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If  $a, b, c > 0$  and  $abc = 1$ , then prove that :

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \frac{\sqrt{a^3 + b^3} \left( \sqrt[3]{b} \cdot \sqrt[4]{b^5 + c^5} + \sqrt[3]{a} \cdot \sqrt[4]{c^5 + a^5} \right)}{\sqrt[3]{bc} \cdot \sqrt{b^3 + c^3} + \sqrt[3]{ac} \cdot \sqrt{c^3 + a^3}} \\
 & + \frac{\sqrt{b^3 + c^3} \left( \sqrt[3]{b} \cdot \sqrt[4]{a^5 + b^5} + \sqrt[3]{c} \cdot \sqrt[4]{c^5 + a^5} \right)}{\sqrt[3]{ab} \cdot \sqrt{a^3 + b^3} + \sqrt[3]{ac} \cdot \sqrt{c^3 + a^3}} \\
 & + \frac{\sqrt{c^3 + a^3} \left( \sqrt[3]{a} \cdot \sqrt[4]{a^5 + b^5} + \sqrt[3]{c} \cdot \sqrt[4]{b^5 + c^5} \right)}{\sqrt[3]{ab} \cdot \sqrt{a^3 + b^3} + \sqrt[3]{bc} \cdot \sqrt{b^3 + c^3}} \geq 3 \cdot \sqrt[4]{2}
 \end{aligned}$$

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$\forall A, B, C > 0$ ,  $(A + B)$ ,  $(B + C)$ ,  $(C + A)$  form sides of a triangle

( $\because (A + B) + (B + C) > (C + A)$  and analogs)

$\Rightarrow \sqrt{A + B}$ ,  $\sqrt{B + C}$ ,  $\sqrt{C + A}$  form sides of a triangle

with area  $F$  (say) and  $16F^2 = 2 \sum_{cyc} (A + B)(B + C) - \sum_{cyc} (A + B)^2$

$$= 2 \sum_{cyc} \left( \sum_{cyc} AB + B^2 \right) - 2 \sum_{cyc} A^2 - 2 \sum_{cyc} AB$$

$$= 6 \sum_{cyc} AB + 2 \sum_{cyc} A^2 - 2 \sum_{cyc} A^2 - 2 \sum_{cyc} AB \Rightarrow 4F = 2 \sqrt{\sum_{cyc} AB} \rightarrow (1)$$

Now,  $\forall x, y, z > 0$ ,  $\sqrt{\sum_{cyc} \frac{xy}{(y+z)(z+x)}} \stackrel{?}{\geq} \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \Leftrightarrow \sum_{cyc} \frac{x^2 y^2}{xy(y+z)(z+x)} \stackrel{?}{\geq} \frac{3}{4}$  (\*)

Via Bergstrom, LHS of (\*)  $\geq \frac{(\sum_{cyc} xy)^2}{\sum_{cyc} (xy(\sum_{cyc} xy + z^2))}$

$$= \frac{(\sum_{cyc} xy)^2}{(\sum_{cyc} xy)^2 + xyz \sum_{cyc} x} \stackrel{?}{\geq} \frac{3}{4} \Leftrightarrow \left( \sum_{cyc} xy \right)^2 \geq 3xyz \sum_{cyc} x \rightarrow \text{true}$$

$$\therefore \sqrt{\sum_{cyc} \frac{xy}{(y+z)(z+x)}} \stackrel{?}{\geq} \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \rightarrow (2)$$

We have : LHS =  $\frac{\sqrt[3]{ab} \cdot \sqrt{a^3 + b^3} \left( \frac{\sqrt[4]{b^5 + c^5}}{\sqrt[3]{a}} + \frac{\sqrt[4]{c^5 + a^5}}{\sqrt[3]{b}} \right)}{\sqrt[3]{bc} \cdot \sqrt{b^3 + c^3} + \sqrt[3]{ca} \cdot \sqrt{c^3 + a^3}}$

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$$\begin{aligned}
 & + \frac{\sqrt[3]{bc} \cdot \sqrt{b^3 + c^3} \left( \frac{\sqrt[4]{a^5 + b^5}}{\sqrt[3]{c}} + \frac{\sqrt[4]{c^5 + a^5}}{\sqrt[3]{b}} \right)}{\sqrt[3]{ab} \cdot \sqrt{a^3 + b^3} + \sqrt[3]{ca} \cdot \sqrt{c^3 + a^3}} + \frac{\sqrt[3]{ca} \cdot \sqrt{c^3 + a^3} \left( \frac{\sqrt[4]{a^5 + b^5}}{\sqrt[3]{c}} + \frac{\sqrt[4]{b^5 + c^5}}{\sqrt[3]{a}} \right)}{\sqrt[3]{ab} \cdot \sqrt{a^3 + b^3} + \sqrt[3]{bc} \cdot \sqrt{b^3 + c^3}} \\
 & = \frac{x}{y+z} (B+C) + \frac{y}{z+x} (C+A) + \frac{z}{x+y} (A+B) \\
 & \left( x = \sqrt[3]{ab} \cdot \sqrt{a^3 + b^3}, y = \sqrt[3]{bc} \cdot \sqrt{b^3 + c^3}, z = \sqrt[3]{ca} \cdot \sqrt{c^3 + a^3}, \right. \\
 & \quad \left. A = \frac{\sqrt[4]{a^5 + b^5}}{\sqrt[3]{c}}, B = \frac{\sqrt[4]{b^5 + c^5}}{\sqrt[3]{a}}, C = \frac{\sqrt[4]{c^5 + a^5}}{\sqrt[3]{b}} \right) \\
 & = \frac{x}{y+z} \cdot \sqrt{B+C}^2 + \frac{y}{z+x} \cdot \sqrt{C+A}^2 + \frac{z}{x+y} \cdot \sqrt{A+B}^2 \stackrel{\text{Oppenheim}}{\geq} \\
 4F. & \sqrt{\sum_{cyc} \frac{xy}{(y+z)(z+x)}} \stackrel{\text{via (1) and (2)}}{\geq} 2 \sqrt{\sum_{cyc} AB} \cdot \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} = \sqrt{3 \sum_{cyc} \frac{\sqrt[4]{(a^5 + b^5)(b^5 + c^5)}}{\sqrt[3]{ca}}} \\
 & \stackrel{A-G}{\geq} \sqrt{9 \cdot \frac{\sqrt[3]{\sqrt{(a^5 + b^5)(b^5 + c^5)(c^5 + a^5)}}}{\sqrt[3]{a^2 b^2 c^2}}} \stackrel{\text{Cesaro and } abc=1}{\geq} 3 \cdot \sqrt[3]{\sqrt[3]{8(abc)^5}} \stackrel{abc=1}{=} 3 \cdot \sqrt[12]{2^3} \\
 & = 3 \cdot \sqrt[4]{2} \quad \forall a, b, c > 0 \mid abc = 1, " = " \text{ iff } a = b = c = 1 \text{ (QED)}
 \end{aligned}$$