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

$$\sum_{cyc} \frac{\frac{a+c}{a+b} \cdot \sqrt{b^2 + c^2} + \frac{b+c}{a+b} \cdot \sqrt{a^2 + c^2}}{b + c + a + c} \geq \frac{3}{\sqrt{2}}$$

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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 $16F^2 =$

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

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

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

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

$$\text{We have : } \frac{\frac{a+c}{a+b} \cdot \sqrt{b^2 + c^2} + \frac{b+c}{a+b} \cdot \sqrt{a^2 + c^2}}{b + c + a + c} + \frac{\frac{a+c}{b+c} \cdot \sqrt{a^2 + b^2} + \frac{a+b}{b+c} \cdot \sqrt{a^2 + c^2}}{a + b + a + c}$$

$$+ \frac{\frac{b+c}{a+c} \cdot \sqrt{a^2 + b^2} + \frac{a+b}{a+c} \cdot \sqrt{b^2 + c^2}}{a + b + b + c}$$

$$= \frac{\frac{1}{(a+b)(b+c)} \cdot \sqrt{b^2 + c^2} + \frac{1}{(a+b)(a+c)} \cdot \sqrt{a^2 + c^2}}{\frac{1}{a+c} + \frac{1}{b+c}} +$$

$$\frac{\frac{a+c}{(b+c)(a+b)} \cdot \sqrt{a^2 + b^2} + \frac{a+b}{(b+c)(a+c)} \cdot \sqrt{a^2 + c^2}}{\frac{1}{a+c} + \frac{1}{a+b}} +$$

$$\frac{\frac{1}{(a+c)(a+b)} \cdot \sqrt{a^2 + b^2} + \frac{1}{(a+c)(b+c)} \cdot \sqrt{b^2 + c^2}}{\frac{1}{b+c} + \frac{1}{a+b}}$$

$$= \frac{\frac{1}{a+b}}{\frac{1}{b+c} + \frac{1}{c+a}} \cdot \left(\frac{\sqrt{b^2 + c^2}}{b + c} + \frac{\sqrt{c^2 + a^2}}{c + a} \right) + \frac{\frac{1}{b+c}}{\frac{1}{c+a} + \frac{1}{a+b}} \cdot \left(\frac{\sqrt{c^2 + a^2}}{c + a} + \frac{\sqrt{a^2 + b^2}}{a + b} \right)$$

$$+ \frac{\frac{1}{c+a}}{\frac{1}{a+b} + \frac{1}{b+c}} \cdot \left(\frac{\sqrt{a^2 + b^2}}{a + b} + \frac{\sqrt{b^2 + c^2}}{b + c} \right)$$

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$$\begin{aligned}
 &= \frac{x}{y+z}(\mathbf{B} + \mathbf{C}) + \frac{y}{z+x}(\mathbf{C} + \mathbf{A}) + \frac{z}{x+y}(\mathbf{A} + \mathbf{B}) \\
 \left(x = \frac{1}{a+b}, y = \frac{1}{b+c}, z = \frac{1}{c+a}, A = \frac{\sqrt{a^2+b^2}}{a+b}, B = \frac{\sqrt{b^2+c^2}}{b+c}, C = \frac{\sqrt{c^2+a^2}}{c+a} \right) \\
 &= \frac{x}{y+z} \cdot \sqrt{B+C}^2 + \frac{y}{z+x} \cdot \sqrt{C+A}^2 + \frac{z}{x+y} \cdot \sqrt{A+B}^2 \stackrel{\text{Oppenheim}}{\geq}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 4F. \sqrt{\sum_{\text{cyc}} \frac{xy}{(y+z)(z+x)}} &\stackrel{\text{via (1) and (2)}}{\geq} 2 \sqrt{\sum_{\text{cyc}} AB \cdot \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}} = \sqrt{3 \sum_{\text{cyc}} \left(\frac{\sqrt{a^2+b^2}}{a+b} \cdot \frac{\sqrt{b^2+c^2}}{b+c} \right)} \\
 &\geq \sqrt{3 \sum_{\text{cyc}} \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \cdot \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \right)} = \sqrt{\frac{9}{2}} \cdot \frac{\frac{a+c}{a+b} \cdot \sqrt{b^2+c^2} + \frac{b+c}{a+b} \cdot \sqrt{a^2+c^2}}{b+c+a+c} + \\
 &\quad \frac{\frac{a+c}{b+c} \cdot \sqrt{a^2+b^2} + \frac{a+b}{b+c} \cdot \sqrt{a^2+c^2}}{a+b+a+c} + \frac{\frac{b+c}{a+c} \cdot \sqrt{a^2+b^2} + \frac{a+b}{a+c} \cdot \sqrt{b^2+c^2}}{a+b+b+c} \geq \frac{3}{\sqrt{2}}
 \end{aligned}$$

$\forall a, b, c > 0, '' ='' \text{ iff } a = b = c \text{ (QED)}$