

# ROMANIAN MATHEMATICAL MAGAZINE

If  $x, y, z \in \mathbb{R}$  then:

$$2(5 - x - y - z)^2 + 14(x^2 + y^2 + z^2) \geq 35$$

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**Solution 1 by George Florin Șerban-Romania**

$$x^2 + y^2 + z^2 \stackrel{CBS}{\geq} \frac{(x + y + z)^2}{3}$$

$$S = x + y + z$$

$$\Rightarrow 2 \cdot (5 - S)^2 + 14 \sum_{cyc} x^2 \geq 2(5 - S)^2 + \frac{14S^2}{3} \geq 35 \Rightarrow$$

$$\Rightarrow 50 - 20S + 2S^2 + \frac{14S^2}{3} \geq 35 \Rightarrow 150 - 60S + 6S^2 + 14S^2 \geq 105 \Rightarrow$$

$$\Rightarrow 20S^2 - 60S + 45 \geq 0 \mid : 5$$

$$\Rightarrow 4S^2 - 12S + 9 \geq 0 \Rightarrow (2S - 3)^2 \geq 0$$

true,  $(\forall) S \in \mathbb{R}$

Then  $2 \cdot (5 - x - y - z)^2 + 14(x^2 + y^2 + z^2) \geq 35, (\forall) x, y, z \in \mathbb{R}$

**Solution 2 by George Florin Șerban-Romania**

The second method:

$$2 \cdot (5 - x - y - z)^2 + 14(x^2 + y^2 + z^2) \geq 35$$

$$2 \cdot (25 - 10 \sum_{cyc} x + (x + y + z)^2) + 14 \sum_{cyc} x^2 \geq 35$$

$$50 - 20 \sum_{cyc} x + 2 \sum_{cyc} x^2 + 4 \sum_{cyc} xy + 14 \sum_{cyc} x^2 - 35 \geq 0$$

$$16 \sum_{cyc} x^2 + 4 \sum_{cyc} xy - 20 \sum_{cyc} x + 15 \geq 0$$

$$\left(x + 2y - \frac{3}{2}\right)^2 + \left(y + 2z - \frac{3}{2}\right)^2 + \left(z + 2x - \frac{3}{2}\right)^2 +$$

$$+ 11\left(x - \frac{1}{2}\right)^2 + 11\left(y - \frac{1}{2}\right)^2 + 11\left(z - \frac{1}{2}\right)^2 =$$

$$= x^2 + 4y^2 + \frac{9}{4} + 4xy - 6y - 3x + y^2 + 4z^2 + \frac{9}{4} +$$

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$$+11x^2 - 11x + \frac{11}{4} + 11y^2 - 11y + \frac{11}{y} + 11z^2 - 11z + \frac{11}{4} =$$

$$= 16 \sum_{cyc} x^2 + 4 \sum_{cyc} xy - 20 \sum_{cyc} x + 15 \geq 0$$

$$\text{true, because } \left(x + 2y - \frac{3}{2}\right)^2 \geq 0, (\forall)x, y \in \mathbb{R}$$

$$\left(y + 2z - \frac{3}{2}\right)^2 \geq 0; (\forall)y, z \in \mathbb{R}, \left(z + 2x - \frac{3}{2}\right)^2 \geq 0$$

$$(\forall)y \in \mathbb{R}, \left(z - \frac{1}{2}\right)^2 \geq 0; (\forall)z \in \mathbb{R}. \text{ Equality is if } x - \frac{1}{2} = y - \frac{1}{2} = z - \frac{1}{2} = 0$$

$$x + 2y - \frac{3}{2} = y + 2z - \frac{3}{2} = z + 2x - \frac{3}{2} = 0 \Rightarrow x = y = z = \frac{1}{2} \in \mathbb{R}$$

**Solution 3 by Ravi Prakash-New Delhi-India**

$$2(5 - x - y - z)^2 + 14(x^2 + y^2 + z^2) \geq 35$$

$$\Leftrightarrow 2[25 + x^2 + y^2 + z^2 - 10x - 10y - 10z + 2xy + 2yz + 2zx] +$$

$$+14x^2 + 14y^2 + 14z^2 \geq 35$$

$$\Leftrightarrow 16x^2 + 16y^2 + 16z^2 + 4xy + 4yz + 4zx -$$

$$-20x + 20y - 20z + 15 \geq 0$$

$$\Leftrightarrow 3(4x^2 - 4x + 1) + 3(4y^2 - 4y + 1) + 3(4z^2 - 4z + 1) +$$

$$+2(1 + x^2 + y^2 + 2xy - 2x - 2y) +$$

$$+2(1 + y^2 + z^2 + 2yz - 2y - 2z) +$$

$$+2(1 + z^2 + x^2 + 2zx - 2z - 2x) \geq 0 \Leftrightarrow 3[(2x - 1)^2 + (2y - 1)^2 + (2z - 1)^2] +$$

$$+2[(1 - x - y)^2 + (1 - y - z)^2 + (1 - z - x)^2] \geq 0$$

$$\text{which is true and equality when } x = y = z = \frac{1}{2}.$$

**Solution 4 by Khaled Abd Imouti-Damascus-Syria**

$$2(5 - (x + y + z))^2 + 14(x^2 + y^2 + z^2) \stackrel{?}{\geq} 35$$

$$2[25 - 10(x + y + z) + (x^2 + y^2 + z^2) + 2(xy + yz + zx)] + 14(x^2 + y^2 + z^2) \stackrel{?}{\geq} 35$$

$$16 \underbrace{(x^2 + y^2 + z^2)}_A + 4 \underbrace{(xy + yz + zx)}_B - 20 \underbrace{(x + y + z)}_y + 15 \stackrel{?}{\geq} 0$$

$$P_1 = 16A + 4B - 20y + 15 \stackrel{?}{\geq} 0$$

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$$\text{but: } (x + y + z)^2 = x^2 + y^2 + z^2 + 2(xy + yz + zx)$$

$$\gamma^2 = A + 2B, \text{ but } B \leq A \text{ (Cauchy Schwarz inequality)}$$

$$\gamma^2 \leq 3A, A \geq \frac{1}{3}\gamma^2, B = \frac{\gamma^2 - A}{2}$$

$$P_1 = 16A + 4\left(\frac{\gamma^2 - A}{2}\right) - 20\gamma + 15 \stackrel{?}{\geq} 0$$

$$P_1 = 16A + 2(\gamma^2 - A) - 20\gamma + 15 \stackrel{?}{\geq} 0$$

$$P_1 = 2\gamma^2 - 20\gamma + 14A + 15 \stackrel{?}{\geq} 0$$

$$P_1 = 2\left(\gamma^2 - 10\gamma + 7A + \frac{15}{2}\right) \stackrel{?}{\geq} 0$$

$$A \geq \frac{1}{3}\gamma^2. \text{ So: } l_1 \geq 2\left(\gamma^2 - 10\gamma + \frac{7}{3}\gamma^2 + \frac{15}{2}\right), l_1 \geq 2\left(\frac{10}{3}\gamma^2 - 10\gamma + \frac{15}{2}\right)$$

$$\Delta = 100 - 4\left(\frac{10}{3}\right)\left(\frac{15}{2}\right) = 100 - 100 = 0. \text{ So: } \frac{10}{3}\gamma^2 - 10\gamma + \frac{15}{2} \geq 0, \forall \gamma \in \mathbb{R}$$

$$\text{and then: } l_1 \geq 0$$