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## On the second degree equation with three unknowns $5x^2 + 4y^2 = 189z^2$

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### Abstract

The homogeneous ternary quadratic equation given by  $5x^2 + 4y^2 = 189z^2$  is analysed for its integral points on it. Also, formulae for generating sequence of integer solutions based on the given solution are presented.

**Keywords:** Ternary quadratic, Integer solutions, Homogeneous

### Introduction

It is well known that the quadratic Diophantine equations with three unknowns (homogeneous or non-homogeneous) are rich in variety <sup>[1, 2, 3]</sup>. In particular, one may refer <sup>[4-17]</sup> for homogeneous or non-homogeneous ternary quadratic Diophantine equations that are analysed for obtaining their corresponding non-zero distinct integer solutions. In this communication, yet another interesting homogeneous ternary quadratic Diophantine equation given by  $5x^2 + 4y^2 = 189z^2$  is analysed for its non-zero distinct integer solutions through different methods. A few interesting properties between the solutions are presented. Also, formulas for generating sequence of integer solutions based on the given solution are presented.

### Methods of Analysis

The ternary quadratic equation to be solved for its integer solutions is

$$5x^2 + 4y^2 = 189z^2 \quad (1)$$

Introduction of the linear transformations

$$\begin{aligned} x &= 6X, y = 3Y, z = 2W \\ \text{In (1) leads to} \end{aligned} \quad (2)$$

$$Y^2 + 5X^2 = 21W^2 \quad (3)$$

We present below different methods of solving (3) and in view of (2), one obtains different sets of integer solutions to (1).

**Method: 1**

Is written in the ratio form as

$$\frac{Y + 4W}{W + X} = \frac{5(W - X)}{Y - 4W} = \frac{\alpha}{\beta}, \beta \neq 0 \quad (4)$$

Which is equivalent to the system of double equations

$$\begin{aligned} \alpha X - \beta Y + (\alpha - 4\beta)W &= 0 \\ 5\beta X + \alpha Y - (4\alpha + 5\beta)W &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

Applying the method of cross-multiplication to the above system of equations, note that

$$\begin{aligned} X &= 8\alpha\beta + 5\beta^2 - \alpha^2 \\ Y &= 10\alpha\beta - 20\beta^2 + 4\alpha^2 \\ W &= \alpha^2 + 5\beta^2 \end{aligned}$$

In view of (2), one has

$$\begin{aligned} x &= 6(8\alpha\beta + 5\beta^2 - \alpha^2) \\ y &= 3(10\alpha\beta - 20\beta^2 + 4\alpha^2) \\ z &= 2(\alpha^2 + 5\beta^2) \end{aligned}$$

Which satisfy (1)

**Note: 1**

Expressing (3) in the ratio forms as below

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{Y + 4W}{5(W + X)} &= \frac{W - X}{Y - 4W} = \frac{\alpha}{\beta} \\ \frac{Y + 4W}{W - X} &= \frac{5(W + X)}{Y - 4W} = \frac{\alpha}{\beta} \\ \frac{Y + 4W}{5(W - X)} &= \frac{W + X}{Y - 4W} = \frac{\alpha}{\beta} \end{aligned}$$

One can also obtain other solutions to (1) by using the above method.

**Method: 2**

(3) Can be written as

$$Y^2 = 21W^2 - 5X^2 \quad (5)$$

Introducing the linear transformations

$$W = \bar{X} + 5T, X = \bar{X} + 21T, Y = 4S \quad (6)$$

In (5), it is written as

$$\bar{X}^2 = S^2 + 105T^2 \quad (7)$$

Which is satisfied by

$$T = 2rs, S = 105r^2 - s^2, \bar{X} = 105r^2 + s^2$$

Substituting the above values in (6) and using (2), the corresponding integer solutions to (1) are given by

$$x=6(105r^2 + s^2 + 42rs), y= 12(105r^2 - s^2), z= 2(105r^2 + s^2 + 10rs)$$

### Method: 3

(7) Is written as the system of double equations in Table 1 as follows.

**Table 1:** System of Double Equations

System	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
$\bar{X} + S$	$105T^2$	$35T^2$	$21T^2$	$7T^2$	$3T^2$	$T^2$	105T	35T	21T	15T
$\bar{X} - S$	1	3	5	15	35	105	T	T	5T	7T

Solving each of the above system of double equations, the values of  $\bar{X}, S$  and  $T$  are obtained. Using these values in (6) and employing (2) the value of  $x, y$  &  $z$  satisfying (1) are obtained. For simplicity and brevity, in what follows, the integer solutions thus obtained are exhibited.

#### Solutions for system: 1

$$x=6(210K^2 + 252K + 74), y= 12(210K^2 + 210K + 52), z= 2(210K^2 + 220K + 58)$$

#### Solutions for system: 2

$$x=6(70K^2 + 112K + 40), y= 12(70K^2 + 70K + 16), z= 2(70K^2 + 80K + 24)$$

#### Solution for system: 3

$$x= 6(42K^2 + 84K + 34), y= 12(42K^2 + 42K + 8), z= 2(42K^2 + 52K + 18)$$

#### Solution for system: 4

$$x= 6(14K^2 + 56K + 32), y= 12(14K^2 + 14K - 4), z= 2(14K^2 + 24K + 16)$$

#### Solution for system: 5

$$x= 6(6K^2 + 48K + 40), y= 12(6K^2 + 6K - 16), z= 2(6K^2 + 16K + 24)$$

#### Solution for system: 6

$$x= 6(2K^2 + 44K + 74), y= 12(2K^2 + 2K - 52), z= 2(2K^2 + 12K + 58)$$

#### Solution for system: 7

$$x= 444T, y= 624T, z= 116T$$

#### Solution for system: 8

$$x= 234T, y= 204T, z= 46T$$

#### Solution for system: 9

$$x= 204T, y= 96T, z= 36T$$

#### Solution for system: 10

$$x= 192T, y= 48T, z= 32T$$

**Method: 4**

(3) Is written as

$$21W^2 - 5X^2 = Y^2 * 1 \quad (8)$$

Assume Y as

$$Y = 21a^2 - 5b^2 \quad (9)$$

Write 1 on the R.H.S. of (8) as

$$1 = \frac{(\sqrt{21} + \sqrt{5})(\sqrt{21} - \sqrt{5})}{16} \quad (10)$$

Using (9) & (10) in (8) and employing the method of factorization, consider

$$\sqrt{21}W + \sqrt{5}X = \frac{1}{4}(\sqrt{21} + \sqrt{5})(\sqrt{21}a + \sqrt{5}b)^2$$

After Equating the corresponding terms on both sides, it is seen that

$$W = \frac{1}{4}(21a^2 + 5b^2 + 10ab), \quad X = \frac{1}{4}(21a^2 + 5b^2 + 42ab) \quad (11)$$

Using (9) and (11) in (2), one has

$$x = \frac{3}{2}(21a^2 + 5b^2 + 42ab), \quad y = 3(21a^2 - 5b^2), \quad z = \frac{1}{2}(21a^2 + 5b^2 + 10ab) \quad (12)$$

As our interest is on finding integer solutions, the values of a and b should be of the same parity.

**Note: 2**

In addition to (10), the integer 1 on the R.H.S. of (8) is written as

$$1 = (\sqrt{21} + 2\sqrt{5}) * (\sqrt{21} - 2\sqrt{5})$$

Following the above procedure, one may obtain different set of integer solutions to (1).

**Method 5:**

In (3), assume W as

$$W = a^2 + 5b^2 \quad (13)$$

Write 21 as

$$21 = (1 + i2\sqrt{5})(1 - i2\sqrt{5}) \quad (14)$$

Using (13) and (14) in (3) and employing the method of factorisation, consider

$$Y + i\sqrt{5}X = (1 + i2\sqrt{5})(a + i\sqrt{5}b)^2$$

Equating the real and imaginary parts, one has

$$Y = a^2 - 5b^2 - 20ab, \quad X = 2(a^2 - 5b^2) + 2ab$$

Therefore, in view of (2), the corresponding integer solutions to (1) are given by

$$x = 12(a^2 - 5b^2 + ab), y = 3(a^2 - 5b^2 - 20ab), z = 2(a^2 + 5b^2)$$

**Note 3**

In addition to (14), the integer 21 on the R.H.S. of (3) is written as

$$21 = (4 + i\sqrt{5})(4 - i\sqrt{5})$$

Following the above procedure, one may obtain different set of integer solutions to (1).

**Method 6**

(3) Is written as

$$Y^2 + 5X^2 = 21W^2 * 1 \tag{15}$$

Write the integer 1 on the R.H.S. of (15) as

$$1 = \frac{1}{81}(1 + i4\sqrt{5})(1 - i4\sqrt{5}) \tag{16}$$

Using (13), (14) and (16) in (15) and employing the method of factorisation, consider

$$Y + i\sqrt{5}X = (1 + i2\sqrt{5})(a^2 - 5b^2 + i\sqrt{5}2ab) \frac{(1 + i4\sqrt{5})}{9}$$

Equating the real and imaginary parts,

$$Y = \frac{1}{3}[(a^2 - 5b^2)(-13) - 20ab]$$

$$X = \frac{1}{3}[2(a^2 - 5b^2) - 26ab]$$

In view of (2), the corresponding integer solutions to (1) are given by

$$x = 4(a^2 - 5b^2) - 52ab$$

$$y = -13(a^2 - 5b^2) - 20ab$$

$$z = 2(a^2 + 5b^2)$$

**Note 4**

In addition to (16), the integer 1 on the R.H.S. of (15) is written as

$$1 = \frac{(2 + i3\sqrt{5})(2 - i3\sqrt{5})}{49}$$

Following the above procedure, one may obtain different set of integer solution to (1).

It is worth mentioning that the above solutions are different from [17].

**Generation of Solutions**

Different formulas for generating sequence of integer solutions based on the given solutions are presented below:

Let  $(x_0, y_0, z_0)$  be any given solutions to (1)

**Formula 1**

Let  $(x_1, y_1, z_1)$  given by

$$x_1 = 7x_0, y_1 = -7y_0 + 7h, z_1 = 7z_0 + h \quad (17)$$

Be the second solution to (1). Using (17) in (1) and simplifying, one obtains

$$h = 56y_0 + 378z_0$$

In view of (17), the values of  $y_1$  and  $z_1$  are written in the matrix form as

$$(y_1, z_1)^t = M(y_0, z_0)^t$$

Where

$$M = \begin{bmatrix} 385 & 2646 \\ 56 & 385 \end{bmatrix}$$

And  $t$  is the transpose.

The repetition of the above process leads to the  $n^{\text{th}}$  solutions  $y_n, z_n$  given by

$$(y_n, z_n)^t = M^n(y_0, z_0)^t$$

If  $\alpha, \beta$  are the distinct eigen values of  $M$ , then

$$\alpha = 763, \beta = 7$$

We know that

$$M^n = \frac{\alpha^n}{(\alpha - \beta)}(M - \beta I) + \frac{\beta^n}{\beta - \alpha}(M - \alpha I), I = 2 \times 2 \text{ Identity Matrix}$$

Thus, the general formulas for integer solutions to (1) are given by

$$\begin{aligned} x_n &= 7^n x_0, \\ \begin{pmatrix} y_n \\ z_n \end{pmatrix} &= \frac{1}{108} \begin{bmatrix} 54(\alpha^n + \beta^n) & 378(\alpha^n - \beta^n) \\ 8(\alpha^n - \beta^n) & 54(\alpha^n + \beta^n) \end{bmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} y_0 \\ z_0 \end{pmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

**Formula 2**

Let  $(x_1, y_1, z_1)$  given by

$$x_1 = 9x_0 + 6h, y_1 = 9y_0, z_1 = -9z_0 + h \quad (18)$$

Be the second solution to (1). Using (18) in (1) and simplifying, one obtains

$$h = 60x_0 + 378z_0$$

In view of (17), the values of  $x_1$  and  $z_1$  are written in the matrix form as

$$(x_1, z_1)^t = M(x_0, z_0)^t$$

Where

$$M = \begin{bmatrix} 369 & 2268 \\ 60 & 369 \end{bmatrix}$$

and  $t$  is the transpose.

The repetition of the above process leads to the  $n^{\text{th}}$  solutions  $x_n, z_n$  given by

$$(x_n, z_n)^t = M^n (x_0, z_0)^t$$

If  $\alpha, \beta$  are the distinct eigen values of  $M$ , then

$$\alpha = 729, \beta = 9$$

We know that

$$M^n = \frac{\alpha^n}{(\alpha - \beta)} (M - \beta I) + \frac{\beta^n}{\beta - \alpha} (M - \alpha I), I = 2 \times 2 \text{ Identity Matrix}$$

Thus, the general formulas for integer solutions to (1) are given by

$$\begin{pmatrix} x_n \\ z_n \end{pmatrix} = \frac{1}{180} \begin{bmatrix} 90(\alpha^n + \beta^n) & 567(\alpha^n - \beta^n) \\ 15(\alpha^n - \beta^n) & 90(\alpha^n + \beta^n) \end{bmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x_0 \\ z_0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$y_n = 9^n y_0$$

### Formula 3

Let  $(x_1, y_1, z_1)$  given by

$$x_1 = h - 9x_0, y_1 = -9y_0 + h, z_1 = 9z_0 \quad (19)$$

Be the second solution to (1). Using (19) in (1) and simplifying, one obtains

$$h = 10x_0 + 8y_0$$

In view of (17), the values of  $x_1$  and  $y_1$  are written in the matrix form as

$$(x_1, y_1)^t = M(x_0, y_0)^t$$

Where

$$M = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 8 \\ 10 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

And  $t$  is the transpose.

The repetition of the above process leads to the  $n^{\text{th}}$  solutions  $x_n, y_n$  given by

$$(x_n, y_n)^t = M^n (x_0, y_0)^t$$

If  $\alpha, \beta$  are the distinct eigen values of  $M$ , then

$$\alpha = 9, \beta = -9$$

We know that

$$M^n = \frac{\alpha^n}{(\alpha - \beta)}(M - \beta I) + \frac{\beta^n}{\beta - \alpha}(M - \alpha I), I = 2 \times 2 \text{ Identity Matrix}$$

Thus, the general formulas for integer solutions to (1) are given by

$$\begin{pmatrix} x_n \\ y_n \end{pmatrix} = \frac{1}{9} \begin{bmatrix} 5\alpha^n + 4\beta^n & 4(\alpha^n - \beta^n) \\ 5(\alpha^n - \beta^n) & 4\alpha^n + 5\beta^n \end{bmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} y_0 \\ z_0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$z_n = 9^n z_0,$$

### Conclusion:

In this paper, an attempt has been made to obtain non-zero distinct integer solutions to the ternary quadratic Diophantine equation  $5x^2 + 4y^2 = 189z^2$  representing homogeneous cone. As there are varieties of cones, the readers may search for other forms of cones to obtain integer solutions for the corresponding cones.

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