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JP.344. Let a, b, c be positive real numbers such that $ab + bc + ca = 3$.

Prove that:

$$(3a^5 - 3a + 2b^3 + 34)(3b^5 - 3b + 2c^3 + 34)(3c^5 - 3c + 2a^3 + 34) \geq 6^6$$

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Solution 1 by proposer, Solution 2 by Rustam Tahmazov-Baku-Azerbaijan,

Solution 3 by Eldeniz Hesenov-Georgia, Solution 4 by Sanong Huayrerai-

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Solution 1 by proposer

$$\text{We have: } \begin{cases} 3a^5 - 3a + 6 \geq 6a^2 \\ 2b^3 + 1 \geq 3b^2 \end{cases} \Rightarrow$$

$$3a^5 - 3a + 2b^3 + 34 \geq 3(2a^2 + b^2 + 9) = 3(2a^2 + b^2 + 3(ab + bc + ca)) \Rightarrow$$

$$3a^5 - 3a + 2b^3 + 34 \geq 3(a + b)(2a + b + 3c) =$$

$$= 3(a + b)[(a + c) + (a + c) + (b + c)] \geq$$

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

Similarly:

$$3b^5 - 3b + 2c^3 + 34 \geq 9\sqrt[3]{(b + c)^3(b + a)^2(a + b)}$$

$$3c^5 - 3c + 2a^3 + 34 \geq 9\sqrt[3]{(c + a)^3(b + c)^2(a + b)}$$

Hence

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$$(3a^5 - 3a + 2b^3 + 34)(3b^5 - 3b + 2c^3 + 34)(3c^5 - 3c + 2a + 34) \geq \\ \geq 9^3(a+b)^2(b+c)^2(c+a)^2$$

$$(a+b)(b+c)(c+a) \geq \frac{8}{9}(a+b+c)(ab+bc+ca) \geq \frac{8}{9}\sqrt{3(ab+bc+ca)} \cdot 3 = 8$$

Therefore,

$$(3a^5 - 3a + 2b^3 + 34)(3b^5 - 3b + 2c^3 + 34)(3c^5 - 3c + 2a + 34) \geq 6^6$$

Solution 2 by Rustam Tahmazov-Baku-Azerbaijan

$$2a^5 + (a^5 + 4) - 3a \stackrel{AM-GM}{\geq} 2a^5 + 5a - 3a = 2a^5 + 2a \stackrel{AM-GM}{\geq} 4a^3$$

$$LHS \geq \prod_{cyc} (4a^3 + 2b^3 + 30) \geq 6^6$$

$$LHS = (2a^3 + 2 + 2 + 2a^3 + 2b^3 + 2 + 24) \cdot (2 + 2b^3 + 2 + 2c^3 + 2 + 2b^3 + 24) \cdot \\ \cdot (2 + 2 + 2c^3 + 2 + 2c^3 + 2a^3 + 24) \stackrel{Holder}{\geq} [2(a+b+c) + 2(ab+bc+ca) + 24]^3 \\ = \left(2 \sum a + 3a\right)^3 \geq 6^6$$

$$(a+b+c)^2 \geq 3(ab+bc+ca) = 9 \Rightarrow a+b+c \geq 3$$

$$LHS \geq (2 \cdot 3 + 30) = 36^6 = 6^6$$

Solution 3 by Eldeniz Hesenov-Georgia

$$x^5 - 2x + 4 \geq x^3 + 2; \quad (1)$$

$$x^5 - x^3 - 2x + 2 \geq 0 \Leftrightarrow (x-1)^2(x^3 + 2x^2 + 2x + 2) \geq 0$$

$$LHS = \prod_{cyc} (2a^5 + (a^5 - 2a + 4) - a + 3 + 30 + 2b^3) \geq$$

$$\geq \prod_{cyc} (2a^5 + (a^3 + 1) + 30 - a + 2b^3) \stackrel{AM-GM}{\geq}$$

$$\geq \prod_{cyc} (2a^5 + 2a + 30 + 2b^3) \stackrel{AM-GM}{\geq}$$

$$\geq \prod_{cyc} (2 \cdot 2a^3 + 2b^3 + 30) = \prod_{cyc} (2a^3 + 2b^3 + 2a^3 + 2 + 2 + 2 + 24) \stackrel{Holder}{\geq}$$

$$\geq \left(2 \sum a + 2 \sum ab + 24\right)^3 \geq \left(2 \sum a + 30\right)^3 = (3 \cdot 2 + 30)^3 = 6^6$$

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Solution 4 by Sanong Huayrerai-Nakon Pathom-Thailand

For $a, b, c > 0$ and $ab + bc + ca = 3, a + b + c \geq 2$ consider:

$$\begin{aligned} & (3a^5 - 3a + 2b^3 + 34)(3b^5 - 3b + 2c^3 + 34)(3c^5 - 3c + 2a + 34) \geq \\ & \geq (2a^5 + 2a + 2b^3 + 30)(2b^5 + 2b + 2c^3 + 30)(2c^5 + 2c + 2a^3 + 30) \geq \\ & \geq (4a^3 + 2b^3 + 30)(4b^3 + 2c^3 + 30)(4c^3 + 2a^3 + 30) = \\ & = 2^3(a^3 + a^3 + b^3 + 15)(b^3 + b^3 + c^3 + 15)(c^3 + c^3 + a^3 + 15) \geq \\ & \geq 2^3(9(a + b + c) + 9)^3 \geq 2^3 + 18^3 = 6^6 \end{aligned}$$

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