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**SP.116. A triangle with side lengths  $a, b, c$  has perimeter equal to 3.**

**Prove that:  $a^3 + b^3 + c^3 + a^4 + b^4 + c^4 \geq 2(a^2b^2 + b^2c^2 + c^2a^2)$**

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$$1 = \frac{\sum a}{3} \therefore \text{given inequality} \Leftrightarrow (\sum a)(\sum a^3) + 3 \sum a^4 \geq 6 \sum a^2 b^2$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \sum a^4 + \sum a^3 b + \sum ab^3 + 3 \sum a^4 \geq 6 \sum a^2 b^2$$

$$\Leftrightarrow 4 \sum a^4 + \sum a^3 b + \sum ab^3 \geq 6 \sum a^2 b^2 \quad (1)$$

$$\text{Now, } \sum a^3 b + \sum ab^3 \stackrel{A-G}{\underset{(a)}}{\geq} 2 \sum a^2 b^2. \text{ Also, } 4 \sum a^4 \stackrel{(b)}{\geq} 4 \sum a^2 b^2$$

**(a)+(b) $\Rightarrow$ (1) is true (Proved)**