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If $n \in \mathbb{N}$ then:

$$\sqrt{4^n \cos^{4n} x + 3} + \sqrt{4^n \sin^{4n} x + 3} \geq 4$$

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$$\cos^{2n} x + \sin^{2n} x \stackrel{CBS}{\geq} \frac{(\cos^2 x + \sin^2 x)^n}{2^{n-1}} = \frac{1}{2^{n-1}} \quad (1)$$

$$\sqrt{4^n \cos^{4n} x + 3} + \sqrt{4^n \sin^{4n} x + 3} =$$

$$= \sqrt{(2^n \cos^{2n} x)^2 + (\sqrt{3})^2} + \sqrt{(2^n \sin^{2n} x)^2 + (\sqrt{3})^2} \stackrel{\text{Minkowski}}{\geq}$$

$$\geq \sqrt{(2^n \cos^{2n} x + 2^n \sin^{2n} x)^2 + (2\sqrt{3})^2} \stackrel{(1)}{\geq} \sqrt{2^{2n} \cdot \left(\frac{1}{2^{n-1}}\right)^2 + 12} = \sqrt{2^2 + 12} = 4$$

Equality holds for $x = \frac{\pi}{4}$