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If  $a, b, c > 0$  prove that:

$$\sqrt{\frac{1}{a} + \frac{1}{b} - \frac{2}{a+b+c}} + \sqrt{\frac{1}{b} + \frac{1}{c} - \frac{2}{a+b+c}} + \sqrt{\frac{1}{c} + \frac{1}{a} - \frac{2}{a+b+c}} + \frac{\sqrt{6} \cdot \sqrt[4]{ab^2 + bc^2 + ca^2}}{3\sqrt[6]{abc}} \geq 3$$

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By AM – GM inequality, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{cyc} \sqrt{\frac{1}{b} + \frac{1}{c} - \frac{2}{a+b+c}} &= \sum_{cyc} \sqrt{\frac{ab + ca + b^2 + c^2}{bc(a+b+c)}} \geq \sum_{cyc} \sqrt{\frac{4\sqrt[4]{a^2 b^3 c^3}}{bc(a+b+c)}} \\ &= \frac{2}{\sqrt{a+b+c}} \sum_{cyc} \sqrt[8]{\frac{a^2}{bc}} \geq \frac{2}{\sqrt{a+b+c}} \cdot 3 \sqrt[3]{\sqrt[8]{\frac{a^2}{bc}} \cdot \sqrt[8]{\frac{b^2}{ca}} \cdot \sqrt[8]{\frac{c^2}{ab}}} = \frac{6}{\sqrt{a+b+c}} \end{aligned}$$

Also by AM – GM inequality, we have

$$ab^2 + bc^2 + ca^2 = \sum_{cyc} \frac{2ca^2 + ab^2}{3} \geq \sum_{cyc} \sqrt[3]{(ca^2)^2 \cdot ab^2} = \sqrt[3]{(abc)^2} \cdot (a+b+c).$$

Therefore

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{cyc} \sqrt{\frac{1}{b} + \frac{1}{c} - \frac{2}{a+b+c}} + \frac{\sqrt{6} \cdot \sqrt[4]{ab^2 + bc^2 + ca^2}}{3\sqrt[6]{abc}} &\geq \frac{6}{\sqrt{a+b+c}} + \frac{\sqrt{6} \cdot \sqrt[4]{a+b+c}}{3} \\ &\stackrel{AM-GM}{\geq} 3 \sqrt[3]{\frac{6}{\sqrt{a+b+c}} \cdot \left(\frac{\sqrt{6} \cdot \sqrt[4]{a+b+c}}{2 \cdot 3}\right)^2} = 3 \end{aligned}$$

Equality holds iff  $a = b = c = 12$ .