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If  $a, b, c, \lambda > 0$  and  $ab + bc + ca = \lambda$ , then :

$$\frac{\sum_{\text{cyc}} \sqrt{a^2 + \lambda}}{\sum_{\text{cyc}} \sqrt{ab}} \geq 2$$

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$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\sum_{\text{cyc}} \sqrt{a^2 + \lambda}}{\sum_{\text{cyc}} \sqrt{ab}} \geq 2 &\Leftrightarrow \frac{\sum_{\text{cyc}} \sqrt{a^2 + ab + bc + ca}}{\sum_{\text{cyc}} \sqrt{ab}} \geq 2 \\ &\Leftrightarrow \boxed{\sum_{\text{cyc}} \sqrt{(a+b)(c+a)} \stackrel{(*)}{\geq} 2 \sum_{\text{cyc}} \sqrt{ab}} \end{aligned}$$

Assigning  $b + c = x', c + a = y', a + b = z' \Rightarrow x' + y' - z' = 2c > 0, y' + z' - x' = 2a > 0$  and  $z' + x' - y' = 2b > 0 \Rightarrow x' + y' > z', y' + z' > x', z' + x' > y' \Rightarrow x', y', z'$  form sides of a triangle  $\Rightarrow \sqrt{b+c} = \sqrt{x'} = x, \sqrt{c+a} = \sqrt{y'} = y, \sqrt{a+b} = \sqrt{z'} = z$  form sides of a triangle with semiperimeter, circumradius and inradius =  $s, R, r$  (say)

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Now, } b + c = x^2, c + a = y^2, a + b = z^2 &\Rightarrow \sum_{\text{cyc}} a = \frac{x^2 + y^2 + z^2}{2} \\ \Rightarrow a = \frac{y^2 + z^2 - x^2}{2}, b = \frac{z^2 + x^2 - y^2}{2}, c = \frac{x^2 + y^2 - z^2}{2} \\ \therefore \text{ using such transformations, } \sum_{\text{cyc}} \sqrt{(a+b)(c+a)} &\geq 2 \sum_{\text{cyc}} \sqrt{ab} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} &\Leftrightarrow \sum_{\text{cyc}} yz \geq 2 \sum_{\text{cyc}} \sqrt{\frac{y^2 + z^2 - x^2}{2} \cdot \frac{z^2 + x^2 - y^2}{2}} \\ &\Leftrightarrow \boxed{\sum_{\text{cyc}} x^2 y^2 + 2xyz \sum_{\text{cyc}} x \geq \sum_{\text{cyc}} (y^2 + z^2 - x^2)(z^2 + x^2 - y^2)} \\ &\quad + 2 \sum_{\text{cyc}} \left( (y^2 + z^2 - x^2) \cdot \sqrt{(z^2 + x^2 - y^2)(x^2 + y^2 - z^2)} \right) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Now, RHS of } (**) &\stackrel{A-G}{\leq} 2 \sum_{\text{cyc}} \left( (y^2 + z^2 - x^2) \cdot \frac{(z^2 + x^2 - y^2) + (x^2 + y^2 - z^2)}{2} \right) \\ &= 2 \sum_{\text{cyc}} x^2 (y^2 + z^2 - x^2) = 4 \sum_{\text{cyc}} x^2 y^2 - 2 \sum_{\text{cyc}} x^4 \\ \therefore \text{ LHS of } (**) &\leq - \sum_{\text{cyc}} x^4 + 2 \sum_{\text{cyc}} x^2 y^2 + 4 \sum_{\text{cyc}} x^2 y^2 - 2 \sum_{\text{cyc}} x^4 \stackrel{?}{\leq} \end{aligned}$$

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$$\sum_{\text{cyc}} x^2 y^2 + 2xyz \sum_{\text{cyc}} x \Leftrightarrow 3 \left( 2 \sum_{\text{cyc}} x^2 y^2 - 16r^2 s^2 \right) - 5 \sum_{\text{cyc}} x^2 y^2 + 2 \cdot 4Rrs \cdot 2s \stackrel{?}{\geq} 0$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \left( \sum_{\text{cyc}} xy \right)^2 - 16Rrs^2 - 48r^2 s^2 + 16Rrs^2 \stackrel{?}{\geq} 0 \Leftrightarrow \sum_{\text{cyc}} xy \stackrel{?}{\geq} 4\sqrt{3}rs$$

→ true via Gordon  $\Rightarrow (**)$   $\Rightarrow (*)$  is true  $\therefore \frac{\sum_{\text{cyc}} \sqrt{a^2 + \lambda}}{\sum_{\text{cyc}} \sqrt{ab}} \geq 2 \forall a, b, c, \lambda > 0$

and  $ab + bc + ca = \lambda, " = "$  iff  $a = b = c = \sqrt{\frac{\lambda}{3}}$  (QED)