

OBSERVATIONS ON THE HOMOGENEOUS QUINTIC EQUATION WITH FOUR UNKNOWNNS

$$\underline{x^5 - y^5 = 2z^5 + 5(x+y)(x^2 - y^2)w^2}$$

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ABSTRACT

We obtain infinitely many non-zero integer quadruples (x, y, z, w) satisfying the quintic equation with four unknowns $x^5 - y^5 = 2z^5 + 5(x+y)(x^2 - y^2)w^2$. Various interesting properties among the values of x, y, z and w are presented.

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NOTATIONS:

$T_{m,n} = n \left(1 + \frac{(n-1)(m-2)}{2} \right)$ - Polygonal number of rank n with size m

$P_n^m = \frac{1}{6} n(n+1)((m-2)n + (5-n))$ - Pyramidal number of rank n with size m

$PR_p = n(n+1)$ - Pronic number of rank n

$S_n = 6n(n-1) + 1$ - Star number of rank n

$J_n = \frac{1}{3} 2^n - (-1)^n$ - Jacobsthal number of rank n

$j_n = 2^n + (-1)^n$ - Jacobsthal-Lucas number of rank n

$KY_n = (2^n + 1)^2 - 2$ - keynea number.

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1. INTRODUCTION

The theory of diophantine equations offers a rich variety of fascinating problems. In particular, quintic equations, homogeneous and non-homogeneous have aroused the interest of numerous mathematicians since antiquity [1-3]. For illustration, one may refer [4-5] for quintic equation with three unknowns and [6-7] for quintic equation with five unknowns. This paper concerns with the problem of determining non-trivial integral solutions of the homogeneous quintic equation with four unknowns given by $x^5 - y^5 = 2z^5 + 5(x+y)(x^2 - y^2)w^2$. A few relations among the solutions are presented.

2. Method of Analysis:

The diophantine equation representing the quintic equation with four unknowns under consideration is

$$x^5 - y^5 = 2z^5 + 5(x+y)(x^2 - y^2)w^2 \quad (1)$$

It is observed that (1) is satisfied by the following non-zero distinct integer quadruples:

$$(x, y, z, w) : (6k, -2k, 4k, 3k), (2(2k^2 + 2k - 1), 2(2k^2 - 2k - 1), 4k, 2k^2 + 1)$$

However, we have other patterns of solutions which are illustrated below:

2.1: Pattern I:

Introduction of the transformations

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

in (1) leads to

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

which is of the form $z^2 = Dx^2 + y^2$.

Using the most cited solution of the above equation, the corresponding non-zero distinct integral solutions of (1) are given by

$$\left. \begin{aligned} x &= 2p^2 - 4q^2 + 4pq \\ y &= 2p^2 - 4q^2 - 4pq \\ z &= 4pq \\ w &= p^2 + 2q^2 \end{aligned} \right\} \quad (4)$$

Following are some interesting relations between the solutions of (1):

$$1. x(p, p) + y(p, p) + z(p, p) + w(p, p) = 2T_{5,p} + PR_p - T_{4,p}$$

2. Each of the following expression is a nasty number:

$$(a) 6[4w(p, q) - x(p, q) - y(p, q)].$$

$$(b). 6[x(p, 1) - y(p, 1) - z(p, 1) + w(p, 1)] + 12$$

$$3. x(p, q) - z(p, q) - w(p, q) - T_{4,p} + S_p - 2T_{10,q} + 8t_{4,q} = 1$$

$$4. x(p, p+1) - y(p, p+1) + w(p, p+1) - 2z(p, p+1) - 6T_{3,p} + T_{6,p} - 2T_{4,p} = 2$$

$$5. Z(p(p+1), p) + W(p(p+1), p) - 8T_{3,p}^2 - T_{4,p}^2 - 6P_p^4 - 2T_{5,p} + 3T_{4,p} = 0$$

$$6. z(2^{2n}, 1) + w(2^n, 1) = j_{2n+2} + j_{2n}$$

$$7. x(2^n, 1) + y(2^n, 1) = 4KY_n - 4j_{2n}$$

8. The triple $(x(p, p), y(p, p), z(p, p))$ satisfies the homogeneous cone $Y^2 - X^2 = 2Z^2$

2.2: Pattern II:

$$\text{In (2), the choice } v = 2V, u = 2U \tag{5}$$

gives

$$U^2 + 2V^2 = w^2 \tag{6}$$

After performing a few calculations, the integral solutions of (1) are obtained as

$$\left. \begin{aligned} x &= 4p^2 - 2q^2 + 4pq \\ y &= 4p^2 - 2q^2 - 4pq \\ z &= 4pq \\ w &= 2p^2 + q^2 \end{aligned} \right\} \tag{7}$$

Note: Replacing q by p and p by q , x by $-x$ and y by $-y$, in (7), we obtain the solutions of pattern (1).

The above solution set (7) satisfies the following properties:

$$1. x(p, p) + y(p, p) + z(p, p) + w(p, p) = 22T_{3,p} + 11T_{6,p} - 22T_{4,p}$$

2. Each of the following expression is a nasty number:

$$(a). 3[4w(p, q) - x(p, q) - y(p, q)].$$

$$(b). x(2^n, 1) - y(2^n, 1) + z(2^n, 1) - 6j_{2n+1}$$

3. $x(p+2, p+1) - y(p+2, p+1) - 16T_{3,p} + 32T_{5,p} - 48t_{4,p}$ is a biquadratic integer.

$$4. 20T_{3,p} - x(p,1) - y(p,1) - z(p,1) - w(p,1) \equiv 0 \pmod{3}$$

$$5. x(2^n, 1) - y(2^n, 1) + z(2^n, 1) + w(2^n, 1) - 42J_{2^n} \equiv 0 \pmod{5}$$

6. The triple $(x(p, p), y(p, p), z(p, p))$ satisfies the homogeneous cone $X^2 - 2Z^2 = Y^2$

$$7. x(p(p+1), p) - y(p(p+1), p) - z(p(p+1), p) + w(p(p+1), p) = 8P_p^5 + 2T_{4,p^2} + 12P_p^4 - 6T_{3,p} + PR_p - T_{4,p}$$

In addition to the above two patterns, there are two more patterns of solutions (1) which we present below.

2.3: Pattern III:

$$\text{Assume } w = p^2 + 2q^2, p, q \neq 0 \tag{8}$$

Write 4 as

$$4 = \frac{(2 + 4i\sqrt{2})(2 - 4i\sqrt{2})}{3^2} \tag{9}$$

Using (8) & (9) in (3) and applying the method of factorization define:

$$(u + i\sqrt{2}v) = \frac{(2 + 4i\sqrt{2})(p + i\sqrt{2}q)^2}{3}$$

Equating real and imaginary parts, we get

$$\left. \begin{aligned} u &= \frac{2}{3}(p^2 - 2q^2 - 8pq) \\ v &= \frac{4}{3}(p^2 - 2q^2 + pq) \end{aligned} \right\} \tag{10}$$

In view of (2) and (10) the solutions of (1) are obtained as

$$\left. \begin{aligned} x &= 18(p^2 - 2q^2 - 2pq) \\ y &= -6(p^2 - 2q^2 + 10pq) \\ z &= 12(p^2 - 2q^2 + pq) \\ w &= 9(p^2 + 2q^2) \end{aligned} \right\} \tag{11}$$

2.4: Pattern IV:

Consider (6) as

$$U^2 + 2V^2 = 1 \times w^2 \tag{12}$$

Take 1 as

$$1 = \frac{(7+i4\sqrt{2})(1-i4\sqrt{2})}{9^2} \quad (13)$$

Using (8) & (13) in (12) and applying the method of factorization define:

$$(U+i\sqrt{2}V) = \frac{(7+i4\sqrt{2})(p+i\sqrt{2}q)^2}{9} \quad (14)$$

Equating real and imaginary parts, we get

$$\left. \begin{aligned} U &= \frac{1}{9}(7(p^2 - 2q^2) - 16pq) \\ V &= \frac{1}{9}(4(p^2 - 2q^2) + 14pq) \end{aligned} \right\} \quad (15)$$

In view of (2), (5) and (15) the integral solutions of (1) are found to be

$$\left. \begin{aligned} x &= 2(11p^2 - 22q^2 - 2pq) \\ y &= 2(3p^2 - 6q^2 - 30pq) \\ z &= 2(4p^2 - 8q^2 + 14pq) \\ w &= 9(p^2 + 2q^2) \end{aligned} \right\} \quad (16)$$

3. Conclusion:

It is to be noted that, instead of (13), one may write 1 as

$$1 = \frac{(1+i2\sqrt{2})(1-i2\sqrt{2})}{3^2}$$

Following the procedure presented above, the corresponding integral solutions of (1) are obtained.

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