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If $x, y, z > 0, x^2 + y^2 + z^2 = 3$ then

$$\frac{x^2 + 1}{y} + \frac{y^2 + 1}{z} + \frac{z^2 + 1}{x} - \frac{1}{x + y + z} \geq \frac{17}{3}$$

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$$\frac{\frac{1}{x} + \frac{1}{y} + \frac{1}{z}}{3} \stackrel{AM-HM}{\geq} \frac{3}{x + y + z} \text{ or}$$

$$\frac{1}{x + y + z} \leq \frac{1}{9} \left(\frac{1}{x} + \frac{1}{y} + \frac{1}{z} \right) \quad (1)$$

$$\frac{x^2}{y} + \frac{y^2}{z} + \frac{z^2}{x} \geq \frac{3(x^2 + y^2 + z^2)}{x + y + z} \quad (2)$$

Proof:

$$(x + y + z) \left(\frac{x^2}{y} + \frac{y^2}{z} + \frac{z^2}{x} \right) \geq 3(x^2 + y^2 + z^2) \text{ or}$$

$$\sum \frac{x^3}{y} + \sum \frac{xy^2}{z} \geq 2 \sum x^2 \text{ or}$$

$$\sum \frac{x^4}{yx} + \sum \frac{x^2 y^2}{zx} \geq 2 \sum x^2 \text{ or}$$

$$\frac{(\sum x^2)^2}{\sum xy} + \frac{(\sum xy)^2}{\sum xy} \geq 2 \sum x^2 \text{ (Bergstrom)}$$

$$\text{or } \left(\sum x^2 \right)^2 + \left(\sum xy \right)^2 - 2 \left(\sum xy \right) \left(\sum x^2 \right) \geq 0 \text{ or}$$

$$\left(\sum x^2 - \sum xy \right)^2 \geq 0 \text{ (Proof complete)}$$

$$(x + y + z)^2 \stackrel{CBS}{\leq} 3(x^2 + y^2 + z^2) \text{ or}$$

$$(x + y + z) \leq \sqrt{3(x^2 + y^2 + z^2)} \quad (3)$$

$$\frac{x^2 + 1}{y} + \frac{y^2 + 1}{z} + \frac{z^2 + 1}{x} - \frac{1}{x + y + z} =$$

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$$\begin{aligned}
 &= \left(\frac{x^2}{y} + \frac{y^2}{z} + \frac{z^2}{x} \right) + \left(\frac{1}{y} + \frac{1}{z} + \frac{1}{x} \right) - \left(\frac{1}{x+y+z} \right) \geq \\
 &\stackrel{(1)\&(2)}{\geq} \frac{3(x^2 + y^2 + z^2)}{x+y+z} + \left(\frac{1}{y} + \frac{1}{z} + \frac{1}{x} \right) - \frac{1}{9} \left(\frac{1}{x} + \frac{1}{y} + \frac{1}{z} \right) \\
 &= \frac{3(x^2 + y^2 + z^2)}{x+y+z} + \frac{8}{9} \left(\frac{1}{x} + \frac{1}{y} + \frac{1}{z} \right) \geq \\
 &\stackrel{\text{Bergstrom}}{\geq} \frac{3(x^2 + y^2 + z^2)}{x+y+z} + \frac{8(1+1+1)^2}{9(x+y+z)} \stackrel{(3)}{\geq} \\
 &\geq \frac{3(x^2 + y^2 + z^2)}{\sqrt{3(x^2 + y^2 + z^2)}} + \frac{8}{\sqrt{3(x^2 + y^2 + z^2)}} = \\
 &= \frac{3 \cdot 3}{\sqrt{3 \cdot 3}} + \frac{8}{\sqrt{3 \cdot 3}} \text{ (since } x^2 + y^2 + z^2 = 3) = 3 + \frac{8}{3} = \frac{17}{3}
 \end{aligned}$$

Equality holds for $x = y = z = 1$