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If  $a, b, c > 0$  and  $abc = 1$ , then prove that  $\forall n \in \mathbb{N}$ , we have :

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

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$$\begin{aligned} & \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{b(a^2 + ab + b^2)^{3n} + c(a^2 + ac + c^2)^{3n}}{a(b+c)} \stackrel{\text{A-G}}{\geq} \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{b(3ab)^{3n} + c(3ac)^{3n}}{a(b+c)} \\ &= \sum_{\text{cyc}} \left( \frac{3^{3n} \cdot a^{3n-1}}{b+c} \cdot (b \cdot b^{3n} + c \cdot c^{3n}) \right) \stackrel{\text{Chebyshev}}{\geq} \sum_{\text{cyc}} \left( \frac{3^{3n} \cdot a^{3n-1}}{2(b+c)} \cdot (b+c)(b^{3n} + c^{3n}) \right) \\ &= \frac{3^{3n}}{2} \cdot \sum_{\text{cyc}} a^{3n-1} \cdot (b^{3n} + c^{3n}) \stackrel{\text{A-G}}{\geq} \frac{3 \cdot 3^{3n}}{2} \cdot \sqrt[3]{(abc)^{3n-1} \cdot \prod_{\text{cyc}} (b^{3n} + c^{3n})} \\ &\stackrel{\text{Cesaro}}{\geq} \frac{3 \cdot 3^{3n}}{2} \cdot \sqrt[3]{(abc)^{3n-1} \cdot 8(abc)^{3n}} \stackrel{abc=1}{=} \frac{3 \cdot 3^{3n} \cdot 2}{2} = 3^{3n+1} \\ \therefore & \frac{b(b^2 + bc + c^2)^{3n} + a(a^2 + ac + c^2)^{3n}}{c(a+b)} + \frac{b(a^2 + ab + b^2)^{3n} + c(a^2 + ac + c^2)^{3n}}{a(b+c)} \\ &+ \frac{a(a^2 + ab + b^2)^{3n} + c(b^2 + bc + c^2)^{3n}}{b(a+c)} \geq 3^{3n+1} \forall a, b, c > 0 \mid abc = 1 \\ &\text{and } \forall n \in \mathbb{N}, " = " \text{ iff } a = b = c = 1 \text{ (QED)} \end{aligned}$$