



Cubic Diophantine Polynomial: $(a+b+c)(ab+bc+ca)$

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ABSTRACT

There is not much mention about Cubic Diophantine equation- $(a+b+c)(ab+bc+ca)$, in math literature. A question was raised recently on the Mathblog, math stack exchange, about the asymmetrical equation, $(a + b + c)(de + df + ef) = (d + e + f)(ab + bc + ca)$. This got the authors thinking if a parametric solution is possible for the symmetrical equation, $(a + b + c)(ab + bc + ca) = (d + e + f)(de + df + ef)$. Turns out there are multiple parametric solutions. The authors have given three parametric solutions. Also, we have shown that integers of the form, $n = m(6m + 1)$ can be represented as, $(a + b + c)(ab + bc + ca)$ in the form of rational numbers in a parametric form.

Consider the below equation:

$$(x + y + z)(xy + yz + zx) = (u + v + w)(uv + vw + wu).. \quad (1)$$

Case (1):

We look for a parametric solution:

Taking: $(x + y + z) = (u + v + w)$

And, $(xy + yz + zx) = (uv + vw + wu)$

$$\text{Let: } (x, y, z) = [(m + a), (pm - a), (qm)] \quad (2)$$

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$$(u, v, w) = [(m), (pm + a), (qm - a)] \quad (3)$$

We get the condition, $[q = 2p - 1]$

Substituting the value of 'q' in (2) & (3) above we get:

$$(x, y, z) = [(m + a), (pm - a), (m(2p - 1))]$$

We get :

$$(u, v, w) = [(m), (pm + a), (2mp - m - a)]$$

$$(x + y + z) = (u + v + w) = 3mp$$

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$$\begin{aligned} (xy + yz + zx) &= (uv + vw + wu) \\ &= (2pm^2 + 2p^2m^2 - ma + pma - a^2 - m^2) \end{aligned}$$

For, $(m,a,p)=(5,3,2)$ we get:

$$(x, y, z, u, v, w) = (8,7,15,5,13,12)$$

Case (2):

$$(x + y + z)(xy + yz + zx) = (u + v + w)(uv + vw + wu) \quad (4)$$

$$\text{We take: } (x, y, z) = [(t), (-8t + a), (t + b)] \quad (5a)$$

$$\& \quad (u, v, w) = [(t), (t - a), (-8t - b)] \quad (6a)$$

Substituting the above in (1) we get:

$$t = \frac{2ab}{9(b - a)}$$

We substitute the value of 't' in equations (5a) & (6a) & we get:

$$(x, y, z) = [(2ab), -a(9a + 7b), b(-7a + 9b)]$$

$$\& \quad (u, v, w) = [(2ab), a(9a - 7b), -b(9b + 7a)]$$

For $(a,b)=(8,9)$ we get:

$$(x, y, z, u, v, w) = (16, -120, 25, 16, 8, -137)$$

Case (3):

$$(x + y + z)(xy + yz + zx) = (u + v + w)(uv + vw + wu) \quad (7)$$

Substitute,

$$x = t, y = pt + a, z = qt + b, u = t - a, v = pt - b, w = qt,$$

into above equation (1):

$$\text{We take, } a = -(p^2 + 5p + 4pq + 5q + q^2 + 2),$$

$$b = (5pq + p^2 + 4p + 2q^2 + 5q + 1)$$

Then, we get after substituting in (1):

$$t = \left(\frac{1}{r}\right) * (p^2 + 5p + 2 + 4pq + 5q + q^2)(5pq + p^2 + 4p + 1 + 2q^2 + 5q)$$

Where,

$$r = (p^3 + 4p^2q + 4p^2 - pq^2 + pq - q^3 - 3q^2 - p - 3q - 1)$$

$$x = -ab$$

$$y = -a(p^2q + 2p + 4pq + 3pq^2 + 1 + q^3 + 3q^2 + 3q)$$

$$z = b((p^3 + 4p^2 + 5p^2q - p + 3pq^2 + 6pq - q - 1 + 2q^2)$$

$$u = -a(p^3 + 5p^2 + 4p^2q + 3p - pq^2 + 6pq + 2q - q^2 - q^3) \quad v = b(p^2 + 2pq^2 + 3p + 4pq + 3q + 1 + q^3 + 3q^2)$$

$$w = -abq$$

$$\text{Where, } a = -(p^2 + 5p + 2 + 4pq + 5q + q^2),$$

$$b = (5pq + p^2 + 4p + 1 + 2q^2 + 5q)$$

Since, p, q are any integers.

For $(p, q) = (3, 2)$, the numerical solution is:

$$[x, y, z, u, v, w] = [2240, 3552, 7945, 5408, 3255, 4480]$$

Case (4)

Next we consider integer representation of the numbers of the form, $n = m(6m + 1)$.

Let:

$$n = (x + y + z)(xy + yz + zx) \quad (8)$$

We need to find, positive integers which are represented by the positive rational numbers, x, y, z .

$$\text{For, } n = (x + y + z)(xy + yz + zx)$$

We consider the special case of $y = z$. After simplification of equation (1) we get:

$$2y^3 + 5xy^2 + 2x^2y = n \quad (9)$$

For the quadratic in (x) equation (2) in order to have rational solutions, the discriminant must be a rational square, then we get:

$$v^2 = 9y^4 + 8yn \quad (10)$$

An equation (3) can be transformed to the parameterized elliptic curve (4).

$$Y^2 = X^3 + 576n^2, \text{ with } y = \frac{8n}{X}, v = \frac{8Yn}{X^2} \quad (11)$$

Let, $n = m(6m + 1)$, then we get a parametric solution of (4) as follows.

$$(X, Y) = (144m^2 + 24m, 24m(6m + 1)(12m + 1)).$$

$$(n, x, y, z) = (m(6m + 1), \left(-\frac{1}{6} + 3m\right), \frac{1}{3}, \frac{1}{3}).$$

For $m = 2$, we get $n = 26$ &

$$(x, y, z) = \left(\frac{35}{6}, \frac{2}{6}, \frac{2}{6}\right) \quad (12)$$

Using the group structure, we get other parametric solution. $n = m(6m + 1)$

$$x=(1/6w)(-30233088m^8 - 7558272m^7 - 139968m^6 - 1189728m^5 - 559872m^4 - 86832m^3 - 5508m^2 - 162m + 10077696m^9 - 1)$$

$$y = 18m(6m + 1)(36m^2 + 6m + 1)^3$$

$$z = 18m(6m + 1) (36m^2 + 6m + 1)^3$$

where:

$$w = (36m^2 + 6m + 1)(216m^3 + 216m^2 + 18m - 1)(216m^3 - 108m^2 - 36m - 1)$$

We can get the positive solution, with $m \geq 4$.

$$\text{For } m=4, \quad n = m(6m + 1),$$

we get a numerical example:

$$(n, x, y, z):$$

$$n = 100$$

$$x = \frac{534676592951}{747746654406}$$

$$y = \frac{650161800}{207361801}$$

$$z = \frac{650161800}{207361801}$$

Note: A smaller numerical solution from equation (12) above, after clearing the denominators is :

$$\text{For } n = 5616, (x, y, z) = (35, 2, 2)$$

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