



## ON THE HOMOGENEOUS BI-QUADRATIC EQUATION WITH FIVE UNKNOWNNS

$$[k(x^2 + y^2) - (2k - 1)xy](x^2 - y^2) = 4k(z^2 - w^2)T^2$$

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### ABSTRACT

The biquadratic equation with 5 unknown given by  $[k(x^2 + y^2) - (2k - 1)xy](x^2 - y^2) = 4k(z^2 - w^2)T^2$  is analyzed for its patterns of non - zero distinct integral solutions. A few interesting relations between the solutions and special polygonal numbers are exhibited.

### KEY WORDS

Quadratic equation, Integral solutions, Special polygonal numbers, Pyramidal numbers.

### INTRODUCTION

Biquadratic diophantine equations, homogeneous and non- homogeneous, have aroused the interest of numerous Mathematicians since antiquity as can be seen from [1-7]. In the context one may refer [8-24] for varieties of problems on the Diophantine equations with two, three and four variables. This communication concerns with the problems of determining non-zero integral solutions of yet another biquadratic equation in 5 unknowns represented by  $[k(x^2 + y^2) - (2k - 1)xy](x^2 - y^2) = 4k(z^2 - w^2)T^2$ . A few interesting relations between the solutions and special polygonal numbers 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  $m$ .
- $Ct_{m,n}$  - Centered polygonal number of rank  $n$  with size  $m$ .
- $gn_a$  - Gnomonic number of rank  $a$
- $SO_n$  - Stella octangular number of rank  $n$
- $pr_n$  - Pronic number of rank  $n$
- $CP_{m,n}$  - Centered pyramidal number of rank  $n$  with size  $m$

**METHOD OF ANALYSIS**

The diophantine equation representing the biquadratic equation with five unknowns under consideration is

$$[k(x^2 + y^2) - (2k - 1)xy](x^2 - y^2) = 4k(z^2 - w^2)T^2 \tag{1}$$

The substitution of the linear transformations

$$x = u + v, y = u - v, z = uv + 1, w = uv - 1 \tag{2}$$

in (1) leads to  $u^2 + (4k - 1)v^2 = 4kT^2$  (3)

Different patterns of solutions of (1) are presented below

**Pattern -1**

Write (3) as  $u^2 - v^2 = 4k(T^2 - v^2)$  (4)

which implies  $\frac{u + v}{k(T + v)} = \frac{4(T - v)}{u - v} = \frac{p}{q}, q \neq 0$  (5)

Using the method of cross ratio, we get

$$u = u(k, p, q) = kp^2 + 4q^2 - 8kpq$$

$$v = v(k, p, q) = kp^2 - 4q^2$$

$$T = T(k, p, q) = -kp^2 - 4q^2 + 2pq$$

Hence in view of (2) the corresponding solutions of (1) are

$$x = x(k, p, q) = 2kp^2 - 8kpq$$

$$y = y(k, p, q) = 8q^2 - 8kpq$$

$$z = z(k, p, q) = k^2p^4 - 8k^2p^3q + 32kpq^3 - 16q^4 + 1$$

$$w = w(k, p, q) = k^2p^4 - 8k^2p^3q + 32kpq^3 - 16q^4 - 1$$

$$T = T(k, p, q) = -kp^2 - 4q^2 + 2pq$$

A few Numerical examples are presented in the table below:

p	q	x	y	z	w	T
1	1	-6k	8-8k	-7k <sup>2</sup> + 32k - 15	-7k <sup>2</sup> + 32k - 17	-k - 2
1	2	-14k	32-16k	-15k <sup>2</sup> + 256k - 255	-15k <sup>2</sup> + 256k - 257	-k - 12
2	1	-8k	8-16k	-48k <sup>2</sup> + 64k - 15	-48k <sup>2</sup> + 64k - 17	-4k
2	2	-24k	32-32k	-112k <sup>2</sup> + 512k - 255	-112k <sup>2</sup> + 512k - 257	-4k - 8
3	1	-6k	8-24k	-135k <sup>2</sup> + 96k - 15	-135k <sup>2</sup> + 96k - 17	2 - 9k

From the table it is observed that  $x^2 + w^2 = y^2 + z^2$

and by definition, the numbers  $49k^4 - 448k^3 + 1298k^2 - 1088k + 289$ ,

$$225k^4 - 7680k^3 + 73442k^2 - 131584k + 66049,$$

$$2304k^4 - 6144k^3 + 5792k^2 - 2176k + 289,$$

$$12544k^4 - 114688k^3 + 320288k^2 - 263168k + 66049$$

$$\text{and } 18225k^4 - 25920k^3 + 13842k^2 - 3264k + 289$$

represent the second order Ramanujan numbers.

Thus, one may obtain infinitely many second order Ramanujan numbers.

A few interesting properties observed are as follows:

1.  $z(q,1,q) - 4T(q,1,q^2) + 4x(q,1,q^3) - y(q,q,q) + 27t_{4,q} = Ct_{24,q}$
2.  $x(p,p,-p) - y(p,p,-p) - 2T(p,p,-p) = 8p^5$
3.  $x(k,1,k^2) - 2y(k,1,k^2) + z(k,1,k) = t_{4,k} + gn_k$
4.  $x(k,p,k) - y(k,p,k) \equiv 0 \pmod{k}$
5.  $x(12p^2,p,p^2) - y(12p^2,p,p^2)$  is a Bi quadratic integer.
6. Each of the following represents a nasty number:
  - $6\{x(k,1,k^2) - 2y(k,1,k^2) + z(k,1,k)\}$
  - $-2\{x(k,q,q) - y(k,q,q) + 2T(k,q,q)\}$
  - $3\{y(1,p,-p) + 2T(1,p,-p)\}$

**Pattern-2:**

Instead of (5) write (4) as

$$\frac{u+v}{T+v} = \frac{4k(T-v)}{u-v} = \frac{p}{q}, q \neq 0$$

Following a similar procedure as in pattern-1, the solutions of (1) are

$$x = x(k,p,q) = 2p^2 - 8kpq$$

$$y = y(k,p,q) = 8kq^2 - 8kpq$$

$$z = z(k,p,q) = p^4 - 8kp^3q + 32k^2pq^3 - 16k^2q^4 + 1$$

$$w = w(k,p,q) = p^4 - 8kp^3q + 32k^2pq^3 - 16k^2q^4 - 1$$

$$T = T(k,p,q) = -p^2 - 4kq^2 + 2pq$$

**Properties:**

1.  $x(1,-p,p+1) + y(1,-p,p+1) + 2T(1,-p,p+1) + z(k,p,q) - w(k,p,q) - 1 = Ct_{24,p}$
2.  $2\{x(q^2,q,q) + y(q^2,q,q)\} - w(1,1,q) = 4\{t_{4,q} - 12Cp_{8,q}\}$
3.  $-4\{T(k^2(2k^2-1)^2, k, 2k^2-1) + y(k^2(2k^2-1), 1, 2k^2-1) - x(k^2(2k^2-1), 1, 2k^2-1)\}$   
 $+ w(k, 1, 2k^2-1) + 2 = 2gn_{k^2+2} - 16SO_k$
4.  $y(q+1, 2q, q) + 2T(q+1, 2q, q) = t_{4,2q} - 32P_q^5$
5.  $x(k,p,-1) - y(k,p,-1) - 2T(k,p,-1) = 8t_{3,p}$
6.  $x(2, 4p^2, p^2) - y(2, 4p^2, p^2)$  is a biquadratic integer.
7. Each of the following represents a nasty number:
  - $3\{x(k,p,-p) - y(k,p,-p) - 2T(k,p,-p)\}$
  - $-6\{x(k,-q,q) + 2T(k,-q,q)\}$

**Pattern-3:**

Assume  $T = a^2 + (4k - 1)b^2$  (6)

where  $a$  and  $b$  are distinct integers.

Write  $4k$  as  $4k = (1 + i\sqrt{4k - 1})(1 - i\sqrt{4k - 1})$  (7)

Using (6) & (7) in (3) and employing the method of factorization, define

$$(u + i\sqrt{4k - 1}v) = (1 + i\sqrt{4k - 1})(a + i\sqrt{4k - 1}b)^2$$

Equating the real and imaginary parts, we have

$$u = u(k, a, b) = a^2 - (4k - 1)b^2 - 2(4k - 1)ab$$

$$v = v(k, a, b) = a^2 - (4k - 1)b^2 + 2ab$$

Hence in view of (2), the corresponding solutions of (1) are

$$x = x(k, a, b) = 2a^2 - 2(4k - 1)b^2 + 2(2 - 4k)ab$$

$$y = y(k, a, b) = -8kab$$

$$z = z(k, a, b) = a^4 + 2(2 - 4k)a^3b - 6(4k - 1)a^2b^2 + 2(4k - 1)(4k - 2)ab^3 + (4k - 1)^2b^4 + 1$$

$$w = w(k, a, b) = a^4 + 2(2 - 4k)a^3b - 6(4k - 1)a^2b^2 + 2(4k - 1)(4k - 2)ab^3 + (4k - 1)^2b^4 - 1$$

$$T = T(k, a, b) = a^2 + (4k - 1)b^2$$

**Properties:**

1.  $4w(k, 1, b) + y((4k - 1)(4k - 2), 1, b^3) - 4T(k, (4k - 1)b^2, b)$   
 $= 16(1 - 2k)Pr_b + 2(3 - 20k)(gn_b^2 - 1)$
2.  $x(1, a, -1) + 2T(1, a, -1) = 4Pr_a$
3.  $x(1, a, b) - 2T(1, a, b) \equiv 0 \pmod{4}$
4.  $4x(k, a^2, b) + y((2 - 4k), a^2, b) + 8T(k, a^2, b)$  is a Bi quadratic integer.
5. Each of the following represents a nasty number:
  - $3\{x(a(3a - 2), a, 1) - y(a(3a - 2), a, 1) + 8t_{8,a}\}$
  - $6\{4\{x(k, a, b) + 2T(k, a, b)\} + y(2 - 4k, a, b)\}$
  - $-3\{2x(1, a, a) - y(1, a, a)\}$

**Pattern-4:**

From (3),  $u^2 = 4kT^2 - (4k - 1)v^2$  (8)

Introducing the linear transformations

$$T = P \pm (4k - 1)Q$$

$$v = P \pm 4kQ$$
 (9)

in (8), it simplifies to

$$P^2 = 4k(4k - 1)Q^2 + u^2$$

whose solution is given by

$$u = u(k, r, s) = 4k(4k - 1)r^2 - s^2$$

$$P = P(k, r, s) = 4k(4k - 1)r^2 + s^2$$

$$Q = Q(k, r, s) = 2rs$$

Using the values of  $P$  and  $Q$  in (9) and taking (2), the corresponding solutions of (1) are given by

$$x = x(k, r, s) = 8k(4k - 1)r^2 + 8krs$$

$$y = y(k, r, s) = -2s^2 - 8krs$$

$$z = z(k, r, s) = 16k^2(4k - 1)^2r^4 + 32k^2(4k - 1)r^3s - 8krs^3 - s^4 + 1$$

$$w = w(k, r, s) = 16k^2(4k - 1)^2r^4 + 32k^2(4k - 1)r^3s - 8krs^3 - s^4 - 1$$

$$T = T(k, r, s) = 4k(4k - 1)r^2 + s^2 + 2(4k - 1)rs$$

## CONCLUSION

To conclude, one may search for other patterns of solutions and their corresponding properties.

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