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If  $a, b, c > 0$  and  $ab + bc + ca \leq 3abc$  then prove that:

$$\sqrt{\frac{a^2 + b^2}{a + b}} + \sqrt{\frac{b^2 + c^2}{b + c}} + \sqrt{\frac{c^2 + a^2}{c + a}} + 3 \leq \sqrt{2}(\sqrt{a + b} + \sqrt{b + c} + \sqrt{c + a})$$

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By CBS inequality, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \sqrt{2} \cdot \sum_{cyc} \sqrt{b + c} &= \sum_{cyc} \sqrt{(1 + 1) \left( \frac{b^2 + c^2}{b + c} + \frac{2bc}{b + c} \right)} \geq \sum_{cyc} \left( \sqrt{\frac{b^2 + c^2}{b + c}} + \sqrt{\frac{2bc}{b + c}} \right) \\ &= \sum_{cyc} \sqrt{\frac{b^2 + c^2}{b + c}} + \sum_{cyc} \sqrt{\frac{2}{\frac{1}{b} + \frac{1}{c}}} \stackrel{Jensen}{\geq} \sum_{cyc} \sqrt{\frac{b^2 + c^2}{b + c}} + 3 \sqrt{\frac{2 \cdot 3}{\sum_{cyc} \left( \frac{1}{b} + \frac{1}{c} \right)}} \\ &= \sum_{cyc} \sqrt{\frac{b^2 + c^2}{b + c}} + 3 \sqrt{\frac{3abc}{ab + bc + ca}} \geq \sum_{cyc} \sqrt{\frac{b^2 + c^2}{b + c}} + 3, \end{aligned}$$

as desired. Equality holds iff  $a = b = c = 1$ .