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If $x \in \mathbb{R}$ then:

$$2^{|\sin x|} + 2^{|\cos x|} \leq 2 \cdot 2^{\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}}$$

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We consider a function $\phi(t) = \frac{2^t}{t}$ on $(0, 1]$
 $\phi'(t) = \frac{2^t(t \log 2 - 1)}{t^2} < 0$ as $t \in (0, 1]$ so, ϕ is strictly decreasing
 which implies ϕ is one – one function (Injective)
 for this $\phi(a) = \phi(b) \Rightarrow a = b$ (1)

let $a = |\sin x|, b = |\cos x|$ then $a^2 + b^2 = 1$ (2)

Let $L(a, b) = a^2 + b^2 + 1$ and $g(a, b) = 2^a + 2^b$

Using Lagranges multipliers λ we get $dg = \lambda dL$
 or $\log 2 (2^a da + 2^b db) = \lambda (2a da + 2b db)$

Comparing we get:
 $\log 2 \cdot 2^a = \lambda 2a, \log 2 \cdot 2^b = \lambda 2b$

Combining we get:
 $\frac{\log 2 \cdot 2^a}{2a} = \frac{\log 2 \cdot 2^b}{2b} = \lambda$
 or $\frac{2^a}{a} = \frac{2^b}{b}$ or $a \stackrel{(1)}{=} b$,

from (2) we get $a^2 + a^2 = 1$ or, $a = b = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$

Extremum should occurs for the function $g(a, b) = 2^a + 2^b$ in $[0, 1]$

when $(a, b) = \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}, \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}\right)$ or in boundary $(0, 1), (1, 0)$

$$g\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}, \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}\right) = 2^{\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}} + 2^{\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}} = 2 \cdot 2^{\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}}$$

$$g(0, 1) = 1 + 2 = 3 \text{ and } g(1, 0) = 2 + 1 = 3$$

$$g(a, b) = 2^a + 2^b = 2^{|\sin x|} + 2^{|\cos x|} \leq 2 \cdot 2^{\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}} \left(\text{as } 2 \cdot 2^{\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}} \approx 3.272 > 3 \right)$$

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