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## RUSSIAN INEQUALITY – 2

If  $a, b, c \in (0, \infty)$  then:

$$\sqrt{\frac{a}{b+c}} + \sqrt{\frac{b}{c+a}} + \sqrt{\frac{c}{a+b}} > 2$$

*Proof 1 by Rovsen Pirkuliyev – Sumgait – Azerbaidjian*

*Proof 2 by Myagmarsuren Yadamsuren – Mongolia*

*Proof 3 by Marian Dincă – Romania*

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**Denote  $a + b + c = x$**

**Using AM-GM  $\Rightarrow$**

$$\sqrt{\frac{b+c}{a}} \leq \frac{\frac{b+c}{a} + 1}{2} = \frac{x}{2a} \Rightarrow \sqrt{\frac{a}{b+c}} = \frac{2a}{x}$$

$$\sqrt{\frac{c+a}{b}} \leq \frac{\frac{c+a}{b} + 1}{2} = \frac{x}{2b} \Rightarrow \sqrt{\frac{b}{c+a}} \geq \frac{2b}{x}$$

$$\text{and } \sqrt{\frac{c}{a+b}} \geq \frac{2c}{x}$$

$$\text{Hence } \sqrt{\frac{a}{b+c}} + \sqrt{\frac{b}{c+a}} + \sqrt{\frac{c}{a+b}} \geq \frac{2a}{x} + \frac{2b}{x} + \frac{2c}{x} = 2$$

**Equality is possible**

$$\frac{b+c}{a} = \frac{a+c}{b} = \frac{a+b}{c} = 1 \Rightarrow \text{impossible}$$

$$\sum \sqrt{\frac{a}{b+c}} > 2$$



*Proof 2 by Myagmarsuren Yadamsuren – Mongolia*

$$\begin{aligned} \sum \sqrt{\frac{a \cdot (b+c)}{(b+c)^2}} &= \sum \frac{\sqrt{a \cdot (b+c)}}{b+c} \geq \\ &\sqrt{p \cdot q} \geq \frac{2}{\frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{q}} \geq \sum \frac{\frac{2}{\frac{1}{a} + \frac{1}{b+c}}}{b+c} = \\ &= \sum \frac{2 \cdot a \cdot (b+c)}{(a+b+c) \cdot (b+c)} = \sum \frac{2a}{a+b+c} = 2 \end{aligned}$$

*Proof 3 by Marian Dincă – Romania*

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{cyc} \sqrt{\frac{a}{b+c}} &= \sum_{cyc} \sqrt{\frac{a^2}{(b+c)a}} = \sum_{cyc} \frac{a}{\sqrt{(b+c)a}} > \sum_{cyc} \frac{a}{\frac{b+c+a}{2}} = \\ &= \sum_{cyc} \frac{2a}{b+c+a} = 2 \end{aligned}$$