

Integral solution of the biquadratic Equation

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ABSTRACT:

We obtain infinitely many non-zero integer quadruples (x, y, z, w) satisfying the biquadratic equation with four unknowns $x^4 - y^4 = (k^2 + 1)(z^2 - w^2)$. Various interesting relations between the solutions, polygonal numbers, pyramidal numbers and centered pyramidal numbers are obtained.

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Notations:

$Gno_n = 2n - 1$ - Gnomonic number.

$S_n = 6n(n - 1) + 1$ -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.

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

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

$OH_n = \frac{1}{3}(n(2n^2 + 1))$ - Octa hedral number of rank n.

$CP_n^6 = -n^3$ -Centered hexagonal pyramidal number of rank n.

$CP_n^{14} = \frac{n(7n^2 - 4)}{3}$ -Centered tetra decagonal pyramidal number of rank n.

$PT_n = \frac{n(n+1)(n+2)(n+3)}{4!}$ -Pentatope number of rank n.

$F_{4,n,4} = \frac{n(n+1)^2(n+2)}{12}$ - Four dimensional Figurative number of rank n whose generating polygon is a square

I. INTRODUCTION:

The biquadratic Diophantine (homogeneous or non-homogeneous) equation offer an unlimited field for research due to their variety Dickson.L.E [1], Mordell.L.J[2], Carmichael R.D [3]. In particular, one may refer Gopalan M.A et.al[4-17] for non-homogeneous biquadratic equations, with three and four unknowns. This communication concerns with yet another interesting non-homogenous biquadratic equation with four unknowns given by $x^4 - y^4 = (k^2 + 1)(z^2 - w^2)$. A few interesting relations between the solutions, special numbers, figurative numbers and centered pyramidal numbers are obtained.

II. METHOD OF ANALYSIS

The non-homogeneous biquadratic diophantine equation with four unknowns is

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

It is worth to note that (1) is satisfied by the following non-zero distinct integer quadruples

$$((a^2 + b^2)(1 + k), (a^2 + b^2)(1 - k), (a^2 + b^2)^2(2k + 1), (a^2 + b^2)^2(2k - 1)) \text{ and} \\ (10b^2(k - 1), -10b^2(k + 1), -100b^4(2k - 1), -100b^4(2k + 1)) .$$

However we have some more patterns of solutions to (1) which are illustrated below

To start with,

the substitution of the transformations

$$x = u + v, y = u - v, z = 2uv + \sigma^2, w = 2uv - \sigma^2 \quad (2)$$

$$\text{in (1), leads to } u^2 + v^2 = (k^2 + 1)\sigma^2 \quad (3)$$

2.1 Pattern 1

$$\text{Let } \sigma = a^2 + b^2 \quad (4)$$

Substituting (4) in (3) and using the method of factorization, define

$$u + iv = (k + i)(a + ib)^2 \quad (5)$$

Equating real and imaginary parts in (5), we have

$$\left. \begin{aligned} u &= k(a^2 - b^2) - 2ab \\ v &= (a^2 - b^2) + 2abk \end{aligned} \right\} \quad (6)$$

Substituting (4), (6) in (2) and simplifying, the corresponding values of x,y,z and w are represented by

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

$$y(k, a, b) = k(a^2 - b^2 - 2ab) - (a^2 - b^2 + 2ab)$$

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

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

Properties

1. $4[z(k, a + 1, a) - w(k, a + 1, a) - 192 PT_a + 96 T_a^4 + 24 PR_a]$ is a cubical integer.

2. Each of the following is a nasty number:

(i) $3(z(k, a, b) - w(k, a, b))$

(ii) $x(k, ka, a)$

(iii) $-6(x(k, a, a) + y(k, a, a))$.

3. $z(k, a, b) + w(k, a, b) - 48(k^2 - 1)P_{a-1}^3 + k(32P_a^5 - 48F_{4,a,4} - 8t_{9,a} + 4) \equiv 0 \pmod{28}$

4. $x(k, 2^n, 1) - y(k, 2^n, 1) - 12kJ_n - KY_{2n} + j_{2n} \equiv 0 \pmod{k}$

5. $x(k, 1, b)y(k, 1, b) - 48kP_{b-1}^3 = (k^2 - 1)(24PT_b - 9OH_b - t_{19,b} + 18t_{6,b} - 36t_{4,b} + 1)$

2.2 Pattern2:

(3) is written as

$$u^2 + v^2 = (k^2 + 1)\sigma^2 * 1 \quad (7)$$

Write '1' as

$$1 = \frac{(3 + 4i)(3 - 4i)}{25} \quad (8)$$

Using (4) and (8) in (7) and employing the method of factorization, define

$$u + iv = (k + i) \frac{(3 + 4i)}{5} (a + ib)^2 \quad (9)$$

Equating real and imaginary parts of (9) we get

$$\left. \begin{aligned} u &= \frac{1}{5}((3k-4)(a^2-b^2) - 2ab(4k+3)) \\ v &= \frac{1}{5}(2ab(3k-4) + (4k+3)(a^2-b^2)) \end{aligned} \right\} \quad (10)$$

Taking $a=5A, b=5B$ in (10) and substituting the corresponding values of u, v in (2) the non-zero integral solutions of (1) are Given by

$$x(k, A, B) = 5(k(7A^2 - 7B^2 - 2AB) + (-A^2 + B^2 - 14AB))$$

$$y(k, A, B) = 5(k(-A^2 + B^2 - 14AB) + (-7A^2 + 7B^2 + 2AB))$$

$$z(k, A, B) = 50[(2k^2(6(A^2 - B^2)^2 - 24A^2B^2 - 7AB(A^2 - B^2)) - k(7(A^2 - B^2)^2 - 28A^2B^2 + 96AB(A^2 - B^2)) - 2(6(A^2 - B^2)^2 - 24A^2B^2 - 7AB(A^2 - B^2)))] + (25(A^2 + B^2))^2$$

$$w(k, A, B) = 50[(2k^2(6(A^2 - B^2)^2 - 24A^2B^2 - 7AB(A^2 - B^2)) - k(7(A^2 - B^2)^2 - 28A^2B^2 + 96AB(A^2 - B^2)) - 2(6(A^2 - B^2)^2 - 24A^2B^2 - 7AB(A^2 - B^2))] - (25(A^2 + B^2))^2$$

Properties

- $x(k, A, 1) + y(k, A, 1) = 5(k(S_A - 20t_{3,A} + 2t_{12,A} + 4Gno_A - 3) + (3CP_A^{14} + 7CP_A^6 - 8PR_A + 8))$
- $A(y(k, A, A) - x(k, A, A))(3k-4)CP_A^6$
- $x(k, k, k) + y(k, k, k) + 160P_k^5 = 20t_{4,k}$
- $2(z(k, A, A) - w(k, A, A))$ is a biquadratic integer.

III. REMARKS

It is worth mentioning here that, instead of (8), one may also consider 1 in general form, as

$$1 = \frac{(p^2 - q^2 + i2pq)(p^2 - q^2 - i2pq)}{(p^2 + q^2)^2} \quad (\text{or})$$

$$1 = \frac{(2pq + i(p^2 - q^2))(2pq - i(p^2 - q^2))}{(p^2 + q^2)^2}$$

Following a similar analysis as in Pattern 2, one can obtain the integral solutions to (1)

Further, instead of (2) one can also use the following transformations

$$(i) x = u + v, y = u - v, z = 2u + v\sigma^2, w = 2u - v\sigma^2$$

$$(ii) x = u + v, y = u - v, z = 2u\sigma^2 + v, w = 2u\sigma^2 - v$$

and obtain the corresponding integral solutions to (1)

IV. CONCLUSION:

One may search for other choices of solutions to the equation under consideration and their corresponding properties.

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