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If $a, b, c > 0, a + b + c = 3, \lambda \geq 0$ then:

$$\sum \frac{ab}{\sqrt{(\lambda + 1)a^2 - \lambda ab + (\lambda + 1)b^2}} \leq \frac{3}{\sqrt{\lambda + 2}}$$

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$$(\lambda + 1)a^2 - \lambda ab + (\lambda + 1)b^2 \stackrel{AM-GM}{\geq} 2(\lambda + 1)ab - \lambda ab = (\lambda + 2)ab \quad (1)$$

$$\sum \sqrt{ab} \stackrel{CBS}{\leq} \sqrt{3(ab + bc + ca)} \leq \sqrt{\frac{3(a + b + c)^2}{3}} = a + b + c = 3 \quad (2)$$

$$\sum \frac{ab}{\sqrt{(\lambda + 1)a^2 - \lambda ab + (\lambda + 1)b^2}} \stackrel{(1)}{\leq} \sum \frac{ab}{\sqrt{ab(\lambda + 2)}} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\lambda + 2}} \sum \sqrt{ab} \stackrel{(2)}{\leq} \frac{3}{\sqrt{\lambda + 2}}$$

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