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If $x, y \in (0, 1)$ then prove that :

$$\sqrt{x} + \sqrt{y} + \sqrt[4]{12} \cdot \sqrt{y\sqrt{1-x^2} + x\sqrt{1-y^2}} \leq 4 \sqrt[4]{\frac{2}{3}}$$

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$$\begin{aligned} & \sqrt{x} + \sqrt{y} + \sqrt[4]{12} \cdot \sqrt{y\sqrt{1-x^2} + x\sqrt{1-y^2}} \stackrel{\text{CBS}}{\leq} \\ & \sqrt{2} \cdot \sqrt{\sqrt{2(x^2+y^2)}} + \sqrt[4]{12} \cdot \sqrt{\sqrt{x^2+y^2} \cdot \sqrt{2-(x^2+y^2)}} \\ & = \sqrt[4]{8(x^2+y^2)} + \sqrt[4]{24(x^2+y^2) - 12(x^2+y^2)^2} \\ & = t + \sqrt[4]{24 \cdot \frac{t^4}{8} - 12 \cdot \left(\frac{t^4}{8}\right)^2} \quad \left(t = \sqrt[4]{8(x^2+y^2)}\right) = t + \frac{t}{2} \cdot \sqrt[4]{48 - 3t^4} \end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore \text{LHS} \stackrel{①}{\leq} t + \frac{t}{2} \cdot \sqrt[4]{48 - 3t^4} \text{ and since } x, y \in (0, 1) \therefore t = \sqrt[4]{8(x^2+y^2)} \in (0, 2)$$

$$\text{Let } f(t) = t + \frac{t}{2} \cdot \sqrt[4]{48 - 3t^4} \quad \forall t \in (0, 2); \text{ then : } f'(t) = \frac{(48 - 3t^4)^{\frac{3}{4}} - 3(t^4 - 8)}{(48 - 3t^4)^{\frac{3}{4}}} > 0$$

(trivially) if $t^4 \leq 8$ and $\forall t^4 \in (8, 16)$, $f'(t) =$

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{(48 - 3t^4)^3 - 81(t^4 - 8)^4}{(48 - 3t^4)^{\frac{3}{4}} \cdot \left((48 - 3t^4)^{\frac{3}{4}} + 3(t^4 - 8)\right) \cdot \left((48 - 3t^4)^{\frac{3}{2}} + 9(t^4 - 8)^2\right)} \\ & = \frac{27(32 - 3m) \left((m - 5)(m - 8)^2 + 64\right)}{(48 - 3t^4)^{\frac{3}{4}} \cdot \left((48 - 3t^4)^{\frac{3}{4}} + 3(t^4 - 8)\right) \cdot \left((48 - 3t^4)^{\frac{3}{2}} + 9(t^4 - 8)^2\right)} \stackrel{(*)}{=} f'(t) \end{aligned}$$

$$(m = t^4) \text{ and } \therefore m = t^4 > 8 \therefore f'(t) = 0 \Rightarrow 32 = 3m = 3t^4 \Rightarrow t = \sqrt[4]{\frac{32}{3}} \text{ and also,}$$

$$(*) \Rightarrow \forall m = t^4 \in \left(0, \frac{32}{3}\right], f'(t) \geq 0 \text{ and } \forall m = t^4 \in \left(\frac{32}{3}, 16\right), f'(t) < 0$$

$$\therefore f(t) \text{ is } \uparrow \text{ on } \left(0, \sqrt[4]{\frac{32}{3}}\right] \text{ and } f(t) \text{ is } \downarrow \text{ on } \left(\sqrt[4]{\frac{32}{3}}, 2\right) \text{ with } f'\left(\sqrt[4]{\frac{32}{3}}\right) = 0$$

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$$\begin{aligned}\therefore f(t)_{\max} &= f\left(\sqrt[4]{\frac{32}{3}}\right) = 4 \cdot \sqrt[4]{\frac{2}{3}} \stackrel{\text{via } \textcircled{1}}{\Rightarrow} \sqrt{x} + \sqrt{y} + \sqrt[4]{12} \cdot \sqrt{y \cdot \sqrt{1-x^2} + x \cdot \sqrt{1-y^2}} \\ &\leq 4 \cdot \sqrt[4]{\frac{2}{3}}, '' = '' \text{ iff } x = y = \sqrt{\frac{2}{3}} \text{ (QED)}\end{aligned}$$