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If $a, b, c > 0$ then prove that :

$$\left(\sqrt{a^2 + b^2} + \sqrt{b^2 + c^2}\right) \cdot \sqrt[3]{a^3 + 2b^3 + c^3} \leq \sqrt{2} \left(\sqrt[3]{a^3 + b^3}^2 + \sqrt[3]{b^3 + c^3}^2\right)$$

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$$\begin{aligned} & \text{Power - Mean inequality} \Rightarrow \left(\frac{a^3 + b^3}{2}\right)^{\frac{1}{3}} \geq \left(\frac{a^2 + b^2}{2}\right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \\ \Rightarrow & \sqrt{\frac{a^2 + b^2}{2}} \leq \left(\frac{a^3 + b^3}{2}\right)^{\frac{1}{3}} \text{ and similarly, } \sqrt{\frac{b^2 + c^2}{2}} \leq \left(\frac{b^3 + c^3}{2}\right)^{\frac{1}{3}} \\ \Rightarrow & \left(\sqrt{\frac{a^2 + b^2}{2}} + \sqrt{\frac{b^2 + c^2}{2}}\right) \cdot \sqrt[3]{(a^3 + b^3) + (b^3 + c^3)} \\ & \leq (x + y) \cdot \sqrt[3]{2x^3 + 2y^3} \left(x = \left(\frac{a^3 + b^3}{2}\right)^{\frac{1}{3}}, y = \left(\frac{b^3 + c^3}{2}\right)^{\frac{1}{3}}\right) \\ \stackrel{?}{\leq} & \sqrt[3]{a^3 + b^3}^2 + \sqrt[3]{b^3 + c^3}^2 = 2^{\frac{2}{3}} \cdot (x^2 + y^2) \Leftrightarrow 4(x^2 + y^2)^3 \stackrel{?}{\geq} 2(x^3 + y^3)(x + y)^3 \\ & \Leftrightarrow 2(t^2 + 1)^3 \stackrel{?}{\geq} (t^3 + 1)(t + 1)^3 \left(t = \frac{x}{y}\right) \\ \Leftrightarrow & t^6 - 3t^5 + 3t^4 - 2t^3 + 3t^2 - 3t + 1 \stackrel{?}{\geq} 0 \Leftrightarrow (t^2 + t + 1)(t - 1)^4 \stackrel{?}{\geq} 0 \rightarrow \text{true} \\ \therefore & \left(\sqrt{a^2 + b^2} + \sqrt{b^2 + c^2}\right) \cdot \sqrt[3]{a^3 + 2b^3 + c^3} \leq \sqrt{2} \left(\sqrt[3]{a^3 + b^3}^2 + \sqrt[3]{b^3 + c^3}^2\right) \end{aligned}$$

$\forall a, b, c > 0, '' = ''$ iff $a = b = c$ (QED)