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If $x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n > 1, a, b, c > 0$ and $abc \geq a + b + c, n, m = 1, 2, \dots$ then prove that:

$$\frac{a^2 + b^2 + c^2}{(\log_{x_1} x_2)^m} + \frac{a^4 + b^4 + c^4}{(\log_{x_2} x_3)^m} + \dots + \frac{a^{2n} + b^{2n} + c^{2n}}{(\log_{x_n} x_1)^m} \geq 3n\sqrt{3^{n+1}}$$

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$$abc \geq a + b + c \text{ or } abc \stackrel{AM-GM}{\geq} 3\sqrt[3]{abc} \text{ or } (abc)^{\frac{2}{3}} \geq 3 \text{ or } abc \geq 3\sqrt{3} \quad (1)$$

$$\frac{2}{3} + \frac{4}{3} + \dots + \frac{2n}{3} = \frac{2}{3}(1 + 2 + \dots + n) = \frac{2}{3} \cdot \frac{n(n+1)}{2} = \frac{n(n+1)}{3} \quad (2)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \prod (\log_{x_1} x_2)^m &= (\log_{x_1} x_2 \cdot \log_{x_2} x_3 \dots \log_{x_n} x_1)^m = \\ &= \left(\frac{\log x_2}{\log x_1} \cdot \frac{\log x_3}{\log x_2} \dots \frac{\log x_1}{\log x_n} \right)^m = (1)^m = 1 \quad (3) \end{aligned}$$

$$a^2 + b^2 + c^2 \stackrel{AM-GM}{\geq} 3(abc)^{\frac{2}{3}}$$

$$a^4 + b^4 + c^4 \stackrel{AM-GM}{\geq} 3(abc)^{\frac{4}{3}} \dots, a^{2n} + b^{2n} + c^{2n} \stackrel{AM-GM}{\geq} 3(abc)^{\frac{2n}{3}}$$

$$\begin{aligned} &\frac{a^2 + b^2 + c^2}{(\log_{x_1} x_2)^m} + \frac{a^4 + b^4 + c^4}{(\log_{x_2} x_3)^m} + \dots + \frac{a^{2n} + b^{2n} + c^{2n}}{(\log_{x_n} x_1)^m} \geq \\ &\geq \frac{3(abc)^{\frac{2}{3}}}{(\log_{x_1} x_2)^m} + \frac{3(abc)^{\frac{4}{3}}}{(\log_{x_2} x_3)^m} + \dots + \frac{3(abc)^{\frac{2n}{3}}}{(\log_{x_n} x_1)^m} \geq \end{aligned}$$

$$\stackrel{AM-GM}{\geq} 3n \sqrt[n]{\frac{(abc)^{\frac{2}{3} + \frac{4}{3} + \dots + \frac{2n}{3}}}{\prod (\log_{x_1} x_2)^m}} \stackrel{(2) \& (3)}{=} 3n \sqrt[n]{(abc)^{\frac{n(n+1)}{3}}} \stackrel{(1)}{\geq} 3n \sqrt[n]{(3\sqrt{3})^{\frac{n(n+1)}{3}}} = 3n\sqrt{3^{n+1}}$$

Equality holds for $x_1 = x_2 = \dots = x_n$ & $a = b = c = \sqrt{3}$.