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Much work has gone into investigating the differences between symbolic and regular powers of homogeneous ideals. Motivated by work of Harbourne and Huneke, we explore for which m, i and j we have the symbolic power $I^{(m)}$ contained in $M^j I^i$ where $I \subset k[x_1, \dots, x_n]$ is a monomial ideal and $M = (x_1, \dots, x_n)$. For square-free monomial ideals we obtain a certain containment which recovers two conjectures; one of Harbourne–Huneke and one of Bocci–Cooper–Harbourne. We also introduce the symbolic polyhedron of a monomial ideal and use this to explore symbolic powers of non-square-free monomial ideals. (Received August 10, 2013)