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If $a, b > 0$ with $ab = 1$ and $\lambda \geq 0$, then :

$$\frac{a^3 + \lambda b^3}{a^2(a^2 + \lambda b^2)} + \frac{b^3 + \lambda a^3}{b^2(b^2 + \lambda a^2)} \geq 2$$

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$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{a^3 + \lambda b^3}{a^2(a^2 + \lambda b^2)} + \frac{b^3 + \lambda a^3}{b^2(b^2 + \lambda a^2)} = \\ &= \frac{a(a^2 + \lambda b^2 - \lambda b^2) + \lambda b^3}{a^2(a^2 + \lambda b^2)} + \frac{b(b^2 + \lambda a^2 - \lambda a^2) + \lambda a^3}{b^2(b^2 + \lambda a^2)} = \\ &= \frac{1}{a} + \frac{\lambda b^3 - \lambda a b^2}{a^2(a^2 + \lambda b^2)} + \frac{1}{b} + \frac{\lambda a^3 - \lambda a^2 b}{b^2(b^2 + \lambda a^2)} = \\ &= \frac{1}{a} + \frac{1}{b} + \lambda \left(\frac{a^2(a - b)}{b^2(b^2 + \lambda a^2)} - \frac{b^2(a - b)}{a^2(a^2 + \lambda b^2)} \right) = \\ &= \frac{1}{a} + \frac{1}{b} + \lambda(a - b) \left(\frac{a^4(a^2 + \lambda b^2) - b^4(b^2 + \lambda a^2)}{a^2 b^2 (a^2 + \lambda b^2)(b^2 + \lambda a^2)} \right) = \\ &= \frac{1}{a} + \frac{1}{b} + \lambda(a - b) \left(\frac{a^6 - b^6 + \lambda a^2 b^2 (a^2 - b^2)}{a^2 b^2 (a^2 + \lambda b^2)(b^2 + \lambda a^2)} \right) = \\ &= \frac{1}{a} + \frac{1}{b} + \lambda(a - b) \left(\frac{(a^2 - b^2)(a^4 + b^4 + a^2 b^2 + \lambda a^2 b^2)}{a^2 b^2 (a^2 + \lambda b^2)(b^2 + \lambda a^2)} \right) = \\ &= \frac{1}{a} + \frac{1}{b} + \lambda(a + b)(a - b)^2 \left(\frac{a^4 + b^4 + a^2 b^2(1 + \lambda)}{a^2 b^2 (a^2 + \lambda b^2)(b^2 + \lambda a^2)} \right) \geq \frac{1}{a} + \frac{1}{b} \\ & (\because a, b > 0 \text{ and } \lambda \geq 0) \stackrel{\text{A-G}}{\geq} 2. \sqrt{\frac{1}{ab}} \stackrel{ab=1}{=} 2 \therefore \frac{a^3 + \lambda b^3}{a^2(a^2 + \lambda b^2)} + \frac{b^3 + \lambda a^3}{b^2(b^2 + \lambda a^2)} \geq 2 \end{aligned}$$

$\forall a, b > 0 \mid ab = 1 \text{ and } \lambda \geq 0, " = " \text{ iff } a = b = c = 1 \text{ (QED)}$