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If  $a, b, c > 0, abc = 1, n \in \mathbb{N}$  then:

$$\frac{a^{n+2} + b^{n+2}}{c^n(a^{n+1} + b^{n+1})} + \frac{b^{n+2} + c^{n+2}}{a^n(b^{n+1} + c^{n+1})} + \frac{c^{n+2} + a^{n+2}}{b^n(c^{n+1} + a^{n+1})} \geq 3$$

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$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{cyc} \frac{a^{n+2} + b^{n+2}}{c^n(a^{n+1} + b^{n+1})} &\stackrel{LEHMER}{\geq} \sum_{cyc} \frac{a+b}{2c^n} \stackrel{AM-GM}{\geq} \sum_{cyc} \frac{\sqrt{ab}}{c^n} \geq \\ &\stackrel{AM-GM}{\geq} 3 \sqrt[3]{\frac{\sqrt{ab} \cdot \sqrt{bc} \cdot \sqrt{ca}}{c^n \cdot a^n \cdot b^n}} = 3 \sqrt[3]{\frac{abc}{(abc)^n}} = 3 \sqrt[3]{1} = 3 \end{aligned}$$

Equality holds for  $a = b = c = 1$ .