

# ROMANIAN MATHEMATICAL MAGAZINE

If  $a, b, c, x, y, z > 0$  and  
 $2(a + b + c)^2 + (x + y + z)^2 + 1 \leq 2(a + b + c)(x + y + z + 1)$   
 then:

$$\frac{(x + b + c)^9}{(x^a y^b z^c + a^x b^y c^z)^8} + \frac{(y + z + a)^9}{(x^b y^c z^a + a^y b^z c^x)^8} + \frac{1}{(x^c y^a z^b + a^z b^x c^y)^8} \geq \frac{19683}{256}$$

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$2(a + b + c)^2 + (x + y + z)^2 + 1 \leq 2(a + b + c)(x + y + z + 1)$  can be written as

$$(x + y + z - (a + b + c))^2 + ((a + b + c) - 1)^2 \leq 0$$

since L.H.S  $\geq 0$ , so only possibility is

$$((x + y + z) - (a + b + c))^2 = 0 \text{ and } ((a + b + c) - 1)^2 = 0$$

which implies that  $x + y + z = a + b + c = 1$  (1)

$$\begin{aligned} & x^a y^b z^c + a^x b^y c^z + x^b y^c z^a + a^y b^z c^x + x^c y^a z^b + a^z b^x c^y = \\ & = (x^a y^b z^c + a^x b^y c^z) + (x^b y^c z^a + a^y b^z c^x) + (a^y b^z c^x + x^c y^a z^b) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} & = \sum (x^a y^b z^c + a^x b^y c^z) \stackrel{AM-GM}{\leq} \sum \left( \frac{ax + by + cz}{a + b + c} \right)^{a+b+c} + \sum \left( \frac{ax + by + cz}{x + y + z} \right)^{x+y+z} \\ & \stackrel{(1)}{\leq} \sum (ax + by + cz) + \sum (ax + by + cz) = 2 \sum (ax + by + cz) \quad (2) \end{aligned}$$

$$\frac{(x + b + c)^9}{(x^a y^b z^c + a^x b^y c^z)^8} + \frac{(y + z + a)^9}{(x^b y^c z^a + a^y b^z c^x)^8} + \frac{1}{(x^c y^a z^b + a^z b^x c^y)^8} =$$

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$$\begin{aligned} & \stackrel{Radon}{\geq} \frac{(x + b + c + y + z + a + 1)^9}{(x^a y^b z^c + a^x b^y c^z + x^b y^c z^a + a^y b^z c^x + x^c y^a z^b + a^z b^x c^y)^8} \geq \\ & \stackrel{(1)\&(2)}{\geq} \frac{(3)^9}{(2 \sum (ax + by + cz))^8} = \frac{3^9}{(2(a + b + c)(x + y + z))^8} \stackrel{(1)}{\geq} \frac{3^9}{2^8} = \frac{19683}{256} \end{aligned}$$

Equality holds for  $a = b = c = x = y = z = \frac{1}{3}$