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On ternary quadratic equation with three unknowns

$$x^2 + xy + y^2 = 36z^2$$

R Anbuselvi and K Kannaki**Abstract**

The Ternary quadratic Diophantine equation is given by $x^2 + xy + y^2 = 36z^2$ is analyzed for its methods of non-zero distinct integral solutions. A few interesting relations between the solutions and special polygonal numbers are exhibited.

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1. Introduction

The ternary quadratic Diophantine equation offers an unlimited field for research because of their variety [1, 3]. For an extensive review of various problems, one may refer [1, 20]. This communication concerns with yet another interesting ternary quadratic equation $x^2 + xy + y^2 = 36z^2$ for determining its infinitely many non-zero distinct integral solutions. Also a few interesting relations among the solutions have been exhibited.

Notations

1. $T_{3,n}$ - Polygonal number of rank n with size m
2. P_n^3 - Tetrahedral number of rank n
3. P_n^4 - Square pyramidal number of rank n
4. P_n^5 - Pentagonal pyramidal number of rank n
5. Gno_p - Gnomonic number of rank p.
6. FN_4^a - Four-dimensional figurate number of rank n.
7. $T_{3,n}$ - Heptagonal number of rank n with size m

2. Method of Analysis

The Ternary quadratic Diophantine equation to be solved for its non-zero distinct integral solution is

$$x^2 + xy + y^3 = 36z^2 \quad \text{--- (1)}$$

On substitution of linear transformation ($u \neq v \neq 0$)

$$x = u + 3v, y = u - 3v \quad \text{--- (2)}$$

in (1) leads to

$$u^2 + 3v^2 = 12z^2 \quad \text{--- (3)}$$

Now we solve equation (3) through different methods and thus obtain different patterns of solutions to (1)

Method 1

Imagine that

$$Z = (a, b) = a^2 + 3b^2 \quad \text{--- (4)}$$

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Where a and b are non-zero distinct integers
Mark 12 as

$$12 = \frac{(3n+ni\sqrt{3})(3n-ni\sqrt{3})}{n^2} \quad \text{--- (5)}$$

using (4) and (5) in equation (3) and applying the way of factorization, classify,

$$u + i\sqrt{3}v = \frac{1}{n} \{(3n + ni\sqrt{3})(\alpha + i\sqrt{3}b^2)\}$$

Equating the real and imaginary parts, are get

$$\left. \begin{aligned} u &= 3a^2 - 6ab - 9b^2 \\ v &= a^2 + 6ab - 3b^2 \end{aligned} \right\} \quad \text{--- (6)}$$

Substituting (6) in (2) the values of x and y are given by

$$\left. \begin{aligned} x &= x(a, b) = 6a^2 + 12ab - 18b^2 \\ y &= y(a, b) = -24ab \\ z &= z(a, b) = a^2 + 3b^2 \end{aligned} \right\} \quad \text{--- (7)}$$

Thus the equation (7) represent the non-zero integral solutions to (1)
A few interesting properties observed are as follows:

Note

Instead of (2) using the transformation $x = u - 3v, y = u + 3v$ in (1), we get again (3) only, thus the integer solutions of (1) are obtained as

$$\left. \begin{aligned} x &= x(a, b) = -24ab \\ y &= y(a, b) = 6a^2 + 12ab - 18b^2 \\ z &= z(a, b) = a^2 + 3b^2 \end{aligned} \right\} \quad \text{--- (8)}$$

Thus the equation (8) represent the non-zero integral solutions to (1).

A few interesting properties observed are as follows:

- $x(a, 2a^2 + 1) + 864 FN_a^4 - 12 Cc_a + 17 Star_a \equiv 47 \pmod{126}$
- $2x(2a, 1) + y(2a, 1) - 48 T_{4,a} + 36 = 0$
- $y(3a, 1) + 3z(3a, 1) - 27 Ct_{2,a} \equiv 18 \pmod{99}$
- $x(5a, 1) - 6z(5a, 1) - 30 Gno_a = 15$
- $2x(10a, 1) + y(10a, 1) - 1200 T_{4,a} + 36 = 0$
- $2x(a, a(a+1)) + y(a, a(a+1)) + 9(Pro_a * CS_a) + 6 T_{13,a} + 9Gno_a + 27 = 0$
- $y(a, a+1) + 7z(a, a+1) - 4 Ct_{2,a} \equiv 3 \pmod{14}$

Each of the following expression represents a nasty numbers

- $x(a, a) + y(a, a)$
- $y(-a, a)$
- $3z(a, a)$
- $2x(a, a) + 4y(a, a)$
- $4z(a, a)$ is a perfect square

Method 2

Rewrite equation (3) can be written as

$$u^2 + 3v^2 = 12z^2 * 1 \quad \text{--- (9)}$$

Mark 1 as

$$1 = \frac{(n+ni\sqrt{3})(n-ni\sqrt{3})}{(2n)^2} \quad \text{--- (10)}$$

Using (4), (5) and (10) in equation (9) and applying the way of factorization, classify,

$$u + i\sqrt{3}v = \frac{1}{2n^2} \{(3n + ni\sqrt{3})(n + ni\sqrt{3})\}(\alpha + i\sqrt{3}b)^2 \quad \text{--- (11)}$$

Equating the real and imaginary parts, we get

$$u = -12ab$$

$$v = 2a^2 - 6b^2$$

Hence in view of (2), the values of x and y are given by

$$\left. \begin{aligned} x &= x(a, b) = 6a^2 - 12ab - 18b^2 \\ y &= y(a, b) = -6a^2 + 18b^2 - 12ab \\ z &= z(a, b) = a^2 + 3b^2 \end{aligned} \right\} \quad \text{--- (12)}$$

Thus the equation (12) represent the non-zero integral solutions to (1)

A few interesting properties observed are as follows:

- $x(a, 1) + y(a, 1) - 2T_{3,a} \equiv 3 \pmod{25}$
- $x(1, b) + y(1, b) + z(1, b) - T_{8,a} \equiv 1 \pmod{22}$
- $y(a, 1) + 6z(a, 1) \equiv 0 \pmod{12}$
- $x(a, (a+1)(a+2)) + y(a, (a+1)(a+2)) + 144P_a^5 = 0$
- $x(a, a(a+1)) + 6z(a, a(a+1)) - 12Cp_a^6 = 0$
- $y(a, a+1) - 6z(a, a+1) + 7T_{4,a} + 24T_{3,a} = 0$

Each of the following expression represents a nasty numbers

- $x(a, a+1) + y(a, a+1) + z(a, a+1) + 8T_{7,a} - 3Gno_a$
- $x(a, a) - y(a, a)$
- $6z(a, a)$
- $y(a, a) + 6z(a, a)$
- $x(a, a) + y(a, a) - z(a, a)$

Method 3

Equation (3) can be written as

$$u^2 + 3v^2 = 4 * 3z^2 \quad \text{--- (13)}$$

Mark 4 and 3 as

$$\left. \begin{aligned} 4 &= \frac{(n+ni\sqrt{3})(n-ni\sqrt{3})}{n^2} \\ 3 &= \frac{(3n+ni\sqrt{3})(3n-ni\sqrt{3})}{4n^2} \end{aligned} \right\} \quad \text{--- (14)}$$

Using 4 and (14) in (13) and applying the method of factorization, classify,

$$u + i\sqrt{3}v = (n + ni\sqrt{3})(3n + ni\sqrt{3})(\alpha + i\sqrt{3}b)^2$$

Following a similar procedure as in Method – II and the corresponding solution of (1) are same as in Method – II.

Method 4:

Rewrite equation (3) as

$$u^2 + 3v^2 = 4 * 3z^2 * 1 \quad \text{--- (15)}$$

Using equation (4), (10) and (14) in (15) and applying the method of factorization, classify,

$$u + i\sqrt{3}v = \frac{1}{4n^3} \{ (n + ni\sqrt{3})(3n + ni\sqrt{3})(n + ni\sqrt{3})(\alpha + i\sqrt{3}b)^2 \} \quad \text{--- (16)}$$

Equating the real and imaginary parts, we get

$$\begin{aligned} u &= -3a^2 - 6ab + 9b^2 \\ v &= a^2 - 6ab - 3b^2 \end{aligned}$$

Hence in the view of (2), the values of x and y are given by

$$\begin{aligned} x &= x(a, b) = -24ab \\ y &= y(a, b) = -6a^2 + 12ab + 18b^2 \\ z &= z(a, b) = a^2 + 3b^2 \end{aligned} \quad \dots (17)$$

Thus the equation (17) represent the non-zero integral solutions to (1)

A few interesting properties observed are as follows:

- $x(a, 2a^2 + 1) + 5z(a, 2a^2 + 1) - 1440PT_a - 816P_a^5 - 187T_{4,a} \equiv 0 \pmod{384}$
- $x(3, a) + 2y(3, a) \equiv 0 \pmod{36}$
- $x(3, b) + y(3, b) + 6z(3, b) - 36T_{4,b} + 18Gno_b = 18$
- $x(4, b(b+1)) + 2y(4, b(b+1)) - 36FN_a^4 - 144P_a^5 + 192 = 0$
- $y(b, b(b+1)) + 6z(b, b(b+1)) - 36(Pro_a * T_{4,a}) - 96CP_a^3 = 0$
- $x(5b, b+1) + 7z(5b, b+1) - 76T_{3,b} + 77Gno_b = 56$

- Each of the following expression represents a nasty numbers
 - $x(4, a) + 2y(4, a) - 12z(4, a)$
 - $6z(a, a)$
 - $x(a, a) + y(a, a) + 6z(a, a)$
 - $3[y(b, b) + z(b, b)]$
 - $x(b, b) + y(b, b) + 6[4z(b, b)]$
 - $216[4z(b, b)]$

Method 5

Equation (3) can be written as

$$\begin{aligned} 3v^2 - 3z^2 &= 9z^2 - u^2 \\ 3(v+z)(v-z) &= (32+u)3z - u \end{aligned}$$

Four different choices of solution obtained are as follows:

Choice I

$$\begin{aligned} x &= x(A, B) = -6A^2 - 12AB + 18B^2 \\ y &= y(A, B) = 24AB \\ z &= z(A, B) = A^2 + 3B^2 \end{aligned}$$

Choice II

$$\begin{aligned} x &= x(A, B) = -24AB \\ y &= y(A, B) = 6A^2 - 12AB - 18B^2 \\ z &= z(A, B) = A^2 + 3B^2 \end{aligned}$$

Choice III

$$\begin{aligned} x &= x(A, B) = -6A^2 + 12AB - 18B^2 \\ y &= y(A, B) = 6A^2 - 12AB - 18B^2 \\ z &= z(A, B) = -A^2 - 3B^2 \end{aligned}$$

Choice IV

$$\begin{aligned} x &= x(A, B) = 6A^2 - 12AB - 18B^2 \\ y &= y(A, B) = -6A^2 + 12AB - 18B^2 \\ z &= z(A, B) = -3A^2 - B^2 \end{aligned}$$

3. Conclusion

In this paper we have presented five different methods of non-zero distinct integer solutions of the ternary quadratic equation given by $x^2 + xy + y^2 = 36z^2$. To conclude, one may search for other methods of solutions and their corresponding properties.

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