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If  $a, b, c > 0$ ,  $a + b + c = 3$ ,  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  then:

$$\sum \left( \frac{a^3}{a^2 + b^2} \right)^n \geq \frac{3}{2^n}$$

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$$\begin{aligned} \sum \frac{a^3}{a^2 + b^2} &= \sum \left( a - \frac{ab^2}{a^2 + b^2} \right) = \sum a - \sum \frac{ab^2}{a^2 + b^2} \stackrel{AM-GM}{\geq} \\ &\geq \sum a - \sum \frac{ab^2}{2ab} = \sum a - \frac{1}{2} \sum a^{a+b+c-3} \stackrel{a+b+c=3}{=} \frac{3}{2} \quad (1) \end{aligned}$$

$$\sum \left( \frac{a^3}{a^2 + b^2} \right)^n = \sum \frac{\left( \frac{a^3}{a^2 + b^2} \right)^n}{(1)^{n-1}} \stackrel{Radon}{\geq} \frac{\left( \sum \frac{a^3}{a^2 + b^2} \right)^n}{3^{n-1}} \stackrel{(1)}{\geq} \frac{\left( \frac{3}{2} \right)^n}{3^{n-1}} = \frac{3}{2^n}$$

Equality holds for  $a=b=c=1$