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If $5 + 16 \cdot 4^{x^2-2y} \leq (5 + 16^{x^2-2y}) \cdot 7^{2y-x^2+2}$, $\frac{x^2}{2} \geq y + 1$ then:

$$\frac{3}{2} \leq \frac{8x + 4y + 21}{2x + 2y + 5} \leq 6$$

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Let $t = x^2 - 2y$ then $\frac{x^2}{2} \geq y + 1 \Rightarrow x^2 - 2y \geq 2$ or, $t \geq 2$ (1)

$$5 + 16 \cdot 4^{x^2-2y} \leq (5 + 16^{x^2-2y}) \cdot 7^{2y-x^2+2}$$

$$5 + 16 \cdot 4^t \leq (5 + 16^t) \cdot 7^{2-t}$$

$$5 \cdot 7^{t-2} + 16 \cdot 4^t \cdot 7^{t-2} \leq 5 + 16^t \text{ (multiply both sides by } 7^{t-2} \text{ we get)}$$

$$5 \cdot 7^{t-2} + 16 \cdot 4^{2t-2} \cdot 7^{t-2} \leq 5 + 16^t$$

$$\text{or } 5 \cdot 7^s + 256 \cdot 4^s \cdot 7^s \leq 5 + 16^{s+2} \text{ (where } s = t - 2 \geq 0 \text{)}^{(1)}$$

$$\text{or } \frac{5}{49} \cdot 7^s + \frac{256}{49} (28)^s \leq \frac{5}{49} + \frac{256}{49} (16)^s \text{ (Dividing both sides by 49)}$$

Clearly for $s > 0$, $28^s > 16^s$, $7^s > 1$, so L.H.S strictly larger than R.H.S
for this the only way the inequality holds if $s = 0$ or

$$t = s + 2 = 2 \text{ or } x^2 - 2y = 2$$

$$\frac{8x + 4y + 21}{2x + 2y + 5} \stackrel{x^2-2y=2 \text{ or } y=\frac{x^2-2}{2}}{=} \frac{8x + 4\left(\frac{x^2-2}{2}\right) + 21}{2x + 2 \cdot \frac{x^2-2}{2} + 5} = \frac{2x^2 + 8x + 17}{x^2 + 2x + 3} = 2 + \frac{4x + 11}{x^2 + 2x + 3}$$

We need to show:

$$\frac{8x + 4y + 21}{2x + 2y + 5} \geq \frac{3}{2}$$

$$\text{or } 2 + \frac{4x + 11}{x^2 + 2x + 3} \geq \frac{3}{2} \text{ or } 2(4x + 11) \geq -x^2 - 2x - 3 \text{ or}$$

$$x^2 + 10x + 25 \geq 0 \text{ or } (x + 5)^2 \geq 0 \text{ true. Equality at } x = -5, y = \frac{23}{2}$$

$$\text{We need to show } \frac{8x + 4y + 21}{2x + 2y + 5} \leq 6 \text{ or } 2 + \frac{4x + 11}{x^2 + 2x + 3} \leq 6$$

$$\text{or } 4x + 11 \leq 4x^2 + 8x + 12 \text{ or } 4x^2 + 4x + 1 \geq 0 \text{ or } (2x + 1)^2 \geq 0 \text{ true}$$

$$\text{and equality at } x = -\frac{1}{2}, y = \frac{1}{8}$$