

## Convex Functions

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**Problem 1**

Please prove  $\sqrt{a^2 + b^2} + \sqrt{b^2 + c^2} + \sqrt{c^2 + a^2} \geq \sqrt{2}(a + b + c)$  for any  $a, b, c \in \mathbb{R}$ .

**Problem 2**

Please show that, for  $\mathbf{x} > 0$ , the function  $f(\mathbf{x}) = (\sum_{i=1}^n x_i^p)^{\frac{1}{p}}$  is convex for  $p > 1$  and is concave for  $p < 1, p \neq 0$ .

**References**