

Let a, b, c be positive real numbers such that $a + b + c = 4\sqrt[3]{abc}$. Prove that

$$2(ab + bc + ca) + 4 \min(a^2, b^2, c^2) \geq a^2 + b^2 + c^2.$$

WLOG, let $a \geq b \geq c$.

$$2(ab + bc + ca) + 4c^2 \geq a^2 + b^2 + c^2$$

$$4(ab + bc + ca) + 4a^2 \geq (a + b + c)^2$$

$$\begin{aligned} 4c(ab + bc + ca) + 4ab &\geq 16(abc)^{\frac{2}{3}} \\ \boxed{c(4\sqrt[3]{abc}) + ab} &\geq \underline{4(abc)^{\frac{2}{3}}} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} c(4\sqrt[3]{abc}) + ab &\geq 2\sqrt{4abc\sqrt[3]{abc}} \\ &= 4\left(\left(abc\right)^{\frac{4}{3}}\right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \\ &= \underline{4(abc)^{\frac{2}{3}}} \end{aligned}$$

Don't be scared!!

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