

Proposed Solution to #U651 Undergraduate Problems, Mathematical Reflections 1 (2024)

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Statement of the Problem:

Let x, y, z, t be real numbers such that $x + y + z + t = 0$. Prove that:

$$\frac{x+1}{x^2+3} + \frac{y+1}{y^2+3} + \frac{z+1}{z^2+3} + \frac{t+1}{t^2+3} \leq \frac{4}{3}$$

Solution of the Problem:

Let $f(x) = \frac{x+1}{x^2+3}$, We can compute $f''(x)$ and see that $f''(x) < 0 \forall x \in \mathbb{R}$