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If $a, b > 0, a \neq b$ then:

$$\frac{1}{\frac{1}{2a+b} + \frac{1}{a+2b} + \frac{(a+b)^2}{12} - 1} + \frac{1}{\frac{1}{2a+b} + \frac{1}{a+2b} + \frac{(a+b)^2}{12} + 1} > \frac{1}{\frac{1}{2a+b} + \frac{1}{a+2b} + \frac{(a+b)^2}{12}}$$

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Solution 1 by Florentin Vişescu-Romania

We prove that $\frac{1}{2a+b} + \frac{1}{2b+a} + \frac{(a+b)^2}{12} > 1; \forall a, b \in (0, \infty); a \neq b$

$$\frac{2}{\frac{1}{2a+b} + \frac{1}{2b+a}} < \frac{2a+b+2b+a}{2} \Leftrightarrow (" < " \because 2a+b \neq 2b+a; a \neq b)$$

$$\frac{1}{2a+b} + \frac{1}{2b+a} > \frac{4}{3(a+b)} \Big| \frac{(a+b)^2}{12} \Rightarrow$$

$$\frac{1}{2a+b} + \frac{1}{2b+a} + \frac{(a+b)^2}{12} > \frac{4}{3(a+b)} + \frac{(a+b)^2}{12}$$

We prove that $\frac{4}{3(a+s)} + \frac{(a+b)^2}{12} \geq 1; \frac{4}{3s} + \frac{s^2}{12} \geq 1$

$$16 + s^3 \geq 12s; s^3 - 12s + 16 \geq 0$$

	s^3	s^2	s	s^0
	1	0	12	-16

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2	1	2	-8	0
2	1	4	0	

$$(s-2)^2(s+4) \geq 0, \forall s > 0 \text{ (true)}$$

$$\text{So, } \frac{1}{2a+s} + \frac{1}{2b+a} + \frac{(a+b)^2}{12} > 1$$

We prove that for $t > 1$

$$\frac{1}{t-1} + \frac{1}{t+1} > \frac{1}{t} \text{ or } t(t+1) + t(t-1) > t^2 - t^2 + t + t^2 - t > t^2 - 1$$

$$t^2 > -1 \text{ (True)}$$

Solution 2 by Sanong Huayrerai-Nakon Pathom-Thailand

For $a, b > 0$ and $a \neq b$, we consider that

$$\frac{1}{2a+b} + \frac{1}{a+2b} + \frac{(a+b)^2}{12} > 1 \text{ as follows}$$

$$\text{give } 2a + b = x \text{ and } a + 2b = y \Rightarrow \frac{x+y}{3} = a + b$$

$$\text{Hence } \frac{1}{2a+b} + \frac{1}{a+2b} + \frac{(a+b)^2}{12} = \frac{1}{x} + \frac{1}{y} + \frac{(x+y)^2}{108} : a \neq b \leftrightarrow x \neq y$$

$$> \frac{1}{x} + \frac{1}{y} + \frac{4xy}{108} = \frac{1}{x} + \frac{1}{y} + \frac{xy}{27}$$

$$> 1 : a \neq b \leftrightarrow x \neq y$$

$$\text{Hence } \frac{1}{\frac{1}{2a+b} + \frac{1}{a+2b} + \frac{(a+b)^2}{12} - 1} + \frac{1}{\frac{1}{2a+b} + \frac{1}{a+2b} + \frac{(a+b)^2}{12} + 1} >$$

$$\geq \frac{4}{\frac{2}{2a+b} + \frac{2}{a+2b} + \frac{2(a+b)^2}{12}}$$

$$= \frac{2}{\frac{1}{2a+b} + \frac{1}{a+2b} + \frac{(a+b)^2}{12}} > \frac{1}{\frac{1}{2a+b} + \frac{1}{a+2b} + \frac{(a+b)^2}{12}} \text{ OK}$$

Therefore it is true.

Solution 3 by Soumava Chakraborty-Kolkata-India

$$\frac{1}{\frac{1}{2a+b} + \frac{1}{a+2b} + \frac{(a+b)^2}{12} - 1} + \frac{1}{\frac{1}{2a+b} + \frac{1}{a+2b} + \frac{(a+b)^2}{12} + 1} >$$

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$$\stackrel{(1)}{>} \frac{1}{\frac{1}{2a+b} + \frac{1}{a+2b} + \frac{(a+b)^2}{12}}$$

$$\text{Let } \frac{1}{2a+b} + \frac{1}{a+2b} = x, \frac{(a+b)^2}{12} = y$$

$$\text{Then (1)} \Leftrightarrow \frac{1}{x+y-1} + \frac{1}{x+y+1} \stackrel{(2)}{>} \frac{1}{x+y}$$

$$\text{Now, } x + y = \frac{1}{2a+b} + \frac{1}{a+2b} + y$$

$$\text{Bergstrom} \quad > \frac{4}{3(a+b)} + \frac{(a+b)^2}{12}$$

$$\left(\because \frac{1}{2a+b} \neq \frac{1}{a+2b} \text{ as } a \neq b \right)$$

$$= \frac{2}{3(a+b)} + \frac{2}{3(a+b)} + \frac{(a+b)^2}{12}$$

$$\stackrel{A-G}{\geq} 3 \sqrt[3]{\frac{4(a+b)^2}{108(a+b)^2}} = 1 \Rightarrow x + y - 1 > 0$$

$$\therefore \text{LHS of (2)} \stackrel{\text{Bergstrom}}{>} \frac{4}{2x+2y}$$

$$\left(\because \frac{1}{x+y-1} \neq \frac{1}{x+y+1} \right)$$

$$= \frac{2}{x+y} > \frac{1}{x+y} \Rightarrow (2) \Rightarrow (1) \text{ is true. Observation: LHS} > 2 \text{ (LHS) actually.}$$