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JP.593 Solve for real numbers:

$$\frac{x^2}{x^2 + 4\sqrt{x+2}} + \frac{2}{2 + x\sqrt{x+2}} = \frac{4x}{5x+2}$$

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Solution by proposer

$$(x-2)^2 \geq 0 \Rightarrow x^2 - 4x + 4 \geq 0 \Rightarrow x^2 + 4 \geq 4x$$

$$x+2 + x^2 + 4 \geq x+2 + 4x \Rightarrow 5x+2 \leq x^2 + x + 6$$

$$\frac{1}{5x+2} \geq \frac{1}{x^2+x+6}$$

$$\frac{x+2}{5x+2} \geq \frac{x+2}{x^2+x+6} \quad (1)$$

$$(\sqrt{x+2} - 2)^2 \geq 0 \Rightarrow x+2 - 4\sqrt{x+2} + 4 \geq 0$$

$$x+6 \geq 4\sqrt{x+2} \Rightarrow x^2 + x + 6 \geq x^2 + 4\sqrt{x+2}$$

$$\frac{1}{x^2 + 4\sqrt{x+2}} \geq \frac{1}{x^2 + x + 6}$$

$$\frac{x^2}{x^2 + 4\sqrt{x+2}} \geq \frac{x^2}{x^2 + x + 6} \quad (2)$$

$$(\sqrt{x+2} - x)^2 \geq 0 \Rightarrow x+2 - 2x\sqrt{x+2} + x^2 \geq 0$$

$$x^2 + x + 2 \geq 2x\sqrt{x+2}$$

$$x^2 + x + 6 \geq 4 + 2x\sqrt{x+2}$$

$$\frac{1}{4 + 2x\sqrt{x+2}} \geq \frac{1}{x^2 + x + 6}$$

$$\frac{4}{4 + 2x\sqrt{x+2}} \geq \frac{4}{x^2 + x + 6}$$

$$\frac{2}{2+x\sqrt{x+2}} \geq \frac{4}{x^2+x+6} \quad (3)$$

By adding (1); (2); (3):

$$\frac{x+2}{5x+2} + \frac{x^2}{x^2 + 4\sqrt{x+2}} + \frac{2}{2 + x\sqrt{x+2}} \geq$$

$$\geq \frac{x+2}{x^2+x+6} + \frac{x^2}{x^2+x+6} + \frac{2}{x^2+x+6} = \frac{x^2+x+6}{x^2+x+6} = 1$$

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$$\frac{x+2}{5x+2} + \frac{x^2}{x^2+4\sqrt{x+2}} + \frac{2}{2+x\sqrt{x+2}} \geq 1$$
$$\frac{x^2}{x^2+4\sqrt{x+2}} + \frac{2}{2+x\sqrt{x+2}} \geq 1 - \frac{x+2}{5x+2}$$
$$\frac{x^2}{x^2+4\sqrt{x+2}} + \frac{2}{2+x\sqrt{x+2}} \geq \frac{4x}{5x+2} \quad (4)$$

Equality holds in (4) for:

$$\sqrt{x+2} = x = 2$$

Solution: $x = 2$.