

On the ternary biquadratic non-homogeneous equation, $(2k + 1)(x^2 + y^2 + xy) = z^4$

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ABSTRACT

The ternary biquadratic non-homogeneous equation represented by the diophantine equation

$$(2k + 1)(x^2 + y^2 + xy) = z^4$$

is analyzed for its patterns of non-zero distinct integral solutions. A few interesting relations between the solutions and special numbers are exhibited.

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NOTATIONS:

- $t_{m,n}$: Polygonal number of rank n with size m
- P_n^m : Pyramidal number of rank n with size m
- S_n : Star number of rank n
- Pr_n : Pronic number of rank n
- So_n : Stella octangular number of rank n
- j_n : Jacobsthal number of rank n
- J_n : Jacobsthal lucas number of rank n
- Ky_n : Kynea number of rank n

1. INTRODUCTION

The biquadratic diophantine (homogeneous or non-homogeneous) equations offer an unlimited field for research due to their variety [1-3]. In particular, one may refer [4-11] for ternary non-homogeneous biquadratic equations. This communication concerns with yet another interesting ternary non-homogeneous biquadratic equation given by

$$(2k + 1)(x^2 + y^2 + xy) = z^4$$

for determining its infinitely many non-zero integral points. Also, a few interesting relations among the solutions are presented.

2. METHOD OF ANALYSIS

The diophantine equation representing a non-homogeneous biquadratic equation is

$$(2k + 1)(x^2 + y^2 + xy) = z^4 \quad (1)$$

Introducing the linear transformations,

$$x = (2k + 1)(u + v), y = (2k + 1)(u - v), z = (2k + 1)w \quad (2)$$

in (1), it leads to

$$3u^2 + v^2 = (2k + 1)w^4 \quad (3)$$

Assume $w = w(a, b) = b^2 + 3a^2, \quad a, b \neq 0$ (4)

To find the solution for (3), choose k such that

$$(2k + 1) = B^2 + 3A^2, \text{ where } B = 2p + 1, A = 2q \quad (5)$$

Employing the method of factorization, define

$$(v + i\sqrt{3}u) = ((2p + 1) + i(\sqrt{3}2q))(b + i\sqrt{3}a)^4 \quad (6)$$

Equating real and imaginary parts in (6) we get,

$$v(a, b, p, q) = (2p + 1)(b^4 + 9a^4 - 18a^2b^2) - 6q(4ab^3 - 12ab) \quad (7)$$

$$u(a, b, p, q) = (2p + 1)(4ab^3 - 12ab) + 2q(b^4 + 9a^4 - 18a^2b^2) \quad (8)$$

Substituting (7) and (8) in (2), the corresponding integral solutions of (1) are presented by

$$x = x(a, b, p, q) = (2k + 1) \left(\begin{aligned} &(2p + 1)(4ab^3 - 12ab + b^4 + 9a^4 - 18a^2b^2) \\ &+ 2q(b^4 + 9a^4 - 18a^2b^2 - 12ab^3 + 36ab) \end{aligned} \right)$$

$$y = y(a, b, p, q) = (2k + 1) \left(\begin{aligned} &(2p + 1)(4ab^3 - 12ab - b^4 - 9a^4 + 18a^2b^2) \\ &+ 2q(b^4 + 9a^4 - 18a^2b^2 + 12ab^3 - 36ab) \end{aligned} \right)$$

$$z = z(a, b, p, q) = ((2p + 1)^2 + 3(2q)^2)(b^2 + 3a^2)$$

2.1. Properties

1. $x(1, b, p, q) + y(1, b, p, q) - 4(2k + 1)(2p + 1)So_b - (2k + 1)(2q)(2t_{4,b}^2 - 36t_{4,b} + 18) \equiv 0 \pmod{20}$

2. $x(a, 1, p, q) - y(a, 1, p, q) - (2k + 1)(2p + 1)(2S_a + 24t_{3,a} - 60t_{4,a} + 18t_{4,a}^2) \equiv 0 \pmod{48}$

3. Each of the following is a nasty number.

(i) $6z(a, a, 6k^2 + 6k - 2l^2 + 1, 2l(2k + 1))$

(ii) $6z(a, a, 6l^2 - 2k^2 - 2k - 1, 2l(2k + 1))$, When p and q are different pairty.

4. $y(1, b, p, q) - (2k + 1)(2p + 1)(36P_b^3 - 4t_{3,b}^2 + (b - 12)^2 - 153) - (2k + 1)(2q)(4t_{3,b}^2 + P_b^6 + 3So_b - 32Pr_b - 10t_{4,b} + 9) \equiv 0$

It is observed that, in (5), one may also take $B = 2p, A = 2q + 1$. For this choice, the corresponding integral solutions of (1) are obtained as

$$x = x(a, b, p, q) = (2k + 1)((2p + 1 + 2q)(b^4 + 9a^4 - 18a^2b^2) + (2p - 6q - 3)(4ab^3 - 12ab))$$

$$y = y(a, b, p, q) = (2k + 1)((2q + 1 - 2p)(b^4 + 9a^4 - 18a^2b^2) + (2p + 6q + 3)(4ab^3 - 12ab))$$

$$z = z(a, b, p, q) = ((2p)^2 + 3(2q + 1)^2)(b^2 + 3a^2)$$

3. REMARKABLE OBSERVATIONS

I.: Let (x_0, y_0, z_0) be any given non- zero solution of (1). Then each of the following triples

$(x_{2n-1}, y_{2n-1}, z_{2n-1}) = (a^{4n-2}y_0, a^{4n-2}x_0, a^{2n-1}z_0), (x_{2n}, y_{2n}, z_{2n}) = (a^{4n}x_0, a^{4n}y_0, a^{2n}z_0)$ also satisfy (1).

A few interesting relations observed from the above triples are presented below.

1. $\frac{x_{2n-1}}{y_0} = \frac{y_{2n-1}}{x_0} = \left(\frac{z_{2n-1}}{z_0} \right)^2$

2. $\left(\frac{x_{2n-1}}{y_0}, \left(\frac{z_{2n-1}}{z_0} \right)^2, \frac{y_{2n-1}}{x_0} \right)$ forms an Arithmetic Progression

3. $\left(\frac{x_{2n}}{x_0}, \left(\frac{z_{2n}^2}{z_0^2}, \frac{y_{2n}}{y_0}\right)\right)$ forms an Arithmetic Progression

4. Each of the following is a nasty number.

(a) $6\left(\frac{x_{2n}}{x_0} \frac{y_{2n}}{y_0}\right)$

(b) $6\left(\frac{x_{2n-1}}{y_0} \frac{y_{2n}}{y_0}\right)$

(c) $6\left(\frac{x_{2n}}{x_0} \frac{y_0}{x_{2n-1}}\right)$

(d) $6\left(\frac{x_{2n-1}}{y_0} \frac{y_{2n-1}}{x_0}\right)$

5. Each of the following is a cubical integer.

(a) $a^2\left(\frac{y_{2n-1}}{x_0} \frac{z_{2n}}{z_0}\right)$

(b) $a^2\left(\frac{x_{2n-1}}{y_0} \frac{z_{2n}}{z_0}\right)$

6. Each of the following is a biquadratic integer.

(a) $a\left(\frac{z_{2n-1}}{z_0} \frac{z_{2n}}{z_0}\right)$

(b) $a^2\left(\frac{x_{2n-1}}{y_0} \frac{y_{2n}}{y_0}\right)$

7. In particular, when $a = 2^k, k > 1$, a few results observed are as follows:

(a) $\frac{y_{2n}}{y_0} = 3J_{4kn} + 1$

(b) $\frac{z_{2n}}{z_0} = j_{2kn} - 1$

(c) $\frac{z_{4n}}{z_0} + 2\frac{z_{2n}}{z_0} - 1 = ky_{2n}$

(d) $\left(\frac{2^{4k} - 1}{2^{4k}}\right)\left(\sum_{n=1}^N \frac{x_{2n}}{x_0}\right) + 1 = (j_{2k} - 1)\frac{x_{2n-1}}{y_0} = (3J_{2k} + 1)\frac{y_{2n-1}}{x_0} = \frac{x_{2n}}{x_0} \frac{x_{2n-1}}{y_0}$

4. CONCLUSION

To conclude, one may search for other pattern of solutions and their corresponding properties.

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