

SSMA MATH CHALLENGES-(V)

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5531. If $x, y, z > 1$; $xyz = 2\sqrt{2}$ then:

$$x^y + y^z + z^x + y^x + z^y + x^z > 9$$

Proof.

$$x^y = (1 + (x - 1))^y \stackrel{\text{Bernoulli}}{\geq} 1 + (x - 1)y \quad (1)$$

$$y^x = (1 + (y - 1))^x \stackrel{\text{Bernoulli}}{\geq} 1 + (y - 1)x \quad (2)$$

By adding (1);(2) :

$$\begin{aligned} x^y + y^x &\geq 1 + (x - 1)y + 1 + (y - 1)x = \\ &= 1 + xy - x - y + 1 + xy = \\ &= 1 + xy + (x - 1)(y - 1) \geq 1 + xy \\ x^y + y^x &> 1 + xy \quad (1) \end{aligned}$$

Analogous:

$$y^z + z^y > 1 + yz \quad (2)$$

$$z^x + x^z > 1 + zx \quad (3)$$

By adding (1);(2);(3) :

$$\begin{aligned} x^y + y^z + z^x + y^x + z^y + x^z &> 1 + 1 + 1 + xy + yz + zx \stackrel{\text{AM-GM}}{\geq} 3 + 3\sqrt[3]{(xyz)^2} = \\ &= 3 + 3(\sqrt[3]{2\sqrt{2}})^2 = 3 + 3 \cdot (\sqrt{2})^2 = 3 + 3 \cdot 2 = 9 \end{aligned}$$

□

5562. If $a, b, c \geq 1$ then:

$$e^{ab} + e^{bc} + e^{ca} > 3 + \frac{c}{a} + \frac{b}{c} + \frac{a}{b}$$

Proof. Let be $f : [0, \infty) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}; f(x) = \frac{e^{ax}}{x^2+a^2}$

$$f'(x) = \frac{ae^{ax}(x^2+a^2) - 2xe^{ax}}{(x^2+a^2)^2} = \frac{e^{ax}(ax^2 - 2x + a^3)}{(x^2+a^2)^2}$$

$$f'(x) = 0 \Rightarrow ax^2 - 2x + a^3 = 0$$

$$\Delta = 4 - 4a^4 = 4(1-a)(1+a)(1+a^2) \leq 0$$

because $a \geq 1$. Hence $f'(x) \geq 0, (\forall)x \geq 0$.

$$\min f(x) = f(0) = \frac{1}{a^2}$$

$$f(x) \geq f(0) \Rightarrow \frac{e^{ax}}{x^2+a^2} \geq \frac{1}{a^2} \Rightarrow e^{ax} \geq \frac{x^2+a^2}{a^2}$$

$$(1) \quad e^{ax} > 1 + \left(\frac{x}{a}\right)^2; (\forall)x \geq 1$$

$$(2) \quad \text{Take in (1) : } x = b \Rightarrow e^{ab} > 1 + \left(\frac{b}{a}\right)^2$$

$$(3) \quad \text{Analogous: } e^{bc} > 1 + \left(\frac{c}{b}\right)^2$$

$$(4) \quad e^{ca} > 1 + \left(\frac{a}{c}\right)^2$$

By adding (2); (3); (4):

$$\begin{aligned} e^{ab} + e^{bc} + e^{ca} &> 3 + \left(\frac{b}{a}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{c}{b}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{a}{c}\right)^2 \geq 3 + \frac{b}{a} \cdot \frac{c}{b} + \frac{c}{b} \cdot \frac{a}{c} + \frac{a}{c} \cdot \frac{b}{a} = \\ &= 3 + \frac{c}{a} + \frac{b}{c} + \frac{a}{b} \end{aligned}$$

□

5568. If $A \in M_5(\mathbb{R}); \det(A^5 + I_5) \neq 0; A^{20} - I_5 = A^5(A^5 + I_5)$ then: $\sqrt[4]{\det A} \in \mathbb{R}$.

Proof.

$$A^{20} = A^{10} + A^5 + I_5 \Rightarrow A^{20} + A^5 = A^{10} + 2A^5 + I_5$$

$$A^{20} + A^5 = (A^5 + I_5)^2$$

$$(A^{15} + I_5)A^5 = (A^5 + I_5)^2$$

$$\left((A^5)^3 + I_5^3\right)A^5 = \left(A^5 + I_5\right)^2$$

$$(A^5 + I_5)(A^{10} - A^5 + I_5)A^5 = (A^5 + I_5)^2$$

Multiplying by $(A^5 + I_5)^{-1}$:

$$(A^{10} - A^5 + I_5)A^5 = A^5 + I_5$$

$$A^{15} - A^{10} + A^5 = A^5 + I_5$$

$$A^{15} - A^{10} = I_5 \Rightarrow A^{10}(A^5 - I_5) = I_5$$

$$(\det A)^{10} \det(A^5 - I_5) = \det I_5 = 1 > 0 \Rightarrow$$

$$(1) \quad \det(A^5 - I_5) > 0$$

$$A^{20} - I_5 = A^{10} + A^5$$

$$(A^{10} + I_5)(A^{10} - I_5) = A^5(A^5 + I_5)$$

$$(A^{10} + I_5)(A^5 - I_5)(A^5 + I_5) = A^5(A^5 + I_5)$$

Multiplying by $(A^5 + I_5)^{-1}$:

$$(A^{10} + I_5)(A^5 - I_5) = A^5$$

$$\det(A^5) = \det(A^{10} + I_5) \cdot \det(A^5 - I_5) = \det(A^{10} + I_5) \cdot \det(A^5 - I_3) \geq 0$$

$$(\det A)^5 \geq 0 \Rightarrow \det A \geq 0 \Rightarrow \sqrt[5]{\det A} \geq 0$$

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5574. If $0 < a \leq b \leq c$ then:

$$\frac{1}{1 + e^{a-b+c}} + \frac{1}{1 + e^b} \leq \frac{1}{1 + e^a} + \frac{1}{1 + e^c}$$

Proof.

$$\text{Let be } f : (0, \infty) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}; f(x) = \frac{1}{1 + e^x};$$

$$f'(x) = -\frac{e^x}{(1 + e^x)^2}; f''(x) = -\frac{e^x(1 - e^x)}{(1 + e^x)^3} > 0$$

f convexe; Suppose that a, b, c are different in pairs.

$$f(b) = f\left(\frac{c-b}{c-a} \cdot a + \left(1 - \frac{c-b}{c-a}\right) \cdot c\right) \leq \frac{c-b}{c-a} f(a) + \left(1 - \frac{c-b}{c-a}\right) f(c)$$

$$f(b) \leq \frac{c-b}{c-a} f(a) + \frac{b-a}{c-a} f(c) \quad (1)$$

We used the identity:

$$b = \frac{c-b}{c-a} \cdot a + \left(1 - \frac{c-b}{c-a}\right) \cdot c$$

$$(c-a)b = (c-b)a + (c-a-c+b)c$$

$$bc - ab = ac - ab - ac + bc$$

$$0 = 0$$

$$f(a-b+c) = f\left(\frac{b-a}{c-a}a + \frac{c-b}{c-a}c\right) \leq \frac{b-a}{c-a} f(a) + \frac{c-b}{c-a} f(c) \quad (2)$$

We used the identity:

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

By adding (1); (2) :

$$f(a-b+c) + f(b) \leq f(a)\left(\frac{b-a}{c-a} + \frac{c-b}{c-a}\right) + f(c)\left(\frac{c-b}{c-a} + \frac{b-a}{c-a}\right) f(c)$$

$$f(a-b+c) + f(b) \leq f(a) + f(c)$$

$$\frac{1}{1 + e^{a-b+c}} + \frac{1}{1 + e^b} \leq \frac{1}{1 + e^a} + \frac{1}{1 + e^c}$$

Equality holds if $a = b = c$. □

5579. If $a, b \in \mathbb{R}; a \leq b$ then:

$$\log 5 \cdot \int_a^b 5^{x^2} dx + \log 5 \cdot \int_a^b 5^{x^4} dx \geq 5^b - 5^a$$

Proof. By absurdum suppose $5^x \geq 5^{x^2} + 5^{x^4}$

$$1 \geq 5^{x^2-x} + 5^{x^4-x} > 5^{x^2-x}$$

$$5^{x^2-x} < 1 \Rightarrow x^2 - x < 0 \Rightarrow x \in (0, 1)$$

$$x < 1 \Rightarrow 5 > 5^x \geq 5^{x^2} + 5^{x^4} > 1 + 1 = 2$$

$5 > 2$. False. Hence: $5^x < 5^{x^2} + 5^{x^4}$

$$\begin{aligned} \int_a^b 5^{x^2} dx + \int_a^b 5^{x^4} dx &\geq \int_a^b 5^x dx = \\ &= \frac{5^b}{\log 5} - \frac{5^a}{\log 5} = \frac{1}{\log 5} (5^b - 5^a) \\ \log 5 \cdot \int_a^b 5^{x^2} dx + \log 5 \cdot \int_a^b 5^{x^4} dx &\geq 5^b - 5^a \end{aligned}$$

□

5585. In $\triangle ABC$ the following relationship holds:

$$\sin^4 A + \sin^4 B + \sin^4 C + \sin^4\left(\frac{\pi}{3} + A\right) + \sin^4\left(\frac{\pi}{3} + B\right) + \sin^4\left(\frac{\pi}{3} + C\right) \leq \frac{27}{8}$$

Proof.

$$(\sin A - \sqrt{3} \cos A)^4 \geq 0$$

$$\begin{aligned} \sin^4 A + 9 \cos^4 A + 18 \sin^2 A \cos^2 A - 12\sqrt{3} \sin A \cos^3 A - 4\sqrt{3} \sin^3 A \cos A &\geq 0 \\ 16 \sin^4 A + 9 \cos^4 A + \sin^4 A + 6 \sin^2 A \cos^2 A + 6 \sin^2 A \cos^2 A + 12\sqrt{3} \sin A \cos^3 A + \\ + 4\sqrt{3} \sin^3 A \cos A &\leq 18 \sin^4 A + 18 \cos^4 A + 36 \sin^2 A \cos^2 A \\ 16 \sin^4 A + (3 \cos^2 A + \sin^2 A + \sqrt{3} \sin 2A)^2 &\leq 18(\sin^4 A + 2 \sin^2 A \cos^2 A + \cos^4 A) \\ 16 \sin^4 A + ((\sqrt{3} \cos A + \sin A)^2)^2 &\leq 18(\sin^2 A + \cos^2 A)^2 \end{aligned}$$

$$16 \sin^4 A + \left(2 \sin\left(\frac{\pi}{3} + A\right)\right)^4 \leq 18 \cdot 1^2$$

$$16 \sin^4 A + 16 \sin^4\left(\frac{\pi}{3} + A\right) \leq 18$$

$$(1) \quad \sin^4 A + \sin^4\left(\frac{\pi}{3} + A\right) \leq \frac{18}{16} = \frac{9}{8}$$

Analogous:

$$(2) \quad \sin^4 B + \sin^4\left(\frac{\pi}{3} + B\right) \leq \frac{9}{8}$$

$$(3) \quad \sin^4 C + \sin^4 \left(\frac{\pi}{3} + C \right) \leq \frac{9}{8}$$

By adding (1); (2); (3):

$$\sin^4 A + \sin^4 B + \sin^4 C + \sin^4 \left(\frac{\pi}{3} + A \right) + \sin^4 \left(\frac{\pi}{3} + B \right) + \sin^4 \left(\frac{\pi}{3} + C \right) \leq \frac{27}{8}$$

Equality holds for an equilateral triangle:

$$A = B = C = \frac{\pi}{3}$$

□

5591. Solve for real numbers:

$$3^{\cos x + \cos y + \cos z} = 3^{\cos^2 x + \cos x} + 3^{\cos^2 y + \cos y} + 3^{\cos^2 z + \cos z}$$

Proof.

$$\begin{aligned} 3^{\cos x + \cos y + \cos z} &= 3^{\cos^2 x + \cos x} + 3^{\cos^2 y + \cos y} + 3^{\cos^2 z + \cos z} \geq \\ &\stackrel{\text{AM-GM}}{\geq} \sqrt[3]{3^{\cos^2 x + \cos^2 y + \cos^2 z + \cos x + \cos y + \cos z}} \\ &\left(3^{\sum_{cyc} \cos x} \right)^3 \geq 27 \cdot 3^{\sum_{cyc} \cos^2 x + \sum_{cyc} \cos x} \\ &3 \sum_{cyc} \cos x \geq 3 + \sum_{cyc} \cos^2 x + \sum_{cyc} \cos x \\ &\sum_{cyc} \cos^2 x - 2 \sum_{cyc} \cos x + 3 \leq 0 \\ &(\cos x - 1)^2 + (\cos y - 1)^2 + (\cos z - 1)^2 \leq 0 \\ &\Rightarrow \begin{cases} \cos x = 1 \\ \cos y = 1 \\ \cos z = 1 \end{cases} \Rightarrow \begin{cases} x = \pm \frac{\pi}{2} + 2m\pi; m \in \mathbb{Z} \\ y = \pm \frac{\pi}{2} + 2n\pi; n \in \mathbb{Z} \\ z = \pm \frac{\pi}{2} + 2p\pi; p \in \mathbb{Z} \end{cases} \end{aligned}$$

□

5597. If $x, y, z > 0; xyz = 1$ then:

$$\left(x + y - \frac{1}{\sqrt{z}} \right)^2 + \left(y + z - \frac{1}{\sqrt{x}} \right)^2 + \left(z + x - \frac{1}{\sqrt{y}} \right)^2 \geq 3$$

Proof. First, we prove that:

$$\begin{aligned} (1) \quad &2(x + y - \sqrt{xy})^2 \geq x^2 + y^2 \\ &2(x^2 + y^2 + xy - 2x\sqrt{xy} - 2y\sqrt{xy} + 2xy) \geq x^2 + y^2 \\ &x^2 + y^2 + 6xy - 4x\sqrt{xy} - 4y\sqrt{xy} \geq 0 \\ &x^2 + 2xy + y^2 + 4xy - 4\sqrt{xy}(x + y) \geq 0 \\ &(x + y)^2 - 4\sqrt{xy}(x + y) + 4xy \geq 0 \\ &(x + y - 2\sqrt{xy})^2 \geq 0 \text{ (True)} \end{aligned}$$

By (1):

$$(2) \quad (x + y - \sqrt{xy})^2 \geq \frac{x^2 + y^2}{2}$$

$$\sum_{cyc} \left(x + y - \frac{1}{\sqrt{z}}\right)^2 = \sum_{cyc} (x + y - \sqrt{xy})^2 \stackrel{(2)}{\geq}$$

$$\geq \sum_{cyc} \frac{x^2 + y^2}{2} = x^2 + y^2 + z^2 \stackrel{\text{AM-GM}}{\geq}$$

$$\geq 3\sqrt[3]{(xyz)^2} = 3 \cdot \sqrt[3]{1^2} = 3$$

Equality holds for $x = y = z = 1$. □

5620. If $a, b \in [0, 1]$; $a \leq b$ then:

$$4\sqrt{ab} \leq a \left(\left(\frac{b}{a}\right)^{\sqrt{ab}} + \sqrt{\left(\frac{b}{a}\right)^{a+b}} \right) + b \left(\left(\frac{a}{b}\right)^{\sqrt{ab}} + \sqrt{\left(\frac{a}{b}\right)^{a+b}} \right) \leq 2(a + b)$$

Proof. Let be $f : [0, 1] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$; $f(x) = a\left(\frac{b}{a}\right)^x + b\left(\frac{a}{b}\right)^x$

$$f'(x) = a\left(\frac{b}{a}\right)^x \ln \frac{b}{a} + b\left(\frac{a}{b}\right)^x \ln \frac{a}{b} =$$

$$= \ln \frac{b}{a} \left[a\left(\frac{b}{a}\right)^x - b\left(\frac{a}{b}\right)^x \right]$$

$$f'(x) = 0 \Rightarrow a\left(\frac{b}{a}\right)^x = b\left(\frac{a}{b}\right)^x \Rightarrow a\left(\frac{b}{a}\right)^{2x} = b$$

$$\left(\frac{b}{a}\right)^{2x} = \left(\frac{b}{a}\right)^1 \Rightarrow 2x = 1 \Rightarrow x = \frac{1}{2}$$

x	0	$\frac{1}{2}$	1
$f'(x)$	-----	-0+++++	-----
$f(x)$	$a + b$	$2\sqrt{ab}$	$a + b$

$$(1) \quad \Rightarrow 2\sqrt{ab} \leq a\left(\frac{b}{a}\right)^x + b\left(\frac{a}{b}\right)^x \leq a + b$$

For $x = \sqrt{ab} \in [a, b] \subseteq [0, 1]$ in (1): □

$$(2) \quad 2\sqrt{ab} \leq a\left(\frac{b}{a}\right)^{\sqrt{ab}} + b\left(\frac{a}{b}\right)^{\sqrt{ab}} \leq a + b$$

For $x = \frac{a+b}{2} \in [a, b] \subseteq [0, 1]$ in (1):

$$(3) \quad 2\sqrt{ab} \leq a\left(\frac{b}{a}\right)^{\frac{a+b}{2}} + b\left(\frac{a}{b}\right)^{\frac{a+b}{2}} \leq a + b$$

By adding (2);(3):

$$4\sqrt{ab} \leq a \left(\left(\frac{b}{a}\right)^{\sqrt{ab}} + \left(\frac{b}{a}\right)^{\frac{a+b}{2}} \right) + b \left(\left(\frac{a}{b}\right)^{\sqrt{ab}} + \left(\frac{a}{b}\right)^{\frac{a+b}{2}} \right) \leq 2(a + b)$$

$$4\sqrt{ab} \leq a \left(\left(\frac{b}{a} \right)^{\sqrt{ab}} + \sqrt{\left(\frac{b}{a} \right)^{a+b}} \right) + b \left(\left(\frac{a}{b} \right)^{\sqrt{ab}} + \sqrt{\left(\frac{a}{b} \right)^{a+b}} \right) \leq 2(a+b)$$

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