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

$$\frac{a \cdot \sqrt{b^3 + c^3} + b \cdot \sqrt{a^3 + c^3}}{ab(a+b)} + \frac{c \cdot \sqrt{a^3 + b^3} + b \cdot \sqrt{a^3 + c^3}}{bc(b+c)} + \frac{c \cdot \sqrt{a^3 + b^3} + a \cdot \sqrt{b^3 + c^3}}{ac(a+c)} \geq 3\sqrt{2}$$

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$\forall A, B, C > 0, (A+B), (B+C), (C+A)$ form sides of a triangle

$(\because (A+B) + (B+C) > (C+A) \text{ and analogs}) \Rightarrow \sqrt{A+B}, \sqrt{B+C}, \sqrt{C+A}$ form sides of a triangle with area F (say) and $16F^2 =$

$$2 \sum_{\text{cyc}} (A+B)(B+C) - \sum_{\text{cyc}} (A+B)^2 = 2 \sum_{\text{cyc}} \left(\sum_{\text{cyc}} AB + B^2 \right) - 2 \sum_{\text{cyc}} A^2 - 2 \sum_{\text{cyc}} AB \\ = 6 \sum_{\text{cyc}} AB + 2 \sum_{\text{cyc}} A^2 - 2 \sum_{\text{cyc}} A^2 - 2 \sum_{\text{cyc}} AB \Rightarrow 4F = 2 \sqrt{\sum_{\text{cyc}} AB} \rightarrow (1)$$

$$\text{Now, } \forall x, y, z > 0, \sqrt{\sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{xy}{(y+z)(z+x)}} \stackrel{?}{\geq} \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \Leftrightarrow \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{x^2 y^2}{xy(y+z)(z+x)} \stackrel{?}{\geq} \frac{3}{4} \quad (*)$$

$$\text{Via Bergstrom, LHS of } (*) \geq \frac{(\sum_{\text{cyc}} xy)^2}{\sum_{\text{cyc}} (xy(\sum_{\text{cyc}} xy + z^2))} = \frac{(\sum_{\text{cyc}} xy)^2}{(\sum_{\text{cyc}} xy)^2 + xyz \sum_{\text{cyc}} x}$$

$$\stackrel{?}{\geq} \frac{3}{4} \Leftrightarrow \left(\sum_{\text{cyc}} xy \right)^2 \stackrel{?}{\geq} 3xyz \sum_{\text{cyc}} x \rightarrow \text{true} \therefore \sqrt{\sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{xy}{(y+z)(z+x)}} \stackrel{?}{\geq} \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \rightarrow (2)$$

$$\text{We have : } \frac{a \cdot \sqrt{b^3 + c^3} + b \cdot \sqrt{a^3 + c^3}}{ab(a+b)} + \frac{c \cdot \sqrt{a^3 + b^3} + b \cdot \sqrt{a^3 + c^3}}{bc(b+c)} \\ + \frac{c \cdot \sqrt{a^3 + b^3} + a \cdot \sqrt{b^3 + c^3}}{ac(a+c)}$$

$$\stackrel{abc=1}{=} \frac{ac \cdot \sqrt{b^3 + c^3} + bc \cdot \sqrt{a^3 + c^3}}{a+b} + \frac{ca \cdot \sqrt{a^3 + b^3} + ab \cdot \sqrt{a^3 + c^3}}{b+c} \\ + \frac{bc \cdot \sqrt{a^3 + b^3} + ab \cdot \sqrt{b^3 + c^3}}{c+a}$$

$$= \frac{c}{a+b} \cdot (a \cdot \sqrt{b^3 + c^3} + b \cdot \sqrt{c^3 + a^3}) + \frac{a}{b+c} \cdot (c \cdot \sqrt{a^3 + b^3} + b \cdot \sqrt{c^3 + a^3}) \\ + \frac{b}{c+a} \cdot (c \cdot \sqrt{a^3 + b^3} + a \cdot \sqrt{b^3 + c^3}) \\ = \frac{a}{b+c} \cdot (b \cdot \sqrt{c^3 + a^3} + c \cdot \sqrt{a^3 + b^3}) + \frac{b}{c+a} \cdot (c \cdot \sqrt{a^3 + b^3} + a \cdot \sqrt{b^3 + c^3}) \\ + \frac{c}{a+b} \cdot (a \cdot \sqrt{b^3 + c^3} + b \cdot \sqrt{c^3 + a^3}) \\ = \frac{x}{y+z} (B+C) + \frac{y}{z+x} (C+A) + \frac{z}{x+y} (A+B)$$

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$$\begin{aligned}
& \left(x = a, y = b, z = c, A = a \cdot \sqrt{b^3 + c^3}, B = b \cdot \sqrt{c^3 + a^3}, C = c \cdot \sqrt{a^3 + b^3} \right) \\
&= \frac{x}{y+z} \cdot \sqrt{B+C}^2 + \frac{y}{z+x} \cdot \sqrt{C+A}^2 + \frac{z}{x+y} \cdot \sqrt{A+B}^2 \stackrel{\text{Oppenheim}}{\geq} \\
&\quad 4F \cdot \sqrt{\sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{xy}{(y+z)(z+x)}} \stackrel{\text{via (1) and (2)}}{\geq} 2 \sqrt{\sum_{\text{cyc}} AB} \cdot \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \\
&= \sqrt{3} \cdot \sqrt{\sum_{\text{cyc}} (a \cdot \sqrt{b^3 + c^3} \cdot b \cdot \sqrt{c^3 + a^3})} \stackrel{\text{A-G}}{\geq} \sqrt{3} \cdot \sqrt{3 \cdot \sqrt[3]{a^2 b^2 c^2 (a^3 + b^3)(b^3 + c^3)(c^3 + a^3)}} \\
&\stackrel{\text{Cesaro}}{\geq} 3 \cdot \sqrt[6]{a^2 b^2 c^2 \cdot 8a^3 b^3 c^3} \stackrel{abc=1}{=} 3\sqrt{2} \therefore \frac{a \cdot \sqrt{b^3 + c^3} + b \cdot \sqrt{a^3 + c^3}}{ab(a+b)} \\
&\quad + \frac{c \cdot \sqrt{a^3 + b^3} + b \cdot \sqrt{a^3 + c^3}}{bc(b+c)} + \frac{c \cdot \sqrt{a^3 + b^3} + a \cdot \sqrt{b^3 + c^3}}{ac(a+c)} \geq 3\sqrt{2} \\
&\quad \forall a, b, c > 0 \mid abc = 1, \text{ iff } a = b = c = 1 \text{ (QED)}
\end{aligned}$$