

If $a > 0, b > 0, c > 0, d > 0$ then **prove that**

$$(a + b + c + d) \left(\frac{1}{a} + \frac{1}{b} + \frac{1}{c} + \frac{1}{d} \right) \geq 16$$

SOLUTION : METHOD : 1

$$AM = \frac{a + b + c + d}{4}$$

$$HM = \frac{4}{\frac{1}{a} + \frac{1}{b} + \frac{1}{c} + \frac{1}{d}}$$

we know that

$$\begin{aligned} AM &\geq HM \\ \frac{a + b + c + d}{4} &\geq \frac{4}{\frac{1}{a} + \frac{1}{b} + \frac{1}{c} + \frac{1}{d}} \end{aligned}$$

$$(a + b + c + d) \left(\frac{1}{a} + \frac{1}{b} + \frac{1}{c} + \frac{1}{d} \right) \geq 16$$

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METHOD 2:

AM \geq GM

$$\frac{a+b+c}{3} \geq (abc)^{\frac{1}{3}} \quad - \textcircled{1}$$

$$\frac{\left(\frac{1}{a} + \frac{1}{b} + \frac{1}{c}\right)}{3} \geq \left(\frac{1}{abc}\right)^{\frac{1}{3}} \quad - \textcircled{2}$$

multiply $\textcircled{1}$ & $\textcircled{2}$

$$\frac{(a+b+c)\left(\frac{1}{a} + \frac{1}{b} + \frac{1}{c}\right)}{9} \geq (abc)^{\frac{1}{3}} \cdot \frac{1}{(abc)^{\frac{1}{3}}}$$

$$\Rightarrow (a+b+c)\left(\frac{1}{a} + \frac{1}{b} + \frac{1}{c}\right) \geq 9$$

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