



## On The Homogeneous Cone $z^2 = 34x^2 + y^2$

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### ABSTRACT

The homogeneous ternary quadratic equation given by  $z^2 = 34x^2 + y^2$  is analysed for its non-zero distinct integer solutions through different methods. A few interesting properties between the solutions are presented. Also, formulae for generating sequence of integer solutions based on the given solution are presented.

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### 1. Introduction

It is well known that the quadratic Diophantine equations with three unknowns (homogeneous or non-homogeneous) are rich in variety [1, 2]. In particular, the ternary quadratic Diophantine equations of the form  $z^2 = Dx^2 + y^2$  are analysed for values of  $D=29,41,43,47, 53, 55, 61, 63, 67$  in [3-11]. In this communication, yet another interesting homogeneous ternary quadratic diophantine equation given by  $z^2 = 34x^2 + y^2$  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.

### 2. Methods of Analysis

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

$$z^2 = 34x^2 + y^2 \quad (1)$$

We present below different methods of solving (1):

#### Method: 1

(1) Is written in the form of ratio as

$$\frac{z+y}{34x} = \frac{x}{z-y} = \frac{\alpha}{\beta}, \beta \neq 0 \quad (2)$$

which is equivalent to the system of double equations

$$34\alpha x - \beta y - \beta z = 0$$

$$\beta x + \alpha y - \alpha z = 0$$

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

$$x = x(\alpha, \beta) = 2\alpha\beta$$

$$y = y(\alpha, \beta) = 34\alpha^2 - \beta^2$$

$$z = z(\alpha, \beta) = 34\alpha^2 + \beta^2$$

which satisfy (1)

**Note: 1**

It is observed that (1) may also be represented in the form of ratio as below:

$$(i) \frac{z+y}{2x} = \frac{17x}{z-y} = \frac{\alpha}{\beta}, \beta \neq 0$$

The corresponding solutions to (1) are given as:

$$x = 2\alpha\beta, y = 2\alpha^2 - 17\beta^2, z = 2\alpha^2 + 17\beta^2$$

$$(ii) \frac{z+y}{17x} = \frac{2x}{z-y} = \frac{\alpha}{\beta}, \beta \neq 0$$

The corresponding solutions to (1) are given as:

$$x = 2\alpha\beta, y = 17\alpha^2 - 2\beta^2, z = 17\alpha^2 + 2\beta^2$$

**Method: 2**

Is written as the system of double equation in Table 1 as follows:

**Table: 1 System of Double Equations**

| System    | I     | II    | III     | IV    |
|-----------|-------|-------|---------|-------|
| $z + y =$ | $34x$ | $x^2$ | $17x^2$ | $17x$ |
| $z - y =$ | $x$   | $34$  | $2$     | $2x$  |

Solving each of the above system of double equations, 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: I**

$$x = 2k, y = 33k, z = 35k$$

**Solutions for system: II**

$$x = 2k, y = 2k^2 - 17, z = 2k^2 + 17$$

**Solution for system: III**

$$x = 2k, y = 34k^2 - 1, z = 34k^2 + 1$$

**Solution for system: IV**

$$x = 2k, y = 15k, z = 19k$$

**Method: 3**

(1) Is written as

$$y^2 + 34x^2 = z^2 = z^2 * 1 \quad (3)$$

Assume  $z$  as

$$z = a^2 + 34b^2 \quad (4)$$

Write 1 as

$$1 = \frac{(15 + 2i\sqrt{34})(15 - 2i\sqrt{34})}{19^2} \quad (5)$$

Using (4) & (5) in (3) and employing the method of factorization, consider

$$(y + i\sqrt{34}x) = (a + i\sqrt{34}b)^2 \cdot \frac{15 + 2i\sqrt{34}}{19}$$

Equating real & imaginary parts, it is seen that

$$\left. \begin{aligned} y &= \frac{1}{19} [15(a^2 - 34b^2) - 136ab] \\ x &= \frac{1}{19} [2(a^2 - 34b^2) + 30ab] \end{aligned} \right\} \quad (6)$$

Since our interest is to find the integer solutions, replacing  $a$  by  $19A$  &  $b$  by  $19B$  in (6) & (4), the corresponding integer solutions to (1) are given by

$$x = x(A, B) = 19 [2(A^2 - 34B^2) + 30AB]$$

$$y = y(A, B) = 19 [15(A^2 - 34B^2) - 136AB]$$

$$z = z(A, B) = 19^2 [A^2 + 34B^2]$$

**Note :2**

It is worth to observe that, one may write 1 as follows:

$$1 = \frac{[(34r^2 - s^2) + i\sqrt{34} \cdot 2rs][(34r^2 - s^2) - i\sqrt{34} \cdot 2rs]}{(34r^2 + s^2)^2}$$

$$1 = \frac{[(2k^2 - 17) + i\sqrt{34} \cdot 2k][(2k^2 - 17) - i\sqrt{34} \cdot 2k]}{(2k^2 + 17)^2}$$

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

**Method: 4**

(1) Is written as

$$z^2 - 34x^2 = y^2 = y^2 * 1 \quad (7)$$

Assume  $y$  as

$$y = a^2 - 34b^2 \quad (8)$$

Write 1 as

$$1 = \frac{(19 + 2\sqrt{34})(19 - 2\sqrt{34})}{15^2} \quad (9)$$

Using (8) & (9) in (7) and employing the method of factorization, consider

$$(z + \sqrt{34}x) = (a + \sqrt{34}b)^2 \cdot \frac{(19 + 2\sqrt{34})}{15}$$

Equating rational and irrational parts, it is seen that,

$$x = \frac{1}{15} (2(a^2 + 34b^2) + 38ab) \quad (10)$$

$$z = \frac{1}{15} (19(a^2 + 34b^2) + 136ab)$$

Since our interest to find the integer solution, replacing  $a$  by  $15A$  &  $b$  by  $15B$  in (10)& (8), the corresponding integer solutions to (1) are given by

$$x = x(A, B) = 15 [2(A^2 + 34B^2) + 38AB]$$

$$y = y(A, B) = 15^2 [A^2 - 34B^2]$$

$$z = z(A, B) = 15 [19(A^2 + 34B^2) + 136AB]$$

**Note: 3**

It is worth to observe that, one may write 1 as follows:

$$1 = \frac{[(34r^2 + s^2) + \sqrt{34} \cdot 2rs][(34r^2 + s^2) - \sqrt{34} \cdot 2rs]}{(34r^2 - s^2)^2}$$

$$1 = \frac{\left[ (2k^2 + 17) + \sqrt{34} \cdot 2k \right] \left[ (2k^2 + 17) - \sqrt{34} \cdot 2k \right]}{(2k^2 - 17)^2}$$

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

### 3. Generation of Solutions

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

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

**Formula: 1**

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

$$x_1 = 3x_0, y_1 = 3y_0 + h, z_1 = 2h - 3z_0 \quad (11)$$

be the  $2^{nd}$  solution to (1). Using (11) in (1) and simplifying, one obtains

$$h = 2y_0 + 4z_0$$

In view of (11), the values of  $y_1$  and  $z_1$  are written in the matrix form as

$$\begin{pmatrix} y_1 \\ z_1 \end{pmatrix} = M \begin{pmatrix} y_0 \\ z_0 \end{pmatrix}$$

where

$$M = \begin{pmatrix} 5 & 4 \\ 4 & 5 \end{pmatrix} \text{ and } t \text{ is the transpose}$$

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

$$\begin{pmatrix} y_n \\ z_n \end{pmatrix} = M^n \begin{pmatrix} y_0 \\ z_0 \end{pmatrix}$$

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

$$\alpha = 1, \beta = 9$$

We know that

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

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

$$x_n = 3^n x_0$$

$$y_n = \left( \frac{9^n + 1}{2} \right) y_0 + \left( \frac{9^n - 1}{2} \right) z_0$$

$$z_n = \left( \frac{9^n - 1}{2} \right) y_0 + \left( \frac{9^n + 1}{2} \right) z_0$$

**Formula: 2**

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

$$x_1 = h - 35x_0, y_1 = h - 35y_0, z_1 = 35z_0 \quad (12)$$

be the  $2^{nd}$  solution to (1). Using (12) in (1) and simplifying, one obtains

$$h = 68x_0 + 2y_0$$

In view of (12), the values of  $x_1$  and  $y_1$  are written in the matrix form as

$$\begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ y_1 \end{pmatrix} = M \begin{pmatrix} x_0 \\ y_0 \end{pmatrix}$$

where

$$M = \begin{pmatrix} 33 & 2 \\ 68 & -33 \end{pmatrix} \text{ and } t \text{ is the transpose}$$

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

$$\begin{pmatrix} x_n \\ y_n \end{pmatrix} = M^n \begin{pmatrix} x_0 \\ y_0 \end{pmatrix}$$

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

$$\alpha = 35, \beta = -35$$

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

$$x_n = 35^{n-1}((34 + (-1)^n)x_0 + (1 - (-1)^n)y_0)$$

$$y_n = 35^{n-1}((34(1 - (-1)^n)x_0 + (1 + (-1)^n)34)y_0)$$

$$z_n = 35^n z_0$$

### Formula: 3

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

$$x_1 = x_0 + h, y_1 = y_0, z_1 = 6h - z_0 \quad (13)$$

be the  $2^{nd}$  solution to (1). Using (13) in (1) and simplifying, one obtains

$$h = 34x_0 + 6z_0$$

In view of (13), 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

$$M = \begin{pmatrix} 35 & 6 \\ 204 & 35 \end{pmatrix} \text{ and } t \text{ is the transpose}$$

The repetition of the above process leads to the  $n^{th}$  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

$$\alpha = 35 + 6\sqrt{34}, \beta = 35 - 6\sqrt{34}$$

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

$$x_n = \left( \frac{\alpha^n + \beta^n}{2} \right) x_0 + \left[ \frac{\alpha^n - \beta^n}{2\sqrt{34}} \right] z_0$$

$$y_n = y_0$$

$$z_n = \frac{17}{\sqrt{34}}(\alpha^n - \beta^n)x_0 + \left( \frac{\alpha^n + \beta^n}{2} \right) z_0$$

## 4. Conclusion

In this paper, an attempt has been made to obtain non-zero distinct integer solutions to the ternary quadratic Diophantine equation  $z^2 = 34x^2 + y^2$  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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