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

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

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Let $a = x^2, b = y^2, c = z^2$ ($x, y, z > 0$) and then :

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{c(b+c)}{\sqrt{\frac{c}{b}} + \sqrt{\frac{b}{a}}} + \frac{a(c+a)}{\sqrt{\frac{a}{c}} + \sqrt{\frac{c}{b}}} + \frac{b(a+b)}{\sqrt{\frac{b}{a}} + \sqrt{\frac{a}{c}}} &= \frac{z^2(y^2+z^2)}{\frac{z}{y} + \frac{y}{x}} + \frac{x^2(z^2+x^2)}{\frac{x}{z} + \frac{z}{y}} + \frac{y^2(x^2+y^2)}{\frac{y}{x} + \frac{x}{z}} \\ &= \frac{xyz=1 \cdot z(y^2+z^2)}{zx+y^2} + \frac{x(z^2+x^2)}{xy+z^2} + \frac{y(x^2+y^2)}{yz+x^2} \stackrel{CBS}{\geq} \\ &= \frac{z(y^2+z^2)}{\sqrt{y^2+z^2} \cdot \sqrt{x^2+y^2}} + \frac{x(z^2+x^2)}{\sqrt{z^2+x^2} \cdot \sqrt{y^2+z^2}} + \frac{y(x^2+y^2)}{\sqrt{x^2+y^2} \cdot \sqrt{z^2+x^2}} \stackrel{A-G}{\geq} 3\sqrt{xyz} = 3 \\ \therefore \frac{c(b+c)}{\sqrt{\frac{c}{b}} + \sqrt{\frac{b}{a}}} + \frac{a(c+a)}{\sqrt{\frac{a}{c}} + \sqrt{\frac{c}{b}}} + \frac{b(a+b)}{\sqrt{\frac{b}{a}} + \sqrt{\frac{a}{c}}} &\geq 3 \forall a, b, c > 0 \mid abc = 1, \end{aligned}$$

" = " iff $a = b = c = 1$ (QED)