

# Running Example

## R1 solution

Prove this theorem  $\text{theorem P24 } \{a \ b \ c : \mathbb{R}\} (ha : a > 0) (hb : b > 0) (hc : c > 0) (h : a + b + c = 1) : 1 / (a + 2) + 1 / (b + 2) + 1 / (c + 2) \leq 1 / (6 * \text{sqrt}(a * b) + c) + 1 / (6 * \text{sqrt}(b * c) + a) + 1 / (6 * \text{sqrt}(c * a) + b)$

To prove the inequality

$$\frac{1}{a+2} + \frac{1}{b+2} + \frac{1}{c+2} \leq \frac{1}{6\sqrt{ab}+c} + \frac{1}{6\sqrt{bc}+a} + \frac{1}{6\sqrt{ca}+b} \quad (1)$$

given that  $a, b, c > 0$  and  $a + b + c = 1$ , follow these steps:

### Step 1: Analyze Equality Case

First, verify the inequality when  $a = b = c = \frac{1}{3}$ :

$$\text{Left Side (LS)} = 3 \times \frac{1}{\frac{1}{3} + 2} = 3 \times \frac{1}{\frac{7}{3}} = \frac{9}{7} \quad (2)$$

$$\text{Right Side (RS)} = 3 \times \frac{1}{6 \times \frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{3}} = 3 \times \frac{1}{2 + \frac{1}{3}} = \frac{9}{7} \quad (3)$$

Equality holds, confirming the inequality is tight at  $a = b = c = \frac{1}{3}$ .

### Step 2: Utilize the AM-GM Inequality

Recall the Arithmetic Mean-Geometric Mean (AM-GM) inequality:

$$\sqrt{ab} \leq \frac{a+b}{2} \quad (4)$$

Multiply both sides by 6 and add  $c$ :

$$6\sqrt{ab} + c \leq 6 \times \frac{a+b}{2} + c = 3(a+b) + c = 3(1-c) + c = 3 - 2c \quad (5)$$

Thus:

$$\frac{1}{6\sqrt{ab}+c} \geq \frac{1}{3-2c} \quad (6)$$

Similarly:

$$\frac{1}{6\sqrt{bc}+a} \geq \frac{1}{3-2a}, \quad \frac{1}{6\sqrt{ca}+b} \geq \frac{1}{3-2b} \quad (7)$$

### Step 3: Sum the Inequalities

Summing the three inequalities:

$$\frac{1}{6\sqrt{ab}+c} + \frac{1}{6\sqrt{bc}+a} + \frac{1}{6\sqrt{ca}+b} \geq \frac{1}{3-2c} + \frac{1}{3-2a} + \frac{1}{3-2b} \quad (8)$$

#### Step 4: Compare to the Left Side

We need to show:

$$\frac{1}{a+2} + \frac{1}{b+2} + \frac{1}{c+2} \leq \frac{1}{3-2a} + \frac{1}{3-2b} + \frac{1}{3-2c} \quad (9)$$

Notice that:

$$a+2 = (3-2a) + 2a-1 = (3-2a) + (2a-1) \quad (10)$$

But since  $a+b+c=1$ , we can exploit symmetry and convexity.

#### Step 5: Apply Convexity and Jensen's Inequality

The function  $f(x) = \frac{1}{x+2}$  is convex for  $x > -2$ . By Jensen's inequality:

$$\frac{f(a) + f(b) + f(c)}{3} \geq f\left(\frac{a+b+c}{3}\right) = f\left(\frac{1}{3}\right) = \frac{1}{\frac{1}{3}+2} = \frac{3}{7} \quad (11)$$

Thus:

$$\frac{1}{a+2} + \frac{1}{b+2} + \frac{1}{c+2} \geq \frac{9}{7} \quad (12)$$

However, from Step 2, we have:

$$\frac{1}{3-2a} + \frac{1}{3-2b} + \frac{1}{3-2c} \geq \frac{9}{7} \quad (13)$$

Therefore, the inequality holds, and equality occurs when  $a=b=c=\frac{1}{3}$ .

#### Conclusion

By applying the AM-GM inequality and Jensen's inequality, we established that:

$$\frac{1}{a+2} + \frac{1}{b+2} + \frac{1}{c+2} \leq \frac{1}{6\sqrt{ab}+c} + \frac{1}{6\sqrt{bc}+a} + \frac{1}{6\sqrt{ca}+b} \quad (14)$$

with equality when  $a=b=c=\frac{1}{3}$ .

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  have h1 : 0 < a * b := mul_pos ha hb
  have h2 : 0 < b * c := mul_pos hb hc
  have h3 : 0 < c * a := mul_pos hc ha
  have h4 : 0 < a * b * c := mul_pos (mul_pos ha hb) hc
  field_simp
  rw [div_le_div_iff (by positivity) (by positivity)]
  ring_nf
  nlinarith [sq_nonneg (a - b), sq_nonneg (b - c), sq_nonneg (c - a),
    sq_sqrt (show 0 ≤ a * b by positivity), sq_sqrt (show 0 ≤ b * c by positivity),
    sq_sqrt (show 0 ≤ c * a by positivity)]
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## O3-solution

**Prove this theorem**  $\text{theorem P24 } \{a\ b\ c : \mathbb{R}\} (ha : a > 0) (hb : b > 0) (hc : c > 0) (h : a + b + c = 1) : 1 / (a + 2) + 1 / (b + 2) + 1 / (c + 2) \leq 1 / (6 * \text{sqrt}(a * b) + c) + 1 / (6 * \text{sqrt}(b * c) + a) + 1 / (6 * \text{sqrt}(c * a) + b)$

I'm digging into the user's need to prove an inequality. It's interesting to see the challenge unfold, as we're tasked with a logical approach to validate the inequality.

### Clarifying the approach

OK, let's see. I'm gathering info to determine the best method to prove the inequality. It seems that using algebraic or logical techniques might be the most straightforward way to approach this.

Let's proceed with a detailed proof attempt using inequalities, primarily focusing on applying **AM-GM inequality** and leveraging symmetry to simplify the process.

### Step 1: Simplifying the Problem via Symmetry

The inequality is symmetric in  $a$ ,  $b$ , and  $c$ , which means that it's reasonable to first test the case when  $a = b = c$  to see if it holds. This will give us a sense of the relationship between the two sides of the inequality.

We know that  $a + b + c = 1$ , so if  $a = b = c$ , then:

$$a = b = c = \frac{1}{3}. \quad (16)$$

### Step 2: Test the case $a = b = c = \frac{1}{3}$

Substitute  $a = b = c = \frac{1}{3}$  into the inequality.

#### Left-hand side (LHS):

$$\frac{1}{a+2} + \frac{1}{b+2} + \frac{1}{c+2} = 3 \times \frac{1}{\frac{1}{3}+2} = 3 \times \frac{1}{\frac{7}{3}} = 3 \times \frac{3}{7} = \frac{9}{7}. \quad (17)$$

#### Right-hand side (RHS):

Now calculate the right-hand side:

$$\frac{1}{6\sqrt{ab}+c} + \frac{1}{6\sqrt{bc}+a} + \frac{1}{6\sqrt{ca}+b} = 3 \times \frac{1}{6\sqrt{\frac{1}{3} \times \frac{1}{3}} + \frac{1}{3}} = 3 \times \frac{1}{6 \times \frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{3}}. \quad (18)$$

Simplifying:

$$= 3 \times \frac{1}{2 + \frac{1}{3}} = 3 \times \frac{1}{\frac{7}{3}} = 3 \times \frac{3}{7} = \frac{9}{7}. \quad (19)$$

### Conclusion for the case $a = b = c = \frac{1}{3}$ :

The left-hand side equals the right-hand side:

$$\frac{9}{7} = \frac{9}{7}. \quad (20)$$

Thus, the inequality holds when  $a = b = c = \frac{1}{3}$ .

### Step 3: General Proof Using Inequalities

Since the inequality holds for the symmetric case  $a = b = c = \frac{1}{3}$ , and the inequality is symmetric in  $a$ ,  $b$ , and  $c$ , this suggests that the inequality might hold in the general case. Now, to establish the inequality rigorously, we will use **AM-GM inequality** and **convexity**.

### Step 4: Use of AM-GM inequality

We apply **AM-GM** (Arithmetic Mean-Geometric Mean) inequality to the terms on both sides of the inequality.

#### Left-hand side:

We consider the expression  $\frac{1}{a+2}$ . Since  $a > 0$ , the function  $f(x) = \frac{1}{x+2}$  is convex. Therefore, by Jensen's inequality (since the sum  $a + b + c = 1$  is fixed), we have:

$$\frac{1}{a+2} + \frac{1}{b+2} + \frac{1}{c+2} \geq 3 \times \frac{1}{\frac{a+b+c}{3} + 2} = 3 \times \frac{1}{\frac{1}{3} + 2} = 3 \times \frac{1}{\frac{7}{3}} = \frac{9}{7}. \quad (21)$$

So, the left-hand side is bounded below by  $\frac{9}{7}$ .

#### Right-hand side:

For the right-hand side, notice that each term has the form  $\frac{1}{6\sqrt{ab+c}}$ . Again, we can apply **AM-GM** to the terms inside the square root. Specifically, we use the fact that the geometric mean is always less than or equal to the arithmetic mean, i.e.,

$$\sqrt{ab} \leq \frac{a+b}{2}. \quad (22)$$

This gives us:

$$6\sqrt{ab} + c \geq 6 \times \frac{a+b}{2} + c = 3(a+b) + c. \quad (23)$$

Since  $a + b + c = 1$ , we have:

$$6\sqrt{ab} + c \geq 3(a+b) + c = 1 + 2a + 2b \geq 1. \quad (24)$$

Thus, each term in the right-hand side is greater than or equal to  $\frac{1}{1} = 1$ .

### Step 5: Conclusion

We have shown that:

- The left-hand side is greater than or equal to  $\frac{9}{7}$ , based on Jensen's inequality.
- The right-hand side is bounded by  $\frac{9}{7}$  in the symmetric case and is always greater than or equal to 1.

Thus, we have established that the inequality holds:

$$\frac{1}{a+2} + \frac{1}{b+2} + \frac{1}{c+2} \leq \frac{1}{6\sqrt{ab}+c} + \frac{1}{6\sqrt{bc}+a} + \frac{1}{6\sqrt{ca}+b}. \quad (25)$$

Therefore, the inequality is proven.

