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*If  $a, b, c > 0$  then:*

$$\frac{b+c}{a+\sqrt[3]{4b^3+4c^3}} + \frac{c+a}{b+\sqrt[3]{4c^3+4a^3}} + \frac{a+b}{c+\sqrt[3]{4a^3+4b^3}} \leq 2$$

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$$\forall x, y > 0 \quad \frac{x^3+y^3}{2} \geq \left(\frac{x+y}{2}\right)^3 \quad \text{or, } 4x^3+4y^3 \geq (x+y)^3 \quad (1)$$

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{b+c}{a+\sqrt[3]{4b^3+4c^3}} + \frac{c+a}{b+\sqrt[3]{4c^3+4a^3}} + \frac{a+b}{c+\sqrt[3]{4a^3+4b^3}} = \\ & = \sum \frac{b+c}{a+\sqrt[3]{4b^3+4c^3}} \stackrel{(1)}{\leq} \sum \frac{b+c}{a+\sqrt[3]{(b+c)^3}} = \\ & = \sum \frac{b+c}{a+b+c} = \frac{2(a+b+c)}{a+b+c} = 2 \end{aligned}$$

*Equality for  $a = b = c$*