

## ABOUT A FAMOUS INEQUALITY

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A famous inequality is A.M. Nesbitt-I. Ionescu inequality:

$$(N-I) \quad \frac{x}{y+z} + \frac{y}{z+x} + \frac{z}{x+y} \geq \frac{3}{2}, \forall x, y, z \in \mathbb{R}_+^* = (0, \infty)$$

*Proof 1.* We have:

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{cyc} \frac{x}{y+z} &= -3 + \sum_{cyc} \left( \frac{x}{y+z} + 1 \right) = -3 + (x+y+z) \cdot \sum_{cyc} \frac{1}{y+z} \stackrel{\text{Bergström}}{\geq} \\ &\geq -3 + (x+y+z) \cdot \frac{(1+1+1)^2}{\sum_{cyc} (y+z)} = -3 + (x+y+z) \cdot \frac{9}{2(x+y+z)} = \frac{9}{2} - 3 = \frac{3}{2} \end{aligned}$$

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*Proof 2.* We have:

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{cyc} \frac{x}{y+z} &= \sum_{cyc} \frac{x^2}{x(y+z)} = \sum_{cyc} \frac{x^2}{xy+xz} \stackrel{\text{Bergström}}{\geq} \frac{(x+y+z)^2}{\sum_{cyc} (xy+xz)} = \frac{(x+y+z)^2}{2(xy+yz+zx)} \geq \\ &\geq \frac{3(xy+yz+zx)}{2(xy+yz+zx)} = \frac{3}{2} \end{aligned}$$

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*Proof 3.* Let  $X = x + y + z$ , then:

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{cyc} \frac{x}{y+z} &= \sum_{cyc} \frac{x}{X-x} = \sum_{cyc} \frac{x^2}{X \cdot x - x^2} \stackrel{\text{Bergström}}{\geq} \frac{(x+y+z)^2}{\sum_{cyc} (X \cdot x - x^2)} = \\ &= \frac{X^2}{X \cdot \sum_{cyc} x - \sum_{cyc} x^2} = \frac{X^2}{X^2 - \sum_{cyc} x^2} \geq \frac{X^2}{X^2 - \frac{1}{3}X^2} = \frac{3}{3-1} = \frac{3}{2} \end{aligned}$$

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Now, let's prove some inequalities about this interesting, beautiful and famous inequality.

$$(1) \quad \mathbf{1.} \quad \frac{x}{(y+z)^2} + \frac{y}{(z+x)^2} + \frac{z}{(x+y)^2} \geq \frac{9}{4(x+y+z)}, \forall x, y, z \in \mathbb{R}_+^*$$

*Proof 1.* We have:

$$\sum_{cyc} \frac{x}{(y+z)^2} = \sum_{cyc} \frac{\left(\frac{x}{y+z}\right)^2}{\frac{x}{y+z}} \stackrel{\text{Bergström}}{\geq} \frac{\left(\sum_{cyc} \frac{x}{y+z}\right)^2}{\sum_{cyc} \frac{x}{y+z}} \stackrel{(N-I)}{\geq} \frac{\frac{9}{4}}{\frac{3}{2}} = \frac{9}{4(x+y+z)}$$

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*Proof 2.* We have:

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{cyc} \frac{x}{(y+z)^2} &= \sum_{cyc} \frac{x^3}{(xy+yz)^2} \stackrel{\text{J. Radon}}{\geq} \frac{(x+y+z)^3}{(\sum_{cyc}(xy+xz))^2} = \frac{X^3}{4(xy+yz+zx)^2} \geq \\ &\geq \frac{X^3}{4\left(\frac{(x+y+z)^2}{3}\right)^2} = \frac{X^3}{4 \cdot \frac{X^4}{9}} = \frac{9X^3}{4X^4} = \frac{9}{4X} = \frac{9}{4(x+y+z)} \end{aligned}$$

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$$(B-G) \quad 2. \quad \frac{x}{(y+z)^3} + \frac{y}{(z+x)^3} + \frac{z}{(x+y)^3} \geq \frac{27}{8(x+y+z)^2}; \forall x, y, z \in \mathbb{R}_+^*$$

This inequality is a problem proposed by D.M. Băţineţu-Giurgiu, in R.M.M, and in [1] this inequality was named Băţineţu inequality. We propose to be named (B-G) namely Băţineţu-Giurgiu inequality.

*Proof 1.* We have:

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{cyc} \frac{x}{(y+z)^3} &= \sum_{cyc} \frac{x^4}{(xy+xz)^3} \stackrel{\text{J. Radon}}{\geq} \frac{(x+y+z)^4}{(\sum_{cyc}(xy+xz))^3} = \frac{X^4}{8(xy+yz+zx)^3} \geq \\ &\geq \frac{X^4}{8\left(\frac{(x+y+z)^2}{3}\right)^3} = \frac{27X^4}{8X^6} = \frac{27}{8X^2} = \frac{27}{8(x+y+z)^2} \end{aligned}$$

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*Proof 2.* We have:

$$\sum_{cyc} \frac{x}{(y+z)^3} = \sum_{cyc} \frac{\left(\frac{x}{y+z}\right)^3}{x^2} \stackrel{\text{J. Radon}}{\geq} \frac{(\sum_{cyc} \frac{x}{y+z})^3}{(x+y+z)^2} \stackrel{(N-1) \left(\frac{3}{2}\right)}{\geq} \frac{27}{X^2} = \frac{27}{8X^2} = \frac{27}{8(x+y+z)^2}$$

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3. If  $m \in \mathbb{R}_+ = [0, \infty)$  and  $x, y, z \in \mathbb{R}_+^*$ , then:

$$(3) \quad \frac{x}{(y+z)^{m+1}} + \frac{y}{(z+x)^{m+1}} + \frac{z}{(x+y)^{m+1}} \geq \frac{3^{m+1}}{2^{m+1}(x+y+z)^m}$$

*Proof 1.* We have:

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{cyc} \frac{x}{(y+z)^{m+1}} &= \sum_{cyc} \frac{x^{m+2}}{(xy+xz)^{m+1}} \stackrel{\text{J. Radon}}{\geq} \frac{(x+y+z)^{m+2}}{(\sum_{cyc}(xy+xz))^{m+1}} = \frac{X^{m+2}}{2^{m+1}(xy+yz+zx)^{m+1}} \geq \\ &\geq \frac{X^{m+2}}{2^{m+1}\left(\frac{(x+y+z)^2}{3}\right)^{m+1}} = \frac{3^{m+1} \cdot X^{m+2}}{2^{m+1} \cdot X^{2m+2}} = \frac{3^{m+1}}{2^{m+1} \cdot X^m} = \frac{3^{m+1}}{2^{m+1}(x+y+z)^m} \end{aligned}$$

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*Proof 2.* We have:

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{cyc} \frac{x}{(y+z)^{m+1}} &= \sum_{cyc} \frac{\left(\frac{x}{y+z}\right)^{m+1}}{x^m} \stackrel{\text{J. Radon}}{\geq} \frac{(\sum_{cyc} \frac{x}{y+z})^{m+1}}{(x+y+z)^m} \geq \\ &\stackrel{(N-1) \left(\frac{3}{2}\right)^{m+1}}{\geq} \frac{3^{m+1}}{X^m} = \frac{3^{m+1}}{2^{m+1}X^m} = \frac{3^{m+1}}{2^{m+1}(x+y+z)^m} \end{aligned}$$

Observation: If  $m = 0$  then from relationship (3) we obtain inequality (N-I), and if  $m = 2$  from relationship (3) we obtain Bătinețu - Giurgiu inequality.  $\square$

4. Let be  $n \in \mathbb{N}, n \geq 3, x_k \in \mathbb{R}_+, \forall k = \overline{1, n}$  and  $X_n = \sum_{k=1}^n x_k$ , then:

$$(4) \quad \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{x_k}{(X_n - x_k)^{m+1}} \geq \frac{n^{m+1}}{(n-1)^{m+1} \cdot X_n^m}, \forall m \in \mathbb{R}_+$$

*Proof 1.* We have:

$$(5) \quad \begin{aligned} \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{x_k}{(X_n - x_k)^{m+1}} &= \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{\left(\frac{x_k}{X_n - x_k}\right)^{m+1}}{x_k^m} \stackrel{\text{J. Radon}}{\geq} \frac{\left(\sum_{k=1}^n \frac{x_k}{X_n - x_k}\right)^{m+1}}{\left(\sum_{k=1}^n x_k\right)^m} = \\ &= \frac{1}{X_n^m} \left(\sum_{k=1}^n \frac{x_k}{X_n - x_k}\right)^m \end{aligned}$$

We have:

$$(6) \quad \begin{aligned} \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{x_k}{X_n - x_k} &= -n + \sum_{k=1}^n \left(\frac{x_k}{X_n - x_k} + 1\right) = -n + X_n \cdot \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{1}{X_n - x_k} \geq \\ &\geq -n + X_n \cdot \frac{\underbrace{(1+1+\dots+1+1)}_{n \text{ times}}^2}{\sum_{k=1}^n (X_n - x_k)} = -n + X_n \cdot \frac{n^2}{nX_n - \sum_{k=1}^n x_k} = \\ &= -n + \frac{n^2 X_n}{(n-1)X_n} = -n + \frac{n^2}{n-1} = \frac{n}{n-1} \end{aligned}$$

From relationships (5) and (6) we deduce that:

$$\sum_{k=1}^n \frac{x_k}{(X_n - x_k)^{m+1}} \geq \frac{n^{m+1}}{(n-1)^{m+1} X_n^m} = \frac{n^{m+1}}{(n-1)^{m+1} (x_1 + x_2 + \dots + x_n)^m}$$

$\square$

*Proof 2.* We have:

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{x_k}{(X_n - x_k)^{m+1}} &= \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{x_k^{m+2}}{(X_n \cdot x_k - x_k^2)^{m+1}} \stackrel{\text{J. Radon}}{\geq} \frac{\left(\sum_{k=1}^n x_k\right)^{m+2}}{\left(\sum_{k=1}^n (X_n \cdot x_k - x_k^2)\right)^{m+1}} = \\ &= \frac{X_n^{m+2}}{(X_n^2 - \sum_{k=1}^n x_k^2)^{m+1}} \geq \frac{X_n^{m+2}}{\left(X_n^2 - \frac{1}{n} \left(\sum_{k=1}^n x_k\right)^2\right)^{m+1}} = \frac{n^{m+1} X_n^{m+2}}{(nX_n^2 - X_n^2)^{m+1}} = \\ &= \frac{n^{m+1} \cdot X_n^{m+2}}{(n-1)^{m+1} \cdot X_n^{2m+2}} = \frac{n^{m+1}}{(n-1)^{m+1} \cdot X_n^m} = \frac{n^{m+1}}{(n-1)^{m+1} (x_1 + x_2 + \dots + x_n)^m} \end{aligned}$$

Observation. For  $n = 3$  from relationship (4) we obtain relationship (3).  $\square$

Applications:

**A1.** If  $x, y, z > 0$  and  $ABC$  is a triangle with the area  $F$ , then:

$$(5) \quad \frac{x \cdot a^4}{(y+z)^3} + \frac{y \cdot b^4}{(z+x)^3} + \frac{zc^4}{(x+y)^3} \geq \frac{18F^2}{(x+y+z)^2}$$

*Proof.* We have:

$$\begin{aligned}
\sum_{cyc} \frac{xa^4}{(y+z)^3} &= \sum_{cyc} \frac{x^2 a^4}{x(y+z)^2} = \sum_{cyc} \frac{\left(\frac{xa^2}{y+z}\right)^2}{xy+xz} \stackrel{\text{Bergström}}{\geq} \\
&\geq \frac{\left(\sum_{cyc} \frac{xa^2}{y+z}\right)^2}{\sum_{cyc} (xy+xz)} \stackrel{\text{Tsintsifas}}{\geq} \frac{(2\sqrt{3}F)^2}{2\sum_{cyc} xy} = \frac{6F^2}{xy+yz+zx} \geq \\
&\geq \frac{6F^2}{\frac{(x+y+z)^2}{3}} = \frac{18F^2}{(x+y+z)^2}
\end{aligned}$$

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**A2.** If  $x, y, z > 0$  then in  $\triangle ABC$  with the area  $F$  the following inequality holds:

$$(6) \quad \frac{xa^8}{(y+z)^3} + \frac{yb^8}{(z+x)^3} + \frac{zc^8}{(x+y)^3} \geq \frac{6F^4}{(x+y+z)^2}$$

*Proof.* We have:

$$\begin{aligned}
\sum_{cyc} \frac{xa^8}{(y+z)^3} &= \sum_{cyc} \frac{(xa^2)^4}{(xy+xz)^3} \stackrel{\text{J.Radon}}{\geq} \frac{(xa^2+yb^2+zc^2)^4}{\left(\sum_{cyc} (xy+xz)\right)^3} = \\
&= \frac{(xa^2+yb^2+zc^2)^4}{(2(xy+yz+zx))^3} = \frac{1}{8} \cdot \frac{(xa^2+yb^2+zc^2)^4}{(xy+yz+zx)^3} \geq \\
&\stackrel{\text{Klamkin}}{\geq} \frac{(4\sqrt{xy+yz+zx}F)^4}{8(xy+yz+zx)^3} = \frac{2(xy+yz+zx)^2 F^4}{(xy+yz+zx)^3} = \\
&= \frac{2F^4}{xy+yz+zx} \geq \frac{2F^4}{\frac{(x+y+z)^2}{3}} = \frac{6F^4}{(x+y+z)^2}
\end{aligned}$$

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