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If $x, y, z > 0$, $\frac{1}{x} + \frac{1}{y} + \frac{1}{z} \leq 2025$ then:

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{7x^2 - 2xy + 4y^2}} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{7y^2 - 2yz + 4z^2}} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{7z^2 - 2zx + 4x^2}} \leq 675$$

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Lemma:

$$\forall a, b > 0, \sqrt{7a^2 - 2ab + 4b^2} \geq 2a + b$$

Proof:

We need to show :

$$\sqrt{7a^2 - 2ab + 4b^2} \geq 2a + b$$

$$7a^2 - 2ab + 4b^2 \stackrel{\text{squaring}}{\geq} (2a + b)^2$$

$$7a^2 - 2ab + 4b^2 \stackrel{\text{squaring}}{\geq} 4a^2 + 4ab + b^2$$

$$3a^2 - 6ab + 3b^2 \geq 0 \text{ or } 3(a - b)^2 \geq 0 \text{ true}$$

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{1}{\sqrt{7x^2 - 2xy + 4y^2}} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{7y^2 - 2yz + 4z^2}} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{7z^2 - 2zx + 4x^2}} = \\ &= \sum \frac{1}{\sqrt{7x^2 - 2xy + 4y^2}} \stackrel{\text{lemma}}{\leq} \sum \frac{1}{2x + y} = \sum \frac{1}{x + x + y} \stackrel{\text{AM-HM}}{\leq} \\ &\leq \frac{1}{9} \sum \left(\frac{1}{x} + \frac{1}{x} + \frac{1}{y} \right) = \frac{3}{9} \sum \frac{1}{x} \stackrel{\frac{1}{x} + \frac{1}{y} + \frac{1}{z} \leq 2025}{\leq} \frac{1}{3} \cdot 2025 = 675 \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Equality holds for } x = y = z = \frac{1}{675}$$