

Sum of Squares (SOS) program for 3-variable symmetric polynomials of degree 6

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Inequalities and Solutions

Problem 1. Prove that for all real numbers a, b, c , we have:

$$\frac{a \cdot b}{a^2 + b^2 + 3c^2} + \frac{b \cdot c}{b^2 + c^2 + 3a^2} + \frac{c \cdot a}{c^2 + a^2 + 3b^2} \leq \frac{3}{5}$$

Equality holds at $a = b = c$, or $a = b = \frac{2}{3}c$, or any cyclic permutations.

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Proof. After clearing denominators, the inequality is equivalent with:

$$\begin{aligned} &> \text{numer} \left(\frac{3}{5} - \frac{a \cdot b}{a^2 + b^2 + 3c^2} - \frac{b \cdot c}{b^2 + c^2 + 3a^2} - \frac{c \cdot a}{c^2 + a^2 + 3b^2} \right) \geq 0 \\ 0 &\leq 9a^6 - 15a^5b - 15a^5c + 39a^4b^2 - 5a^4bc + 39a^4c^2 - 50a^3b^3 - 20a^3b^2c - 20a^3bc^2 \\ &\quad - 50a^3c^3 + 39a^2b^4 - 20a^2b^3c + 114a^2b^2c^2 - 20a^2bc^3 + 39a^2c^4 - 15ab^5 - 5ab^4c \\ &\quad - 20ab^3c^2 - 20ab^2c^3 - 5abc^4 - 15ac^5 + 9b^6 - 15b^5c + 39b^4c^2 - 50b^3c^3 \\ &\quad + 39b^2c^4 - 15bc^5 + 9c^6 \end{aligned} \quad (1)$$

We used the built-in Maple function **numer ()** to get the numerator of a fractional expression. Define the polynomial $f(a, b, c)$ as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} &> f := \text{numer} \left(\frac{3}{5} - \frac{a \cdot b}{a^2 + b^2 + 3c^2} - \frac{b \cdot c}{b^2 + c^2 + 3a^2} - \frac{c \cdot a}{c^2 + a^2 + 3b^2} \right) \\ f &:= 9a^6 - 15a^5b - 15a^5c + 39a^4b^2 - 5a^4bc + 39a^4c^2 - 50a^3b^3 - 20a^3b^2c - 20a^3bc^2 \\ &\quad - 50a^3c^3 + 39a^2b^4 - 20a^2b^3c + 114a^2b^2c^2 - 20a^2bc^3 + 39a^2c^4 - 15ab^5 - 5ab^4c \\ &\quad - 20ab^3c^2 - 20ab^2c^3 - 5abc^4 - 15ac^5 + 9b^6 - 15b^5c + 39b^4c^2 - 50b^3c^3 \\ &\quad + 39b^2c^4 - 15bc^5 + 9c^6 \end{aligned} \quad (2)$$

To initialize the program, read the script file **paramSOS** with your saved path in computer:

$$\begin{aligned} &> \text{read "F:/Maple/scripts/paramSOS.txt"} \\ &\quad \text{"Sum of Squares (SOS) program for symmetric polynomials (a, b, c) of degree 6"} \\ &\quad \text{"[sigma, prod, getParam, getSOS]"} \\ &\quad \text{"Example"} \\ &\quad \text{"[Step 1]> getParam(a^6 + b^6 + c^6 - a*b*c*(a^3 + b^3 + c^3))"} \\ &\quad \text{"[Step 2]> getSOS(a^6 + b^6 + c^6 - a*b*c*(a^3 + b^3 + c^3), -1)"} \end{aligned} \quad (3)$$

The program offers four functions as displayed, where our two main ones are **getParam ()** and **getSOS ()**. First, you need to get the parameter for the use of **getSOS ()**, which is nothing just the way the program works. Use **getParam ()**:

$$> \text{getParam}(f)$$

$$\left\{x = \frac{4}{9}\right\}$$

$$\{x = 0.4444444444\} \quad (4)$$

The output returns 4/9, take this number and put it in **getSOS()** function:

$$\begin{aligned} &> \text{getSOS}\left(f, \frac{4}{9}\right) \\ &\frac{1}{90} (a-b)^2 (9a^2 + 34ab - 4ac + 9b^2 - 4bc - 29c^2)^2 + \frac{1}{90} (b-c)^2 (-29a^2 - 4ab \\ &\quad - 4ac + 9b^2 + 34bc + 9c^2)^2 + \frac{1}{90} (c-a)^2 (9a^2 - 4ab + 34ac - 29b^2 - 4bc \\ &\quad + 9c^2)^2 + \frac{4}{5} (3a^3 - 4a^2b - 4a^2c - 4ab^2 + 15abc - 4ac^2 + 3b^3 - 4b^2c \\ &\quad - 4bc^2 + 3c^3)^2 + \frac{596}{15} (a-b)^2 (b-c)^2 (-c+a)^2 \end{aligned} \quad (5)$$

This is our result. Let's check if this expression is true. Use the Maple's built-in function **factor()** for factorizing, note that the notation % refers to the previous output.

$$\begin{aligned} &> \text{factor}(f - \%) \\ &0 \end{aligned} \quad (6)$$

Which is indeed an identity.

Thus f can be expressed as sum of squares, which means $f \geq 0$ for all real numbers a, b, c . The proof is completed.

Problem 2. Let a, b, c be real numbers such that $a + b + c = 3$, prove that:

$$\frac{1}{a^2 + 7b^2 + 7c^2} + \frac{1}{b^2 + 7c^2 + 7a^2} + \frac{1}{c^2 + 7a^2 + 7b^2} \leq \frac{1}{5}$$

Equality holds when $a = b = c = 1$, or $a = b = \frac{1}{2}, c = 2$, or any cyclic permutations.

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Proof. After homologizing, we need to prove:

$$\sum_{cyc} \frac{1}{a^2 + 7b^2 + 7c^2} \leq \frac{9}{5(a+b+c)^2}$$

Let's define the polynomial $f(a, b, c)$, we may use **sigma()** as the built-in function of the **paramSOS** script for the simplicity in writing.

$$\begin{aligned} &> \frac{9}{5(a+b+c)^2} - \text{sigma}\left(\frac{1}{a^2 + 7b^2 + 7c^2}\right) \\ &\quad \frac{9}{5(a+b+c)^2} - \frac{1}{a^2 + 7b^2 + 7c^2} - \frac{1}{7a^2 + b^2 + 7c^2} - \frac{1}{7a^2 + 7b^2 + c^2} \end{aligned} \quad (7)$$

$$\begin{aligned} &> f := \text{numer}(\%) \\ &f := 126a^6 - 630a^5b - 630a^5c + 2466a^4b^2 - 630a^4bc + 2466a^4c^2 - 1620a^3b^3 \\ &\quad - 1620a^3b^2c - 1620a^3bc^2 - 1620a^3c^3 + 2466a^2b^4 - 1620a^2b^3c + 5076a^2b^2c^2 \end{aligned} \quad (8)$$

$$\begin{aligned}
& -1620 a^2 b c^3 + 2466 a^2 c^4 - 630 a b^5 - 630 a b^4 c - 1620 a b^3 c^2 - 1620 a b^2 c^3 \\
& - 630 a b c^4 - 630 a c^5 + 126 b^6 - 630 b^5 c + 2466 b^4 c^2 - 1620 b^3 c^3 + 2466 b^2 c^4 \\
& - 630 b c^5 + 126 c^6
\end{aligned}$$

As described in the previous problem, a SOS expression of f can be obtained as follows:

> $\text{getParam}(f)$

$$\begin{aligned}
& \left\{ x = \frac{22}{7} \right\} \\
& \{x = 3.142857143\}
\end{aligned} \tag{9}$$

> $\text{getSOS}\left(f, \frac{22}{7}\right)$

$$\begin{aligned}
& \frac{3}{5} (a-b)^2 (7a^2 + 2ab - 22ac + 7b^2 - 22bc - 17c^2)^2 + \frac{3}{5} (b-c)^2 (-17a^2 - 22ab \\
& - 22ac + 7b^2 + 2bc + 7c^2)^2 + \frac{3}{5} (c-a)^2 (7a^2 - 22ab + 2ac - 17b^2 - 22bc \\
& + 7c^2)^2 + \frac{336}{5} (a^3 - 3a^2b - 3a^2c - 3ab^2 + 15abc - 3ac^2 + b^3 - 3b^2c \\
& - 3bc^2 + c^3)^2 + \frac{9432}{5} (a-b)^2 (b-c)^2 (-c+a)^2
\end{aligned} \tag{10}$$

Thus f is non-negative for all real numbers a, b, c . We are done.

Problem 3. Let a, b, c be reals numbers, prove that:

$$a^6 + b^6 + c^6 \geq a \cdot b \cdot c \cdot (a^3 + b^3 + c^3)$$

> $f := a^6 + b^6 + c^6 - a \cdot b \cdot c \cdot (a^3 + b^3 + c^3)$

$$f := a^6 + b^6 + c^6 - a b c (a^3 + b^3 + c^3) \tag{11}$$

> $\text{getParam}(f)$

$$\begin{aligned}
& \{x \leq \text{RootOf}(19_Z^3 + 33_Z^2 + 3_Z - 1, -0.25 \dots -0.1875), \text{RootOf}(19_Z^3 + 33_Z^2 + 3_Z \\
& - 1, -1.625 \dots -1.562) \leq x\} \\
& \{-1.619258506 \leq x, x \leq -0.2484229730\}
\end{aligned} \tag{12}$$

Note that sometimes **getParam()** function would give a range where our parameter could belong to.

Just choose one satisfied. It's quite often that polynomial f may have more than one SOS expression.

> $\text{getSOS}(f, -1)$

$$\begin{aligned}
& \frac{1}{72} (a-b)^2 (3a^2 + 7ab + 3ac + 3b^2 + 3bc - c^2)^2 + \frac{1}{72} (b-c)^2 (-a^2 + 3ab + 3ac \\
& + 3b^2 + 7bc + 3c^2)^2 + \frac{1}{72} (c-a)^2 (3a^2 + 3ab + 7ac - b^2 + 3bc + 3c^2)^2 \\
& + \frac{1}{432} (18a^3 - 7a^2b - 7a^2c - 7ab^2 - 12abc - 7ac^2 + 18b^3 - 7b^2c - 7bc^2 \\
& + 18c^3)^2 + \frac{5}{108} (a^2b + a^2c + ab^2 - 6abc + ac^2 + b^2c + bc^2)^2 + \frac{23}{48} (a \\
& - b)^2 (b-c)^2 (-c+a)^2
\end{aligned} \tag{13}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
& \text{getSOS}\left(f, -\frac{1}{2}\right) \\
& \frac{1}{18} (a-b)^2 (2a^2 + 3ab + ac + 2b^2 + bc)^2 + \frac{1}{18} (b-c)^2 (ab + ac + 2b^2 + 3bc \\
& + 2c^2)^2 + \frac{1}{18} (c-a)^2 (2a^2 + ab + 3ac + bc + 2c^2)^2 + \frac{1}{45} (5a^3 - 2a^2b \\
& - 2a^2c - 2ab^2 - 3abc - 2ac^2 + 5b^3 - 2b^2c - 2bc^2 + 5c^3)^2 + \frac{1}{20} (a^2b \\
& + a^2c + ab^2 - 6abc + ac^2 + b^2c + bc^2)^2 + \frac{5}{12} (a-b)^2 (b-c)^2 (-c+a)^2
\end{aligned} \tag{14}$$

Problem 4. Represent the following polynomial as sum of squares:

$$f(a, b, c) = \prod_{cyc} (a^2 + b^2) - 8 \cdot a^2 \cdot b^2 \cdot c^2$$

Use the built-in function **prod()** of the **paramsOS** script to present the cyclic product:

$$\begin{aligned}
& \text{f} := \text{prod}(a^2 + b^2) - 8 \cdot a^2 \cdot b^2 \cdot c^2 \\
& f := (b^2 + c^2) (a^2 + c^2) (a^2 + b^2) - 8 a^2 b^2 c^2
\end{aligned} \tag{15}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
& \text{getParam}(f) \\
& \{x \in R\}
\end{aligned} \tag{16}$$

In this case, the value of the parameter x does not matter. Let's take $x = 1$, for example:

$$\begin{aligned}
& \text{getSOS}(f, 1) \\
& \frac{1}{9} (a-b)^2 (ab + 2ac + 2bc + c^2)^2 + \frac{1}{9} (b-c)^2 (a^2 + 2ab + 2ac + bc)^2 + \frac{1}{9} (c \\
& - a)^2 (2ab + ac + b^2 + 2bc)^2 + \frac{1}{3} (a-b)^2 (b-c)^2 (-c+a)^2
\end{aligned} \tag{17}$$

Problem 5. Let k be a real numbers such that $k > -2$ and $k^4 + 12k^3 - 8k^2 + 48k - 80 \leq 0$. Prove that for all three real numbers a, b, c , we have:

$$\sum_{cyc} \frac{8a^2 + k \cdot (4-k) \cdot b \cdot c}{b^2 + k \cdot b \cdot c + c^2} \geq \frac{3 \cdot (8 + 4k - k^2)}{k + 2}$$

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$$\begin{aligned}
& \text{f} := \text{numer}\left(\text{sigma}\left(\frac{8a^2 + k \cdot (4-k) \cdot b \cdot c}{b^2 + k \cdot b \cdot c + c^2}\right) - \frac{3 \cdot (8 + 4k - k^2)}{k + 2}\right) \\
& f := a^3 b^2 c k^4 + a^3 b c^2 k^4 + a^2 b^3 c k^4 - 6 a^2 b^2 c^2 k^4 + a^2 b c^3 k^4 + a b^3 c^2 k^4 + a b^2 c^3 k^4 \\
& + 10 a^4 b c k^3 + 2 a^3 b^3 k^3 - 6 a^3 b^2 c k^3 - 6 a^3 b c^2 k^3 + 2 a^3 c^3 k^3 - 6 a^2 b^3 c k^3 \\
& - 6 a^2 b c^3 k^3 + 10 a b^4 c k^3 - 6 a b^3 c^2 k^3 - 6 a b^2 c^3 k^3 + 10 a b c^4 k^3 + 2 b^3 c^3 k^3 \\
& + 8 a^5 b k^2 + 8 a^5 c k^2 + 3 a^4 b^2 k^2 + 6 a^4 b c k^2 + 3 a^4 c^2 k^2 - 10 a^3 b^3 k^2 - 10 a^3 b^2 c k^2 \\
& - 10 a^3 b c^2 k^2 - 10 a^3 c^3 k^2 + 3 a^2 b^4 k^2 - 10 a^2 b^3 c k^2 + 6 a^2 b^2 c^2 k^2 - 10 a^2 b c^3 k^2 \\
& + 3 a^2 c^4 k^2 + 8 a b^5 k^2 + 6 a b^4 c k^2 - 10 a b^3 c^2 k^2 - 10 a b^2 c^3 k^2 + 6 a b c^4 k^2 + 8 a c^5 k^2 \\
& + 8 b^5 c k^2 + 3 b^4 c^2 k^2 - 10 b^3 c^3 k^2 + 3 b^2 c^4 k^2 + 8 b c^5 k^2 + 8 a^6 k + 16 a^5 b k + 16 a^5 c k
\end{aligned} \tag{18}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
& -4a^4b^2k - 16a^4bck - 4a^4c^2k - 16a^3b^3k - 16a^3c^3k - 4a^2b^4k - 4a^2c^4k \\
& + 16ab^5k - 16ab^4ck - 16abc^4k + 16ac^5k + 8b^6k + 16b^5ck - 4b^4c^2k \\
& - 16b^3c^3k - 4b^2c^4k + 16bc^5k + 8c^6k + 16a^6 - 8a^4b^2 - 8a^4c^2 - 8a^2b^4 - 8a^2c^4 \\
& + 16b^6 - 8b^4c^2 - 8b^2c^4 + 16c^6
\end{aligned}$$

> *getParam(f)*

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The output returns nothing, since **getParam()** can only deal with a specific value of k . Let's check the output of **getSOS()** function with a parameter x in general:

> *getSOS(f, x)*

$$\begin{aligned}
& \frac{1}{36} \frac{1}{(x-1)^2} \left((k+2)^2 (a-b)^2 (-abkx - 2ackx - 2bcx - c^2kx + 2a^2k - abk \right. \\
& \quad \left. - 16abx - 8acx + 2b^2k - 8bcx + 3c^2k + 8c^2x + 8a^2 + 8ab + 8b^2)^2 \right) \\
& + \frac{1}{36} \frac{1}{(x-1)^2} \left((k+2)^2 (b-c)^2 (-a^2kx - 2abkx - 2ackx - bckx + 3a^2k \right. \\
& \quad \left. + 8a^2x - 8abx - 8acx + 2b^2k - bck - 16bcx + 2c^2k + 8b^2 + 8bc + 8c^2)^2 \right) \\
& + \frac{1}{36} \frac{1}{(x-1)^2} \left((k+2)^2 (c-a)^2 (-2abkx - ackx - b^2kx - 2bcx \right. \\
& \quad \left. + 2a^2k - 8abx - ack - 16acx + 3b^2k + 8b^2x - 8bcx + 2c^2k + 8a^2 + 8ac \right. \\
& \quad \left. + 8c^2)^2 \right) - \frac{1}{72} \left((-3a^2bk^3x - 3a^2ck^3x - 3ab^2k^3x + 18abc^3x - 3a^2c^3x \right. \\
& \quad - 3b^2ck^3x - 3bc^2k^3x + 4a^3k^3 - 3a^2bk^3 - 42a^2bk^2x - 72a^2bkx^2 - 3a^2ck^3 \\
& \quad - 42a^2ck^2x - 72a^2ckx^2 - 3ab^2k^3 - 42ab^2k^2x - 72ab^2kx^2 + 6abc^3 \\
& \quad + 252abc^2x + 432abckx^2 - 3ac^2k^3 - 42ac^2k^2x - 72ac^2kx^2 + 4b^3k^3 - 3b^2ck^3 \\
& \quad - 42b^2ck^2x - 72b^2ckx^2 - 3bc^2k^3 - 42bc^2k^2x - 72bc^2kx^2 + 4c^3k^3 + 40a^3k^2 \\
& \quad - 144a^3x^2 - 18a^2bk^2 - 24a^2bkx - 18a^2ck^2 - 24a^2ckx - 18ab^2k^2 - 24ab^2kx \\
& \quad - 12abc^2k^2 + 144abckx + 432abcx^2 - 18ac^2k^2 - 24ac^2kx + 40b^3k^2 - 144b^3x^2 \\
& \quad - 18b^2ck^2 - 24b^2ckx - 18bc^2k^2 - 24bc^2kx + 40c^3k^2 - 144c^3x^2 + 128a^3k \\
& \quad + 288a^3x - 96a^2bk - 192a^2bx - 96a^2ck - 192a^2cx - 96ab^2k - 192ab^2x \\
& \quad + 192abc^2k + 288abckx - 96ac^2k - 192ac^2x + 128b^3k + 288b^3x - 96b^2ck \\
& \quad - 192b^2cx - 96bc^2k - 192bc^2x + 128c^3k + 288c^3x - 16a^3 + 48abc - 16b^3 \\
& \quad \left. - 16c^3)^2 (k+2) \right) / \left((k^3 + 10k^2 - 36x^2 + 32k + 72x - 4) (x-1)^2 \right) \\
& + \frac{1}{6} \frac{1}{(k^3 + 10k^2 - 36x^2 + 32k + 72x - 4) (x-1)} \left((k+2)^2 (2k^3 + 3k^2x + 17k^2 \right. \\
& \quad \left. + 36kx + 28k + 72x - 8) (1+k+3x)^2 (a^2b + a^2c + ab^2 - 6abc + ac^2 + b^2c \right.
\end{aligned}$$

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$$+ b^2 c^2)^2) - \frac{1}{24} \frac{1}{(x-1)^2} ((-c+a)^2 (b-c)^2 (a-b)^2 (k^4 x^2 + 10 k^4 x + 48 k^3 x^2 + 25 k^4 + 192 k^3 x + 388 k^2 x^2 + 192 k^3 + 1000 k^2 x + 1200 k x^2 + 484 k^2 + 1632 k x + 928 x^2 + 624 k + 1216 x + 160))$$

One may notice that if we take $x = -\frac{k+1}{3}$, the coefficient of term

$(a^2 b + a^2 c + a b^2 - 6 a b c + a c^2 + b^2 c + b c^2)^2$ will be zero.

> $getSOS\left(f, -\frac{k+1}{3}\right)$

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{1}{36} (k+2)^2 (a-b)^2 (a b k + 2 a c k + 2 b c k + c^2 k + 6 a^2 + 10 a b + 2 a c + 6 b^2 + 2 b c \\ & - 2 c^2)^2 + \frac{1}{36} (k+2)^2 (b-c)^2 (a^2 k + 2 a b k + 2 a c k + b c k - 2 a^2 + 2 a b \\ & + 2 a c + 6 b^2 + 10 b c + 6 c^2)^2 + \frac{1}{36} (k+2)^2 (c-a)^2 (2 a b k + a c k + b^2 k \\ & + 2 b c k + 6 a^2 + 2 a b + 10 a c - 2 b^2 + 2 b c + 6 c^2)^2 - \frac{1}{8} (k-2) (k+2) (a^2 b k \\ & + a^2 c k + a b^2 k - 6 a b c k + a c^2 k + b^2 c k + b c^2 k + 4 a^3 - 2 a^2 b - 2 a^2 c - 2 a b^2 \\ & - 2 a c^2 + 4 b^3 - 2 b^2 c - 2 b c^2 + 4 c^3)^2 - \frac{1}{24} (k^4 + 12 k^3 - 8 k^2 + 48 k - 80) (a \\ & - b)^2 (b-c)^2 (-c+a)^2 \end{aligned} \quad (21)$$

Clearly, the above expression is non-negative under the conditions $k > -2$ and

$k^4 + 12 k^3 - 8 k^2 + 48 k - 80 \leq 0$. Note that if $k \geq 2$ then $k^4 + 12 k^3 - 8 k^2 + 48 k - 80 = (k-2) (k^3 + 14 k^2 + 20 k + 88) + 96 > 0$, which leads to a contradiction. The proof is completed.

Problem 6. Let a, b, c be reals numbers, prove that:

$$\sum_{cyc} \frac{(a+b) \cdot (a+c)}{a^2 + 4 b^2 + 4 c^2} \leq \frac{4}{3}$$

Equality holds at $a = b = c$, or $a = b = \frac{7}{2}c$, or any cyclic permutations.

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> $f := \frac{4}{3} - \text{sigma}\left(\frac{(a+b) \cdot (a+c)}{a^2 + 4 b^2 + 4 c^2}\right)$

$$f := \frac{4}{3} - \frac{(a+b)(c+a)}{a^2 + 4 b^2 + 4 c^2} - \frac{(b+c)(a+b)}{4 a^2 + b^2 + 4 c^2} - \frac{(c+a)(b+c)}{4 a^2 + 4 b^2 + c^2} \quad (22)$$

> $getParam(numer(f))$

$$\left\{x = \frac{23}{8}\right\} \\ \{x = 2.875000000\} \quad (23)$$

$$\begin{aligned}
& \triangleright \text{getSOS}\left(\text{numer}(f), \frac{23}{8}\right) \\
& \frac{1}{18} (a-b)^2 (8a^2 + 5ab - 23ac + 8b^2 - 23bc - 20c^2)^2 + \frac{1}{18} (b-c)^2 (-20a^2 \\
& - 23ab - 23ac + 8b^2 + 5bc + 8c^2)^2 + \frac{1}{18} (c-a)^2 (8a^2 - 23ab + 5ac \\
& - 20b^2 - 23bc + 8c^2)^2 + \frac{5}{9} (4a^3 - 11a^2b - 11a^2c - 11ab^2 + 54abc \\
& - 11ac^2 + 4b^3 - 11b^2c - 11bc^2 + 4c^3)^2 + \frac{626}{3} (a-b)^2 (b-c)^2 (-c+a)^2
\end{aligned} \tag{24}$$

Problem 7. Let a, b, c be reals numbers, prove that:

$$\sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{(a+b) \cdot (a+c)}{7a^2 + b^2 + c^2} \leq \frac{4}{3}$$

Equality holds at $a = b = c$, or $a = b = \frac{4}{5}c$, or any cyclic permutations.

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$$\begin{aligned}
& \triangleright f := \frac{4}{3} - \text{sigma}\left(\frac{(a+b) \cdot (a+c)}{7a^2 + b^2 + c^2}\right) \\
& f := \frac{4}{3} - \frac{(a+b)(c+a)}{7a^2 + b^2 + c^2} - \frac{(b+c)(a+b)}{a^2 + 7b^2 + c^2} - \frac{(c+a)(b+c)}{a^2 + b^2 + 7c^2}
\end{aligned} \tag{25}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
& \triangleright \text{getParam}(\text{numer}(f)) \\
& \left\{x = \frac{2}{5}\right\} \\
& \{x = 0.4000000000\}
\end{aligned} \tag{26}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
& \triangleright \text{getSOS}\left(\text{numer}(f), \frac{2}{5}\right) \\
& \frac{1}{18} (a-b)^2 (5a^2 + 38ab - 2ac + 5b^2 - 2bc - 35c^2)^2 + \frac{1}{18} (b-c)^2 (-35a^2 - 2ab \\
& - 2ac + 5b^2 + 38bc + 5c^2)^2 + \frac{1}{18} (c-a)^2 (5a^2 - 2ab + 38ac - 35b^2 - 2bc \\
& + 5c^2)^2 + \frac{8}{9} (5a^3 - 7a^2b - 7a^2c - 7ab^2 + 27abc - 7ac^2 + 5b^3 - 7b^2c \\
& - 7bc^2 + 5c^3)^2 + \frac{332}{3} (a-b)^2 (b-c)^2 (-c+a)^2
\end{aligned} \tag{27}$$

Problem 8. Let a, b, c be reals numbers such that $a + b + c = 3$, prove that:

$$\sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{1}{8 + 5(b^2 + c^2)} \leq \frac{1}{6}$$

Equality holds at $a = b = c = 1$, or $a = b = \frac{1}{5}, c = \frac{13}{5}$, or any cyclic permutations.

(Vasile Cirtoaje)

$$\begin{aligned}
> f &:= \frac{1}{6} - \text{sigma}\left(\frac{1}{8 + \frac{45(b^2 + c^2)}{(a + b + c)^2}}\right) \\
f &:= \frac{1}{6} - \frac{1}{8 + \frac{45(b^2 + c^2)}{(a + b + c)^2}} - \frac{1}{8 + \frac{45(a^2 + c^2)}{(a + b + c)^2}} - \frac{1}{8 + \frac{45(a^2 + b^2)}{(a + b + c)^2}}
\end{aligned} \tag{28}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
> \text{getParam}(\text{numer}(f)) \\
\left\{x = \frac{239}{23}\right\} \\
\{x = 10.39130435\}
\end{aligned} \tag{29}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
> \text{getSOS}\left(\text{numer}(f), \frac{239}{23}\right) \\
\frac{5}{18} (a - b)^2 (23 a^2 - 29 a b - 239 a c + 23 b^2 - 239 b c - 187 c^2)^2 + \frac{5}{18} (b - c)^2 (-187 a^2 \\
- 239 a b - 239 a c + 23 b^2 - 29 b c + 23 c^2)^2 + \frac{5}{18} (c - a)^2 (23 a^2 - 239 a b \\
- 29 a c - 187 b^2 - 239 b c + 23 c^2)^2 + \frac{2125}{36} (2 a^3 - 15 a^2 b - 15 a^2 c - 15 a b^2 \\
+ 84 a b c - 15 a c^2 + 2 b^3 - 15 b^2 c - 15 b c^2 + 2 c^3)^2 + \frac{172875}{4} (a - b)^2 (b \\
- c)^2 (-c + a)^2
\end{aligned} \tag{30}$$

Problem 9. Let a, b, c be reals numbers, prove that:

$$\sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{a \cdot b + a \cdot c - b \cdot c}{a^2 + 3 b^2 + 3 c^2} \leq \frac{3}{7}$$

Equality holds at $a = b = c$, or $a = b = \frac{4}{3}c$, or any cyclic permutations.

(Vasile Cirtoaje)

$$\begin{aligned}
> f &:= \frac{3}{7} - \text{sigma}\left(\frac{a \cdot b + a \cdot c - b \cdot c}{a^2 + 3 b^2 + 3 c^2}\right) \\
f &:= \frac{3}{7} - \frac{a b + a c - b c}{a^2 + 3 b^2 + 3 c^2} - \frac{a b - a c + b c}{3 a^2 + b^2 + 3 c^2} - \frac{-a b + a c + b c}{3 a^2 + 3 b^2 + c^2}
\end{aligned} \tag{31}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
> \text{getParam}(\text{numer}(f)) \\
\left\{x = \frac{34}{27}\right\} \\
\{x = 1.259259259\}
\end{aligned} \tag{32}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
> \text{getSOS}\left(\text{numer}(f), \frac{34}{27}\right) \\
\frac{1}{126} (a - b)^2 (27 a^2 + 34 a b - 34 a c + 27 b^2 - 34 b c - 41 c^2)^2 + \frac{1}{126} (b - c)^2 (-41 a^2 \\
+ 27 a b - 34 a c + 27 b^2 - 34 b c - 41 c^2)^2 + \frac{1}{126} (c - a)^2 (-41 a^2 + 27 a b - 34 a c + 27 b^2 - 34 b c - 41 c^2)^2
\end{aligned} \tag{33}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
& -34ab - 34ac + 27b^2 + 34bc + 27c^2)^2 + \frac{1}{126} (c-a)^2 (27a^2 - 34ab \\
& + 34ac - 41b^2 - 34bc + 27c^2)^2 + \frac{12}{7} (3a^3 - 5a^2b - 5a^2c - 5ab^2 + 21abc \\
& - 5ac^2 + 3b^3 - 5b^2c - 5bc^2 + 3c^3)^2 + \frac{2588}{21} (a-b)^2 (b-c)^2 (-c+a)^2
\end{aligned}$$

Problem 10. Let a, b, c be reals numbers, prove that:

$$\sum_{cyc} \frac{a \cdot (a - 4b - 4c)}{b^2 + c^2} \geq -\frac{21}{2}$$

Equality holds at $a = b = c$, or $a = b = 3c$, or any cyclic permutations.

(Grotex@AoPS)

$$\begin{aligned}
& \text{> } f := \text{sigma}\left(\frac{a \cdot (a - 4b - 4c)}{b^2 + c^2}\right) + \frac{21}{2} \\
& f := \frac{a(a - 4b - 4c)}{b^2 + c^2} + \frac{b(b - 4c - 4a)}{a^2 + c^2} + \frac{c(c - 4a - 4b)}{a^2 + b^2} + \frac{21}{2}
\end{aligned} \tag{34}$$

> getParam(numer(f))

$$\begin{aligned}
& \left\{x = \frac{7}{3}\right\} \\
& \{x = 2.333333333\}
\end{aligned} \tag{35}$$

> getSOS(numer(f), $\frac{7}{3}$)

$$\begin{aligned}
& \frac{1}{18} (a-b)^2 (3a^2 + ab - 7ac + 3b^2 - 7bc - 5c^2)^2 + \frac{1}{18} (b-c)^2 (-5a^2 - 7ab \\
& - 7ac + 3b^2 + bc + 3c^2)^2 + \frac{1}{18} (c-a)^2 (3a^2 - 7ab + ac - 5b^2 - 7bc + 3c^2)^2 \\
& + \frac{1}{4} (2a^3 - 5a^2b - 5a^2c - 5ab^2 + 24abc - 5ac^2 + 2b^3 - 5b^2c - 5bc^2 + 2c^3)^2 \\
& + \frac{221}{12} (a-b)^2 (b-c)^2 (-c+a)^2
\end{aligned} \tag{36}$$

Problem 11. Let a, b, c be reals numbers, prove that:

$$\sum_{cyc} \frac{a \cdot (a - 4b - 4c)}{9a^2 + b^2 + c^2} \geq -\frac{21}{11}$$

Equality holds at $a = b = c$, or $a = b = \frac{6}{5}c$, or any cyclic permutations.

(Grotex@AoPS)

$$\begin{aligned}
& \text{> } f := \text{sigma}\left(\frac{a \cdot (a - 4b - 4c)}{9a^2 + b^2 + c^2}\right) + \frac{21}{11} \\
& f := \frac{a(a - 4b - 4c)}{9a^2 + b^2 + c^2} + \frac{b(b - 4c - 4a)}{a^2 + 9b^2 + c^2} + \frac{c(c - 4a - 4b)}{a^2 + b^2 + 9c^2} + \frac{21}{11}
\end{aligned} \tag{37}$$

> getParam(numer(f))

$$\left\{ x = \frac{26}{15} \right\}$$

$$\{x = 1.733333333\}$$
(38)

> getSOS(numer(f), $\frac{26}{15}$)

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{4}{99} (a-b)^2 (15a^2 + 158ab - 26ac + 15b^2 - 26bc - 169c^2)^2 + \frac{4}{99} (b-c)^2 (-169a^2 \\ & - 26ab - 26ac + 15b^2 + 158bc + 15c^2)^2 + \frac{4}{99} (c-a)^2 (15a^2 - 26ab \\ & + 158ac - 169b^2 - 26bc + 15c^2)^2 + \frac{80}{11} (5a^3 - 8a^2b - 8a^2c - 8ab^2 \\ & + 33abc - 8ac^2 + 5b^3 - 8b^2c - 8bc^2 + 5c^3)^2 + \frac{20032}{33} (a-b)^2 (b-c)^2 (-c \\ & + a)^2 \end{aligned}$$
(39)

Problem 12. Let a, b, c be reals numbers, prove that:

$$\sum_{cyc} \frac{(3a-4b) \cdot (3a-4c)}{b^2 + c^2} \geq \frac{3}{2}$$

Equality holds at $a = b = c$, or $a = b = \frac{c}{3}$, or any cyclic permutations.

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> f := sigma($\frac{(3a-4b) \cdot (3a-4c)}{b^2 + c^2}$) - $\frac{3}{2}$

$$f := \frac{(3a-4b)(3a-4c)}{b^2 + c^2} + \frac{(3b-4c)(3b-4a)}{a^2 + c^2} + \frac{(3c-4a)(3c-4b)}{a^2 + b^2} - \frac{3}{2}$$
(40)

> getParam(numer(f))

$$\left\{ x = \frac{5}{9} \right\}$$

$$\{x = 0.5555555556\}$$
(41)

> getSOS(numer(f), $\frac{5}{9}$)

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{1}{18} (a-b)^2 (9a^2 + 11ab - 5ac + 9b^2 - 5bc - 7c^2)^2 + \frac{1}{18} (b-c)^2 (-7a^2 - 5ab \\ & - 5ac + 9b^2 + 11bc + 9c^2)^2 + \frac{1}{18} (c-a)^2 (9a^2 - 5ab + 11ac - 7b^2 - 5bc \\ & + 9c^2)^2 + \frac{1}{4} (6a^3 - 7a^2b - 7a^2c - 7ab^2 + 24abc - 7ac^2 + 6b^3 - 7b^2c \\ & - 7bc^2 + 6c^3)^2 + \frac{341}{12} (a-b)^2 (b-c)^2 (-c+a)^2 \end{aligned}$$
(42)