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

$$B + 2 + \sqrt{2} \geq \frac{a}{b} + \frac{b}{a} + \frac{a+b}{\sqrt{a^2+b^2}} \geq 2 + \sqrt{2} + A, \text{ where :}$$

$$A = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{2}} \cdot \frac{(a-b)^4}{(a^2+b^2)^2} + \left(1 + \frac{1}{2\sqrt{2}}\right) \cdot \frac{(a-b)^2}{a^2+b^2} \text{ and } B = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{2}} \cdot \frac{(a-b)^4}{ab(a+b)^2} + \frac{(a-b)^2}{ab}$$

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$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{a}{b} + \frac{b}{a} - 2 - A \\ &= \frac{(a-b)^2}{ab} - \left(1 + \frac{1}{2\sqrt{2}} - 1\right) \cdot \frac{(a-b)^4}{(a^2+b^2)^2} - \left(2 - \left(1 - \frac{1}{2\sqrt{2}}\right)\right) \cdot \frac{(a-b)^2}{a^2+b^2} \\ &= \frac{(a-b)^2}{ab} - \frac{2(a-b)^2}{a^2+b^2} - \frac{(a-b)^4}{(a^2+b^2)^2} + \left(1 - \frac{1}{2\sqrt{2}}\right) \cdot \left(\frac{(a-b)^4}{(a^2+b^2)^2} + \frac{(a-b)^2}{a^2+b^2}\right) \\ &= (a-b)^2 \left(\frac{1}{ab} - \frac{2}{a^2+b^2}\right) - \frac{(a-b)^4}{(a^2+b^2)^2} + \frac{\left(1 - \frac{1}{2\sqrt{2}}\right)(a-b)^2}{a^2+b^2} \cdot \left(\frac{(a-b)^2}{a^2+b^2} + 1\right) \\ &= (a-b)^2 \cdot \frac{(a-b)^2}{ab(a^2+b^2)} - \frac{(a-b)^4}{(a^2+b^2)^2} + \frac{2\left(1 - \frac{1}{2\sqrt{2}}\right)(a-b)^2}{a^2+b^2} \cdot \frac{a^2+b^2-ab}{a^2+b^2} \\ &= \frac{(a-b)^4(a^2+b^2-ab)}{ab(a^2+b^2)^2} + \frac{\left(2 - \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}\right)(a-b)^2(a^2+b^2-ab)}{(a^2+b^2)^2} \\ &= \frac{(a-b)^2(a^2+b^2-ab)}{(a^2+b^2)^2} \cdot \left(\frac{(a-b)^2}{ab} + 2 - \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}\right) \\ &\therefore \frac{a}{b} + \frac{b}{a} - 2 - A \stackrel{(*)}{\geq} \frac{(a-b)^2(a^2+b^2-ab)}{(a^2+b^2)^2} \cdot \left(\frac{a^2+b^2}{ab} - \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}\right) \\ \text{Again, } \sqrt{2} - \frac{a+b}{\sqrt{a^2+b^2}} &= \frac{\left(\sqrt{2(a^2+b^2)} - (a+b)\right)\left(\sqrt{2(a^2+b^2)} + (a+b)\right)}{\sqrt{a^2+b^2} \cdot \left(\sqrt{2(a^2+b^2)} + (a+b)\right)} \\ &= \frac{2(a^2+b^2) - (a+b)^2}{\sqrt{2} \cdot (a^2+b^2) + \sqrt{a^2+b^2} \cdot (a+b)} = \frac{(a-b)^2}{\sqrt{2} \cdot (a^2+b^2) + \sqrt{a^2+b^2} \cdot (a+b)} \\ &\leq \frac{(a-b)^2}{\sqrt{2} \cdot (a^2+b^2) + \frac{(a+b)^2}{\sqrt{2}}} \therefore \sqrt{2} - \frac{a+b}{\sqrt{a^2+b^2}} \stackrel{(**)}{\leq} \frac{(a-b)^2}{\sqrt{2} \cdot (a^2+b^2) + \frac{(a+b)^2}{\sqrt{2}}} \therefore (*), (**) \Rightarrow \\ \text{in order to prove : } \frac{a}{b} + \frac{b}{a} - 2 - A &\geq \sqrt{2} - \frac{a+b}{\sqrt{a^2+b^2}}, \text{ it suffices to prove :} \\ &\frac{(a-b)^2(a^2+b^2-ab)}{(a^2+b^2)^2} \cdot \left(\frac{a^2+b^2}{ab} - \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}\right) \geq \frac{(a-b)^2}{\sqrt{2} \cdot (a^2+b^2) + \frac{(a+b)^2}{\sqrt{2}}} \end{aligned}$$

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$$\Leftrightarrow \frac{(a-b)^2(a^2+b^2-ab)}{(a^2+b^2)^2} \cdot \left(\sqrt{2} \cdot \frac{a^2+b^2}{ab} - 1 \right) \geq \frac{\sqrt{2} \cdot (a-b)^2}{\sqrt{2} \cdot (a^2+b^2) + \frac{(a+b)^2}{\sqrt{2}}}$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \boxed{\frac{(a-b)^2(a^2+b^2-ab)}{(a^2+b^2)^2} \cdot \left(\sqrt{2} \cdot \frac{a^2+b^2}{ab} - 1 \right) \stackrel{(*)}{\geq} \frac{2(a-b)^2}{2(a^2+b^2) + (a+b)^2}} \text{ and}$$

$\because (a-b)^2 \geq 0$ and $\sqrt{2} > 1$, in order to prove $(*)$, it suffices to prove :

$$\frac{(a^2+b^2-ab) \left(\frac{a^2+b^2}{ab} - 1 \right)}{(a^2+b^2)^2} \geq \frac{2}{2(a^2+b^2) + (a+b)^2}$$

$$\Leftrightarrow (2(a^2+b^2) + (a+b)^2)(a^2+b^2-ab)^2 \geq 2ab(a^2+b^2)^2$$

$$\Leftrightarrow 3t^6 - 6t^5 + 8t^4 - 10t^3 + 8t^2 - 6t + 3 \geq 0 \quad \left(t = \frac{a}{b} \right)$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \boxed{(3t^4 + 5t^2 + 3)(t-1)^2 \geq 0} \rightarrow \text{true} \Rightarrow (*) \text{ is true} \therefore \frac{a}{b} + \frac{b}{a} - 2 - A$$

$$\geq \sqrt{2} - \frac{a+b}{\sqrt{a^2+b^2}} \Rightarrow \boxed{\frac{a}{b} + \frac{b}{a} + \frac{a+b}{\sqrt{a^2+b^2}} \geq 2 + \sqrt{2} + A}, " = " \text{ iff } a = b$$

$$\text{Now, } B + 2 + \sqrt{2} \geq \frac{a}{b} + \frac{b}{a} + \frac{a+b}{\sqrt{a^2+b^2}} \Leftrightarrow \frac{1}{2\sqrt{2}} \cdot \frac{(a-b)^4}{ab(a+b)^2} + \frac{(a-b)^2}{ab} + 2 + \sqrt{2}$$

$$\geq \frac{a}{b} + \frac{b}{a} + \frac{a+b}{\sqrt{a^2+b^2}} \Leftrightarrow \frac{1}{2\sqrt{2}} \cdot \frac{(a-b)^4}{ab(a+b)^2} + \frac{a}{b} + \frac{b}{a} + \left(\sqrt{2} - \frac{a+b}{\sqrt{a^2+b^2}} \right) \geq \frac{a}{b} + \frac{b}{a}$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \frac{1}{2\sqrt{2}} \cdot \frac{(a-b)^4}{ab(a+b)^2} + \frac{\left(\sqrt{2(a^2+b^2)} - (a+b) \right) \left(\sqrt{2(a^2+b^2)} + (a+b) \right)}{\sqrt{a^2+b^2} \cdot \left(\sqrt{2(a^2+b^2)} + (a+b) \right)} \geq 0$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \boxed{\frac{1}{2\sqrt{2}} \cdot \frac{(a-b)^4}{ab(a+b)^2} + \frac{(a-b)^2}{\sqrt{a^2+b^2} \cdot \left(\sqrt{2(a^2+b^2)} + (a+b) \right)} \geq 0} \rightarrow \text{true} \because a, b > 0$$

$$\therefore \boxed{B + 2 + \sqrt{2} \geq \frac{a}{b} + \frac{b}{a} + \frac{a+b}{\sqrt{a^2+b^2}}}, " = " \text{ iff } a = b$$

$$\therefore B + 2 + \sqrt{2} \geq \frac{a}{b} + \frac{b}{a} + \frac{a+b}{\sqrt{a^2+b^2}} \geq 2 + \sqrt{2} + A \quad \forall a, b > 0, " = " \text{ iff } a = b \text{ (QED)}$$