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If  $a, b > 0$  then:

$$\frac{a^3 + b^3}{ab} + a^2 + b^2 + \frac{1}{a} + \frac{1}{b} + \frac{8}{a+b} \geq 10$$

*Solution by Daniel Sitaru and Claudia Nănuți.*

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{a^3 + b^3}{ab} + a^2 + b^2 + \frac{1}{a} + \frac{1}{b} + \frac{8}{a+b} = \\ & = \frac{a^2}{b} + \frac{b^2}{a} + \frac{a^2}{1} + \frac{b^2}{1} + \frac{1^2}{a} + \frac{1^2}{b} + \frac{8}{a+b} \geq \\ & \stackrel{\text{BERGSTRÖM}}{\geq} \frac{(a+b)^2}{a+b} + \frac{(a+b)^2}{1+1} + \frac{(1+1)^2}{a+b} + \frac{8}{a+b} = \\ & = (a+b) + \frac{(a+b)^2}{2} + \frac{12}{a+b} = \\ & = (a+b) + \frac{4}{a+b} + \frac{(a+b)^2}{2} + \frac{4}{a+b} + \frac{4}{a+b} \geq \\ & \stackrel{\text{AM-GM}}{\geq} 2 \cdot \sqrt{(a+b) \cdot \frac{4}{a+b}} + 3 \sqrt[3]{\frac{(a+b)^2}{2} \cdot \frac{4}{a+b} \cdot \frac{4}{a+b}} = \\ & = 2 \cdot 2 + 3 \cdot 2 = 10 \end{aligned}$$

Equality holds for  $a = b = 1$ . □

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