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If $0 < a, b, c < 1$ then:

$$\frac{2a + abc}{bc + 1} + \frac{2b + abc}{ac + 1} + \frac{2c + abc}{ab + 1} < 3 + ab + bc + ca$$

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$$0 < a, b, c < 1 \text{ so } a + b + c < 3 \quad (1)$$

$$\frac{2a + abc}{bc + 1} = \frac{2a}{1 + bc} + \frac{abc}{1 + bc}$$

$$\text{since } bc > 0 \text{ so } \frac{2a}{1 + bc} < 2a \text{ and } \frac{abc}{1 + bc} < abc < ab$$

$$\left(as \ abc - ab = ab(c - 1) \overset{c < 1}{<} 0 \Rightarrow abc < ab \right)$$

$$\frac{2a + abc}{bc + 1} = \frac{2a}{1 + bc} + \frac{abc}{1 + bc} < 2a + ab$$

$$\frac{2a + abc}{bc + 1} + \frac{2b + abc}{ac + 1} + \frac{2c + abc}{ab + 1} =$$

$$= \sum \frac{2a + abc}{bc + 1} < \sum 2a + \sum ab \overset{(1)}{<} 2 \times 3 + ab + bc + ca = 6 + ab + bc + ca$$