ \therefore \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} B_n(t) &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(\left(\frac{n}{\sqrt[n]{n!}} \right)^t \cdot \frac{u_n^{-1}}{\ln u_n} \cdot \ln u_n^n \right) = e^t \cdot \ln e^t = te^t \quad (\text{Ans :}) \end{aligned}$$

PROBLEM 3.082-Solution by Kays Tomy-Nador-Tunisia

$$\begin{aligned} I_n &= \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \sin^2 x \left(\cos^{2n+1} \left(\frac{\pi}{2} \sin x \right) + \sin x \cos^{2n+1} \left(\frac{\pi}{2} \cos x \right) \right) dx \\ \text{Let } J_n &= \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \sin^2 x \cos x \cos^{2n+1} \left(\frac{\pi}{2} \sin x \right) dx. \\ \text{And } T_n &= \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \sin^2 x \sin x \cos^{2n+1} \left(\frac{\pi}{2} \cos x \right) dx \\ \Rightarrow I_n &= J_n + T_n. \text{ As } \cos^2 x + \sin^2 x = 1. \text{ Then we have} \\ (*) \left\{ \begin{array}{l} J_n = \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \cos x \cos^{2n+1} \left(\frac{\pi}{2} \sin x \right) dx - \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \cos^3 x \cos^{2n+1} \left(\frac{\pi}{2} \sin x \right) dx \\ T_n = \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \sin x \cos^{2n+1} \left(\frac{\pi}{2} \cos x \right) dx - \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \cos^2 x \sin x \cos^{2n+1} \left(\frac{\pi}{2} \cos x \right) dx \end{array} \right. \\ \text{Let us denote } K_n &= \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \cos^3 x \cos^{2n+1} \left(\frac{\pi}{2} \sin x \right) dx \\ \text{By substitution variable } x &= \frac{\pi}{2} - U \Rightarrow \sin x = \cos U \text{ and } \cos x = \sin u \text{ and } dx = -du \end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow K_n = - \int_{\frac{\pi}{2}}^0 \sin^3 u \cos^{2n} \left(\frac{\pi}{2} \cos u \right) du$$

$$\Rightarrow K_n = \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} (1 - \cos^2 u) \sin(u) \cos^{2n+1} \left(\frac{\pi}{2} \cos(u) \right) du = T_n (**)$$

Then combining (*) and (**) we get $I_n = \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \cos x \cos^{2n+1} \left(\frac{\pi}{2} \sin x \right) dx$

substituting $U = \frac{\pi}{2} \sin x \Rightarrow du = \frac{\pi}{2} \cos x dx \Rightarrow I_n = \frac{2}{\pi} \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \cos^{2n+1}(u) du$

Then $I_n = \frac{2}{\pi} W_{2n+1}$; with w_{2n+1} is the Wallis integral for der $2n + 1$

We know that $w_{2n+1} = \frac{2^{2n}(n!)^2}{(2n+1)!}$. Finally we get $I_n = \frac{2^{2n+1}(n!)^2}{\pi (2n+1)!}$

PROBLEM 3.083-Solution by Soumava Chakraborty-Kolkata-India

$$\sum (b + c - 2a)^2 = b^2 + c^2 + 4a^2 + 2bc - 4ca - 4ab + c^2 + a^2 + 4b^2 +$$

$$+ 2ca - 4ab - 4bc + a^2 + b^2 + 4c^2 + 2ab - 4bc - 4ca$$

$$\stackrel{(1)}{=} 6 \sum a^2 - 6 \sum ab$$

(1) \Rightarrow given inequality is $R(6 \sum a^2 - 6 \sum ab) \leq 4(R - 2r) \sum a^2$

$$\Leftrightarrow (R + 4r) \sum a^2 \leq 3R \left(\sum ab \right) \Leftrightarrow (2R + 8r)(s^2 - 4Rr - r^2) \leq 3R(s^2 + 4Rr + r^2)$$

$$\Leftrightarrow Rs^2 + (5R + 8r)(4R + r)r \geq 8rs^2 \quad (2)$$

Now, LHS of (2) $\stackrel{\text{Gerretsen}}{\geq} Rr(16R - 5r) + (5R + 8r)(4R + r)r \stackrel{?}{\geq} 8rs^2$

$$\Leftrightarrow R(16R - 5r) + (5R + 8r)(4R + r) \stackrel{?}{\geq} 8s^2 \Leftrightarrow 8s^2 \stackrel{?}{\leq} 36R^2 + 32Rr + 8r^2$$

$$\Leftrightarrow 2s^2 \stackrel{?}{\leq} 9R^2 + 8Rr + 2r^2 \quad (3)$$

Now, LHS of (3) $\stackrel{\text{Gerrestsen}}{\leq} 8R^2 + 8Rr + 6r^2 \stackrel{?}{\leq} 9R^2 + 8Rr + 2r^2$

$$\Leftrightarrow R^2 \stackrel{?}{\geq} 4r^2 \Leftrightarrow R \stackrel{?}{\geq} 2r \rightarrow \text{true by Euler (Proved)}$$

PROBLEM 3.084-Solution by Khalef Ruhemi-Jarash-Jordan

Evaluate $I := \int_0^1 \int_0^1 \frac{(\ln(x)\ln(y))^s}{1-xy} \cdot dx \cdot dy \quad (*)$

$$I = \int_0^1 \int_0^1 \frac{\left(\ln\left(\frac{1}{x}\right) \cdot \ln\left(\frac{1}{y}\right) \right)^s}{1-xy} \cdot dx \cdot dy = \int_0^1 \int_0^1 \left(\ln\left(\frac{1}{x}\right) \right)^s \cdot \left(\ln\left(\frac{1}{y}\right) \right)^s \cdot \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} x^n \cdot y^n \cdot dx \cdot dy$$

$$= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \int_0^1 \int_0^1 \left(\ln\left(\frac{1}{x}\right) \right)^s \cdot x^n \cdot \left(\ln\left(\frac{1}{y}\right) \right)^s \cdot y^n \cdot dx \cdot dy$$

$$= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left(\int_0^1 \left(\ln\left(\frac{1}{y}\right) \right)^s \cdot y^n \cdot dy \cdot \int_0^1 \left(\ln\left(\frac{1}{x}\right) \right)^s \cdot x^n \cdot dx \right)$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left(\int_0^1 x^n \cdot \left(\ln \left(\frac{1}{x} \right) \right)^s dx \right)^2 = I \quad (1) \\
\text{To find } \int_0^1 x^n \left(\ln \left(\frac{1}{x} \right) \right)^s dx &:= A, \text{ let } \ln \left(\frac{1}{x} \right) = v \Rightarrow x = e^{-v} \Rightarrow dx = -e^{-v} dv \\
\therefore A &= \int_0^{\infty} v^s \cdot e^{-(1+n)v} dv = \frac{\Gamma(1+s)}{(1+n)^{1+s}} \therefore I = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{\Gamma(1+s)}{(1+n)^{2(1+s)}} \\
\therefore I &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{\Gamma^2(1+s)}{n^{2(1+s)}} = \Gamma^2(1+s) \cdot \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n^{2+2s}} = \Gamma^2(1+s) \mathcal{G}(2+2s), s > -\frac{1}{2} \\
&\therefore \int_0^1 \int_0^1 \frac{(\ln(x)\ln(y))^s}{1-xy} dx dy = \Gamma^2(1+s) \mathcal{G}(2+2s), s > -\frac{1}{2}
\end{aligned}$$

PROBLEM 3.085-Solution by Soumitra Mandal-Chandar Nagore-India

$$\begin{aligned}
&\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(\left(\Gamma(x+2) \right)^{\frac{k+1}{x+1}} - \left(\Gamma(x+1) \right)^{\frac{k+1}{x}} \right) \cdot \left(\Gamma(x+1) \right)^{\frac{k}{x}} \\
&= \lim_{\substack{n \rightarrow \infty \\ n \in \mathbb{N}}} \left(\left(\Gamma(n+2) \right)^{\frac{k+1}{n+1}} - \left(\Gamma(n+1) \right)^{\frac{k+1}{n}} \right) \cdot \left(\Gamma(n+1) \right)^{\frac{k}{n}} \\
&= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(\left((n+1)! \right)^{\frac{k+1}{n+1}} - \left(n! \right)^{\frac{k+1}{n}} \right) \cdot \left(n! \right)^{-k} \\
&= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{n!}{n} \cdot \frac{u_n - 1}{\ln u_n} \cdot \ln u_n \right) \text{ where } u_n = \left(\frac{(n+1)!}{n!} \right)^{\frac{k+1}{n}} \quad \forall n \in \mathbb{N} \\
\text{Now, } \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{n!}{n} &= \frac{1}{e}, \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} u_n = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{(n+1)!}{n!} \cdot \frac{n}{n+1} \right)^{\frac{k+1}{n}} = 1 \\
\therefore \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{u_n - 1}{\ln u_n} &= 1 \cdot \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} u_n^k = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{n}{n+1} \cdot \frac{n+1}{(n+1)!} \right)^{k+1} = e^{k+1} \\
\therefore \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(\left(\Gamma(x+2) \right)^{\frac{k+1}{x+1}} - \left(\Gamma(x+1) \right)^{\frac{k+1}{x}} \right) \cdot \left(\Gamma(x+1) \right)^{\frac{k}{x}} &= \frac{\ln e^{k+1}}{e} = \frac{k+1}{e}
\end{aligned}$$

PROBLEM 3.086-Solution by Soumitra Mandal-Chandar Nagore-India

$$\begin{aligned}
&f(x) + f(-x) = 0, g(x) + g(-x) = 0 \\
\Omega &= \int_{-a}^a f(x) \ln(b^{g(x)} + c^{g(x)}) dx = \int_{-a}^a f(a-x) \ln(b^{g(a-x)} + c^{g(a-x)}) dx \\
&= \int_{-a}^a f(-x) \ln(b^{g(-x)} + c^{g(-x)}) dx = - \int_{-a}^a f(x) \ln(b^{-g(x)} + c^{-g(x)}) dx \\
&= - \int_{-a}^a f(x) \ln(b^{g(x)} + c^{g(x)}) + \ln(bc) \int_{-a}^a f(x) g(x) dx \\
&\Rightarrow 2\Omega = \ln(bc) \int_{-a}^a f(x) g(x) dx = 2 \ln(bc) \int_0^a f(x) g(x) dx
\end{aligned}$$

$$\Omega = \ln(bc) \int_0^a f(x)g(x) dx \text{ (Proved)}$$

PROBLEM 3.087-Solution by Anas Adlany-El Zemamra-Morocco

$$\begin{aligned} B &= \int_a^b f(x) \arctan(g(x)) \ln(1 + e^{h(x)}) dx \quad (u = a + b - x \Rightarrow du = -dx) \\ &= - \int_a^b f(a + b - u) \arctan(g(a + b - x)) \ln(1 + e^{h(a+b-u)}) du \\ &= \int_a^b -f(x) \arctan(g(x)) \ln\left(\frac{1 + e^{h(x)}}{e^{h(x)}}\right) dx \\ &= \int_a^b f(x) \arctan(g(x)) [\ln(1 + e^{h(x)}) - h(x)] dx = -B + \int_a^b f(x) h(x) \arctan(g(x)) dx \Rightarrow \\ &\int_a^b f(x) \arctan(g(x)) \ln(1 + e^{h(x)}) dx = \frac{1}{2} \int_a^b f(x) h(x) \arctan(g(x)) dx \end{aligned}$$

PROBLEM 3.088-Solution by Thanasis Xenos-Greece

$$\begin{aligned} I &= \int_0^1 \frac{\sqrt{1-x} + \sqrt{x}}{1 + \sqrt{2x}} f(x) dx \quad (1) \\ &\quad t = 1 - x \\ I &= \int_1^0 \frac{\sqrt{t} + \sqrt{1-t}}{1 + \sqrt{2(1-t)}} f(1-t) (-dt) \\ I &= \int_0^1 \frac{\sqrt{x} + \sqrt{1-x}}{1 + \sqrt{2(1-x)}} f(x) dx \quad (2) \\ (1)+(2) &\Rightarrow 2I = \int_0^1 (\sqrt{x} + \sqrt{1-x}) \cdot \left(\frac{1}{1 + \sqrt{2x}} + \frac{1}{1 + \sqrt{2(1-x)}} \right) f(x) dx \\ 2I &= \int_0^1 (\sqrt{x} + \sqrt{1-x}) \cdot \frac{2 + \sqrt{2x} + \sqrt{2(1-x)}}{(1 + \sqrt{2x}) \cdot (1 + \sqrt{2(1-x)})} f(x) dx \\ 2I &= \sqrt{2} \int_0^1 \frac{(\sqrt{x} + \sqrt{1-x})(\sqrt{2} + \sqrt{x} + \sqrt{1-x})}{(1 + \sqrt{2x}) \cdot (1 + \sqrt{2(1-x)})} f(x) dx \quad (3) \\ &\quad (\sqrt{x} + \sqrt{1-x}) \cdot (\sqrt{2} + \sqrt{x} + \sqrt{1-x}) \\ &= \sqrt{2x} + x + \sqrt{x(1-x)} + \sqrt{2(1-x)} + \sqrt{x(1-x)} + 1 - x \\ &= 1 + \sqrt{2x} + \sqrt{2(1-x)} + 2\sqrt{x(1-x)} = (1 + \sqrt{2x})(1 + \sqrt{2(1-x)}) \\ (3) &\Rightarrow 2I = \sqrt{2} \cdot \int_0^1 f(x) dx \Rightarrow I = \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} \cdot \int_0^1 f(x) dx \end{aligned}$$

PROBLEM 3.089-Solution by Ali Shather-Nasyria-Iraq

$$\begin{aligned}
I &= \int_0^1 (\ln(x) \ln(1-x) + Li_2(x)) \left(\frac{Li_2(x)}{x(1-x)} - \frac{\zeta(2)}{1-x} \right) dx \\
I &= \int_0^1 \frac{\ln(x) \ln(1-x) Li_2(x)}{x} dx + \int_0^1 \frac{\ln(x) \ln(1-x) Li_2(x)}{1-x} dx - \\
&\quad - \zeta(2) \int_0^1 \frac{\ln(x) \ln(1-x)}{1-x} dx + \int_0^1 \frac{Li_2^2(x)}{x} dx + \int_0^1 \frac{Li_2^2(x) - \zeta(2) Li_2(x)}{1-x} dx \\
&\quad \text{combining the second and the last term, we get} \\
&\quad \int_0^1 \frac{Li_2^2(x) - Li_2(x) [\zeta(2) - \ln(x) \ln(1-x)]}{1-x} dx = \int_0^1 \frac{Li_2^2(x) - Li_2(x) [Li_2(x) + Li_2(1-x)]}{1-x} dx = \\
&\quad = - \int_0^1 \frac{Li_2(x) Li_2(1-x)}{1-x} dx = - \int_0^1 \frac{Li_2(1-x) Li_2(x)}{x} dx = \\
&= - \int_0^1 \frac{Li_2(x)}{x} [\zeta(2) - \ln(x) \ln(1-x) - Li_2(x)] dx = - \zeta(2) \int_0^1 \frac{Li_2(x)}{x} dx + \\
&\quad + \int_0^1 \frac{\ln(x) \ln(1-x) Li_2(x)}{x} dx + \int_0^1 \frac{Li_2^2(x)}{x} dx \\
\therefore I &= \int_0^1 \frac{\ln(x) \ln(1-x) Li_2(x)}{x} dx - \zeta(2) \int_0^1 \frac{\ln(x) \ln(1-x)}{1-x} dx + \int_0^1 \frac{Li_2^2(x)}{x} dx - \\
&\quad - \zeta(2) \int_0^1 \frac{Li_2(x)}{x} dx + \int_0^1 \frac{\ln(x) \ln(1-x) Li_2(x)}{x} dx + \int_0^1 \frac{Li_2^2(x)}{x} dx \\
I &= 2 \int_0^1 \frac{\ln(x) \ln(1-x) Li_2(x)}{x} dx - \zeta(2) \int_0^1 \frac{\ln(x) \ln(1-x)}{1-x} dx + 2 \int_0^1 \frac{Li_2^2(x)}{x} dx - \zeta(2) \int_0^1 \frac{Li_2(x)}{x} dx \\
I &= [-Li_2^2(x) \ln(x)]_0^1 + \int_0^1 \frac{Li_2^2(x)}{x} - \zeta(2) \int_0^1 \frac{\ln(1-x) \ln(x)}{x} dx + 2 \int_0^1 \frac{Li_2^2(x)}{x} dx - \zeta(2) \zeta(3) \\
I &= 3 \int_0^1 \frac{Li_2^2(x)}{x} dx + \zeta(2) \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n} \int_0^1 x^{n-1} \ln(x) dx - \zeta(2) \zeta(3) = \\
&= 3 \int_0^1 \frac{Li_2^2(x)}{x} dx - \zeta(2) \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n^3} - \zeta(2) \zeta(3) = 3 \int_0^1 \frac{Li_2^2(x)}{x} dx - 2\zeta(2) \zeta(3) \\
\int_0^1 \frac{Li_2^2(x)}{x} dx &= \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{(nk)^2} \int_0^1 x^{n+k-1} dx = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{(nk)^2 (n+k)} =
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{k^3} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{k}{n^2(n+k)} = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{k^3} \left[\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n^2} - \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n(n+k)} \right] \\
&= \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{k^3} \left[\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n^2} - \frac{H_k}{k} \right] = \zeta(3)\zeta(2) - \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{H_k}{k^4} = \zeta(3)\zeta(2) - (3\zeta(5) - \zeta(3)\zeta(2)) = \\
&= 2\zeta(3)\zeta(2) - 3\zeta(5) \\
\therefore I &= 3(2\zeta(2)\zeta(3) - 3\zeta(5)) - 2\zeta(2)\zeta(3) = 4\zeta(2)\zeta(3) - 9\zeta(5)
\end{aligned}$$

PROBLEM 3.090-Solution by Khalef Ruhemi-Jarash-Jordan

$$\begin{aligned}
I &= \int_0^1 \ln(\Gamma(x)) \sin(2\pi kx) dx \dots \# \\
&\text{Notice that } \int_0^1 \frac{1-t^{x-1}}{1-t} \cdot dt = \frac{\Gamma'(x)}{\Gamma(x)} - \Gamma'(1) \\
&\therefore \int_0^1 \left(\frac{1}{1-t} \right) \left(\int_1^x (1-t^{v-1}) dv \right) \cdot dt = \int_1^x \left(\frac{\Gamma'(v)}{\Gamma(v)} - \Gamma'(1) \right) dv \\
&= \ln(\Gamma(v)) - v\Gamma(1) \Big|_1^x = \ln(\Gamma(x)) - x\Gamma'(1) + \Gamma'(1) \\
&= \int_0^1 \left(\frac{1}{1-t} \right) \cdot \left(v - \frac{t^{v-1}}{\ln(t)} \right) \cdot dt = \int_0^1 \left(\frac{1}{1-t} \right) \cdot \left(x - \frac{t^{x-1}}{\ln(t)} - 1 + \frac{1}{\ln(t)} \right) dt \\
&= \int_0^1 \left(\frac{1-t^{x-1} - (1-x)\ln(t)}{(1-t)\ln(t)} \right) \cdot dt = \ln(\Gamma(x)) + \Gamma'(1)(1-x) \\
&\therefore \ln(\Gamma(x)) = \Gamma'(1)(x-1) + \int_0^1 \frac{1-t^{x-1} - (1-x)\ln(t)}{(1-t)\ln(t)} \cdot dt \quad (1) \\
&\therefore \ln(\Gamma(x)) \sin(2\pi kx) = \Gamma'(1)(x-1) \sin(2\pi kx) \\
&+ \int_0^1 \frac{\sin(2\pi kx) - \ln(t) \sin(2\pi kx) + \ln(t)x \sin(2\pi kx) - t^{x-1} \cdot \sin(2\pi kx)}{(1-t)\ln(t)} \cdot dt \quad (2) \\
&\therefore \int_0^1 \ln(\Gamma(x)) \sin(2\pi kx) dx = \Gamma'(1) \int_0^1 (x-1) \sin(2\pi kx) dx \\
&+ \int_0^1 \frac{dt}{(1-t)\ln(t)} \cdot \left[\int_0^1 \sin(2\pi kx) dx - \ln(t) \int_0^1 \sin(2\pi kx) dx \right. \\
&\quad \left. + \ln(t) \int_0^1 x \sin(2\pi kx) dx - \frac{1}{t} \int_0^1 t^x \sin(2\pi kx) dx \right] \quad (3) \\
&\int_0^1 \sin(2\pi kx) dx = \cos \frac{(2\pi kx)}{2\pi k} \Big|_0^1 = \frac{1-1}{2\pi k} = 0 \\
&\int_0^1 x \sin(2\pi kx) dx = x \cos \frac{(2\pi kx)}{2\pi k} \Big|_0^1 + \frac{1}{2\pi k} \cdot \int_0^1 \cos(2\pi kx) dx \\
&= -\frac{\cos(2\pi k)}{2\pi k} + \left(\frac{1}{4\pi^2 k^2} \right) \sin(2\pi kx) \Big|_0^1 = -\frac{1}{2\pi k}
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
& \int_0^1 t^x \sin(2\pi kx) dx = \int_0^1 e^{(\ln(t))x} \cdot \sin(2\pi kx) dx \\
& = \frac{e^{\ln(t)x}}{\ln(t)} \cdot \sin(2\pi kx) \Big|_0^1 - \frac{2\pi k}{\ln(t)} \int_0^1 e^{\ln(t)x} \cdot \cos(2\pi kx) \\
& = -\frac{2\pi k}{\ln(t)} \cdot \left(\frac{e^{\ln(t)x}}{\ln(t)} \cdot \cos(2\pi kx) \Big|_0^1 + \frac{2\pi k}{\ln(t)} \int_0^1 e^{\ln(t)x} \cdot \sin(2\pi kx) dx \right) \\
& = -\frac{2\pi k}{\ln(t)} \cdot \left(\frac{(t-1)}{\ln(t)} + \frac{2\pi k}{\ln(t)} \int_0^1 e^{\ln(t)x} \sin(2\pi kx) dx \right) \\
& \therefore \int_0^1 t^x \sin(2\pi kx) dx = \frac{2\pi k(1-t)}{\ln^2(t)} - \frac{4\pi^2 k^2}{\ln^2(t)} \cdot \int_0^1 t^x \sin(2\pi kx) dx \\
& \therefore \int_0^1 t^x \sin(2\pi kx) dx = \frac{2\pi k(1-t)}{1 + \frac{4\pi^2 k^2}{\ln^2(t)}} = \frac{2\pi k(1-t)}{4\pi^2 k^2 + \ln^2(t)} \\
& \therefore \int_0^1 t^x \sin(2\pi kx) dx = \frac{2\pi k(1-t)}{4\pi^2 k^2 + \ln^2(t)} \\
& \therefore I = \int_0^1 \left(-\frac{\ln(t)}{2\pi k} - \frac{2\pi k(1-t)}{t(4\pi^2 k^2 + \ln^2(t))} \right) \cdot \frac{dt}{(1-t)\ln(t)} - \frac{\Gamma'(1)}{2\pi k} \quad (4) \\
& \therefore I = -\frac{\Gamma'(1)}{B} - \int_0^1 \left(\frac{\ln(x)}{B} + \frac{B(1-x)}{x(B^2 + \ln^2 x)} \right) \cdot \frac{dx}{(1-x)\ln(x)}, B := 2\pi k \\
& \therefore I = -\frac{\Gamma'(1)}{B} - \int_0^1 \left(\frac{1}{B(1-x)} + \frac{1}{B\ln(x)} + \frac{B}{x\ln x(B^2 + \ln^2 x)} - \frac{1}{B\ln(x)} \right) dx \\
& = -\frac{\Gamma'(1)}{B} - \frac{1}{B} \int_0^1 \left(\frac{1}{1-x} + \frac{1}{\ln x} \right) dx + \int_0^1 \frac{1}{\ln(x)} \left(\frac{1}{B} - \frac{B}{x(B^2 + \ln^2 x)} \right) dx \\
& = -\frac{\Gamma'(1)}{B} + \frac{\Gamma'(1)}{B} + \int_0^1 \frac{1}{\ln(x)} \left(\frac{1}{B} - \frac{B}{x(B^2 + \ln^2 x)} \right) dx \\
& \therefore I = \int_0^1 \frac{1}{\ln(x)} \left(\frac{1}{B} - \frac{B}{x(B^2 + \ln^2 x)} \right) dx \quad (6) \\
& \text{Let } \ln\left(\frac{1}{x}\right) = y \Rightarrow x = e^{-y} \Rightarrow dx = -e^{-y} \cdot dy \\
& \therefore I = \int_0^\infty -\frac{1}{y} \left(\frac{1}{B} - \frac{B}{e^{-y}(B^2 + y^2)} \right) e^{-y} \cdot dy
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= \int_0^{\infty} \left(\frac{-e^{-y}}{By} + \frac{B}{y(B^2 + y^2)} \right) dy = \int_0^1 \left(\frac{1}{By} - \frac{e^{-y}}{By} - \frac{y}{B(B^2 + y^2)} \right) dy \\
&= \frac{1}{B} \int_0^{\infty} \left(\frac{1-e^{-x}}{x} - \frac{x}{B^2+x^2} \right) dx = I \quad (7) \\
&\quad \text{Let } x = By \Rightarrow dx = Bdy \\
&\therefore I = \left(\frac{1}{B} \right) \int_0^{\infty} \left(\frac{1-e^{-Bx}}{x} - \frac{x}{1+x^2} \right) dx \\
&\therefore I = \left(\frac{1}{B} \right) \int_0^{\infty} \left(\frac{1-e^{-Bx}}{x} + \frac{1}{1+x} - \frac{x}{1+x^2} - \frac{1}{1+x} \right) dx \\
&= \left(\frac{1}{B} \right) \int_0^{\infty} \left(\frac{1}{1+x} - \frac{x}{1+x^2} \right) dx + \left(\frac{1}{B} \right) \int_0^{\infty} \left(\frac{1-e^{-Bx}}{x} - \frac{1}{1+x} \right) dx \\
&\text{Since } \int_0^{\infty} \left(\frac{1}{1+x} - \frac{x}{1+x^2} \right) dx = \ln \left(\frac{1+x}{\sqrt{1+x^2}} \right) \Big|_0^{\infty} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \ln \left(\frac{\frac{1}{x}+1}{\sqrt{\frac{1}{x^2}+1}} \right) = \ln(1) = 0 \\
&\therefore I = \left(\frac{1}{B} \right) \int_0^{\infty} \left(\frac{1-e^{-Bx}}{x} - \frac{1}{1+x} \right) dx \\
&\therefore I = \left(\frac{1}{B} \right) \int_0^{\infty} \left(\frac{1}{x} - \frac{1}{1+x} - \frac{e^{-x}}{x} + \frac{e^{-x}}{x} - \frac{e^{-Bx}}{x} \right) dx \\
&= \left(\frac{1}{B} \right) \int_0^{\infty} \left(\frac{1}{1+x} - e^{-x} \right) \frac{1}{x} dx + \left(\frac{1}{B} \right) \int_0^{\infty} \frac{e^{-x}-e^{-Bx}}{x} dx = -\frac{\Gamma'(1)}{B} + \left(\frac{1}{B} \right) \int_0^{\infty} \frac{e^{-x}-e^{-Bx}}{x} dx = I \quad (8) \\
&\text{Let } F(A) := \int_0^{\infty} \frac{e^{-x}-e^{-Ax}}{x} dx, A > 0 \Rightarrow F(1) = 0 \Rightarrow F'(A) = \int_0^{\infty} e^{-Ax} dx = \frac{1}{A} \\
&\therefore F(A) = \int_0^A \frac{dx}{x} = \ln(A) \Rightarrow I = \frac{\gamma}{B} + \frac{\ln(B)}{B} \\
&\therefore I = \int_0^1 \ln(\Gamma(x)) \sin(2\pi kx) dx = \frac{\gamma + \ln(2\pi k)}{2\pi k}
\end{aligned}$$

PROBLEM 3.091-Solution by Abdallah El Farisi-Bechar-Algerie

$$\begin{aligned}
&\int_{-a}^a f(x) \ln(1 + e^{g(x)}) \arctan(h(x)) dx = - \int_{-a}^a f(x) \ln(1 + e^{-g(x)}) \arctan(h(x)) dx \\
&= - \int_{-a}^a f(x) \left(\ln(1 + e^{g(x)}) - g(x) \right) \arctan(h(x)) dx
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= - \int_{-a}^a f(x) (\ln(1 + e^{g(x)})) \arctan(h(x)) dx + \int_{-a}^a f(x) g(x) \arctan(h(x)) dx \\
&= - \int_{-a}^a f(x) (\ln(1 + e^{g(x)})) \arctan(h(x)) dx + 2 \int_0^a f(x) g(x) \arctan(h(x)) dx \\
&\quad - \int_{-a}^0 f(x) \ln(1 + e^{g(x)}) \arctan(h(x)) dx = \int_0^a f(x) g(x) \arctan(h(x)) dx
\end{aligned}$$

PROBLEM 3.092-Solution by Soumitra Mandal-Chandar Nagore-India

$$\begin{aligned}
&\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sqrt[n]{\frac{n!}{n^n}} = \frac{1}{e} \\
\Omega_n &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sqrt[3]{n^2 \left(\sqrt[3(n+1)]{(n+1)!} - \sqrt[3n]{n!} \right)} \\
&= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(\sqrt[3]{\frac{\sqrt[3n]{n!}}{n} \cdot \frac{u_n^{-1}}{\ln u_n} \cdot \ln u_n^n} \right) \text{ where } u_n = \frac{\sqrt[3(n+1)]{(n+1)!}}{\sqrt[3n]{n!}} \text{ for all } n \in \mathbb{N} \\
\therefore u_n &= \frac{\sqrt[3(n+1)]{(n+1)!}}{\sqrt[3n]{n!}} = \frac{\sqrt[3(n+1)]{(n+1)!}}{\sqrt[3n+1]{(n+1)!}} \cdot \frac{\sqrt[3n]{n!}}{\sqrt[3n]{n!}} \cdot \sqrt[3]{1 + \frac{1}{n}} \text{ then } \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} u_n = 1 \\
&\text{now, } u_n \rightarrow 1 \text{ then } \frac{u_n^{-1}}{\ln u_n} \rightarrow 1 \text{ for all } n \rightarrow \infty \\
u_n^n &= \left(\frac{\sqrt[3(n+1)]{(n+1)!}}{\sqrt[3n]{n!}} \right)^n = \sqrt[3]{\frac{(n+1)!}{n!} \cdot \frac{1}{\sqrt[n+1]{(n+1)!}}} = \sqrt[3]{\frac{n}{n+1} \cdot \frac{n+1}{\sqrt[n+1]{(n+1)!}}} \\
\therefore \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} u_n^n &= \sqrt[3]{e} \text{ and } \Omega_n = \frac{1}{\sqrt[3]{e}} \cdot 1 \cdot \ln \sqrt[3]{e} = \frac{1}{3\sqrt[3]{e}}
\end{aligned}$$

PROBLEM 3.093-Solution by Soumitra Mandal-Chandar Nagore-India

a. Let $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (b_n - u \cdot a_n) = v$ now let $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = x > 0$ because $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{a_{n+1}}{n \cdot a_n} = a > 0$

then

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{a_{n+1}}{n \cdot a_n} = a \Rightarrow \frac{x}{x} \cdot \frac{1}{\infty} = a \Rightarrow a = 0, \text{ which is false. Then } \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = \infty$$

$$\text{now, } \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (b_n - u \cdot a_n) = v \Rightarrow \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{b_n}{a_n} - u \right) = v \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{a_n} = 0 \text{ then}$$

$$\Rightarrow \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{b_n}{a_n} = u. \text{ Now, } \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\sqrt[n]{b_n}}{n} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sqrt[n]{\frac{b_n}{n^n}}$$

$$\stackrel{\text{Cauchy D'Alembert}}{=} \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{b_{n+1}}{a_{n+1}} \cdot \frac{a_n}{b_n} \cdot \frac{a_{n+1}}{n \cdot a_n} \cdot \frac{1}{\left(1 + \frac{1}{n}\right)^n} \cdot \frac{n}{n+1} \right) = \left(u \cdot \frac{1}{u} \cdot a \cdot \frac{1}{e} \right) = \frac{a}{e}$$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(\sqrt[n+1]{b_{n+1}} - \sqrt[n]{b_n} \right) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{\sqrt[n]{b_n}}{n} \cdot \frac{u_n^{-1}}{\ln u_n} \cdot \ln u_n^n \right) \text{ where } u_n = \frac{\sqrt[n+1]{b_{n+1}}}{\sqrt[n]{b_n}}$$

$$u_n = \left(\frac{\sqrt[n+1]{b_{n+1}}}{n+1} \cdot \frac{n}{\sqrt[n]{b_n}} \cdot \frac{n+1}{n} \right) \Rightarrow \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} u_n = 1 \text{ then } \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{u_n^{-1}}{\ln u_n} = 1$$

$$\begin{aligned}
\therefore u_n^n &= \left(\frac{\sqrt[n+1]{b_{n+1}}}{\sqrt[n]{b_n}} \right)^n = \left(\frac{b_{n+1}}{a_{n+1}} \cdot \frac{a_n}{b_n} \cdot \frac{a_{n+1}}{n \cdot a_n} \cdot \frac{n+1}{\sqrt[n+1]{b_{n+1}}} \cdot \frac{n}{n+1} \right) \\
&\therefore \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} u_n^n = \left(u \cdot \frac{1}{u} \cdot a \cdot \frac{e}{a} \right) = e, \text{ then} \\
&\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(\sqrt[n+1]{b_{n+1}} - \sqrt[n]{b_n} \right) = \left(\frac{a}{e} \cdot 1 \cdot \ln e \right) = \frac{a}{e} \\
&\text{b. } \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{n}{\sqrt[n]{b_n}} = \frac{e}{a} \text{ then } \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{(n+1)^2}{\sqrt[n+1]{b_{n+1}}} - \frac{n^2}{\sqrt[n]{b_n}} \right) \\
&= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{n}{\sqrt[n]{b_n}} \cdot \frac{u_n^{-1}}{\ln u_n} \cdot \ln u_n^n \right) \text{ where } u_n = \left(1 + \frac{1}{n} \right)^2 \cdot \frac{\sqrt[n]{b_n}}{\sqrt[n+1]{b_{n+1}}} \text{ for all } n \in \mathbb{N} \\
\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} u_n &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(\left(1 + \frac{1}{n} \right)^2 \cdot \frac{\sqrt[n]{b_n}}{n} \cdot \frac{n+1}{\sqrt[n+1]{b_{n+1}}} \cdot \frac{n}{n+1} \right) = 1 \text{ then } \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{u_n^{-1}}{\ln u_n} = 1 \\
\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} u_n^n &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(\left(1 + \frac{1}{n} \right)^{2n} \cdot \frac{b_n}{a_n} \cdot \frac{a_{n+1}}{b_{n+1}} \cdot \frac{n \cdot a_n}{a_{n+1}} \left(1 + \frac{1}{n} \right) \cdot \frac{\sqrt[n+1]{b_{n+1}}}{n+1} \right) = \left(e^2 \cdot u \cdot \frac{1}{u} \cdot \frac{1}{a} \cdot \frac{a}{e} \right) = e \\
&\text{then} \\
&\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{(n+1)^2}{\sqrt[n+1]{b_{n+1}}} - \frac{n^2}{\sqrt[n]{b_n}} \right) = \left(\frac{e}{a} \cdot 1 \cdot \ln e \right) = \frac{e}{a}
\end{aligned}$$

PROBLEM 3.094-Solution by Soumitra Mandal-Chandar Nagore-India

$$\begin{aligned}
&\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\sqrt[n]{n!}}{n} = \frac{1}{e} \text{ then } \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(\sqrt[n+1]{(n+1)!} - \sqrt[n]{n!} \right) \\
&= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{\sqrt[n]{n!}}{n} \cdot \frac{u_n^{-1}}{\ln u_n} \cdot \ln u_n^n \right) \text{ where } u_n = \frac{\sqrt[n+1]{(n+1)!}}{\sqrt[n]{n!}} \text{ for all } n \in \mathbb{N} \\
\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} u_n &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{\sqrt[n+1]{(n+1)!}}{n+1} \cdot \frac{n}{\sqrt[n]{n!}} \cdot \frac{n+1}{n} \right) = 1 \text{ then } \frac{u_n^{-1}}{\ln u_n} \rightarrow 1 \text{ as } n \rightarrow \infty \\
\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} u_n^n &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{(n+1)!}{n!} \cdot \frac{1}{\sqrt[n+1]{(n+1)!}} \right) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{n}{n+1} \cdot \frac{n+1}{\sqrt[n+1]{(n+1)!}} \right) = e \\
&\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(\sqrt[n+1]{(n+1)!} - \sqrt[n]{n!} \right) = \left(\frac{1}{e} \cdot 1 \cdot \ln e \right) = \frac{1}{e} \\
&\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(s_n \sqrt[n+1]{(n+1)!} - \frac{\pi^2}{6} \sqrt[n]{n!} \right) \\
&= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(s_n - \frac{\pi^2}{6} \right) \sqrt[n+1]{(n+1)!} + \frac{\pi^2}{6} \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(\sqrt[n+1]{(n+1)!} - \sqrt[n]{n!} \right) \\
&= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\sqrt[n+1]{(n+1)!}}{n+1} \cdot \frac{n+1}{n} \cdot n \left(s_n - \frac{\pi^2}{6} \right) + \frac{\pi^2}{6e} \\
&= \frac{1}{e} \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(s_n - \frac{\pi^2}{6} \right) + \frac{\pi^2}{6e} = \frac{1}{e} \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{s_{n+1} - s_n}{\frac{1}{(n+1)} - \frac{1}{n}} + \frac{\pi^2}{6e} = \frac{\pi^2}{6e} \text{ (Ans:)}
\end{aligned}$$

PROBLEM 3.095-Solution by proposer

* Hence (1), by AM-GM inequality for three positive real numbers we have:

$$3 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{a^3}} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{b^3}} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{c^3}} \geq 3 \cdot \sqrt[3]{\frac{1}{\sqrt{a^3} \cdot \sqrt{b^3} \cdot \sqrt{c^3}}} = \frac{3}{\sqrt[6]{(abc)^3}} = \frac{3}{\sqrt{abc}} \Leftrightarrow 3 \geq \frac{3}{\sqrt{abc}} \Leftrightarrow \Leftrightarrow \sqrt{abc} \geq 1 \Leftrightarrow abc \geq 1$$

$$\text{Hence (2):} \Rightarrow \frac{a^2}{b} + \frac{b^2}{c} + \frac{c^2}{a} = \frac{a^3c + b^3a + c^3b}{abc} \leq \frac{a^3c + b^3a + c^3b}{1} = a^3c + b^3a + c^3b \quad (3)$$

- By AM-GM inequality, we have:

$$a^3c + b^3a + c^3b = a^3ac + b^2ba + c^2cb \leq \frac{a^3 + (ac)^2}{2} + \frac{b^4 + (ba)^2}{2} + \frac{c^4 + (cb)^2}{2} \\ \Leftrightarrow a^3c + b^3a + c^3b \leq \frac{a^4 + b^4 + c^4 + a^2b^2 + b^2c^2 + c^2a^2}{2} \quad (4)$$

$$\text{- Hence (3), (4):} \Rightarrow \frac{a^2}{b} + \frac{b^2}{c} + \frac{c^2}{a} \leq \frac{a^4 + b^4 + c^4 + a^2b^2 + b^2c^2 + c^2a^2}{2} \quad (5)$$

- Other, by AM-GM inequality:

$$\frac{a^6 + a^6 + 1}{2} + \frac{b^6 + b^6 + 1}{2} + \frac{c^6 + c^6 + 1}{2} \geq \frac{3\sqrt[3]{a^6 \cdot a^6 \cdot 1}}{2} + \frac{3\sqrt[3]{b^6 \cdot b^6 \cdot 1}}{2} + \frac{3\sqrt[3]{c^6 \cdot c^6 \cdot 1}}{2} = \frac{3(a^4 + b^4 + c^4)}{2}$$

$$\Leftrightarrow a^6 + b^6 + c^6 + \frac{3}{2} \geq \frac{3(a^4 + b^4 + c^4)}{2} \Leftrightarrow 2(a^6 + b^6 + c^6) + 3 \geq 3(a^4 + b^4 + c^4) \quad (6)$$

$$(a^3b^3 + a^3b^3 + 1) + (b^3c^3 + b^3c^3 + 1) + (c^3a^3 + c^3a^3 + 1) \geq \\ \geq 3\sqrt[3]{(a^3b^3)(a^3b^3) \cdot 1} + 3\sqrt[3]{(b^3c^3)(b^3c^3) \cdot 1} + 3\sqrt[3]{(c^3a^3)(c^3a^3) \cdot 1} = 3(a^2b^2 + b^2c^2 + c^2a^2)$$

$$\Leftrightarrow 2(a^3b^3 + b^3c^3 + c^3a^3) + 3 \geq 3(a^2b^2 + b^2c^2 + c^2a^2)$$

$$\Leftrightarrow 4(a^3b^3 + b^3c^3 + c^3a^3) + 6 \geq 6(a^2b^2 + b^2c^2 + c^2a^2) \quad (7)$$

$$\text{- Let (6), (7):} \Rightarrow 2(a^6 + b^6 + c^6) + 3 + 4(a^3b^3 + b^3c^3 + c^3a^3) + 6 \geq$$

$$\geq 3(a^4 + b^4 + c^4) + 6(a^2b^2 + b^2c^2 + c^2a^2)$$

$$\Leftrightarrow 2(a^6 + b^6 + c^6 + 2a^3b^3 + 2b^3c^3 + 2c^3a^3) + 9 \geq$$

$$\geq 3(a^4 + b^4 + c^4) + 6(a^2b^2 + b^2c^2 + c^2a^2)$$

$$\Leftrightarrow 2(a^3 + b^3 + c^3)^2 \geq 3(a^4 + b^4 + c^4) + 6(a^2b^2 + b^2c^2 + c^2a^2) - 9 \quad (8)$$

- By AM-GM inequality and (2). We have:

$$3(a^2b^2 + b^2c^2 + c^2a^2) \geq 3 \cdot 3 \cdot \sqrt[3]{(a^2b^2)(b^2c^2)(c^2a^2)} = 9\sqrt[3]{(abc)^4} \geq 9\sqrt[3]{1^4} = 9$$

$$\Leftrightarrow 6(a^2b^2 + b^2c^2 + c^2a^2) - 9 \geq 3(a^2b^2 + b^2c^2 + c^2a^2) \quad (9)$$

$$\text{- Let (8),(9):} \Rightarrow 2(a^3 + b^3 + c^3)^2 \geq 3(a^4 + b^4 + c^4) + 3(a^2b^2 + b^2c^2 + c^2a^2)$$

$$\Leftrightarrow 2(a^3 + b^3 + c^3)^2 \geq 3(a^4 + b^4 + c^4 + a^2b^2 + b^2c^2 + c^2a^2)$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \frac{a^4+b^4+c^4+a^2b^2+b^2c^2+c^2a^2}{2} \leq \frac{(a^3+b^3+c^3)^2}{3} \quad (10)$$

$$- (5), (10): \Rightarrow \frac{a^2}{b} + \frac{b^2}{c} + \frac{c^2}{a} \leq \frac{(a^3+b^3+c^3)^2}{3} \quad (11)$$

$$- (1), (11): \Rightarrow \frac{a^2}{b} + \frac{b^2}{c} + \frac{c^2}{a} = \frac{(a^3+b^3+c^3)^2}{3} \text{ occurs if: } \begin{cases} a = b = c > 0 \\ \frac{1}{\sqrt{a^3}} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{b^3}} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{c^3}} = 3 \end{cases} \Leftrightarrow a = b = c = 1.$$

Solution of equation is: $(a, b, c) = (1, 1, 1)$.

PROBLEM 3.096-Solution by Shivam Sharma-New Delhi-India

Let,

$$L = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(s_n^{n+1} \sqrt{(2n+1)!!} - \frac{\pi^2}{6} n \sqrt{(2n-1)!!} \right)$$

As we know, $(2n+1)!! = \frac{(2n+1)!}{2^n n!}$, $(2n-1)!! = \frac{(2n)!}{2^n n!}$. Using this, we get,

$$\Rightarrow \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left[\left(\sum_{k=1}^n \frac{1}{k^2} \right) \left(\frac{(2n+1)!}{2^n n!} \right)^{\frac{1}{n+1}} - \frac{\pi^2}{6} \left(\frac{(2n)!}{2^n n!} \right)^{\frac{1}{n}} \right] \Rightarrow \frac{\pi^2}{6} \left[\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left\{ \left(\frac{(2n+1)!}{2^n n!} \right)^{\frac{1}{n+1}} - \left(\frac{(2n)!}{2^n n!} \right)^{\frac{1}{n}} \right\} \right]$$

Now, applying Stirling's formula, we get,

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\pi^2}{6} \left[\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left\{ \left(\frac{\left(\frac{2n+1}{e} \right)^{2n+1} \sqrt{2\pi(2n+1)}}{2^n \left(\frac{n}{e} \right)^n \sqrt{2\pi n}} \right)^{\frac{1}{n+1}} - \left(\frac{\left(\frac{2n}{e} \right)^{2n} \sqrt{4\pi n}}{2^n \left(\frac{n}{e} \right)^n \sqrt{2\pi n}} \right)^{\frac{1}{n}} \right\} \right]$$

Now, applying Cauchy D'Alembert, we get,

$$L = \frac{\pi^2}{3e} - \frac{2}{e}, \text{ or } L = \frac{\pi^2-6}{3e}$$

PROBLEM 3.097-Solution by proposer

$$\text{We have: } \begin{cases} \frac{(y+z)(z+x)}{4yz} \geq \frac{x+z}{y+z} \Leftrightarrow (y-z)^2 \geq 0 \\ \frac{(y+z)(z+x)}{4xz} \geq \frac{y+z}{x+z} \Leftrightarrow (z-x)^2 \geq 0 \end{cases}$$

After addition we obtain: $\frac{(x+y)(y+z)(z+x)}{4xyz} \geq \frac{x+z}{y+z} + \frac{y+z}{x+z} \geq 2$ and

$$\begin{cases} \left(\frac{(x+y)(y+z)(z+x)}{4xyz} \right)^a \geq \left(\frac{x+z}{y+z} + \frac{y+z}{x+z} \right)^a \geq 2^a \\ \left(\frac{(x+y)(y+z)(z+x)}{4xyz} \right)^b \geq \left(\frac{y+x}{z+x} + \frac{z+x}{y+x} \right)^b \geq 2^b \\ \left(\frac{(x+y)(y+z)(z+x)}{4xyz} \right)^c \geq \left(\frac{z+y}{x+y} + \frac{x+y}{z+y} \right)^c \geq 2^c \end{cases}$$

After multiplication we obtain the desired inequalities.

PROBLEM 3.098-Solution by Soumitra Mandal-Chandar Nagore-India

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Let } x = a + b - z \Rightarrow dx = -dz; \text{ when } x = a, z = b; x = b, z = a \\ \text{Let } I = \int_a^b \frac{g(x)}{1+f(x)} dx = \int_a^b \frac{g(a+b-z)(-dz)}{1+f(a+b-z)} = \int_a^b \frac{g(z)dz}{1+\frac{1}{f(z)}} = \int_a^b \frac{f(z)g(z)}{1+f(z)} dz \\ = \int_a^b g(z)dz - \int_a^b \frac{g(z)}{1+f(z)} dz \Rightarrow 2I = \int_a^b g(z)dz \Rightarrow I = \frac{1}{2} \int_a^b g(x) dx \end{aligned}$$

PROBLEM 3.099-Solution by Soumava Chakraborty-Kolkata-India

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Proof of (a) } l_a^2 &= \frac{4b^2c^2}{(b+c)^2} \cdot \frac{s(s-a)}{bc} = \frac{bc(b+c+a)(b+c-a)}{(b+c)^2} = \frac{bc\{(b+c)^2 - a^2\}}{(b+c)^2} = bc - \frac{a^2bc}{(b+c)^2} \\ \therefore \frac{l_a^2}{h_a^2} &= bc \cdot \frac{4R^2}{b^2c^2} - \frac{a^4bc}{4\Delta^2(b+c)^2} = 4R^2 \cdot \frac{1}{bc} - \frac{4Rrs}{4r^2S^2} \cdot \frac{a^3}{(b+c)^2} = \\ &\stackrel{(1)}{=} 4R^2 \left(\frac{1}{bc} \right) - \frac{R}{rs} \cdot \frac{a^3}{(b+c)^2} \\ \text{Similarly, } \frac{l_b^2}{h_b^2} &\stackrel{(2)}{=} 4R^2 \left(\frac{1}{ca} \right) - \frac{R}{rs} \cdot \frac{b^3}{(c+a)^2} \text{ \& } \frac{l_c^2}{h_c^2} \stackrel{(3)}{=} 4R^2 \left(\frac{1}{ab} \right) - \frac{R}{rs} \cdot \frac{c^3}{(a+b)^2} \\ (1)+(2)+(3) &\Rightarrow \sum \frac{l_a^2}{h_a^2} = \frac{4R^2}{4Rrs} (2S) + \frac{R}{rs} \sum \frac{(2s-a-2s)^3}{(2s-a)^2} = \\ &= \frac{2R}{r} + \frac{R}{rs} \sum \frac{(2s-a)^3 - 8s^3 - 3(2s-a)^2 \cdot 2S + 3(2s-a)4S^2}{(2s-a)^2} = \\ &= \frac{2R}{r} + \frac{R}{rs} \sum (2s-a) - \frac{3R}{rs} (2S)(3) + \frac{12RS^2}{rs} \sum \frac{1}{b+c} - \frac{8Rs^3}{rs} \sum \frac{1}{(b+c)^2} = \\ &\stackrel{(4)}{=} \frac{2R}{r} + \frac{4RS}{rs} - \frac{18R}{r} + \frac{12RS}{r} \sum \frac{1}{b+c} - \frac{8RS^2}{r} \sum \frac{1}{(b+c)^2} \\ \text{Now, } (a+b)(b+c)(c+a) &= 2abc + \sum ab(2S-c) = \\ &= 2s(s^2 + 4Rr + r^2) - 4Rrs \stackrel{(5)}{=} 2s(s^2 + 2Rr + r^2) \\ (5) &\Rightarrow \frac{2RS}{r} \sum \frac{1}{b+c} = \frac{12RS}{r} \cdot \frac{\sum(c+a)(a+b)}{2s(s^2+2Rr+r^2)} = \frac{12RS[(\sum a^2 + 2\sum ab) + \sum ab]}{2s(s^2+2Rr+r^2)r} \stackrel{(i)}{=} \frac{16R(5s^2+4Rr+r^2)}{r(s^2+2Rr+r^2)} \\ \text{Now, } \sum(c+a)^2(a+b)^2 &= \sum(a^2 + \sum ab)^2 = \sum\{a^4 + (\sum ab)^2 + 2(\sum ab)a^2\} = \\ &= \sum a^4 + 3(\sum ab)^2 + 2(\sum ab)(\sum a^2) = (\sum a^2)^2 - 2\{(\sum ab)^2 - 2abc(2s)\} + \\ &+ 3(\sum ab)^2 + 2(\sum ab)(\sum a^2) = (\sum a^2)^2 + (\sum ab)^2 + 2(\sum ab)(\sum a^2) + \\ &+ 32Rrs^2 = (\sum a^2 + \sum ab)^2 + 32Rrs^2 = (3s^2 - 4Rr - r^2)^2 + 32Rrs^2 = \\ &= 9s^4 - 6s^2(4Rr + r^2) + 32Rrs^2 + r^2(4R + r)^2 \stackrel{(6)}{=} 9s^4 + r^2(4R + r)^2 + s^2(8Rr - 6r^2) \\ (5), (6) &\Rightarrow \frac{-8RS^2}{r} \sum \frac{1}{(b+c)^2} = \frac{[9s^4 + r^2(4R+r)^2 + s^2(8Rr-6r^2)]}{r \cdot 4s^2(s^2+2Rr+r^2)^2} \stackrel{(ii)}{=} \frac{-2R[9s^4 + r^2(4R+r)^2 + s^2(8Rr-6r^2)]}{r(s^2+2Rr+r^2)^2} \\ (i), (ii), (4) &\Rightarrow \sum \frac{l_a^2}{h_a^2} = \frac{-12R}{r} + \frac{6R(5s^2+4Rr+r^2)}{r(s^2+2Rr+r^2)} - \frac{2R[9s^4 + r^2(4R+r)^2 + s^2(8Rr-6r^2)]}{r(s^2+2Rr+r^2)^2} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= \frac{-12R(s^2 + 2Rr + r^2)^2 + 6R(5s^2 + 4Rr + r^2)(s^2 + 2Rr + r^2)}{r(s^2 + 2Rr + r^2)^2} \\
&= \frac{2R[9s^4 + r^2(4R + r)^2 + s^2(8Rr - 6r^2)]}{r(s^2 + 2Rr + r^2)^2} \stackrel{(7)}{=} \frac{RS^2(20Rr + 24r^2) - Rr^2(32R^2 + 28Rr + 8r^2)}{r(s^2 + 2Rr + r^2)^2} \\
\text{Now, } \frac{2l_a l_b l_c}{h_a h_b h_c} + 1 &\stackrel{\text{by (5)}}{=} \frac{2 \cdot 8R^3}{16R^2 r^2 s^2} \cdot \frac{8 \cdot 16R^2 r^2 s^2 \left(\frac{s}{4R}\right)}{2s(s^2 + 2Rr + r^2)} + 1 = \frac{16R^2}{s^2 + 2Rr + r^2} + 1 \stackrel{(8)}{=} \frac{16R^2 + s^2 + 2Rr + r^2}{s^2 + 2Rr + r^2} \\
&\stackrel{\text{Gerretsen}}{\geq} \frac{RS^2(20Rr + 24r^2) - Rr^2(32R^2 + 28Rr + 8r^2)}{Rr^2(32R^2 + 28Rr + 8r^2)} \\
&\geq Rr^2[(20R + 24r)(16R - 5r) - (32R^2 + 28Rr + 8r^2)] = \\
&= Rr^2(288R^2 + 256Rr - 128r^2) = Rr^2\{288R^2 + 192Rr + 64r(R - 2r)\} > 0, \\
&\therefore (7), (8) \Rightarrow \text{given inequality is equivalent to:} \\
&R(20R + 24r)s^2 - Rr(32R^2 + 28Rr + 8r^2) \\
&\geq (s^2 + 2Rr + r^2)(s^2 + 16R^2 + 2Rr + r^2) \Leftrightarrow s^2(4R^2 + 20Rr - 2r^2) \stackrel{(9)}{\geq} \\
&\geq s^4 + 64R^3r + 48R^2r^2 + 12Rr^3 + r^4
\end{aligned}$$

Now, the fundamental triangle inequality (Rouche) $\Rightarrow s^2 \geq m - n \Rightarrow s^2 - m + n \stackrel{(a)}{\geq} 0$ &

$$s^2 \leq m + n \Rightarrow s^2 - m - n \stackrel{(b)}{\leq} 0, \text{ where } m = 2R^2 + 10Rr - r^2 \text{ \&}$$

$$n = 2(R - 2r)\sqrt{R^2 - 2Rr}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
(a).(b) \Rightarrow s^4 - s^2(2m) + m^2 - n^2 &\leq 0 \Rightarrow s^4 - 2s^2(2R^2 + 10Rr - r^2) + \\
+(2R^2 + 10Rr - r^2)^2 - 4(R - 2r)^2(R^2 - 2Rr) &\leq 0 \Rightarrow s^4 + 64R^3r + 48R^2r^2 + 12Rr^3 + \\
+r^4 &\stackrel{(c)}{\leq} s^2(4R^2 + 20Rr - 2r^2) \Rightarrow (9) \text{ is true (proved)}
\end{aligned}$$

$\therefore (c)$ is analogous with the fundamental triangle inequality & \therefore given inequality is equivalent to (c), hence, given inequality is equivalent to the fundamental triangle inequality

$$\begin{aligned}
\text{Proof of (b) } m_a^2 m_b^2 m_c^2 &= \frac{(2b^2 + 2c^2 - a^2)(2c^2 + 2a^2 - b^2)(2a^2 + 2b^2 - c^2)}{64} \stackrel{(1)}{=} \\
&= \frac{1}{64} \{-4 \sum a^6 + 6(\sum s^4 b^2 + \sum a^2 b^2) + 3a^2 b^2 c^2\}. \text{ Now,} \\
\sum a^6 &= \left(\sum a^2\right)^3 - 3(a^2 + b^2)(b^2 + c^2)(c^2 + a^2) = \\
&= \left(\sum a^2\right)^3 - 3\left(\sum a^2 - c^2\right)\left(\sum a^2 - a^2\right)\left(\sum a^2 - b^2\right) = \\
&= \left(\sum a^2\right)^3 - 3\left\{\left(\sum a^2\right)^3 - \left(\sum a^2\right)^3 + \left(\sum a^2\right)\left(\sum a^2 b^2\right) - a^2 b^2 c^2\right\} \\
&\stackrel{(2)}{=} \left(\sum a^2\right)^3 - 3\left(\sum a^2\right)\left(\sum a^2 b^2\right) + 3a^2 b^2 c^2. \text{ Also, } \sum a^4 b^2 + \sum a^2 b^4 = \sum a^2 b^2 (\sum a^2 - c^2) = \\
&\stackrel{(3)}{=} \left(\sum a^2\right)\left(\sum a^2 b^2\right) - 3a^2 b^2 c^2 \\
(1), (2), (3) \Rightarrow m_a^2 m_b^2 m_c^2 &= \frac{1}{64} \left\{-4\left(\sum a^2\right)^3 + 12\left(\sum a^2\right)\left(\sum a^2 b^2\right) - 12a^2 b^2 c^2 + \right. \\
&\left. + 6\left(\sum a^2\right)\left(\sum a^2 b^2\right) - 18a^2 b^2 c^2 + 3a^2 b^2 c^2\right\} \\
&= \frac{1}{64} \left\{-4\left(\sum a^2\right)^3 + 18\left(\sum a^2\right)\left(\sum a^2 b^2\right) - 27a^2 b^2 c^2\right\} = \\
&= \frac{1}{64} \left[-32(s^2 - 4Rr - r^2)^3 + 18 \cdot 2(s^2 - 4Rr - r^2) \cdot \right. \\
&\left. \left\{(s^2 + 4Rr + r^2) - 2abc(2s) - 432R^2 r^2 s^2\right\}\right] = \\
&\stackrel{(4)}{=} \frac{1}{16} \left\{s^6 - s^4(12Rr - 33r^2) - s^2(60R^2 r^2 + 120Rr^3 + 33r^4) - \right. \\
&\left. - 64R^3 r^3 - 48R^2 r^4 - 12Rr^5 - r^6\right\}
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Now, } 4 \sum a^2 b^2 - \sum a^4 &= 6 \sum a^2 b^2 - (\sum a^2)^2 = 6\{(\sum ab)^2 - 2abc(2s)\} - (\sum a^2)^2 \\ &= 4\{(s^2 + 4Rr + r^2)^2 - (s^2 - 4Rr - r^2)^2\} + 2(s^2 + 4Rr + r^2)^2 - 96Rrs^2 = \\ &= 4(2s^2)(8Rr + 2r^2) + 2(s^4 + r^2(4R + r)^2 + 2s^2(4Rr + r^2)) - 96Rrs^2 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} &\stackrel{(5)}{=} 2s^4 - s^2(16Rr - 20r^2) + 2r^2(4R + r)^2 \\ \text{Now, } \sum \frac{m_a^2}{h_a^2} - 1 &= \sum \frac{2b^2 + 2c^2 - a^2}{4} \cdot \frac{a^2}{4\Delta^2} - 1 = \frac{4 \sum a^2 b^2 - \sum a^4}{16\Delta^2} - 1 = \\ &= \frac{s^4 - s^2(8Rr - 10r^2) + r^2(4R + r)^2 - 8r^2 s^2}{8\Delta^2} \quad (\text{by (5)}) = \frac{s^4 + r^2(4R + r)^2 - s^2(8Rr - 2r^2)}{8\Delta^2} \end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore \left(\sum \frac{m_a^2}{h_a^2} - 1 \right)^2$$

$$\stackrel{(6)}{=} \frac{1}{64\Delta^2} \left[\begin{aligned} &s^8 - s^6(16Rr - 4r^2) + s^4(96R^2r^2 + 16Rr^3 + 6r^4) - \\ &-s^2(256R^3r^3 + 64R^2r^4 - 16Rr^5 - 4r^6) + \\ &+256R^4r^4 + 256R^3r^5 + 96R^2r^6 + 16Rr^7 + r^8 \end{aligned} \right]$$

$$\text{Also, } \left(\frac{2m_a m_b m_c}{h_a h_b h_c} \right)^2 = \left(\frac{28R^3}{16R^2 r^2 s^2} \right)^2 \cdot m_a^2 m_b^2 m_c^2$$

$$\stackrel{(7)}{=} \frac{R^2}{16\Delta^4} \left\{ \begin{aligned} &s^6 - s^4(12Rr - 33r^2) - s^2(60R^2r^2 + 120Rr^3 + 33r^4) - \\ &-64R^3r^3 - 48R^2r^4 - 12Rr^5 - r^6 \end{aligned} \right\} \quad (\text{by (4)})$$

(6), (7) ⇒ given inequality is equivalent to:

$$\begin{aligned} &s^8 - s^6(16Rr - 4r^2) + s^4(96R^2r^2 + 16Rr^3 + 6r^4) - \\ &-s^2(256R^3r^3 + 64R^2r^4 - 16Rr^5 - 4r^6) + 256R^4r^4 + 256R^3r^5 + 96R^2r^6 + \\ &+16Rr^7 + r^8 \leq 4R^2 \left\{ \begin{aligned} &s^6 - s^4(12Rr - 33r^2) - s^2(60R^2r^2 + 120Rr^3 + 33r^4) - \\ &-64R^3r^3 - 48R^2r^4 - 12Rr^5 - r^6 \end{aligned} \right\} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Leftrightarrow &s^8 - s^6(4R^2 + 16Rr - 4r^2) + s^4(48R^3r - 36R^2r^2 - 16Rr^3 + 6r^4) + \\ &+s^2(240R^4r^2 + 224R^3r^3 + 68R^2r^4 + 16Rr^5 + 4r^6) + 256R^5r^3 + 448R^4r^4 + \\ &+304R^3r^5 + 100R^2r^6 + 16Rr^7 + r^8 \leq 0 \Leftrightarrow \end{aligned}$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \{s^4 - (4R^2 + 20Rr - 2r^2)s^2 + 64R^3r + 48R^2r^2 + 12Rr^3 + r^4\}$$

$$\{s^4 + s^2(4Rr + 2r^2) + 4R^2r^2 + 4Rr^3 + r^4\} \leq 0 \Leftrightarrow$$

$$\Leftrightarrow s^4 + 64R^3r + 48R^2r^2 + 12Rr^3 + r^4 \leq s^2(4R^2 + 20Rr - 2r^2)$$

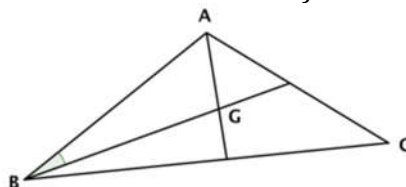
But, the above is inequality (c) proved in the proof of (a) earlier.

⇒ given inequality is true (Proved)

∴ given inequality reduces to inequality (c) & (c) is analogous to the fundamental inequality of the triangle, hence, this given inequality is equivalent to the fundamental inequality of the triangle (Done).

PROBLEM 3.100-Solution by proposer

Let G be the centroid of ΔABC.



$$AG = \frac{2}{3} m_a; BG = \frac{2}{3} m_b$$

$$\begin{aligned}
1 > \cos(\widehat{GBA}) &= \frac{GB^2 + AB^2 - GA^2}{2GB \cdot AB} = \frac{\left(\frac{2}{3}m_b\right)^2 + c^2 - \left(\frac{2}{3}m_a\right)^2}{2 \cdot \frac{2}{3}m_b \cdot c} = \\
&= \frac{9c^2 + 4m_b^2 - 4m_a^2}{12cm_b} = \frac{9c^2 + 2a^2 + 2c^2 - b^2 - 2b^2 - 2c^2 + a^2}{12cm_b} = \\
&= \frac{9c^2 + 3a^2 - 3b^2}{12cm_b} = \frac{3c^2 + a^2 - b^2}{4cm_b} \\
&3c^2 + a^2 - b^2 < 4cm_b \quad (1)
\end{aligned}$$

Analogous:

$$3a^2 + b^2 - c^2 < 4am_c$$

$$3a^2 + b^2 - c^2 < 4am_c \quad (2)$$

$$3b^2 + c^2 - a^2 < 4bm_a \quad (3)$$

By adding (1); (2); (3): $3(a^2 + b^2 + c^2) < 4(am_c + bm_a + cm_b)$

PROBLEM 3.101-Solution by Rovens Pirgulyev-Sumgait-Azerbaijan

Lemma: if $x > q$, then prove: $\sin \frac{\pi}{x} > \frac{3}{\sqrt{x^2+9}}$

Proof: $x > 2 \Rightarrow \frac{\pi}{x} < \frac{\pi}{2} \Rightarrow \tan \frac{\pi}{x} > \frac{\pi}{x}$, we have $\frac{\pi}{x} > \frac{3}{x} \Rightarrow \tan \frac{\pi}{x} > \frac{3}{x}$ (*)

$$\cos x = \sqrt{\frac{1}{1 + \tan^2 x}} < \sqrt{\frac{1}{1 + \frac{\pi^2}{x^2}}} \stackrel{(x)}{<} \frac{x}{\sqrt{x^2+9}} \Rightarrow \sin \frac{\pi}{x} > \frac{3}{\sqrt{x^2+9}}$$

it is known that: if $x > q$, then $\sqrt{x^2+9} \sin \frac{\pi}{3x} > 3 \Rightarrow x \rightarrow 3x$, we have: $\sin \frac{\pi}{3x} > \frac{1}{\sqrt{x^2+1}}$

$$x \sin \frac{\pi}{3x} > x \cdot \frac{1}{\sqrt{x^2+1}} = \frac{x}{\sqrt{x^2+1}} \quad (*)$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&3\sqrt{2} + \int_a^a x \sin \frac{\pi}{3x} dx + \int_b^b x \sin \frac{\pi}{3x} dx + \int_c^c x \sin \frac{\pi}{3x} dx > \\
&> 3\sqrt{2} + \int_1^a \frac{x}{\sqrt{x^2+1}} dx + \int_1^b \frac{x}{\sqrt{x^2+1}} dx + \int_1^c \frac{x}{\sqrt{x^2+1}} dx = \\
&= 3\sqrt{2} + \sqrt{x^2+1} \Big|_1^a + \sqrt{x^2+1} \Big|_1^b + \sqrt{x^2+1} \Big|_1^c = \\
&= 3\sqrt{2} + \sqrt{a^2+1} - \sqrt{2} + \sqrt{b^2+1} - \sqrt{2} + \sqrt{c^2+1} - \sqrt{2} = \\
&= \sqrt{a^2+1} + \sqrt{b^2+1} + \sqrt{c^2+1} > \sqrt{3+a^2+b^2+c^2}
\end{aligned}$$

PROBLEM 3.102-Solution by Hoang Le Nhat Tung-Hanoi-Vietnam

By AM-GM

$$n^{n(x_1^2-x_2)} + n^{n(x_2^2-x_3)} + \dots + n^{n(x_n^2-x_1)} \geq n^n \sqrt{(n^n)x_1^2-x_2+x_2^2-x_3+\dots+x_n^2-x_1}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= n \sqrt{(n^n)(x_1^2 - x_1) + (x_2^2 - x_2) + \dots + (x_n^2 - x_n)} = n \sqrt{(n^n)(x_1 - \frac{1}{2})^2 + (x_1 - \frac{1}{2})^2 + \dots + (x_n - \frac{1}{2})^2 - (\frac{1}{4} + \dots + \frac{1}{4})} \\
&\geq n \sqrt{(n^n)^{-\frac{1}{4}n}} = n \sqrt{(n^n)^{-\frac{n}{4}}} = \frac{n}{\sqrt[4]{n^n}} \Rightarrow n^{n(x_1^2 - x_2)} + \dots + n^{n(x_n^2 - x_1)} \geq \frac{n}{\sqrt[4]{n^n}} \\
&\Rightarrow x_1 = x_2 = \dots = x_n = \frac{1}{2}
\end{aligned}$$

PROBLEM 3.103-Solution by proposer

$$\begin{aligned}
|\sqrt{\cos A}| &= \left| \sqrt{(\cos A - \cos B) + \cos B} \right| \leq \\
&\leq \sqrt{|\cos A - \cos B| + |\cos B|} \leq \sqrt{|\cos A - \cos B|} + \sqrt{|\cos B|} \\
&\text{because if } x, y \geq 0 \text{ then } \sqrt{x + y} \leq \sqrt{x} + \sqrt{y} \\
|\sqrt{\cos A}| - \sqrt{|\cos B|} &\leq \sqrt{|\cos A - \cos B|} \\
|\sqrt{\cos B}| &= \left| \sqrt{(\cos B - \cos A) + \cos A} \right| \leq \\
&\leq \sqrt{|\cos B - \cos A| + |\cos A|} \leq \sqrt{|\cos A - \cos B|} + \sqrt{|\cos A|} \\
&- (\sqrt{|\cos A|} - \sqrt{|\cos B|}) \leq \sqrt{|\cos A - \cos B|} \quad (2) \\
\text{By (1); (2): } \sqrt{|\cos A - \cos B|} &\geq \left| \sqrt{|\cos A|} - \sqrt{|\cos B|} \right| \\
\text{By squaring: } |\cos A - \cos B| &\geq |\cos A| + |\cos B| - 2\sqrt{|\cos A \cos B|} \\
\left| 2 \sin \frac{B-A}{2} \cos \frac{C}{2} \right| &\geq |\cos A| + |\cos B| - 2\sqrt{|\cos A \cos B|} \\
2\sqrt{|\cos A \cos B|} + 2 \left| \cos \frac{A}{2} \sin \frac{B-A}{2} \right| &\geq |\cos A| + |\cos B| \\
2 \sum \left(\sqrt{|\cos A \cos B|} + \left| \cos \frac{C}{2} \sin \frac{B-A}{2} \right| \right) &\geq \sum (|\cos A| + |\cos B|) \\
2 \sum \left(\sqrt{|\cos A \cos B|} + \left| \cos \frac{C}{2} \sin \frac{B-A}{2} \right| \right) &\geq 2 \sum |\cos A| \\
|\cos A| + |\cos B| + |\cos C| &\leq \sum \left(\sqrt{|\cos A \cos B|} + \left| \cos \frac{C}{2} \sin \frac{B-A}{2} \right| \right)
\end{aligned}$$

PROBLEM 3.104-Solution by Soumitra Mandal-Chandar Nagore-India

$$\begin{aligned}
&\text{We have, } x_i^2 + x_i x_{i+1} + x_{i+1}^2 \geq \frac{3}{4} (x_i + x_{i+1})^2 \\
\sum_{i=1}^n \frac{\frac{x_i}{x_{i+1}} + \frac{x_{i+1}}{x_i} + 1}{\sqrt{x_i^2 + x_i x_{i+1} + x_{i+1}^2}} &= \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{\sqrt{x_i^2 + x_i x_{i+1} + x_{i+1}^2}}{x_i x_{i+1}} \geq \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{x_i + x_{i+1}}{x_i x_{i+1}} \\
&\stackrel{AM \geq GM}{\geq} \sqrt{3} \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{\sqrt{x_i x_{i+1}}} \stackrel{AM \geq GM}{\geq} \frac{n\sqrt{3}}{\sqrt{\prod_{i=1}^n x_i}} = n\sqrt{3}
\end{aligned}$$

PROBLEM 3.105-Solution by Soumava Chakraborty-Kolkata-India

$$LHS \stackrel{\text{Holder}}{\geq} \frac{(\sum A)^3}{3 \sum a} \cdot \frac{(\sum A)^3}{3 \sum a} \cdot \frac{(\sum A)^3}{3 \sum a} = \frac{(\sum A)^9}{27(2s)^3} = \frac{\pi^9}{216s^3}$$

PROBLEM 3.106-Solution by proposer

We make some transformations, let $k_a = \tan \frac{A}{4} \Rightarrow \cos \frac{A}{4} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{k_a^2+1}}$ and we know

$$\begin{aligned} \tan \frac{A}{4} &= \frac{AI - (s-a)}{r} = \frac{\sqrt{2Rr} \sqrt{\frac{2(s-a)}{a}} - (s-a)}{r} = |\text{Ravi}| = \\ &= \frac{2 \sqrt{\frac{(x+y)(y+z)(z+x)}{4\sqrt{xyz(x+y+z)}}} \cdot \sqrt{\frac{xyz}{x+y+z}} \cdot x - x\sqrt{y+z}}{\sqrt{\frac{xyz}{x+y+z}} \cdot \sqrt{y+z}} = \frac{\sqrt{(x+y)(x+z)} - \sqrt{x(x+y+z)}}{\sqrt{yz}} \\ &= \frac{\sqrt{yz}}{\sqrt{(x+y)(x+z)} + \sqrt{x(x+y+z)}} \\ &\Rightarrow \sum_{\text{cyc}} \cos \frac{A}{4} = \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{1}{\sqrt{\left(\frac{\sqrt{yz}}{\sqrt{(x+y)(x+z)} + \sqrt{x(x+y+z)}}\right)^2 + 1}} = \\ &= \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{1}{\sqrt{\frac{(\sqrt{(x+y)(x+z)} - \sqrt{x(x+y+z)})^2}{yz} + 1}} \\ &= \sum_{\text{cyc}} \sqrt{\frac{yz}{(x+y+z)x + (x+y)(x+z) + yz - 2\sqrt{x(x+y+z)}(x+y)(x+z)}} \\ &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \sum_{\text{cyc}} \sqrt{\frac{yz}{(x+y)(x+z) - \sqrt{x(x+y+z)}(x+y)(x+z)}} \\ &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \sum_{\text{cyc}} \sqrt{\frac{\sqrt{(x+y)(x+z)} + \sqrt{x(x+y+z)}}{\sqrt{(x+y)(x+z)}}} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \sum_{\text{cyc}} \sqrt{1 + \frac{x(x+y+z)}{(x+y)(x+z)}} \\ &\leq \sqrt{\frac{3}{2}} \left(3 + \sum_{\text{cyc}} \sqrt{\frac{x(x+y+z)}{(x+y)(x+z)}} \right) \leq \sqrt{\frac{3}{2}} \left(3 + \sqrt{3 \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{x(x+y+z)}{(x+y)(x+z)}} \right) \end{aligned}$$

$$= \sqrt{\frac{3}{2} \left(3 + \sqrt{6 \left(1 + \frac{xyz}{(x+y)(y+z)(x+z)} \right)} \right)} = \sqrt{\frac{9}{2} + 3 \sqrt{\frac{3}{2} + \frac{3}{8} \cdot \frac{r}{R}}}$$

Hence, we need to prove: $\sqrt{\frac{9}{2} + 3 \sqrt{\frac{3}{2} + \frac{3}{8} \cdot t}} \leq \frac{\sqrt{3}-1}{4\sqrt{6}} t + \frac{11\sqrt{3}+37}{8\sqrt{6}}$

$$\Leftrightarrow \left(\left(\frac{\sqrt{3}-1}{4\sqrt{6}} t + \frac{11\sqrt{3}+37}{8\sqrt{6}} \right)^2 - \frac{9}{2} \right) - \frac{27}{2} \left(1 + \frac{1}{4} t \right) \geq 0$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \frac{(2t-1)^2(t^2(28-16\sqrt{3})+t(208\sqrt{3}-316)+713-1628\sqrt{3})}{36864} \geq 0 \Leftrightarrow$$

$$(t^2(28-16\sqrt{3})+t(208\sqrt{3}-316)-713+1628\sqrt{3}) \geq 0 \quad (***)$$

$$D_t = (208\sqrt{3}-316)^2 - 4(-713+1628\sqrt{3})(28-16\sqrt{3}) = 13824(45-26\sqrt{3}) < 0 \Rightarrow$$

(***) $\forall t$

PROBLEM 3.107-Solution by Soumava Chakraborty-Kolkata-India

$$2\sqrt{3} \left(\frac{r}{R} \right)^2 \stackrel{(1)}{\leq} \frac{\sum \sin^4 A}{\sum \sin^3 A} \stackrel{(2)}{\leq} \frac{\sqrt{3}}{4} \left(\frac{R}{r} \right)^2 \left(1 - \frac{r}{R} \right)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Firstly, } \sum a^4 &= (\sum a^2)^2 - 2\{(\sum ab)^2 - 2abc(2s)\} \\ &= 4(s^2 - 4Rr - r^2)^2 - 2(s^2 + 4Rr + r^2)^2 + 32Rrs^2 \\ &= 2(s^4 + r^2(4R+r)^2 - 2s^2(4R+r^2)) + 2(2s^2)(-8Rr - 2r^2) + 32Rrs^2 \\ &= 2s^4 + 2r^2(4R+r)^2 - 4s^2(4R+r^2) - 8s^2r^2 \\ &\stackrel{(i)}{=} 2s^4 + 2r^2(4R+r)^2 - 4s^2(4Rr+3r^2) \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Also, } \sum a^3 = 3abc + 2s(s^2 - 12Rr - 3r^2) \stackrel{(ii)}{=} 2s(s^2 - 6Rr - 3r^2)$$

$$\text{Using } \sin A = \frac{a}{2R} \text{ etc, } \frac{\sum \sin^4 A}{\sum \sin^3 A} = \left(\frac{1}{2R} \right) \frac{(\sum a^4)}{(\sum a^3)} \stackrel{\text{by (ii)}}{=} \frac{\sum a^4}{4Rs(s^2 - 6Rr - 3r^2)} \stackrel{?}{\leq} \frac{\sqrt{3}}{4} \left(\frac{R}{r} \right)^2 \left(1 - \frac{r}{R} \right)$$

$$\Leftrightarrow r^2 \sum a^4 \stackrel{?}{\leq} \sqrt{3} R \cdot R(R-r)s(s^2 - 6Rr - 3r^2)$$

$$\text{RHS of (2a)} \stackrel{\text{Mitrinovic}}{\geq} \frac{2s^2(s^2 - 6Rr - 3r^2)R(R-r)}{3} \stackrel{?}{\geq} r^2 \sum a^4$$

$$\Leftrightarrow 6r^2s^4 + 6r^4(4R+r)^2 - 12s^2r^2(4Rr+3r^2) \stackrel{?}{\leq} \frac{2s^2(s^2 - 6Rr - 3r^2)R(R-r)}{\text{by (i)}}$$

$$\Leftrightarrow s^4(R^2 - Rr - 3r^2) + 6s^2r^3(4R+3r) \stackrel{?}{\geq} 3s^2Rr(R-r)(2R+r) + 3r^4(4R+r)^2$$

$$\Leftrightarrow s^4(R^2 - Rr - 2r^2) + 6s^2r^3(4R+3r) \stackrel{?}{\geq} \frac{r^2s^4 + 3s^2Rr(R-r)(2R+r) + 3r^4(4R+r)^2}{(2b)}$$

$$\text{LHS of (2b)} \stackrel{\text{Gerretsen}}{\geq} s^2(16Rr - 5r^2)(R^2 - Rr - 2r^2) + 6s^2r^3(4R+3r)$$

$$\text{Also, RHS} \stackrel{\text{Gerretsen}}{\leq} r^2s^2(4R^2 + 4Rr + 3r^2) + 3s^2Rr(R-r)(2R+r) + 3r^4(4R+r)^2$$

\therefore in order to prove (2b), it suffices to prove:

$$s^2(16R-5r)(R^2 - Rr - 2r^2) + 6s^2r^2(4R+3r) \geq$$

$$rs^2(4R^2 + 4Rr + 3r^2) + 3s^2R(R-r)(2R+r) + 3r^3(4R+r)^2$$

$$\Leftrightarrow s^2\{(16R-5r)(R^2 - Rr - 2r^2) - 3R(R-r)(2R+r) + 6r^2(4R+3r) - r(4R^2 + 4Rr + 3r^2)\}$$

$$\Leftrightarrow s^2(10R^3 - 22R^2r - 4Rr^2 + 25r^3) \stackrel{(2c)}{\geq} 3r^3(4R + r)^2$$

$$\because 10R^3 - 22R^2r - 4Rr^2 + 25r^3 = (R - 2r)\{(R - 2r)(10R + 18r) + 28r^2\} + 9r^3 > 0 \text{ as}$$

$$R \geq 2r \text{ (Euler),}$$

$$\therefore \text{LHS of (2c)} \stackrel{\text{Gerretsen}}{\geq} (16Rr - 5r^2)(10R^3 - 22R^2r - 4Rr^2 + 25r^3) \stackrel{?}{\geq} 3r^3(4R + r)^2$$

$$\Leftrightarrow 80t^4 - 201t^3 - t^2 + 198t - 64 \stackrel{?}{\geq} 0 \text{ (where } t = \frac{R}{r}\text{)}$$

$$\Leftrightarrow (t - 2)\{(t - 2)(80t^2 + 119t + 155) + 342\} \stackrel{?}{\geq} 0 \rightarrow \text{true} \because t \stackrel{\text{Euler}}{\geq} 2$$

\Rightarrow (2a) is true \Rightarrow (2) is true

$$\text{Also, } \frac{\sum \sin^4 A}{\sum \sin^3 A} = \left(\frac{1}{2R}\right) \left(\frac{s^4 + r^2(4R+r)^2 - 2s^2(4Rr+3r^2)}{s(s^2 - 6Rr - 3r^2)}\right) \geq 2\sqrt{3} \left(\frac{r}{R}\right)^2$$

$$\Leftrightarrow s^4 + r^2(4R + r)^2 - 2s^2(4Rr + 3r^2) \stackrel{(1a)}{\geq} \frac{4s(s^2 - 6Rr - 3r^2)\sqrt{3}r^2}{R}$$

$$\text{Now, RHS of (1a)} \stackrel{\text{Mitrinovic}}{\leq} 18r^2(s^2 - 6Rr - 3r^2) \stackrel{?}{\leq} s^4 + r^2(4R + r)^2 - 2s^2(4Rr + 3r^2)$$

$$\Leftrightarrow s^4 + r^2(4R + r)^2 + 54r^3(2R + r) \stackrel{?}{\geq} 18r^2s^2 + s^2(8Rr + 6r^2)$$

$$\text{Now, LHS of (1b)} \stackrel{\text{Gerretsen}}{\geq} s^2(16Rr - 5r^2) + r^2(4R + r)^2 + 54r^3(2R + r) \stackrel{?}{\geq} s^2(8Rr + 24r^2)$$

$$\Leftrightarrow s^2(8R - 29r) + r(4R + r)^2 + 54r^2(2R + r) \stackrel{?}{\geq} 0$$

$$\Leftrightarrow s^2(8R - 16r) + r(4R + r)^2 + 54r^2(2R + r) \stackrel{?}{\geq} 13rs^2$$

$$\text{Now, LHS of (1c)} \stackrel{\text{Gerretsen}}{\geq} (16Rr - 5r^2)(8R - 16r) + r(4R + r)^2 + 54r^2(2R + r)$$

$$\text{Also, RHS of (1c)} \stackrel{\text{Gerretsen}}{\leq} 13r(4R^2 + 4Rr + 3r^2)$$

\therefore in order to prove (1c), it suffices to prove:

$$(16R - 5r)(8R - 16r) + (4R + r)^2 + 54r(2R + r) \geq 13(4R^2 + 4Rr + 3r^2)$$

$$\Leftrightarrow 23R^2 - 58Rr + 24 \geq 0 \Leftrightarrow (R - 2r)(23R - 12r) \geq 0 \rightarrow \text{true} \because R \geq 2r$$

\Rightarrow (1a) is true \Rightarrow (1) is true

PROBLEM 3.108-Solution by Soumava Chakraborty-Kolkata-India

$$\frac{3}{16} \stackrel{(1)}{\leq} \sum \cos^4 A \stackrel{(2)}{\leq} 6 \left(\frac{r}{R}\right)^2 - \left(\frac{123}{8}\right) \left(\frac{r}{R}\right) + \frac{51}{8}$$

$$\cos A \cos B \cos C = \frac{(b^2+c^2-a^2)(c^2+a^2-b^2)(a^2+b^2-c^2)}{2bc \cdot 2ca \cdot 2ab} \rightarrow (i)$$

$$\text{Numerator} = (\sum a^2 - 2a^2)(\sum a^2 - 2b^2)(\sum a^2 - 2c^2)$$

$$= (\sum a^2)^3 - 2(\sum a^2)^2(\sum a^2) + 4(\sum a^2)(\sum a^2b^2) - 8a^2b^2c^2$$

$$= -(\sum a^2)^3 + 4(\sum a^2)\{(\sum ab)^2 - 2abc(2s)\} - 128R^2r^2s^2$$

$$= (\sum a^2)\{4(\sum ab)^2 - (\sum a^2)^2 - 16sabc\} - 128R^2r^2s^2$$

$$= 4(\sum a^2)\{(s^2 + 4Rr + r^2)^2 - s(s^2 - 4Rr - r^2)^2 - 16Rrs^2\} - 128R^2r^2s^2$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= 4 \left(\sum a^2 \right) \{2s^2(8Rr + 2r^2) - 16Rrs^2\} - 128R^2r^2s^2 \\
&= 32r^2s^2(s^2 - 4Rr - r^2) - 128R^2r^2s^2 = 32r^2s^2(s^2 - 4R^2 - 4Rr - r^2) \rightarrow (ii) \\
&\quad (i), (ii) \Rightarrow \prod \cos A \stackrel{(iii)}{=} \frac{4R^2}{s^2 - 4R^2 - 4Rr - r^2} \\
&\quad (2) \Leftrightarrow \sum (1 - \sin^2 A)^2 \leq \frac{51R^2 - 123Rr + 48r^2}{8R^2} \\
&\Leftrightarrow \sum (1 - 2\sin^2 A + \sin^4 A) \leq \frac{51R^2 - 123Rr + 48r^2}{8R^2} \\
&\Leftrightarrow \sum (\cos 2A) + \sum (\sin^4 A) \leq \frac{51R^2 - 123Rr + 48r^2}{8R^2} \\
&\Leftrightarrow 1 - 4 \left(\prod \cos A \right) + \sum (\sin^4 A) \leq \frac{51R^2 - 123Rr + 48r^2}{8R^2} \\
&\Leftrightarrow -1 - \frac{s^2 - (2R + r)^2}{R^2} + \sum (\sin^4 A) \stackrel{\text{by (iii)}}{\leq} \frac{51R^2 - 123Rr + 48r^2}{8R^2} \\
&\Leftrightarrow \sum (\sin^4 A) \leq \frac{27R^2 - 155Rr + 40r^2 + 8s^2}{8R^2} \Leftrightarrow \frac{\sum a^4}{16R^4} \leq \frac{27R^2 - 155Rr + 40r^2 + 8s^2}{8R^2} \\
&\Leftrightarrow \sum a^4 \stackrel{(a)}{\leq} 54R^4 - 310R^3r + 80R^2r^2 + 16R^2s^2 \\
&\quad \text{Now, } \sum a^4 = (\sum a^2)^2 - 2\{(\sum ab)^2 - 2abc(2s)\} \\
&\quad = 4(s^2 - 4Rr - r^2)^2 - 2(s^2 + 4Rr + r^2)^2 + 32Rrs^2 \\
&\quad = 2(s^4 + r^2(4R + r)^2 - 2s^2(4Rr + r^2)) + 2(2s^2)(-8Rr - 2r^2) + 32Rrs^2 \\
&\quad = 2s^4 + 2r^2(4R + r)^2 - 4s^2(4Rr + r^2) - 8s^2r^2 \\
&= 2s^4 + 2r^2(4R + r)^2 - 4s^2(4Rr + 3r^2) \stackrel{?}{\leq} 54R^4 - 310R^3r + 80R^2r^2 + 16R^2s^2 \\
&\Leftrightarrow s^4 \stackrel{?}{\leq} 27R^4 - 155R^3r + 40R^2r^2 - r^2(4R + r)^2 + 2s^2(4R^2 + 4Rr + 3r^2) \\
&\quad \text{Now, LHS of (b)} \stackrel{\text{Gerretsen}}{\leq} s^2(4R^2 + 4Rr + 3r^2) \stackrel{?}{\leq} \\
&\quad 27R^4 - 155R^3r + 40R^2r^2 - r^2(4R + r)^2 + 2s^2(4R^2 + 4Rr + 3r^2) \\
&\Leftrightarrow s^2(4R^2 + 4Rr + 3r^2) + 27R^4 - 155R^3r + 40R^2r^2 - r^2(4R + r)^2 \stackrel{?}{\geq} 0 \\
&\quad \text{Now, LHS of (c)} \stackrel{\text{Gerretsen}}{\geq} 27R^4 - 155R^3r + 40R^2r^2 - r^2(4R + r)^2 + \\
&\quad + (16Rr - 5r^2)(4R^2 + 4Rr + 3r^2) \stackrel{?}{\geq} 0 \\
&\Leftrightarrow 27t^4 - 91t^3 + 68t^2 + 20t - 16 \stackrel{?}{\geq} 0 \text{ (where } t = \frac{R}{r} \text{)} \\
&\Leftrightarrow (t - 2)\{(t - 2)(27t^2 + 17t + 28) + 64\} \stackrel{?}{\geq} 0 \rightarrow \text{true} \because t \stackrel{\text{Euler}}{\geq} 2 \\
&\quad \Rightarrow (a) \text{ is true} \Rightarrow (2) \text{ is true} \\
&\text{Also, } \sum \cos^4 A \stackrel{\text{Chebyshev}}{\geq} \left(\frac{1}{3}\right) (\sum \cos^2 A)^2 \stackrel{?}{\geq} \frac{3}{16} \Leftrightarrow \sum \cos^2 A \stackrel{?}{\geq} \frac{3}{4} \Leftrightarrow \sum \sin^2 A \stackrel{?}{\leq} \frac{9}{4} \\
&\Leftrightarrow \sum a^2 \stackrel{?}{\leq} 9R^2 \rightarrow \text{true by Leibnitz} \Rightarrow (1) \text{ is true}
\end{aligned}$$

PROBLEM 3.109-Solution by Catinca Alexandru-Romania

$$\frac{(a + b + c + d)^3}{\sum abc} \geq 16 \Leftrightarrow (a + b + c + d)^3 \geq 16 \cdot 4[1,1,1,0];$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \sum a^3 + 3 \sum_{sym} a^2 b + 6 \sum abc \geq 16[1,1,1,0]4;$$

$$\Leftrightarrow [3,0,0,0] \cdot 4 + 3 \cdot [2,1,0,0] \cdot 12 + 6[1,1,1,0] \cdot 4 \geq 16 \cdot 4[1,1,1,0]$$

$$\Leftrightarrow 4[3,0,0,0] + 36[2,1,0,0] \geq 40[1,1,1,0] \quad (1)$$

$$4[3,0,0,0] \geq 4[1,1,1,0] \text{ as } (3,0,0,0) > (1,1,1,0) \text{ Muirhead}$$

$$36[2,1,0,0] \geq 36[1,1,1,0] \text{ as } (2,1,0,0) > (1,1,1,0) \text{ Muirhead}$$

$$+ \\ 4[3,0,0,0] + 36[2,1,0,0] \geq 40[1,1,1,0] \Rightarrow (1) \text{ is True} \Rightarrow \frac{(\sum a)^3}{\sum abc} \geq 16$$

PROBLEM 3.110-Solution by Marian Ursărescu-Romania

In any ΔABC we have: $m_a \geq \frac{b^2+c^2}{4R}$ (1), because:

$$m_a^2 = \frac{b^2+c^2}{2} - \frac{a^2}{4} = \frac{2(b^2+c^2) - (b^2+c^2-2bc \sin A)}{4} =$$

$$\frac{b^2+c^2+2bc \cos A}{4} = \frac{b^2+c^2-2bc \cos(B+C)}{4} =$$

$$= \frac{(b \cos B - c \cos C)^2 + (b \sin B + c \sin C)^2}{4} \geq \frac{(b \sin B + c \sin C)^2}{4} \Rightarrow 1 \text{ is true}$$

$$\text{From (1)} \Rightarrow \frac{1}{m_a} + \frac{1}{m_b} + \frac{1}{m_c} \leq \frac{R}{2r^2}$$

$$\Rightarrow m_a \geq \frac{b^2+c^2}{4R} \geq \frac{2bc}{4R} = \frac{bc}{2R} \Rightarrow \frac{1}{m_a} \leq \frac{2R}{bc} \Rightarrow \sum \frac{1}{m_a} \leq 2R \left(\frac{1}{ab} + \frac{1}{ac} + \frac{1}{bc} \right)$$

Now we show this $\Rightarrow 2R \left(\frac{1}{ab} + \frac{1}{ac} + \frac{1}{bc} \right) \leq \frac{R}{2r^2} \Leftrightarrow \frac{1}{ab} + \frac{1}{bc} + \frac{1}{ac} \leq \frac{1}{4r^2}$ which its true.

P.S. $\frac{1}{ab} + \frac{1}{bc} + \frac{1}{ac} \leq \frac{1}{4r^2}$ its true because $\frac{1}{ab} + \frac{1}{bc} + \frac{1}{ac} = \frac{1}{2Rr} \leq \frac{1}{4r^2} \Leftrightarrow R \geq 2r$ true.

PROBLEM 3.111-Solution by Marian Ursărescu - Romania

From Hölder's inequality we have:

$$\left((\sin A + \sin B \cos C)^{\frac{1}{n}} \right)^n + \left((\sin A \cos B \sin C)^{\frac{1}{n}} \right)^n + \left((\cos A \sin B \sin C)^{\frac{1}{n}} \right)^n \geq$$

$$\geq \frac{\left((\sin A + \sin B \cos C)^{\frac{1}{n}} + (\sin A \cos B \sin C)^{\frac{1}{n}} + (\cos A \sin B \sin C)^{\frac{1}{n}} \right)^n}{3^{n-1}} \Leftrightarrow$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \left(\sum (\sin A \sin B \sin C)^{\frac{1}{n}} \right)^n \leq 3^{n-1} \cdot \sum \sin A \sin B \cos C \Rightarrow$$

$$\text{We must show: } \sum \sin A \sin B \cos C \leq \frac{9}{8} \quad (1)$$

$$\text{Now: } \cos 2A + \cos 2B - \cos 2C = 2 \cos(A+B) \cos(A-B) - 2 \cos^2 C + 1$$

$$= -2 \cos C (\cos(A-B) + \cos C) + 1 = 1 - 2 \cos C \cdot 2 \cos \left(\frac{A-B+C}{2} \right) \cos \left(\frac{A-B-C}{2} \right)$$

$$= 1 - 4 \sin A \sin B \cos C \Rightarrow \sin A \sin B \sin C = \frac{1}{4} (1 - \cos 2A - \cos 2B + \cos 2C) \quad (2)$$

$$\text{From (1)+(2) we must show: } \frac{3 - (\cos 2A + \cos 2B + \cos 2C)}{4} \leq \frac{9}{8} \quad (3)$$

$$\text{But } \cos 2A + \cos 2B + \cos 2C = -1 - 4 \cos A \cos B \cos C \quad (4)$$

From (3)+(4) we must show: $1 + \cos A \cos B \cos C \leq \frac{9}{8} \Leftrightarrow \cos A \cos B \cos C \leq \frac{1}{8}$ which its true.

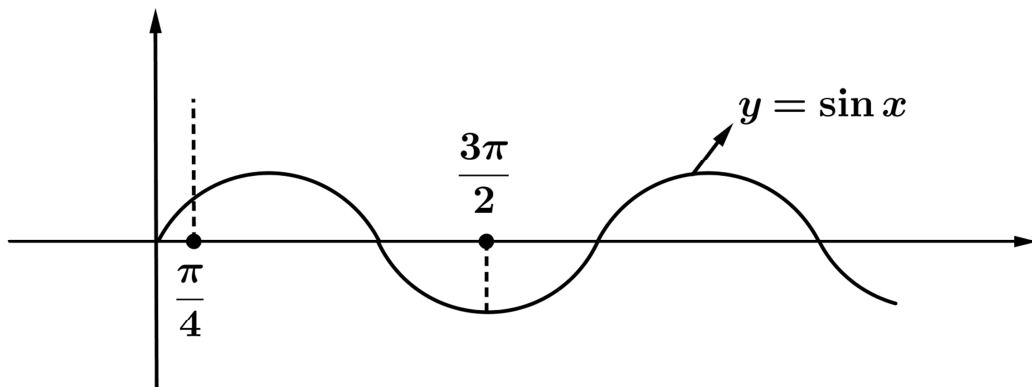
PROBLEM 3.112-Solution by Soumava Chakraborty-Kolkata-India

$$\frac{x^2}{y} + \frac{y^2}{x} \stackrel{(1)}{=} \sqrt[8]{128(x^8 + y^8)}, \quad 4x^3 - 3y \stackrel{(2)}{=} \sqrt{\frac{1+\sqrt{1-xy}}{2}}$$

$$(1) \Leftrightarrow (x^3 + y^3)^8 - 128x^8y^8(x^8 + y^8) = 0 \Leftrightarrow t^{24} + 8t^{21} + 28t^{18} - 128t^{16} + 56t^{15} + 70t^{12} + 56t^9 - 128t^8 + 28t^6 + 8t^3 + 1 = 0 \left(t = \frac{x}{y} \right) \Leftrightarrow$$

$$\Leftrightarrow (t - 1)^2(t^{22} + 2t^{21} + 3t^{20} + 12t^{19} + 21t^{18} + 30t^{17} + 67t^{16} + 104t^{15} + 13t^{14} - 22t^{13} - 57t^{12} - 92t^{11} - 57t^{10} - 22t^9 + 13t^8 + 104t^7 + 67t^6 + 30t^5 + 21t^4 + 12t^3 + 3t^2 + 2t + 1) = 0 \Leftrightarrow (t - 1)^2 \cdot p = 0 \quad (a) \text{ (say)}$$

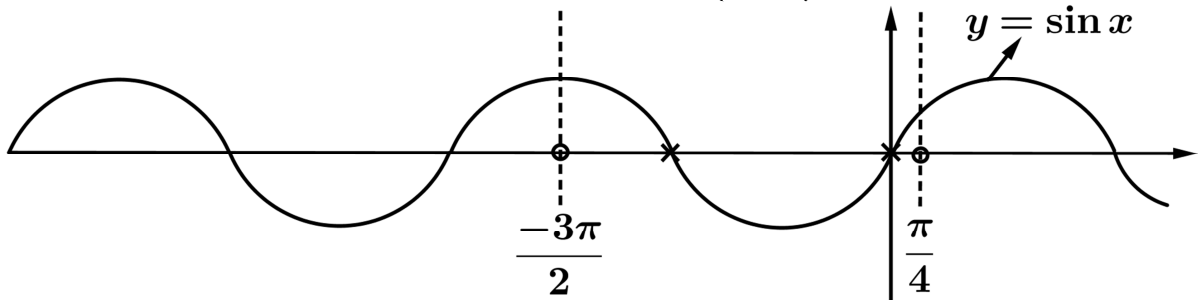
Now, $12t^9 - 22t^{13} + 104t^7 = 2t^7(6t^{12} - 11t^6 + 52) =$
 $= 2t^7(6a_1^2 - 11a_1 + 52)[(a_1 = t^6)] > 0 \quad (i) \because \text{discriminant } \Delta = 121 - 4 \cdot 6 \cdot 52 < 0$
 Also, $21t^{18} - 57t^{12} + 67t^6 = t^6(21t^{12} - 57t^6 + 67) = t^6(21a_1^2 - 57a_1 + 67) > 0 \quad (ii)$
 $\because \Delta = 57^2 - 84 \cdot 67 < 0$
 Again, $67t^{16} - 57t^{10} + 21t^4 = t^4(67t^{12} - 57t^6 + 21) =$
 $= t^4(67a_1^2 - 57a_1 + 21) > 0 \quad (iii) \because \Delta = 57^2 - 84 \cdot 67 < 0$
 Moreover, $104t^{15} - 22t^9 + 12t^3 \quad (iv) = 2t^3(52t^{12} - 11t^6 + 6) =$
 $= 2t^3(52a_1^2 - 11a_1 + 6) > 0 \quad (v) \because \Delta = 11^2 - 24 \cdot 52 < 0$
 Now, $30t^{17} + 30t^5 \stackrel{(vi)}{\geq} 60t^{11}, 13t^4 + 13t^8 \stackrel{(vii)}{\geq} 26t^{11}$
 $3t^{20} + 3t^2 \stackrel{(viii)}{\geq} 6^{11} \text{ \& of course, } t^{22} + 2t^{21} + 2t + 1 \stackrel{(ix)}{>} 0 \text{ as } t > 0 \left(t = \frac{x}{y} > 0 \right)$
 $(i)+(ii)+(iii)+(iv)+(v)+(vi)+(vii)+(viii)+(ix) \Rightarrow P > 0 \therefore a \Rightarrow t = 1 \Rightarrow x = y$
 From (2), we have $1 - xy = 1 - x^2 \geq 0 \Rightarrow x \leq 1 \Rightarrow 0 < x \leq 1$
 $\therefore 0 < x, y \leq 1. \text{ Let } x = y = \cos \theta \quad \left(0 < \theta < \frac{\pi}{2} \right)$
 $\therefore (2) \text{ becomes } 4 \cos^3 \theta - 3 \cos \theta = \sqrt{\frac{1+\sin \theta}{2}} \Rightarrow \cos \theta = \sqrt{\frac{1+\sin \theta}{2}} \quad (2a) \Rightarrow$
 $\Rightarrow 2 \cos^2(3\theta) = 1 + \sin \theta \Rightarrow 1 + \cos 6\theta = 1 + \sin \theta \Rightarrow \cos 6\theta = \cos \left(\frac{\pi}{2} - \theta \right) \Rightarrow$
 $\Rightarrow 2 \sin \left(\frac{\pi}{4} + \frac{5\theta}{2} \right) \sin \left(\frac{\pi}{4} - \frac{7\theta}{2} \right) = 0. \text{ Now, } \frac{\pi}{4} < \frac{\pi}{4} + \frac{5\theta}{2} < \frac{3\pi}{2}$



$$\therefore \sin\left(\frac{\pi}{4} + \frac{5\theta}{2}\right) = 0 \Rightarrow \frac{\pi}{4} + \frac{5\theta}{2} = \pi \Rightarrow \theta = \frac{3\pi}{10}. \text{ From (2a), } \cos 3\theta > 0 \text{ (*), but } \cos \frac{9\pi}{10} < 0$$

$$\therefore x = y = \cos \frac{3\pi}{10} \text{ is not an acceptable solution.}$$

$$\text{Also, } -\frac{3\pi}{2} < \frac{\pi}{4} - \frac{7\theta}{2} < \frac{\pi}{4} \therefore \sin\left(\frac{\pi}{4} - \frac{7\theta}{2}\right) = 0$$



$$\Rightarrow \frac{\pi}{4} - \frac{7\theta}{2} = 0, -\pi \Rightarrow \theta = \frac{\pi}{14}, \frac{5\pi}{14}$$

$$\text{But } \cos \frac{15\pi}{14} < 0, \therefore x = y = \cos \frac{5\pi}{14} \text{ is unacceptable}$$

$$\therefore \text{only possible solution is: } x = y = \cos \frac{\pi}{14}$$

PROBLEM 3.113-Solution by proposer

By the AM-GM inequality, we have:

$$\sqrt{\frac{3x^2 + yz}{y^2 + z^2}} = \sqrt{\frac{3x^2 + \frac{y^2z^2}{yz}}{y^2 + z^2}} \geq \sqrt{\frac{3x^2 + \frac{2y^2z^2}{y^2 + z^2}}{y^2 + z^2}} = \frac{\sqrt{2y^2z^2 + 3x^2y^2 + 3z^2x^2}}{y^2 + z^2}$$

$$\text{Similarly, we have: } LHS \geq \sum \frac{\sqrt{2x^2y^2 + 3y^2z^2 + 3z^2x^2}}{x^2 + y^2}$$

Put $x^2 = a, y^2 = b, z^2 = c$ ($a, b, c > 0$). Thus, we need to prove:

$$\begin{aligned} \sum \frac{\sqrt{2ab + 3bc + 3ca}}{a + b} &\geq \sqrt{\frac{103}{6}} + \frac{20abc}{3(a+b)(b+c)(c+a)} \\ \Leftrightarrow \sum \frac{2ab + 3bc + 3ca}{(a+b)^2} + 2 \sum \frac{\sqrt{(2bc + 3ca + 3ab)(2ca + 3ab + 3bc)}}{(b+c)(c+a)} &\geq \\ &\geq \frac{103}{6} + \frac{20abc}{3(a+b)(b+c)(c+a)} \end{aligned}$$

By the Cauchy - Schwarz inequality, we have:

$$\begin{aligned} \sum \frac{\sqrt{(2bc + 3ca + 3ab)(2ca + 3ab + 3bc)}}{(b+c)(c+a)} &\geq \sum \frac{3ab + c\sqrt{(2a+3b)(3a+b)}}{(b+c)(c+a)} \\ &= \sum \frac{3ab + c \cdot \frac{(2a+3b)(3a+2b)}{\sqrt{(2a+3b)(3a+2b)}}}{(b+c)(c+a)} \geq \sum \frac{3ab + c \cdot \frac{2(6a^2 + 13ab + 6b^2)}{5(a+b)}}{(b+c)(c+a)} \\ &\geq \sum \frac{3ab + c \cdot \frac{7a^2 + 16ab + 7b^2}{3(a+b)}}{(b+c)(c+a)} = \frac{16(a+b+c)(ab+bc+ca)}{3(a+b)(b+c)(c+a)} \end{aligned}$$

By the Iran 1996 inequality, we have: $(ab + bc + ca) \left[\frac{1}{(a+b)^2} + \frac{1}{(b+c)^2} + \frac{1}{(c+a)^2} \right] \geq \frac{9}{4}$

Thus, we need to prove: $\frac{9}{2} + \sum \frac{a}{b+c} + \frac{32(ab+bc+ca)}{3(a+b)(b+c)(c+a)} \geq \frac{103}{6} + \frac{20abc}{3(a+b)(b+c)(c+a)}$

$$\Leftrightarrow \frac{a}{b+c} + \frac{b}{c+a} + \frac{c}{a+b} + \frac{4abc}{(a+b)(b+c)(c+a)} \geq 2$$

$$\Leftrightarrow a^3 + b^3 + c^3 + 3abc \geq ab(a+b) + bc(b+c) + ca(c+a)$$

True by Schur inequality. The equality holds for $x = y = z$.

PROBLEM 3.114-Solution by proposer

We use the substitution: $a = y + z, b = z + x, c = x + y$, for three positive real numbers $x, y, z > 0$. Then $x = s - a, y = s - b, z = s - c$, with s the semiperimeter of the triangle. Hence: $xy + yz + zx = -s^2 + ab + ab + bc + ca = r(4R + r)$, be the well-known relations [1], $ab + bc + ca = s^2 + 4Rr + r^2$. The inequality is transformed to $(xy + yz + zx) \left(\frac{1}{(x+y)^2} + \right.$

$$\left. \frac{1}{(y+z)^2} + \frac{1}{(z+x)^2} \right) \geq \frac{9}{4}$$
 and this is a famous inequality, [2].

Remark 1. By Euler's inequality $R \geq 2r$, we have $(9R + 2r)(R - 2r) \geq 0$. Hence $\frac{9}{4r(4R+r)} \geq \frac{1}{R^2}$. Thus the inequality is a sharpening of the well-known inequality

$$\frac{1}{a^2} + \frac{1}{b^2} + \frac{1}{c^2} \geq \frac{1}{R^2}$$

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PROBLEM 3.115-Solution by Feti Sinani-Podujeve-Kosovo

$$\int_0^{+\infty} \frac{\ln(x) \sin x}{x^{\frac{1}{2}}} dx = \text{Im} \int_0^{+\infty} e^{xi} x^{-\frac{1}{2}} \ln(x) dx = \left[\frac{x}{i} = t \right] = \text{Im} \int_0^{+\infty} e^{-x} x^{-\frac{1}{2}} \ln(xi) i^{\frac{1}{2}} dx =$$

$$= \text{Im} \left(\int_0^{+\infty} e^{-x} x^{-\frac{1}{2}} \ln(x) \left(e^{i\frac{\pi}{2}} \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} dx + \text{Im} \int_0^{+\infty} e^{-x} x^{-\frac{1}{2}} \ln \left(e^{i\frac{\pi}{2}} \right) \left(e^{i\frac{\pi}{2}} \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} dx \right) =$$

$$= \text{Im} \left(\Gamma \left(\frac{1}{2} \right) \left(\cos \frac{\pi}{4} + i \sin \frac{\pi}{4} \right) + \Gamma \left(\frac{1}{2} \right) \frac{\pi}{2} i \left(\cos \frac{\pi}{4} + i \sin \frac{\pi}{4} \right) \right) =$$

$$= \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} \left(\Gamma \left(\frac{1}{2} \right) + \frac{\pi}{2} \Gamma \left(\frac{1}{2} \right) \right) = \frac{\Gamma \left(\frac{1}{2} \right)}{\sqrt{2}} \left(\Psi \left(\frac{1}{2} \right) + \frac{\pi}{2} \right) = \sqrt{\frac{\pi}{2}} \left(-\gamma - 2 \ln 2 + \frac{\pi}{2} \right)$$

PROBLEM 3.116-Solution by proposers

Apply the Stirling's second sum, we get,

$$\int_0^1 x^{n-1} \ln^k(1-x) dx = (-1)^k \frac{k^{(n)}}{n} \quad (1)$$

where,

$$\frac{2}{k}(n) = \sum_{j=0}^{k-1} \binom{k-1}{j} (k-j-1)! H_n^{(k-j)} \frac{2}{j}(n)$$

Putting $k = 4$, we get,

$$\frac{2}{4}(n) = H_n^4 + 6H_n^2 H_n^{(2)} + 3(H_n^{(2)})^2 + 8H_n H_n^{(3)} + 6H_n^{(4)} \quad (2)$$

then using (1) & (2), and then summing both sides, we get

$$-S = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (-1)^n \int_0^1 x^{n-1} \ln^4(1-x) dx \Rightarrow \int_0^1 \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (-x)^n \frac{\ln^4(1-x)}{x} dx \Rightarrow \int_0^1 \frac{\ln^4(1-x)}{1+x} dx$$

Replace, $x \rightarrow 1-x$

$$\Rightarrow \int_0^1 \frac{\ln^4(x)}{2-x} dx \Rightarrow \frac{1}{2} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \int_0^1 \frac{x^n}{2^n} \ln^4(x) dx \Rightarrow \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{2^n} \int_0^1 x^{n-1} \ln^4(x) dx$$

$$\Rightarrow \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{2^n} \cdot \frac{\partial^4}{\partial n^4} \left[\int_0^1 x^{n-1} dx \right] \Rightarrow$$

$$\Rightarrow \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{2^n} \left[\frac{x^n \ln^4(x)}{n} - \frac{4x^n}{n^2} \ln^3(x) + 12 \frac{x^n}{n^3} \ln^2(x) - 24 \frac{x^n}{n^4} \ln(x) + 24 \frac{x^n}{n^5} \right]_0^1 \Rightarrow$$

$$\Rightarrow 24 \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{2^n} \left(\frac{1}{n^5} \right) \Rightarrow 24Li_5 \left(\frac{1}{2} \right) \text{ (OR) } -S = 24Li_5 \left(\frac{1}{2} \right) \text{ (OR) } S = -24Li_5 \left(\frac{1}{2} \right) \text{ (Answer)}$$

PROBLEM 3.117-Solution by proposer

* By AM-GM inequality we have:

$$a^3 + a^3 + a^3 + \sqrt[4]{a} + \sqrt[4]{a} + \sqrt[4]{a} + \sqrt[4]{a} + 1 + 1 + 1 \geq 10 \cdot \sqrt[10]{a^3 \cdot a^3 \cdot a^3 \cdot (\sqrt[4]{a})^4 \cdot 1 \cdot 1 \cdot 1} = 10 \cdot \sqrt[10]{a^{10}} = 10a \Rightarrow 3a^3 + 4 \cdot \sqrt[4]{a} + 3 \geq 10a \Rightarrow 4 \cdot \sqrt[4]{a} \geq 10a - 3a^3 - 3 \quad (1)$$

- Other, because $a, b, c > 0$; $a + b + c = 3 \Rightarrow a < 3 \Rightarrow (a-3)(a-1)^2 \leq 0 \Leftrightarrow (a-3)(a^2 - 2a + 1) \leq 0$

$$\Leftrightarrow a^3 - 5a^2 + 7a - 3 \leq 0 \Leftrightarrow a^3 \leq 5a^2 - 7a + 3 \quad (2)$$

- Let (1), (2): $\Rightarrow 4\sqrt[4]{a} \geq 10a - 3(5a^2 - 7a + 3) - 3 = 31a - 15a^2 - 12 \Rightarrow$

$$\sqrt[4]{a} \geq \frac{31a - 15a^2 - 12}{4}$$

+ Similar: $\sqrt[4]{b} \geq \frac{31b - 15b^2 - 12}{4}$; $\sqrt[4]{c} \geq \frac{31c - 15c^2 - 12}{4}$

- Therefore: $\sqrt[4]{a} + \sqrt[4]{b} + \sqrt[4]{c} \geq \frac{31(a+b+c) - 15(a^2+b^2+c^2) - 36}{4} = \frac{31 \cdot 3 - 15(a^2+b^2+c^2) - 36}{4}$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\sqrt[4]{a} + \sqrt[4]{b} + \sqrt[4]{c}}{30} \geq \frac{57 - 15[(a+b+c)^2 - 2(ab+bc+ca)]}{120} = \frac{30(ab+bc+ca) - 78}{120} = \frac{ab+bc+ca}{4} - \frac{13}{20}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\sqrt[4]{a} + \sqrt[4]{b} + \sqrt[4]{c}}{30} + \frac{11}{40} \geq \frac{ab+bc+ca}{4} - \frac{3}{8} \quad (3)$$

+ Other: $\sqrt[3]{a} + \sqrt[3]{a} + \sqrt[3]{a} + a^2 + a^2 \geq 5 \cdot \sqrt[5]{(\sqrt[3]{a})^3 \cdot a^2 \cdot a^2} = 5 \cdot \sqrt[5]{a^5} = 5a$

$$\Leftrightarrow 3 \cdot \sqrt[3]{a} + 2a^2 \geq 5a \Leftrightarrow \sqrt[3]{a} \geq \frac{5a-2a^2}{3}. \text{ Similar: } \sqrt[3]{b} \geq \frac{5b-2b^2}{3}; \sqrt[3]{c} \geq \frac{5c-2c^2}{3}$$

- Therefore: $\sqrt[3]{a} + \sqrt[3]{b} + \sqrt[3]{c} \geq \frac{5(a+b+c)-2(a^2+b^2+c^2)}{3} = \frac{5 \cdot 3 - 2[(a+b+c)^2 - 2(ab+bc+ca)]}{3}$

$$\Rightarrow \sqrt[3]{a} + \sqrt[3]{b} + \sqrt[3]{c} \geq \frac{15-2 \cdot 3^2 + 4(ab+bc+ca)}{3} \Leftrightarrow \sqrt[3]{a} + \sqrt[3]{b} + \sqrt[3]{c} \geq \frac{4(ab+bc+ca)-3}{3} \quad (4)$$

- Because $a, b, c \in \left[\frac{1}{2}; 3\right] \Rightarrow \left(a - \frac{1}{2}\right)\left(b - \frac{1}{2}\right) + \left(b - \frac{1}{2}\right)\left(c - \frac{1}{2}\right) + \left(c - \frac{1}{2}\right)\left(a - \frac{1}{2}\right) \geq 0$

$$\Leftrightarrow ab + bc + ca \geq a + b + c - \frac{3}{4} = 3 - \frac{3}{4} = \frac{9}{4} \Rightarrow ab + bc + ca - 2 > 0 \quad (5)$$

+ Let (4), (5): $\Rightarrow \frac{3(ab+bc+ca-2)}{2(\sqrt[3]{a}+\sqrt[3]{b}+\sqrt[3]{c}+1)} \leq \frac{3(ab+bc+ca-2)}{\frac{8(ab+bc+ca)}{3}} = \frac{9(ab+bc+ca-2)}{8(ab+bc+ca)} \quad (6)$

- Let (3), (6), (*). We need to prove: $\frac{ab+bc+ca}{4} - \frac{3}{8} \geq \frac{9(ab+bc+ca-2)}{8(ab+bc+ca)} \Leftrightarrow$

$$\Leftrightarrow \frac{ab+bc+ca}{4} + \frac{9}{4(ab+bc+ca)} \geq \frac{3}{2} \quad (\text{True because by AM-GM inequality}) \text{ and we get the result.}$$

+ Equality occurs if: $a = b = c = 1$.

PROBLEM 3.118-Solution by Togrul Ehmedov-Baku-Azerbaijan

$$1 + x^2 = y^2 \Rightarrow x = \sqrt{y^2 - 1} \Rightarrow dx = \frac{y}{\sqrt{y^2 - 1}} dy$$

$$I = \int_0^\infty x^p \sqrt{\frac{1 + \sqrt{1 + x^2}}{1 + x^2}} dx = \int_0^\infty (y^2 - 1)^{\frac{p}{2}} \frac{dy}{\sqrt{y^2 - 1}} = \int_0^\infty \frac{(y-1)^{\frac{p}{2}} (y+1)^{\frac{p}{2}}}{(y-1)^{\frac{1}{2}}} dy$$

$$= \int_0^\infty (y-1)^{\frac{p-1}{2}} (y+1)^{\frac{p}{2}} dy$$

$$\frac{1}{y-1} = t \Rightarrow y = \frac{1}{t} - 1 \Rightarrow dy = -\frac{1}{t^2} dt$$

$$I = \int_0^\infty t^{\frac{1-p}{2}} \left(\frac{1+2t}{t}\right)^{\frac{p}{2}} \frac{dt}{t^2} = \int_0^\infty t^{\frac{-2p-3}{2}} (1+2t)^{\frac{p}{2}} dt$$

$$2t = z \Rightarrow \frac{z}{2} \Rightarrow dt = \frac{dz}{2}$$

$$I = \int_0^\infty 2^{\frac{2p+1}{2}} z^{\frac{-2p-3}{2}} (1+z)^{\frac{p}{2}} dz = 2^{p+\frac{1}{2}} \int_0^\infty \frac{z^{\frac{-2p-3}{2}}}{(1+z)^{\frac{p}{2}}} dz = 2^{p+\frac{1}{2}} B\left(\frac{p+1}{2}, -p - \frac{1}{2}\right)$$

Note: $B(x, y) = \int_0^\infty \frac{t^{x-1}}{(1+t)^{x+y}} dt, \operatorname{Re}(x) > 0; \operatorname{Re}(y) > 0$

PROBLEM 3.119-Solution by Ali Shather-Iraq and Shivam Sharma-India

$$S = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{H_n^{(3)}}{n^8} = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n^8} \left(\zeta(3) - \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{(n+k)^3} \right) = \zeta(3)\zeta(8) + \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{-1}{n^8(n+k)^3}$$

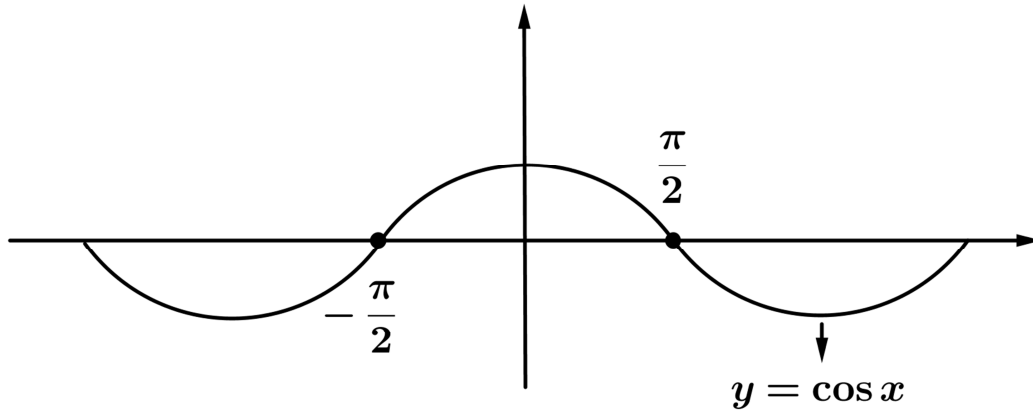
$$\begin{aligned}
 S &= \zeta(3)\zeta(8) + \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left[\frac{36}{k^{10}n} - \frac{36}{k^{10}(k+n)} - \frac{28}{k^9n^2} - \frac{8}{k^9(k+n)^2} + \frac{21}{k^8n^5} - \right. \\
 &\quad \left. - \frac{1}{k^5(k+n)^3} - \frac{15}{k^7n^4} + \frac{10}{k^6n^5} - \frac{6}{k^5n^6} + \frac{3}{k^4n^7} - \frac{1}{k^3n^8} \right] \\
 S &= \zeta(3)\zeta(8) + \sum_{k=1}^n \left[\frac{36H_k}{k^{10}} - \frac{28\zeta(2)}{k^9} - \frac{8}{k^9} (\zeta(2) - H_k^{(2)}) + \frac{21\zeta(3)}{k^8} - \frac{35}{k^8} (\zeta(3) - H_k^{(3)}) - \right. \\
 &\quad \left. - \frac{15\zeta(4)}{k^7} + \frac{10\zeta(5)}{k^6} - \frac{6\zeta(6)}{k^5} + \frac{3\zeta(7)}{k^4} - \frac{\zeta(8)}{k^3} \right] \\
 S &= \zeta(3)\zeta(8) + \left[\begin{aligned} &36(6\zeta(11) - \zeta(2)\zeta(9) - \zeta(3)\zeta(8) - \zeta(4)\zeta(7) - \zeta(5)\zeta(6)) - \\ &-28\zeta(2)\zeta(9) - 8\zeta(2)\zeta(9) + 8 \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{H_k^{(2)}}{k^8} + 21\zeta(3)\zeta(8) - \zeta(3)\zeta(8) + \\ &+ S - 15\zeta(4)\zeta(7) + 10\zeta(5)\zeta(6) - 6\zeta(6)\zeta(5) + 3\zeta(7)\zeta(4) - \zeta(8)\zeta(3) \end{aligned} \right] \\
 -8 \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{H_k^{(2)}}{k^9} &= 216\zeta(11) - 72\zeta(2)\zeta(9) - 16\zeta(3)\zeta(8) - 48\zeta(4)\zeta(7) - 32\zeta(5)\zeta(6)
 \end{aligned}$$

Or

$$\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{H_k^{(2)}}{k^9} = 9\zeta(2)\zeta(9) + 2\zeta(3)\zeta(8) + 6\zeta(4)\zeta(7) + 4\zeta(5)\zeta(6) - 27\zeta(11)$$

PROBLEM 3.120-Solution by Soumava Chakraborty-Kolkata-India

ΔABC is acute-angled, $\therefore 0 < A, B, C < \frac{\pi}{2} \therefore 0 < A < \frac{\pi}{2}$ & $-\frac{\pi}{2} < -B < 0$
 Adding these last 2, $-\frac{\pi}{2} < A - B < \frac{\pi}{2}$



From the graph, we see $0 < \cos(A - B) \leq 1$ (1)

Similarly, $0 < \cos(B - C) \leq 1$ (2)

$0 < \cos(C - A) \leq 1$ (3)

$$\therefore \sum \sin C (1 + \cos 2(A - B)) = \sum \sin C \cdot 2 \cos^2(A - B)$$

$$\stackrel{\text{by (1),(2),(3)}}{\leq} \sum 2 \sin C = 2 \sum \sin A \stackrel{?}{<} \sqrt{2} \sum (\sin A + \cos A)$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \sqrt{2} \sum \cos A \stackrel{?}{>} (2 - \sqrt{2}) \sum \sin A \Leftrightarrow \sqrt{2} \left(\frac{R+r}{R} \right) \stackrel{?}{>} (2 - \sqrt{2}) \left(\frac{S}{R} \right)$$

$$\Leftrightarrow 2(R+r)^2 \stackrel{?}{>} (6-4\sqrt{2})s^2 \quad (a)$$

$$\because 128 > 121 \therefore 8\sqrt{2} > 11 \Rightarrow 4\sqrt{2} > \frac{11}{2} = 6 - \frac{1}{2} \Rightarrow \frac{1}{2} > 6 - 4\sqrt{2} \quad (4)$$

$$(4) \Rightarrow \text{in order to prove (a), it suffices to show: } 2(R+r) > \frac{1}{2}s^2 \Leftrightarrow$$

$$\Leftrightarrow s^2 < 4(R+r)^2 \quad (b)$$

$$\text{Now, LHS of (b)} \stackrel{\text{Gerretsen}}{\leq} 4R^2 + 4Rr + 3r^2 \stackrel{?}{<} 4R^2 + 8Rr + 4r^2 \Leftrightarrow$$

$$\Leftrightarrow 4Rr + r^2 \stackrel{?}{>} 0 \rightarrow \text{true} \Rightarrow (b) \text{ is true} \Rightarrow (a) \text{ is true}$$

PROBLEM 3.121-Solution by Khalef Ruhemi-Jarash-Jordan

$$I = \int_0^\infty x^{p-1} \left(\frac{2}{1+\sqrt{1+4x}} \right)^n dx. \text{ Let } \frac{2}{\sqrt{1+4x+1}} = y \Rightarrow x = \frac{1}{y^2} - \frac{1}{y} = \frac{1-y}{y^2}$$

$$dx = -\frac{2}{y^3} + \frac{1}{y^2}$$

$$\therefore I = -\int_0^1 (1-y)^{p-1} y^{2-2p} y^n (y-2)^{-3} y \cdot dy$$

$$\therefore I = -\int_0^1 y^{n-2p-1} (1-y)^{p-1} (y-2) dy = \int_0^1 x^{n-2p-1} (1-x)^{p-1} (1+(1-x)) dx =$$

$$= \int_0^1 x^{n-2p-1} (1-x)^{p-1} dx + \int_0^1 x^{n-2p-1} (1-x)^p dx = \int_0^1 x^{n-2p-1} (1-x)^{p-1} dx +$$

$$+ \frac{x^{n-2p} (1-x)^p}{n-2p} \Big|_0^1 + \frac{p}{n-2p} \int_0^1 x^{n-2p} (1-x)^{p-1} dx = \frac{\Gamma(n-2p)\Gamma(p)}{\Gamma(n-p)} +$$

$$+ \left(\frac{p}{n-2p} \right) \frac{\Gamma(n-2p+1)\Gamma(p)}{\Gamma(n-p+1)} =$$

$$\beta(n-2p, p) + \left(\frac{p}{n-2p} \right) \left(\frac{(n-2p)\Gamma(n-2p)\Gamma(p)}{(n-p)\Gamma(n-p)} \right) =$$

$$= B(n-2p, p) + \left(\frac{p}{n-p} \right) B(n-2p, p) = \left(\frac{n}{n-p} \right) B(n-2p, p) \rightarrow$$

$$I = \left(\frac{n}{n-p} \right) B(n-2p, p)$$

PROBLEM 3.122-Solution by proposer

$$a_n = \sum \arctan \frac{1}{k^2 + k + 1} = \sum \arctan \frac{\frac{1}{k} - \frac{1}{k+1}}{1 + \frac{1}{k(k+1)}} =$$

$$= \sum \left(\arctan \frac{1}{k} - \arctan \frac{1}{k+1} \right) = \frac{\pi}{4} - \arctan \frac{1}{n+1} \rightarrow \frac{\pi}{4}$$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\frac{\pi}{4} - \arctan \frac{1}{n+1}}{\frac{\pi}{4} - a_n} \cdot 4 \left(\frac{\pi}{4} - a_n \right) \quad (1)$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 a_n = x \rightarrow \frac{\pi}{4} &\Rightarrow \lim_{x \rightarrow \frac{\pi}{4}} \frac{x^{\frac{\pi}{4}} - \pi^x}{\frac{\pi}{4} - x} = \left(\frac{\pi}{4}\right)^{\frac{\pi}{4}} \left(\ln \frac{\pi}{4} - 1\right) \quad (2) \\
 \lim_{x \rightarrow a} \frac{x^a - a^x}{a - x} &= a^a (\ln a - 1) \\
 \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} n \left(\frac{\pi}{4} - a_n\right) &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\frac{\pi}{4} - a_n}{\frac{1}{n}} \stackrel{C.S.}{=} \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\frac{\pi}{4} - a_{n+1} - \frac{\pi}{4} + a_n}{\frac{1}{n+1} - \frac{1}{n}} = \\
 &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{-\arctan \frac{1}{(n+1)^2 + n + 1}}{\frac{1}{n(n+1)}} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\arctan \frac{1}{(n+1)^2 + n + 2}}{\frac{1}{(n+1)^2 + (n+2)} \cdot \frac{1}{n(n+1)}} = 1 \quad (3) \\
 &\text{From (1)+(2)+(3)} \\
 &\Rightarrow \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} n \left(a_n^{\frac{\pi}{4}} - \frac{\pi^{a_n}}{4}\right) = \left(\frac{\pi}{4}\right)^{\frac{\pi}{4}} \left(\ln \frac{\pi}{4} - 1\right)
 \end{aligned}$$

PROBLEM 3.123-Solution by Shivam Sharma-New Delhi-India

$$\begin{aligned}
 \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \prod_{k=1}^n \left(\frac{\sqrt{n^4 + k} + k}{n^2}\right)^2 &\Rightarrow \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \prod_{k=1}^n \left(\sqrt{1 + \frac{k^2}{n^4} + \frac{k}{n^2}}\right)^2 \Rightarrow \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \prod_{k=1}^n \left(1 + \frac{k^2}{2n^4} + \frac{k}{n^2} + \dots\right)^2 \\
 \ln(\Omega) &= 2 \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \ln \left(\prod_{k=1}^n \left(1 + \frac{k}{n^2}\right)\right) \\
 \ln(\Omega) &= 2 \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{k=1}^n \ln \left(1 + \frac{k}{n^2}\right) \\
 \text{As we know, } x - \frac{x^2}{2} &\leq \ln(1 + x) \leq x. \text{ Using this, we get,} \\
 \sum_{k=1}^n \left(\frac{k}{n^2} - \frac{k^2}{n^4}\right) &\leq \sum_{k=1}^n \ln \left(1 + \frac{k}{n^2}\right) \leq \sum_{k=1}^n \left(\frac{k}{n^2}\right) \\
 \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n} \sum_{k=1}^n \left(\frac{k}{n}\right) - \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{2n^2} \left(\sum_{k=1}^n \frac{k^2}{n^2}\right) &\leq \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{k=1}^n \ln \left(1 + \frac{k}{n^2}\right) \leq \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n} \sum_{k=1}^n \left(\frac{k}{n}\right) \\
 2 \left[\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n} \sum_{k=1}^n \left(\frac{k}{n}\right) - \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{2n^2} \left(\sum_{k=1}^n \frac{k^2}{n^2}\right) \right] &\leq 2 \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{k=1}^n \ln \left(1 + \frac{k}{n^2}\right) \leq 2 \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n} \sum_{k=1}^n \left(\frac{k}{n}\right) \\
 2 \left[\int_0^1 x \, dx - \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{1}{2n^2}\right) \int_0^1 x^2 \, dx \right] &\leq 2 \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{k=1}^n \ln \left(1 + \frac{k}{n^2}\right) \leq 2 \int_0^1 x \, dx \\
 2 \left[\frac{x^2}{2}\right]_0^1 - 0 &\leq 2 \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{k=1}^n \ln \left(1 + \frac{k}{n^2}\right) \leq 2 \left[\frac{x^2}{2}\right]_0^1 \\
 1 &\leq 2 \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{k=1}^n \ln \left(1 + \frac{k}{n^2}\right) \leq 1, 1 \leq \ln(\Omega) \leq 1 \\
 \text{By squeeze theorem, we get } \Omega &= e \text{ (Answer)}
 \end{aligned}$$

PROBLEM 3.124-Solution by Ravi Prakash-New Delhi-India

$$\int_{e^x}^{e^{2x}} f(t) dt = \int_1^{e^x} f(t) dt$$

Differentiating w.r.t. x we get: $2e^{2x}f(e^{2x}) - e^x f(e^x) = e^x f(e^x) \Rightarrow 2e^{2x}f(e^{2x}) = 2e^x f(e^x) \Rightarrow e^x f(e^{2x}) = f(e^x)$. Put $x = \ln t, t > 0$ to obtain:

$$tf(t^2) = f(t) \quad \forall t > 0 \quad (1)$$

Taking $\lim t \rightarrow 0+$, we get: $0 = f(0)$. For $0 < t < 1$, $tf(t) = t^2 f(t^2) = t^{2^2} f(t^{2^2}) = \dots = t^{2^n} f(t^{2^n}) \quad \forall n \in \mathbb{N}$. Taking limit as $n \rightarrow \infty$, we get

$$tf(t) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} t^{2^n} f(t^{2^n}), \quad 0 < t < 1$$

$= 0f(0) = 0 \Rightarrow f(t) = 0$ for $0 < t < 1$. As f is continuous $f(1) = \lim_{t \rightarrow 1^-} f(t) = 0$.

\therefore for $0 \leq t \leq 1, f(t) = 0$. Let $t > 1, t^2 f(t^2) = tf(t) = t^{\frac{1}{2}} f\left(t^{\frac{1}{2}}\right) = t^{\frac{1}{4}} f\left(t^{\frac{1}{4}}\right) = \dots = t^{\frac{1}{2^n}} f\left(t^{\frac{1}{2^n}}\right) \quad \forall n \in \mathbb{N}$. Taking limit as $n \rightarrow \infty$, we get, for $t > 1$

$$tf(t) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} t^{\frac{1}{2^n}} f\left(t^{\frac{1}{2^n}}\right) = (1)f(1) \quad [\because f \text{ is continuous}] \Rightarrow tf(t) = 0 \quad \forall t > 1$$

$\Rightarrow f(t) = 0 \quad \forall t > 1$. Thus, $f(x) = 0, \forall x \geq 0$. Let g be any continuous function on $(-\infty, 0]$ such

$$\text{that } g(0) = 0, \text{ then: } f(x) = \begin{cases} g(x), & \forall x < 0 \\ 0, & \forall x \geq 0 \end{cases}$$

PROBLEM 3.125-Solution by proposer

$$\text{If } x > 0 \text{ then: } \frac{2}{x+1} \leq \ln\left(1 + \frac{1}{x}\right) \leq \frac{1}{\sqrt{x^2+x}} \quad (1)$$

$$\text{Let be } f(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{x^2+x}} - \ln\left(1 + \frac{1}{x}\right) \text{ then: } f'(x) = \frac{2\sqrt{x^2+1} - (2x+1)}{2x(x+1)\sqrt{x^2+x}} < 0$$

therefore $x < \infty \Rightarrow f(x) > f(\infty) = 0$. Let be $g(x) = \ln\left(1 + \frac{1}{x}\right) - \frac{2}{2x+1}$ then:

$$g'(x) = \frac{-1}{x(x+1)} - \frac{2}{2x+1} < 0 \text{ therefore } x < \infty \Rightarrow g(x) > g(\infty) = 0$$

Using (1) we have: $\sum_{k=1}^n \ln^2\left(1 + \frac{1}{k}\right) \leq \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{1}{k(k+1)} = \frac{n}{n+1}$ and if $x = \frac{k^2+k-1}{2}$

then $\ln\left(1 + \frac{2}{k^2+k-1}\right) \geq \frac{2}{k(k+1)} \Rightarrow \sum_{k=1}^n \left(1 + \frac{2}{k^2+k-1}\right) \geq 2 \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{1}{k(k+1)} = \frac{2n}{n+1}$

PROBLEM 3.126-Solution by Khalef Ruhemi-Jarash-Jordan

$$I := \int_0^1 \int_0^1 \frac{\sqrt{x+y} + \sqrt{xy}}{x\sqrt{y} + y\sqrt{x}} dx dy \rightarrow \text{Let } x = t^2 \Rightarrow dx = 2t dt; y = v^2 \Rightarrow dy = 2v dv$$

$$\therefore I = 4 \int_0^1 \int_0^1 \frac{(\sqrt{t^2+v^2} + tv)tv \cdot dt dv}{t^2v + v^2t} = 4 \int_0^1 \left(\frac{\sqrt{x^2+y^2} + xy}{x+y} \cdot dx \right) dy$$

$$\text{Let } x = yt \Rightarrow dx = y dt$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= 4 \int_0^1 \left(\int_0^{\frac{1}{y}} \frac{y\sqrt{1+x^2} + y^2x}{1+x} dx \right) dy = 4 \int_0^1 \int_0^1 \frac{y\sqrt{1+x^2} + y^2x}{1+x} dy dx + \\
&+ 4 \int_0^{\infty} \int_0^{\frac{1}{x}} \frac{y\sqrt{1+x^2} + y^2x}{1+x} dy dx = 4 \int_0^1 \frac{\frac{1}{2}\sqrt{1+x^2} + \frac{1}{3}x}{1+x} dx + 4 \int_0^{\infty} \frac{\frac{\sqrt{1+x^2}}{2x^2} + \frac{1}{3x^2}}{1+x} dx \\
&\quad \text{Let } \frac{1}{x} = y \Rightarrow \frac{1}{y}; dx = -\frac{dy}{y^2} \\
&= 4 \int_0^1 \frac{\frac{1}{2}\sqrt{1+x^2} + \frac{1}{3}x}{1+x} dx + 4 \int_0^1 \frac{\frac{1}{2}\sqrt{1+x^2} + \frac{1}{3}x}{1+x} dx \\
&= 8 \int_0^1 \frac{\frac{1}{2}\sqrt{1+x^2} + \frac{1}{3}x}{1+x} dx = 4 \int_0^1 \frac{\sqrt{1+x^2}}{1+x} dx + \frac{8}{3} \int_0^1 \frac{1+x-1}{1+x} dx \\
&= \left(\frac{8}{3}\right) \int_0^1 \left(1 - \frac{1}{1+x}\right) dx + 4 \int_0^1 \frac{x}{\sqrt{1+x^2}} dx - 4 \int_0^1 \frac{dx}{\sqrt{1+x^2}} + 8 \int_0^1 \frac{dx}{(1+x)\sqrt{1+x^2}} \\
&\quad \text{let } x = \tan(\theta); dx = \sec^2(\theta) d\theta \\
&= \left(\frac{8}{3}\right) (x - \ln(1+x)) \Big|_0^1 + (4\sqrt{1+x^2}) \Big|_0^1 - 4 \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{4}} \sec(\theta) d\theta + \frac{8}{\sqrt{2}} \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{4}} \sec\left(\frac{\pi}{4} - \theta\right) d\theta \\
&= \left(\frac{8}{3}\right) (1 - \ln(2)) + 4\sqrt{2} - 4 - \left(4 \ln(\tan(\theta) + \sec(\theta)) \Big|_0^{\frac{\pi}{4}}\right) - \\
&- \frac{8}{\sqrt{2}} \left(\ln\left(\tan\left(\frac{\pi}{4} - \theta\right) + \sec\left(\frac{\pi}{4} - \theta\right)\right) \Big|_0^{\frac{\pi}{4}} \right) = \frac{8}{3} - \frac{8}{3} \ln(2) + 4\sqrt{2} - 4 - 4 \ln(1 + \sqrt{2}) + \\
&+ \frac{8}{\sqrt{2}} \ln(1 + \sqrt{2}) = -\frac{4}{3} - \frac{8}{3} \ln(2) + 4\sqrt{2} + 4\sqrt{2} \ln(1 + \sqrt{2}) - 4 \ln(1 + \sqrt{2}) = \\
&= -\frac{4}{3} (1 - 3\sqrt{2} + 2 \ln(2)) + 4 \ln(\sqrt{2} - 1) + 4\sqrt{2} \ln(\sqrt{2} + 1) = \\
&= -\frac{4}{3} (1 - 3\sqrt{2} + 2 \ln(2)) + \ln((\sqrt{2} - 1)^4) + \sqrt{2} \ln((\sqrt{2} + 1)^4) = \\
&= -\frac{4}{3} (1 - 3\sqrt{2} + 2 \ln(2)) + \ln(17 - 12\sqrt{2}) + \sqrt{2} \ln(17 + 12\sqrt{2}) = I \\
&\therefore \int_0^1 \int_0^1 \frac{\sqrt{x+y} + \sqrt{xy}}{x\sqrt{y} + y\sqrt{x}} dx dy = -\frac{4}{3} (1 - 3\sqrt{2} + 2 \ln(2)) + \ln(17 - 12\sqrt{2}) + \\
&\quad + \sqrt{2} \ln(17 + 12\sqrt{2})
\end{aligned}$$

PROBLEM 3.127- Solution by proposer

$$\begin{aligned}
\text{If } x_1 + x_2 + x_3 + x_4 + x_5 = 0 \text{ then } &= |\cos(\sum_{k=1}^5 x_k)| \leq |\cos x_1| + |\sin(\sum_{k=2}^5 x_k)| \leq \\
&\leq |\cos x_1| + |\cos x_2| + |\cos(x_3 + x_4 + x_5)| \leq |\cos x_1| + |\cos x_2| +
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 & + |\cos x_3| + |\cos x_4| + |\cos x_5| \\
 & \text{If } x_1 = x, x_2 = y, x_3 = z, x_4 = t, x_5 = -x - y - z - t \text{ then:} \\
 & |\cos x| + |\cos y| + |\cos z| + |\cos t| + |\cos(x + y + z + t)| \geq 1 \quad (1) \\
 & \text{In (1) we take } x = \frac{\pi}{2} - y; y = \frac{\pi}{2} - y_2, z = \frac{\pi}{2} - y_3, t = \frac{\pi}{2} - y_4 \Rightarrow \\
 & \Rightarrow |\sin y_1| + |\sin y_2| + |\sin y_3| + |\sin y_4| + |\cos(y_1 + y_2 + y_3 + y_4)| \geq 1 \text{ or} \\
 & |\sin x| + |\sin y| + |\sin z| + |\sin t| + |\sin(x + y + z + t)| \geq 1 \quad (2) \\
 & \text{Adding (1) and (2) we obtain the result.}
 \end{aligned}$$

PROBLEM 3.128- Solution by proposer

In inequality $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{x_k^2}{a_k} \geq \frac{(\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} x_k)^2}{\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} a_k}$ we take $x_k = \frac{1}{k^\alpha}, a_k = \frac{1}{k^\beta}$ and we obtain

$$\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{k^{2\alpha-\beta}} \geq \frac{(\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{k^\alpha})^2}{\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{k^\beta}} \text{ or } \zeta(2\alpha - \beta) \geq \frac{\zeta^2(\alpha)}{\zeta(\beta)} \text{ or } \zeta(2\alpha - \beta)\zeta(\beta) \geq \zeta^2(\alpha)$$

PROBLEM 3.129-Solution by Marian Ursărescu - Romania

We use Cauchy - D'Alembert, Cesaró - Stolz and $f^9 = e^{9 \ln 7}$ and $\frac{a^{x_n-1}}{x_n} \rightarrow \ln a$, with $x_n \rightarrow 0$.

$$\begin{aligned}
 L &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} b_{n+1}^u \cdot \frac{n^{n+1} \sqrt{(P_{n+1})!^v}}{n} - b_n^u \cdot \frac{n^n \sqrt{(P_n)!^v}}{n} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} b_n^u \cdot \frac{n^{n+1} \sqrt{(P_{n+1})!^v}}{n \sqrt{(P_n)!^v}} \left(\frac{b_{n+1}^u \cdot \frac{n^{n+1} \sqrt{(P_{n+1})!^v}}{n}}{b_n^u \cdot \frac{n^n \sqrt{(P_n)!^v}}{n}} - 1 \right) = \\
 &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{b_n^u \cdot \frac{n^{n+1} \sqrt{(P_{n+1})!^v}}{n}}{n} \cdot n \left(\frac{b_{n+1}^u \cdot \frac{n^{n+1} \sqrt{(P_{n+1})!^v}}{n}}{b_n^u \cdot \frac{n^n \sqrt{(P_n)!^v}}{n}} - 1 \right) \quad (1) \\
 \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{b_n^u \cdot \frac{n^{n+1} \sqrt{(P_{n+1})!^v}}{n}}{n} &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{b_n}{n} \right)^u \cdot \left(\frac{n \sqrt{(P_n)!}}{n} \right)^v \quad (2) \\
 \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{b_n}{n} &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{b_{n+1} - b_n}{n+1 - n} = b \quad (3) \\
 \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{n \sqrt{(P_n)!}}{n} &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{n \sqrt{(P_n)!}}{n^n} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{(P_{n+1})!}{(n+1)^{n+1}} \cdot \frac{n^n}{(P_n)!} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{P_{n+1}}{n+1} \cdot \left(\frac{n}{n+1} \right)^n = \frac{1}{e} \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{P_n}{n} = \\
 &= \frac{1}{e} \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{a_1^2 + a_2^2 + \dots + a_n^2}{n} = \frac{1}{e} \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sqrt{\frac{a_1^2 + \dots + a_n^2}{n^3}} = \frac{1}{e} \sqrt{\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{a_1^2 + \dots + a_n^2}{n^3}} = \\
 &= \frac{1}{e} \sqrt{\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{a_{n+1}^2}{3n^2 + 3n + 1}} = \frac{1}{e} \sqrt{\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{a_{n+1}^2}{(n+1)^2} \cdot \frac{(n+1)^2}{3n^2 + 3n}} = \frac{1}{e\sqrt{3}} \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{a_n}{n} = \\
 &= \frac{1}{e\sqrt{3}} \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (a_{n+1} - a_n) = \frac{a}{e\sqrt{3}} \quad (4)
 \end{aligned}$$

From (2) + (3) + (4) $\Rightarrow \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{b_n^u \cdot \frac{n^{n+1} \sqrt{(P_{n+1})!^v}}{n}}{n} = \frac{b^n \cdot a^v}{e^v \cdot \sqrt{e^3}} \quad (5)$

Now let $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} n \left(\frac{b_{n+1}^u \cdot \frac{n^{n+1} \sqrt{(P_{n+1})!^v}}{n}}{b_n^u \cdot \frac{n^n \sqrt{(P_n)!^v}}{n}} - 1 \right) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} n \left(\frac{\ln \frac{b_{n+1}^u \cdot \frac{n^{n+1} \sqrt{(P_{n+1})!^v}}{n}}{b_n^u \cdot \frac{n^n \sqrt{(P_n)!^v}}{n}}}{\ln \left(\frac{b_{n+1}^u \cdot \frac{n^{n+1} \sqrt{(P_{n+1})!^v}}{n}}{b_n^u \cdot \frac{n^n \sqrt{(P_n)!^v}}{n}} \right)} - 1 \right) \ln \left(\frac{b_{n+1}^u \cdot \frac{n^{n+1} \sqrt{(P_{n+1})!^v}}{n}}{b_n^u \cdot \frac{n^n \sqrt{(P_n)!^v}}{n}} \right)$

$$= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} n \ln \left(\frac{b_{n+1}^u \cdot \sqrt[n+1]{P_{n+1}^v}}{b_n^n \cdot \sqrt[n]{P_n^v}} \right) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \ln \left(\frac{b_{n+1}^u \cdot \sqrt[n+1]{P_{n+1}^v}}{b_n^n \cdot \sqrt[n]{P_n^v}} \right)^n \quad (6)$$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{b_{n+1}^n}{b_n^n} \cdot \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{\sqrt[n+1]{P_{n+1}^v}}{\sqrt[n]{P_n^v}} \right)^v =$$

$$= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{b_{n+1}}{n+1} \cdot \frac{n}{b_n} \cdot \frac{n+1}{n} \right)^n \cdot \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{\sqrt[n+1]{P_{n+1}^v}}{n+1} \cdot \frac{n}{\sqrt[n]{P_n^v}} \cdot \frac{n+1}{n} \right)$$

$$\stackrel{(3)}{=} 1 \cdot \frac{a\sqrt{3}}{3e} \cdot \frac{3e}{a\sqrt{3}} \stackrel{(4)}{=} 1 \quad (7)$$

From (6)+(7) we have :

$$\ln \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{b_{n+1}^n}{b_n^n} \cdot \frac{\sqrt[n+1]{P_{n+1}^v}}{\sqrt[n]{P_n^v}} \right)^n = \ln \left(\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{b_{n+1}}{b_n} \right)^{nu} \cdot \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{P_{n+1}!}{P_n!} \cdot \frac{1}{\sqrt[n]{P_{n+1}!}} \right)^v \right)$$

$$= \ln \left(\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left[\left(1 + \frac{b_{n+1} - b_n}{b_n} \right)^{\frac{b_n}{b_{n+1} - b_n}} \right]^{\frac{b_n}{b_{n+1} - b_n}} \cdot \left(\frac{a\sqrt{3}}{3} \cdot \frac{3e}{a\sqrt{3}} \right)^v \right) =$$

$$= \ln(e^u \cdot e^v) = \ln(e^{u+v}) = \ln e = 1 \quad (8)$$

$$\text{From (1) + (5) + (8)} \Rightarrow L = \frac{a^v b^n}{e^v \cdot \sqrt{3}^v}$$

PROBLEM 3.130-Solution by Marian Ursărescu - Romania

We have: $a^{\sin x} \cdot b^{\cos x} \cdot c^{\sin x} \cdot d^{\cos x} \leq 2^{\sqrt{2(\log_2^2 a + \log_2^2 b + \log_2^2 c + \log_2^2 d)}} \quad (1)$

But $a^{\sin x} \cdot b^{\cos x} = (2^{\log_2 a})^{\sin x} \cdot (b^{\log_2 b})^{\cos x} =$
 $= 2^{\log_2 a \cdot \sin x} \cdot 2^{\log_2 b \cdot \cos x} = 2^{\log_2 a \cdot \sin x + \log_2 b \cdot \cos x} \quad (2)$

From Cauchy's inequality \Rightarrow

$$(\log_2 a \cdot \sin x + \log_2 b \cdot \cos x)^2 \leq (\log_2^2 a + \log_2^2 b)(\sin^2 x + \cos^2 x) \quad (3)$$

From (2) + (3) $\Rightarrow a^{\sin x} \cdot b^{\cos x} \leq 2^{\sqrt{\log_2^2 a + \log_2^2 b}} \quad (4)$

Similarly $\Rightarrow c^{\sin x} d^{\cos x} \leq 2^{\sqrt{\log_2^2 c + \log_2^2 d}} \quad (5)$

From (4) + (5) $\Rightarrow a^{\sin x} \cdot b^{\cos x} \cdot c^{\sin x} \cdot d^{\cos x} \leq 2^{\sqrt{\log_2^2 a + \log_2^2 b} + \sqrt{\log_2^2 c + \log_2^2 d}} \quad (6)$

From Cauchy's inequality $\Rightarrow 2(\alpha^2 + \beta^2) \geq (\alpha + \beta)^2 \Rightarrow$

$$\Rightarrow \sqrt{\log_2^2 a + \log_2^2 b} + \sqrt{\log_2^2 c + \log_2^2 d} \leq \sqrt{2(\log_2^2 a + \log_2^2 b + \log_2^2 c + \log_2^2 d)} \quad (7)$$

From (6) + (7) $\Rightarrow (ac)^{\sin x} \cdot (bd)^{\cos x} \leq 2^{\sqrt{2(\log_2^2 a + \log_2^2 b + \log_2^2 c + \log_2^2 d)}}$

PROBLEM 3.131-Solution by proposer

By AM-GM:

$$2^{\sin A} + 2^{\cos A} \geq 2\sqrt{2^{\sin A} \cdot 2^{\cos A}} = 2\sqrt{2^{\sin A + \cos A}} = 2\sqrt{2^{\sqrt{2} \cos(\frac{\pi}{4} - A)}} =$$

$$= 2 \cdot 2^{\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} \cos(\frac{\pi}{4}-A)} > 2 \cdot 2^{-\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}} = \frac{2}{2^{\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}}} = \frac{2}{(\sqrt{2})^{\sqrt{2}}}$$

$$\text{Analogous: } 2^{\sin B} + 2^{\cos B} > \frac{2}{(\sqrt{2})^{\sqrt{2}}}; 2^{\sin C} + 2^{\cos C} > \frac{2}{(\sqrt{2})^{\sqrt{2}}}$$

$$\text{By adding: } 2^{\sin A} + 2^{\sin B} + 2^{\sin C} + 2^{\cos A} + 2^{\cos B} + 2^{\cos C} > \frac{6}{(\sqrt{2})^{\sqrt{2}}}$$

PROBLEM 3.132-Solution by Rovsen Pirguliyev-Sumgait-Azerbaijan

If $x, y > 0; x + y = 1, n, m \in \mathbb{N}$ then $x^n y^m \leq \frac{n^n \cdot m^m}{(n+m)^{n+m}}$, if $x = \sin^2 x, y = \cos^2 x$ then:

$$(\sin^2 x)^n \cdot (\cos^2 x)^m \leq \frac{n^n \cdot m^m}{(n+m)^{n+m}} \quad (1)$$

$$\text{Using (1) we have: } LHS \leq \frac{n^n m^m}{(n+m)^{n+m}} \cdot a \cdot \frac{n^n \cdot m^m}{(n+m)^{n+m}} = \frac{n^{2n} \cdot m^{2m} \cdot ab}{(n+m)^{2(n+m)}} \quad (2)$$

$$n + m \geq 2\sqrt{nm} \Rightarrow \frac{1}{n+m} \leq \frac{1}{2\sqrt{nm}}$$

$$(2) \Rightarrow \frac{n^{2n} \cdot m^{2m} \cdot ab}{(n+m)^{2(n+m)}} \leq \left(\frac{1}{2\sqrt{nm}}\right)^{2(n+m)} \cdot n^{2n} \cdot m^{2m} \cdot ab = \frac{ab}{4^{n+m}} \cdot \left(\frac{m}{n}\right)^{m-n}$$

PROBLEM 3.133-Solution by Soumitra Mandal-Chandar Nagore-India

$$\begin{aligned} & \int_a^b \int_a^b \left(\frac{\sin^2(x+y) + \sin^2(x-y) - 1}{1 + 2 \sin x \cos y} \right) dx dy = 2 \int_a^b (a+b-x) \frac{\sin^2(2x) - 1}{1 + 2 \sin x \cos x} dx = \\ & = 2 \int_a^b (a+b-x) (\sin 2x - 1) dx = 2(a+b) \int_a^b (\sin 2x - 1) dx - 2 \int_a^b x (\sin 2x - 1) dx \\ & = 2(a+b) \left(\frac{\cos 2b - \cos 2a}{2} + a - b \right) - 2 \int_b^a x (\sin 2x - 1) dx \\ & = 2(a+b)(\sin^2 a - \sin^2 b + a - b) - 2 \int_b^a (a+b-z) (\sin(2a+2b-2z) - 1) dz \\ & \quad \left[\begin{array}{l} \because \text{let } z = a+b-x, dx = -dz; \text{ when } x = b, z = a \\ \text{when } x = a, z = b \end{array} \right] \\ & \geq 2(a+b)(\sin^2 a - \sin^2 b + a - b) - 2 \int_b^a (a+b-z) (\sin(\pi - 2z) - 1) dz \\ & \Rightarrow 2 \int_b^a (a+b-x) (\sin 2x - 1) dx \geq 2(a+b)(\sin^2 a - \sin^2 b + a - b) \\ & \Rightarrow \int_a^b (a+b-x) (\sin 2x - 1) dx \geq (a+b)(\sin^2 a - \sin^2 b + a - b) \end{aligned}$$

We need need to prove, $(a+b)(\sin^2 a - \sin^2 b + a - b) \geq$

$$\geq (a-b)(\sin^2 a - \sin^2 b + a - b)$$

$$\Leftrightarrow b(\sin^2 a - \sin^2 b + a - b) \geq 0, \text{ which is true (Hence Proved)}$$

PROBLEM 3.134-Solution by Marian Ursărescu-Romania

$$\frac{a^2(m_a + m_b)}{h_c} + \frac{b^2(m_b + m_c)}{h_a} + \frac{c^2(m_c + m_a)}{h_b} \geq 8\sqrt{3}S$$

We must show this: $\frac{a^2 m_a}{h_c} + \frac{b^2 m_b}{h_a} + \frac{c^2 m_c}{h_b} + \frac{a^2 m_b}{h_c} + \frac{b^2 m_c}{h_a} + \frac{c^2 m_a}{h_b} \geq 8\sqrt{3}S$. First we show this:

$$\frac{a^2 m_a}{h_c} + \frac{b^2 m_b}{h_a} + \frac{c^2 m_c}{h_b} \geq 4\sqrt{3}S \quad (1)$$

$$\text{We know: } m_a \geq \frac{b^2+c^2}{4R} \Rightarrow m_a \geq \frac{bc}{2R} \Rightarrow \frac{a^2 m_a}{h_c} + \frac{b^2 m_b}{h_a} + \frac{c^2 m_c}{h_b} \geq \frac{a^2 bc}{2Rh_c} + \frac{ab^2 c}{2Rh_a} + \frac{c^2 ab}{2Rh_b} =$$

$$= \frac{abc}{2R} \left(\frac{a}{h_c} + \frac{b}{h_a} + \frac{c}{h_b} \right) = 2S \left(\frac{ac}{ch_c} + \frac{ab}{ah_a} + \frac{bc}{bh_b} \right) = (ab + bc + ac) \quad (2)$$

$$\text{From (1)+(2) we must show: } ab + bc + ac \geq 4\sqrt{3}S \quad (3)$$

$$\text{Now } ab + bc + ac = s^2 + r^2 + 4Rr \Rightarrow (3) \Leftrightarrow s^2 + r^2 + 4Rr \geq 4\sqrt{3}sr \quad (4)$$

$$\text{Now use Doucet inequality: } 9r(4R+r) \leq 3s^2 \leq (4R+r)^2$$

From left side of Doucet and (4) we must show this:

$$16Rr + 4r^2 \geq 4\sqrt{3}sr \Leftrightarrow 4r(4R+r) \geq 4\sqrt{3}sr \Leftrightarrow 4R+r \geq \sqrt{3}s \Leftrightarrow (4R+r)^2 \geq 3s^2 \text{ true} \Rightarrow$$

then (3) its true. Now, we show this:

$$\left. \frac{a^2 m_b}{h_c} + \frac{b^2 m_c}{h_a} + \frac{c^2 m_a}{h_b} \geq 4\sqrt{3}S \quad (5) \right\} \Rightarrow (5) \Rightarrow \text{we must show: } \frac{a^2 h_b}{h_c} + \frac{b^2 h_c}{h_a} + \frac{c^2 h_a}{h_b} \geq 4\sqrt{3}S \quad (6)$$

but $m_a \geq h_a, m_b \geq h_b, m_c \geq h_c$

$$\text{But } \frac{a^2 h_b}{h_c} + \frac{b^2 h_c}{h_a} + \frac{c^2 h_a}{h_b} = \frac{a^2 c}{b} + \frac{b^2 a}{c} + \frac{c^2 b}{a} = \frac{a^3 c^2 + b^3 a^2 + c^3 b^2}{abc} \quad (7)$$

$$\text{Now, we show this: } \frac{a^2 c}{b} + \frac{b^2 a}{c} + \frac{c^2 b}{a} \geq ab + bc + ac \Leftrightarrow$$

$$a^3 c^2 + b^3 a^2 + c^3 b^2 \geq abc(ab + bc + ac) \quad (8)$$

Now, use inequality of generalized environments \Rightarrow

$$\left. \begin{aligned} \frac{4}{7}a^3 c^2 + \frac{2}{7}b^3 a^2 + \frac{1}{7}c^3 b^2 &\geq a^2 b^2 c \\ \frac{4}{7}b^3 a^2 + \frac{2}{7}c^3 b^2 + \frac{1}{7}a^3 c^2 &\geq a^2 b c^2 \\ \frac{4}{7}c^3 b^2 + \frac{2}{7}a^3 c^2 + \frac{1}{7}b^2 a^2 &\geq ab^2 c^2 \end{aligned} \right\} \Rightarrow a^3 c^2 + b^3 a^2 + c^2 b^2 \geq abc(ab + ac + bc) \Rightarrow$$

$\Rightarrow (8)$ its true. From (7) + (8) we must show: $ab + bc + ac \geq 4\sqrt{3}S$, but this inequality its true from (3). From (1) + (5) \Rightarrow inequality its true.

PROBLEM 3.135-Solution by Marian Ursărescu-Romania

From Bergström inequality \Rightarrow

$$\frac{c^2}{xb+yc} + \frac{a^2}{xc+ya} + \frac{b^2}{xa+yb} \geq \frac{(a+b+c)^2}{(a+b+c)(x+y)} = \frac{a+b+c}{x+y} \quad (1)$$

$$\frac{a}{xb+yc} + \frac{b}{xc+ya} + \frac{c}{xa+yb} = \frac{a^2}{xab+yac} + \frac{b^2}{xbc+yab} + \frac{c^2}{xac+ybc} \geq \frac{(a+b+c)^2}{(ab+ac+bc)(x+y)} \quad (2)$$

$$\text{From (2)+(3)} \Rightarrow \text{But } (a+b+c)^2 \geq 3(ab+ac+bc) \quad (3)$$

$$\frac{a}{xb+yc} + \frac{b}{xc+ya} + \frac{c}{xa+yb} \geq \frac{3}{x+y} \quad (4)$$

$$\text{From (1)+(4)} \Rightarrow \frac{a+c^2}{xb+yc} + \frac{b+a^2}{xc+ya} + \frac{c+b^2}{xa+yb} \geq \frac{3}{x+y} + \frac{a+b+c}{x+y}$$

PROBLEM 3.136-Solution by proposer

$$S = \sum_{k=0}^n T_{4k}(x)$$

Let, $x = \cos(\theta)$. Then, by definition, we have,

$$\begin{aligned} &\Rightarrow \sum_{k=0}^n \cos(4k \cos^{-1}(x)) \Rightarrow \sum_{k=0}^n \cos(4k \cos^{-1}(\cos \theta)) \Rightarrow \sum_{k=0}^n \cos(4k\theta) \Rightarrow \\ &\Rightarrow \text{Real Part } \sum_{k=0}^n e^{4ki\theta} \Rightarrow 1 + e^{4i\theta} + e^{8i\theta} + \dots + (n+1) \text{ terms} \Rightarrow \frac{1-(e^{4i\theta})^{n+1}}{1-e^{4i\theta}} \Rightarrow \\ &\Rightarrow \frac{(1-e^{i(4n+4)\theta})(1-e^{-4i\theta})}{(1-e^{4i\theta})(1-e^{-4i\theta})} \Rightarrow \frac{(1-e^{i(4n+4)\theta})(1-e^{-4i\theta})}{2(e^{4i\theta}+e^{-4i\theta})} \Rightarrow \\ &\Rightarrow \frac{(1-\cos(4n+4)\theta) - i \sin((4n+4)\theta)(1-(\cos(4\theta)) + i \sin(4\theta))}{2-2\cos(4\theta)} \Rightarrow \\ &\Rightarrow \frac{1-\cos((4n+4)\theta) - \cos(4\theta) + \cos((4n+4)\theta)\cos(4\theta) + \sin((4n+4)\theta)\sin(4\theta)}{2(1-\cos(4\theta))} \\ &\Rightarrow \frac{(1-\cos(4\theta)) - \cos((4n+4)\theta)(1-\cos(4\theta)) + \sin((4n+4)\theta)\sin(4\theta)}{2(1-\cos(4\theta))} \\ &\Rightarrow \frac{1}{2} \left[1 - \cos((4n+4)\theta) + \frac{\sin((4n+4)\theta)\sin(4\theta)}{1-\cos(4\theta)} \right] \\ &\Rightarrow \frac{1}{2} \left[1 - \cos((4n+4)\theta) + \frac{\sin((4n+4)\theta)2\sin(2\theta)\cos(2\theta)}{2\sin^2(2\theta)} \right] \\ &\Rightarrow \frac{1}{2} \left[\frac{1 + \sin((4n+4)\theta)\cos(2\theta) - \cos((4n+4)\theta)\sin(2\theta)}{\sin(2\theta)} \right] \\ &\Rightarrow \frac{1}{2} \left[1 + \frac{\sin(((4n+4)\theta) - 2\theta)}{\sin(2\theta)} \right] \Rightarrow \frac{1}{2} \left[1 + \frac{\sin((4n+2)\theta)}{\sin(2\theta)} \right] \Rightarrow \\ &\Rightarrow \frac{1}{2} \left[1 + \frac{\sin((4n+2)\theta)}{2[\cos(\theta)\sqrt{1-\cos^2\theta}]} \right] \end{aligned}$$

As, $x = \cos \theta \Rightarrow U_{4n+2}(x) = \sin((4n+2)\cos^{-1}(\cos \theta))$, so,

$$U_{4n+2}(x) = \sin((4n+2)\theta). \text{ Using above, we get, } S = \frac{1}{4} \left[\frac{2+U_{4n+2}(x)}{x\sqrt{1-x^2}} \right] \text{ (Answer)}$$

PROBLEM 3.137-Solution by Shafiqur Rahman-Bangladesh

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{f(x)}{x} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (f(x+1) - f(x)) = a; \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{(g(x))^{\frac{1}{x}}}{x} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{g(x+1)x^x}{g(x) \cdot (x+1)^{x+1}} = \frac{b}{e}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
& \text{Now, } \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (f(x))^{\cos^2 t} \left((g(x))^{\frac{\sin^2 t}{x+1}} - (g(x))^{\frac{\sin^2 t}{x}} \right) = \\
& = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{f(x)}{x} \right)^{\cos^2 t} \cdot x^{\cos^2 t} \left(\frac{(g(x))^{\frac{1}{x}}}{x} \right)^{\sin^2 t} \cdot x^{\sin^2 t} \left((g(x))^{\frac{\sin^2 t}{x(x+1)}} - 1 \right) = \\
& = a^{\cos^2 t} \cdot \left(\frac{b}{e} \right)^{\sin^2 t} \cdot \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{e^{-\frac{\sin^2 t}{x(x+1)} \ln(g(x))} - 1}{-\frac{\sin^2 t}{x(x+1)} \ln(g(x))} \cdot \ln(g(x))^{\frac{\sin^2 t}{x+1}} \right) = a^{\cos^2 t} \cdot \left(\frac{b}{e} \right)^{\sin^2 t} \cdot 1 \cdot \ln 0 \\
& \therefore \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (f(x))^{\cos^2 t} \left((g(x))^{\frac{\sin^2 t}{x+1}} - (g(x))^{\frac{\sin^2 t}{x}} \right) = -\infty
\end{aligned}$$

Note: $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\sin^2 t}{x(x+1)} \ln(g(x)) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\sin^2 t}{x+1} \ln\left(\frac{bx}{e}\right) = 0$ and $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (g(x))^{\frac{\sin^2 t}{x+1}} =$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{bx}{e} \right)^{\frac{x \sin^2 t}{x+1}} = 0$$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{f(x)}{x} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (f(x+1) - f(x)) = a; \quad \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{(g(x))^{\frac{1}{x}}}{x} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{g(x+1)x^x}{g(x) \cdot (x+1)^{x+1}} = \frac{b}{e}$$

Now, $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (f(x))^{\cos^2 t} \left((g(x))^{\frac{\sin^2 t}{x+1}} - (g(x))^{\frac{\sin^2 t}{x}} \right) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{f(x)}{x} \right)^{\cos^2 t} \cdot x^{\cos^2 t} \cdot$

$$\left(\frac{(g(x))^{\frac{1}{x}}}{x} \right)^{\sin^2 t} \cdot$$

$$\cdot x^{\sin^2 t} \left((g(x))^{\frac{\sin^2 t}{x(x+1)}} - 1 \right) = a^{\cos^2 t} \left(\frac{b}{e} \right)^{\sin^2 t} \cdot x \cdot \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(\left(\frac{bx}{e} \right)^{\frac{\sin^2 t}{x+1}} - 1 \right) =$$

$$= a^{\cos^2 t} \cdot \left(\frac{b}{e} \right)^{\sin^2 t} \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(-\frac{x \sin^2 t}{x+1} \ln\left(\frac{bx}{e}\right) + 0 \left(\frac{\ln^2\left(\frac{bx}{e}\right)}{x+1} \right) \right)$$

$$= -a^{\cos^2 t} \cdot \left(\frac{b}{e} \right)^{\sin^2 t} \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{x \sin^2 t}{x+1} \ln\left(\frac{bx}{e}\right)$$

$$\therefore \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (f(x))^{\cos^2 t} \left((g(x))^{\frac{\sin^2 t}{x+1}} - (g(x))^{\frac{\sin^2 t}{x}} \right) = -\infty$$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{f(x)}{x} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (f(x+1) - f(x)) = a; \quad \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{(g(x))^{\frac{1}{x}}}{x} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{g(x+1) \cdot x^x}{g(x)(x+1)^{x+1}} = \frac{b}{e}$$

Now, $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (g(x))^{\cos^2 t} \left(g(x+1)^{\frac{\sin^2 t}{x+1}} - (g(x))^{\frac{\sin^2 t}{x}} \right) =$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{f(x)}{x} \right)^{\cos^2 t} \cdot \left((x+1)^{\sin^2 t} \left(\frac{g(x+1)}{(x+1)^{x+1}} \right)^{\frac{\sin^2 t}{x+1}} - x^{\sin^2 t} \left(\frac{g(x)}{x^x} \right)^{\frac{\sin^2 t}{x}} \right) = \\
&= a^{\cos^2 t} \cdot \sin^2 t \cdot \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{\frac{g(x+1)}{(x+1)^{x+1}}}{\frac{g(x)}{x^x}} \right)^{\sin^2 t} \\
&\therefore \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (f(x))^{\cos^2 t} \left((g(x))^{\frac{\sin^2 t}{x+1}} - (g(x))^{\frac{\sin^2 t}{x}} \right) = a^{\cos^2 t} \cdot \sin^2 t \left(\frac{b}{e} \right)^{\sin^2 t}
\end{aligned}$$

PROBLEM 3.138-Solution by proposers

By Cesaro - Stolz theorem we have:

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{f(x)}{x} = \lim_{\substack{x \rightarrow \infty \\ n \in \mathbb{N}^*}} \frac{f(n)}{n} \stackrel{C-S}{=} \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{f(n+1) - f(n)}{(n+1) - n} = \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} (f(n+1) - f(n)) = a,$$

and by Cauchy-D'Alembert theorem we deduce that:

$$\begin{aligned}
\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{(g(x))^{\frac{1}{x}}}{x} &= \lim_{\substack{x \rightarrow \infty \\ n \in \mathbb{N}^*}} \frac{(g(n))^{\frac{1}{n}}}{n} = \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \sqrt[n]{\frac{g(n)}{n^2}} \stackrel{C-D'A}{=} \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{g(n+1)}{(n+1)^{n+1}} \cdot \frac{n^n}{g(n)} \right) = \\
&= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{g(n+1)}{ng(n)} \left(\frac{n}{n+1} \right)^{n+1} \right) = \frac{b}{e}. \text{ So, } \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} (f(x))^{\sin^2 t} \left((g(x))^{\frac{\cos^2 t}{x+1}} - (g(x))^{\frac{\cos^2 t}{x}} \right) =
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{f(x)}{x} \right)^{\sin^2 t} \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{(g(x))^{\frac{1}{x}}}{x} \right)^{\cos^2 t} (u(x) - 1)x^{\sin^2 t + \cos^2 t} = \\
&= a^{\sin^2 t} \cdot \frac{b^{\cos^2 t}}{e^{\cos^2 t}} \cdot \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{u(x) - 1}{\ln u(x)} \cdot \ln(u(x))^x \right),
\end{aligned}$$

where $u(x) = \left(\frac{(g(x+1))^{\frac{1}{x+1}}}{(g(x))^{\frac{1}{x}}} \right)^{\cos^2 t}$ with $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} u(x) = 1$, then $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{u(x)-1}{\ln u(x)} = 1$. We have:

$$\begin{aligned}
\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} (u(x))^x &= \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{(g(x+1))^{\frac{x}{x+1}}}{g(x)} \right)^{\cos^2 t} = \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{g(x+1)}{g(x)} \cdot \frac{1}{(g(x+1))^{\frac{1}{x+1}}} \right)^{\cos^2 t} = \\
&= \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{g(x+1)}{xg(x)} \cdot \frac{x+1}{(g(x+1))^{\frac{1}{x+1}}} \cdot \frac{x}{x+1} \right)^{\cos^2 t} = \left(b \cdot \frac{e}{b} \cdot 1 \right)^{\cos^2 t} = e^{\cos^2 t}
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
\text{Therefore: } \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} (f(x))^{\sin^2 t} \left((g(x))^{\frac{\cos^2 t}{x+1}} - (g(x))^{\frac{\cos^2 t}{x}} \right) &= \frac{a^{\sin^2 t} \cdot b^{\cos^2 t}}{e^{\cos^2 t}} \cdot \ln e^{\cos^2 t} = \\
&= \frac{a^{\sin^2 t} \cdot b^{\cos^2 t}}{e^{\cos^2 t}} \cdot \cos^2 t, \text{ and we are done.}
\end{aligned}$$

PROBLEM 3.139-Solution by proposers

We have: $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{(\Gamma(x+1))^{\frac{1}{x}}}{x} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{(\Gamma(n+1))^{\frac{1}{n}}}{n} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\sqrt[n]{n!}}{n} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sqrt[n]{\frac{n!}{n^n}} \stackrel{C-D'A}{=} \frac{1}{e}$

$$= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{(n+1)!}{(n+1)^{n+1}} \cdot \frac{n^n}{n!} \right) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{n}{n+1} \right)^n = \frac{1}{e}. \text{ Let}$$

$$f(x) = x^{\cosh^2 t} \left((\Gamma(x+1))^{-\frac{\sinh^2 t}{x}} - (\Gamma(x+2))^{-\frac{\sinh^2 t}{x+1}} \right) = -x^{\cosh^2 t} (\Gamma(x+1))^{-\frac{\sinh^2 t}{x}} (u(x) - 1),$$

where $u: \mathbb{R}_+^* \rightarrow \mathbb{R}, u(x) = \left(\frac{(\Gamma(x+2))^{\frac{1}{x+1}}}{(\Gamma(x+1))^{\frac{1}{x}}} \right)^{-\sinh^2 t}$. We deduce that:

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} u(x) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{(\Gamma(x+2))^{\frac{1}{x+1}}}{x+1} \cdot \frac{x}{(\Gamma(x+1))^{\frac{1}{x}}} \cdot \frac{x+1}{x} \right)^{-\sinh^2 t} = \left(\frac{1}{e} \cdot e \cdot 1 \right)^{-\sinh^2 t} = 1$$

We have, $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{u(x)-1}{\ln u(x)} = 1$. Also, we have:

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} (u(x))^x = \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{(\Gamma(x+2))^{\frac{1}{x+1}}}{(\Gamma(x+1))^{\frac{1}{x}}} \right)^{-x \sin^2 t} = \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{\Gamma(x+2)}{\Gamma(x+1)} \cdot \frac{1}{(\Gamma(x+2))^{\frac{1}{x+1}}} \right)^{-\sin^2 t} =$$

$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{x+1}{(\Gamma(x+2))^{\frac{1}{x+1}}} \right)^{-\sin^2 t} = e^{-\sin^2 t}. \text{ Therefore:}$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} f(x) = - \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \left(x^{\cosh^2 t} \left(\frac{(\Gamma(x+1))^{\frac{1}{x}}}{x} \cdot x \right)^{-\sin^2 t} \cdot \frac{u(x)-1}{\ln u(x)} \cdot \ln u(x) \right) =$$

$$= - \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \left(\left(\frac{(\Gamma(x+1))^{\frac{1}{x}}}{x} \right)^{-\sin^2 t} \cdot x^{\cosh^2 t - \sin^2 t} \cdot \frac{u(x)-1}{\ln u(x)} \cdot \ln u(x) \right) =$$

$$= - \left(\frac{1}{e} \right)^{-\sinh^2 t} \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{u(x)-1}{\ln u(x)} \cdot \ln \left(\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} (u(x))^x \right) = -e^{\sinh^2 t} \cdot 1 \cdot \ln e^{-\sinh^2 t}$$

$$= e^{\sinh^2 t} \cdot \sinh^2 t$$

PROBLEM 3.140-Solution by proposers

We have: $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{(\Gamma(x+1))^{\frac{1}{x}}}{x} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{(\Gamma(n+1))^{\frac{1}{n}}}{n} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\sqrt[n]{n!}}{n} = \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \sqrt[n]{\frac{n!}{n^n}} \stackrel{C-D'A}{=} \frac{1}{e}$

$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{(n+1)!}{(n+1)^{n+1}} \cdot \frac{n!}{n!} \right) = \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{n}{n+1} \right)^n = \frac{1}{e}. \text{ We denote:}$$

$$f(x) = x^{\sin^2 t} \left((\Gamma(x+2))^{\frac{\cos^2 t}{x+1}} - (\Gamma(x+1))^{\frac{\cos^2 t}{x}} \right) = x^{\sin^2 t} (\Gamma(x+1))^{\frac{\cos^2 t}{x}} (u(x) - 1), \text{ where}$$

$$u: \mathbb{R}_+^* \rightarrow \mathbb{R}, u(x) = \left(\frac{(\Gamma(x+2))^{\frac{1}{x+1}}}{(\Gamma(x+1))^{\frac{1}{x}}} \right)^{\cos^2 t}. \text{ We deduce that:}$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} u(x) = \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{(\Gamma(x+2))^{\frac{1}{x+1}}}{x+1} \cdot \frac{x}{(\Gamma(x+1))^{\frac{1}{x}}} \cdot \frac{x+1}{x} \right)^{\cos^2 t} = \left(\frac{1}{e} \cdot e \cdot 1 \right)^{\cos^2 t} = 1.$$

We have, $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{u(x)-1}{\ln u(x)} = 1$ and also we have:

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} (u(x))^x = \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{(\Gamma(x+2))^{\frac{1}{x+1}}}{(\Gamma(x+1))^{\frac{1}{x}}} \right)^{\cos^2 t} = \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{\Gamma(x+2)}{\Gamma(x+1)} \cdot \frac{1}{(\Gamma(x+2))^{\frac{1}{x+1}}} \right)^{\cos^2 t} =$$

$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{x+1}{(\Gamma(x+2))^{\frac{1}{x+1}}} \right)^{\cos^2 t} = e^{\cos^2 t}. \text{ Therefore:}$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} f(x) = \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \left(x^{\sin^2 t} \left(\frac{(\Gamma(x+1))^{\frac{1}{x}}}{x} \cdot x \right) \cdot \frac{u(x) - 1}{\ln u(x)} \cdot \ln u(x) \right) =$$

$$= - \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \left(\left(\frac{(\Gamma(x+1))^{\frac{1}{x}}}{x} \right)^{\cos^2 t} \cdot x^{\sin^2 t + \cos^2 t} \cdot \frac{u(x) - 1}{\ln u(x)} \cdot \ln u(x) \right) =$$

$$= e^{\cos^2 t} \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{u(x) - 1}{\ln u(x)} \cdot \ln \left(\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} (u(x))^x \right) = e^{\cos^2 t} \cdot 1 \cdot \ln e^{\cos^2 t} = e^{\cos^2 t} \cdot \cos^2 t$$

PROBLEM 3.141-Solution by Marian Ursărescu - Romania

$$L = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} n^{\sin^2 x} \left[\left(\frac{(n+3)^{n+2}}{(n+2)^{n+1}} \right)^{\cos^2 x} - \left(\frac{(n+2)^{n+1}}{(n+1)^n} \right)^{\cos^2 x} \right]$$

$$\text{Let } f: [n, n+1] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}, f(t) = \left(\frac{(t+2)^{t+1}}{(t+1)^t} \right)^{\cos^2 x}$$

From Lagrange's theorem we have: $\exists c \in (n, n+1)$ such that $f(n+1) - f(n) = f'(c) \Rightarrow$

$$L = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} n^{\sin^2 x} (f(n+1) - f(n)) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} n^{\sin^2 x} f'(c) \quad (1)$$

$$f(t) = \left((t+2) \left(\frac{t+2}{t+1} \right)^t \right)^{\cos^2 x} = (t+2)^{\cos^2 x} \left(1 + \frac{1}{t+1} \right)^{t \cos^2 x}$$

$$f'(t) = \cos^2 x (t+2)^{\cos^2 x - 1} \left(1 + \frac{1}{t+1} \right)^{t \cos^2 x} + (t+2)^{\cos^2 x}.$$

$$\cdot \left(\left(1 + \left(\frac{1}{t+1} \right) \right)^{t \cos^2 x} \left(\cos^2 x \cdot \ln \left(1 + \frac{1}{t+1} \right) \right) + \tan^2 x \cdot \frac{-\frac{1}{t+1}}{1 + \frac{1}{t+1}} \right) \Rightarrow$$

$$f'(t) = \cos^2 x \left(1 + \frac{1}{t+1} \right)^{t \cos^2 x} \left[(t+2)^{-\sin^2 x} + (t+2)^{\cos^2 x} \left(\ln \left(1 + \frac{1}{t+1} \right) - \frac{t}{(t+1)(t+2)} \right) \right] \quad (2)$$

From (1)+(2) and because $c \in (n, n+1)$ we must calculate:

$$L = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} n^{\sin^2 x} \cdot \cos^2 x \left(1 + \frac{1}{n+1} \right)^{\cos^2 x} \left[(n+2)^{-\sin^2 x} + (n+2)^{\cos^2 x} \left(\ln \left(1 + \frac{1}{n+1} \right) - \frac{n}{(n+1)(n+2)} \right) \right] \quad (3)$$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \cos^2 x \left(1 + \frac{1}{n+1} \right)^{n \cos^2 x} = \cos^2 x \cdot e^{\cos^2 x} \quad (4)$$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{n+2}{n} \right)^{\sin^2 x} + (n+2)^{\cos^2 x - 1} \cdot n \cdot n^{\sin^2 x} \left(\ln \left(1 + \frac{1}{n+1} \right) - \frac{n}{(n+1)(n+2)} \right)$$

$$= 1 + \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{n}{n+2} \right)^{\sin^2 x} \cdot \left(\frac{\ln \left(1 + \frac{1}{n+1} \right)}{\frac{1}{n}} - \frac{n}{(n+1)(n+2)} \right) =$$

$$1 + 1(1-1) = 1 \quad (5)$$

$$\text{From (3)+(4)+(5)} \Rightarrow L = \cos^2 x e^{\cos^2 x}$$

PROBLEM 3.142-Solution by Shafiqur Rahman-Bangladesh

$$-\ln(mn + x_n) + \sum_{k=1}^{mn} \frac{1}{k} = \gamma \Rightarrow \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n = \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \left(e^{\left(\sum_{k=1}^{mn} \frac{1}{k} - \gamma \right)} - mn \right) =$$

$$= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(e^{\left(\sum_{k=1}^{mn} \frac{1}{k} - \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{1}{k} + \ln n \right)} - mn \right) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} n \left(e^{\left(\sum_{k=n+1}^{mn} \frac{1}{k} \right)} - m \right) =$$

$$= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(e^{\int_1^{m} \frac{dx}{x}} - m \right) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} n(e^{\ln m} - m) \therefore \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n = 0$$

PROBLEM 3.143-Solution by Soumitra Mandal-Chandar Nagore-India

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} n(\gamma_n(a, b) - \gamma(a, b)) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\gamma_n(a, b) - \gamma(a, b)}{\frac{1}{n}} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\gamma_{n+1}(a, b) - \gamma_n(a, b)}{\frac{1}{n+1} - \frac{1}{n}}$$

$$= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\sum_{k=1}^{n+1} \frac{1}{k+b} - \ln(n+1+a) - \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{1}{k+b} + \ln(n+a)}{\frac{1}{n+1} - \frac{1}{n}}$$

$$= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\ln \left(1 + \frac{1}{n+a} \right) - \frac{1}{n+1+b}}{\frac{1}{(n+1)}} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\ln \left(1 + \frac{1}{n} \right) - \frac{1}{n+1}}{\frac{1}{n(n+1)}} =$$

$$= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\left(1 + \frac{1}{n} \right) \ln \left(1 + \frac{1}{n} \right) - \frac{1}{n}}{\frac{1}{n^2}} =$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= \lim_{\substack{x \rightarrow 0 \\ x > 0}} \frac{(1+x) \ln(1+x) - x}{x^2} \stackrel{L'HOSPITAL}{=} \lim_{\substack{x \rightarrow 0 \\ x > 0}} \frac{\ln(1+x) + 1 - 1}{2x} = \frac{1}{2} \lim_{\substack{x \rightarrow 0 \\ x > 0}} \ln \sqrt[3]{1+x} = \\
 &= \frac{\ln e}{2} = \frac{1}{2} \\
 &\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(\ln \frac{e}{n+a} + \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{1}{k+b} - \gamma(a,b) \right)^n = e^{b-a+\frac{1}{2}}
 \end{aligned}$$

PROBLEM 3.144-Solution by proposer

If $a, b \geq 0$ then: $(a^2 + 1)(b^2 + 1) = (a^2b^2 + 1) + a^2 + b^2 \geq a^2 + 2ab + b^2 = (a + b)^2$
 $\prod(a^2 + 1)^2 \geq \prod(a^2 + 1)(b^2 + 1) \geq \prod(a + b)^2$ therefore $\prod(a^2 + 1) \geq \prod(a + b)$
 We take $a = \sinh x, b = \sinh y, c = \sinh z \Rightarrow \prod \cosh^2 x = \prod(1 + \sinh^2 x) \geq$
 $\geq \prod(\sinh x + \sinh y) = \prod 2 \sinh \frac{x+y}{2} \cosh \frac{x-y}{2} =$
 $= 2 \prod \sinh \frac{x+y}{2} \cdot (4 \prod \sinh \frac{x-y}{2}) = 2 \prod \sinh \frac{x+y}{2} (1 + \sum \cosh(x-y))$

PROBLEM 3.145-Solution by Ruanghaw Chaokha-Chiangrai-Thailand

$$\begin{aligned}
 \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (x_{n+1} - x_n) = x \Rightarrow L &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{(n+1)x_{n+1}}{n^{n+1}\sqrt{(2n+1)!!}} - \frac{nx_n}{n^n\sqrt{(2n-1)!!}} \right) = ?? \\
 \text{Stolz-Cesaro; } \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (a_n - a_{n-1}) &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{a_n}{n}; a_n = \frac{(n+1)x_{n+1}}{n^{n+1}\sqrt{(2n+1)!!}} \\
 L &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{(n+1)x_{n+1}}{n \cdot n^{n+1}\sqrt{(2n+1)!!}} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{x_{n+1}}{n^{n+1}\sqrt{(2n+1)!!}} \stackrel{n \rightarrow n-1}{=} \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{x_n}{n^n\sqrt{(2n-1)!!}} \\
 \text{Again, Stolz - Cesaro; } \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{x_n}{y_n} &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{x_n - x_{n-1}}{y_n - y_{n-1}}; y_n = n^n\sqrt{(2n-1)!!} \\
 L &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{x_n - x_{n-1}}{n^n\sqrt{(2n-1)!!} - n^{n-1}\sqrt{(2n-3)!!}} = \frac{\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (x_n - x_{n-1})}{\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (n^n\sqrt{(2n-1)!!} - n^{n-1}\sqrt{(2n-3)!!})} = \frac{x}{K} \rightarrow * \\
 a_n = n^n\sqrt{(2n-1)!!} \Rightarrow K &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{n^n\sqrt{(2n-1)!!}}{n} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sqrt[n]{\frac{(2n-1)!!}{n^n}} \\
 \text{And Stolz-Cesaro again; } \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sqrt[n]{a_n} &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{a_n}{a_{n-1}}; a_n = \frac{(2n-1)!!}{n^n} \\
 K &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{(2n-1)!!}{n^n} \cdot \frac{(n-1)^{n-1}}{(2n-3)!!} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{(2n-1)}{(n-1)} \cdot \left(\frac{n-1}{n}\right)^n = \\
 &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{(2n-1)}{(n-1)} \cdot \left(1 - \frac{1}{n}\right)^n = 2e^{-1}; *, \therefore L = \frac{xe}{2}
 \end{aligned}$$

PROBLEM 3.146-Solution by Remus Florin Stanca-Romania

$$l = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} n^{\sin^2 t} \sqrt[n]{(f(1) \cdot \dots \cdot f(n))^{\cos^2 t}} \left(\left(\frac{n+1}{n}\right)^{\sin^2 t} \cdot \left(\frac{n^{n+1}\sqrt{f(1) \cdot \dots \cdot f(n+1)}}{n^n\sqrt{f(1) \cdot \dots \cdot f(n)}}\right) - 1 \right)$$

$$= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} n \cdot \sqrt[n]{\left(\frac{f(1) \cdot \dots \cdot f(n)}{n^n}\right)^{\cos^2 t}} \cdot \left(\left(\frac{n+1}{n} \right)^{\tan^2 t} \cdot \frac{\sqrt[n+1]{f(1) \cdot \dots \cdot f(n+1)}}{\sqrt[n]{f(1) \cdot \dots \cdot f(n)}} - 1 \right)^{\cos^2 t}$$

We know that $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(\sqrt[n+1]{f(1) \cdot \dots \cdot f(n+1)} - \sqrt[n]{f(1) \cdot \dots \cdot f(n)} \right) = \frac{a}{e}$ and $\lim_{x \rightarrow 1} \frac{x^a - 1}{x - 1} = a$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sqrt[n]{\frac{f(1) \cdot \dots \cdot f(n)}{n^n}} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} e^{\frac{\ln f(1) \cdot \dots \cdot f(n)}{n}} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} e^{\frac{\ln f(n+1)}{n+1}} = \frac{a}{e}$$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} n \cdot \left(\left(\frac{n+1}{n} \cdot \frac{\sqrt[n+1]{\prod_{k=1}^{n+1} f(k)}}{\sqrt[n]{\prod_{k=1}^n f(k)}} \right)^{\tan^2 t} - 1 \right) =$$

$$\tan^2 t \cdot \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} n \cdot \left(\frac{n+1}{n} \cdot \frac{\sqrt[n+1]{f(1) \cdot \dots \cdot f(n+1)}}{\sqrt[n]{f(1) \cdot \dots \cdot f(n)}} - 1 \right) =$$

$$\tan^2 t \cdot \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{(n+1) \sqrt[n+1]{f(1) \cdot \dots \cdot f(n+1)} - n \sqrt[n]{f(1) \cdot \dots \cdot f(n)}}{\sqrt[n]{f(1) \cdot \dots \cdot f(n)}} =$$

$$t = \tan^2 t \cdot \frac{e}{a} \cdot \left(\frac{a}{e} + \frac{a}{e} \right) = 2 \tan^2 t$$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} n \cdot \left(\left(\frac{\sqrt[n+1]{f(1) \cdot \dots \cdot f(n+1)}}{\sqrt[n]{f(1) \cdot \dots \cdot f(n)}} \right)^{\tan^2 t - 1} - 1 \right) =$$

$$(\tan^2 t - 1) \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} n \cdot \left(\frac{\sqrt[n+1]{f(1) \cdot \dots \cdot f(n+1)}}{\sqrt[n]{f(1) \cdot \dots \cdot f(n)}} - 1 \right) = (\tan^2 t - 1) \cdot \frac{e}{a} \cdot \frac{a}{e} = \tan^2 t - 1$$

$$\Rightarrow l_1 = \tan^2 t + 1 \Rightarrow l = \left(\frac{a}{e} \right)^{\cos^2 t} \cdot \cos^2 t \cdot (\tan^2 t + 1) = \left(\frac{a}{e} \right)^{\cos^2 t} \Rightarrow l = \left(\frac{a}{e} \right)^{\cos^2 t}$$

PROBLEM 3.147-Solution by Soumava Chakraborty-Kolkata-India

$$\sum \frac{r_a^2}{\tan \frac{B}{2} \tan \frac{C}{2}} = \sum \frac{r_a^3}{s \prod \tan \frac{A}{2}} = \frac{\sum r_a^3}{s \left(\frac{r}{4R} \right) \left(\frac{4R}{s} \right)} = \frac{\sum r_a^3}{r} \geq \frac{9 \sum a^2}{4} \Leftrightarrow 4 \sum r_a^3 \stackrel{(1)}{\geq} 9r \sum a^2$$

$$\text{Now, } \sum r_a^3 = (\sum r_a)^3 - 3 \prod (r_a + r_b) = (4R + r)^3 - 3(2r_a r_b r_c + \sum r_a r_b (\sum r_a - r_c)) =$$

$$= (4R + r)^3 - 3((4R + r)s^2 - rs^2) \stackrel{(2)}{=} (4R + r)^3 - 12Rs^2$$

$$\text{Now, RHS of (1)} \stackrel{\text{Leibniz}}{\leq} 81R^2 r \stackrel{?}{\leq} 4 \sum r_a^3 \Leftrightarrow 4(4R + r)^3 - 48Rs^2 \stackrel{?}{\geq} 81R^2 r \text{ (by (2))}$$

$$\Leftrightarrow 4(4R + r)^3 - 81R^2 r \stackrel{?}{\geq} 48s^2. \text{ Now, RHS of (3)} \stackrel{\text{Gerretsen}}{\leq} 48R(4R^2 + 4Rr + 3r^2)$$

$$\stackrel{?}{\leq} 4(4R + r)^3 - 81R^2 r \Leftrightarrow 64t^3 - 81t^2 - 96t + 4 \stackrel{?}{\geq} 0 \left(t = \frac{R}{r} \right)$$

$$\Leftrightarrow (t - 2)(64t^2 + 47t - 2) \stackrel{?}{\geq} 0 \rightarrow \text{true} \because t \stackrel{\text{Euler}}{\geq} 2 \text{ (Proved)}$$

PROBLEM 3.148-Solution by Marian Ursărescu-Romania

We use Vasc's inequality: $\forall a, b, c \in \mathbb{R} \Rightarrow (a^2 + b^2 + c^2)^2 \geq 3(a^3b + b^3c + c^2a) \Rightarrow$

$$\Rightarrow \sqrt{3(a^3b + b^3c + c^3a)} \leq a^2 + b^2 + c^2 \Rightarrow \text{inequality becomes:}$$

$$\left. \begin{aligned} 2(a^2 + b^2 + c^2) + 3 &\geq 3\sqrt{abc}(a^2 + b^2 + c^2) \quad (1) \\ \sqrt{abc} &\leq \frac{a+bc}{2} \Rightarrow \sqrt{abc}(a^2 + b^2 + c^2) \leq \frac{(a+bc)}{2}(a^2 + b^2 + c^2) \\ \sqrt{abc} &\leq \frac{b+ac}{2} \Rightarrow \sqrt{abc}(a^2 + b^2 + c^2) \leq \frac{(b+ac)}{2}(a^2 + b^2 + c^2) \\ \sqrt{abc} &\leq \frac{c+ab}{2} \Rightarrow \sqrt{abc}(a^2 + b^2 + c^2) \leq \frac{(c+ab)}{2}(a^2 + b^2 + c^2) \end{aligned} \right\} \Rightarrow$$

$$3\sqrt{abc}(a^2 + b^2 + c^2) \leq \frac{(a^2+b^2+c^2)}{3}(3+ab+ac+bc) \quad (2)$$

$$\text{From (1)+(2) we must show: } 2(a^2 + b^2 + c^2) + 3 \geq \frac{a^2+b^2+c^2}{2}(3+ab+ac+bc) \Leftrightarrow$$

$$4(a^2 + b^2 + c^2) + 6 \geq 3(a^2 + b^2 + c^2) + (a^2 + b^2 + c^2)(ab + ac + bc) \Leftrightarrow$$

$$a^2 + b^2 + c^2 + 6 \geq (a^2 + b^2 + c^2)(ab + ac + bc) \quad (3)$$

$$\text{Because } a, b, c > 0 \text{ such that } a + b + c = 3 \Rightarrow \exists x, y, z > 0 \text{ such that: } a = \frac{3x}{x+y+z},$$

$$b = \frac{3y}{x+y+z}, c = \frac{3z}{x+y+z}. \text{ Inequality (3) becomes: } 9 \left(\frac{x^2+y^2+z^2}{(x+y+z)^2} \right) + 6 \geq \frac{9(x^2+y^2+z^2)}{(x+y+z)^2} \cdot \frac{9(xy+xz+yz)}{(x+y+z)^2}$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \frac{3(x^2 + y^2 + z^2)}{(x + y + z)^2} + 2 \geq \frac{27(x^2 + y^2 + z^2)(xy + xz + yz)}{(x + y + z)^4} \Leftrightarrow$$

$$\Leftrightarrow 3(x^2 + y^2 + z^2)(x + y + z)^2 + 2(x + y + z)^4 \geq 27(x^2 + y^2 + z^2)(xy + xz + yz) \quad (4)$$

Now, using Cartoaje's theorem: If $f_4(x, y, z)$ is an symmetric polynomial function of degree

$$n = 4 \text{ then: } f_4(x, y, z) \geq 0, \forall x, y, z \geq 0 \Leftrightarrow x = 0 \text{ and } y = z$$

(if and only if)

$$\text{In our case let } f_4(x, y, z) = 3(x^2 + y^2 + z^2)(x + y + z)^2 + 2(x + y + z)^4 =$$

$$= 2t(x^2 + y^2 + z^2)(xy + xz + yz)$$

$$f_4(0, y, y) = 3 \cdot 2y^2 \cdot 4y^2 + 2 \cdot 2^4 y^4 - 27 \cdot 2y^2 \cdot y^2 =$$

$$24y^4 + 32y^4 - 54y^4 = 2y^4 \geq 0 \Rightarrow \text{inequality (4) its true.}$$

PROBLEM 3.149-Solution by proposer

$$S = \sum_{k=-l}^l \left[(-1)^k \binom{2l}{l+k} \binom{2m}{m+k} \binom{2n}{n+k} \right]$$

Assuming that, $l = \min(l, m, n)$. This reduces to the series,

$$\frac{(-1)^l (2m)! (2n)!}{(m-l)! (m+l)! (n-l)! (n+l)!} 3^{f_2} \left(\begin{matrix} -2l, -m-l, -n-l \\ m-l+1, n-l+1 \end{matrix}; 1 \right)$$

Now, Applying Dixon's formula, we get $\Rightarrow 3^{f_2} \left(\begin{matrix} -2l-2\varepsilon, -m-l-\varepsilon, -n-l-\varepsilon \\ m-l-\varepsilon+1, n-l-\varepsilon+1 \end{matrix}; 1 \right)$

$$= \frac{\Gamma(1-l-\varepsilon)\Gamma(1+m-l-\varepsilon)\Gamma(1+m+n+l+\varepsilon)}{\Gamma(1-2l-2\varepsilon)\Gamma(1+m)\Gamma(1+n)\Gamma(1+m+n)}$$

Now, apply Euler's reflection formula, we get,

$$\frac{\sin \pi(2l+2\varepsilon)}{\sin \pi(l+\varepsilon)} \cdot \frac{\Gamma(2l+2\varepsilon)}{\Gamma(l+\varepsilon)} \cdot \frac{\Gamma(1+m-l-\varepsilon)\Gamma(1+n-l-\varepsilon)\Gamma(1+m+n+l+\varepsilon)}{\Gamma(1+m)\Gamma(1+n)\Gamma(1+m+n)}$$

$$\text{As the limit } \varepsilon \rightarrow 0, \text{ this expression gives } \Rightarrow 2(-1)^l \frac{(2l-1)!}{(l-1)!} \cdot \frac{(m-l)!(n-l)!(m+n+l)!}{m!n!(m+n)!}$$

$$(or) S = \frac{(l+m+n)!(2l)!(2m)!(2n)!}{(l+m)!(l+n)!(m+n)!l!m!n!} \text{ (Answer)}$$

PROBLEM 3.150-Solution by proposer

$$S = \sum_{k=-l}^l [(-1)^k \binom{2l}{l+k} \binom{2m}{m+k} \binom{2n}{n+k}]$$

Assuming that, $l = \min(l, m, n)$. This reduces to the series,

$$\frac{(-1)^l (2m)!(2n)!}{(m-l)!(m+l)!(n-l)!(n+l)!} {}_3F_2 \left(\begin{matrix} -2l, -m-l, -n-l \\ m-l+1, n-l+1 \end{matrix}; 1 \right)$$

Now, Applying Dixon's formula, we get $\Rightarrow {}_3F_2 \left(\begin{matrix} -2l-2\varepsilon, -m-l-\varepsilon, -n-l-\varepsilon \\ m-l-\varepsilon+1, n-l-\varepsilon+1 \end{matrix}; 1 \right)$

$$= \frac{\Gamma(1-l-\varepsilon)\Gamma(1+m-l-\varepsilon)\Gamma(1+m+n+l+\varepsilon)}{\Gamma(1-2l-2\varepsilon)\Gamma(1+m)\Gamma(1+n)\Gamma(1+m+n)}$$

Now, apply Euler's reflection formula, we get,

$$\frac{\sin \pi(2l+2\varepsilon)}{\sin \pi(l+\varepsilon)} \cdot \frac{\Gamma(2l+2\varepsilon)}{\Gamma(l+\varepsilon)} \cdot \frac{\Gamma(1+m-l-\varepsilon)\Gamma(1+n-l-\varepsilon)\Gamma(1+m+n+l+\varepsilon)}{\Gamma(1+m)\Gamma(1+n)\Gamma(1+m+n)}$$

As the limit $\varepsilon \rightarrow 0$, this expression gives $\Rightarrow 2(-1)^l \frac{(2l-1)!}{(l-1)!} \cdot \frac{(m-l)!(n-l)!(m+n+l)!}{m!n!(m+n)!}$

$$(or) S = \frac{(l+m+n)!(2l)!(2m)!(2n)!}{(l+m)!(l+n)!(m+n)!l!m!n!} \text{ (Answer)}$$

PROBLEM 3.151-Solution by Michael Sterghiou-Greece

$$A = a_1 + a_2 + \dots + a_n + (1 - a_1)(1 - a_2) \cdot \dots \cdot (1 - a_n) \quad (1)$$

From Weierstrass product inequality we have $\prod_{k=1}^n (1 - a_k) \geq 1 - \sum_{k=1}^n a_k$ (*) which gives immediately $\min A = 1$ when $a_k = 0 \forall k \in \{1, 2, \dots, n\}$. Now,

$$\prod_{k=1}^n (1 - a_k) \leq \left[\frac{\sum_{k=1}^n (1 - a_k)}{n} \right]^n \text{ from AM-GM given } 1 - a_k \geq 0 \forall k \text{ or}$$

$$\prod_{k=1}^n (1 - a_k) \leq \left(1 - \frac{S_n}{n} \right)^n \text{ where } S_n = \sum_{k=1}^n a_k \text{ (1) becomes } A \leq S_n + \left(1 - \frac{S_n}{n} \right)^n$$

Let $S_n = x, x \in [0, n]: f(x) = x + \left(1 - \frac{x}{n} \right)^n, f'(x) = 1 - \left(1 - \frac{x}{n} \right)^{n-1} > 0$ as $\frac{x}{n} \leq 1,$

$0 \leq \left(1 - \frac{x}{n} \right)^{n-1} \leq 1$ so $f(x) \uparrow$. This means $f(x) \leq f(n)$ or

$$S_n + \left(1 - \frac{S_n}{n} \right)^n \leq n + \left(1 - \frac{n}{n} \right)^n = n. \text{ Therefore } A \leq n \text{ and } A_{\max} = n \text{ when } a_k = 1 \forall k \in \{1, 2, \dots, n\}$$

* proved easily by induction over n .

PROBLEM 3.152-Solution by Nassim Nicholas Taleb-USA

Solution with probabilistic commentary:

$$\text{There are } \frac{n(n-1)}{2} \text{ distinct terms of } \sum_{j=1}^n \sum_{i=1}^{j-1} a_i a_j, \sum_{j=1}^n \sum_{i=1}^{j-1} 1 = \frac{n(n-1)}{2}$$

Note that we have the lower or upper half of a symmetric square matrix minus the diagonal a_i^2 .

The average term $a_i a_j \geq 1$, allora the mean $a_i^2 \geq 1$. In probabilistic terms:

$$\mathbb{E}(a_i a_{j \neq i}) \leq \mathbb{E}(a^2)$$

Proof: (Cauchy – Schwarz): $\left(\frac{2}{n(n-1)} \sum_{j=1}^n \sum_{i=1}^{j-1} a_i a_j\right)^2 \leq \left(\frac{1}{n} \sum_{j=1}^n a_i^2\right) \left(\frac{1}{n} \sum_{j=1}^n a_j^2\right) = \left(\frac{1}{n} \sum_{j=1}^n a_i^2\right)^2$

hence, since all a_i are positive: $\frac{1}{n} \sum_{j=1}^n a_i^2 \geq 1$

by Harmonic/Arithmetic Mean inequality, $\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{a_i^2+n-1} \geq \frac{n}{\sum_{i=1}^n (a_i^2+n-1)} = \frac{n}{\sum_{i=1}^n a_i^2+n^2-n}$

allora $\frac{n^2}{\sum_{i=1}^n a_i^2+n^2-n} \leq 1$ when $\frac{1}{n} \sum_{j=1}^n a_i^2 \geq 1$.

PROBLEM 3.153-Solution by Yen Tung Chung-Taichung-Taiwan

$$\begin{aligned} \Omega &= \int_0^1 \int_0^\infty \left(\frac{x^{100}}{100^x}\right) (y \ln y)^{100} dx dy = \left(\int_0^1 (y \ln y)^{100} dy\right) \left(\int_0^\infty \frac{x^{100}}{100^x} dx\right) \\ &= \left(\frac{100!}{101^{101}}\right) \left(\frac{100!}{(\ln 100)^{101}}\right) = \frac{(100!)^2}{(101 \ln 100)^{101}} \\ &\quad \text{where} \\ &\quad \text{let } t = -\ln y \Rightarrow y = e^{-t}, dy = -e^{-t} dt \\ \int_0^1 (y \ln y)^{100} dy &= \int_0^\infty (-te^{-t})^{100} (-e^{-t} dt) = \int_0^\infty t^{100} e^{-101t} dt = \frac{\Gamma(101)}{101^{101}} = \frac{100!}{101^{101}} \\ \int_0^\infty \frac{x^{100}}{100^x} dx &= \int_0^\infty x^{100} e^{-x \ln 100} dx = \frac{\Gamma(101)}{(\ln 100)^{101}} = \frac{100!}{(\ln 100)^{101}} \end{aligned}$$

PROBLEM 3.154-Solution by proposers

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Let be: } v_n &= {}^{2n}\sqrt{n!} + {}^{2n+2}\sqrt{(n+1)!}; n \in \mathbb{N}^* \\ x_n &= \frac{1}{\sqrt[n]{a_n}} \sum_{k=1}^n \left[\left({}^{2k}\sqrt{k!} + {}^{2k+2}\sqrt{(k+1)!} \right)^2 \right] = \frac{1}{\sqrt[n]{a_n}} \sum_{k=1}^n [v_k^2]; n \in \mathbb{N}^* \\ \Omega &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{n^2}{\sqrt[n]{a_n}} \cdot \frac{1}{n^2} \sum_{k=1}^n [v_k^2] \\ \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{n^2}{\sqrt[n]{a_n}} &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sqrt[n]{\frac{n^{2n}}{a_n}} \stackrel{CDA}{=} \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{(n+1)^{2n+2}}{a_{n+1}} \cdot \frac{a_n}{n^{2n}} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{n^2 a_n}{a_{n+1}} \cdot \left(\frac{n+1}{n}\right)^{2n+2} = \frac{e^2}{a} \\ &\quad \text{and } \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\sqrt[n]{n!}}{n} = e. \\ \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n^2} \sum_{k=1}^n [v_k^2] &\stackrel{CS}{=} \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\sum_{k=1}^{n+1} [v_k^2] - \sum_{k=1}^n [v_k^2]}{(n+1)^2 - n^2} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{[v_{n+1}^2]}{2n+1} \\ &\quad [v_n^2] \leq v_n^2 < [v_n^2] + 1; n \in \mathbb{N}^* \\ \frac{[v_n^2]}{2n+1} &\leq \frac{v_n^2}{2n+1} < \frac{[v_n^2]}{2n+1} + \frac{1}{2n+1}; n \in \mathbb{N}^* \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{[v_n^2]}{2n+1} &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{v_n^2}{2n+1} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\left({}^{2n}\sqrt{n!} + {}^{2n+2}\sqrt{(n+1)!} \right)^2}{2n+1} = \\ &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{{}^n\sqrt{n!}}{2n+1} + 2 \sqrt{\frac{{}^n\sqrt{n!}}{n} \cdot \sqrt{\frac{{}^{n+1}\sqrt{(n+1)!}}{n+1}} \cdot \frac{\sqrt{n(n+1)}}{2n+1}} + \frac{{}^{n+1}\sqrt{(n+1)!}}{n+1} \cdot \frac{n+1}{2n+1} \right) = \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{1}{e} + \frac{2}{e} + \frac{1}{e} \right) = \frac{2}{e} \text{ then:} \\ \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n &= \frac{e^2}{a} \cdot \frac{2}{e} = \frac{2e}{a} \end{aligned}$$

PROBLEM 3.155-Solution by Serban George Florin-Romania

$$\begin{aligned} (1+x)^\alpha &> 1+\alpha x, \text{ Bernoulli} \Rightarrow x^\alpha > 1+\alpha(x-1) \Rightarrow \\ &\Rightarrow \left(\frac{a^2 x^2}{yz} \right)^{m+1} > 1+(m+1) \left(\frac{a^2 x^2}{yz} - 1 \right) \\ &\left(\frac{b^2 y^2}{xz} \right)^{m+1} > 1+(m+1) \left(\frac{b^2 y^2}{xz} - 1 \right) \\ &\left(\frac{c^2 z^2}{xy} \right)^{m+1} > 1+(m+1) \left(\frac{c^2 z^2}{xy} - 1 \right) \\ &\Rightarrow 3m + \sum \left(\frac{a^2 x^2}{yz} \right)^{m+1} > 3+(m+1) \left(\sum \frac{a^2 x^2}{yz} - 3 \right) + 3m = \\ &= 3+(m+1) \sum \frac{a^2 x^2}{yz} - 3(m+1) + 3m = (m+1) \sum \frac{a^2 x^2}{yz} \geq 4(m+1)\sqrt{3}S \\ &\Rightarrow \sum \frac{a^2 x^2}{yz} \geq 4\sqrt{3}S \\ &\sum \frac{a^2 x^2}{yz} \stackrel{(Ma \geq Mg)}{\geq} 3 \sqrt[3]{\prod \frac{a^2 x^2}{yz}} = 3 \sqrt[3]{a^2 b^2 c^2} = 4\sqrt{3}S \\ &3 \sqrt[3]{a^2 b^2 c^2} \geq 4\sqrt{3}S, 27(abc)^2 \geq (4\sqrt{3}S)^3 \Rightarrow \\ &\Rightarrow (abc)^2 \geq \left(\frac{4\sqrt{3}S}{3} \right)^3, (abc)^2 \geq \left(\frac{4S}{\sqrt{3}} \right)^3, \text{ true as in the inequality Carlitz.} \end{aligned}$$

PROBLEM 3.156-Solution by Marian Ursărescu - Romania

From A.M-G.M. inequality \Rightarrow

$$\sum_{k=1}^n t_k x_k \left(\sum_{k=1}^n \frac{t_k}{x_k} \right)^{ab+bc} \leq \left(\frac{\sum_{k=1}^n t_k x_k + (ab+bc) \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{t_k}{x_k}}{1+ab+bc} \right)^{1+ab+bc} \quad (1)$$

From (1) we must show this:

$$\left(\frac{\sum_{k=1}^n t_k x_k + (ab+bc) \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{t_k}{x_k}}{1+ab+bc} \right)^{1+ab+bc} \leq \left(\frac{a+b+c}{1+ab+bc} \right)^{1+ab+bc} \left(\sum_{k=1}^n t_k \right)^{1+ab+bc}$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \sum_{k=1}^n t_k x_k + (ab + bc) \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{t_k}{x_k} \leq (a + b + c) \sum_{k=1}^n t_k \quad (2)$$

But $x_k \in [b, c] \Rightarrow b \leq x_k \leq c \Rightarrow (x_k - b)(c - x_k) \geq 0 \Rightarrow x_k^2 - (b + c)x_k + bc \leq 0 \Leftrightarrow$

$$\Leftrightarrow x_k^2 + bc \leq (b + c)x_k \Rightarrow x_k + \frac{bc}{x_k} \leq b + c \Rightarrow$$

$$t_k x_k + bc \frac{t_k}{x_k} \leq (b + c)t_k \Rightarrow \sum_{k=1}^n t_k x_k + bc \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{t_k}{x_k} \leq (b + c) \sum_{k=1}^n t_k \Rightarrow$$

$$\sum_{k=1}^n t_k x_k + (ab + bc) \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{t_k}{x_k} \leq ab \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{t_k}{x_k} + (b + c) \sum_{k=1}^n t_k \quad (3)$$

From (2)+(3) we must show:

$$ab \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{t_k}{x_k} + (b + c) \sum_{k=1}^n t_k \leq (a + b + c) \sum_{k=1}^n t_k \Leftrightarrow ab \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{t_k}{x_k} \leq a \sum_{k=1}^n t_k \Leftrightarrow$$

$$b \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{t_k}{x_k} \leq \sum_{k=1}^n t_k \quad (4)$$

But $x_k \geq b \Rightarrow \frac{1}{x_k} \leq \frac{1}{b} \Rightarrow \frac{t_k}{x_k} \leq \frac{t_k}{b} \Rightarrow \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{t_k}{x_k} \leq \frac{1}{b} \sum_{k=1}^n t_k \Rightarrow b \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{t_k}{x_k} \leq \sum_{k=1}^n t_k \Rightarrow$

(4) is true.

PROBLEM 3.157-Solution by Marian Ursărescu-Romania

We must show:

$$\frac{h_a^{m+1}}{h_a^m h_b^m h_c^m (x h_b + y h_c)^m} + \frac{h_b^{m+1}}{(h_a h_b h_c)^m (x h_c + y h_a)^m} + \frac{h_c^{m+1}}{(h_a h_b h_c)^m (x h_a + y h_b)^m} \geq \frac{9}{(x+y)^m s^{2m} r^{m-1}} \quad (1)$$

From Hölder's inequality we have:

$$\frac{1}{(h_a h_b h_c)^m} \cdot \sum \frac{h_a^{m+1}}{(x h_b + y h_c)^m} \geq \frac{1}{(h_a h_b h_c)^m} \cdot \frac{(h_a + h_b + h_c)^{m+1}}{(x + y)^m (h_a + h_b + h_c)^m} \Leftrightarrow$$

$$\sum \frac{h_a}{h_b^m h_c^m (x h_c + y h_a)^m} \geq \frac{(h_a + h_b + h_c)}{(h_a h_b h_c)^m (x + y)^m} \quad (2)$$

From (2) we must show: $\frac{h_a + h_b + h_c}{(h_a h_b h_c)^m (x + y)^m} \geq \frac{9}{(x + y)^m s^{2m} r^{m-1}} \Leftrightarrow$

$$\frac{h_a + h_b + h_c}{(h_a h_b h_c)^m} \geq \frac{9}{s^{2m} r^{m-1}} \quad (3)$$

Because $h_a + h_b + h_c \geq 9r$ (4). From (3) + (4) \Rightarrow

$$\frac{9r}{(h_a h_b h_c)^m} \geq \frac{9}{s^{2m} r^{m-1}} \Leftrightarrow \frac{1}{(h_a h_b h_c)^m} \geq \frac{1}{s^{2m} r^m}$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \frac{1}{h_a h_b h_c} \geq \frac{1}{s^2 r} \Leftrightarrow h_a h_b h_c \leq s^2 r \quad (5)$$

But $h_a h_b h_c = \frac{2s^2 r^2}{R}$ (6). From (5)+(6) we must show:

$$\frac{2s^2 r^2}{R} \leq s^2 r \Leftrightarrow 2r \leq R \quad \text{true (Euler)}$$

PROBLEM 3.158-Solution by proposer

We know, $\frac{1}{2} \int_a^b g(x) \cot\left(\frac{ax}{2}\right) dx = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \int_a^b g(x) \sin(anx) dx$

put, $g(x) = x^2 \log(x)$, $a = \pi$ and $(a, b) = (0, 1)$. Now,

$$\frac{1}{2} \int_0^1 x^2 \log(x) \cot\left(\frac{\pi x}{2}\right) dx = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \int_0^1 x^2 \log(x) \sin(\pi n x) dx \quad (1)$$

We have that, $\int x^2 \log(x) \sin(ax) dx = \frac{3 \cos ax}{a^3} + \frac{x \sin ax}{a^2} + \left(\frac{2 \cos ax + 2ax \sin ax - a^2 x^2 \cos ax}{a^3} \right)$

$$\log(x) - \frac{2 Ci(ax)}{a^3} \therefore \int_0^1 x^2 \log(x) \sin(\pi nx) dx =$$

$$= \frac{(-1)^n 3}{n^3 \pi^3} - \frac{3}{n^3 \pi^3} - \frac{2 Ci(n\pi)}{n^3 \pi^3} + \frac{2(\gamma + \log n\pi)}{n^3 \pi^3}$$

From (1) we get,

$$\frac{1}{2} \int_0^1 x^2 \log(x) \cot\left(\frac{\pi x}{2}\right) dx = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left(\frac{(-1)^n 3}{n^3 \pi^3} - \frac{3}{n^3 \pi^3} - \frac{2 Ci(n\pi)}{n^3 \pi^3} + \frac{2(\gamma + \log(n\pi))}{n^3 \pi^3} \right) =$$

$$= -\frac{3}{\pi^3} [\xi_a(3) + \xi(3)] - \frac{2}{\pi^3} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{Ci(n\pi)}{n^3} + \frac{2}{\pi^3} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(\gamma + \log n\pi)}{n^3} =$$

$$= -\frac{3}{\pi^3} [\xi_a(3) + \xi(3)] - \frac{2}{\pi^3} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{Ci(n\pi)}{n^3} + \frac{2}{\pi^3} (-\xi'(3) + \gamma \xi(3) + \xi(3) \log(\pi))$$

$$\therefore \int_0^1 x^2 \log(x) \cot\left(\frac{\pi x}{2}\right) dx = \frac{-6}{\pi^3} [\xi_a(3) + \xi(3)] - \frac{4}{\pi^3} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{Ci(n\pi)}{n^3} +$$

$$+ \frac{4}{\pi^3} \xi(3) [\gamma + \log \pi] - \frac{4}{\pi^3} - \xi'(3)$$

PROBLEM 3.159-Solution by proposer

$$\int_{-1}^{+1} [(x+1)(x-1)]^{\frac{3}{2}} (1-x)^{\frac{1}{2}} dx$$

$$\int_{-1}^{+1} (1+x)^{\frac{3}{2}} (1-x)^{\frac{3}{2}} (1-x)^{\frac{1}{2}} dx \Rightarrow \int_{-1}^{+1} ((1+x)^2)^{\frac{3}{2}} (1-x)^{\frac{1}{2}} dx$$

$$(ex \ x = \cos 2t \quad dx = -2 \sin 2\theta \, d\theta$$

$$\cos^{-1}(x) = 2\theta$$

$$\cos^{-1}(1) = 2\theta; 0 = 2\theta \therefore \theta = 0$$

$$\cos^{-1}(-1) = 2\theta; \pi = 2\theta; 0 = \frac{\pi}{2}$$

$$\int_{\frac{\pi}{2}}^0 (1 + \cos 2\theta)^3 (1 - (\cos 2\theta))^{\frac{1}{2}} (-2 \sin 2\theta) d\theta$$

$$= -2 \int_{\frac{\pi}{2}}^0 (1 + 2 \cos^2 t - 1)^3 (1 - (2 \cos^2 t - 1))^{\frac{1}{2}} \sin 2t \, dt$$

$$2 \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} (1 - 1 + 2 \cos^2 t)^3 (1 + 1 - 2 \cos^2 t)^{\frac{1}{2}} \sin 2t \, dt = 2 \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} 2^3 (\cos t)^6 \left(2(1 - \cos^2 t)^{\frac{1}{2}} \right) \sin 2t \, dt$$

$$\begin{aligned}
& 2 \cdot 2^3 \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \cos^6 t \cdot 2^{\frac{1}{2}} (\sin^2 t)^{\frac{1}{2}} \sin 2t \, dt \\
& 2^{\frac{1}{2}} 2^4 \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \cos^6 t \sin t \cdot 2 \sin t \cos t \, dt = 2^{4+\frac{1}{2}+1} \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \cos^2 t \sin^2 t \, dt \\
& 2^{\frac{11}{2}} \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \cos^2 t \sin^2 t \, dt \Rightarrow 2^{\frac{9}{2}} \left[2 \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \cos^2 t \sin^2 \theta \, d\theta \right] \text{ or } 2^4 \sqrt{2} \left[2 \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \cos^2 t \sin^2 t \, dt \right] \\
& 16\sqrt{2} \left[2 \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \cos^2 t \sin^2 t \, dt \right], \beta(m, n) = 2 \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \cos^{2m-1} t \sin^{2n-1} t \, dt \\
& \therefore 2m - 1 = 1 \text{ and } 2n - 1 = 2, 2m - 2 \rightarrow +1 \quad 2n = 1 + 1 \\
& 2m = 0 \quad 2n = 3, m = 4 \quad 2n = 3, n = \frac{3}{2} \\
& \therefore 10\sqrt{2} \left[2 \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \cos^{2(4)-1} t \sin^{2(\frac{3}{2})-1} t \, dt \right] \\
& = 10\sqrt{2} \left[\beta \left(4, \frac{3}{2} \right) \right] \Rightarrow 10\sqrt{2} \left(\frac{\sqrt{4} \sqrt{\frac{3}{2}}}{\sqrt{4 + \frac{3}{2}}} \right) = \sqrt{2} (10) \left[\frac{\sqrt{4} \sqrt{\frac{3}{2}}}{\sqrt{\frac{11}{2}}} \right] \\
& \sqrt{2} \left[\frac{16 \times 6 \times \sqrt{\frac{\pi}{2}}}{\frac{945\sqrt{\pi}}{32}} \right] = \sqrt{2} \left[\frac{3072 \times \sqrt{\frac{\pi}{2}}}{945\sqrt{\pi}} \right] = \sqrt{2} \left[\frac{1536}{945} \right] = \frac{512\sqrt{2}}{315} \approx 2 \cdot 2987
\end{aligned}$$

PROBLEM 3.160-Solution by Tran Hong-Vietnam

$x, y, z \geq 0 \Rightarrow [x], [y], [z] \geq 0$ and $0 \leq \{x\}, \{y\}, \{z\} < 1$
 $\Rightarrow [x] + \{y\} + 1, [y] + \{z\} + 1, [z] + \{x\} + 1 > 0$. Using Cauchy's inequality we have:

$$\begin{aligned}
& \text{LHS} \geq \frac{3}{\sqrt[3]{([x] + [y] + 1)^\alpha ([y] + [z] + 1)^\alpha ([z] + [x] + 1)^\alpha}} = \\
& = \frac{3}{\sqrt[3]{((x + y + 1)(y + z + 1)(z + x + 1))^\alpha}} \geq \frac{3}{\sqrt[3]{\left(\frac{3}{x + y + 3}\right)^{3\alpha}}} = \frac{(x + y + 3)^\alpha}{3^{\alpha-1}}
\end{aligned}$$

We need to prove that: $\frac{(x+y+z+3)^\alpha}{3^{\alpha-1}} \geq \frac{3^{\alpha+1}}{(x+y+z+3)^\alpha} \Leftrightarrow (x+y+3)^{2\alpha} \geq 3^{2\alpha-2} \Leftrightarrow$
 $\Leftrightarrow (x+y+z+3)^\alpha \geq 3^{\alpha-1}$. Which is true because $x+y+z+3 \geq 3 \Leftrightarrow$
 $\Leftrightarrow (x+y+3)^\alpha \geq 3^\alpha \geq 3^{\alpha-1}$ for $x, y, z \geq 0$ and $\alpha \geq 1$. Proved.

PROBLEM 3.161-Solution by Ravi Prakash-New Delhi-India

$\Omega = (I_1)(I_2)$ where $I_1 = \int_0^\infty \frac{dx}{x^4+2x^2+1} = \int_0^\infty \frac{dx}{(x^2+1)^2}$. Put $x = \tan \theta$

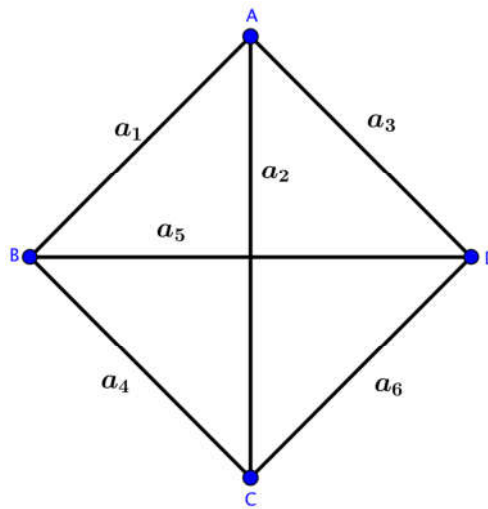
$$I_1 = \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \frac{\sec^2 \theta}{\sec^4 \theta} d\theta = \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \cos^2 \theta d\theta = \frac{\pi}{4} \text{ and } I_2 = \int_0^{\infty} \frac{dy}{(y^2+25)^4}$$

Put $y = 5 \tan \varphi$

$$I_2 = \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \frac{5 \sec^2 \varphi}{5^8 \sec^8 \varphi} d\varphi = \frac{1}{5^7} \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \cos^6 \varphi d\varphi = \frac{1}{5^7} \cdot \frac{5}{6} \cdot \frac{3}{4} \cdot \frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{\pi}{2} = \frac{1}{5^6} \cdot \frac{\pi}{32}$$

$$\therefore \Omega = \frac{\pi^2}{5^6 2^7} = \frac{\pi^2}{2000000}$$

PROBLEM 3.162-Solution by Marian Ursărescu - Romania



$(a_i + a_j)^2 \geq 3a_i a_j \Rightarrow$ we must show:

$$3 \sum_{1 \leq i < j \leq 6} a_i a_j \geq 12\sqrt{3}S[ABCD] \Leftrightarrow \sum_{1 \leq i < j \leq 6} a_i a_j \geq 4\sqrt{3}S[ABCD] \quad (1)$$

Now, using Gordon's inequality: in any ΔABC we have:

$$ab + bc + ac \geq 4\sqrt{3} \Rightarrow$$

$$\left. \begin{aligned} a_1 a_2 + a_1 a_4 + a_2 a_4 &\geq 4\sqrt{3}S_{ABC} \\ a_2 a_6 + a_2 a_3 + a_3 a_6 &\geq 4\sqrt{3}S_{ACD} \\ a_1 a_5 + a_1 a_3 + a_3 a_5 &\geq 4\sqrt{3}S_{ABD} \\ a_4 a_5 + a_4 a_6 + a_5 a_6 &\geq 4\sqrt{3}S_{BCD} \end{aligned} \right\} \Rightarrow \sum_{1 \leq i < j \leq 6} a_i a_j \geq 4\sqrt{3}S[ABCD]$$

PROBLEM 3.163-Solution by proposer

* By Cauchy Schwarz inequality we have:

$$P = \frac{a}{b(b+2c+1)(a+3c)^2} + \frac{b}{c(c+2a+1)(b+3a)^2} + \frac{c}{a(a+2b+1)(c+3b)^2}$$

$$= \frac{\left(\frac{a}{a+3c}\right)^2}{ab(b+2c+1)} + \frac{\left(\frac{b}{b+3a}\right)^2}{bc(c+2a+1)} + \frac{\left(\frac{c}{c+3b}\right)^2}{ca(a+2b+1)} \geq$$

$$\geq \frac{\left(\frac{a}{a+3} + \frac{b}{b+3a} + \frac{c}{c+3b}\right)^2}{ab(b+2c+1) + bc(c+2a+1) + ca(a+2b+1)}$$

$$\Leftrightarrow P \geq \frac{\left(\frac{a}{a+3c} + \frac{b}{b+3a} + \frac{c}{c+3b}\right)^2}{(ab^2+bc^2+ca^2)+6abc+(ab+bc+ca)} \quad (1)$$

- By inequality: $x^2 + y^2 \geq \frac{(x+y)^2}{2}$ (equality occurs if $x = y$) we have:

$$8 = (a^2 + b^2)(b^2 + c^2)(c^2 + a^2) \geq \frac{(a+b)^2}{2} \cdot \frac{(b+c)^2}{2} \cdot \frac{(c+a)^2}{2} \Leftrightarrow$$

$$\Leftrightarrow 64 \geq (a+b)^2(b+c)^2(c+a)^2$$

$$\Leftrightarrow 8 \geq (a+b)(b+c)(c+a) \quad (2)$$

- Other, by AM-GM inequality for 2 positive real numbers:

$$(a+b)(b+c)(c+a) \geq 2\sqrt{ab} \cdot 2\sqrt{bc} \cdot 2\sqrt{ca} = 8\sqrt{(abc)^2} = 8abc \Leftrightarrow$$

$$abc \leq \frac{(a+b)(b+c)(c+a)}{8} \quad (3)$$

- Hence (3):

$$\Rightarrow (a+b+c)(ab+bc+ca) = (a+b)(b+c)(c+a) + abc \leq$$

$$\leq (a+b)(b+c)(c+a) + \frac{(a+b)(b+c)(c+a)}{8} = \frac{9(a+b)(b+c)(c+a)}{8}$$

$$\Leftrightarrow (a+b+c)(ab+bc+ca) \leq \frac{9(a+b)(b+c)(c+a)}{8} \quad (4)$$

$$\text{- Let (2), (4): } \Rightarrow 8 \geq \frac{8(a+b+c)(ab+bc+ca)}{9} \Leftrightarrow 9 \geq (a+b+c)(ab+bc+ca)$$

$$\Leftrightarrow 9 \geq (ab^2 + bc^2 + ca^2) + (a^2b + b^2c + c^2a) + 3abc \quad (5)$$

- By AM-GM inequality we have:

$$a^2b + b^2c + c^2a \geq 3\sqrt{(a^2b) \cdot (b^2c) \cdot (c^2a)} = 3\sqrt{(abc)^3} = 3abc \Leftrightarrow a^2b + b^2c + c^2a \geq 3abc \quad (6)$$

$$\text{- Let (5), (6): } \Rightarrow 9 \geq (ab^2 + bc^2 + ca^2) + 3abc + 3abc \Leftrightarrow (ab^2 + bc^2 + ca^2) + 6abc \leq 9 \quad (7)$$

$$\text{- Other: } a^2 + b^2 + c^2 = \frac{a^2+b^2}{2} + \frac{b^2+c^2}{2} + \frac{c^2+a^2}{2} \geq \frac{2ab}{2} + \frac{2bc}{2} + \frac{2ca}{2} = ab + bc + ca$$

$$\Leftrightarrow a^2 + b^2 + c^2 \geq ab + bc + ca \Leftrightarrow a^2 + b^2 + c^2 + 2(ab + bc + ca) \geq 3(ab + bc + ca)$$

$$\Leftrightarrow (a+b+c)^2 \geq 3(ab + bc + ca) \Leftrightarrow a+b+c \geq \sqrt{3(ab + bc + ca)} \quad (8)$$

$$\text{- Let (4), (8): } \Rightarrow (a+b)(b+c)(c+a) \geq \frac{8\sqrt{3(ab+bc+ca)} \cdot (ab+bc+ca)}{9} \quad (9)$$

- Let (2), (9):

$$\Rightarrow 8 \geq \frac{8\sqrt{3(ab+bc+ca)} \cdot (ab+bc+ca)}{9} \Leftrightarrow 9 \geq \sqrt{3(ab+bc+ca)}^3 \Leftrightarrow$$

$$81 \geq 3(ab+bc+ca)^3$$

$$\Leftrightarrow 27 \geq (ab+bc+ca)^3 \Leftrightarrow 3 \geq (ab+bc+ca) \Leftrightarrow (ab+bc+ca) \leq 3 \quad (10)$$

$$\text{- Let (7), (10): } \Rightarrow (ab^2 + bc^2 + ca^2) + 6abc + (ab + bc + ca) \leq 9 + 3$$

$$\Leftrightarrow (ab^2 + bc^2 + ca^2) + 6abc + (ab + bc + ca) \leq 12 \quad (11)$$

$$\text{- Let (1), (11): } \Rightarrow P \geq \frac{\left(\frac{a}{a+3c} + \frac{b}{b+3a} + \frac{c}{c+3b}\right)^2}{12} \quad (12)$$

- By Cauchy Schwarz inequality we have:

$$\frac{a}{a+3c} + \frac{b}{b+3a} + \frac{c}{c+3b} = \frac{a^2}{a^2+3ca} + \frac{b^2}{b^2+3ab} + \frac{c^2}{c^2+3bc}$$

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

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

$$\Leftrightarrow \frac{a}{a+3c} + \frac{b}{b+3a} + \frac{c}{c+3b} \geq \frac{(a+b+c)^2}{(a+b+c)^2+(ab+bc+ca)} \quad (13)$$

- Let (8): $(a+b+c)^2 \geq 3(ab+bc+ca) \Leftrightarrow ab+bc+ca \leq \frac{(a+b+c)^2}{3}$ (14)

- Let (13), (14): $\Rightarrow \frac{a}{a+3c} + \frac{b}{b+3a} + \frac{c}{c+3b} \geq \frac{(a+b+c)^2}{(a+b+c)^2 + \frac{(a+b+c)^2}{3}} = \frac{3(a+b+c)^2}{4(a+b+c)^2} = \frac{3}{4}$

$$\Leftrightarrow \frac{a}{a+3c} + \frac{b}{b+3a} + \frac{c}{c+3b} \geq \frac{3}{4} \quad (15)$$

- Let (12), (15): $\Rightarrow P \geq \frac{(\frac{3}{4})^2}{12} = \frac{9}{16 \cdot 12} = \frac{3}{64} \Rightarrow P \geq \frac{3}{64} \Rightarrow P_{\min} = \frac{3}{64}$

+ Equality occurs if: $\begin{cases} a, b, c > 0; (a^2+b^2)(b^2+c^2)(c^2+a^2) = 8 \\ a = b; b = c; c = a \\ \frac{a}{(a+3c) \cdot ab(b+2c+1)} = \frac{b}{(b+3a) \cdot bc(c+2a+1)} = \frac{c}{(c+3b) \cdot ca(a+2b+1)} \\ \frac{a}{a(a+3c)} = \frac{b}{b(b+3a)} = \frac{c}{c(c+3b)} \end{cases}$

$$\Leftrightarrow \begin{cases} a = b = c > 0 \\ (a^2+b^2)(b^2+c^2)(c^2+a^2) = 8 \end{cases} \Leftrightarrow \begin{cases} a = b = c > 0 \\ 2a^2 \cdot 2a^2 \cdot 2a^2 = 8 \\ c = 1. \end{cases} \Leftrightarrow \begin{cases} a = b = c > 0 \\ a^6 = 1 \end{cases} \Leftrightarrow a = b = c = 1.$$

Therefore, minimum of $P: \frac{3}{64}$ then $a = b = c = 1$.

PROBLEM 3.164-Solution by Amit Dutta-Jamshedpur-India

Using Cauchy – Schwarz’s Inequality:

$$(\sqrt{2(x^4+y^4)} + 2xy)^2 \leq 2(2(x^4+y^4+2x^2y^2)) \leq 4(x^2+y^2)^2 \Rightarrow$$

$$\Rightarrow (\sqrt{2(x^4+y^4)} + 2xy) \leq 2(x^2+y^2)$$

$$\sqrt{2(x^4+y^4)} \leq 2(x^2-xy+y^2)$$

Putting $y = 1: \sqrt{2(x^4+1)} \leq 2(x^2-x+1) \quad (1)$

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{Equality holds when} \\ \frac{1}{\sqrt{2(x^4+y^4)}} = \frac{1}{2xy} \text{ or } \frac{1}{\sqrt{2(x^4+1)}} = \frac{1}{2x} \\ \Rightarrow x = 1 \quad (a) \end{array} \right.$$

$\therefore GM \leq AM$

$$2\sqrt{3x-2x^4} \leq 2\sqrt{x(3-2x^3)} \leq (x+3-2x^3) \quad (2)$$

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{Equality holds when} \\ x = 3-2x^3 \Rightarrow x = 1 \\ (b) \end{array} \right.$$

Adding (1) & (2):

$$\begin{aligned} & \sqrt{2(x^4+1)} + 2\sqrt{3x-2x^4} \leq 2(x^2-x+1) + x + 3 - 2x^3 \Rightarrow \\ \Rightarrow & 7 - 3x \leq 2x^2 - x + 5 - 2x^3 \Rightarrow 2x^3 - 2x^2 - 2x + 2 \leq 0 \Rightarrow x^3 - x^2 - x + 1 \leq 0 \Rightarrow \\ & \Rightarrow x^2(x-1) - 1(x-1) \leq 0 \Rightarrow (x^2-1)(x-1) \leq 0 \Rightarrow (x+1)(x-1)^2 \leq 0 \\ \because & (x+1) > 0 \quad \{ \because x > 0 \text{ from domain} \} \Rightarrow (x-1)^2 \leq 0 \Rightarrow (x-1)^2 = 0 \Rightarrow x = 1 \quad (c) \\ & \text{From (a), (b) \& (c) we can conclude that the only real solution is } x = 1. \end{aligned}$$

PROBLEM 3.165-Solution by proposer

* Hence (1), by AM-GM inequality for three positive real numbers we have:

$$\begin{aligned} 3 &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{a^3}} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{b^3}} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{c^3}} \geq 3 \cdot \sqrt[3]{\frac{1}{\sqrt{a^3} \cdot \sqrt{b^3} \cdot \sqrt{c^3}}} = \frac{3}{\sqrt[6]{(abc)^3}} = \frac{3}{\sqrt{abc}} \Leftrightarrow 3 \geq \frac{3}{\sqrt{abc}} \Leftrightarrow \\ & \Leftrightarrow \sqrt{abc} \geq 1 \Leftrightarrow abc \geq 1 \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Hence (2):} \Rightarrow \frac{a^2}{b} + \frac{b^2}{c} + \frac{c^2}{a} = \frac{a^3c + b^3a + c^3b}{abc} \leq \frac{a^3c + b^3a + c^3b}{1} = a^3c + b^3a + c^3b \quad (3)$$

- By AM-GM inequality, we have:

$$\begin{aligned} a^3c + b^3a + c^3b &= a^3ac + b^2ba + c^2cb \leq \frac{a^3 + (ac)^2}{2} + \frac{b^4 + (ba)^2}{2} + \frac{c^4 + (cb)^2}{2} \\ &\Leftrightarrow a^3c + b^3a + c^3b \leq \frac{a^4 + b^4 + c^4 + a^2b^2 + b^2c^2 + c^2a^2}{2} \quad (4) \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{- Hence (3), (4):} \Rightarrow \frac{a^2}{b} + \frac{b^2}{c} + \frac{c^2}{a} \leq \frac{a^4 + b^4 + c^4 + a^2b^2 + b^2c^2 + c^2a^2}{2} \quad (5)$$

- Other, by AM-GM inequality:

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{a^6 + a^6 + 1}{2} + \frac{b^6 + b^6 + 1}{2} + \frac{c^6 + c^6 + 1}{2} &\geq \frac{3\sqrt[3]{a^6 \cdot a^6 \cdot 1}}{2} + \frac{3\sqrt[3]{b^6 \cdot b^6 \cdot 1}}{2} + \frac{3\sqrt[3]{c^6 \cdot c^6 \cdot 1}}{2} \\ &= \frac{3(a^4 + b^4 + c^4)}{2} \end{aligned}$$

$$\Leftrightarrow a^6 + b^6 + c^6 + \frac{3}{2} \geq \frac{3(a^4 + b^4 + c^4)}{2} \Leftrightarrow 2(a^6 + b^6 + c^6) + 3 \geq 3(a^4 + b^4 + c^4) \quad (6)$$

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{(a^3b^3 + a^3b^3 + 1) + (b^3c^3 + b^3c^3 + 1) + (c^3a^3 + c^3a^3 + 1)}{3} \geq \\ & \geq \frac{3\sqrt[3]{(a^3b^3)(a^3b^3) \cdot 1} + 3\sqrt[3]{(b^3c^3)(b^3c^3) \cdot 1} + 3\sqrt[3]{(c^3a^3)(c^3a^3) \cdot 1}}{3} \\ & = 3(a^2b^2 + b^2c^2 + c^2a^2) \end{aligned}$$

$$\Leftrightarrow 2(a^3b^3 + b^3c^3 + c^3a^3) + 3 \geq 3(a^2b^2 + b^2c^2 + c^2a^2)$$

$$\Leftrightarrow 4(a^3b^3 + b^3c^3 + c^3a^3) + 6 \geq 6(a^2b^2 + b^2c^2 + c^2a^2) \quad (7)$$

$$\text{- Let (6), (7):} \Rightarrow 2(a^6 + b^6 + c^6) + 3 + 4(a^3b^3 + b^3c^3 + c^3a^3) + 6 \geq$$

$$\geq 3(a^4 + b^4 + c^4) + 6(a^2b^2 + b^2c^2 + c^2a^2)$$

$$\Leftrightarrow 2(a^6 + b^6 + c^6 + 2a^3b^3 + 2b^3c^3 + 2c^3a^3) + 9 \geq$$

$$\geq 3(a^4 + b^4 + c^4) + 6(a^2b^2 + b^2c^2 + c^2a^2)$$

$$\Leftrightarrow 2(a^3 + b^3 + c^3)^2 \geq 3(a^4 + b^4 + c^4) + 6(a^2b^2 + b^2c^2 + c^2a^2) - 9 \quad (8)$$

- By AM-GM inequality and (2). We have:

$$3(a^2b^2 + b^2c^2 + c^2a^2) \geq 3 \cdot 3 \cdot \sqrt[3]{(a^2b^2)(b^2c^2)(c^2a^2)} = 9\sqrt[3]{(abc)^4} \geq 9\sqrt[3]{1^4} = 9$$

$$\Leftrightarrow 6(a^2b^2 + b^2c^2 + c^2a^2) - 9 \geq 3(a^2b^2 + b^2c^2 + c^2a^2) \quad (9)$$

$$\text{- Let (8),(9):} \Rightarrow 2(a^3 + b^3 + c^3)^2 \geq 3(a^4 + b^4 + c^4) + 3(a^2b^2 + b^2c^2 + c^2a^2)$$

$$\Leftrightarrow 2(a^3 + b^3 + c^3)^2 \geq 3(a^4 + b^4 + c^4 + a^2b^2 + b^2c^2 + c^2a^2)$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \frac{a^4 + b^4 + c^4 + a^2b^2 + b^2c^2 + c^2a^2}{2} \leq \frac{(a^3 + b^3 + c^3)^2}{3} \quad (10)$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 & - (5), (10): \Rightarrow \frac{a^2}{b} + \frac{b^2}{c} + \frac{c^2}{a} \leq \frac{(a^3+b^3+c^3)^2}{3} \quad (11) \\
 & - (1), (11): \Rightarrow \frac{a^2}{b} + \frac{b^2}{c} + \frac{c^2}{a} = \frac{(a^3+b^3+c^3)^2}{3} \text{ occurs if: } \begin{cases} a = b = c > 0 \\ \frac{1}{\sqrt{a^3}} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{b^3}} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{c^3}} = 3 \end{cases} \Leftrightarrow a = b = c = 1. \\
 & \text{Solution of equation is: } (a, b, c) = (1, 1, 1).
 \end{aligned}$$

PROBLEM 3.166-Solution by Amit Dutta-Jamshedpur-India

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \text{Domain} \rightarrow \begin{cases} x^3 - 2x^2 + 2x > 0 \\ 4x - 3x^4 > 0 \end{cases} \\
 & x^3 - 2x^2 + 2x = x(x^2 - 2x + 2) = x[(x-1)^2 + 1] \\
 & \because x^3 - 2x^2 + 2x > 0 \Rightarrow x[(x-1)^2 + 1] > 0 \Rightarrow x > 0 \\
 & GM \leq AM \sqrt{x^2 - 2x^2 + 2x} \leq \frac{(x^2 - 2x^2 + 2x) + 1}{2} \\
 & \sqrt{x^3 - 2x^2 + 2x} \leq \left(\frac{x^2 - 2x^2 + 2x + 1}{2} \right) \quad (a) \\
 & \text{Equality holds when } x^2 - 2x^2 + 2x = 1 \quad (1) \\
 & \text{Again, using } GM \leq AM \\
 & 3\sqrt{x^2 - x + 1} \leq (x^2 - x + 1) + 1 + 1 \leq (x^2 - x + 3) \quad (2) \\
 & \text{Equality holds when } x^2 - x + 1 = 1 \quad (2) \\
 & \text{Again, using } GM \leq AM \\
 & 2\sqrt[4]{4x - 3x^4} \leq 2 \left\{ \frac{(4x - 3x^4) + 1 + 1 + 1}{4} \right\} \leq \left(\frac{4x - 3x^4 + 3}{2} \right) \quad (3) \\
 & \text{Equality holds when } 4x - 3x^4 = 1 \quad (3) \\
 & \text{Adding (1), (2), (3):} \\
 & \sqrt{x^3 - 2x^2 + 2x} + 3\sqrt{x^2 - x + 1} + 2\sqrt[4]{4x - 3x^4} \leq \\
 & \leq \left(\frac{x^3 - 2x^2 + 2x + 1}{2} \right) + (x^2 - x + 3) + \left(\frac{4x - 3x^4 + 3}{2} \right) \\
 & \Rightarrow \frac{x^4 - 3x^3}{2} + 7 \leq \frac{-3x^4 + 4x + 10 + x^3}{2} \\
 & \Rightarrow x^4 - 3x^3 + 14 \leq -3x^4 + 4x + 10 + x^3 \Rightarrow 4x^4 - 4x^3 - 4x + 4 \leq 0 \\
 & \Rightarrow x^4 - x^3 - x + 1 \leq 0 \Rightarrow x^3(x-1) - 1(x-1) \leq 0 \\
 & \Rightarrow (x^3 - 1)(x-1) \leq 0 \Rightarrow (x-1)(x^2 + x + 1)(x-1) \leq 0 \\
 & \Rightarrow (x-1)^2(x^2 + x + 1) \leq 0 \\
 & \because x^2 + x + 1 = \left(x + \frac{1}{2}\right)^2 + \frac{3}{4} > 0 \Rightarrow (x-1)^2 \leq 0 \\
 & (x-1)^2 = 0 \Rightarrow x = 1 \quad (4) \\
 & \text{From (1), (2), (3) \& (4): The only real solution is } x = 1.
 \end{aligned}$$

PROBLEM 3.167-Solution by Tran Hong-Vietnam

$$\begin{aligned}
 3a^4 - 4a + 2b^2 + 11 &= \{a^4 - 4a^3 + 6a^2 - 4a + 1\} + \{2a^4 + 4a^3 - 6a^2 + 10 + 2b^2\} \\
 &= (a-1)^4 + 2(a^4 + 2a^3 - 3a^2 + b^2 + 5) \\
 &\geq 2(a^4 + 2a^3 - 4a^2 + a^2 + b^2 + 5) \stackrel{(*)}{\geq} 4(a + ab + 1) \\
 & \quad (*) \Leftrightarrow a^4 + 2a^3 - 4a^2 + 2ab + 5 \geq 2(a + ab + 1)
 \end{aligned}$$

$$(*) \Leftrightarrow a^4 + 2a^3 - 4a^2 + 5 \geq 2(a+1)$$

$$\Leftrightarrow a^4 + 2a^3 - 4a^2 - 2a + 3 \geq 0 \Leftrightarrow (a-1)^2(a+1)(a+3) \geq 0 \text{ (true with } a > 0)$$

Hence: $3a^4 - 4a + 2b^2 + 11 \geq 4(a+ab+1)$, etc. Now,

$$\text{Let } f(t) = \sqrt[3]{t}, t > 0 \Rightarrow f'(t) = -\frac{2}{9}t^{-\frac{5}{3}} < 0 \text{ } (\forall t > 0)$$

Using Jensen's inequality, we have: $P \leq 3\sqrt[3]{\frac{Q}{3}}$

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore Q &= \frac{1}{3a^4 - 4a + 2b^2 + 11} + \frac{1}{3b^4 - 4b + 2c^2 + 11} + \frac{1}{3c^4 - 4c + 2a^2 + 11} \\ &\leq \frac{1}{4} \left(\frac{1}{a+ab+1} + \frac{1}{b+bc+1} + \frac{1}{c+ca+1} \right) \\ &= \frac{1}{4} \left(\frac{1}{a+ab+1} + \frac{a}{a+ab+1} + \frac{ab}{a+ab+1} \right) = \frac{1}{4} \left(\frac{1+a+ab}{1+a+ab} \right) = \frac{1}{4} \\ &\Rightarrow P \leq 3\sqrt[3]{\frac{1}{4 \cdot 3}} = \sqrt[3]{\frac{3}{12}} = \sqrt[3]{\frac{9}{4}}. \text{ Equality } \Leftrightarrow a = b = c = 1. \end{aligned}$$

PROBLEM 3.168-Solution by Remus Florin Stanca-Romania

Let be $a > 0$ and $f: (-\infty; -a-1) \cup (-a; +\infty) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$

$$f(x) = \frac{1}{x^2 + (2a+1)x + a^2 + a}. \text{ Find:}$$

$$\Omega = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} n^2 \sqrt{\left| \lim_{p \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{k=1}^p f^{(n)}(k) \right|}$$

$$\begin{aligned} f(x) &= \frac{1}{x^2 + 2 \cdot x \cdot \frac{2a+1}{2} + \frac{4a^2 + 4a + 1}{4} + a^2 + a - \frac{4a^2 + 4a + 1}{4}} \\ &= \frac{1}{\left(x + \frac{2a+1}{2}\right)^2 - \frac{1}{4}} = \frac{1}{(x+a)(x+a+1)} = \frac{x+a+1 - (x+a)}{(x+a)(x+a+1)} = \frac{1}{x+a} - \frac{1}{x+a+1} \\ &> f^{(n)}(x) = n! \cdot (-1)^n \cdot \frac{1}{(x+a)^{n+1}} + (-1)^{n+1} \cdot n! \cdot \frac{1}{(x+a+1)^{n+1}} \\ &\Rightarrow \sum_{k=1}^p f^{(n)}(k) = n! \cdot (-1)^n \cdot \left(\frac{1}{(a+1)^{n+1}} - \frac{1}{(p+a+1)^{n+1}} \right) \Rightarrow \left| \lim_{p \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{k=1}^p f^{(n)}(k) \right| = \\ &= \frac{n!}{(a+1)^{n+1}} \Rightarrow \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{n!}{(a+1)^{n+1}} \right)^{\frac{1}{n^2}} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} e^{\frac{\ln\left(\frac{n!}{(a+1)^{n+1}}\right)}{n^2}} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} e^{\frac{\ln \frac{n+1}{a+1}}{2n+1}} = \\ &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} e^{\frac{\ln \frac{n+2}{n+1}}{2}} = e^0 = 1 > \Omega = 1 \end{aligned}$$

PROBLEM 3.169-Solution by Remus Florin Stanca-Romania

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} n^{p+1} x_n^{p^2+p+1} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} n^{p+1} x_n^{(p+1)^2} \cdot \frac{1}{x_n^p} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{n^{p+1} x_n^{(p+1)^2} x_n}{x_n^{p+1}} \quad (1)$$

$$x_1^p + \dots + x_n^p = \frac{1}{\sqrt[p+1]{x_{n+1}}} > \frac{1}{\sqrt[p+1]{x_n}} + x_n^p = \frac{1}{\sqrt[p+1]{x_{n+1}}}$$

we prove by using the Mathematical induction that $x_n > 0; \forall n \in \mathbb{N}$:

1. we prove that $P(0)$: " $x_0 > 0$ " is true (true).

2. we suppose that $P(n)$: " $x_n > 0$ " is true

3. we prove that $P(n + 1)$: " $x_{n+1} > 0$ " is true by using $P(n)$:

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt[p+1]{x_{n+1}}} = x_n^p + \frac{1}{\sqrt[p+1]{x_n}}; x_n > 0 \Rightarrow \frac{1}{\sqrt[p+1]{x_{n+1}}} > 0 \Rightarrow x_{n+1} > 0 \Rightarrow \text{true} \Rightarrow x_n > 0; \forall n \in \mathbb{N}$$

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt[p+1]{x_n}} + x_n^p = \frac{1}{\sqrt[p+1]{x_{n+1}}} > \frac{1}{\sqrt[p+1]{x_{n+1}}} - \frac{1}{\sqrt[p+1]{x_n}} = x_n^p > 0 > \sqrt[p+1]{x_{n+1}} < \sqrt[p+1]{x_n}$$

$> x_{n+1} < x_n > (x_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ is a decreasing sequence, $x_n > 0 > |l \in \mathbb{R}$ such that:

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n = l = \frac{1}{\sqrt[p+1]{l}} = l^p + \frac{1}{\sqrt[p+1]{l}} \Rightarrow l = 0 \Rightarrow \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n = 0$$

$$(1) \Rightarrow \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} n^{p+1} x_n^{p^2+p+1} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{x_n^{p+1} \cdot n \cdot \sqrt[p+1]{x_n}}{x_n} \right)^{p+1}$$

$$= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (x_n^p \cdot n \cdot \sqrt[p+1]{x_n})^{p+1} = L^{p+1}$$

$$x_n^p = \frac{1}{\sqrt[p+1]{x_{n+1}}} - \frac{1}{\sqrt[p+1]{x_n}} \Rightarrow L = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt[p+1]{x_{n+1}}} - \frac{1}{\sqrt[p+1]{x_n}} \right) \cdot n \cdot \sqrt[p+1]{x_n} \right) =$$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(n \cdot \left(\sqrt[p+1]{\frac{x_n}{x_{n+1}}} - 1 \right) \right) \quad (2)$$

$$x_n^p = \frac{1}{\sqrt[p+1]{x_{n+1}}} - \frac{1}{\sqrt[p+1]{x_n}} \Rightarrow \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sqrt[p+1]{\frac{x_{n+1}}{x_n}} = 1$$

$$(2) \Rightarrow L = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} n \cdot \frac{\frac{x_n}{x_{n+1}} - 1}{\left(\sqrt[p+1]{\frac{x_n}{x_{n+1}}} \right)^0 + \dots + \left(\sqrt[p+1]{\frac{x_n}{x_{n+1}}} \right)^p} = \frac{1}{p+1} \cdot \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} n \left(\frac{x_n}{x_{n+1}} - 1 \right) =$$

$$= \frac{1}{p+1} \cdot \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(\left(\frac{x_n^{p^2+p+1}}{x_n^{p+1}} \right)^{p+1} - 1 \right)$$

$$= \frac{1}{p+1} \cdot \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} n \cdot x_n^{\frac{p^2+p+1}{p+1}} (p+1) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{n}{x_n^{\frac{p^2+p+1}{p+1}}} \stackrel{\text{Stolz Cesaro}}{=} =$$

$$= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{\frac{x_{n+1}^{\frac{p^2+p+1}{p+1}}}{x_n^{\frac{p^2+p+1}{p+1}}}}$$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{x_{n+1}^{\frac{p^2+p+1}{p+1}}}{x_n^{\frac{p^2+p+1}{p+1}}} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(x_n^p + \frac{1}{\sqrt[p+1]{x_n}} \right)^{p^2+p+1} - x_n^{\frac{p^2+p+1}{p+1}} =$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt[p+1]{x_n}} \right)^{p^2+p+1} \cdot \left(\left(\frac{x_n^p + \frac{1}{\sqrt[p+1]{x_n}}}{\frac{1}{\sqrt[p+1]{x_n}}} \right)^{p^2+p+1} - 1 \right) \\
&= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt[p+1]{x_n}} \right)^{p^2+p+1} \cdot \frac{\left(x_n^{p+\frac{1}{p+1}} + 1 \right)^{p^2+p+1} - 1}{x_n^{\frac{1}{p+1}}} \cdot x_n^{p+\frac{1}{p+1}} = \\
&= (p^2 + p + 1) \cdot \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n^{\frac{p^2+p+1}{p+1}} \cdot x_n^{\frac{p^2+p+1}{p+1}} = p^2 + p + 1 \\
\Rightarrow L &= \frac{1}{p^2 + p + 1} \Rightarrow \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} n^{p+1} \cdot x_n^{p^2+p+1} = \frac{1}{(p^2 + p + 1)^{p+1}}
\end{aligned}$$

PROBLEM 3.170-Solution by Avishek Mitra-India

$$\begin{aligned}
\Omega &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \int_0^1 \tan^{-1}(nx) \frac{\ln(1+x)}{(1+x^2)} dx = \frac{\pi}{2} \int_0^1 \frac{\ln(1+x)}{(1+x^2)} dx \\
\text{Let } I &= \int_0^1 \frac{\ln(1+x) dx}{(1+x^2)} = [\ln(1+x) \cdot \tan^{-1} x]_0^1 - \int_0^1 \frac{\tan^{-1} x dx}{(1+x)} \\
&\quad [\text{let } x = \tan z \Rightarrow dx = \sec^2 z dz] \\
&= \frac{\pi}{4} \ln 2 - \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{4}} \frac{z \cdot \sec^2 z dz}{(1 + \tan z)} = \frac{\pi}{4} \ln 2 - \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{4}} \frac{z dz}{\cos z (\sin z + \cos z)} \\
\text{Let } I_1 &= \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{4}} \frac{z dz}{\cos z (\sin z + \cos z)} = \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{4}} \frac{\left(\frac{\pi}{4} - z\right)}{\cos\left(\frac{\pi}{4} - z\right) [\sin\left(\frac{\pi}{4} - z\right) + \cos\left(\frac{\pi}{4} - z\right)]} dz \\
&= \frac{\pi}{4} \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{4}} \frac{dz}{\cos z (\sin z + \cos z)} - I_1 \Rightarrow \\
\Rightarrow 2I_1 &= \frac{\pi}{4} \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{4}} \frac{\sec^2 z dz}{(1 + \tan z)} = \frac{\pi}{4} [\ln(1 + \tan z)]_0^{\frac{\pi}{4}} \ln 2 \Rightarrow I_1 = \frac{\pi}{8} \ln 2 \\
\text{Hence } I &= \frac{\pi}{4} \ln 2 - \frac{\pi}{8} \ln 2 = \frac{\pi}{8} \ln 2 \\
\text{Hence } \Omega &= \frac{\pi}{2} \cdot \frac{\pi}{8} \ln 2 = \frac{\pi^2}{16} \ln 2 \quad (\text{answer})
\end{aligned}$$

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