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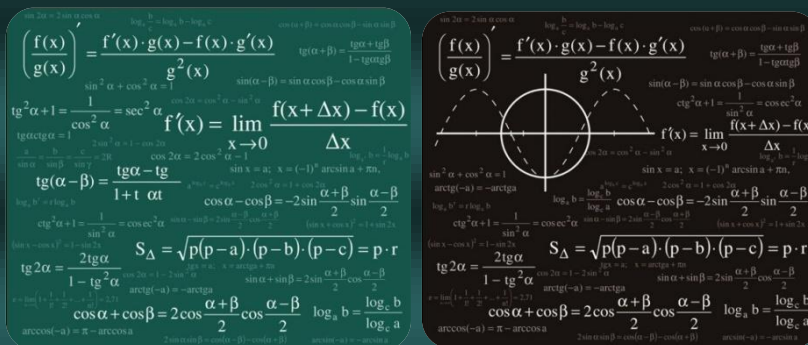
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1. Solutions and hints of some problems from the Octagon Mathematical Magazine (V)

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PP.20706. If $a, b, c > 0$, then $2 \cdot \sqrt{\sum (a+b)^2} \geq \sqrt{\sum a^2} + \sum a$.

Solution. Applying the inequality $\sqrt{2(x^2 + y^2)} \geq x + y$, we have

$$\sqrt{\sum (a+b)^2} = \sqrt{2(\sum a^2 + \sum ab)} \geq \sqrt{\sum a^2} + \sqrt{\sum ab}, \text{ so it suffices to show that}$$

$$2 \cdot \sqrt{\sum a^2} + 2 \cdot \sqrt{\sum ab} \geq \sqrt{\sum a^2} + \sum a$$

$\Leftrightarrow \sqrt{\sum a^2} + 2 \cdot \sqrt{\sum ab} \geq \sum a$, add squaring we obtain

$\sum a^2 + 4 \sum ab + 4 \cdot \sqrt{(\sum a^2)(\sum ab)} \geq \sum a^2 + 2 \sum ab$, evidently true, and the proof is complete.

PP.20714. For all $n \in \mathbb{N}$ the expression $\frac{4^{n+2} - 4}{3} - \frac{(n+1)(3n+8)}{2}$ is divisible by 9.

(enunciation correction)

Solution. Since $2(4^{n+2} - 4) - 3(n+1)(3n+8) = 2^{2n+5} - 8 - 9n^2 - 33n - 24 =$
 $= 2^{2n+5} + 9n^2 + 3n + 4 - 18(n^2 + 2n + 2)$. So it suffices to prove that:

$2^{n+5} + 9n^2 + 3n + 4$ is divisible by 18. Using mathematical induction for $n = 1$ we have
 $2^7 + 9 + 3 + 4 = 144 = 18 \cdot 8$. We assume that $2^{n+5} + 9n^2 + 3n + 4$ is divisible by 18.

We have $2^{2n+7} + 9(n+1)^2 + 3(n+1) + 4 = 2^{2n+7} + 9n^2 + 21n + 16 =$

$= 2^{2n+7} + 36n^2 + 12n + 16 - 27n^2 + 9n = 2^2(2^{2n+5} + 9n^2 + 3n + 4) - 9n(3n-1)$ which is
 divisible by 18 (from the hypothesis of induction and the fact that n and $3n-1$ has
 different parities, so their product is even).

PP.20728. In all triangle ABC holds $\sum \frac{s + r \operatorname{ctg} \frac{A}{2}}{\operatorname{ctg} \frac{B}{2} + \operatorname{ctg} \frac{C}{2}} \leq \left(\frac{s}{r}\right)^2$.

Solution. Something is missing from the statement, because LHS has degree one and RHS has degree zero.

PP.20732. In all triangle ABC holds $\sum (a+b)^4 + 4abc \sum a \geq 4 \sum ab(a+b)^2$.

Solution. Since $(a+b)^2 \geq 4ab$, we have

$$\sum (a+b)^4 = \sum (a+b)^2 (a+b)^2 \geq \sum 4ab(a+b)^2,$$

which is stronger than given inequality, and we are done.

PP.20736. If $x, y, z > 0$, $x + y + z = 1$, then $\sum x^3 + \sum x^2 \geq 3xyz + \sum xy$.

Solution. The given inequality is written successively:

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum x^3 + (\sum x)(\sum x^2) \geq 3xyz + (\sum x)(\sum xy) \\ \Leftrightarrow & \sum x^3 + \sum x^3 + \sum x^2 y + \sum xy^2 \geq 3xyz + \sum x^2 y + \sum xy^2 + 3xyz \\ \Leftrightarrow & \sum x^3 \geq 3xyz, \text{ true by AM-GM inequality.} \end{aligned}$$

PP.20736. If $x, y, z > 0$, then:

$$3 \prod (x^2 + 3y^2 + z^2 + 3xy + 3yz + zx) \geq 4(\sum x)^2 (\sum x^2 + 3 \sum xy)^2.$$

Solution. Applying the inequality $a^2 + ab + b^2 \geq \frac{3(a+b)}{4}$, we obtain:

$$\begin{aligned} & x^2 + 3y^2 + z^2 + 3xy + 3yz + zx = (x+y)^2 + (x+y)(y+z) + (y+z)^2 \geq \\ & \geq \frac{3(x+y+y+z)^2}{4} = \frac{3(x+2y+z)^2}{4}, \text{ and then the inequality from the statement is} \end{aligned}$$

written as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} & 3^4 \cdot \frac{1}{4^3} \prod (x+2y+z)^2 \geq 4(\sum x)^2 (\sum x^2 + 3 \sum xy)^2 \\ \Leftrightarrow & \prod (x+2y+z) \geq \frac{16}{9} \sum x (\sum x^2 + 3 \sum xy), \text{ i.e. PP.21301, which we solved (see the} \end{aligned}$$

solution from this Octagon Mathematical Magazine).

The proof is complete.

PP.20743. In all triangle ABC holds $\frac{9}{2 \sum m_a} \leq \sum \frac{1}{m_a + m_b} < \frac{5}{\sum m_a}$.

Solution. The left inequality yields by Harald Bergström's inequality. Indeed,

$$\sum \frac{1}{m_a + m_b} \geq \frac{(1+1+1)^2}{\sum (m_a + m_b)} = \frac{9}{2\sum m_a}.$$

For the right inequality we prove the following strengthening:

$$\sum \frac{1}{m_a + m_b} + \frac{4\prod(m_a + m_b - m_c)}{(\sum m_a)(\prod(m_a + m_b))} < \frac{5}{\sum m_a} \tag{1}$$

Because m_a, m_b, m_c can be the sides of triangle, we can denote $m_a = y + z, m_b = x + z, m_c = x + y$, with $x, y, z > 0$. So, the inequality (1) becomes:

$$\sum \frac{1}{2x + y + z} + \frac{16xyz}{(\sum x)(\prod(2x + y + z))} \leq \frac{5}{2\sum x} \tag{2}$$

We have:

$$\begin{aligned} \prod(2x + y + z) &= 2\sum x^3 + 7\sum x^2y + 7\sum xy^2 + 16xyz; \\ \sum(2x + y + z)(x + 2y + z) &= 5\sum x^2 + 11\sum xy, \text{ and} \\ (\sum x)(\sum(2x + y + z)(x + 2y + z)) &= 5\sum x^3 + 16\sum x^2y + 16\sum xy^2 + 33xyz. \end{aligned}$$

After clearing the denominators the inequality (2) becomes:

$$\begin{aligned} 10\sum x^3 + 32\sum x^2y + 32\sum xy^2 + 66xyz + 32xyz &\leq 10\sum x^3 + 35\sum x^2y + 35\sum xy^2 + \\ + 80xyz &\Leftrightarrow \sum x^2y + \sum xy^2 \geq 6xyz, \text{ which follows immediately by AM-GM inequality,} \\ \text{because } \sum x^2y &\geq 3xyz, \sum xy^2 \geq 3xyz. \end{aligned}$$

The proof is complete.

PP.20744. If $x, y, z > 0$ and $x^2 + y^2 + z^2 \leq 1$, then $\sum \frac{1}{\sqrt{1+x^2}} \geq \frac{9}{4}$.

Solution. We will prove a stronger inequality, i.e. we prove that: $\sum \frac{1}{\sqrt{1+x^2}} \geq \frac{3\sqrt{3}}{2}$.

Indeed, by Hölder's inequality we obtain:

$$\left(\sum \frac{1}{\sqrt{1+x^2}}\right)\left(\sum \frac{1}{\sqrt{1+x^2}}\right)(\sum(1+x^2)) \geq 27 \Leftrightarrow \left(\sum \frac{1}{\sqrt{1+x^2}}\right)^2 \geq \frac{27}{3+x^2+y^2+z^2},$$

and from hypothesis $x^2 + y^2 + z^2 \leq 1$, we get $\left(\sum \frac{1}{\sqrt{1+x^2}}\right)^2 \geq \frac{27}{4} \Leftrightarrow \sum \frac{1}{\sqrt{1+x^2}} \geq \frac{3\sqrt{3}}{2}$.

The proof is complete.

PP.20755. If $x, y, z \in N$ such that $x^2 + y^2 + z^2 = 2002$, then $x + y + z \leq 70$.

Solution. We can assume that $x \leq y \leq z$. Because we have:

$$y + z \leq \sqrt{2(y^2 + z^2)} \leq \sqrt{2 \cdot 2002} < 64, \text{ so if } x \leq 6, \text{ then } x + y + z < 70.$$

If $x = 7$, then $y + z \leq \sqrt{2(y^2 + z^2)} \leq \sqrt{2 \cdot (2002 - 49)} < 63$, so $x + y + z < 70$.

If $x \geq 8$, after some algebra we get the solutions (9,20,39), (9,25,36), (15,16,39), so in all these cases $x + y + z \leq 70$, and the solution is complete.

PP.20762. If $a, b, c > 0$ then:

$$4 \prod (a^2 + ab + b^2) \leq (a-b)^2 (b-c)^2 (c-a)^2 + 9 \sum a^2 b^2 (a+b)^2.$$

Solution. We have:

$$\begin{aligned} \prod (a^2 + ab + b^2) &= \sum a^4 b^2 + \sum a^4 b^2 + \sum a^4 bc + \sum a^3 b^3 + 2 \sum a^3 b^2 c + \\ &+ 2 \sum a^3 bc^2 + \sum a^2 b^2 c^2; (a-b)^2 (b-c)^2 (c-a)^2 = \sum a^4 b^2 + \sum a^2 b^4 - \\ &- 2 \sum a^3 b^3 - 2 \sum a^4 bc - 6a^2 b^2 c^2 + 2 \sum a^3 b^2 c + 2 \sum a^3 bc^2. \end{aligned}$$

The inequality from the statement is written as follows:

$$\sum a^4 b^2 + \sum a^2 b^4 + 2 \sum a^3 b^3 \geq \sum a^4 bc + \sum a^3 b^2 c + \sum a^3 bc^2 + 3a^2 b^2 c^2 \quad (1)$$

By AM-GM inequality we obtain:

$$a^4 b^2 + a^4 c^2 \geq 2a^4 bc \Rightarrow \sum a^4 b^2 + \sum a^2 b^4 \geq 2 \sum a^4 bc \quad (2)$$

$$a^4 bc + ab^4 c + abc^4 \geq 3a^2 b^2 c^2 \Rightarrow \sum a^4 bc \geq 3a^2 b^2 c^2 \quad (3)$$

$$a^3 b^3 + a^3 b^3 + b^3 c^3 \geq 3a^2 b^3 c$$

$$b^3 c^3 + b^3 c^3 + c^3 a^3 \geq 3ab^2 c^3 \Rightarrow \sum a^3 b^3 \geq \sum a^3 bc^2 \quad (4)$$

$$c^3 a^3 + c^3 a^3 + a^3 b^3 \geq 3a^3 bc^2$$

and similar $\sum a^3 b^3 \geq \sum a^3 b^2 c \quad (5)$

Adding up the inequalities (2), (3), (4) and (5) yields (1).

Remark. With Muirhead's inequality, because $(3,3,0) \succ (3,2,1)$ we obtain:

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{sym} a^3 b^3 &\geq \sum_{sym} a^3 b^2 c, \text{ whics means, using cyclic summation,} \\ 2 \sum a^3 b^3 &\geq \sum a^3 b^2 c + \sum a^3 bc^2. \end{aligned}$$

The proof is complete.

PP.20765. In all triangle ABC holds:

$$\sum (1 - \cos A - \cos 2A - \cos(B - C))^2 = \left(\frac{s^2 - 4Rr - r^2}{R^2} \right)^2 - \left(\frac{s^2 + r^2 + 4Rr}{2R^2} \right)^2.$$

Solution. We have:

$$\begin{aligned} 1 - \cos A - \cos 2A - \cos(B - C) &= 1 - \cos 2A - \cos A - \cos(B - C) = \\ &= 2 \sin^2 A - 2 \cos \frac{A+B-C}{2} \cos \frac{A-B+C}{2} = 2 \sin^2 A - 2 \sin B \sin C = \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= 2 \cdot \frac{a^2}{4R^2} - 2 \cdot \frac{bc}{4R^2} = \frac{a^2}{2R^2} - \frac{bc}{2R^2}, \text{ thus by } \sum a^2 = 2(s^2 - r^2 - 4Rr) \text{ and} \\
 &\quad \sum ab = s^2 + r^2 + 4Rr \text{ we obtain that:} \\
 &\quad \sum (1 - \cos A - \cos 2A - \cos(B - C))^2 = \sum \left(\frac{a^2 - bc}{2R^2} \right)^2 = \\
 &= \left(\frac{1}{2R^2} \right)^2 \sum (a^4 - 2a^2bc + b^2c^2) = \frac{1}{4R^4} [(\sum a^2)^2 - 2\sum a^2b^2 - 2\sum a^2bc + (\sum bc)^2 - \\
 &- 2\sum a^2bc] = \frac{(\sum a^2)^2}{4R^4} + \frac{1}{4R^4} [-2(\sum ab)^2 + 4\sum a^2bc - 4\sum a^2bc + (\sum ab)^2] = \\
 &= \frac{(\sum a^2)^2}{4R^4} - \frac{(\sum ab)^2}{4R^4} = \frac{4(s^2 - r^2 - 4Rr)^2}{4R^4} - \frac{(s^2 + r^2 + 4Rr)^2}{4R^4} = \\
 &\quad = \left(\frac{s^2 - 4Rr - r^2}{R^2} \right)^2 - \left(\frac{s^2 + r^2 + 4Rr}{2R^2} \right)^2, \text{ and we are done.}
 \end{aligned}$$

PP.20768. Prove that the following three statements

1) a, b, c are in geometrical progression

2) $(\sum a^2)^2 = (\sum ab)^2$

3) $(\sum ab)^3 = abc(\sum a)^3$

are equivalent, where $a, b, c \in R$.

Solution. If we take $a = 1, b = 2, c = 4$ (in geometrical progression) then $(\sum a^2)^2 = 21^2$ and $(\sum ab)^2 = 14^2$, so (1) and (2) are not equivalents.

We prove that (3) \Leftrightarrow (1). Indeed.

$$\begin{aligned}
 &(\sum ab)^3 - abc(\sum a)^3 = \sum a^3b^3 + 3abc(\sum a^2b + \sum ab^2) + 6a^2b^2c^2 - \\
 &- \sum a^4bc - 3abc(\sum a^2b + \sum ab^2) - 6a^2b^2c^2 = \sum a^3b^3 - \sum a^4bc = \\
 &= a^3b^3 - a^4bc + b^3c^3 - abc^4 + a^3c^3 - ab^4c = a^3b(b^2 - ac) + bc^3(b^2 - ac) - \\
 &- ac(b^4 - a^2c^2) = (b^2 - ac)(a^3b - ab^2c + bc^3 - a^2c^2) = (b^2 - ac)(a^2 - bc)(ab - c^2).
 \end{aligned}$$

So $(\sum ab)^3 = abc(\sum a)^3 \Leftrightarrow a^2 = bc$ or $b^2 = ac$ or $c^2 = ab$, and we are done.

PP.20771. If $a + b + c = \sqrt{\frac{3k+1}{k(k+1)}}$ and $a^2 + b^2 + c^2 = \frac{1}{k}$, then

$$\sum_{k=1}^n ((a^2 - bc)^2 + (b^2 - ca)^2 + (c^2 - ab)^2) = \frac{n(n+2)}{(n+1)^2}.$$

Solution. Since $ab + bc + ca = \frac{(a + b + c)^2 - (a^2 + b^2 + c^2)}{2} = \frac{1}{k + 1}$, we have:

$$\begin{aligned} & (a^2 - bc)^2 + (b^2 - ca)^2 + (c^2 - ab)^2 = \\ & = a^4 + b^4 + c^4 - 2abc(a + b + c) + b^2c^2 + c^2a^2 + a^2b^2 = \\ & = (a^2 + b^2 + c^2)^2 - 2\sum a^2b^2 - 2abc\sum a + (\sum bc)^2 - 2abc\sum a = \\ & = \frac{1}{k^2} - 2(\sum ab)^2 + 4abc\sum a + (\sum bc)^2 = \frac{1}{k^2} - \frac{1}{(k + 1)^2}. \end{aligned}$$

Therefore,

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum_{k=1}^n ((a^2 - bc)^2 + (b^2 - ca)^2 + (c^2 - ab)^2) = \sum_{k=1}^n \left(\frac{1}{k^2} - \frac{1}{(k + 1)^2} \right) = 1 - \frac{1}{(n + 1)^2} = \\ & = \frac{n(n + 2)}{(n + 1)^2}, \text{ and we are done.} \end{aligned}$$

PP.20785. If $a_i > 0$ ($i = 1, 2, \dots, n$), $k \in \{1, 2, \dots, n\}$ such that

$$\sum_{cyclic} a_1 a_2 \dots a_k = 1, \text{ then } \sum_{cyclic} \frac{a_1 a_2 \dots a_k}{\left((1 + a_1^k)(1 + a_2^k) \dots (1 + a_k^k) \right)^{\frac{1}{k}}} \leq \frac{n}{n + 1}.$$

Solution. By Hölder's inequality, we obtain that:

$$(1 + a_1^k)(1 + a_2^k) \dots (1 + a_k^k) \geq \left(1 + \sqrt[k]{a_1^k a_2^k \dots a_k^k} \right)^k = (1 + a_1 a_2 \dots a_k)^k,$$

so it suffices to show that

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum_{cyclic} \frac{a_1 a_2 \dots a_k}{1 + a_1 a_2 \dots a_k} \leq \frac{n}{n + 1} \Leftrightarrow \sum_{cyclic} \left(\frac{1 + a_1 a_2 \dots a_k}{1 + a_1 a_2 \dots a_k} - \frac{1}{1 + a_1 a_2 \dots a_k} \right) \leq \frac{n}{n + 1} \\ & \Leftrightarrow n - \sum_{cyclic} \frac{1}{1 + a_1 a_2 \dots a_k} \leq \frac{n}{n + 1} \Leftrightarrow \sum_{cyclic} \frac{1}{1 + a_1 a_2 \dots a_k} \geq \frac{n^2}{n + 1}. \end{aligned}$$

But, by Bergström's inequality (or AM-HM inequality) we have that:

$$\sum_{cyclic} \frac{1}{1 + a_1 a_2 \dots a_k} \geq \frac{n^2}{n + \sum_{cyclic} a_1 a_2 \dots a_k} = \frac{n^2}{n + 1}, \text{ and the proof is complete.}$$

PP.20793. If $x, y, z > 0$, $n \in N$ and $(xy)^{n-1} + (yz)^{n-1} + (zx)^{n-1} = 1$, then

$$x^{2n+1} + y^{2n+1} + z^{2n+1} \geq xyz.$$

Solution. By well-known inequality $\sum a^2 \geq \sum ab$, we have:

$$x^{2n-2} + y^{2n-2} + z^{2n-2} = (x^{n-1})^2 + (y^{n-1})^2 + (z^{n-1})^2 \geq (xy)^{n-1} + (yz)^{n-1} + (zx)^{n-1} = 1.$$

By Chebyshev's inequality and AM-GM inequality yields that:

$$x^{2n+1} + y^{2n+1} + z^{2n+1} = x^{2n-2} \cdot x^3 + y^{2n-2} \cdot y^3 + z^{2n-2} \cdot z^3 \geq$$

$\geq \frac{1}{3}(x^{2n-2} + y^{2n-2} + z^{2n-2})(x^3 + y^3 + z^3) \geq \frac{1}{3} \cdot 1 \cdot 3xyz = xyz$, and the proof is complete.

PP.20795. If $a, b, c > 0$ then prove that the inequalities $\sum \frac{a}{2a+b+c} \leq \frac{3}{4}$ and

$$\sum \frac{a}{b+c} \geq \frac{3}{2}$$

are equivalent.

Solution. We have successively:

$$\begin{aligned} \sum \frac{a}{2a+b+c} \leq \frac{3}{4} &\Leftrightarrow \frac{3}{2} - \sum \frac{a}{2a+b+c} \geq \frac{3}{2} - \frac{3}{4} \Leftrightarrow \sum \left(\frac{1}{2} - \frac{a}{2a+b+c} \right) \geq \frac{3}{4} \\ \Leftrightarrow \sum \frac{b+c}{2(2a+b+c)} &\geq \frac{3}{4} \Leftrightarrow \sum \frac{b+c}{(a+b)+(a+c)} \geq \frac{3}{2} \Leftrightarrow \sum \frac{x}{y+z} \geq \frac{3}{2}, \text{ where we denote} \\ b+c=x, a+c=y, a+b=z, &\text{ and the proof is complete.} \end{aligned}$$

PP.20809. If $x, y, z > 0$, then $\frac{1}{4} \sum \frac{1}{x+y} \leq \sum \frac{x}{3y^2 + 2yz + 3z^2} \leq \frac{\sum x^2}{8xyz}$.

Solution. By Bergström's inequality we obtain:

$$\begin{aligned} \sum \frac{x}{3y^2 + 2yz + 3z^2} &= \sum \frac{x^2}{3xy^2 + 2xyz + 3xz^2} \geq \frac{(\sum x)^2}{3\sum x^2 y + 6xyz + 3\sum xy^2} = \\ &= \frac{(\sum x)^2}{3(x+y)(y+z)(z+x)} = \frac{4\sum x^2 + 8\sum xy}{12(x+y)(y+z)(z+x)} \geq \frac{3\sum x^2 + 9\sum xy}{12(x+y)(y+z)(z+x)} = \\ &= \frac{x^2 + \sum xy + y^2 + \sum xy + z^2 + \sum xy}{4(x+y)(y+z)(z+x)} = \frac{(x+y)(x+z) + (y+x)(y+z) + (z+x)(z+y)}{4(x+y)(y+z)(z+x)} = \\ &= \frac{1}{4} \sum \frac{1}{x+y}. \end{aligned}$$

For the right inequality we apply AM-GM inequality, i.e.

$$3y^2 + 2yz + 3z^2 \geq 8yz, \text{ and then } \sum \frac{x}{3y^2 + 2yz + 3z^2} \leq \sum \frac{x}{8yz} = \frac{\sum x^2}{8xyz}.$$

The proof is complete.

PP.20811. In all triangle ABC holds

$$\frac{5s^2 + r^2 + 4Rr}{8s(s^2 + r^2 + 2Rr)} \leq \sum \frac{a}{3b^2 + 2bc + 3c^2} \leq \frac{s^2 - r^2 - 4Rr}{16sRr}.$$

Solution. Using the facts that $\sum a^2 = 2(s^2 - r^2 - 4Rr)$, $abc = 4sRr$ and

$$\sum ab = s^2 + r^2 + 4Rr, \text{ we obtain that:}$$

$5s^2 + r^2 + 4Rr = \left(\sum a\right)^2 + \sum ab = \sum a^3 + 3\sum ab$;
 $2s(s^2 + r^2 + 2Rr) = 2s(s^2 + r^2 + 4Rr) - 4Rrs = \sum a \sum ab - abc =$
 $= (a+b)(b+c)(c+a)$, and now the inequalities from the statement yields using PP.20809.

PP.20819. If $a, b, c > 0$, then $\sum \frac{a^2}{b^2} \sum \frac{a^4}{b^4} \sum \frac{a^8}{b^8} \sum \frac{a^{16}}{b^{16}} \geq \left(\sum \frac{a}{b}\right)^2 \left(\sum \frac{a}{c}\right)^2$.

Solution. We take $n = 4$ in PP.20820, or:

$\sum \frac{a^2}{b^2} \geq \sum \frac{a}{c}$; $\sum \frac{a^4}{b^4} \geq \sum \frac{a^2}{c^2} \geq \sum \frac{a}{b}$; $\sum \frac{a^8}{b^8} \geq \sum \frac{a^4}{c^4} \geq \sum \frac{a^2}{b^2} \geq \sum \frac{a}{c}$; and
 $\sum \frac{a^{16}}{b^{16}} \geq \sum \frac{a^8}{c^8} \geq \sum \frac{a^4}{b^4} \geq \sum \frac{a^2}{c^2} \geq \sum \frac{a}{b}$; which by multiplying yields the inequality from the statement.

PP.20820. If $a, b, c > 0$, then $\prod_{k=1}^{2n} \left(\sum \left(\frac{a}{b}\right)^{2^k}\right) \geq \left(\sum \frac{a}{b}\right)^n \left(\sum \frac{a}{c}\right)^n$.

Solution. Using the inequality $x^2 + y^2 + z^2 \geq xy + yz + zx$, we obtain:

$$\sum \left(\frac{a}{b}\right)^{2^k} = \sum \left(\left(\frac{a}{b}\right)^{2^{k-1}}\right)^2 \geq \left(\frac{a}{b} \cdot \frac{b}{c}\right)^{2^{k-1}} + \left(\frac{b}{c} \cdot \frac{c}{a}\right)^{2^{k-1}} + \left(\frac{c}{a} \cdot \frac{a}{b}\right)^{2^{k-1}} = \sum \left(\frac{a}{c}\right)^{2^{k-1}} ;$$

$$\sum \left(\frac{a}{c}\right)^{2^k} = \sum \left(\left(\frac{a}{c}\right)^{2^{k-1}}\right)^2 \geq \left(\frac{a}{c} \cdot \frac{b}{a}\right)^{2^{k-1}} + \left(\frac{b}{a} \cdot \frac{a}{b}\right)^{2^{k-1}} + \left(\frac{c}{b} \cdot \frac{a}{c}\right)^{2^{k-1}} = \sum \left(\frac{a}{b}\right)^{2^{k-1}} , \text{ so:}$$

$\sum \left(\frac{a}{b}\right)^{2^{2n}} \geq \sum \frac{a}{b}$ and $\sum \left(\frac{a}{b}\right)^{2^{2n+1}} \geq \sum \frac{a}{c}$, and by mathematical induction easily yields the desired result. The proof is complete.

PP.20824. In all triangle ABC holds $\sum \frac{m_a^{k+1}}{m_b + m_c - m_a} \geq \sum m_a^k$ for all $k \in N$.

Solution. We have:

$$\begin{aligned} \sum \frac{m_a^{k+1}}{m_b + m_c - m_a} - \sum m_a^k &= \sum \left(\frac{m_a^{k+1}}{m_b + m_c - m_a} - m_a^k \right) = \\ &= \sum \left(\frac{m_a^k (m_a - m_b)}{m_b + m_c - m_a} + \frac{m_a^k (m_a - m_c)}{m_b + m_c - m_a} \right) = \sum \frac{m_a^k (m_a - m_b)}{m_b + m_c - m_a} + \sum \frac{m_a^k (m_a - m_c)}{m_b + m_c - m_a} = \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= \sum \frac{m_a^k(m_a - m_b)}{m_b + m_c - m_a} + \sum \frac{m_a^k(m_b - m_a)}{m_c + m_a - m_b} = \\
&= \sum (m_a - m_b) \cdot \frac{m_a^k(m_c + m_a - m_b) - m_b^k(m_b + m_c - m_a)}{(m_b + m_c - m_a)(m_c + m_a - m_b)} = \\
&= \sum (m_a - m_b) \cdot \frac{(m_a - m_b)(m_a^k + m_b^k) + m_c(m_a^k - m_b^k)}{(m_b + m_c - m_a)(m_c + m_a - m_b)} = \\
&= \sum \frac{(m_a - m_b)^2(m_a^k + m_b^k) + m_c(m_a - m_b)(m_a^k - m_b^k)}{(m_b + m_c - m_a)(m_c + m_a - m_b)} \geq 0, \quad \text{because the expressions} \\
&m_a - m_b \text{ and } m_a^k - m_b^k \text{ have the same sign. The proof is complete.}
\end{aligned}$$

PP.20825. In all triangle ABC holds $5s^2 < 3r^2 + 2Rr$.

Solution. The inequality from the enunciation is not true, for. e.g. if triangle ABC is equilateral with the length of side equal with 1 we should have

$$5 \cdot \frac{9}{4} < 3 \cdot \left(\frac{\sqrt{3}}{6}\right)^2 + 2 \cdot \frac{\sqrt{3}}{3} \cdot \frac{\sqrt{3}}{6} \Leftrightarrow \frac{45}{4} < \frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{3}, \text{ which is not true.}$$

PP.20830. In all triangle ABC holds $\sum \frac{a^2}{s-a} \geq 4s$.

Solution. By the inequality of Harald Bergström we have:

$$\sum \frac{a^2}{s-a} \geq \frac{(a+b+c)^2}{3s-a-b-c} = \frac{4s^2}{s} = 4s, \text{ and we are done.}$$

PP.20835. In all triangle ABC holds $\sum \left(\frac{m_a}{\cos \frac{A}{2}} \right)^2 \geq 18Rr$.

Solution. Using $m_a \geq \sqrt{s(s-a)}$, $\cos \frac{A}{2} = \sqrt{\frac{s(s-a)}{bc}}$, $Rr = \frac{abc}{4s}$ it suffices to show that:

$$\sum \left(\frac{\sqrt{s(s-a)} \cdot \sqrt{bc}}{\sqrt{s(s-a)}} \right)^2 \geq \frac{9abc}{2s} \Leftrightarrow \sum a \sum bc \geq 9abc.$$

The last inequality yields from $\sum a \geq 3 \cdot \sqrt[3]{abc}$, $\sum bc \geq 3 \cdot \sqrt[3]{a^2b^2c^2}$ (AM-GM inequality) by multiplying. The proof is complete.

PP.20836. In all triangle ABC holds $\sum m_a \leq \frac{3}{2} \sqrt{\frac{R(s^2 + r^2 + Rr)}{2r}}$.

Solution. Let F be the area of triangle ABC . We use:

$$\left(\sum x\right)^2 \leq 3\sum x^2; \sum m_a^2 = \frac{3(a^2 + b^2 + c^2)}{4}; ab + bc + ca = s^2 + r^2 + 4Rr.$$

It suffices to show that:

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{9(a^2 + b^2 + c^2)}{4} &\leq \frac{9}{4} \cdot \frac{R}{2r} (ab + bc + ca) \Leftrightarrow a^2 + b^2 + c^2 \leq \frac{abc}{4F} \cdot \frac{s}{2F} (ab + bc + ca) \\ \Leftrightarrow 16F^2(a^2 + b^2 + c^2) &\leq abc(a + b + c)(ab + bc + ca) \\ \Leftrightarrow (2a^2b^2 + 2b^2c^2 + 2a^2c^2 - a^4 - b^4 - c^4)(a^2 + b^2 + c^2) &\leq abc(a + b + c)(ab + bc + ca) \\ \Leftrightarrow \sum a^6 + \sum a^3b^2c + \sum a^3bc^2 &\geq 3a^2b^2c^2 + \sum a^4b^2 + \sum a^2b^4 \quad (1) \end{aligned}$$

By Schur's inequality we have

$\sum a^6 + 3a^2b^2c^2 \geq \sum a^4b^2 + \sum a^2b^4$, and from AM-GM inequality we obtain $\sum a^3b^2c \geq 3a^2b^2c^2$, $\sum a^3bc^2 \geq 3a^2b^2c^2$, which by adding up yields the inequality (1), and the proof is complete.

PP.20848. If $a, b, c > 0$, then $\left(\sum \left(\frac{a}{b}\right)^2\right)\left(\sum \left(\frac{a}{b}\right)^4\right) \geq \left(\sum \frac{a}{b}\right)\left(\sum \frac{a}{c}\right)$.

Solution. Applying the well-known inequality $x^2 + y^2 + z^2 \geq xy + yz + zx$, we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \sum \left(\frac{a}{b}\right)^2 &\geq \frac{a}{b} \cdot \frac{b}{c} + \frac{b}{c} \cdot \frac{c}{a} + \frac{c}{a} \cdot \frac{a}{b} = \sum \frac{a}{c}; \\ \sum \left(\frac{a}{b}\right)^4 &\geq \left(\frac{a}{b} \cdot \frac{b}{c}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{b}{c} \cdot \frac{c}{a}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{c}{a} \cdot \frac{a}{b}\right)^2 = \sum \left(\frac{a}{c}\right)^2 \geq \frac{a}{c} \cdot \frac{b}{a} + \frac{b}{a} \cdot \frac{c}{b} + \frac{c}{b} \cdot \frac{a}{c} = \sum \frac{a}{b}, \end{aligned}$$

and by multiplying we get the desired result.

PP. 20855. If $x_k > 0$ ($k = 1, 2, \dots, n$), and $\sum_{k=1}^n x_k \geq n$, then $\sum_{k=1}^n x_k^m \geq n$ for all $m \in \mathbb{N}$.

Solution. By Chebyshev's inequality we obtain:

$$\sum_{k=1}^n x_k^m = \sum_{k=1}^n x_k^{m-1} \cdot x_k \geq \frac{1}{n} \sum_{k=1}^n x_k \sum_{k=1}^n x_k^{m-1} \geq \sum_{k=1}^n x_k^{m-1} \geq \dots \geq \sum_{k=1}^n x_k \geq n, \text{ and we are done.}$$

PP.20861. Prove that for all $n \geq 2$ exist $a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n \in \mathbb{N}$ such that $\sum_{k=1}^n \frac{1}{a_k} = \frac{3}{2}$.

Solution. For $n=2$ we have $\frac{1}{1} + \frac{1}{2} = \frac{3}{2}$; for $n=3$ we have $\frac{1}{1} + \frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{4} = \frac{3}{2}$ and so on using the fact $\frac{1}{2^{n-1}} = \frac{1}{2^n} + \frac{1}{2^n}$, easily follows the conclusion, and we are done.

PP.20865. Prove that:

$$\begin{aligned} & \left((a^3 - 2a)^2 + (2a^2 - 1)^2 \right) \left((a^6 - 2a^2)^2 + (2a^4 - 1)^2 \right) \left((a^9 - 2a^3)^2 + (2a^6 - 1)^2 \right) = \\ & = (a^6 + 1)(a^{12} + 1)(a^{18} + 1) \text{ for all } a \in C. \end{aligned}$$

Solution. We have:

$$\begin{aligned} (a^3 - 2a)^2 + (2a^2 - 1)^2 &= a^6 - 4a^4 + 4a^2 + 4a^4 - 4a^2 + 1 = a^6 + 1; \\ (a^6 - 2a^2)^2 + (2a^4 - 1)^2 &= a^{12} - 4a^8 + 4a^4 + 4a^8 - 4a^4 + 1 = a^{12} + 1; \\ (a^9 - 2a^3)^2 + (2a^6 - 1)^2 &= a^{18} - 4a^{12} + 4a^6 + 4a^{12} - 4a^6 + 1 = a^{18} + 1. \end{aligned}$$

By above we obtain the desired result and we are done.

PP.20866. Prove that:

$$\begin{aligned} & \left((a^3 - 2a)^2 + (2a^2 - 1)^2 \right) \cdot \left((a^5 - 2a^3 + 2a)^2 + (2a^4 - 2a^2 + 1)^2 \right) \cdot \\ & \cdot \left((a^7 - 2a^5 + 2a^3 - 2a)^2 + (2a^6 - 2a^4 + 2a^2 - 1)^2 \right) = (a^6 + 1)(a^{10} + 1)(a^{14} + 1) \\ & \text{for all } a \in C. \end{aligned}$$

Solution. We have:

$$\begin{aligned} (a^3 - 2a)^2 + (2a^2 - 1)^2 &= a^6 - 4a^4 + 4a^2 + 4a^4 - 4a^2 + 1 = a^6 + 1; \\ (a^5 - 2a^3 + 2a)^2 + (2a^4 - 2a^2 + 1)^2 &= a^{10} + 4a^6 + 4a^2 - 4a^8 + 4a^6 - 8a^4 + 4a^8 + 4a^4 + 1 - \\ & - 8a^6 + 4a^4 - 4a^2 = a^{10} + 1; \\ (a^7 - 2a^5 + 2a^3 - 2a)^2 + (2a^6 - 2a^4 + 2a^2 - 1)^2 &= a^{14} + 4a^{10} + 4a^6 + 4a^2 - 4a^{12} + 4a^{10} - \\ & - 4a^8 - 8a^8 + 8a^6 - 8a^4 + 4a^{12} + 4a^8 + 4a^4 + 1 - 8a^{10} + 8a^8 - 4a^6 - 8a^6 + 4a^4 - 4a^2 = \\ & = a^{14} + 1. \end{aligned}$$

From the above we obtain the desired result.

PP.20867. If $a, b, c, d \in C$, then:

$$\sum \left((a+b)^3 + (a+c)^3 + (a+d)^3 + (a-b)^3 + (a-c)^3 + (a-d)^3 \right) = 6 \left(\sum a \right) \left(\sum a^2 \right).$$

Solution. We have:

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum \left((a+b)^3 + (a+c)^3 + (a+d)^3 + (a-b)^3 + (a-c)^3 + (a-d)^3 \right) = \\ & = \sum (6a^3 + 6ab^2 + 6ac^2 + 6ad^2) = 6 \left(\sum (a^3 + ab^2 + ac^2 + ad^2) \right) = 6 \left(\sum a \right) \left(\sum a^2 \right), \text{ and we} \\ & \text{are done.} \end{aligned}$$

PP.20869. If $x_i > 0$ ($i=1,2,\dots,n$) and $k \in N$, then $\prod_{cyclic} \frac{x_1^{2k+2} + x_2^{2k+2}}{x_1^{2k} + x_2^{2k}} \geq \prod_{i=1}^n x_i^2$.

Solution. We have $\frac{a^{2k+2} + b^{2k+2}}{a^{2k} + b^{2k}} \geq ab \Leftrightarrow (a-b)(a^{2k+1} - b^{2k+1}) \geq 0$, true.

Yields that $\prod_{cyclic} \frac{x_1^{2k+2} + x_2^{2k+2}}{x_1^{2k} + x_2^{2k}} \geq \prod_{cyclic} x_1 x_2 = \prod_{i=1}^n x_i^2$, and the proof is complete.

PP.20870. If $x_i > 0$ ($i = 1, 2, \dots, n$) and $k \in N$, then:

$$\begin{aligned} 2 \sum_{i=1}^n x_i^{2k+2} &\geq \sum_{cyclic} x_1 x_2 (x_1^{2k} + x_2^{2k}) \geq \sum_{cyclic} x_1^2 x_2^2 (x_1^{2k-2} + x_2^{2k-2}) \geq \dots \geq \\ &\geq \sum_{cyclic} x_1^k x_2^k (x_1^2 + x_2^2) \geq 2 \sum_{cyclic} x_1^{k+1} x_2^{k+1}. \end{aligned}$$

Solution. For $t \geq 2, t \in N$ and $x, y > 0$ we have:

$x^t + y^t \geq xy(x^{t-2} + y^{t-2}) \Leftrightarrow (x^{t-1} - y^{t-1})(x - y) \geq 0$, true because $x^{t-1} - y^{t-1}$ and $x - y$ have the same sign. Repeatedly applying this inequality we deduce that:

$$\begin{aligned} 2 \sum_{i=1}^n x_i^{2k+2} &= \sum_{cyclic} (x_1^{2k+2} + x_2^{2k+2}) \geq \sum_{cyclic} x_1 x_2 (x_1^{2k} + x_2^{2k}) \geq \sum_{cyclic} x_1^2 x_2^2 (x_1^{2k-2} + x_2^{2k-2}) \geq \dots \geq \\ &\geq \dots \geq \sum_{cyclic} x_1^k x_2^k (x_1^2 + x_2^2) \geq 2 \sum_{cyclic} x_1^{k+1} x_2^{k+1}, \text{ and we are done.} \end{aligned}$$

PP.20875. Prove that the equation $x_1^5 + x_2^5 + x_3^5 + x_4^5 + x_5^5 = 0$ have infinitely many solutions in Z .

Solution. We think something is missing from the statement, because as it is too easy. We have infinitely many solutions on form $(k, -k, 0, 0, 0)$, where $k \in Z$.

PP.20876. Prove that the equation $x_1^7 + x_2^7 + x_3^7 + x_4^7 + x_5^7 + x_6^7 + x_7^7 + x_8^7 = 0$ have infinitely many solutions in Z .

Solution. We think something is missing from the statement, because as it is too easy. We have infinitely many solutions on form $(k, -k, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0)$, where $k \in Z$.

PP.20880. If $x_i > 0$ ($i = 1, 2, \dots, n$) and $k \in N^*$, then:

$$\begin{aligned} 2 \sum_{i=1}^n x_i^{2k+1} &\geq \sum_{cyclic} x_1 x_2 (x_1^{2k-1} + x_2^{2k-1}) \geq \sum_{cyclic} x_1^2 x_2^2 (x_1^{2k-3} + x_2^{2k-3}) \geq \dots \geq \\ &\geq \sum_{cyclic} x_1^k x_2^k (x_1 + x_2). \end{aligned}$$

Solution. For $t \geq 2, t \in N$ and $x, y > 0$ we have:

$x^t + y^t \geq xy(x^{t-2} + y^{t-2}) \Leftrightarrow (x^{t-1} - y^{t-1})(x - y) \geq 0$, true because $x^{t-1} - y^{t-1}$ and $x - y$ have the same sign. Repeatedly applying this inequality like in the solution of PP.20870 we deduce the inequality from the statement.

PP.20892. If $a, b, c > 0$, then $3\sqrt{6}(\sum a^2 - \sum ab) \geq (\sum |a - b|)^2$.

Solution. Because $3\sqrt{6} > \frac{16}{3}$ and $\sum a^2 - \sum ab \geq 0$, we prove that

(*) $\frac{16}{3}(\sum a^2 - \sum ab) \geq (\sum |a - b|)^2$, which is stronger than the given inequality.

WLOG, we assume that $a \leq b \leq c$; let $x, y \geq 0$ such that $b = a + x, c = a + x + y$.

Because

$$\sum a^2 - \sum ab = \frac{1}{2}((a - b)^2 + (b - c)^2 + (c - a)^2) = \frac{1}{2}(x^2 + y^2 + (x + y)^2) = x^2 + xy + y^2,$$

then (*) is equivalent with

$16(x^2 + xy + y^2) \geq 3(x + y + x + y)^2 \Leftrightarrow 4(x - y)^2 \geq 0$, evidently true, and the proof is complete.

PP.20895. Prove that the sum:

$$(n^2 + 2n + 1)^3 + (n^2 + 8n + 16)^3 + (9n^2 + 42n + 49)^3 + (9n^2 + 48n + 64)^3$$

is divisible by $2n^2 + 10n + 13$ for all $n \in N$.

Solution. Since $a^{2k+1} + b^{2k+1} = M(a + b)$, we have:

$$(n^2 + 2n + 1)^3 + (9n^2 + 48n + 64)^3 = M(10n^2 + 50n + 65) = M(5 \cdot (2n^2 + 10n + 13)),$$

$$\text{and } (n^2 + 8n + 16)^3 + (9n^2 + 42n + 49)^3 = M(10n^2 + 50n + 65) = M(5 \cdot (2n^2 + 10n + 13)),$$

which by adding yields to conclusion, and we are done.

2. Other solutions for some problems from math journal Mathematical Reflections_5_2014

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J313. Solve in real numbers the system of equations

$$x(y + z - x^3) = y(z + x - y^3) = z(x + y - z^3) = 1.$$

Proposed by Titu Andreescu, University of Texas at Dallas, USA

Solution:

We write the system as follows

$$\begin{cases} xy + xz = 1 + x^4 \\ xy + yz = 1 + y^4 \\ yz + xz = 1 + z^4 \end{cases}$$

Adding up the equations of the system and applying AM-GM inequality and then well-known inequality

$$x^2 + y^2 + z^2 \geq xy + yz + zx,$$

we obtain

$$2(xy + yz + zx) = 1 + x^4 + 1 + y^4 + 1 + z^4 \geq 2(x^2 + y^2 + z^2) \geq 2(xy + yz + zx).$$

So, we have equality all over, i.e.

$$x = y = z \text{ and } x^2 = y^2 = z^2 = 1, \text{ i.e. } x = y = z = 1 \text{ or } x = y = z = -1.$$

J315. Let a, b, c be non-negative real numbers such that $a + b + c = 1$. Prove that

$$\sqrt{4a+1} + \sqrt{4b+1} + \sqrt{4c+1} \geq \sqrt{5} + 2.$$

Proposed by Cosmin Pohoata, Columbia University, USA

Solution:

We prove first that if $xy \geq 0$, then $\sqrt{1+x} + \sqrt{1+y} \geq 1 + \sqrt{1+x+y}$, (1).

Indeed, by successive squaring we have

$$\sqrt{1+x} + \sqrt{1+y} \geq 1 + \sqrt{1+x+y}$$

$$\Leftrightarrow 1+x+1+y+2\sqrt{(1+x)(1+y)} \geq 1+1+x+y+2\sqrt{1+x+y}$$

$$\Leftrightarrow (1+x)(1+y) \geq 1+x+y$$

$$\Leftrightarrow xy \geq 0, \text{ true.}$$

Applying (1) it suffices to prove that

$$\sqrt{1+4a} + 1 + \sqrt{1+4b+4c} \geq 2 + \sqrt{5}$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \sqrt{1+4a} + \sqrt{5-4a} \geq 1 + \sqrt{5}$$

$$\Leftrightarrow 1+4a+5-4a+2\sqrt{(1+4a)(5-4a)} \geq 6+2\sqrt{5}$$

$$\Leftrightarrow (1+4a)(5-4a) \geq 5$$

$$\Leftrightarrow a(1-a) \geq 0, \text{ true.}$$

We have equality if and only if one of variables is 1 and the other two variables are 0.

J316. Solve in prime numbers the equation

$$x^3 + y^3 + z^3 + u^3 + v^3 + w^3 = 53353.$$

Proposed by Titu Andreescu, University of Texas at Dallas, USA

Solution:

We assume that $x \leq y \leq z \leq u \leq v \leq w$. By the reasons of parity, an odd numbers of these 6 numbers are even (i.e. equals with 2). We deduce easily that $y \leq 19$ and $w \leq 37$.

By method "trial and error" (or using the computer) we obtain the solution

$$2^3 + 3^3 + 5^3 + 7^3 + 13^3 + 37^3 = 53353.$$

J317. In triangle ABC , the angle-bisector of angle A intersects line BC at D and the circumference of triangle ABC at E . The external angle-bisector of angle A intersects line BC at F and the circumference of triangle ABC at G . Prove that $DG \perp EF$.

Proposed by Ivan Borsenco, Massachusetts Institute of Technology, USA

Solution:

Suppose that the triangle ABC is not isosceles at A . The point D is the middle point of the arc BC which does not contain the point A , so it belongs to the perpendicular bisector of BC . From similar reasons the point G belongs to the perpendicular bisector of BC .

We have: $FD \perp GE$ and $EA \perp FG$. So, D is the orthocenter of $\triangle FEG$. Hence, $GD \perp FE$.

J318. Determine the functions $f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ satisfying $f(x-y) - xf(y) \leq 1-x$ for all real numbers x and y .

Proposed by Marcel Chirita, Bucharest, Romania

Solution:

We note that the function $f(x) = 1$ satisfies the relation from the statement. For $x = 0$ we obtain $f(-y) \leq 1$, so $f(x) \leq 1$ for any real number x , (1).

If we take $x = 2y$, with $x \geq 1$ (i.e. $y \geq \frac{1}{2}$), then

$$f(y) - 2f(y) \leq 1 - 2y \Leftrightarrow (2y - 1)(1 - f(y)) \leq 0.$$

Since $2y \geq 1$, yields that $1 - f(y) \leq 0 \Leftrightarrow f(y) \geq 1$.

By (1), we deduce that for $y \geq \frac{1}{2}$, $f(y) = 1$, (2).

Now, let $y < \frac{1}{2}$. Evidently we can choose $x > 0$ (e.g. $|y| + \frac{1}{2}$) such that $x - y \geq \frac{1}{2}$. For this x , by (2), we have $f(x - y) = 1$ and the relation from the statement becomes $1 - xf(y) \leq 1 - x \Leftrightarrow xf(y) \geq x \Leftrightarrow f(y) \geq 1$, and using (1) again, yields that $f(y) = 1$.

In conclusion, the only function which satisfy is the constant function $f(x) = 1$.

S313. Let a, b, c be nonnegative real numbers such that $\sqrt{a} + \sqrt{b} + \sqrt{c} = 3$. Prove that

$$\sqrt{(a+b+1)(c+2)} + \sqrt{(b+c+1)(a+2)} + \sqrt{(c+a+1)(b+2)} \geq 9.$$

Proposed by Titu Andreescu, University of Texas at Dallas, USA

Solution:

Applying Cauchy-Buniakovski-Schwarz inequality we obtain

$$(a+b+1)(c+2) = (a+b+1)(1+1+c) \geq (\sqrt{a} + \sqrt{b} + \sqrt{c})^2 = 9, \text{ so}$$

$$\sqrt{(a+b+1)(c+2)} \geq 3,$$

and other two similar which by adding yields the given inequality.

S314. Let p, q, x, y, z be real numbers satisfying

$$x^2y + y^2z + z^2x = p \quad \text{and} \quad xy^2 + yz^2 + zx^2 = q.$$

Evaluate $(x^3 - y^3)(y^3 - z^3)(z^3 - x^3)$ in terms of p and q .

Proposed by Marcel Chirita, Bucharest, Romania

Solution:

We have:

$$\begin{aligned} p^3 - q^3 &= x^6y^3 + y^6z^3 + x^3z^6 + 3x^4y^4z + 3x^2y^5z^2 + 3x^5y^2z^2 + 3x^4yz^4 + 3xy^4z^4 + \\ &+ 3x^2y^2z^5 + 6x^3y^3z^3 - x^3y^6 - y^3z^6 - x^6z^3 - 3x^2y^5z^2 - 3xy^4z^4 - 3x^4y^4z - \\ &- 3x^5y^2z^2 - 3x^2y^2z^5 - 3x^4yz^4 - 6x^3y^3z^3 = x^6y^3 - x^3y^6 - z^3(x^6 - y^6) + z^6(x^3 - y^3) = \\ &= (x^3 - y^3)(x^3y^3 - x^3z^3 - y^3z^3 + z^6) = (x^3 - y^3)[(y^3 - z^3) - z^3(y^3 - z^3)] = \\ &= -(x^3 - y^3)(y^3 - z^3)(z^3 - x^3). \end{aligned}$$

Hence, $(x^3 - y^3)(y^3 - z^3)(z^3 - x^3) = q^3 - p^3$.

S315. Consider triangle ABC with inradius r . Let M and M' be two points inside the triangle such that $\angle MAB = \angle M'AC$ and $\angle MBA = \angle M'BC$. Denote by d_a, d_b, d_c and d'_a, d'_b, d'_c the distances from M and M' to the sides BC, CA, AB , respectively. Prove that

$$d_a d_b d_c d'_a d'_b d'_c \leq r^6.$$

Proposed by Nairi Sedrakyan, Yerevan, Armenia

Solution:

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Notam:

$$\begin{aligned} D &= AM \cap BC, E = BM \cap CA, F = CM \cap AB, \\ D' &= AM' \cap BC, E' = BM' \cap CA, F' = CM' \cap AB \\ x &= \frac{BD}{DC}, y = \frac{CE}{EA}, z = \frac{AF}{FB}, x' = \frac{BD'}{D'C}, y' = \frac{CE'}{E'A}, z' = \frac{AF'}{F'B} \end{aligned}$$

Cu teorema lui Van Aubel obtinem

$$\frac{AM}{MD} = \frac{1}{y} + z \Rightarrow \frac{AD}{MD} = \frac{yz + y + 1}{y}, \text{ si atunci } \frac{d_a}{h_a} = \frac{MD}{AD}$$

Obtinem

$$d_a = \frac{y}{yz + y + 1} \cdot \frac{2sr}{a} \text{ si similar } d'_a = \frac{y'}{y'z' + y' + 1} \cdot \frac{2sr}{a}.$$

Aplicand teorema lui Steiner pentru perechile de drepte izogonale (AD, AD') , (BE, BE') , (CF, CF') , rezulta

$$xx' = \frac{c^2}{b^2}, yy' = \frac{a^2}{c^2}, zz' = \frac{b^2}{a^2}.$$

Putem scrie succesiv:

$$\begin{aligned} d_a d'_a &= \frac{y}{yz + y + 1} \cdot \frac{2sr}{a} \cdot \frac{y'}{y'z' + y' + 1} \cdot \frac{2sr}{a} = \\ &= \frac{a^2}{c^2} \cdot \frac{4s^2 r^2}{a^2} \cdot \frac{1}{yy'zz' + yy'z + yz + yy'z' + yy' + y + y'z' + y' + 1} \end{aligned}$$

Deoarece

$$\begin{aligned} &c^2 (yy'zz' + yy'z + yz + yy'z' + yy' + y + y'z' + y' + 1) = \\ &= c^2 \left(\frac{b^2}{c^2} + \frac{a^2}{c^2} \cdot z + \frac{a^2}{c^2} \cdot z' + yz + y'z' + \frac{a^2}{c^2} + y + y' + 1 \right) = \\ &= b^2 + a^2(z + z') + c^2(yz + y'z') + a^2 + c^2(y + y') + c^2 \geq \\ &\geq a^2 + b^2 + c^2 + 2a^2 \sqrt{zz'} + 2c^2 \sqrt{yy'zz'} + 2c^2 \sqrt{yy'} = \\ &= a^2 + b^2 + c^2 + 2ab + 2bc + 2ac = 4s^2 \end{aligned}$$

rezulta ca $d_a d'_a \leq r^2$

de unde obtinem inegalitatea dorita.

S317. Let ABC be an acute triangle inscribed in a circle of radius 1. Prove that

$$\frac{\tan A}{\tan^3 B} + \frac{\tan B}{\tan^3 C} + \frac{\tan C}{\tan^3 A} \geq 4 \left(\frac{1}{a^2} + \frac{1}{b^2} + \frac{1}{c^2} \right) - 3.$$

Proposed by Titu Andreescu, University of Texas at Dallas, USA

Solution:

Since $R = 1$, we have $\frac{4}{a^2} - 1 = \frac{4}{4R^2 \sin^2 A} - 1 = \frac{\cos^2 A}{\sin^2 A} = \cot^2 A$.

Denoting $x = \cot A$, $y = \cot B$, $z = \cot C$, we have $x, y, z > 0$ and we must to prove that

$$\frac{y^3}{x} + \frac{z^3}{y} + \frac{x^3}{z} \geq x^2 + y^2 + z^2.$$

Using *Cauchy-Buniakovski-Schwarz* inequality ("...SQ form") and well-known inequality $x^2 + y^2 + z^2 \geq xy + yz + zx$, we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{y^3}{x} + \frac{z^3}{y} + \frac{x^3}{z} &= \frac{y^4}{xy} + \frac{z^4}{yz} + \frac{x^4}{zx} \geq \frac{(x^2 + y^2 + z^2)^2}{xy + yz + zx} \geq \\ &\geq \frac{(x^2 + y^2 + z^2)(xy + yz + zx)}{xy + yz + zx} = x^2 + y^2 + z^2. \end{aligned}$$

We have equality if and only if $x = y = z$, i.e. the given triangle is equilateral.

Olympiad problems

O313. Find all positive integers n for which there are positive integers a_0, a_1, \dots, a_n such that $a_0 + a_1 + \dots + a_n = 5(n-1)$ and

$$\frac{1}{a_0} + \frac{1}{a_1} + \dots + \frac{1}{a_n} = 2.$$

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Solution:

We use the inequality

$$(*) \left(\sum_{k=0}^n a_k \right) \left(\sum_{k=0}^n \frac{1}{a_k} \right) \geq (n+1)^2.$$

Since $\sum_{k=0}^n a_k = 5(n-1)$ and $\sum_{k=0}^n \frac{1}{a_k} = 2$, we obtain

$$10(n-1) \geq (n+1)^2 \text{ which yields that } n \in \{2, 3, 4, 5, 6\}.$$

We assume that $a_0 \leq a_1 \leq a_2 \leq a_3 \leq a_4 \leq a_5 \leq a_6$.

If $a_0 = 1$, then by (*) it must that

$$(5(n-1)-1) \geq n^2 \Leftrightarrow n^2 - 5n + 6 \leq 0 \Leftrightarrow 2 \leq n \leq 3.$$

1. For $n = 2$ we have $a_0 + a_1 + a_2 = 5$, $\frac{1}{a_0} + \frac{1}{a_1} + \frac{1}{a_2} = 2$. We obtain $2 \leq \frac{3}{a_0}$, so $a_0 = 1$.

Yields the solution

$$1 + 2 + 2 = 5, 1 + \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2} = 2.$$

2. For $n = 3$ we have $a_0 + a_1 + a_2 + a_3 = 10$, $\frac{1}{a_0} + \frac{1}{a_1} + \frac{1}{a_2} + \frac{1}{a_3} = 2$. We obtain $2 \leq \frac{4}{a_0}$,

so $a_0 \leq 2$. For $a_0 = 1$ yields the solution

$$1 + 3 + 3 + 3 = 10, 1 + \frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{3} = 2.$$

3. For $n = 4$ we have $a_0 + a_1 + a_2 + a_3 + a_4 = 15$, $\frac{1}{a_0} + \frac{1}{a_1} + \frac{1}{a_2} + \frac{1}{a_3} + \frac{1}{a_4} = 2$. We

obtain $2 \leq \frac{5}{a_0}$, so $a_0 = 2$. Yields the solution

$$2 + 2 + 2 + 3 + 6 = 15, \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{6} = 2.$$

4. For $n = 5$ we have $a_0 + a_1 + a_2 + a_3 + a_4 + a_5 = 20$, $\frac{1}{a_0} + \frac{1}{a_1} + \frac{1}{a_2} + \frac{1}{a_3} + \frac{1}{a_4} + \frac{1}{a_5} = 2$.

We obtain $2 \leq \frac{6}{a_0}$, so $a_0 \leq 3$. We take $a_0 = 2$ and we deduce that $\frac{3}{2} \leq \frac{5}{a_1}$, so $a_1 \leq 3$.

We take $a_1 = 2$ and yields the solution

$$2 + 2 + 4 + 4 + 4 + 4 = 20, \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{4} = 2.$$

5. For $n = 6$ we have $a_0 + a_1 + a_2 + a_3 + a_4 + a_5 + a_6 = 25$,

$\frac{1}{a_0} + \frac{1}{a_1} + \frac{1}{a_2} + \frac{1}{a_3} + \frac{1}{a_4} + \frac{1}{a_5} + \frac{1}{a_6} = 2$. We obtain $2 \leq \frac{7}{a_0}$, so $a_0 \leq 3$.

We take $a_0 = 3$ and we deduce that $\frac{5}{3} \leq \frac{6}{a_1}$, so $a_1 \leq 5$.

We take $a_1 = 3$ and yields the solution

$$3 + 3 + 3 + 4 + 4 + 4 + 4 = 25, \frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{4} = 2.$$

In conclusion, the values of n are 2, 3, 4, 5, 6.

O315. Let a, b, c be positive real numbers. Prove that

$$(a^3 + 3b^2 + 5)(b^3 + 3c^2 + 5)(c^3 + 3a^2 + 5) \geq 27(a + b + c)^3.$$

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Solution:

Applying the inequalities $a^3 + 2 = a^3 + 1 + 1 \geq 3a$, $b^3 + 2 \geq 3b$, $c^3 + 2 \geq 3c$ (which yields by AM-GM inequality) and then by Hölder's inequality we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} (a^3 + 3b^2 + 5)(b^3 + 3c^2 + 5)(c^3 + 3a^2 + 5) &\geq 27(a + b^2 + 1)(1 + b + c^2)(a^2 + 1 + c) \geq \\ &\geq 27\left(\sqrt[3]{a \cdot 1 \cdot a^2} + \sqrt[3]{b^2 \cdot b \cdot 1} + \sqrt[3]{1 \cdot c^2 \cdot c}\right)^3 = 27(a + b + c)^3, \text{ q.e.d.} \end{aligned}$$

3. Progresii aritmetice cu șiruri de numere naturale

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1. Fie $(a_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}^*}$ un șir de numere reale în progresie aritmetică de rație r și șirurile $(b_p^m)_{p \in \mathbb{N}^*} \in \mathbb{N}; m = \overline{1, s}$ de numere naturale de rații $r_m; m = \overline{1, s}$. Demonstrați egalitatea:

$$\begin{aligned} &\frac{1}{\sum_{k=1}^n (a_{b_k^1} + a_{b_k^2} + \dots + a_{b_k^s})} + \\ &\frac{1}{\sum_{k=1}^n \left(\sum_{t=1}^s a_{b_{k+1}^t} \right)} + \\ &+ \sum_{k=1}^n \left(\sum_{t=1}^s a_{b_{k+1}^t} \right) \cdot \sum_{k=1}^n \left(\sum_{t=1}^s a_{b_{k+2}^t} \right) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 & + \frac{1}{\sum_{k=1}^n \left(\sum_{t=1}^s a_{b_{k+i}^t} \right) \cdot \sum_{k=1}^n \left(\sum_{t=1}^s a_{b_{k+i+1}^t} \right)} = \\
 & = \frac{i+1}{\sum_{k=1}^n \left(\sum_{t=1}^s a_{b_k^t} \right) \cdot \sum_{k=1}^n \left(\sum_{t=1}^s a_{b_{k+i+1}^t} \right)}, \forall i \in N, \forall n \in N^*, s \in N^*
 \end{aligned}$$

Rezolvare:

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \sum_{k=1}^n \left(\sum_{t=1}^s a_{b_{k+1}^t} \right) - \sum_{k=1}^n \left(\sum_{t=1}^s a_{b_k^t} \right) = \sum_{k=1}^n \left(\sum_{t=1}^s (a_{b_{k+1}^t} - a_{b_k^t}) \right) = \\
 & = \sum_{k=1}^n \left\{ \sum_{t=1}^s [a_1 + (b_{k+1}^t - 1)r - a_1 - (b_k^t - 1)r] \right\} = \sum_{k=1}^n \left\{ \sum_{t=1}^s [(b_{k+1}^t - b_k^t)r] \right\} = \\
 & = \sum_{k=1}^n \left\{ \sum_{t=1}^s [b_1^t + kr_t - b_1^t - (k-1)r_t] r \right\} = \sum_{k=1}^n \left(\sum_{t=1}^s r \cdot r_t \right) = \sum_{k=1}^n (r_1 + r_2 + \dots + r_s) r = \\
 & = n \cdot (r_1 + r_2 + \dots + r_s) \cdot r.
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \frac{1}{\sum_{k=1}^n (a_{b_k^1} + a_{b_k^2} + \dots + a_{b_k^s}) \cdot \sum_{k=1}^n (a_{b_{k+1}^1} + a_{b_{k+1}^2} + \dots + a_{b_{k+1}^s})} = \\
 & = \frac{1}{nr(r_1 + r_2 + \dots + r_s)} \cdot \left[\frac{1}{\sum_{k=1}^n \left(\sum_{t=1}^s a_{b_k^t} \right)} - \frac{1}{\sum_{k=1}^n \left(\sum_{t=1}^s a_{b_{k+1}^t} \right)} \right] \\
 & \sum_{k=1}^n \left(\sum_{t=1}^s a_{b_{k+2}^t} \right) - \sum_{k=1}^n \left(\sum_{t=1}^s a_{b_{k+1}^t} \right) = \sum_{k=1}^n \left(\sum_{t=1}^s (a_{b_{k+2}^t} - a_{b_{k+1}^t}) \right) =
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= \sum_{k=1}^n \left\{ \sum_{t=1}^s [a_1 + (b_{k+2}^t - 1)r - a_1 - (b_{k+1}^t - 1)r] \right\} = \sum_{k=1}^n \left\{ \sum_{t=1}^s [(b_{k+2}^t - b_{k+1}^t)r] \right\} = \\
 &= \sum_{k=1}^n \left\{ \sum_{t=1}^s [b_1^t + (k+1)r_t - b_1^t - kr_t]r \right\} = \sum_{k=1}^n \left(\sum_{t=1}^s r_t \cdot r \right) = \sum_{k=1}^n (r_1 + r_2 + \dots + r_s)r = \\
 &= nr(r_1 + r_2 + \dots + r_s) \\
 &\quad \frac{1}{\sum_{k=1}^n \left(\sum_{t=1}^s a_{b_{k+1}^t} \right) \cdot \sum_{k=1}^n \left(\sum_{t=1}^s a_{b_{k+2}^t} \right)} = \\
 &= \frac{1}{nr(r_1 + r_2 + \dots + r_s)} \cdot \left[\frac{1}{\sum_{k=1}^n \left(\sum_{t=1}^s a_{b_{k+1}^t} \right)} - \frac{1}{\sum_{k=1}^n \left(\sum_{t=1}^s a_{b_{k+2}^t} \right)} \right] \\
 &\sum_{k=1}^n \left(\sum_{t=1}^s a_{b_{k+i+1}^t} \right) - \sum_{k=1}^n \left(\sum_{t=1}^s a_{b_{k+i}^t} \right) = \sum_{k=1}^n \left(\sum_{t=1}^s (a_{b_{k+i+1}^t} - a_{b_{k+i}^t}) \right) = \\
 &= \sum_{k=1}^n \left\{ \sum_{t=1}^s [a_1 + (b_{k+i+1}^t - 1)r - a_1 - (b_{k+i}^t - 1)r] \right\} = \sum_{k=1}^n \left\{ \sum_{t=1}^s [(b_{k+i+1}^t - b_{k+i}^t)r] \right\} = \\
 &= \sum_{k=1}^n \left\{ \sum_{t=1}^s [b_1^t - (k+i)r_t - b_1^t - (k+i-1)r_t]r \right\} = \sum_{k=1}^n \left[\sum_{t=1}^s r_t \cdot r \right] = nr \cdot (r_1 + r_2 + \dots + r_s) \\
 &\quad \frac{1}{\sum_{k=1}^n \left(\sum_{t=1}^s a_{b_{k+i}^t} \right) \cdot \sum_{k=1}^n \left(\sum_{t=1}^s a_{b_{k+i+1}^t} \right)} = \\
 &= \frac{1}{nr(r_1 + r_2 + \dots + r_s)} \cdot \left[\frac{1}{\sum_{k=1}^n \left(\sum_{t=1}^s a_{b_{k+i}^t} \right)} - \frac{1}{\sum_{k=1}^n \left(\sum_{t=1}^s a_{b_{k+i+1}^t} \right)} \right]
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 S &= \frac{1}{nr(r_1 + r_2 + \dots + r_s)} \cdot \left[\frac{1}{\sum_{k=1}^n \left(\sum_{t=1}^s a_{b_k^t} \right)} - \frac{1}{\sum_{k=1}^n \left(\sum_{t=1}^s a_{b_{k+i+1}^t} \right)} \right] \\
 &= \frac{1}{nr(r_1 + r_2 + \dots + r_s)} \cdot \left[\sum_{k=1}^n \left(\sum_{t=1}^s a_{b_{k+i+1}^t} \right) - \sum_{k=1}^n \left(\sum_{t=1}^s a_{b_k^t} \right) \right] = \\
 &= \sum_{k=1}^n \left[\sum_{t=1}^s (a_{b_{k+i+1}^t} - a_{b_k^t}) \right] = \\
 &= \sum_{k=1}^n \left\{ \sum_{t=1}^s [a_1 + (b_{k+i+1}^t - 1)r - a_1 - (b_k^t - 1)r] \right\} = \sum_{k=1}^n \left\{ \sum_{t=1}^s [b_{k+i+1}^t - b_k^t] r \right\} = \\
 &= \sum_{k=1}^n \left\{ \sum_{t=1}^s [b_1^t + (k+i)r_t - b_1^t - (k-1)r_t] r \right\} = \sum_{k=1}^n \left\{ \sum_{t=1}^s (i+1)r_t r \right\} = \\
 &= \sum_{k=1}^n r(i+1)(r_1 + r_2 + \dots + r_s) = nr(i+1) \cdot (r_1 + r_2 + \dots + r_s) \\
 S &= \frac{1}{nr(r_1 + r_2 + \dots + r_s)} \cdot \frac{nr(i+1)(r_1 + r_2 + \dots + r_s)}{\sum_{k=1}^n \left(\sum_{t=1}^s a_{b_k^t} \right) \cdot \sum_{k=1}^n \left(\sum_{t=1}^s a_{b_{k+i+1}^t} \right)} \\
 &= \frac{i+1}{\sum_{k=1}^n \left(\sum_{t=1}^s a_{b_k^t} \right) \cdot \sum_{k=1}^n \left(\sum_{t=1}^s a_{b_{k+i+1}^t} \right)}, \forall i \in \mathbb{N}, \forall n \in \mathbb{N}^*, s \in \mathbb{N}^*
 \end{aligned}$$

2. Fie $(a_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}^*}$ - un șir de numere reale în progresie aritmetică de rație r și șirurile :

- $(b_m)_{m \in \mathbb{N}^*}$ șir de numere naturale în progresie aritmetică de rație r_1

- $(c_p)_{p \in \mathbb{N}^*}$ șir de numere naturale în progresie aritmetică de rație r_2

- $(d_s)_{s \in \mathbb{N}^*}$ șir de numere reale în progresie aritmetică de rație r_3

Demonstrați egalitatea:

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \frac{1}{\sum_{k=1}^n (a_{b_k} + a_{c_k} + a_{d_k}) \cdot \sum_{k=1}^n (a_{b_{k+1}} + a_{c_{k+1}} + a_{d_{k+1}})} + \\
 & + \frac{1}{\sum_{k=1}^n (a_{b_{k+1}} + a_{c_{k+1}} + a_{d_{k+1}}) \cdot \sum_{k=1}^n (a_{b_{k+2}} + a_{c_{k+2}} + a_{d_{k+2}})} + \\
 & + \dots + \frac{1}{\sum_{k=1}^n (a_{b_{k+i}} + a_{c_{k+i}} + a_{d_{k+i}}) \cdot \sum_{k=1}^n (a_{b_{k+i+1}} + a_{c_{k+i+1}} + a_{d_{k+i+1}})} \\
 & = \frac{i+1}{\sum_{k=1}^n (a_{b_k} + a_{c_k} + a_{d_k}) \cdot \sum_{k=1}^n (a_{b_{k+i+1}} + a_{c_{k+i+1}} + a_{d_{k+i+1}})}, \forall i \in N, \forall n \in N^*
 \end{aligned}$$

Rezolvare:

$$\begin{aligned}
 & - \sum_{k=1}^n (a_{b_k} + a_{c_k} + a_{d_k}) + \sum_{k=1}^n (a_{b_{k+1}} + a_{c_{k+1}} + a_{d_{k+1}}) = \\
 & = a_{b_{n+1}} - a_{b_1} + a_{c_{n+1}} - a_{c_1} + a_{d_{n+1}} - a_{d_1} = \\
 & = a_1 + (b_{n+1} - 1)r - a_1 - (b_1 - 1)r + a_1 + (c_{n+1} - 1)r - a_1 - (c_1 - 1)r + a_1 + (d_{n+1} - 1)r - \\
 & - a_1 - (d_1 - 1)r = d_{n+1}r - d_1r + c_{n+1}r - c_1r + b_{n+1}r - b_1r = (d_1 + nr_3)r - d_1r + (c_1 + nr_2)r - c_1r + \\
 & + (b_1 + nr_1)r - b_1r = nr_3r + nr_2r + nr_1r = nr(r_1 + r_2 + r_3) \\
 & \frac{1}{\sum_{k=1}^n (a_{b_k} + a_{c_k} + a_{d_k}) \cdot \sum_{k=1}^n (a_{b_{k+1}} + a_{c_{k+1}} + a_{d_{k+1}})} = \\
 & = \frac{1}{nr(r_1 + r_2 + r_3)} \cdot \left[\frac{1}{\sum_{k=1}^n (a_{b_k} + a_{c_k} + a_{d_k})} - \frac{1}{\sum_{k=1}^n (a_{b_{k+1}} + a_{c_{k+1}} + a_{d_{k+1}})} \right]
 \end{aligned}$$

$$= \frac{1}{nr(r_1 + r_2 + r_3)} \cdot \left[\frac{1}{\sum_{k=1}^n (a_{b_{k+i}} + a_{c_{k+i}} + a_{d_{k+i}})} - \frac{1}{\sum_{k=1}^n (a_{b_{k+i+1}} + a_{c_{k+i+1}} + a_{d_{k+i+1}})} \right]$$

$$S = \frac{1}{nr(r_1 + r_2 + r_3)} \cdot \left[\frac{1}{\sum_{k=1}^n (a_{b_k} + a_{c_k} + a_{d_k})} - \frac{1}{\sum_{k=1}^n (a_{b_{k+i+1}} + a_{c_{k+i+1}} + a_{d_{k+i+1}})} \right]$$

$$\sum_{k=1}^n (a_{b_{k+i+1}} + a_{c_{k+i+1}} + a_{d_{k+i+1}}) - \sum_{k=1}^n (a_{b_k} + a_{c_k} + a_{d_k}) =$$

$$= \sum_{k=1}^n [(a_{b_{k+i+1}} - a_{b_k}) + (a_{c_{k+i+1}} - a_{c_k}) + (a_{d_{k+i+1}} - a_{d_k})] =$$

$$= \sum_{k=1}^n [(b_{k+i+1} - b_k)r + (c_{k+i+1} - c_k)r + (d_{k+i+1} - d_k)r] =$$

$$= \sum_{k=1}^n \{[b_1 + (k+i)r_1 - b_1 - (k-1)r_1]r + [c_1 + (k+i)r_2 - c_1 - (k-1)r_2]r + (i+1)r_3r\} =$$

$$= \sum_{k=1}^n [(i+1)r_1r + (i+1)r_2r + (i+1)r_3r] = n(i+1)(r_1 + r_2 + r_3)$$

$$S = \frac{1}{nr(r_1 + r_2 + r_3)} \cdot \frac{n(i+1)(r_1 + r_2 + r_3)}{\sum_{k=1}^n (a_{b_k} + a_{c_k} + a_{d_k}) \cdot \sum_{k=1}^n (a_{b_{k+i+1}} + a_{c_{k+i+1}} + a_{d_{k+i+1}})}$$

$$= \frac{i+1}{\sum_{k=1}^n (a_{b_k} + a_{c_k} + a_{d_k}) \cdot \sum_{k=1}^n (a_{b_{k+i+1}} + a_{c_{k+i+1}} + a_{d_{k+i+1}})}, \forall i \in \mathbb{N}, \forall n \in \mathbb{N}^*$$

3. Fie $(a_n)_{n \geq 1}$ un șir de numere reale în progresie aritmetică de rație r și $(b_m)_{m \geq 1} \in \mathbb{N}$ un șir de numere naturale în progresie aritmetică de rație q . Demonstrați egalitate:

$$\frac{1}{\sum_{k=1}^n a_{b_k} \cdot \sum_{k=1}^n a_{b_{k+1}}} + \frac{1}{\sum_{k=1}^n a_{b_{k+1}} \cdot \sum_{k=1}^n a_{b_{k+2}}} + \dots + \frac{1}{\sum_{k=1}^n a_{b_{k+m}} \cdot \sum_{k=1}^n a_{b_{k+m+1}}} =$$

$$= \frac{m+1}{\sum_{k=1}^n a_{b_k} \cdot \sum_{k=1}^n a_{b_{k+m+1}}}; \forall m \in N, \forall n \in N^*$$

Rezolvare:

$$\sum_{k=1}^n a_{b_k} = a_{b_1} + a_{b_2} + \dots + a_{b_n}$$

$$\sum_{k=1}^n a_{b_{k+1}} = a_{b_2} + a_{b_3} + \dots + a_{b_{n+1}}$$

$$\sum_{k=1}^n a_{b_{k+1}} - \sum_{k=1}^n a_{b_k} = a_{b_{n+1}} - a_{b_1} =$$

$$= a_1 + (b_{n+1} - 1)r - a_1 - (b_1 - 1)r = b_{n+1}r - b_1r = (b_1 + nq)r - b_1r = nqr$$

$$\frac{1}{\sum_{k=1}^n a_{b_k} \cdot \sum_{k=1}^n a_{b_{k+1}}} = \frac{1}{nqr} \cdot \left(\frac{1}{\sum_{k=1}^n a_{b_k}} - \frac{1}{\sum_{k=1}^n a_{b_{k+1}}} \right)$$

$$\sum_{k=1}^n a_{b_{k+2}} = a_{b_3} + a_{b_4} + \dots + a_{b_{n+2}}$$

$$\sum_{k=1}^n a_{b_{k+1}} = a_{b_2} + a_{b_3} + \dots + a_{b_{n+1}}$$

$$\sum_{k=1}^n a_{b_{k+2}} - \sum_{k=1}^n a_{b_{k+1}} = a_{b_{n+2}} - a_{b_2} =$$

$$= a_1 + (b_{n+2} - 1)r - a_1 - (b_2 - 1)r = (b_{n+2} - b_2)r = [b_1 + (n+1)q]r - (b_1 + q)r =$$

$$= b_1r - nqr + qr - b_1r - qr = nqr$$

$$\frac{1}{\sum_{k=1}^n a_{b_{k+1}} \cdot \sum_{k=1}^n a_{b_{k+2}}} = \frac{1}{nqr} \cdot \left(\frac{1}{\sum_{k=1}^n a_{b_{k+1}}} - \frac{1}{\sum_{k=1}^n a_{b_{k+2}}} \right)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{k=1}^n a_{b_{k+m+1}} - \sum_{k=1}^n a_{b_{k+m}} &= a_{b_{m+n+1}} - a_{b_{m+1}} = \\ &= a_1 + (b_{m+n+1} - 1)r - a_1 - (b_{m+1} - 1)r = b_{m+n+1}r - b_{m+1}r = \\ &= [b_1 + (m+n)q]r - (b_1 + mq)r = nqr \end{aligned}$$

$$\frac{1}{\sum_{k=1}^n a_{b_{k+m}} \cdot \sum_{k=1}^n a_{b_{k+m+1}}} = \frac{1}{nqr} \cdot \left(\frac{1}{\sum_{k=1}^n a_{b_{k+m}}} - \frac{1}{\sum_{k=1}^n a_{b_{k+m+1}}} \right)$$

$$S = \frac{1}{nqr} \cdot \left(\frac{1}{\sum_{k=1}^n a_{b_k}} - \frac{1}{\sum_{k=1}^n a_{b_{k+m+1}}} \right)$$

$$\sum_{k=1}^n a_{b_{k+m+1}} - \sum_{k=1}^n a_{b_k} = (a_{b_{m+2}} - a_{b_1}) + (a_{b_{m+3}} - a_{b_2}) + \dots + (a_{b_{m+n+1}} - a_{b_n})$$

$$\begin{aligned} &= [a_1 + (b_{m+2} - 1)r - a_1 - (b_1 - 1)r] + [a_1 + (b_{m+3} - 1)r - a_1 - (b_2 - 1)r] + \dots \\ &+ [a_1 + (b_{m+n+1} - 1)r - a_1 - (b_n - 1)r] = \\ &= (b_{m+2}r - b_1r) + (b_{m+3} - b_2)r + \dots + (b_{m+n+1} - b_n)r = \\ &= \{[b_1 + (m+1)q]r - b_1r\} + \{[b_1 + (m+2)q]r - b_1r - qr\} + \dots + \\ &+ [b_1 + (m+n)q - b_1 - (n-1)q]r = \underbrace{(m+1)qr + (m+1)qr + \dots + (m+1)qr}_{\text{de } n \text{ ori}} = (m+1)nqr \end{aligned}$$

$$S = \frac{1}{nqr} \cdot \frac{(m+1)nqr}{\sum_{k=1}^n a_{b_k} \cdot \sum_{k=1}^n a_{b_{k+m+1}}} = \frac{m+1}{\sum_{k=1}^n a_{b_k} \cdot \sum_{k=1}^n a_{b_{k+m+1}}}$$

4. Câteva aplicații la formula radicalilor compuși

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1. Formula radicalilor compuși

Fie a și b două numere reale, $b \geq 0$. Are loc relația:

$$\sqrt{a \pm \sqrt{b}} = \sqrt{\frac{a+c}{2}} \pm \sqrt{\frac{a-c}{2}}, \text{ unde } c^2 = a^2 - b$$

Demonstrație:

Rezolvăm pe rând cei doi membri ai egalității.

$$\text{Notăm } t = \sqrt{a + \sqrt{b}}, t \geq 0 \Leftrightarrow$$

$$t^2 = a + \sqrt{b}, \text{ unde } t \geq 0 \quad (1)$$

$$\text{Notăm } s = \sqrt{\frac{a+c}{2}} + \sqrt{\frac{a-c}{2}}, s \geq 0 \Leftrightarrow$$

$$s = \frac{\sqrt{2(a+c)}}{2} + \frac{\sqrt{2(a-c)}}{2} \Leftrightarrow$$

$$2s = \sqrt{2(a+c)} + \sqrt{2(a-c)} \Leftrightarrow$$

$$(2s)^2 = \left(\sqrt{2(a+c)} + \sqrt{2(a-c)} \right)^2 \Leftrightarrow$$

$$4s^2 = |2(a+c)| + 2\sqrt{2(a+c)} \cdot \sqrt{2(a-c)} + |2(a-c)| \Leftrightarrow$$

$$4s^2 = 2(a+c) + 2(a-c) + 4\sqrt{(a+c)(a-c)} \Leftrightarrow$$

$$4s^2 = 4a + 4\sqrt{(a^2 - c^2)} \Leftrightarrow$$

$$s^2 = a + \sqrt{(a^2 - c^2)}$$

Din relația din ipoteză știm că $c^2 = a^2 - b \Rightarrow b = a^2 - c^2$.

Deci, relația de mai sus se poate rescrie astfel:

$$s^2 = a + \sqrt{b} \quad (2)$$

Din egalitățile (1) și (2) obținem că $t^2 = s^2$.

Cum $t, s \geq 0 \Rightarrow t = s$, adică:

$$\sqrt{a + \sqrt{b}} = \sqrt{\frac{a+c}{2}} + \sqrt{\frac{a-c}{2}} \text{ (q.e.d.)}$$

2. Aplicații rezolvate

Enunțuri:

1. Arătați că $\sqrt{5 - 2\sqrt{6}} - \sqrt{5 + 2\sqrt{6}} + \sqrt{16 + 8\sqrt{3}}$ este număr natural.

2. Calculați:

$$S_1 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3 + 2\sqrt{2}}} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{5 + 2\sqrt{6}}} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{7 + 2\sqrt{12}}} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{9 + 2\sqrt{4 \cdot 5}}}$$

$$S_2 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3 + 2\sqrt{2}}} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{5 + 2\sqrt{6}}} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{7 + 2\sqrt{12}}} \dots + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2n + 1 + 2\sqrt{n(n + 1)}}}$$

3. Arătați că $n : 101$, unde:

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{3 + 2\sqrt{2}}} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{5 + 2\sqrt{6}}} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{7 + 2\sqrt{12}}} \dots + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2n + 1 + 2\sqrt{n(n + 1)}}} = 99.$$

4. Aflați $n \in \mathbb{N}^*$ astfel încât

$$N = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3 + 2\sqrt{2}}} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{5 + 2\sqrt{6}}} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{7 + 2\sqrt{12}}} \dots + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2n + 1 + 2\sqrt{n(n + 1)}}}$$

să fie număr natural mai mic decât 10.

$$5. \text{ Fie } N = \left[\sqrt{3 + 2\sqrt{2}} + \sqrt{(3 + 2\sqrt{2})^{-1}} \right]^{-2} + \left[\sqrt{5 + 2\sqrt{6}} - \sqrt{(5 + 2\sqrt{6})^{-1}} \right]^{-2} +$$

$$+ \left[\sqrt{7 + 2\sqrt{12}} + \sqrt{(7 + 2\sqrt{12})^{-1}} \right]^{-2} + \left[\sqrt{9 + 2\sqrt{20}} - \sqrt{(9 + 2\sqrt{20})^{-1}} \right]^{-2} +$$

$$+ \left[\sqrt{11 + 2\sqrt{30}} + \sqrt{(11 + 2\sqrt{30})^{-1}} \right]^{-2} +$$

$$\left[\sqrt{13 + 2\sqrt{42}} - \sqrt{(13 + 2\sqrt{42})^{-1}} \right]^{-2}$$

. Arătați că numărul N este rațional.

6. Arătați că pentru orice valoare reală pozitivă a lui a , valoarea expresiei

$$E = \frac{\sqrt{3a+1} + \sqrt{6a+1}}{2} - \frac{1 + \sqrt{6a+1}}{2\sqrt{2}}$$

este constantă.

Soluții:

1. Pentru a arăta că $\sqrt{5-2\sqrt{6}} - \sqrt{5+2\sqrt{6}} + \sqrt{16+8\sqrt{3}}$ este număr natural, aplicăm formula radicalilor compuși pentru fiecare termen în parte:

$$\sqrt{5-2\sqrt{6}} = \sqrt{5-\sqrt{24}} = \sqrt{\frac{5+1}{2}} - \sqrt{\frac{5-1}{2}} = \sqrt{3} - \sqrt{2}$$

$$\sqrt{5+2\sqrt{6}} = \sqrt{5+\sqrt{24}} = \sqrt{\frac{5+1}{2}} + \sqrt{\frac{5-1}{2}} = \sqrt{3} + \sqrt{2}$$

$$\sqrt{16+8\sqrt{3}} = 2\sqrt{4+\sqrt{12}} = 2\left(\sqrt{\frac{4+2}{2}} + \sqrt{\frac{4-2}{2}}\right) = 2(\sqrt{3} + 1)$$

Obținem că:

$$\sqrt{5-2\sqrt{6}} - \sqrt{5+2\sqrt{6}} + \sqrt{16+8\sqrt{3}} =$$

$$\sqrt{3} - \sqrt{2} - (\sqrt{3} + \sqrt{2}) + 2(\sqrt{3} + 1) = 2 \in \mathbb{N}$$

2. Calculăm S_1 aplicând formula radicalilor compuși pentru numitorii fiecărui termen:

$$S_1 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3+2\sqrt{2}}} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{5+2\sqrt{6}}} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{7+2\sqrt{12}}} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{9+2\sqrt{4 \cdot 5}}}$$

$$\sqrt{3+2\sqrt{2}} = \sqrt{3+\sqrt{8}} = \sqrt{\frac{3+1}{2}} + \sqrt{\frac{3-1}{2}} = \sqrt{2} + 1$$

$$\sqrt{5+2\sqrt{6}} = \sqrt{5+\sqrt{24}} = \sqrt{\frac{5+1}{2}} + \sqrt{\frac{5-1}{2}} = \sqrt{3} + \sqrt{2}$$

$$\sqrt{7 + 2\sqrt{12}} = \sqrt{7 + \sqrt{48}} = \sqrt{\frac{7+1}{2}} + \sqrt{\frac{7-1}{2}} = \sqrt{4} + \sqrt{3}$$

$$\sqrt{9 + 2\sqrt{4 \cdot 5}} = \sqrt{9 + \sqrt{80}} = \sqrt{\frac{9+1}{2}} + \sqrt{\frac{9-1}{2}} = \sqrt{5} + \sqrt{4}$$

$$S_1 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2} + 1} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{3} + \sqrt{2}} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{4} + \sqrt{3}} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{5} + \sqrt{4}}$$

$$S_1 = \frac{\sqrt{2} - 1}{2 - 1} + \frac{\sqrt{3} - \sqrt{2}}{3 - 2} + \frac{\sqrt{4} - \sqrt{3}}{4 - 3} + \frac{\sqrt{5} - \sqrt{4}}{5 - 4}$$

$$S_1 = \sqrt{2} - 1 + \sqrt{3} - \sqrt{2} + \sqrt{4} - \sqrt{3} + \sqrt{5} - \sqrt{4}$$

$$S_1 = \sqrt{5} - 1$$

Pentru a calcula S_2 , se procedează în mod similar, obținându-se:

$$S_2 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2} + 1} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{3} + \sqrt{2}} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{4} + \sqrt{3}} + \dots + \frac{1}{\sqrt{n+1} + \sqrt{n}}$$

$$S_2 = \frac{\sqrt{2} - 1}{2 - 1} + \frac{\sqrt{3} - \sqrt{2}}{3 - 2} + \frac{\sqrt{4} - \sqrt{3}}{4 - 3} + \dots + \frac{\sqrt{n+1} - \sqrt{n}}{n+1 - n}$$

$$S_2 = \sqrt{2} - 1 + \sqrt{3} - \sqrt{2} + \sqrt{4} - \sqrt{3} + \dots + \sqrt{n+1} - \sqrt{n}$$

$$S_2 = \sqrt{n+1} - 1$$

Reținem acest rezultat încât va fi util în rezolvarea următoarelor cerințe:

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{3 + 2\sqrt{2}}} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{5 + 2\sqrt{6}}} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{7 + 2\sqrt{12}}} \dots + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2n + 1 + 2\sqrt{n(n+1)}}} = \sqrt{n+1} - 1$$

3. Folosim rezultatul obținut cu ajutorul formulei radicalilor compuși în calculul sumei S_2 de mai sus:

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{\sqrt{3 + 2\sqrt{2}}} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{5 + 2\sqrt{6}}} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{7 + 2\sqrt{12}}} \dots + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2n + 1 + 2\sqrt{n(n+1)}}} \\ = \sqrt{n+1} - 1 \end{aligned}$$

Se obține:

$$\sqrt{n+1} - 1 = 99 \Leftrightarrow$$

$$\sqrt{n+1} = 100 \Leftrightarrow$$

$$n + 1 = 10000 \Leftrightarrow$$

$$n = 9999 : 101$$

4. Se folosește rezultatul obținut în calculul sumei S_2 :

$$N = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3+2\sqrt{2}}} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{5+2\sqrt{6}}} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{7+2\sqrt{12}}} \dots + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2n+1+2\sqrt{n(n+1)}}}$$

$$= \sqrt{n+1} - 1$$

Se obține:

$$\sqrt{n+1} - 1 \in \{0; 1; 2; 3; 4; 5; 6; 7; 8; 9\}$$

$$\sqrt{n+1} \in \{1; 2; 3; 4; 5; 6; 7; 8; 9; 10\}$$

$$n+1 \in \{1; 4; 9; 16; 25; 36; 49; 64; 81; 100\}$$

$$n \in \{0; 3; 8; 15; 24; 35; 48; 63; 80; 99\}$$

5. Aplicând formula radicalilor compuși pentru fiecare radical dublu în parte, se obține:

$$N = \left(\sqrt{2} + 1 + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2} + 1}\right)^{-2} + \left(\sqrt{3} + \sqrt{2} - \frac{1}{\sqrt{3} + \sqrt{2}}\right)^{-2}$$

$$+ \left(\sqrt{4} + \sqrt{3} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{4} + \sqrt{3}}\right)^{-2} + \left(\sqrt{5} + \sqrt{4} - \frac{1}{\sqrt{5} + \sqrt{4}}\right)^{-2}$$

$$+ \left(\sqrt{6} + \sqrt{5} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{6} + \sqrt{5}}\right)^{-2} + \left(\sqrt{7} + \sqrt{6} - \frac{1}{\sqrt{7} + \sqrt{6}}\right)^{-2}$$

$$N = (\sqrt{2} + 1 + \sqrt{2} - 1)^{-2} + (\sqrt{3} + \sqrt{2} - \sqrt{3} + \sqrt{2})^{-2}$$

$$+ (\sqrt{4} + \sqrt{3} + \sqrt{4} - \sqrt{3})^{-2} + (\sqrt{5} + \sqrt{4} - \sqrt{5} + \sqrt{4})^{-2}$$

$$+ (\sqrt{6} + \sqrt{5} + \sqrt{6} - \sqrt{5})^{-2} + (\sqrt{7} + \sqrt{6} - \sqrt{7} + \sqrt{6})^{-2}$$

$$N = \left(\frac{1}{2\sqrt{2}}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{1}{2\sqrt{2}}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{1}{2\sqrt{4}}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{1}{2\sqrt{4}}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{1}{2\sqrt{6}}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{1}{2\sqrt{6}}\right)^2$$

$$N = \frac{1}{8} + \frac{1}{8} + \frac{1}{16} + \frac{1}{16} + \frac{1}{24} + \frac{1}{24}$$

$$N = \frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{8} + \frac{1}{12} = \frac{11}{24} \in \mathbb{Q}$$

$$6. \sqrt{3a+1} + \sqrt{6a+1} = \sqrt{\frac{3a+1+3a}{2}} + \sqrt{\frac{3a+1-3a}{2}} = \frac{\sqrt{6a+1}}{\sqrt{2}} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$$

$$E = \frac{\sqrt{6a+1}}{2\sqrt{2}} + \frac{1}{2\sqrt{2}} - \frac{1 + \sqrt{6a+1}}{2\sqrt{2}} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} - \text{constantă}$$

3. Probleme propuse

1. Să se arate că:

$$\left(\frac{6 + 4\sqrt{2}}{\sqrt{2} + \sqrt{6 + 4\sqrt{2}}} + \frac{6 - 4\sqrt{2}}{\sqrt{2} - \sqrt{6 - 4\sqrt{2}}} \right)^2 = 8$$

2. Aflați $x, y \in \mathbb{R}$ astfel încât:

$$x\sqrt{7 + 2\sqrt{10}} + y\sqrt{7 - 2\sqrt{10}} = \sqrt{47 + 2\sqrt{90}}$$

3. Arătați că $\sqrt{4 + 2\sqrt{3}} + \sqrt{11 - 8\sqrt{4 - 2\sqrt{3}}} \in \mathbb{N}$.

4. Aflați numerele întregi a pentru care

$$\frac{\sqrt{19 + 8\sqrt{3}} - \sqrt{8 + 2\sqrt{15}} + \sqrt{6 - 2\sqrt{5}}}{a - 2} \in \mathbb{Z}.$$

5. Aflați $n \in \mathbb{N}^*$ astfel încât să aibă loc egalitatea:

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{3 + 2\sqrt{2}}} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{5 + 2\sqrt{6}}} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{7 + 2\sqrt{12}}} \dots + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2n - 1 + 2\sqrt{n(n - 1)}}} = 49.$$

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