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#### UP.555 Find the solutions of the system:

$$\sqrt{8x+5} + \sqrt{9y+6} = \sqrt{8x+9y+29}$$
$$\sqrt{12x+19} - \sqrt{3y+15} = \sqrt{12x+3y-6}$$

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#### Solution 1 by proposer

We set the conditions of existence: The expressions under the radicals must be positive, both members of the equations must also be positive. Through consecutive squaring we

#### obtain the following system:

$$(8x+5)(9y+6) = 81$$
 and  $(12x+19)(3y+15) = 400$ 

$$\Leftrightarrow (8x+5)(3y+2) = 27$$
 and  $(12x+19)(3y+15) = 400$ 

We do the calculus: 24xy + 16x + 15y = 17 and 36xy + 180x + 57y = 115

We multiply with -3, respectively with 2:

$$-72xy - 48x - 45y = -51$$
 and  $72xy + 360x + 114y = 230$ 

By adding we obtain: 312x + 69y = 179

We express the value of y that we substitute in the first equation:  $y = \frac{179 - 312x}{69}$   $(8x + 5)\left(3 \cdot \frac{179 - 312x}{69} + 2\right) = 27 \Leftrightarrow (8x + 5)\left(\frac{179 - 312x}{23} + 2\right) = 27 \Leftrightarrow$   $(8x + 5)(225 - 312x) = 621 \Leftrightarrow (8x + 5)(75 - 104x) = 207 \Leftrightarrow$  $-832x^2 + 600x - 520x + 375 - 207 = 0 \Leftrightarrow 832x^2 - 80x - 168 = 0 \Leftrightarrow$ 

$$208x^2 - 20x - 42 = 0 \Leftrightarrow 104x^2 - 10x - 21 = 0$$

We solve the quadratic equation obtained:  $\Delta_1=25+2184=2209=47^2$ 

$$x_1 = rac{5+47}{104} = rac{52}{104} = rac{1}{2}$$
 and  $x_2 = rac{5-47}{104} = rac{-42}{104} = rac{-21}{52}$ 

We return for the corresponding y values.

$$y_1 = \frac{179 - 156}{69} = \frac{23}{69} = \frac{1}{3} \text{ and } y_2 = \frac{179 - 312\left(-\frac{21}{52}\right)}{69} = \frac{179 + 126}{69} = \frac{305}{69}$$

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By substitution, we find that the first result verifies the system, so it is a solution, and the second result does not verify the system, i.e. in the second equation, a negative number is obtained in the left member, so it is not a solution. So the only system solution is:  $(\frac{1}{2}; \frac{1}{3})$ 

### Solution 2 by Marin Chirciu-Romania

For admissible (x, y), the square is successively raised.

$$\begin{cases} \sqrt{8x+5} + \sqrt{9y+6} = \sqrt{8x+9y+29} \\ \sqrt{12x+19} - \sqrt{3y+15} = \sqrt{12x+3y-6} \end{cases} \Leftrightarrow \begin{cases} \sqrt{8x+5} \cdot \sqrt{9y+6} = 9 \\ \sqrt{12x+19} \cdot \sqrt{3y+15} = 20 \end{cases} \Leftrightarrow \\ \approx \begin{cases} (8x+5) \cdot (9y+6) = 81 \\ (12x+19) \cdot (3y+15) = 400 \end{cases} \Leftrightarrow \begin{cases} (8x+5) \cdot (3y+2) = 27 \\ (12x+19) \cdot (3y+15) = 400 \end{cases} \Leftrightarrow \\ \approx \begin{cases} 24xy+16x+15y = 17 \\ 36xy+180x+57y = 115 \end{cases} \Leftrightarrow \begin{cases} 24xy+16x+15y = 17 \\ 312x+69y = 179 \end{cases} \Rightarrow \\ \text{Replacing } y = \frac{179-312x}{69} \text{ in } 24xy+16x+15y = 17 \text{ we obtain the equation:} \end{cases}$$
$$936x^2 - 90x - 189 = 0 \text{ with the solutions } x_{12} = \frac{45\pm423}{936} \Rightarrow x_1 = \frac{1}{2} \text{ and } x_2 = \frac{-21}{52} \\ \text{We obtain } (x, y) = \left(\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{3}\right) \text{ also checks } (x, y) = \left(\frac{-21}{52}, \frac{305}{69}\right) \text{ doesn't check} \\ \sqrt{12x+19} - \sqrt{3y+15} \ge 0 \end{cases}$$

We deduce that  $(x, y) = \left(\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{3}\right)$  is the unique solution of the system.