

# **ENIGMAS OF THE GENETIC CODE, ENIGMA 1: A HIDDEN ARITHMETICAL ALGORITHM (Version 1)**

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## **Abstract**

In a certain way, this enigma is standing in relation to so-called Gaussian arithmetical algorithm, valid for the genetic code (Rakočević, 2006)<sup>1</sup>. However, the difference is, among other things, that there (in the article on the Gaussian algorithm) I said and showed all openly - what is the enigma [classes of AAs (2 x 2), or (4 x 5), or (2 x 4) with 11, 21, 31, 41, – , 61, 71, 81, 91 of atoms within their side chains, respectively]; and here the hidden algorithm is hidden twice: once by the very Nature, the other way from myself. I make here, namely, only a hint of the solution. Certainly, in coming a few weeks (or months), I will present the solution, if someone else, in meantime, offers (or doesn't offer) the solution.

## **The Problem**

Find the key number X (Starting result);  
At the starting result X add X - 10 (First new result);

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<sup>1</sup> About Gaussian algorithm see in: arXiv:q-bio/0610044v1 [q-bio.OT] ("Genetic code as a harmonic system") (Rakočević, 2006).

At the first new result add  $X - 9$  (Second new result);  
At the second new result add  $X - 8$  (Third new result).

Four results (Starting, plus three new results) correspond to the number of atoms in the four classes of protein amino acids ( $4 \times 5 = 20$  canonical amino acids in the genetic code).

The sum of the four results ( $Y$ ) corresponds to the total number of atoms in 20 protein amino acids (within their side chains).

The sum of three addings,  $Z = [(X-10)+(X-9)+(X-8)]$ , corresponds to one quarter<sup>2</sup> of the total number of atoms ( $Y/4$ ).

To solve this problem (Table 1) one must know about four diversity types of protein amino acids in the forms as we presented in our two Notes (Note 1 and Note 2) at our web-site ([www.rakocevcode.rs](http://www.rakocevcode.rs)).

### **Comment**

The solutions of this enigma give the satisfaction to our hypothesis that the genetic code was complete from the very beginning and that it represents a unique system in which the positions of each amino acid is strictly determined, and that with several different aspects (Rakočević, 2004).

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<sup>2</sup> Notice that this “X” is only and one possible solution (within the set of natural numbers) with such three addings ( $Z$ ), where  $Z = Y/4$ .

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|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|---|
| $a_1$ | $b_1$ | $c_1$ | $d_1$ | $n_1$ | $a = X$   |
| $a_2$ | $b_2$ | $c_2$ | $d_2$ | $n_2$ | $b = [X + (X - 10)]$  |
| $a_3$ | $b_3$ | $c_3$ | $d_3$ | $n_3$ | $c = [X + (X - 10) + (X - 9)]$  |
| $a_4$ | $b_4$ | $c_4$ | $d_4$ | $n_4$ | $d = [X + (X - 10) + (X - 9) + (X - 8)]$  |
| $a_5$ | $b_5$ | $c_5$ | $d_5$ | $n_5$ | $a + b + c + d = Y$<br>$n_1 : n_3 = 1 : 1$<br>$(n_4 + n_5) : n_2 = 2 : 1$ ( $n_5 = n_4 + 10$ )<br>$n_1 + n_2 + n_3 + n_4 + n_5 = Y$ |
| $a$   | $b$   | $c$   | $d$   | $Y$   |   |

**Table 1.** The number of atoms within side chains of four classes of amino acids ( $a_1$ - $a_5$ ,  $b_1$ - $b_5$ ,  $c_1$ - $c_5$ ,  $d_1$ - $d_5$ ) corresponds to the four results ( $a$ ,  $b$ ,  $c$ ,  $d$ ) and to solutions of presented enigma, i.e. problem ( $X, Y, Z$ ).

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