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If $a, b, c > 0$ and $abc = 1$, then prove that :

$$\frac{\sqrt{(a+c)(b^3+c^3)} + \sqrt{(b+c)(a^3+c^3)}}{\sqrt{a+b}(\sqrt{b+c} + \sqrt{a+c})} + \frac{\sqrt{(a+c)(a^3+b^3)} + \sqrt{(a+b)(a^3+c^3)}}{\sqrt{b+c}(\sqrt{a+b} + \sqrt{a+c})} + \frac{\sqrt{(b+c)(a^3+b^3)} + \sqrt{(a+b)(b^3+c^3)}}{\sqrt{a+c}(\sqrt{a+b} + \sqrt{b+c})} \geq 3$$

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$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{\sqrt{(a+c)(b^3+c^3)} + \sqrt{(b+c)(a^3+c^3)}}{\sqrt{a+b}(\sqrt{b+c} + \sqrt{a+c})} \\ &= \frac{\sqrt{(c+a)(b+c)(b^2-bc+c^2)} + \sqrt{(b+c)(c+a)(c^2-ca+a^2)}}{\sqrt{a+b}(\sqrt{b+c} + \sqrt{a+c})} \\ &\geq \frac{\sqrt{(b+c)(c+a)} \left(\frac{b+c}{2} + \frac{c+a}{2} \right)}{\sqrt{a+b}(\sqrt{b+c} + \sqrt{a+c})} = \frac{\sqrt{(b+c)(c+a)} (\sqrt{b+c} + \sqrt{c+a})}{2 \cdot \sqrt{a+b}(\sqrt{b+c} + \sqrt{a+c})} \\ &\geq \frac{\sqrt{(b+c)(c+a)} (\sqrt{b+c} + \sqrt{c+a})^2}{4 \cdot \sqrt{a+b}(\sqrt{b+c} + \sqrt{c+a})} \\ \Rightarrow & \frac{\sqrt{(a+c)(b^3+c^3)} + \sqrt{(b+c)(a^3+c^3)}}{\sqrt{a+b}(\sqrt{b+c} + \sqrt{a+c})} \geq \frac{\sqrt{(b+c)(c+a)} (\sqrt{b+c} + \sqrt{c+a})}{4 \cdot \sqrt{a+b}} \end{aligned}$$

and analogs $\Rightarrow \text{LHS} \geq \frac{1}{4} \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{\sqrt{(b+c)(c+a)} (\sqrt{b+c} + \sqrt{c+a})}{\sqrt{a+b}} \stackrel{\text{A-G}}{\geq}$

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{3}{4} \cdot \sqrt[3]{\frac{(\prod_{\text{cyc}} \sqrt{(b+c)(c+a)}) (\prod_{\text{cyc}} (\sqrt{b+c} + \sqrt{c+a}))}{\prod_{\text{cyc}} \sqrt{a+b}}} \\ & \stackrel{\text{Cesaro}}{\geq} \frac{3}{4} \cdot \sqrt[3]{\sqrt{(a+b)(b+c)(c+a)} \cdot 8 \cdot \sqrt{(a+b)(b+c)(c+a)}} \\ &= \frac{3}{2} \cdot \sqrt[3]{(a+b)(b+c)(c+a)} \stackrel{\text{Cesaro}}{\geq} \frac{3}{2} \cdot \sqrt[3]{8abc} \stackrel{abc=1}{=} 3 \quad \forall a, b, c > 0 \mid abc = 1, \\ & \quad \text{"=" iff } a = b = c = 1 \text{ (QED)} \end{aligned}$$