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If  $x, y, z > 0, xyz = 1$  then:

$$\sqrt[3]{\frac{x}{y+7}} + \sqrt[3]{\frac{y}{z+7}} + \sqrt[3]{\frac{z}{x+7}} \geq \frac{3}{2}$$

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$$\begin{aligned} \left(\frac{y+7}{8}\right)^{\frac{1}{3}} &= \left(1 + \frac{y-1}{8}\right)^{\frac{1}{3}} \stackrel{\text{Bernoulli}}{\leq} 1 + \frac{y-1}{24} = \frac{y+23}{24} \\ \left(\frac{8}{y+7}\right)^{\frac{1}{3}} &\geq \frac{24}{y+23} \text{ or } \frac{1}{\sqrt[3]{y+7}} \geq \frac{12}{y+23} \quad (1) \\ \forall x, y, z > 0 \quad &\left(\sum x^2\right)^2 \geq 3 \sum x^3 y \quad (\text{Vasc inequality}) \end{aligned}$$

$$\sqrt[3]{\frac{x}{y+7}} + \sqrt[3]{\frac{y}{z+7}} + \sqrt[3]{\frac{z}{x+7}} \stackrel{(1)}{\geq} \sum \frac{12\sqrt[3]{x}}{y+23} \quad (2)$$

let  $x^{\frac{1}{3}} = \frac{a}{b}, y^{\frac{1}{3}} = \frac{c}{a}, z^{\frac{1}{3}} = \frac{b}{c}$  then from (2):

$$\begin{aligned} \sqrt[3]{\frac{x}{y+7}} + \sqrt[3]{\frac{y}{z+7}} + \sqrt[3]{\frac{z}{x+7}} &\stackrel{(1)}{\geq} \sum \frac{12\sqrt[3]{x}}{y+23} = 12 \sum \frac{\left(\frac{a}{b}\right)}{\frac{c^3}{a^3} + 23} = \\ &= 12 \sum \frac{a^4}{b(c^3 + 23a^3)} \stackrel{\text{Bergstrom}}{\geq} 12 \frac{(a^2 + b^2 + c^2)^2}{(\sum bc^3) + 23(\sum a^3 b)} \geq \\ &\stackrel{(2)}{\geq} 12 \frac{(a^2 + b^2 + c^2)^2}{\frac{(\sum a^2)^2}{3} + \frac{23(\sum a^2)^2}{3}} = \frac{3}{2} \end{aligned}$$

(Equality holds for  $a = b = c = 1$ )