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If $a, b > 0$ prove that

$$\left(\frac{2b}{b+2a} + \sqrt[3]{\left(\frac{b}{a}\right)^2} + \frac{4(a^2+1)}{3(1+ab)} \right) \cdot \sqrt[9]{\frac{a^2(b+2a)^2(9+2a^2+2b^2+5ab)^4}{b^4(a^2+1)^4}} \geq 9\sqrt[9]{3}$$

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By AM – GM inequality, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{2b}{b+2a} + \sqrt[3]{\left(\frac{b}{a}\right)^2} + \frac{4(a^2+1)}{3(1+ab)} &= 2 \cdot \frac{b}{b+2a} + 3 \cdot \frac{1}{3} \sqrt[3]{\left(\frac{b}{a}\right)^2} + 4 \cdot \frac{a^2+1}{3(1+ab)} \\ &\geq 9 \sqrt[9]{\left(\frac{b}{b+2a}\right)^2 \cdot \left(\frac{1}{3} \sqrt[3]{\left(\frac{b}{a}\right)^2}\right)^3 \cdot \left(\frac{a^2+1}{3(1+ab)}\right)^4} \\ &= 9 \sqrt[9]{\frac{3b^4(a^2+1)^4}{a^2(b+2a)^2(9+9ab)^4}} \\ &= 9 \sqrt[9]{\frac{3b^4(a^2+1)^4}{a^2(b+2a)^2(9+4ab+5ab)^4}} \geq 9 \sqrt[9]{\frac{3b^4(a^2+1)^4}{a^2(b+2a)^2(9+2a^2+2b^2+5ab)^4}} \\ &\Rightarrow \left(\frac{2b}{b+2a} + \sqrt[3]{\left(\frac{b}{a}\right)^2} + \frac{4(a^2+1)}{3(1+ab)} \right) \cdot \sqrt[9]{\frac{a^2(b+2a)^2(9+2a^2+2b^2+5ab)^4}{b^4(a^2+1)^4}} \geq 9\sqrt[9]{3}. \end{aligned}$$

Equality holds iff $a = b$.