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If $x, y, z > 0$, $xy + yz + zx = 3$, $\lambda \geq 2$ then:

$$\frac{1}{x^2 + \lambda} + \frac{1}{y^2 + \lambda} + \frac{1}{z^2 + \lambda} \leq \frac{3}{\lambda + 1}$$

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$$x^2 + y^2 + z^2 \geq xy + yz + zx = 3$$

$$(x + y + z)^2 = x^2 + y^2 + z^2 + 2(xy + yz + zx) = \sum x^2 + 6$$

$$\sum \frac{1}{x^2 + \lambda} = \frac{1}{\lambda} \sum \left(1 - \frac{x^2}{x^2 + \lambda} \right) = \frac{3}{\lambda} - \frac{1}{\lambda} \sum \frac{x^2}{x^2 + \lambda} \stackrel{CBS}{\leq}$$

$$\leq \frac{3}{\lambda} - \frac{1}{\lambda} \left(\frac{(x + y + z)^2}{x^2 + y^2 + z^2 + 3\lambda} \right) =$$

$$= \frac{3}{\lambda} - \frac{1}{\lambda} \left(\frac{x^2 + y^2 + z^2 + 6}{x^2 + y^2 + z^2 + 3\lambda} \right) \stackrel{p=\sum x^2}{=} \frac{3}{\lambda} - \frac{1}{\lambda} \left(\frac{p + 6}{p + 3\lambda} \right) =$$

$$\frac{2}{\lambda} + \frac{1}{\lambda} \left(1 - \frac{p + 6}{p + 3\lambda} \right) = \frac{2}{\lambda} + \frac{1}{\lambda} \left(\frac{3\lambda - 6}{p + 3\lambda} \right) \stackrel{p=\sum x^2 \geq 3}{\leq}$$

$$\leq \frac{2}{\lambda} + \frac{1}{\lambda} \left(\frac{3\lambda - 6}{3 + 3\lambda} \right) = \frac{1}{\lambda} \frac{9\lambda}{3 + 3\lambda} = \frac{3}{\lambda + 1}$$

Equality for $a = b = c = 1$