

# Characterization of isolated homogeneous hypersurface singularities in $\mathbb{C}^4$

*Dedicated to Professor Sheng GONG on the occasion of his 75th birthday*

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**Abstract** Let  $V$  be a hypersurface with an isolated singularity at the origin in  $\mathbb{C}^{n+1}$ . It is a natural question to ask when  $V$  is defined by weighted homogeneous polynomial or homogeneous polynomial up to biholomorphic change of coordinates. In 1971, a beautiful theorem of Saito gives a necessary and sufficient condition for  $V$  to be defined by a weighted homogeneous polynomial. For a two-dimensional isolated hypersurface singularity  $V$ , Xu and Yau found a coordinate free characterization for  $V$  to be defined by a homogeneous polynomial. Recently Lin and Yau gave necessary and sufficient conditions for a 3-dimensional isolated hypersurface singularity with geometric genus bigger than zero to be defined by a homogeneous polynomial. The purpose of this paper is to prove that Lin-Yau's theorem remains true for singularities with geometric genus equal to zero.

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## 1 Introduction

Let  $f : (\mathbb{C}^{n+1}, 0) \rightarrow (\mathbb{C}, 0)$  be the germ of a complex analytic function with an isolated critical point at the origin. Let  $V = \{z \in \mathbb{C}^{n+1} : f(z) = 0\}$ . It is a natural question to ask when  $V$  is defined by weighted homogeneous polynomial or homogeneous polynomial up to biholomorphic change of coordinates. Recall that the Milnor number  $\mu$  and the Tjurina number  $\tau$  of the singularity  $(V, 0)$  are defined respectively by

$$\begin{aligned}\mu &= \dim \mathbb{C}\{z_0, z_1, \dots, z_n\} / (f_{z_0}, \dots, f_{z_n}), \\ \tau &= \dim \mathbb{C}\{z_0, z_1, \dots, z_n\} / (f, f_{z_0}, \dots, f_{z_n}).\end{aligned}$$

In 1971, Saito proved the following theorem which gives a necessary and sufficient condition for  $V$  to be defined by a weighted homogeneous polynomial.

**Theorem 1.1**<sup>[1]</sup>.  $f$  is a weighted homogeneous polynomial after a biholomorphic change of coordinates if and only if  $\mu = \tau$ .

Let  $\pi : (M, A) \rightarrow (V, 0)$  be a resolution of singularity with exceptional set  $A = \pi^{-1}(0)$ . The geometric genus  $p_g$  of the singularity  $(V, 0)$  is the dimension of  $H^{n-1}(M, \mathcal{O})$  and is independent of the resolution  $M$ . In 1993, Xu and Yau<sup>[2]</sup> gave necessary and sufficient conditions for a 2-dimensional  $V$  to be defined by a homogeneous polynomial.

**Theorem 1.2**<sup>[2]</sup>. Let  $(V, 0)$  be a 2-dimensional isolated hypersurface singularity defined by a holomorphic function  $f(z_0, z_1, z_2) = 0$ . Let  $\mu$  be the Milnor number,  $\tau$  be the Tyurina number,  $p_g$  be the geometric genus, and  $\nu$  be the multiplicity of the singularity. Then  $f$  is a homogeneous polynomial after a biholomorphic change of variables if and only if  $\mu = \tau$  and  $\mu - \nu + 1 = 6p_g$ .

The purpose of this paper is to prove the following theorem which was proved by Lin-Yau<sup>[3]</sup> in the case of  $p_g > 0$ .

**Main Theorem.** Let  $(V, 0)$  be a 3-dimensional isolated hypersurface singularity defined by a weighted homogeneous polynomial  $f(x, y, z, w) = 0$ . Let  $\mu$  be the Milnor number,  $p_g$  be the geometric genus, and  $\nu$  be the multiplicity of the singularity. Then

$$\mu - (2\nu^3 - 5\nu^2 + 2\nu + 1) \geq 4!p_g \tag{1.1}$$

and equality in (1.1) holds if and only if  $f$  is a homogeneous polynomial.

**Corollary 1.1.** With the notation as in the Main Theorem, let  $\tau$  be the Tyurina number of the singularity. Then  $f$  is a homogeneous polynomial after a biholomorphic change of coordinate if and only if  $\mu = \tau$  and  $\mu - (2\nu^3 - 5\nu^2 + 2\nu + 1) = 4!p_g$ .

Since the Main Theorem is proved by Lin-Yau<sup>[3]</sup> for  $p_g > 0$ , we only need to consider the case of rational singularities (i.e.  $p_g = 0$ ). It was proved in ref. [4] that the multiplicity of rational hypersurface singularity is either 2 or 3. If  $(V, 0)$  is a rational singularity with  $\nu = 2$ , then  $2\nu^3 - 5\nu^2 + 2\nu + 1 = 1$  and the Main Theorem is obviously true. In fact in this case the equality in (1.1) holds if and only if  $f = x^2 + y^2 + z^2 + w^2$  after biholomorphic change of coordinates. The crucial point of this paper is to treat the case of rational singularities with multiplicity 3. The following is another Corollary of the Main Theorem.

**Corollary 1.2.** Let  $(V, 0)$  be a 3-dimensional isolated hypersurface singularity defined by a weighted homogeneous polynomial  $f(x, y, z, w) = 0$  with multiplicity 3. Let  $\mu$  be the Milnor number. If  $p_g = 0$ , then  $\mu \geq 16$ , and  $\mu = 16$  if and only if  $f$  is a homogeneous polynomial.

In sec. 2, we recall the necessary materials which are needed to prove the Main Theorem. In sec. 3, we prove the Main Theorem.

## 2 Preliminary

In this section, we recall some known results which are needed to prove the Main Theorem. Let  $f(z_0, \dots, z_n)$  be a germ of an analytic function at the origin such that

$f(0) = 0$ . Suppose  $f$  has an isolated critical point at the origin.  $f$  can be developed in a convergent Taylor series  $f(z_0, \dots, z_n) = \sum a_\lambda z^\lambda$ , where  $z^\lambda = z_0^{\lambda_0} \cdots z_n^{\lambda_n}$ . Recall that Newton boundary  $\Gamma(f)$  is the union of compact faces of  $\Gamma_+(f)$ , where  $\Gamma_+(f)$  is the convex hull of the union of subsets  $\{\lambda + \mathbb{R}_+^{n+1}\}$  for  $\lambda$  such that  $a_\lambda \neq 0$ . Finally, let  $\Gamma_-(f)$ , the Newton polyhedron of  $f$ , be the cone over  $\Gamma(f)$  with cone point at 0. For any closed face  $\Delta$  of  $\Gamma(f)$ , we associate the polynomial  $f_\Delta(z) = \sum_{\lambda \in \Delta} a_\lambda z^\lambda$ . We say that  $f$  is nondegenerate if  $f_\Delta$  has no critical point in  $(\mathbb{C}^*)^{n+1}$  for any  $\Delta \in \Gamma(f)$  where  $\mathbb{C}^* = \mathbb{C} - \{0\}$ . We say that a point  $p$  of the integral lattice  $\mathbb{Z}^{n+1}$  in  $\mathbb{R}^{n+1}$  is positive if all coordinates of  $p$  are positive. The following beautiful theorem is due to Merle-Teissier<sup>[5]</sup>.

**Theorem 2.1**<sup>[5]</sup>. Let  $(V, 0)$  be an isolated hypersurface singularity defined by a nondegenerate holomorphic function  $f : (\mathbb{C}^{n+1}, 0) \rightarrow (\mathbb{C}, 0)$ . Then the geometric genus  $p_g = \#\{p \in \mathbb{Z}^{n+1} \cap \Gamma_-(f) : p \text{ is positive}\}$ .

A polynomial  $f(z_0, \dots, z_n)$  is weighted homogeneous of type  $(w_0, w_1, \dots, w_n)$ , where  $w_0, \dots, w_n$  are fixed positive rational numbers, if it can be expressed as a linear combination of monomials  $z_0^{i_0} z_1^{i_1} \cdots z_n^{i_n}$  for which  $i_0/w_0 + i_1/w_1 + \cdots + i_n/w_n = 1$ . As a consequence of the theorem of Merle-Teissier, for isolated singularity defined by a weighted homogeneous polynomial, computing the geometric genus is equivalent to counting the number of positive integral points in the tetrahedron defined by  $x_0/w_0 + \cdots + x_n/w_n \leq 1, x_0 \geq 0, \dots, x_n \geq 0$ . We also need the following result.

**Theorem 2.2**<sup>[6]</sup>. Let  $f(z_0, z_1, \dots, z_n)$  be a weighted homogeneous polynomial of type  $(w_0, w_1, \dots, w_n)$  with isolated singularity at the origin. Then the Milnor number  $\mu = (w_0 - 1)(w_1 - 1) \cdots (w_n - 1)$ .

The following theorems are proved by Lin-Yau<sup>[3]</sup>.

**Theorem 2.3**<sup>[3]</sup>. Let  $a \geq b \geq c \geq d \geq 2$  be real numbers. Let  $P_4 = \#\{(x, y, z, w) \in \mathbb{Z}_+^4 : \frac{x}{a} + \frac{y}{b} + \frac{z}{c} + \frac{w}{d} \leq 1\}$ . Suppose  $d$  is not an integer and  $d = [d] + \beta$  where  $\beta$  is either  $\frac{d}{c}$  or  $\frac{d}{b}$ . Define  $\mu = (a - 1)(b - 1)(c - 1)(d - 1)$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned}
 24 P_4 &< \mu - (2\nu^3 - 5\nu^2 + 2\nu + 1)|_{\nu=d-\beta+1} \\
 &= abcd - (abc + abd + acd + bcd) + (ab + ac + ad + bc + bd + cd) - (a + b + c) \\
 &\quad - (2d^3 + d^2 - d - 1) + 2\beta^3 - \beta^2(6d + 1) + \beta(6d^2 + 2d - 2). \tag{2.1}
 \end{aligned}$$

**Theorem 2.4**<sup>[3]</sup>. Let  $(V, 0)$  be a 3-dimensional isolated singularity defined by a weighted homogeneous polynomial  $f(x, y, z, w) = 0$ . Let  $a, b, c$  and  $d$  be the weights of  $x, y, z$  and  $w$  respectively and  $d$  be an integer. Suppose  $a \geq b \geq c \geq d \geq 3$  or  $a \geq b \geq c \geq d = 2$ . Let  $p_g$  be the geometric genus and  $\mu$  be the Milnor number of the singularity. Then

$$\mu \geq 24 p_g + 2d^3 - 5d^2 + 2d + 1 \tag{2.2}$$

and the equality in (2.2) holds if and only if  $a = b = c = d = \text{integer}$ , i.e.  $f(x, y, z, w)$  is a homogeneous polynomial.

**Lemma 2.1**<sup>[3]</sup>. Let  $w_0, w_1, w_2$ , and  $w_3$  be the weights of a weighted homogeneous polynomial  $f(z_0, z_1, z_2, z_3)$  with an isolated critical point at the origin. Suppose  $w_{i_0} \geq w_{i_1} \geq w_{i_2} \geq w_{i_3}$  and  $w_{i_3}$  is not an integer, where  $\{i_0, i_1, i_2, i_3\} = \{0, 1, 2, 3\}$ . Let

$w_{i_3} = [w_{i_3}] + \beta$  with  $0 < \beta < 1$ . Then  $\beta$  is either  $\frac{w_{i_3}}{w_{i_0}}$  or  $\frac{w_{i_3}}{w_{i_1}}$  or  $\frac{w_{i_3}}{w_{i_2}}$ .

**Theorem 2.5**<sup>[3]</sup>. Let  $(V, 0)$  be a 3-dimensional isolated singularity defined by a weighted homogeneous polynomial  $f(x, y, z, w) = 0$ . Let  $p_g$  be the geometric genus,  $\nu$  be the multiplicity and  $\mu$  be the Milnor number of the singularity. Suppose  $p_g > 0$ . Then

$$\mu \geq 24p_g + 2\nu^3 - 5\nu^2 + 2\nu + 1 \tag{2.3}$$

and equality in (2.3) holds if and only if  $f$  is a homogeneous polynomial.

### 3 Proof of Main Theorem

Let  $a, b, c$ , and  $d$  be the weights of  $x, y, z$ , and  $w$  respectively so that  $f(x, y, z, w)$  is a weighted homogeneous polynomial. We may assume without loss of generality that  $a \geq b \geq c \geq d$ . Note that  $p_g$  is precisely the number of positive integral solutions of  $\frac{x}{a} + \frac{y}{b} + \frac{z}{c} + \frac{w}{d} \leq 1$ , i.e.  $p_g = \#\{(x, y, z, w) \in \mathbb{Z}_+^4 : \frac{x}{a} + \frac{y}{b} + \frac{z}{c} + \frac{w}{d} \leq 1\}$ . On the other hand  $\mu = (a - 1)(b - 1)(c - 1)(d - 1)$ . Recall that  $\nu = \inf\{n \in \mathbb{Z}_+ : n \geq \inf(a, b, c, d)\}$ . If  $d$  is an integer, then the Main Theorem follows from Theorem 2.4.

If  $d$  is not an integer, then write  $d = [d] + \beta$  with  $0 < \beta < 1$ . It follows that the multiplicity  $\nu = [d] + 1 = d - \beta + 1$ . By Lemma 2.1,  $\beta$  is either  $\frac{d}{c}$  or  $\frac{d}{b}$  or  $\frac{d}{a}$ . Suppose  $a \geq b \geq c \geq d \geq 3$ . The Main Theorem with a strict inequality in (1.1) follows from Theorem 2.5. For the case  $a \geq b \geq c \geq d \geq 2$ , in view of Theorem 2.5, the Main Theorem with a strict inequality in (1.1) is true for  $p_g > 0$ ; and by Theorem 2.3, the Main Theorem with a strict inequality in (1.1) is true for  $p_g \geq 0$  if  $\beta = \frac{d}{b}$  or  $\beta = \frac{d}{c}$ . Therefore we only need to prove the Main Theorem with a strict inequality in (1.1) for the case  $a \geq b \geq c \geq d = 2 + \beta = 2 + \frac{d}{a}$  and  $p_g = 0$ . In the following proof,  $w = (w_0, w_1, w_2, w_3)$  is the weights of  $x, y, z$ , and  $w$ , but we do not assume any ordering for  $w_0, w_1, w_2$ , and  $w_3$ . For the case we consider now,  $\nu = d - \beta + 1 = 3$ ,  $a\beta = 2 + \beta$ ,  $a = 1 + \frac{2}{\beta} > 3$ , and  $2\nu^3 - 5\nu^2 + 2\nu + 1 = 16$ . Because  $p_g = 0$  for this case we only need to show that  $\nu = (a - 1)(b - 1)(c - 1)(d - 1) > 16$  for all the possible combination of  $a, b, c$ , and  $d$ . It is well known that any weighted homogeneous polynomial with an isolated singularity at the origin can be deformed into one of the following 19 classes of weighted homogeneous singularities with weights preserved (see ref. [7] and footnote 1) for example). Since the multiplicity remains constant in the constant weights family, the rest of the proof can be reduced to case by case analysis as follows:

**Class 1.**  $f(z_0, z_1, z_2, z_3) = z_0^{a_0} + z_1^{a_1} + z_2^{a_2} + z_3^{a_3}$ .

Since the weights are integers, we do not need to consider this case.

**Class 2.**  $f(z_0, z_1, z_2, z_3) = z_0^{a_0} + z_1^{a_1} + z_2^{a_2} + z_2 z_3^{a_3}$ ,  $w = (a_0, a_1, a_2, \frac{a_2 a_3}{a_2 - 1})$ .

We only need to consider when  $d = \frac{a_2 a_3}{a_2 - 1} = 2 + \frac{d}{a} = a_3 + \frac{a_3}{a_2 - 1}$ . In particular, we have  $a_2 \geq \frac{a_2 a_3}{a_2 - 1}$  which implies  $1 \geq \frac{a_3}{a_2 - 1}$ . Since  $d$  is not an integer  $1 > \frac{a_3}{a_2 - 1} = \beta$ . Hence  $a = a_2$ , and  $a_3 = 2$ . Without loss of generality we can assume  $a_0 \geq a_1$ . Hence  $(a, b, c, d) = (a_2, a_0, a_1, \frac{a_2 a_3}{a_2 - 1})$  and  $a = a_2, b = a_0, c = a_1$  are integer. Note that  $a > 3$

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and  $b \geq c \geq d > 2$ . So  $a \geq 4, b \geq 3$ , and  $c \geq 3$ . Therefore

$$\begin{aligned} \mu &= (a-1)(b-1)(c-1)(d-1) = (a-1)(b-1)(c-1)\left(1 + \frac{2}{a-1}\right) \\ &= (b-1)(c-1)(a+1) \geq (2)(2)(5) = 20 > 16. \end{aligned}$$

**Class 3.**  $f(z_0, z_1, z_2, z_3) = z_0^{a_0} + z_1^{a_1} + z_2^{a_2} z_3 + z_2 z_3^{a_3}, w = (a_0, a_1, \frac{a_2 a_3 - 1}{a_3 - 1}, \frac{a_2 a_3 - 1}{a_2 - 1})$ .

Without loss of generality we can let  $d = \frac{a_2 a_3 - 1}{a_2 - 1} = a_3 + \frac{a_3 - 1}{a_2 - 1}$ . In particular,  $\frac{a_2 a_3 - 1}{a_3 - 1} \geq \frac{a_2 a_3 - 1}{a_2 - 1}$  which implies  $1 \geq \frac{a_3 - 1}{a_2 - 1}$ . Since  $d$  is not an integer,  $1 > \frac{a_3 - 1}{a_2 - 1} = \beta$ . Hence  $a_3 = 2, a = \frac{a_2 a_3 - 1}{a_3 - 1} = (2a_2 - 1), \beta = \frac{d}{a} = \frac{a_3 - 1}{a_2 - 1} = \frac{1}{a_2 - 1}$ . Without loss of generality we can assume  $(a, b, c, d) = (2a_2 - 1, a_0, a_1, 2 + \frac{2}{a_2 - 1})$ , because interchanging the value of  $b$ , and  $c$  does not change the value of  $\mu$ . Observe that  $a, b$ , and  $c$  are integer because  $a_0, a_1$ , and  $a_2$  are positive integers. So  $b = a_0 \geq 3, c = a_1 \geq 3$ , and  $a_2 \geq 3$ . Therefore

$$\begin{aligned} \mu &= (a-1)(b-1)(c-1)(d-1) = 2(a_2 - 1)(a_0 - 1)(a_1 - 1)\left(\frac{a_2 + 1}{a_2 - 1}\right) \\ &= 2(a_0 - 1)(a_1 - 1)(a_2 + 1) \geq (2)(2)(2)(4) = 32 > 16. \end{aligned}$$

**Class 4.**  $f(z_0, z_1, z_2, z_3) = z_0^{a_0} + z_0 z_1^{a_1} + z_2^{a_2} + z_2 z_3^{a_3}, w = (a_0, \frac{a_0 a_1}{a_0 - 1}, a_2, \frac{a_2 a_3}{a_2 - 1})$ .

Without loss of generality we can let  $d = \frac{a_2 a_3}{a_2 - 1} = a_3 + \frac{a_3}{a_2 - 1}$ . Since  $d$  is not an integer,  $a_2 > \frac{a_2 a_3}{a_2 - 1}$  which implies  $a_2 - 1 > a_3$ . Hence  $a_3 = 2, a = a_2 \geq 4, \beta = \frac{d}{a} = \frac{a_3}{a_2 - 1} = \frac{2}{a_2 - 1}$ . Without loss of generality we can assume  $(a, b, c, d) = (a_2, a_0, \frac{a_0 a_1}{a_0 - 1}, 2 + \frac{2}{a_2 - 1})$ , because  $\mu$  is symmetric with respect to  $b$  and  $c$ , and we don't use the condition  $b \geq c$  in the proof except the fact that  $b \geq d$ . Observe that  $b = a_0 \geq 3$ , because  $a_0 > d > 2$  and  $a = a_2 \geq 4$ . If  $a_1 = 1$  then  $\frac{a_0 a_1}{a_0 - 1} < 2$  which is a contradiction. Hence  $a_1 \geq 2$ . It follows that

$$\begin{aligned} \mu &= (a-1)(b-1)(c-1)(d-1) = (a_2 - 1)(a_0 - 1)\left(\frac{a_0 a_1 - a_0 + 1}{a_0 - 1}\right)\left(\frac{a_2 + 1}{a_2 - 1}\right) \\ &= (a_0 a_1 - a_0 + 1)(a_2 + 1) = [a_0(a_1 - 1) + 1](a_2 + 1) \\ &\geq [3(1) + 1](5) = 20 > 16. \end{aligned}$$

**Class 5.**  $f(z_0, z_1, z_2, z_3) = z_0^{a_0} z_1 + z_0 z_1^{a_1} + z_2^{a_2} + z_2 z_3^{a_3}, w = (\frac{a_0 a_1 - 1}{a_1 - 1}, \frac{a_0 a_1 - 1}{a_0 - 1}, a_2, \frac{a_2 a_3}{a_2 - 1})$ .

If  $d = \frac{a_2 a_3}{a_2 - 1}$ , then  $d = a_3 + \frac{a_3}{a_2 - 1}$ . Since  $d$  is not an integer,  $a_2 > \frac{a_2 a_3}{a_2 - 1}$  which implies  $a_2 - 1 > a_3$ . Hence  $a = a_2 \geq 4$  and  $a_3 = 2$ . Without loss of generality we can assume  $(a, b, c, d) = (a_2, \frac{a_0 a_1 - 1}{a_1 - 1}, \frac{a_0 a_1 - 1}{a_0 - 1}, 2 + \frac{2}{a_2 - 1})$ . Similar to class 4

$$\begin{aligned} \mu &= (a-1)(b-1)(c-1)(d-1) = (a_2 - 1)\left(\frac{a_0 a_1 - a_1}{a_1 - 1}\right)\left(\frac{a_0 a_1 - a_0}{a_0 - 1}\right)\left(\frac{a_2 + 1}{a_2 - 1}\right) \\ &= a_0 a_1 (a_2 + 1) \geq (2)(2)(5) = 20 > 16. \end{aligned}$$

Without loss of generality we can consider  $d = \frac{a_0 a_1 - 1}{a_0 - 1}$ , then  $d = a_1 + \frac{a_1 - 1}{a_0 - 1}$ . Since  $d$  is not an integer,  $\frac{a_0 a_1 - 1}{a_1 - 1} > \frac{a_0 a_1 - 1}{a_0 - 1}$  which implies  $a_0 > a_1$ . Hence  $a = \frac{a_0 a_1 - 1}{a_1 - 1}$  and  $a_1 = 2$ . Without loss of generality we can assume  $(a, b, c, d) = (\frac{a_0 a_1 - 1}{a_1 - 1}, a_2, \frac{a_2 a_3}{a_2 - 1}, 2 + \frac{1}{a_0 - 1})$ . Because  $a_0 > a_1 = 2, a_0 \geq 3$ . We also have  $a_2 = b \geq 3$ , because  $a_2 > d > 2$ . Hence

$$\mu = (a-1)(b-1)(c-1)(d-1) = a_1 a_0 (a_2 + 1) \geq (2)(3)(4) = 24 > 16.$$

**Class 6.**  $f(z_0, z_1, z_2, z_3) = z_0^{a_0} z_1 + z_0 z_1^{a_1} + z_2^{a_2} z_3 + z_2 z_3^{a_3}, w = (\frac{a_0 a_1 - 1}{a_1 - 1}, \frac{a_0 a_1 - 1}{a_0 - 1}, \frac{a_2 a_3 - 1}{a_3 - 1}, \frac{a_2 a_3 - 1}{a_2 - 1})$ .

Without loss of generality we can let  $d = \frac{a_2 a_3 - 1}{a_2 - 1} = a_3 + \frac{a_3 - 1}{a_2 - 1}$ . Since  $d$  is not an integer,  $\frac{a_2 a_3 - 1}{a_3 - 1} > \frac{a_2 a_3 - 1}{a_2 - 1}$ , which implies  $a_2 > a_3$ . Hence  $a_3 = 2, a = \frac{a_2 a_3 - 1}{a_3 - 1} =$

$a_2 + \frac{a_2-1}{a_3-1} > 3$ ,  $\beta = \frac{d}{a} = \frac{a_3-1}{a_2-1} = \frac{1}{a_2-1}$ . Without loss of generality we can assume  $(a, b, c, d) = (\frac{a_2 a_3 - 1}{a_3 - 1}, \frac{a_0 a_1 - 1}{a_1 - 1}, \frac{a_0 a_1 - 1}{a_0 - 1}, 2 + \frac{1}{a_2 - 1})$ . Since  $a_2 > a_3 = 2$ ,  $a_2 \geq 3$ . We also have  $a_1 \geq 2$ , because  $a_1$  is positive integer and if  $a_1 = 1$  then  $\frac{a_0 a_1 - 1}{a_0 - 1} = 1 < 2$ , which would be a contradiction. Similarly we can prove  $a_0 \geq 2$ . Therefore

$$\begin{aligned} \mu &= (a-1)(b-1)(c-1)(d-1) = \left(\frac{a_3(a_2-1)}{a_3-1}\right)\left(\frac{a_1(a_0-1)}{a_1-1}\right)\left(\frac{a_0(a_1-1)}{a_0-1}\right)\left(\frac{a_2}{a_2-1}\right) \\ &= 2a_1 a_0 a_2 \geq 2(2)(2)(3) = 24 > 16. \end{aligned}$$

**Class 7.**  $f(z_0, z_1, z_2, z_3) = z_0^{a_0} + z_1^{a_1} + z_1 z_2^{a_2} + z_2 z_3^{a_3}$ , weights  $w = (a_0, a_1, \frac{a_1 a_2}{a_1 - 1}, \frac{a_1 a_2 a_3}{a_1(a_2 - 1) + 1})$ ,  $a_1 \geq 2$ .

If  $d = \frac{a_1 a_2}{a_1 - 1}$ , then  $d = a_2 + \frac{a_2}{a_1 - 1}$ . Since  $d$  is not an integer,  $a_1 > \frac{a_1 a_2}{a_1 - 1}$  which implies  $a_1 - 1 > a_2$ . Hence  $a = a_1 \geq 4$  and  $a_2 = 2$ . Observe that  $\frac{a_1 a_2 a_3}{a_1(a_2 - 1) + 1} = a_3 + \frac{(a_1 - 1)a_3}{a_1(a_2 - 1) + 1} = a_3 + \frac{(a_1 - 1)a_3}{a_1 + 1}$ . If  $a_3 = 1$ , then  $a_3 + \frac{(a_1 - 1)a_3}{a_1 + 1} = 1 + \frac{a_1 - 1}{a_1 + 1} < 2$ . Hence  $a_3 \geq 2$ . Without loss of generality we can assume  $(a, b, c, d) = (a_1, a_0, \frac{a_1 a_2 a_3}{a_1(a_2 - 1) + 1}, a_2 + \frac{a_2}{a_1 - 1})$ . Observe that  $a_0 > d > 2$ . Therefore

$$\begin{aligned} \mu &= (a-1)(b-1)(c-1)(d-1) \\ &= (a_1-1)(a_0-1)\left(\frac{a_1 a_2 a_3 - a_1 a_2 + a_1 - 1}{a_1 a_2 - a_1 + 1}\right)\left(\frac{a_1 + 1}{a_1 - 1}\right) \\ &= (a_0 - 1)(2a_1 a_3 - a_1 - 1) \geq (a_0 - 1)(3a_1 - 1) \geq (2)(11) > 16. \end{aligned}$$

If  $d = \frac{a_1 a_2 a_3}{a_1(a_2 - 1) + 1} = a_3 + \frac{(a_1 - 1)a_3}{a_1(a_2 - 1) + 1}$ , then  $\frac{a_1 a_2}{a_1 - 1} \geq \frac{a_1 a_2 a_3}{a_1(a_2 - 1) + 1}$  which implies  $1 \geq \frac{(a_1 - 1)a_3}{a_1(a_2 - 1) + 1}$ . Since  $d$  is not an integer,  $1 > \frac{(a_1 - 1)a_3}{a_1(a_2 - 1) + 1}$ , and  $d = 2 + \frac{(a_1 - 1)2}{a_1(a_2 - 1) + 1}$  where  $a_3 = 2$ , and  $a = \frac{a_1 a_2}{a_1 - 1}$ . From  $a = \frac{a_1 a_2}{a_1 - 1} > 3$  we get  $a_1 a_2 > 3a_1 - 3$ . Without loss of generality we can assume  $(a, b, c, d) = (\frac{a_1 a_2}{a_1 - 1}, a_0, a_1, 2 + \frac{(a_1 - 1)2}{a_1(a_2 - 1) + 1})$ . We also have  $a_0 \geq 3$ ,  $a_1 \geq 3$  because  $a_0, a_1$  are integers greater than or equal to  $d > 2$ . Therefore

$$\begin{aligned} \mu &= (a-1)(b-1)(c-1)(d-1) = \left(\frac{a_1 a_2 - a_1 + 1}{a_1 - 1}\right)(a_0 - 1)(a_1 - 1)\left(\frac{a_1 a_2 + a_1 - 1}{a_1 a_2 - a_1 + 1}\right) \\ &= (a_0 - 1)(a_1 a_2 + a_1 - 1) > (a_0 - 1)(4(a_1 - 1)) \geq (2)(8) = 16. \end{aligned}$$

**Class 8.**  $f(z_0, z_1, z_2, z_3) = z_0^{a_0} + z_1^{a_1} + z_1 z_2^{a_2} + z_1 z_3^{a_3} + z_2^p z_3^q$  with the condition  $\frac{p(a_1 - 1)}{a_1 a_2} + \frac{q(a_1 - 1)}{a_1 a_3} = 1$ ,  $a_1 \geq 2$ ,  $w = (a_0, a_1, \frac{a_1 a_2}{a_1 - 1}, \frac{a_1 a_3}{a_1 - 1})$ .

Without loss of generality, we only need to consider when  $d = \frac{a_1 a_3}{a_1 - 1}$ . Since  $d$  is not an integer,  $a_1 > \frac{a_1 a_3}{a_1 - 1}$  which implies  $a_1 - 1 > a_3$ . Therefore  $d = \frac{a_1 a_3}{a_1 - 1} = a_3 + \frac{a_3}{a_1 - 1} = 2 + \frac{2}{a_1 - 1}$ , where  $a_3 = 2$  and  $a = a_1$ . Hence  $a = a_1 \geq 4$ , and  $a_2 \geq a_3 = 2$ . Without loss of generality we can assume  $(a, b, c, d) = (a_1, a_0, \frac{a_1 a_2}{a_1 - 1}, 2 + \frac{2}{a_1 - 1})$ . Observe that  $a_0 \geq 3$  and from  $\frac{a_1 a_2}{a_1 - 1} > 2$   $a_1 a_2 > 2a_1 - 2$ . If  $a_2 = 2$ ,  $c = d$  and note that  $d$  is not an integer. The condition  $\frac{p(a_1 - 1)}{a_1 a_2} + \frac{q(a_1 - 1)}{a_1 a_3} = 1$  now becomes  $\frac{p}{c} + \frac{q}{d} = \frac{1}{d}(p + q) = 1$  which is a contradiction because  $p + q$  is an integer. Hence  $a_2 \geq 3$ . Therefore

$$\begin{aligned} \mu &= (a-1)(b-1)(c-1)(d-1) = (a_1-1)(a_0-1)\left(\frac{a_1 a_2 - a_1 + 1}{a_1 - 1}\right)\left(\frac{a_1 + 1}{a_1 - 1}\right) \\ &= (a_0 - 1)\left(\frac{a_1 a_2 - a_1 + 1}{a_1 - 1}\right)(a_1 + 1) = (a_0 - 1)\left(\frac{a_1 a_2}{a_1 - 1} - 1\right)(a_1 + 1) \\ &> (a_0 - 1)(a_2 - 1)(a_1 + 1) \geq (2)(2)(5) > 16. \end{aligned}$$

**Class 9.**  $f(z_0, z_1, z_2, z_3) = z_0^{a_0} + z_1^{a_1} z_3 + z_2^{a_2} z_3 + z_1 z_3^{a_3} + z_1^p z_2^q$  with the condition  $\frac{p(a_3 - 1)}{(a_1 a_3 - 1)} + \frac{q a_1 (a_3 - 1)}{a_2 (a_1 a_3 - 1)} = 1$ ,  $w = (a_0, \frac{a_1 a_3 - 1}{a_3 - 1}, \frac{a_2 (a_1 a_3 - 1)}{a_1 (a_3 - 1)}, \frac{a_1 a_3 - 1}{a_1 - 1})$ .

Without loss of generality we only need to consider  $d = \frac{a_1 a_3 - 1}{a_1 - 1}$  and  $d = \frac{a_2(a_1 a_3 - 1)}{a_1(a_3 - 1)}$ . We consider first when  $d = \frac{a_1 a_3 - 1}{a_1 - 1} = a_3 + \frac{a_3 - 1}{a_1 - 1}$ . Then  $\frac{a_1 a_3 - 1}{a_3 - 1} \geq \frac{a_1 a_3 - 1}{a_1 - 1}$  which implies  $1 \geq \frac{a_3 - 1}{a_1 - 1}$ . Since  $d$  is not an integer,  $1 > \frac{a_3 - 1}{a_1 - 1}$  which implies  $a_1 > a_3$ . Therefore  $d = 2 + \frac{1}{a_1 - 1}$ , where  $a_3 = 2$  and  $a = \frac{a_1 a_3 - 1}{a_3 - 1} = 2a_1 - 1$ . Hence  $a_1 \geq 3$  because  $a_1 > a_3 = 2$ . Without loss of generality we can assume  $(a, b, c, d) = (\frac{a_1 a_3 - 1}{a_3 - 1}, a_0, \frac{a_2(a_1 a_3 - 1)}{a_1(a_3 - 1)}, 2 + \frac{1}{a_1 - 1})$ . Observe that if  $a_2 = 1$ , then  $\frac{a_2(a_1 a_3 - 1)}{a_1(a_3 - 1)} = \frac{2a_1 - 1}{a_1} < 2$ . Hence  $a_2 \geq 2$ .  $a_0 \geq 3$  because  $a_0 \geq d > 2$ . Therefore

$$\begin{aligned} \mu &= (a - 1)(b - 1)(c - 1)(d - 1) = (2(a_1 - 1))(a_0 - 1)\left(\frac{2a_1 a_2 - a_2 - a_1}{a_1}\right)\left(\frac{a_1}{a_1 - 1}\right) \\ &= 2(a_0 - 1)(2a_1 a_2 - a_2 - a_1) = 2(a_0 - 1)[a_1(a_2 - 1) + a_2(a_1 - 1)] \\ &> (2)(2)(3 + 4) = 28 > 16. \end{aligned}$$

If  $d = \frac{a_2(a_1 a_3 - 1)}{a_1(a_3 - 1)} = a_2 + \frac{a_2(a_1 - 1)}{a_1(a_3 - 1)}$ , then  $\frac{a_1 a_3 - 1}{a_1 - 1} \geq \frac{a_2(a_1 a_3 - 1)}{a_1(a_3 - 1)}$  which implies  $1 \geq \frac{a_2(a_1 - 1)}{a_1(a_3 - 1)}$ . Since  $d$  is not an integer,  $1 > \frac{a_2(a_1 - 1)}{a_1(a_3 - 1)}$ . Hence  $d = 2 + \frac{2(a_1 - 1)}{a_1(a_3 - 1)}$ , where  $a_2 = 2$  and  $a = \frac{a_1 a_3 - 1}{a_1 - 1}$ . From  $1 > \frac{2(a_1 - 1)}{a_1(a_3 - 1)}$  and  $a_2 = 2$ ,  $a_1 a_3 > 3a_1 - 2$ . It follows that  $a = \frac{a_1 a_3 - 1}{a_1 - 1} > \frac{3a_1 - 3}{a_1 - 1} = 3$ . This implies  $a_3 \geq 3$ , otherwise we cannot get  $a > 3$ . Without loss of generality we can assume  $(a, b, c, d) = (\frac{a_1 a_3 - 1}{a_1 - 1}, a_0, \frac{a_1 a_3 - 1}{a_3 - 1}, 2 + \frac{2(a_1 - 1)}{a_1(a_3 - 1)})$ . Hence  $a_0 \geq 3$ . If  $a_1 = 1$  then  $\frac{a_1 a_3 - 1}{a_3 - 1} = 1$ , hence  $a_1 \geq 2$ . If  $a_1 = 2$  then  $c = d = 2 + \frac{1}{a_3 - 1}$ . Hence the condition  $\frac{p(a_3 - 1)}{a_1(a_3 - 1)} + \frac{q a_1(a_3 - 1)}{a_2(a_1 a_3 - 1)} = 1$  becomes  $\frac{p}{c} + \frac{q}{d} = \frac{1}{d}(p + q) = 1$  which is a contradiction since  $p + q$  is an integer. Therefore  $a_1 \geq 3$ . Observe also that  $\frac{a_1 a_3 + a_1 - 2}{a_3 - 1} \geq \frac{3a_3 + 1}{a_3 - 1} > 3$ . Therefore

$$\begin{aligned} \mu &= (a - 1)(b - 1)(c - 1)(d - 1) = \left(\frac{a_1 a_3 - a_1}{a_1 - 1}\right)(a_0 - 1)\left(\frac{a_1 a_3 - a_3}{a_3 - 1}\right)\left(\frac{a_1 a_3 + a_1 - 2}{a_1(a_3 - 1)}\right) \\ &= (a_0 - 1)a_3\left(\frac{a_1 a_3 + a_1 - 2}{a_3 - 1}\right) > (2)(3)(3) > 16. \end{aligned}$$

**Class 10.**  $f(z_0, z_1, z_2, z_3) = z_0^{a_0} + z_1^{a_1} z_2 + z_2^{a_2} z_3 + z_1 z_3^{a_3}$ ,  $w = (a_0, \frac{a_1 a_2 a_3 + 1}{a_3(a_2 - 1) + 1}, \frac{a_1 a_2 a_3 + 1}{a_1(a_3 - 1) + 1}, \frac{a_1 a_2 a_3 + 1}{a_2(a_1 - 1) + 1})$ .

Without loss of generality, we only need to consider when  $d = \frac{a_1 a_2 a_3 + 1}{a_2(a_1 - 1) + 1} = a_3 + \frac{a_3(a_2 - 1) + 1}{a_2(a_1 - 1) + 1}$ . Since  $d$  is not an integer,  $\frac{a_1 a_2 a_3 + 1}{a_3(a_2 - 1) + 1} > \frac{a_1 a_2 a_3 + 1}{a_2(a_1 - 1) + 1}$  which implies  $1 > \frac{a_3(a_2 - 1) + 1}{a_2(a_1 - 1) + 1}$ . Hence  $d = 2 + \frac{2(a_2 - 1) + 1}{a_2(a_1 - 1) + 1}$ , where  $a = \frac{a_1 a_2 a_3 + 1}{a_3(a_2 - 1) + 1} > 3$ , and  $a_3 = 2$ . Without loss of generality we can assume  $(a, b, c, d) = (\frac{a_1 a_2 a_3 + 1}{a_3(a_2 - 1) + 1}, a_0, \frac{2a_1 a_2 + 1}{a_1 + 1}, 2 + \frac{2(a_2 - 1) + 1}{a_2(a_1 - 1) + 1})$ . Observe that  $a_0 \geq 3$ . From  $\frac{2a_1 a_2 + 1}{a_1 + 1} > 2$   $a_2 \geq 2$ . From  $\frac{2a_1 a_2 + 1}{2a_2 - 1} > 3$  we can show  $a_1 \geq 2$ .  $1 > \frac{2(a_2 - 1) + 1}{a_2(a_1 - 1) + 1}$  implies either  $a_1 \geq 2$ ,  $a_2 > 2$  or  $a_1 > 2$ ,  $a_2 \geq 2$ . Therefore

$$\begin{aligned} \mu &= (a - 1)(b - 1)(c - 1)(d - 1) \\ &= \left(\frac{2a_1 a_2 - 2a_2 + 2}{2a_2 - 1}\right)(a_0 - 1)\left(\frac{2a_1 a_2 - a_1}{a_1 + 1}\right)\left(\frac{a_1 a_2 + a_2}{a_1 a_2 - a_2 + 1}\right) \\ &= 2(a_0 - 1)a_1 a_2 > 2(2)(2)(2) = 16. \end{aligned}$$

**Class 11.**  $f(z_0, z_1, z_2, z_3) = z_0^{a_0} + z_0 z_1^{a_1} + z_1 z_2^{a_2} + z_2 z_3^{a_3}$ ,  $w = (a_0, \frac{a_0 a_1}{a_0 - 1}, \frac{a_0 a_1 a_2}{a_0(a_1 - 1) + 1}, \frac{a_0 a_1 a_2 a_3}{a_0 a_1(a_2 - 1) + (a_0 - 1)})$ .

If  $d = \frac{a_0 a_1}{a_0 - 1} = a_1 + \frac{a_1}{a_0 - 1}$ : Since  $d$  is not an integer,  $a_0 > \frac{a_0 a_1}{a_0 - 1}$  which implies  $1 > \frac{a_1}{a_0 - 1}$ . Hence  $d = 2 + \frac{2}{a_0 - 1}$ , and  $a_1 = 2$ . It follows that  $a = a_0 \geq 4$ . Without loss of generality we can assume  $(a, b, c, d) = (a_0, \frac{a_0 a_1 a_2}{a_0(a_1 - 1) + 1}, \frac{a_0 a_1 a_2 a_3}{a_0 a_1(a_2 - 1) + (a_0 - 1)}, 2 + \frac{2}{a_0 - 1})$ . If  $a_2 = 1$ ,

then  $\frac{a_0 a_1 a_2}{a_0(a_1-1)+1} = \frac{2a_0}{a_0+1} < 2$ . Hence  $a_2 \geq 2$ . If  $a_3 = 1$ , then  $\frac{a_0 a_1 a_2 a_3}{a_0 a_1(a_2-1)+(a_0-1)} = \frac{2a_0 a_2}{2a_0 a_2 - a_0 - 1} = 1 + \frac{a_0+1}{2a_0 a_2 - a_0 - 1} < 1 + \frac{a_0+1}{4a_0 - a_0 - 1} < 2$ . Hence  $a_3 \geq 2$ . Therefore

$$\begin{aligned} \mu &= (a-1)(b-1)(c-1)(d-1) \\ &= (a_0-1) \left( \frac{a_0 a_1 a_2 - a_0 a_1 + a_0 - 1}{a_0 a_1 - a_0 + 1} \right) \left( \frac{a_0 a_1 a_2 a_3 - a_0 a_1 a_2 + a_0 a_1 - a_0 + 1}{a_0 a_1(a_2-1) + (a_0-1)} \right) \left( \frac{a_0+1}{a_0-1} \right) \\ &= \left( \frac{2a_0 a_2 - a_0 - 1}{a_0 + 1} \right) \left( \frac{2a_0 a_2 a_3 - 2a_0 a_2 + a_0 + 1}{2a_0 a_2 - a_0 - 1} \right) (a_0 + 1) \\ &= 2a_0 a_2 (a_3 - 1) + a_0 + 1 \geq 2(4)(2)(1) + 4 + 1 = 21 > 16. \end{aligned}$$

If  $d = \frac{a_0 a_1 a_2}{a_0(a_1-1)+1} = a_2 + \frac{(a_0-1)a_2}{a_0(a_1-1)+1}$ : Since  $d$  is not an integer,  $\frac{a_0 a_1}{a_0-1} > \frac{a_0 a_1 a_2}{a_0(a_1-1)+1}$  which implies  $1 > \frac{(a_0-1)a_2}{a_0(a_1-1)+1}$ . Hence  $d = 2 + \frac{2(a_0-1)}{a_0(a_1-1)+1}$ ,  $a = \frac{a_0 a_1}{a_0-1}$  and  $a_2 = 2$ . Without loss of generality we can assume  $(a, b, c, d) = (\frac{a_0 a_1}{a_0-1}, a_0, \frac{a_0 a_1 a_2 a_3}{a_0 a_1(a_2-1)+(a_0-1)}, 2 + \frac{2(a_0-1)}{a_0(a_1-1)+1})$ . Hence  $a_0 \geq 3$ . From  $\frac{a_0 a_1}{a_0-1} > 3$ ,  $a_0 a_1 > 3(a_0 - 1)$ , which is equivalent to  $a_1 > 3 - \frac{3}{a_0}$ . Since  $a_0 \geq 3$ ,  $a_1 > 3 - 1 = 2$  i.e.  $a_1 \geq 3$ . If  $a_3 = 1$ , then  $\frac{a_0 a_1 a_2 a_3}{a_0 a_1(a_2-1)+(a_0-1)} = \frac{2a_0 a_1}{a_0 a_1 + a_0 - 1} < \frac{2a_0 a_1 + 2a_0 - 2}{a_0 a_1 + a_0 - 1} = 2$ , hence  $a_3 \geq 2$ . Therefore

$$\begin{aligned} \mu &= (a-1)(b-1)(c-1)(d-1) \\ &= \left( \frac{a_0 a_1 - a_0 + 1}{a_0 - 1} \right) (a_0 - 1) \left( \frac{2a_0 a_1 a_3 - a_0 a_1 - a_0 + 1}{a_0 a_1 + a_0 - 1} \right) \left( \frac{a_0 a_1 + a_0 - 1}{a_0 a_1 - a_0 + 1} \right) \\ &= 2a_0 a_1 a_3 - a_0 a_1 - a_0 + 1 = a_0 a_1 (a_3 - 1) + a_0 (a_1 a_3 - 1) + 1 \\ &> 9 + 3(5) + 1 = 25 > 16. \end{aligned}$$

If  $d = \frac{a_0 a_1 a_2 a_3}{a_0 a_1(a_2-1)+(a_0-1)} = a_3 + \frac{a_0 a_1 a_3 - a_0 a_3 + a_3}{a_0 a_1(a_2-1)+(a_0-1)}$ : Since  $d$  is not an integer,  $\frac{a_0 a_1 a_2}{a_0(a_1-1)+1} > \frac{a_0 a_1 a_2 a_3}{a_0 a_1(a_2-1)+(a_0-1)}$  which implies  $1 > \frac{a_0 a_1 a_3 - a_0 a_3 + a_3}{a_0 a_1(a_2-1)+(a_0-1)}$ . Hence we get  $a_3 = 2$  and  $a = \frac{a_0 a_1 a_2}{a_0(a_1-1)+1}$ . Without loss of generality we can assume  $(a, b, c, d) = (\frac{a_0 a_1 a_2}{a_0(a_1-1)+1}, a_0, \frac{a_0 a_1}{a_0-1}, 2 + \frac{2a_0 a_1 - 2a_0 + 2}{a_0 a_1(a_2-1)+(a_0-1)})$ . If  $a_1 = 1$ , then  $\frac{a_0 a_1}{a_0-1} \leq 2$ . This contradicts the fact that  $\frac{a_0 a_1}{a_0-1} \geq d > 2$ . Hence  $a_1 \geq 2$ . Clearly  $a_0 \geq 3$ . If  $a_2 = 1$ , then  $\frac{a_0 a_1 a_2}{a_0 a_1 - a_0 - 1} = 1 + \frac{a_0 - 1}{a_0 a_1 - a_0 + 1} < 2$ . Hence  $a_2 \geq 2$ . Observe that  $1 > \frac{2a_0 a_1 - 2a_0 + 2}{a_0 a_1(a_2-1)+(a_0-1)}$  implies  $a_0 a_1 a_2 > 3a_0 a_1 - 3a_0 + 3$ . Therefore

$$\begin{aligned} \mu &= (a-1)(b-1)(c-1)(d-1) \\ &= \left( \frac{a_0 a_1 a_2 - a_0 a_1 + a_0 - 1}{a_0 a_1 - a_0 + 1} \right) (a_0 - 1) \left( \frac{a_0 a_1 - a_0 + 1}{a_0 - 1} \right) \left( \frac{a_0 a_1 a_2 + a_0 a_1 - a_0 + 1}{a_0 a_1(a_2-1) + a_0 - 1} \right) \\ &= a_0 a_1 a_2 + a_0(a_1 - 1) + 1 > 3a_0 a_1 - 3a_0 + 3 + a_0 a_1 - a_0 + 1 \\ &= 4a_0 a_1 - 4a_0 + 4 \geq 4a_0 + 4 \geq 16. \end{aligned}$$

**Class 12.**  $f(z_0, z_1, z_2, z_3) = z_0^{a_0} + z_0 z_1^{a_1} + z_0 z_2^{a_2} + z_2 z_3^{a_3} + z_1^p z_2^q$  with the condition  $\frac{p(a_0-1)}{a_0 a_1} + \frac{q(a_0-1)}{a_0 a_2} = 1$ ,  $w = (a_0, \frac{a_0 a_1}{a_0-1}, \frac{a_0 a_2}{a_0-1}, \frac{a_0 a_1 a_3}{a_0(a_1-1)+1})$ .

Without loss of generality we only need to consider  $d = \frac{a_0 a_2}{a_0-1}$  and  $d = \frac{a_0 a_1 a_3}{a_0(a_1-1)+1}$ . We consider first when  $d = \frac{a_0 a_2}{a_0-1} = a_2 + \frac{a_2}{a_0-1}$ . Since  $d$  is not an integer,  $a_0 > \frac{a_0 a_2}{a_0-1}$  which implies  $1 > \frac{a_2}{a_0-1}$ . Hence  $d = 2 + \frac{a_2}{a_0-1}$ ,  $a = a_0$  and  $a_2 = 2$ . It follows that  $a_0 \geq 4$ . Without loss of generality we can assume  $(a, b, c, d) = (a_0, \frac{a_0 a_1}{a_0-1}, \frac{a_0 a_1 a_3}{a_0(a_1-1)+1}, \frac{a_0 a_2}{a_0-1})$ . Hence  $a_1 \geq a_2$ . Observe that if  $a_1 = 1$ , then  $\frac{a_0 a_1}{a_0-1} = \frac{a_0}{a_0-1} < 2$ . This contradicts the fact that  $\frac{a_0 a_1}{a_0-1} \geq d > 2$ . Hence  $a_1 \geq 2$ . If  $a_3 = 1$ , then  $\frac{a_0 a_1 a_3}{a_0(a_1-1)+1} = \frac{a_0 a_1}{a_0(a_1-1)+1} < 2$ . Hence  $a_3 \geq 2$ . If  $a_1 = 2$ , then  $b = d = 2 + \frac{a_2}{a_0-1}$ . This implies  $\frac{p}{b} + \frac{q}{d} = \frac{1}{d}(p+q) = 1$



which contradicts the fact that  $d$  is not an integer. Hence  $a_1 \geq 3$ . Therefore

$$\begin{aligned} \mu &= (a-1)(b-1)(c-1)(d-1) \\ &= (a_0-1)\left(\frac{a_0(a_1-1)+1}{a_0-1}\right)\left(\frac{a_0a_1a_3-a_0a_1+a_0-1}{a_0a_1-a_0+1}\right)\left(\frac{a_0+1}{a_0-1}\right) \\ &= [a_0a_1(a_3-1)+a_0-1]\left(\frac{a_0+1}{a_0-1}\right) = \left[\frac{a_0a_1(a_3-1)}{a_0-1}+1\right](a_0+1) \\ &> [a_1(a_3-1)+1](a_0+1) \geq 20 > 16. \end{aligned}$$

If  $d = \frac{a_0a_1a_3}{a_0(a_1-1)+1} = a_3 + \frac{(a_0-1)a_3}{a_0(a_1-1)+1}$ : Since  $d$  is not an integer,  $\frac{a_0a_1}{a_0-1} > \frac{a_0a_1a_3}{a_0(a_1-1)+1}$  which implies  $1 > \frac{(a_0-1)a_3}{a_0(a_1-1)+1}$ . Hence  $d = 2 + \frac{2(a_0-1)}{a_0a_1-a_0+1}$ ,  $a_3 = 2$  and  $a = \frac{a_0a_1}{a_0-1} > 3$ . Without loss of generality we can assume  $(a, b, c, d) = (\frac{a_0a_1}{a_0-1}, a_0, \frac{a_0a_2}{a_0-1}, 2 + \frac{2(a_0-1)}{a_0a_1-a_0+1})$ . If  $a_2 = 1$ , then  $\frac{a_0a_2}{a_0-1} = \frac{a_0}{a_0-1} \leq 2$ , which contradicts to the fact that  $\frac{a_0a_2}{a_0-1} \geq d > 2$ . Hence  $a_2 \geq 2$ . Therefore

$$\begin{aligned} \mu &= (a-1)(b-1)(c-1)(d-1) \\ &= \left(\frac{a_0a_1-a_0+1}{a_0-1}\right)(a_0-1)\left(\frac{a_0a_2-a_0+1}{a_0-1}\right)\left(\frac{a_0a_1+a_0-1}{a_0a_1-a_0+1}\right) \\ &= [a_0(a_2-1)+1]\left(\frac{a_0a_1}{a_0-1}+1\right) > [3+1](4) = 16. \end{aligned}$$

**Class 13.**  $f(z_0, z_1, z_2, z_3) = z_0^{a_0} + z_0z_1^{a_1} + z_1z_2^{a_2} + z_1z_3^{a_3} + z_2^pz_3^q$  with the condition  $\frac{p(a_0a_1-a_0+1)}{a_0a_1a_2} + \frac{q(a_0a_1-a_0+1)}{a_0a_1a_3} = 1$ ,  $w = (a_0, \frac{a_0a_1}{a_0-1}, \frac{a_0a_1a_2}{a_0(a_1-1)+1}, \frac{a_0a_1a_3}{a_0(a_1-1)+1})$ .

Without loss of generality we only need to consider  $d = \frac{a_0a_1}{a_0-1}$  and  $d = \frac{a_0a_1a_3}{a_0(a_1-1)+1}$ . We consider first when  $d = \frac{a_0a_1}{a_0-1} = a_1 + \frac{a_1}{a_0-1}$ . Since  $d$  is not an integer,  $a_0 > \frac{a_0a_1}{a_0-1}$  which implies  $1 > \frac{a_1}{a_0-1}$ . Hence  $d = 2 + \frac{2}{a_0-1}$ ,  $a_1 = 2$  and  $a = a_0 \geq 4$ . Without loss of generality we can assume  $(a, b, c, d) = (a_0, \frac{a_0a_1a_2}{a_0(a_1-1)+1}, \frac{a_0a_1a_3}{a_0(a_1-1)+1}, 2 + \frac{2}{a_0-1})$ . Observe that if  $a_2 = 1$ , then  $\frac{a_0a_1a_2}{a_0(a_1-1)+1} = \frac{2a_0}{a_0+1} < 2$ . Hence  $a_2 \geq 2$ . Similar argument will show that  $a_3 \geq 2$ . Therefore

$$\begin{aligned} \mu &= (a-1)(b-1)(c-1)(d-1) = (a_0-1)\left(\frac{2a_0a_2}{a_0+1}-1\right)\left(\frac{2a_0a_3}{a_0+1}-1\right)\left(\frac{a_0+1}{a_0-1}\right) \\ &= \frac{(2a_0a_2-a_0-1)(2a_0a_3-a_0-1)}{a_0+1} = \frac{[a_0(2a_2-1)-1][a_0(2a_3-1)-1]}{a_0+1} \\ &\geq \frac{(3a_0-1)(3a_0-1)}{a_0+1} > 16 \quad \text{for } a_0 \geq 4. \end{aligned}$$

If  $d = \frac{a_0a_1a_3}{a_0(a_1-1)+1} = a_3 + \frac{(a_0-1)a_3}{a_0(a_1-1)+1}$ : Since  $d$  is not an integer,  $\frac{a_0a_1}{a_0-1} > \frac{a_0a_1a_3}{a_0(a_1-1)+1}$  which implies  $1 > \frac{(a_0-1)a_3}{a_0(a_1-1)+1}$ . Hence  $d = 2 + \frac{2(a_0-1)}{a_0a_1-a_0+1}$ ,  $a_3 = 2$  and  $a = \frac{a_0a_1}{a_0-1} > 3$ . Without loss of generality we can assume  $(a, b, c, d) = (\frac{a_0a_1}{a_0-1}, a_0, \frac{a_0a_1a_2}{a_0(a_1-1)+1}, 2 + \frac{2(a_0-1)}{a_0a_1-a_0+1})$ . Observe that  $a_0 \geq 3$  because  $a_0 \geq d > 2$ . If  $a_1 = 1$ , then  $\frac{a_0a_1}{a_0-1} = \frac{a_0}{a_0-1} < 2$ . Hence  $a_1 \geq 2$ . If  $a_1 = 2$ , then  $\frac{a_0a_1}{a_0-1} = \frac{2a_0}{a_0-1} \leq 3$ . Hence  $a_1 \geq 3$ . If  $a_2 = 1$ , then  $\frac{a_0a_1a_2}{a_0(a_1-1)+1} = \frac{a_0a_1}{a_0(a_1-1)+1} < 2$ . Hence  $a_2 \geq 2$ . If  $a_2 = 2$ , then  $c = d = 2 + \frac{2(a_0-1)}{a_0a_1-a_0+1}$ . Hence the condition  $\frac{p(a_0a_1-a_0+1)}{a_0a_1a_2} + \frac{q(a_0a_1-a_0+1)}{a_0a_1a_3} = 1$  becomes  $\frac{p}{c} + \frac{q}{d} = \frac{1}{d}(p+q) = 1$  which contradicts the fact that  $d$  is not an integer. Hence  $a_2 \geq 3$ . It follows that

$(\frac{a_0 a_1 a_2}{a_0(a_1-1)+1} - 1) \geq \frac{3a_0 a_1}{a_0 a_1 - a_0 + 1} - 1 = 2 + \frac{3a_0 - 3}{a_0 a_1 - a_0 + 1} \geq 2$ . Therefore

$$\begin{aligned} \mu &= (a-1)(b-1)(c-1)(d-1) \\ &= \left(\frac{a_0 a_1 - a_0 + 1}{a_0 - 1}\right)(a_0 - 1) \left(\frac{a_0 a_1 a_2 - a_0 a_1 + a_0 - 1}{a_0 a_1 - a_0 + 1}\right) \left(\frac{a_0 a_1 + a_0 - 1}{a_0 a_1 - a_0 + 1}\right) \\ &= \left(\frac{a_0 a_1 a_2 - a_0 a_1 + a_0 - 1}{a_0 a_1 - a_0 + 1}\right)(a_0 a_1 + a_0 - 1) = \left(\frac{a_0 a_1 a_2}{a_0(a_1-1)+1} - 1\right)(a_0 a_1 + a_0 - 1) \\ &\geq (2)(9+3-1) = 22 > 16. \end{aligned}$$

**Class 14.**  $f(z_0, z_1, z_2, z_3) = z_0^{a_0} + z_0 z_1^{a_1} + z_0 z_2^{a_2} + z_0 z_3^{a_3} + z_1^p z_2^q + z_2^r z_3^s$  with the condition  $\frac{p(a_0-1)}{a_0 a_1} + \frac{q(a_0-1)}{a_0 a_2} = 1$  and  $\frac{r(a_0-1)}{a_0 a_2} + \frac{s(a_0-1)}{a_0 a_3} = 1$ ,  $w = (a_0, \frac{a_0 a_1}{a_0-1}, \frac{a_0 a_2}{a_0-1}, \frac{a_0 a_3}{a_0-1})$ .

Without loss of generality we only need to consider  $d = \frac{a_0 a_3}{a_0-1}$  or  $d = \frac{a_0 a_2}{a_0-1}$ . If  $d = \frac{a_0 a_3}{a_0-1} = a_3 + \frac{a_3}{a_0-1}$ : Since  $d$  is not an integer,  $a_0 > \frac{a_0 a_3}{a_0-1}$  which implies  $1 > \frac{a_3}{a_0-1}$ . Hence  $d = 2 + \frac{2}{a_0-1}$ ,  $a_3 = 2$  and  $a = a_0 \geq 4$ . Consider first the case when  $(a, b, c, d) = (a_0, \frac{a_0 a_1}{a_0-1}, \frac{a_0 a_2}{a_0-1}, 2 + \frac{2}{a_0-1})$ . If  $a_1 = 1$ , then  $\frac{a_0 a_1}{a_0-1} < 2$ , which contradicts to the fact that  $\frac{a_0 a_1}{a_0-1} \geq d > 2$ . Hence  $a_1 \geq 2$ . If  $a_1 = 2$ , then  $b = 2 + \frac{2}{a_0-1} = d$ , which implies  $b = c = d$ . Hence  $\frac{p(a_0-1)}{a_0 a_1} + \frac{q(a_0-1)}{a_0 a_2} = \frac{p}{b} + \frac{q}{c} = \frac{1}{d}(p+q) = 1$ , which contradicts  $d$  is not an integer. Hence  $a_1 \geq 3$ . If  $a_2 = 1$ , then  $\frac{a_0 a_2}{a_0-1} < 2$ , which contradicts  $\frac{a_0 a_2}{a_0-1} \geq d > 2$ . Hence  $a_2 \geq 2$ . If  $a_2 = 2$ , then  $c = d = 2 + \frac{2}{a_0-1}$ . Hence the condition  $\frac{r(a_0-1)}{a_0 a_2} + \frac{s(a_0-1)}{a_0 a_3} = 1$  becomes  $\frac{r}{c} + \frac{s}{d} = \frac{1}{d}(r+s) = 1$ , which contradicts  $d$  is not an integer. Hence  $a_2 \geq 3$ . If  $(a, b, c, d) = (a_0, \frac{a_0 a_2}{a_0-1}, \frac{a_0 a_1}{a_0-1}, 2 + \frac{2}{a_0-1})$  we can similarly prove  $a_1 \geq 3$  and  $a_2 \geq 3$ . Therefore

$$\begin{aligned} \mu &= (a-1)(b-1)(c-1)(d-1) = (a_0 - 1) \left(\frac{a_0 a_1 - a_0 + 1}{a_0 - 1}\right) \left(\frac{a_0 a_2 - a_0 + 1}{a_0 - 1}\right) \left(\frac{a_0 + 1}{a_0 - 1}\right) \\ &= \left(\frac{a_0 a_1}{a_0 - 1} - 1\right) \left(\frac{a_0 a_2}{a_0 - 1} - 1\right) (a_0 + 1) > (2)(2)(5) = 20 > 16. \end{aligned}$$

We next consider  $d = \frac{a_0 a_2}{a_0-1} = a_2 + \frac{a_2}{a_0-1}$ . Since  $d$  is not an integer,  $a_0 > \frac{a_0 a_2}{a_0-1}$  which implies  $1 > \frac{a_2}{a_0-1}$ . Hence  $d = 2 + \frac{2}{a_0-1}$ ,  $a_2 = 2$  and  $a = a_0 \geq 4$ . Consider first the case when  $(a, b, c, d) = (a_0, \frac{a_0 a_1}{a_0-1}, \frac{a_0 a_3}{a_0-1}, 2 + \frac{2}{a_0-1})$ . If  $a_1 = 1$ , then  $\frac{a_0 a_1}{a_0-1} < 2$ , which contradicts to the fact that  $\frac{a_0 a_1}{a_0-1} \geq d > 2$ . Hence  $a_1 \geq 2$ . If  $a_1 = 2$ , then  $b = 2 + \frac{2}{a_0-1} = d$ , which implies  $b = c = d$ . Hence  $\frac{p(a_0-1)}{a_0 a_1} + \frac{q(a_0-1)}{a_0 a_2} = \frac{p}{b} + \frac{q}{d} = \frac{1}{d}(p+q) = 1$ , which contradicts  $d$  is not an integer. Hence  $a_1 \geq 3$ . If  $a_3 = 1$ , then  $\frac{a_0 a_3}{a_0-1} < 2$ , which contradicts  $\frac{a_0 a_3}{a_0-1} \geq d > 2$ . Hence  $a_3 \geq 2$ . If  $a_3 = 2$ , then  $c = d = 2 + \frac{2}{a_0-1}$ . Hence the condition  $\frac{r(a_0-1)}{a_0 a_2} + \frac{s(a_0-1)}{a_0 a_3} = 1$  becomes  $\frac{r}{c} + \frac{s}{d} = \frac{1}{d}(r+s) = 1$ , which contradicts  $d$  is not an integer. Hence  $a_3 \geq 3$ . If  $(a, b, c, d) = (a_0, \frac{a_0 a_3}{a_0-1}, \frac{a_0 a_1}{a_0-1}, 2 + \frac{2}{a_0-1})$  we can similarly prove  $a_1 \geq 3$  and  $a_3 \geq 3$ . Therefore

$$\begin{aligned} \mu &= (a-1)(b-1)(c-1)(d-1) = (a_0 - 1) \left(\frac{a_0 a_1 - a_0 + 1}{a_0 - 1}\right) \left(\frac{a_0 a_3 - a_0 + 1}{a_0 - 1}\right) \left(\frac{a_0 + 1}{a_0 - 1}\right) \\ &= \left(\frac{a_0 a_1}{a_0 - 1} - 1\right) \left(\frac{a_0 a_3}{a_0 - 1} - 1\right) (a_0 + 1) > (2)(2)(5) = 20 > 16. \end{aligned}$$

**Class 15.**  $f(z_0, z_1, z_2, z_3) = z_0^{a_0} z_1 + z_0 z_1^{a_1} + z_0 z_2^{a_2} + z_2 z_3^{a_3} + z_1^p z_2^q$  with the condition  $\frac{p(a_0-1)}{a_0 a_1 - 1} + \frac{q a_1 (a_0 - 1)}{a_2 (a_0 a_1 - 1)} = 1$ ,  $w = (\frac{a_0 a_1 - 1}{a_1 - 1}, \frac{a_0 a_1 - 1}{a_0 - 1}, \frac{a_0 a_1 a_2 - a_2}{a_0 a_1 - a_1}, \frac{a_2 a_3 (a_0 a_1 - 1)}{a_2 (a_0 a_1 - 1) - a_1 (a_0 - 1)})$ .

If  $d = \frac{a_0 a_1 - 1}{a_0 - 1} = a_1 + \frac{a_1 - 1}{a_0 - 1}$ : Since  $d$  is not an integer,  $\frac{a_0 a_1 - 1}{a_1 - 1} > \frac{a_0 a_1 - 1}{a_0 - 1}$  which implies  $1 > \frac{a_1 - 1}{a_0 - 1}$ . Hence  $d = 2 + \frac{1}{a_0 - 1}$ ,  $a = \frac{a_0 a_1 - 1}{a_1 - 1}$  and  $a_1 = 2$ . Observe that  $a = \frac{a_0 a_1 - 1}{a_1 - 1} = 2a_0 - 1 > 3$ , which implies  $a_0 \geq 3$ . If  $a_2 = 1$  then  $\frac{a_0 a_1 a_2 - a_2}{a_0 a_1 - a_1} = \frac{2a_0 - 1}{2a_0 - 2} < 2$ . Hence  $a_2 \geq 2$ . If  $a_2 = 2$ , then  $\frac{p+q}{d} = 1$  which implies  $d$  is an integer. Therefore  $a_2 \geq 3$ .

If  $a_3 = 1$  then  $\frac{a_2 a_3 (a_0 a_1 - 1)}{a_2 (a_0 a_1 - 1) - a_1 (a_0 - 1)} = \frac{2a_0 a_2 - a_2}{2a_0 a_2 - a_2 - 2a_0 + 2} = 1 + \frac{2a_0 - 2}{2a_0 a_2 - a_2 - 2a_0 + 2}$ . From  $(2a_0 - 1)(a_2 - 2) + 2 > 0$ ,  $2a_0 a_2 - a_2 - 4a_0 + 4 > 0$  i.e.  $2a_0 - 2 < 2a_0 a_2 - a_2 - 2a_0 + 2$ . Therefore  $1 + \frac{2a_0 - 2}{2a_0 a_2 - a_2 - 2a_0 + 2} < 2$ . Hence  $a_3 \geq 2$ . Without loss of generality we can assume  $(a, b, c, d) = (\frac{a_0 a_1 - 1}{a_1 - 1}, \frac{a_0 a_1 a_2 - a_2}{a_0 a_1 - a_1}, \frac{a_2 a_3 (a_0 a_1 - 1)}{a_2 (a_0 a_1 - 1) - a_1 (a_0 - 1)}, 2 + \frac{1}{a_0 - 1})$ . Therefore

$$\begin{aligned} \mu &= (a - 1)(b - 1)(c - 1)(d - 1) \\ &= 2(a_0 - 1) \left( \frac{2a_0 a_2 - a_2 - 2a_0 + 2}{2a_0 - 2} \right) \left( \frac{2a_0 a_2 a_3 - a_2 a_3 - 2a_0 a_2 + a_2 + 2a_0 - 2}{2a_0 a_2 - a_2 - 2a_0 + 2} \right) \left( \frac{a_0}{a_0 - 1} \right) \\ &= (2a_0 a_2 a_3 - a_2 a_3 - 2a_0 a_2 + a_2 + 2a_0 - 2) \left( \frac{a_0}{a_0 - 1} \right) \\ &= [a_2 a_3 (a_0 - 1) + a_0 a_2 (a_3 - 1) - a_2 (a_0 - 1) + 2(a_0 - 1)] \left( \frac{a_0}{a_0 - 1} \right) \\ &= \left[ a_2 a_3 + \frac{a_0 a_2 (a_3 - 1)}{a_0 - 1} - a_2 + 2 \right] a_0 \geq [(2)(3) + 2]3 = 24 > 16. \end{aligned}$$

If  $d = \frac{a_0 a_1 - 1}{a_1 - 1} = a_0 + \frac{a_0 - 1}{a_1 - 1}$ : Since  $d$  is not an integer,  $\frac{a_0 a_1 - 1}{a_0 - 1} > \frac{a_0 a_1 - 1}{a_1 - 1}$  which implies  $1 > \frac{a_0 - 1}{a_1 - 1}$ . Hence  $d = 2 + \frac{1}{a_1 - 1}$ ,  $a = \frac{a_0 a_1 - 1}{a_0 - 1}$  and  $a_0 = 2$ . Observe that  $a = \frac{a_0 a_1 - 1}{a_0 - 1} = a_1 + \frac{a_1 - 1}{a_0 - 1} = 2a_1 - 1 > 3$ , which implies  $a_1 \geq 3$ . If  $a_2 = 1$  then  $\frac{a_0 a_1 a_2 - a_2}{a_0 a_1 - a_1} = \frac{2a_1 - 1}{a_1} < 2$ . Hence  $a_2 \geq 2$ . If  $a_3 = 1$  then  $\frac{a_2 a_3 (a_0 a_1 - 1)}{a_2 (a_0 a_1 - 1) - a_1 (a_0 - 1)} = \frac{2a_1 a_2 - a_2}{2a_1 a_2 - a_2 - a_1} < 2$ . Hence  $a_3 \geq 2$ . Without loss of generality we can assume  $(a, b, c, d) = (\frac{a_0 a_1 - 1}{a_0 - 1}, \frac{a_0 a_1 a_2 - a_2}{a_0 a_1 - a_1}, \frac{a_2 a_3 (a_0 a_1 - 1)}{a_2 (a_0 a_1 - 1) - a_1 (a_0 - 1)}, 2 + \frac{1}{a_1 - 1})$ . Therefore

$$\begin{aligned} \mu &= (a - 1)(b - 1)(c - 1)(d - 1) \\ &= 2(a_1 - 1) \left( \frac{2a_1 a_2 - a_2 - a_1}{a_1} \right) \left( \frac{2a_1 a_2 a_3 - a_2 a_3 - 2a_1 a_2 + a_2 + a_1}{2a_1 a_2 - a_2 - a_1} \right) \left( \frac{a_1}{a_1 - 1} \right) \\ &= 2[a_2 a_3 (a_1 - 1) + a_1 a_2 (a_3 - 2) + a_2 + a_1] \\ &\geq 2[(2)(2)(2) + 2 + 3] = 26 > 16. \end{aligned}$$

If  $d = \frac{a_0 a_1 a_2 - a_2}{a_0 a_1 - a_1} = a_2 + \frac{a_2 (a_1 - 1)}{a_1 (a_0 - 1)}$ : Since  $d$  is not an integer,  $\frac{a_0 a_1 - 1}{a_1 - 1} > \frac{a_0 a_1 a_2 - a_2}{a_0 a_1 - a_1}$  which implies  $1 > \frac{a_2 (a_1 - 1)}{a_1 (a_0 - 1)}$ . Hence  $d = 2 + \frac{2(a_1 - 1)}{a_1 (a_0 - 1)}$ ,  $a = \frac{a_0 a_1 - 1}{a_1 - 1}$  and  $a_2 = 2$ . From  $\frac{a_0 a_1 - 1}{a_1 - 1} \geq \frac{a_0 a_1 - 1}{a_0 - 1}$ ,  $a_0 - 1 \geq a_1$ . If  $a_1 = 1$  then  $\frac{a_0 a_1 - 1}{a_0 - 1} = 1 < 2$ . Hence  $a_1 \geq 2$ . Observe that  $\frac{a_0 a_1 - 1}{a_1 - 1} = a_0 + \frac{a_0 - 1}{a_1 - 1} > 3$ . Hence  $a_0 \geq 3$ . If  $a_3 = 1$  then  $\frac{a_2 a_3 (a_0 a_1 - 1)}{a_2 (a_0 a_1 - 1) - a_1 (a_0 - 1)} = \frac{a_2 (a_0 a_1 - 1)}{a_2 (a_0 a_1 - 1) - a_1 (a_0 - 1)} = 1 + \frac{a_0 a_1 - a_1}{a_2 (a_0 a_1 - 1) - a_1 (a_0 - 1)} < 2$ , hence  $a_3 \geq 2$ . Without loss of generality we can assume  $(a, b, c, d) = (\frac{a_0 a_1 - 1}{a_1 - 1}, \frac{a_0 a_1 - 1}{a_0 - 1}, \frac{a_2 a_3 (a_0 a_1 - 1)}{a_2 (a_0 a_1 - 1) - a_1 (a_0 - 1)}, 2 + \frac{2(a_1 - 1)}{a_1 (a_0 - 1)})$ . Therefore

$$\begin{aligned} \mu &= (a - 1)(b - 1)(c - 1)(d - 1) \\ &= \left( \frac{a_0 a_1 - 1}{a_1 - 1} - 1 \right) \left( \frac{a_0 a_1 - 1}{a_0 - 1} - 1 \right) \left( \frac{2a_0 a_1 a_3 - 2a_3 - 2a_0 a_1 + 2 + a_0 a_1 - a_1}{2a_0 a_1 - 2 - a_0 a_1 + a_1} \right) \left( \frac{a_0 a_1 + a_1 - 2}{a_0 a_1 - a_1} \right) \\ &= \left( \frac{a_0}{a_0 - 1} \right) (2a_0 a_1 a_3 - a_0 a_1 - 2a_3 - a_1 + 2) = a_0 \left[ \frac{(a_0 a_1 - 1)(2a_3 - 2)}{a_0 - 1} + a_1 \right] \\ &> (a_0 a_1 - 1)(2a_3 - 2) + a_0 a_1 \geq (5)(2) + 6 = 16. \end{aligned}$$

If  $d = \frac{a_2 a_3 (a_0 a_1 - 1)}{a_2 (a_0 a_1 - 1) - a_1 (a_0 - 1)} = a_3 + \frac{a_1 a_3 (a_0 - 1)}{a_2 (a_0 a_1 - 1) - a_1 (a_0 - 1)}$ : Since  $d$  is not an integer,  $\frac{a_0 a_1 a_2 - a_2}{a_0 a_1 - a_1} > \frac{a_2 a_3 (a_0 a_1 - 1)}{a_2 (a_0 a_1 - 1) - a_1 (a_0 - 1)}$  which implies  $1 > \frac{a_1 a_3 (a_0 - 1)}{a_2 (a_0 a_1 - 1) - a_1 (a_0 - 1)}$ . Hence  $d = 2 + \frac{2a_1 (a_0 - 1)}{a_2 (a_0 a_1 - 1) - a_1 (a_0 - 1)}$ ,  $a = \frac{a_0 a_1 a_2 - a_2}{a_0 a_1 - a_1} > 3$  and  $a_3 = 2$ . If  $a_0 = 1$ , then  $\frac{a_0 a_1 - 1}{a_1 - 1} = \frac{a_1 - 1}{a_1 - 1} = 1$ . Hence  $a_0 \geq 2$ . If  $a_1 = 1$ , then  $\frac{a_0 a_1 - 1}{a_0 - 1} = 1$ . Hence  $a_1 \geq 2$ . If  $a_2 = 1$ ,

then  $\frac{a_0 a_1 a_2 - a_2}{a_0 a_1 - a_1} = \frac{a_0 a_1 - 1}{a_0 a_1 - a_1} = 1 + \frac{a_1 - 1}{a_0 a_1 - a_1} < 1 + \frac{a_1}{a_1(a_0 - 1)} \leq 2$ . Hence  $a_2 \geq 2$ .  $1 > \frac{2a_1(a_0 - 1)}{a_2(a_0 a_1 - 1) - a_1(a_0 - 1)}$  implies  $\frac{a_0 a_1 a_2 - a_2}{a_0 a_1 - a_1} > 3$ . Without loss of generality we can assume  $(a, b, c, d) = (\frac{a_0 a_1 a_2 - a_2}{a_0 a_1 - a_1}, \frac{a_0 a_1 - 1}{a_1 - 1}, \frac{a_0 a_1 - 1}{a_0 - 1}, 2 + \frac{2a_1(a_0 - 1)}{a_2(a_0 a_1 - 1) - a_1(a_0 - 1)})$ . Therefore

$$\begin{aligned} \mu &= (a - 1)(b - 1)(c - 1)(d - 1) \\ &= \left(\frac{a_0 a_1 a_2 - a_2 - a_0 a_1 + a_1}{a_0 a_1 - a_1}\right) \left(\frac{a_0 a_1 - a_1}{a_1 - 1}\right) \left(\frac{a_0 a_1 - a_0}{a_0 - 1}\right) \left(\frac{a_0 a_1 a_2 - a_2 + a_0 a_1 - a_1}{a_0 a_1(a_2 - 1) + a_1 - a_2}\right) \\ &= \left(\frac{a_0}{a_0 - 1}\right) (a_0 a_1 a_2 - a_2 + a_0 a_1 - a_1) \\ &= \left(\frac{a_0}{a_0 - 1}\right) [a_2(a_0 a_1 - 1) + a_1(a_0 - 1)] \\ &= \frac{a_0 a_2(a_0 a_1 - 1)}{a_0 - 1} + a_0 a_1 = a_0 a_1 \left[\frac{a_2(a_0 a_1 - 1)}{a_1(a_0 - 1)} + 1\right] > a_0 a_1(4) \geq 16. \end{aligned}$$

**Class 16.**  $f(z_0, z_1, z_2, z_3) = z_0^{a_0} z_1 + z_0 z_1^{a_1} + z_0 z_2^{a_2} + z_0 z_3^{a_3} + z_1^p z_2^q + z_2^r z_3^s$  with the condition  $\frac{p(a_0 - 1)}{a_0 a_1 - 1} + \frac{q a_1(a_0 - 1)}{a_2(a_0 a_1 - 1)} = 1$  and  $\frac{r a_1(a_0 - 1)}{a_2(a_0 a_1 - 1)} + \frac{s a_1(a_0 - 1)}{a_3(a_0 a_1 - 1)} = 1$ ,  $w = (\frac{a_0 a_1 - 1}{a_1 - 1}, \frac{a_0 a_1 - 1}{a_0 - 1}, \frac{a_2(a_0 a_1 - 1)}{a_1(a_0 - 1)}, \frac{a_3(a_0 a_1 - 1)}{a_1(a_0 - 1)})$ .

If  $d = \frac{a_0 a_1 - 1}{a_0 - 1} = a_1 + \frac{a_1 - 1}{a_0 - 1}$ . Since  $d$  is not an integer,  $\frac{a_0 a_1 - 1}{a_1 - 1} > \frac{a_0 a_1 - 1}{a_0 - 1}$ , which implies  $1 > \frac{a_1 - 1}{a_0 - 1}$ . Hence  $d = 2 + \frac{1}{a_0 - 1}$ ,  $a = \frac{a_0 a_1 - 1}{a_1 - 1}$  and  $a_1 = 2$ . Observe that  $a = \frac{a_0 a_1 - 1}{a_1 - 1} = 2a_0 - 1 > 3$ . Hence  $a_0 \geq 3$ . If  $a_2 = 1$  then  $\frac{a_0 a_1 a_2 - a_2}{a_0 a_1 - a_1} = \frac{2a_0 - 1}{2a_0 - 2} < 2$ , hence  $a_2 \geq 2$ . If  $a_2 = 2$  then  $\frac{a_2(a_0 a_1 - 1)}{a_1(a_0 - 1)} = 2 + \frac{1}{a_0 - 1}$ . Hence  $\frac{p+q}{d} = 1$  which implies  $d$  is an integer. Hence  $a_2 \geq 3$ . If  $a_3 = 1$ , then  $\frac{a_3(a_0 a_1 - 1)}{a_1(a_0 - 1)} = 1 + \frac{a_1 - 1}{a_1(a_0 - 1)} < 2$ . Hence  $a_3 \geq 2$ . Without loss of generality we can assume  $(a, b, c, d) = (\frac{a_0 a_1 - 1}{a_1 - 1}, \frac{a_2(a_0 a_1 - 1)}{a_1(a_0 - 1)}, \frac{a_3(a_0 a_1 - 1)}{a_1(a_0 - 1)}, 2 + \frac{1}{a_0 - 1})$ . Therefore

$$\begin{aligned} \mu &= (a - 1)(b - 1)(c - 1)(d - 1) \\ &= \left(\frac{a_1 a_0 - a_1}{a_1 - 1}\right) \left(\frac{a_0 a_1 a_2 - a_2 - a_1 a_0 + a_1}{a_1 a_0 - a_1}\right) \left(\frac{a_0 a_1 a_3 - a_3 - a_1 a_0 + a_1}{a_1 a_0 - a_1}\right) \left(\frac{a_0}{a_0 - 1}\right) \\ &= \left[\frac{(a_0 a_1 - 1)(a_2 - 1) + (a_1 - 1)}{a_1 - 1}\right] \left[\frac{a_3(a_0 a_1 - 1) - a_1(a_0 - 1)}{a_1(a_0 - 1)}\right] \left(\frac{a_0}{a_0 - 1}\right) \\ &= \left[\left(\frac{a_0 a_1 - 1}{a_1 - 1}\right)(a_2 - 1) + 1\right] \left(\frac{a_3(a_0 a_1 - 1)}{a_1(a_0 - 1)} - 1\right) \left(\frac{a_0}{a_0 - 1}\right) \\ &= [(2a_0 - 1)(a_2 - 1) + 1] \left[a_3 + \frac{a_3}{2(a_0 - 1)} - 1\right] \left(\frac{a_0}{a_0 - 1}\right). \end{aligned}$$

We will show that if  $a_3 = 2, a_2 = 3$ , then  $a_0 = 4$ . If  $a_3 = 2, a_2 = 3$ , the condition  $\frac{r a_1(a_0 - 1)}{a_2(a_0 a_1 - 1)} + \frac{s a_1(a_0 - 1)}{a_3(a_0 a_1 - 1)} = \frac{(2a_0 - 2)(\frac{r}{3} + \frac{s}{2})}{(2a_0 - 1)} = 1$ . Hence  $(\frac{r}{3} + \frac{s}{2}) = \frac{2a_0 - 1}{2a_0 - 2} > 1$ . The sequence  $(\frac{2a_0 - 1}{2a_0 - 2})|_{a_0 \geq 3}$  is a decreasing sequence of  $a_0$  and converges to 1 from one side. The maximum of the sequence is at  $a_0 = 3$ . Hence we have  $(\frac{2a_0 - 1}{2a_0 - 2})|_{a_0=3} = \frac{5}{4} \geq \frac{r}{3} + \frac{s}{2} > 1$ .  $(r, s) \neq (1, 1)$  because  $\frac{r}{3} + \frac{s}{2} > 1$ . If  $(r, s) = (2, 1)$  then  $\frac{r}{3} + \frac{s}{2} = \frac{7}{6}$  and  $a_0 = 4$ . If  $(r, s) = (1, 2)$  then  $\frac{r}{3} + \frac{s}{2} = \frac{4}{3}$  which is larger than  $\frac{5}{4}$ . For all other choices of  $r$  and  $s$ ,  $\frac{r}{3} + \frac{s}{2}$  is larger than  $\frac{5}{4}$ . Therefore we have  $a_3 = 2, a_2 = 3, a_0 = 4$ , and  $[(2a_0 - 1)(a_2 - 1) + 1][a_3 + \frac{a_3}{2(a_0 - 1)} - 1](\frac{a_0}{a_0 - 1}) = [(7)(2) + 1][1 + \frac{1}{3}](\frac{4}{3}) = (15)(\frac{16}{9}) > 16$ . If  $a_3 = 2, a_2 \geq 4$ , then  $[(2a_0 - 1)(a_2 - 1) + 1][a_3 + \frac{a_3}{2(a_0 - 1)} - 1](\frac{a_0}{a_0 - 1}) > [(5)(3) + 1](\frac{a_0}{a_0 - 1}) > 16$ . If  $a_3 \geq 3$ , then  $[(2a_0 - 1)(a_2 - 1) + 1][a_3 + \frac{a_3}{2(a_0 - 1)} - 1](\frac{a_0}{a_0 - 1}) > [(5)(2) + 1][2] = 22 > 16$ . Hence we get  $\mu > 16$ .

If  $d = \frac{a_0 a_1 - 1}{a_1 - 1} = a_0 + \frac{a_0 - 1}{a_1 - 1}$ : Since  $d$  is not an integer,  $\frac{a_0 a_1 - 1}{a_0 - 1} > \frac{a_0 a_1 - 1}{a_1 - 1}$ , which implies  $1 > \frac{a_0 - 1}{a_1 - 1}$ . Hence  $d = 2 + \frac{1}{a_1 - 1}$ ,  $a = \frac{a_0 a_1 - 1}{a_0 - 1}$  and  $a_0 = 2$ . Observe that  $a = \frac{a_0 a_1 - 1}{a_0 - 1} = a_1 + \frac{a_1 - 1}{a_0 - 1} = 2a_1 - 1 > 3$ . Hence  $a_1 \geq 3$ . If  $a_2 = 1$  then  $\frac{a_2(a_0 a_1 - 1)}{a_1(a_0 - 1)} = \frac{2a_1 - 1}{a_1} < 2$ . Hence  $a_2 \geq 2$ . If  $a_3 = 1$  then  $\frac{a_3(a_0 a_1 - 1)}{a_1(a_0 - 1)} = \frac{2a_1 - 1}{a_1} < 2$ . Hence  $a_3 \geq 2$ . Observe that by  $(\frac{a_2}{a_1})(\frac{a_0 a_1 - 1}{a_0 - 1}) \leq \frac{a_0 a_1 - 1}{a_0 - 1}$ ,  $\frac{a_2}{a_1} < 1$ . Without loss of generality we can assume  $(a, b, c, d) = (2a_1 - 1, \frac{a_2(2a_1 - 1)}{a_1}, \frac{a_3(2a_1 - 1)}{a_1}, 2 + \frac{1}{a_1 - 1})$ . Therefore

$$\begin{aligned} \mu &= (a - 1)(b - 1)(c - 1)(d - 1) \\ &= 2(a_1 - 1) \left( \frac{2a_1 a_2 - a_2 - a_1}{a_1} \right) \left( \frac{2a_1 a_3 - a_3 - a_1}{a_1} \right) \left( \frac{a_1}{a_1 - 1} \right) \\ &\geq 2(2a_2 - 2)(2a_1 a_3 - a_3 - a_1) \\ &\geq 2 \cdot 2[(a_1 - 1)a_3 + a_1(a_3 - 1)] = 4(2 \cdot 2 + 3) = 28 > 16. \end{aligned}$$

If  $d = \frac{a_3(a_0 a_1 - 1)}{a_1(a_0 - 1)} = a_3 + \frac{a_3(a_1 - 1)}{a_1(a_0 - 1)}$ : Since  $d$  is not an integer,  $\frac{a_0 a_1 - 1}{a_1 - 1} > \frac{a_3(a_0 a_1 - 1)}{a_1(a_0 - 1)}$ , which implies  $1 > \frac{a_3(a_1 - 1)}{a_1(a_0 - 1)}$ . Hence  $d = 2 + \frac{2(a_1 - 1)}{a_1(a_0 - 1)}$ ,  $a = \frac{a_0 a_1 - 1}{a_1 - 1} > 3$  and  $a_3 = 2$ . If  $a_1 = 1$ , then  $\frac{a_0 a_1 - 1}{a_0 - 1} = 1 < 2$ . Hence  $a_1 \geq 2$ . If  $a_0 = 1$ , then  $\frac{a_0 a_1 - 1}{a_1 - 1} = 1 < 3$ . Hence  $a_0 \geq 2$ . If  $a_0 = 2$  then  $\frac{a_0 a_1 - 1}{a_1 - 1} = 2 + \frac{1}{a_1 - 1} \leq 3$ . Hence  $a_0 \geq 3$ . From  $(\frac{a_2}{a_1})(\frac{a_0 a_1 - 1}{a_0 - 1}) \geq (\frac{a_3}{a_1})\frac{a_0 a_1 - 1}{a_0 - 1}$ ,  $a_2 \geq a_3 = 2$ . If  $a_2 = 2$ , then  $\frac{ra_1(a_0 - 1)}{a_2(a_0 a_1 - 1)} + \frac{sa_1(a_0 - 1)}{a_3(a_0 a_1 - 1)} = 1$  becomes  $\frac{1}{d}(r + s) = 1$  which contradicts the fact that  $d$  is not an integer. Hence  $a_2 \geq 3$ . Without loss of generality we can assume  $(a, b, c, d) = (\frac{a_0 a_1 - 1}{a_1 - 1}, \frac{a_0 a_1 - 1}{a_0 - 1}, \frac{a_2(a_0 a_1 - 1)}{a_1(a_0 - 1)}, 2 + \frac{2(a_1 - 1)}{a_1(a_0 - 1)})$ . Therefore

$$\begin{aligned} \mu &= (a - 1)(b - 1)(c - 1)(d - 1) \\ &= \left( \frac{a_0 a_1 - a_1}{a_1 - 1} \right) \left( \frac{a_0 a_1 - a_0}{a_0 - 1} \right) \left( \frac{a_0 a_1 a_2 - a_2 - a_1 a_0 + a_1}{a_0 a_1 - a_1} \right) \left( \frac{a_0 a_1 + a_1 - 2}{a_0 a_1 - a_1} \right) \\ &= \left[ \frac{a_2(a_0 a_1 - 1)}{a_1(a_0 - 1)} - 1 \right] a_0 \left[ \frac{a_1(a_0 - 1) + 2(a_1 - 1)}{a_0 - 1} \right] \\ &= \left[ a_2 + \frac{a_2(a_1 - 1)}{a_1(a_0 - 1)} - 1 \right] \left[ a_0 a_1 + 2(a_1 - 1) \left( \frac{a_0}{a_0 - 1} \right) \right] \\ &\geq \left( 2 + \frac{3(a_1 - 1)}{a_1(a_0 - 1)} \right) \left[ a_0 a_1 + 2(a_1 - 1) \left( \frac{a_0}{a_0 - 1} \right) \right] \\ &> 2a_0 a_1 + 3(a_1 - 1) + 4(a_1 - 1) \geq (2)(3)(2) + (3)(1) + (4)(1) = 19 > 16. \end{aligned}$$

If  $d = \frac{a_2(a_0 a_1 - 1)}{a_1(a_0 - 1)} = a_2 + \frac{a_2(a_1 - 1)}{a_1(a_0 - 1)}$ : Since  $d$  is not an integer,  $\frac{a_0 a_1 - 1}{a_1 - 1} > \frac{a_2(a_0 a_1 - 1)}{a_1(a_0 - 1)}$ , which implies  $1 > \frac{a_2(a_1 - 1)}{a_1(a_0 - 1)}$ . Hence  $d = 2 + \frac{2(a_1 - 1)}{a_1(a_0 - 1)}$ ,  $a = \frac{a_0 a_1 - 1}{a_1 - 1} > 3$  and  $a_2 = 2$ . If  $a_1 = 1$ , then  $\frac{a_0 a_1 - 1}{a_0 - 1} = 1 < 2$ . Hence  $a_1 \geq 2$ . If  $a_0 = 1$ , then  $\frac{a_0 a_1 - 1}{a_1 - 1} = 1 < 3$ . Hence  $a_0 \geq 2$ . If  $a_0 = 2$ , then  $\frac{a_0 a_1 - 1}{a_1 - 1} = 2 + \frac{1}{a_1 - 1} \leq 3$ . Hence  $a_0 \geq 3$ . From  $(\frac{a_2}{a_1})(\frac{a_0 a_1 - 1}{a_0 - 1}) \leq (\frac{a_3}{a_1})\frac{a_0 a_1 - 1}{a_0 - 1}$  we have  $a_3 \geq a_2 = 2$ . If  $a_3 = 2$ , then  $\frac{ra_1(a_0 - 1)}{a_2(a_0 a_1 - 1)} + \frac{sa_1(a_0 - 1)}{a_3(a_0 a_1 - 1)} = 1$  becomes  $\frac{1}{d}(r + s) = 1$  which contradicts  $d$  is not an integer. Hence  $a_3 \geq 3$ . Without loss of generality we can assume  $(a, b, c, d) = (\frac{a_0 a_1 - 1}{a_1 - 1}, \frac{a_0 a_1 - 1}{a_0 - 1}, \frac{a_3(a_0 a_1 - 1)}{a_1(a_0 - 1)}, 2 + \frac{2(a_1 - 1)}{a_1(a_0 - 1)})$ . Therefore

$$\begin{aligned} \mu &= (a-1)(b-1)(c-1)(d-1) \\ &= \left(\frac{a_0a_1-a_1}{a_1-1}\right)\left(\frac{a_0a_1-a_0}{a_0-1}\right)\left(\frac{a_0a_1a_3-a_3-a_1a_0+a_1}{a_0a_1-a_1}\right)\left(\frac{a_0a_1+a_1-2}{a_0a_1-a_1}\right) \\ &= \left[\frac{a_3(a_0a_1-1)}{a_1(a_0-1)}-1\right]a_0\left[\frac{a_1(a_0-1)+2(a_1-1)}{a_0-1}\right] \\ &= \left[a_3+\frac{a_3(a_1-1)}{a_1(a_0-1)}-1\right]\left[a_0a_1+2(a_1-1)\left(\frac{a_0}{a_0-1}\right)\right] \\ &\geq \left(2+\frac{3(a_1-1)}{a_1(a_0-1)}\right)\left[a_0a_1+2(a_1-1)\left(\frac{a_0}{a_0-1}\right)\right] \\ &> 2a_0a_1+3(a_1-1)+4(a_1-1) \geq (2)(3)(2)+(3)(1)+(4)(1)=19 > 16. \end{aligned}$$

**Class 17.**  $f(z_0, z_1, z_2, z_3) = z_0^{a_0}z_1 + z_0z_1^{a_1} + z_1z_2^{a_2} + z_0z_3^{a_3} + z_1^p z_3^q + z_0^r z_2^s$  with the condition  $\frac{p(a_0-1)}{a_0a_1-1} + \frac{qa_1(a_0-1)}{a_3(a_0a_1-1)} = 1$  and  $\frac{r(a_1-1)}{(a_0a_1-1)} + \frac{sa_0(a_1-1)}{a_2(a_0a_1-1)} = 1$ ,  $w = (\frac{a_0a_1-1}{a_1-1}, \frac{a_0a_1-1}{a_0-1}, \frac{a_2(a_0a_1-1)}{a_0(a_1-1)}, \frac{a_3(a_0a_1-1)}{a_1(a_0-1)})$ .

If  $d = \frac{a_0a_1-1}{a_0-1} = a_1 + \frac{a_1-1}{a_0-1}$ : Since  $d$  is not an integer,  $\frac{a_0a_1-1}{a_1-1} > \frac{a_0a_1-1}{a_0-1}$ , which implies  $1 > \frac{a_1-1}{a_0-1}$ . Hence  $d = 2 + \frac{1}{a_0-1}$ ,  $a = \frac{a_0a_1-1}{a_1-1}$  and  $a_1 = 2$ . Observe that  $a = \frac{a_0a_1-1}{a_1-1} = a_0 + \frac{a_0-1}{a_1-1} = 2a_0 - 1 > 3$ . Hence  $a_0 \geq 3$ . If  $a_2 = 1$ , then  $\frac{a_0a_1a_2-a_2}{a_0a_1-a_0} = \frac{2a_0-1}{a_0} < 2$ . Hence  $a_2 \geq 2$ . From  $\frac{a_3(a_0a_1-1)}{a_1(a_0-1)} \geq \frac{a_0a_1-1}{a_0-1}$ , we have  $a_3 \geq a_1 = 2$ . If  $a_3 = 2$ , then  $\frac{a_3(a_0a_1-1)}{a_1(a_0-1)} = \frac{(a_0a_1-1)}{(a_0-1)} = d$ . Hence the condition  $\frac{p(a_0-1)}{a_0a_1-1} + \frac{qa_1(a_0-1)}{a_3(a_0a_1-1)} = 1$  becomes  $\frac{1}{d}(p+q) = 1$  which contradicts the fact that  $d$  is not an integer. Hence  $a_3 \geq 3$ . Without loss of generality we can assume  $(a, b, c, d) = (2a_0 - 1, \frac{a_2(2a_0-1)}{a_0}, \frac{a_3(2a_0-1)}{2(a_0-1)}, 2 + \frac{1}{a_0-1})$ . Therefore

$$\begin{aligned} \mu &= (a-1)(b-1)(c-1)(d-1) \\ &= (2a_0-2)\left(\frac{2a_0a_2-a_2-a_0}{a_0}\right)\left(\frac{2a_0a_3-a_3-2a_0+2}{2a_0-2}\right)\left(\frac{a_0}{a_0-1}\right) \\ &= \left[\frac{(a_0-1)(2a_2-1)+(a_2-1)}{a_0-1}\right][(2a_0-1)(a_3-1)+1] \\ &> (2a_2-1)[(2a_0-1)(a_3-1)+1] \geq (3)[(5)(2)+1] > 16. \end{aligned}$$

If  $d = \frac{a_0a_1-1}{a_1-1} = a_0 + \frac{a_0-1}{a_1-1}$ : Since  $d$  is not an integer,  $\frac{a_0a_1-1}{a_0-1} > \frac{a_0a_1-1}{a_1-1}$ , which implies  $1 > \frac{a_0-1}{a_1-1}$ . Hence  $d = 2 + \frac{1}{a_1-1}$ ,  $a = \frac{a_0a_1-1}{a_0-1}$  and  $a_0 = 2$ . Observe that  $a = \frac{a_0a_1-1}{a_0-1} = a_1 + \frac{a_1-1}{a_0-1} = 2a_1 - 1 > 3$ . Hence  $a_1 \geq 3$ . If  $a_2 = 1$ , then  $\frac{a_0a_1a_2-a_2}{a_0a_1-a_0} = \frac{2a_1-1}{2a_1-2} < 2$ . Hence  $a_2 \geq 2$ . If  $a_2 = 2$ , then  $\frac{a_2(a_0a_1-1)}{a_0(a_1-1)} = d$ . Hence the condition  $\frac{r(a_1-1)}{(a_0a_1-1)} + \frac{sa_0(a_1-1)}{a_2(a_0a_1-1)} = 1$  becomes  $\frac{1}{d}(r+s) = 1$  which contradicts  $d$  is not an integer. Hence  $a_2 \geq 3$ . If  $a_3 = 1$ , then  $\frac{a_3(a_0a_1-1)}{a_1(a_0-1)} = \frac{2a_1-1}{a_1} < 2$ . Hence  $a_3 \geq 2$ . Without loss of generality we can assume  $(a, b, c, d) = (2a_1 - 1, \frac{a_2(2a_1-1)}{2(a_1-1)}, \frac{a_3(2a_1-1)}{a_1}, 2 + \frac{1}{a_1-1})$ . Therefore

$$\begin{aligned} \mu &= (a-1)(b-1)(c-1)(d-1) \\ &= 2(a_1-1)\left(\frac{2a_1a_2-a_2-2a_1+2}{2(a_1-1)}\right)\left(\frac{2a_1a_3-a_3-a_1}{a_1}\right)\left(\frac{a_1}{a_1-1}\right) \\ &> [(2a_1-1)(a_2-1)]\left[\frac{(a_1-1)(2a_3-1)+a_3-1}{a_1-1}\right] \geq [(5)(2)][3] > 16. \end{aligned}$$

If  $d = \frac{a_3(a_0a_1-1)}{a_1(a_0-1)} = a_3 + \frac{a_3(a_1-1)}{a_1(a_0-1)}$ : Since  $d$  is not an integer,  $\frac{a_0a_1-1}{a_1-1} > \frac{a_3(a_0a_1-1)}{a_1(a_0-1)}$ , which implies  $1 > \frac{a_3(a_1-1)}{a_1(a_0-1)}$ . Hence  $d = 2 + \frac{2(a_1-1)}{a_1(a_0-1)}$ ,  $a = \frac{a_0a_1-1}{a_1-1} > 3$  and  $a_3 = 2$ .

If  $a_0 = 1$ , then  $\frac{a_0 a_1 - 1}{a_1 - 1} = 1 < 3$ . Hence  $a_0 \geq 2$ . If  $a_1 = 1$ , then  $\frac{a_0 a_1 - 1}{a_0 - 1} = 1 < 2$ . Hence  $a_1 \geq 2$ . If  $a_0 = 2$ , then  $\frac{a_0 a_1 - 1}{a_1 - 1} = 2 + \frac{1}{a_1 - 1} \leq 3$  Hence  $a_0 \geq 3$ . If  $a_1 = 2$ , then  $\frac{a_0 a_1 - 1}{a_0 - 1} = 2 + \frac{1}{a_0 - 1} = d$ . Hence the condition  $\frac{p(a_0 - 1)}{a_0 a_1 - 1} + \frac{q a_1 (a_0 - 1)}{a_3 (a_0 a_1 - 1)} = 1$  becomes  $\frac{1}{d}(p + q) = 1$  which contradicts the fact that  $d$  is not an integer. Hence  $a_1 \geq 3$ . If  $a_2 = 1$ , then  $\frac{a_2(a_0 a_1 - 1)}{a_0(a_1 - 1)} = 1 + \frac{a_0 - 1}{a_0(a_1 - 1)} < 2$ . Hence  $a_2 \geq 2$ . From  $\frac{a_0 a_1 - 1}{a_1 - 1} \geq \frac{a_0 a_1 - 1}{a_0 - 1}$  we have  $\frac{a_0 - 1}{a_1 - 1} \geq 1$ . Hence  $\frac{a_0 a_1 - 1}{a_1 - 1} = a_0 + \frac{a_0 - 1}{a_1 - 1} \geq 4$ .  $\frac{a_0 a_1 - 1}{a_0 - 1} = a_1 + \frac{a_1 - 1}{a_0 - 1} > 3$ . Without loss of generality we can assume  $(a, b, c, d) = (\frac{a_0 a_1 - 1}{a_1 - 1}, \frac{a_0 a_1 - 1}{a_0 - 1}, \frac{a_2(a_0 a_1 - 1)}{a_0(a_1 - 1)}, 2 + \frac{2(a_1 - 1)}{a_1(a_0 - 1)})$ . Therefore

$$\begin{aligned} \mu &= (a - 1)(b - 1)(c - 1)(d - 1) \\ &= \left(\frac{a_0 a_1 - a_1}{a_1 - 1}\right) \left(\frac{a_0 a_1 - a_0}{a_0 - 1}\right) \left(\frac{a_0 a_1 a_2 - a_2 - a_1 a_0 + a_0}{a_0 a_1 - a_0}\right) \left(\frac{a_0 a_1 + a_1 - 2}{a_0 a_1 - a_1}\right) \\ &= \left[\frac{(a_0 a_1 - 1)(a_2 - 1) + (a_0 - 1)}{a_0 - 1}\right] \left[\frac{a_0 a_1 - 1}{a_1 - 1} + 1\right] \\ &= \left[\left(\frac{a_0 a_1 - 1}{a_0 - 1}\right)(a_2 - 1) + 1\right] \left[\frac{a_0 a_1 - 1}{a_1 - 1} + 1\right] > [3 + 1][4 + 1] > 16. \end{aligned}$$

If  $d = \frac{a_2(a_0 a_1 - 1)}{a_0(a_1 - 1)} = a_2 + \frac{a_2(a_0 - 1)}{a_0(a_1 - 1)}$ : Since  $d$  is not an integer,  $\frac{a_0 a_1 - 1}{a_0 - 1} > \frac{a_2(a_0 a_1 - 1)}{a_0(a_1 - 1)}$ , which implies  $1 > \frac{a_2(a_0 - 1)}{a_0(a_1 - 1)}$ . Hence  $d = 2 + \frac{2(a_0 - 1)}{a_0(a_1 - 1)}$ ,  $a = \frac{a_0 a_1 - 1}{a_0 - 1} > 3$  and  $a_2 = 2$ . If  $a_0 = 1$ , then  $\frac{a_0 a_1 - 1}{a_1 - 1} = 1 < 2$ . Hence  $a_0 \geq 2$ . If  $a_0 = 2$ , then  $\frac{a_0 a_1 - 1}{a_1 - 1} = 2 + \frac{1}{a_1 - 1} = d$ . Hence  $\frac{r(a_1 - 1)}{a_0 a_1 - 1} + \frac{s a_0(a_1 - 1)}{a_2(a_0 a_1 - 1)} = 1$  becomes  $\frac{1}{d}(r + s) = 1$  which contradicts  $d$  is not an integer. Hence  $a_0 \geq 3$ . If  $a_1 = 1$ , then  $\frac{a_0 a_1 - 1}{a_0 - 1} = 1 < 3$ . Hence  $a_1 \geq 2$ . If  $a_1 = 2$ , then  $a = \frac{a_0 a_1 - 1}{a_0 - 1} = \frac{2a_0 - 1}{a_0 - 1} \leq 3$ . Hence  $a_1 \geq 3$ . From  $\frac{a_0 a_1 - 1}{a_0 - 1} \geq \frac{a_0 a_1 - 1}{a_1 - 1}$  we have  $\frac{a_1 - 1}{a_0 - 1} \geq 1$ . Hence  $\frac{a_0 a_1 - 1}{a_0 - 1} = a_1 + \frac{a_1 - 1}{a_0 - 1} \geq 4$ .  $\frac{a_0 a_1 - 1}{a_1 - 1} = a_0 + \frac{a_0 - 1}{a_1 - 1} \geq 3$ . Since  $a_0 \geq 3$ ,  $\frac{a_1 - 1}{a_0 a_1 - a_1} < 1$ . If  $a_3 = 1$ , then  $\frac{a_3(a_0 a_1 - 1)}{a_1(a_0 - 1)} = 1 + \frac{a_1 - 1}{a_0 a_1 - a_1} < 2$ . Hence  $a_3 \geq 2$ . Without loss of generality we can assume  $(a, b, c, d) = (\frac{a_0 a_1 - 1}{a_0 - 1}, \frac{a_0 a_1 - 1}{a_1 - 1}, \frac{a_3(a_0 a_1 - 1)}{a_1(a_0 - 1)}, 2 + \frac{2(a_0 - 1)}{a_0(a_1 - 1)})$ . Therefore

$$\begin{aligned} \mu &= (a - 1)(b - 1)(c - 1)(d - 1) \\ &= \left(\frac{a_0 a_1 - a_0}{a_0 - 1}\right) \left(\frac{a_0 a_1 - a_1}{a_1 - 1}\right) \left(\frac{a_0 a_1 a_3 - a_3 - a_1 a_0 + a_1}{a_0 a_1 - a_1}\right) \left(\frac{a_0 a_1 + a_0 - 2}{a_0 a_1 - a_0}\right) \\ &= \left[\frac{(a_0 a_1 - 1)(a_3 - 1) + a_1 - 1}{a_1 - 1}\right] \left[\frac{a_0 a_1 - 1 + a_0 - 1}{a_0 - 1}\right] \\ &= \left[\left(\frac{a_0 a_1 - 1}{a_1 - 1}\right)(a_3 - 1) + 1\right] \left[\frac{a_0 a_1 - 1}{a_0 - 1} + 1\right] > [4][5] > 16. \end{aligned}$$

**Class 18.**  $f(z_0, z_1, z_2, z_3) = z_0^{a_0} z_2 + z_0 z_1^{a_1} + z_1 z_2^{a_2} + z_1 z_3^{a_3} + z_2^p z_3^q$  with the condition  $\frac{p(a_0 a_1 - a_0 + 1)}{a_0 a_1 a_2 + 1} + \frac{q a_2(a_0 a_1 - a_0 + 1)}{a_3(a_0 a_1 a_2 + 1)} = 1$ ,  $w = (\frac{a_0 a_1 a_2 + 1}{a_1(a_2 - 1) + 1}, \frac{a_0 a_1 a_2 + 1}{a_2(a_0 - 1) + 1}, \frac{a_0 a_1 a_2 + 1}{a_0(a_1 - 1) + 1}, \frac{a_3(a_0 a_1 a_2 + 1)}{a_2(a_0(a_1 - 1) + 1)})$ .

We consider first when  $d = \frac{a_0 a_1 a_2 + 1}{a_0(a_1 - 1) + 1} = a_2 + \frac{a_2(a_0 - 1) + 1}{a_0(a_1 - 1) + 1}$ . Since  $d$  is not an integer,  $\frac{a_0 a_1 a_2 + 1}{a_2(a_0 - 1) + 1} > \frac{a_0 a_1 a_2 + 1}{a_0(a_1 - 1) + 1}$ , which implies  $1 > \frac{a_2(a_0 - 1) + 1}{a_0(a_1 - 1) + 1}$ . Hence  $d = 2 + \frac{2(a_0 - 1) + 1}{a_0(a_1 - 1) + 1}$ ,  $a = \frac{a_0 a_1 a_2 + 1}{a_2(a_0 - 1) + 1}$  and  $a_2 = 2$ . Without loss of generality we can assume  $(a, b, c, d) = (\frac{2a_0 a_1 + 1}{2a_0 - 1}, \frac{2a_0 a_1 + 1}{a_1 + 1}, \frac{a_3(2a_0 a_1 + 1)}{2(a_0(a_1 - 1) + 1)}, 2 + \frac{2(a_0 - 1) + 1}{a_0(a_1 - 1) + 1})$ . Observe that if  $a_1 = 1$ , then  $\frac{a_0 a_1 a_2 + 1}{a_2(a_0 - 1) + 1} = \frac{2a_0 a_1 + 1}{2a_0 - 1} = \frac{2a_1 + 1}{a_1 + 1} < 2$ . Hence  $a_1 \geq 2$ . If  $a_0 = 1$ , then  $\frac{a_0 a_1 a_2 + 1}{a_1(a_2 - 1) + 1} = \frac{2a_0 a_1 + 1}{a_1 + 1} = \frac{2a_1 + 1}{a_1 + 1} < 2$ . Hence  $a_0 \geq 2$ . If  $a_1 = 2$ , then  $a = \frac{a_0 a_1 a_2 + 1}{a_2(a_0 - 1) + 1} = \frac{2a_0 a_1 + 1}{2a_0 - 1} = \frac{4a_0 + 1}{2a_0 - 1} = 2 + \frac{3}{2a_0 - 1} \leq 3$ . Since  $a > 3$   $a_1 \geq 3$ . If  $a_3 = 1$ , then  $\frac{a_3(2a_0 a_1 + 1)}{2(a_0(a_1 - 1) + 1)} = \frac{2a_0 a_1 + 1}{2(a_0(a_1 - 1) + 1)} < \frac{2a_0 a_1 + 1}{2a_0 a_1} < 2$ . Hence

$a_3 \geq 2$ . Therefore

$$\begin{aligned} \mu &= (a-1)(b-1)(c-1)(d-1) \\ &= \left(\frac{2a_0a_1-2a_0+2}{2a_0-1}\right)\left(\frac{2a_0a_1-a_1}{a_1+1}\right)\left(\frac{2a_0a_1a_3+a_3-2a_0a_1+2a_0-2}{2a_0a_1-2a_0+2}\right)\left(\frac{a_0a_1+a_0}{a_0a_1-a_0+1}\right) \\ &= \left(\frac{a_0a_1}{a_0a_1-a_0+1}\right)(2a_0a_1a_3+a_3-2a_0a_1+2a_0-2) \\ &= a_0a_1\left(\frac{2a_0a_1a_3+a_3}{a_0a_1-a_0+1}-2\right). \end{aligned}$$

It is obvious that  $a_0a_1\left(\frac{2a_0a_1a_3+a_3}{a_0a_1-a_0+1}-2\right)$  is an increasing function of  $a_3$ . Since  $a_3 \geq 2$ , the minimum of  $a_0a_1\left(\frac{2a_0a_1a_3+a_3}{a_0a_1-a_0+1}-2\right)$  is at  $a_3 = 2$ .  $a_0a_1\left(\frac{2a_0a_1a_3+a_3}{a_0a_1-a_0+1}-2\right) \Big|_{a_3=2} = a_0a_1\left(\frac{2a_0a_1+2a_0}{a_0a_1-a_0+1}\right) > 2a_0a_1+2a_0 \geq (2)(2)(3) + (2)(2) = 16$ . Hence we have  $\mu = (a-1)(b-1)(c-1)(d-1) > 16$ .

Similarly we can prove the cases for  $d = \frac{a_0a_1a_2+1}{a_1(a_2-1)+1}$ , and  $d = \frac{a_0a_1a_2+1}{a_2(a_0-1)+1}$ .

If  $d = \frac{a_3(a_0a_1a_2+1)}{a_2(a_0(a_1-1)+1)} = a_3 + \frac{a_2a_3(a_0-1)+a_3}{a_2(a_0(a_1-1)+1)}$ : Since  $d$  is not an integer,  $\frac{a_0a_1a_2+1}{a_2(a_0-1)+1} > \frac{a_3(a_0a_1a_2+1)}{a_2(a_0(a_1-1)+1)}$ , which implies  $1 > \frac{a_2a_3(a_0-1)+a_3}{a_2(a_0(a_1-1)+1)}$ . Hence  $d = 2 + \frac{2(a_0a_2-a_2+1)}{a_2(a_0(a_1-1)+1)}$ , where  $a = \frac{a_0a_1a_2+1}{a_2(a_0-1)+1}$  and  $a_3 = 2$ . Without loss of generality we can assume  $(a, b, c, d) = \left(\frac{a_0a_1a_2+1}{a_2(a_0-1)+1}, \frac{a_0a_1a_2+1}{a_1(a_2-1)+1}, \frac{a_0a_1a_2+1}{a_0(a_1-1)+1}, 2 + \frac{2(a_0a_2-a_2+1)}{a_2(a_0(a_1-1)+1)}\right)$ . We will show that  $a_0 \geq 2$ ,  $a_1 \geq 2$ , and  $a_2 \geq 2$ . If  $a_0 = a_1 = a_2 = 1$ , then  $a = b = c = 2$  which is a contradiction. If  $(a_0, a_1, a_2) = (1, 1, 2)$  then  $\frac{a_0a_1a_2+1}{a_1(a_2-1)+1} = \frac{3}{2} < 2$  which is a contradiction. Similarly we can prove  $(a_0, a_1, a_2)$  cannot be  $(2, 1, 1)$  and  $(1, 2, 1)$ . If  $(a_0, a_1, a_2) = (1, 2, 2)$  then  $\frac{a_0a_1a_2+1}{a_1(a_2-1)+1} = \frac{5}{3} < 2$  which is a contradiction. Similarly we can prove  $(a_0, a_1, a_2)$  cannot be  $(2, 1, 2)$  and  $(2, 2, 1)$ . Hence we get  $a_0 \geq 2$ ,  $a_1 \geq 2$ , and  $a_2 \geq 2$ . If  $a_0 = a_1 = a_2 = 2$ , then  $a = \frac{a_0a_1a_2+1}{a_2(a_0-1)+1} = 3$ . Hence at least one of  $a_0, a_1$ , and  $a_2$  must be greater than 2. Therefore

$$\begin{aligned} \mu &= (a-1)(b-1)(c-1)(d-1) \\ &= \left(\frac{a_0a_1a_2-a_0a_2+a_2}{a_0a_2-a_2+1}\right)\left(\frac{a_0a_1a_2-a_1a_2+a_1}{a_1a_2-a_1+1}\right)\left(\frac{a_0a_1a_2-a_0a_1+a_0}{a_0a_1-a_0+1}\right) \\ &\quad \cdot \left(\frac{a_0a_1a_2+a_0a_2-a_2+2}{a_2(a_0a_1-a_0+1)}\right) \\ &= \left(\frac{a_0a_1}{a_0a_1-a_0+1}\right)(a_0a_1a_2+a_0a_2-a_2+2) \\ &= a_0a_1\left(a_2 + \frac{2(a_0a_2-a_2+1)}{a_0a_1-a_0+1}\right) > a_0a_1a_2+2(a_0a_2-a_2+1). \end{aligned}$$

It is obvious that  $a_0a_1a_2+2(a_0a_2-a_2+1)$  is an increasing function of  $a_0, a_1$ , and  $a_2$ . Note also at least one of them is greater than or equal to 3. If  $a_0 = 3$ ,  $a_0a_1a_2+2(a_0a_2-a_2+1) \geq 3a_1a_2+2(2a_2+1) \geq 12+10 = 22 > 16$ . If  $a_1 = 3$ ,  $a_0a_1a_2+2(a_0a_2-a_2+1) \geq 3a_0a_2+2(a_2(a_0-1)+1) \geq 12+6 = 18 > 16$ . If  $a_2 = 3$ ,  $a_0a_1a_2+2(a_0a_2-a_2+1) \geq 3a_0a_1+2(a_2(a_0-1)+1) \geq 12+8 = 20 > 16$ .

**Class 19.**  $f(z_0, z_1, z_2, z_3) = z_0^{a_0}z_2 + z_0z_1^{a_1} + z_3z_2^{a_2} + z_1z_3^{a_3}$ ,  $w = \left(\frac{a_0a_1a_2a_3-1}{a_1(a_3(a_2-1)+1)-1}, \frac{a_0a_1a_2a_3-1}{a_3(a_2(a_0-1)+1)-1}, \frac{a_0a_1a_2a_3-1}{a_0(a_1(a_3-1)+1)-1}, \frac{a_0a_1a_2a_3-1}{a_2(a_0(a_1-1)+1)-1}\right)$ .

By the property of symmetry we consider only the case when  $d = \frac{a_0a_1a_2a_3-1}{a_2(a_0(a_1-1)+1)-1} = a_3 + \frac{a_3(a_0a_2-a_2+1)-1}{a_2(a_0(a_1-1)+1)-1}$ . Since  $d$  is not an integer,  $\frac{a_0a_1a_2a_3-1}{a_3(a_2(a_0-1)+1)-1} > \frac{a_0a_1a_2a_3-1}{a_2(a_0(a_1-1)+1)-1}$ , which implies  $1 > \frac{a_3(a_0a_2-a_2+1)-1}{a_2(a_0(a_1-1)+1)-1}$ . Hence  $d = 2 + \frac{a_3(a_0a_2-a_2+1)-1}{a_2(a_0(a_1-1)+1)-1}$ ,  $a = \frac{a_0a_1a_2a_3-1}{a_3(a_2(a_0-1)+1)-1}$



and  $a_3 = 2$ . We will show that  $a_0 \geq 2$ ,  $a_1 \geq 2$ , and  $a_2 \geq 2$ . If  $(a_0, a_1, a_2) = (1, 1, 1)$ , then  $\frac{a_0 a_1 a_2 a_3 - 1}{a_0(a_1(a_3 - 1) + 1) - 1} = 1 < 2$  which is a contradiction. If  $(a_0, a_1, a_2) = (2, 1, 1)$ , then  $\frac{a_0 a_1 a_2 a_3 - 1}{a_3(a_2(a_0 - 1) + 1) - 1} = 1 < 2$  which is a contradiction. If  $(a_0, a_1, a_2) = (1, 2, 1)$  or  $(a_0, a_1, a_2) = (1, 1, 2)$ , then  $a = \frac{a_0 a_1 a_2 a_3 - 1}{a_3(a_2(a_0 - 1) + 1) - 1} = 3$  which is a contradiction. If  $(a_0, a_1, a_2) = (1, 2, 2)$  then  $\frac{a_0 a_1 a_2 a_3 - 1}{a_1(a_3(a_2 - 1) + 1) - 1} = \frac{7}{5} < 2$  which is a contradiction. Similarly we can prove that  $(a_0, a_1, a_2)$  cannot be  $(2, 1, 2)$  and  $(2, 2, 1)$ . But if  $a_0 = a_1 = a_2 = a_3 = 2$ , then  $a = \frac{a_0 a_1 a_2 a_3 - 1}{a_3(a_2(a_0 - 1) + 1) - 1} = 3$ . Hence one of  $a_0, a_1, a_2$  must be greater than or equal to 3. Therefore

$$\begin{aligned} \mu &= (a - 1)(b - 1)(c - 1)(d - 1) = a_0 a_1 a_2 a_3 = 2 a_0 a_1 a_2 \\ &\geq 2(2)(2)(3) = 24 > 16. \end{aligned}$$

The proof of the main theorem is completed.

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