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

$$\sum_{\text{cyc}} \left(\frac{\sqrt{a} + \sqrt{b}}{\sqrt{ab}} \cdot \frac{\sqrt{a(b^2 + c^2)} + \sqrt{b(c^2 + a^2)}}{\sqrt{a}(\sqrt{b} + \sqrt{c}) + \sqrt{b}(\sqrt{c} + \sqrt{a})} \right) \geq 3\sqrt{2}$$

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$$\begin{aligned}
 & \sum_{\text{cyc}} \left(\frac{\sqrt{a} + \sqrt{b}}{\sqrt{ab}} \cdot \frac{\sqrt{a(b^2 + c^2)} + \sqrt{b(c^2 + a^2)}}{\sqrt{a}(\sqrt{b} + \sqrt{c}) + \sqrt{b}(\sqrt{c} + \sqrt{a})} \right) = \\
 &= \sum_{\text{cyc}} \left(\left(\frac{\sqrt{a} + \sqrt{b}}{\sqrt{a}(\sqrt{b} + \sqrt{c}) + \sqrt{b}(\sqrt{c} + \sqrt{a})} \right) \cdot \left(\sqrt{\frac{b^2 + c^2}{b}} + \sqrt{\frac{c^2 + a^2}{a}} \right) \right) = \\
 &= \sum_{\text{cyc}} \left(\left(\frac{\sqrt{c}(\sqrt{a} + \sqrt{b})}{\sqrt{a}(\sqrt{b} + \sqrt{c}) + \sqrt{b}(\sqrt{c} + \sqrt{a})} \right) \cdot \left(\sqrt{\frac{b}{c}} + \sqrt{\frac{c}{b}} + \sqrt{\frac{c}{a}} + \sqrt{\frac{a}{c}} \right) \right) \geq \\
 &\stackrel{\text{A-G}}{\geq} 2\sqrt{2} \cdot \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{\sqrt{c}(\sqrt{a} + \sqrt{b})}{\sqrt{a}(\sqrt{b} + \sqrt{c}) + \sqrt{b}(\sqrt{c} + \sqrt{a})} = 2\sqrt{2} \cdot \sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{x}{y+z} \\
 & \left(x = \sqrt{c}(\sqrt{a} + \sqrt{b}), y = \sqrt{a}(\sqrt{b} + \sqrt{c}), z = \sqrt{b}(\sqrt{c} + \sqrt{a}) \right) \stackrel{\text{Nesbitt}}{\geq} 2\sqrt{2} \cdot \frac{3}{2} = 3\sqrt{2}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore \sum_{\text{cyc}} \left(\frac{\sqrt{a} + \sqrt{b}}{\sqrt{ab}} \cdot \frac{\sqrt{a(b^2 + c^2)} + \sqrt{b(c^2 + a^2)}}{\sqrt{a}(\sqrt{b} + \sqrt{c}) + \sqrt{b}(\sqrt{c} + \sqrt{a})} \right) \geq 3\sqrt{2} \quad \forall a, b, c > 0,$$

" = " iff $a = b = c$ (QED)