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Let a, b, c, x, y, z be positive real numbers. Prove that

$$\frac{x}{y+z}(b^3+c^3) + \frac{y}{z+x}(c^3+a^3) + \frac{z}{x+y}(a^3+b^3) \geq 3abc$$

Solution by Arkady Alt, San Jose, California, USA.

Since for any $a, b, c, x, y, z > 0$ holds inequality

$$\frac{x(b+c)}{y+z} + \frac{y(c+a)}{z+x} + \frac{z(a+b)}{x+y} \geq \sqrt{3(ab+bc+ca)} \quad (\text{Inequality (F3) in [1]})$$

then by replacing (a, b, c) with (a^3, b^3, c^3) we obtain

$$\frac{x}{y+z}(b^3+c^3) + \frac{y}{z+x}(c^3+a^3) + \frac{z}{x+y}(a^3+b^3) \geq \sqrt{3(a^3b^3+b^3c^3+c^3a^3)}$$

and also $\sqrt{3(a^3b^3+b^3c^3+c^3a^3)} \geq 3abc$ because by AM-GM inequality

$$a^3b^3+b^3c^3+c^3a^3 \geq 3(a^3b^3 \cdot b^3c^3 \cdot c^3a^3)^{1/3} = 3a^2b^2c^2.$$

[1] **Variations on theme of one algebraic inequality_Arkady Alt**,

Mathematical Reflections n.2, 2009, p.6.

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