



On the Ternary Quadratic Diophantine Equation

$$(2k+2)(x^2+y^2)-(4k-1)xy=8(k+1)z^2$$

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ABSTRACT The ternary quadratic Diophantine equation represented by $(2k+2)(x^2+y^2)-(4k-1)xy=8(k+1)z^2$ is analyzed for its patterns of non-zero distinct integral solutions. A few interesting relations between the solutions and special polygonal numbers are exhibited.

INTRODUCTION

Ternary quadratic equations are rich in variety [1-3]. For an extensive review of sizable literature and various problems, one may refer [4-19]. In this communication, we consider yet another interesting ternary quadratic equation $(2k+2)(x^2+y^2)-(4k-1)xy=8(k+1)z^2$ and obtain infinitely many non-trivial integral solutions. A few interesting relations between the solutions, special Polygonal numbers, Pyramidal numbers, Jacobsthal number and Jacobsthal-Lucas numbers [1,2] are presented.

NOTATIONS USED

- $t_{m,n}$ - Polygonal number of rank n with size m .
- P_n^m - Pyramidal number of rank n with size m .
- Pr_n - Pronic number of rank n .
- J_n - Jacobsthal number of rank n .
- j_n - Jacobsthal-Lucas number of rank n .
- S_n - Star number of rank n .

METHOD OF ANALYSIS

The Quadratic Diophantine equation with three unknowns to be solved for its non-zero distinct integral solutions is

$$(2k+2)(x^2+y^2)-(4k-1)xy=8(k+1)z^2 \quad (1)$$

On substituting the linear transformations

$$x=u+v, y=u-v \quad (2)$$

in (1), it leads to

$$5u^2+(8k+3)v^2=(8k+8)z^2 \quad (3)$$

We obtain different patterns of integral solutions to (1) through solving (3) which are illustrated as follows:

PATTERN -I

$$\text{Assume } z=5a^2+(8k+3)b^2 \quad (4)$$

Write $(8k+8)$ as

$$8k+8=(\sqrt{5}+i\sqrt{8k+3})(\sqrt{5}-i\sqrt{8k+3}) \quad (5)$$

Using (4) and (5) in (3) and employing factorization it is written as

$$(\sqrt{5}u+i\sqrt{8k+3}v)(\sqrt{5}u-i\sqrt{8k+3}v)=\left\{\begin{array}{l}(\sqrt{5}+i\sqrt{8k+3})(\sqrt{5}-i\sqrt{8k+3})\\(\sqrt{5}a+i\sqrt{8k+3}b)^2(\sqrt{5}a-i\sqrt{8k+3}b)^2\end{array}\right.$$

which is equivalent to the system of equations

$$(\sqrt{5}u+i\sqrt{8k+3}v)=(\sqrt{5}+i\sqrt{8k+3})(\sqrt{5}a+i\sqrt{8k+3}b)^2$$

$$(\sqrt{5}u-i\sqrt{8k+3}v)=(\sqrt{5}-i\sqrt{8k+3})(\sqrt{5}a-i\sqrt{8k+3}b)^2$$

Equating the real and imaginary parts in either of the above equations we get

$$u=5a^2-(8k+3)b^2-2ab(8k+3)$$

$$v=5a^2-(8k+3)b^2+10ab$$

In view of (2), the non-zero distinct integral solutions of (1) are

$$x=10a^2-(16k+6)b^2-2ab(8k-2)$$

$$y=-2(8k+8)ab$$

along with (4).

PROPERTIES:

1. $3[2z(a,a)-x(a,a)]$ is a nasty number.

2. $\frac{2z(a,a+1,k)+x(a,a+1,k)-10t_{4,a}+}{(16k-4)Pr_a}=0$

$$3. \quad x[(b+1)(b+2), b, k] - y[(b+1)(b+2), b, k] - 2z[(b+1)(b+2), b, k] - 120Pb^3 + (32k+12)t_{4,b} = 0$$

$$4. \quad x(2^n - 1, 2^n + 1, k) + y(2^n - 1, 2^n + 1, k) + z(2^n - 1, 2^n + 1, k) + 120kJ_{2n} = 0$$

PATTERN-II

Introducing the linear transformations

$$u = X + (8k+3)T, v = X - 5T \quad (6)$$

in (3), it leads to

$$X^2 + (40k+15)T^2 = z^2 \quad (7)$$

which is satisfied by

$$T = 2pq$$

$$X = (40k+15)p^2 - q^2 \quad (8)$$

$$z = (40k+15)p^2 + q^2$$

From (8), (6) and (2), we get the non-zero distinct integer solutions to (1) as given below:

$$x = (80k+30)p^2 - 2q^2 + (16k-4)pq$$

$$y = (16k+16)pq$$

$$z = (40k+15)p^2 + q^2$$

PROPERTIES:

$$1. \quad x[(q+1)(q+2), q, k] - 2z[(q+1)(q+2), q, k] - 6(16k-4)P_q^3 + 4t_{4,q} = 0$$

2. Each of the following expressions represents the perfect square:

$$a. \quad 2z(q-1, 6q, k) - x(q-1, 6q, k) + (16k-4)(S_q - 1)$$

$$b. \quad 2z(2^{2n}, 1, k) - x(2^{2n}, 1, k) + (16k-4)(j_{2n} - 1)$$

$$3. \quad z(2^n - 1, 2^n + 1, k) - y(2^n - 1, 2^n + 1, k) - 72kJ_{2n} = 0$$

$$4. \quad x(p, p, k) - y(p, p, k) \equiv 0 \pmod{(k+1)}$$

PATTERN-III

Rewrite (3) as

$$5(u^2 - v^2) = 8(k+1)(z^2 - v^2) \quad (9)$$

which is written in the form of ratio as

$$\frac{5(u+v)}{4(z-v)} = \frac{2(k+1)(z+v)}{u-v} = \frac{\alpha}{\beta}, \beta \neq 0$$

The above equation is equivalent to the system of equations,

$$5\beta u + (4\alpha + 5\beta)v - 4\alpha z = 0$$

$$\alpha u - [\alpha + 2\beta(k+1)]v - 2\beta(k+1)z = 0$$

Applying the method of cross multiplication, we obtain

$$u = -4\alpha^2 - 10(k+1)\beta^2 - 16\alpha\beta(k+1)$$

$$v = -4\alpha^2 + 10(k+1)\beta^2$$

$$z = -4\alpha^2 - 10(k+1)\beta^2 - 10\alpha\beta \quad (10)$$

Substituting the above values of u and v in (2), we get the non-zero distinct integral solutions to (1) to be

$$x = -8\alpha^2 - 16(k+1)\alpha\beta$$

$$y = -20(k+1)\beta^2 - 16(k+1)\alpha\beta$$

along with (10).

PROPERTIES:

$$\begin{aligned}
 &1. 2z[\alpha, \alpha(\alpha+1), k] - y[\alpha, \alpha(\alpha+1), k] - \\
 &x[\alpha, \alpha(\alpha+1), k] - (64k+24)P_\alpha^3 = 0 \\
 &2. 2z[\alpha, (\alpha+1)(\alpha+2), k] - \\
 &y[\alpha, (\alpha+1)(\alpha+2), k] - \\
 &x[\alpha, (\alpha+1)(\alpha+2), k] - \\
 &6(32k+12)P_\alpha^3 = 0 \\
 &3. x[6\alpha(\alpha-1), 1, k] - 2z[6\alpha(\alpha-1), 1, k] - \\
 &20(k+1) - (4-16k)(S_\alpha - 1) = 0 \\
 &4. x(3\alpha^2, 3\alpha^2, k) - y(3\alpha^2, 3\alpha^2, k) \\
 &- 9\alpha^4(20k-3) \text{ is a bi quadratic integer.} \\
 &5. 2z(2^n-1, 2^n+1, k) - y(2^n-1, 2^n+1, k) - \\
 &x(2^n-1, 2^n+1, k) - 3(32k+12)J_{2n} = 0
 \end{aligned}$$

NOTE:

It is worth mentioning here that (9) may also be expressed in the form of ratios as follows:

Choice 1:

$$\frac{(u-v)}{4(z-v)(k+1)} = \frac{2(z+v)}{5(u+v)} = \frac{\alpha}{\beta}, \beta \neq 0$$

Choice 2:

$$\frac{5(u-v)}{2(z+v)(k+1)} = \frac{4(z-v)}{(u+v)} = \frac{\alpha}{\beta}, \beta \neq 0$$

Choice 3:

$$\frac{(u+v)}{(z-v)(k+1)} = \frac{8(z+v)}{5(u-v)} = \frac{\alpha}{\beta}, \beta \neq 0$$

Choice 4:

$$\frac{5(u+v)}{8(z-v)} = \frac{(k+1)(z+v)}{(u-v)} = \frac{\alpha}{\beta}, \beta \neq 0$$

By following the process mentioned in Pattern-III, the corresponding integer solutions to (1) obtained from the above choices are represented below:

Solutions for choice 1:

$$\begin{aligned}
 x &= 4\beta^2 - 16(k+1)\alpha\beta \\
 y &= 40(k+1)\alpha^2 - 16(k+1)\alpha\beta \\
 z &= -2\beta^2 - 20(k+1)\alpha^2 + 10\alpha\beta
 \end{aligned}$$

Solutions for choice 2:

$$\begin{aligned}
 x &= 40\beta^2 + 16(k+1)\alpha\beta \\
 y &= 4(k+1)\alpha^2 + 16(k+1)\alpha\beta \\
 z &= 20\beta^2 + 2(k+1)\alpha^2 + 10\alpha\beta
 \end{aligned}$$

Solutions for choice 3:

$$\begin{aligned}
 x &= -10(k+1)\alpha^2 - 16(k+1)\alpha\beta \\
 y &= -16\beta^2 - 16(k+1)\alpha\beta \\
 z &= -8\beta^2 - 5(k+1)\alpha^2 - 10\alpha\beta
 \end{aligned}$$

Solutions for choice 4:

$$\begin{aligned}
 x &= -16\alpha^2 - 16(k+1)\alpha\beta \\
 y &= -10(k+1)\beta^2 - 16(k+1)\alpha\beta \\
 z &= -5(k+1)\beta^2 - 8\alpha^2 - 10\alpha\beta
 \end{aligned}$$

Conclusion:

In this paper, we have obtained infinitely many non-zero distinct integer solutions to the ternary quadratic Diophantine equation represented by $(2k+2)(x^2+y^2) - (4k-1)xy = 8(k+1)z^2$

As quadratic equations are rich in variety, one may search for their choices of quadratic equation with variables greater than or equal to 3 and determine their properties through special numbers.

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