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

$$\frac{a}{b^{2024}} + \frac{b}{c^{2024}} + \frac{c}{a^{2024}} \geq a + b + c$$

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$$\begin{aligned} \frac{a}{b^{2024}} + \frac{b}{c^{2024}} + \frac{c}{a^{2024}} &= \frac{\left(\frac{1}{b}\right)^{2024}}{\frac{1}{a}} + \frac{\left(\frac{1}{c}\right)^{2024}}{\frac{1}{b}} + \frac{\left(\frac{1}{a}\right)^{2024}}{\frac{1}{c}} \stackrel{\text{Holder}}{\geq} \frac{\left(\sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{1}{a}\right)^{2024}}{3^{2022} \left(\sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{1}{a}\right)} \\ &= \frac{\left(\sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{1}{a}\right)^2 \left(\sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{1}{a}\right)^{2021}}{3^{2022}} \stackrel{\text{A-G}}{\geq} \frac{\left(\sum_{\text{cyc}} ab\right)^2 \cdot \left(3 \sqrt[3]{\frac{1}{abc}}\right)^{2021}}{3^{2022}} \geq \frac{3abc \sum_{\text{cyc}} a}{a^2 b^2 c^2} \quad (\because abc = 1) \\ &= \frac{\sum_{\text{cyc}} a}{abc} \stackrel{abc=1}{=} \sum_{\text{cyc}} a \therefore \frac{a}{b^{2024}} + \frac{b}{c^{2024}} + \frac{c}{a^{2024}} \geq a + b + c \\ &\forall a, b, c > 0 \mid abc = 1, "=" \text{ iff } a = b = c = 1 \text{ (QED)} \end{aligned}$$