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If  $a = \frac{\varphi^2}{2(1+\varphi)}$ ,  $b = \frac{\varphi}{2(1+\varphi)}$ ,  $c = \frac{1}{2(1+\varphi)}$ ,  $\varphi$  – golden ratio, then

$$\sum_{cyc} \frac{a^2 b^2}{c^3(a^2 - ab + b^2)} > 6\varphi$$

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$$a = \frac{\varphi^2}{2(\varphi + 1)} = \frac{1}{2}, b = \frac{\varphi}{2(\varphi + 1)} = \frac{1}{2\varphi}, c = \frac{1}{2(1 + \varphi)} = \frac{1}{2\varphi^2}$$

$$* \frac{a^2 b^2}{c^3(a^2 - ab + b^2)} = \frac{\left(\frac{1}{2\varphi}\right)^2 \left(\frac{1}{2\varphi^2}\right)^2}{\left(\frac{1}{2\varphi}\right)^3 \left(\frac{1}{4} - \frac{1}{4\varphi} + \frac{1}{4\varphi^2}\right)} = \frac{2\varphi^4}{\varphi^2} = \varphi^6 \quad (\alpha)$$

$$* \frac{b^2 c^2}{a^3(b^2 - bc + c^2)} = \frac{\left(\frac{1}{2\varphi}\right)^2 \left(\frac{1}{2\varphi^2}\right)^2}{\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^3 \left(\frac{1}{4\varphi^2} - \frac{1}{4\varphi^3} + \frac{1}{4\varphi^4}\right)} = \frac{2}{\varphi^6 \left(\frac{2}{\varphi^4}\right)} = \frac{1}{\varphi^2} \quad (\beta)$$

$$* \frac{c^2 a^2}{b^3(c^2 - ca + a^2)} = \frac{\left(\frac{1}{2\varphi^2}\right)^2 \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^2}{\left(\frac{1}{2\varphi}\right)^3 \left(\frac{1}{4\varphi^4} - \frac{1}{4\varphi^4} + \frac{1}{4}\right)} = \frac{2}{\varphi \left(\frac{2}{\varphi^2}\right)} = \frac{1}{\varphi} \quad (\gamma)$$

$$(\alpha) + (\beta) + (\gamma):$$

$$\therefore \sum_{cyc} \frac{a^2 b^2}{c^3(a^2 - ab + b^2)} = \varphi^6 + \frac{1}{\varphi^2} + \frac{1}{\varphi}$$

$$= (8\varphi + 5) + (2 - \varphi) + (\varphi - 1) = 8\varphi + 6 > 6\varphi$$

$$\varphi \rightarrow \frac{\sqrt{5}+1}{2} \quad (\text{Golden ratio})$$