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JP.542 Solve for real numbers:

$$\begin{cases} \frac{6x + 6y}{9 + 4xy} = z \\ \frac{6y + 6z}{9 + 4yz} = x \\ \frac{6z + 6x}{9 + 4zx} = y \end{cases}$$

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Solution 1 by proposer

$$\begin{cases} 6x + 6y = 9z + 4xyz \\ 6y + 6z = 9x + 4xyz \\ 6z + 6x = 9y + 4xyz \end{cases} \Rightarrow \begin{cases} x + y = \frac{3z}{2} + \frac{2xyz}{3} \\ y + z = \frac{3x}{2} + \frac{2xyz}{3} \\ z + x = \frac{3y}{2} + \frac{2xyz}{3} \end{cases}$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{cases} y + z - (x + y) = \frac{3x}{2} + \frac{2xyz}{3} - \left(\frac{3z}{2} + \frac{2xyz}{3}\right) \\ z + x - (y + z) = \frac{3y}{2} + \frac{2xyz}{3} - \left(\frac{3x}{2} + \frac{2xyz}{3}\right) \end{cases}$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{cases} z - x = +\frac{3}{2}(x - z) \\ x - y = \frac{3}{2}(y - x) \end{cases} \Rightarrow \begin{cases} \frac{5}{2}(x - z) = 0 \\ \frac{5}{2}(y - x) = 0 \end{cases}$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{cases} x - z = 0 \\ y - x = 0 \end{cases} \Rightarrow x = y = z$$

$$6x + 6x = 9x + 4x^3$$

$$4x^3 - 3x = 0 \Rightarrow x(4x^2 - 3) = 0$$

$$\text{Solutions: } \begin{cases} x = 0 \\ y = 0 \\ z = 0 \end{cases} \quad \begin{cases} x = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \\ y = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \\ z = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \end{cases} \quad \begin{cases} x = -\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \\ y = -\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \\ z = -\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \end{cases}$$

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$$\begin{cases} \frac{6x + 6y}{9 + 4xy} = z \\ \frac{6y + 6z}{9 + 4yz} = x \\ \frac{6z + 6x}{9 + 4zx} = y \end{cases} \Leftrightarrow \begin{cases} 6x + 6y = 9z + 4xyz \\ 6y + 6z = 9x + 4xyz \\ 6z + 6x = 9y + 4xyz \end{cases}$$

Subtract the equations (1) and (2) $\Rightarrow 6(x - z) = 9(z - x) \Rightarrow x = z$.

Subtract the equations (2) and (3) $\Rightarrow 6(y - x) = 9(x - y) \Rightarrow x = y$.

Using the equation (1) and $x = y = z \Rightarrow 4x^3 - 3x = 0 \Rightarrow x \in \left\{-\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}, 0, \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}\right\}$

The set of solutions of the equation is $S = \left\{\left(-\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}, -\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}, -\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}\right), (0, 0, 0), \left(\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}, \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}, \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}\right)\right\}$

Remark.

The inequality can be developed.

Let $0 < \lambda < 2n$ fixed. Solve for real numbers:

$$\begin{cases} \frac{\lambda nx + \lambda ny}{\lambda^2 + n^2 xy} = z \\ \frac{\lambda ny + \lambda nz}{\lambda^2 + n^2 yz} = x \\ \frac{\lambda nz + \lambda nx}{\lambda^2 + n^2 zx} = y \end{cases}$$

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Solution

$$\begin{cases} \frac{\lambda nx + \lambda ny}{\lambda^2 + n^2 xy} = z \\ \frac{\lambda ny + \lambda nz}{\lambda^2 + n^2 yz} = x \\ \frac{\lambda nz + \lambda nx}{\lambda^2 + n^2 zx} = y \end{cases} \Leftrightarrow \begin{cases} \lambda nx + \lambda ny = \lambda^2 z + n^2 xyz \\ \lambda ny + \lambda nz = \lambda^2 x + n^2 xyz \\ \lambda nz + \lambda nx = \lambda^2 y + n^2 xyz \end{cases}$$

Subtract the equations (1) and (2) $\Rightarrow \lambda n(x - z) = \lambda^2(z - x) \Rightarrow x = z$.

Subtract the equations (2) and (3) $\Rightarrow \lambda n(y - x) = \lambda^2(x - y) \Rightarrow x = y$.

Using equation (1)

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$$\text{and } x = y = z \Rightarrow n^2 x^3 - (2\lambda n - \lambda^2)x = 0 \Rightarrow x \in \left\{ -\frac{\sqrt{2\lambda n - \lambda^2}}{n}, 0, \frac{\sqrt{2\lambda n - \lambda^2}}{n} \right\}$$

The set of solutions of the equation is:

$$S = \left\{ \left(-\frac{\sqrt{2\lambda n - \lambda^2}}{n}, -\frac{\sqrt{2\lambda n - \lambda^2}}{n}, -\frac{\sqrt{2\lambda n - \lambda^2}}{n} \right), (0, 0, 0), \left(\frac{\sqrt{2\lambda n - \lambda^2}}{n}, \frac{\sqrt{2\lambda n - \lambda^2}}{n}, \frac{\sqrt{2\lambda n - \lambda^2}}{n} \right) \right\}$$

Note.

For $\lambda = 3, n = 2$ we obtain Problem JP.542 from RMM Nr. 37 – Summer 2025