



ON HOMOGENEOUS QUADRATIC EQUATION WITH THREE UNKNOWNNS

$$(2\alpha + 1)(x^2 + y^2) - (2\alpha - 1)xy = (8\alpha + 4)z^2$$

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ABSTRACT

The homogeneous quadratic equation with three unknowns represented by the Diophantine equation $(2\alpha + 1)(x^2 + y^2) - (2\alpha - 1)xy = (8\alpha + 4)z^2$ is analyzed for its patterns of non-zero distinct integral solutions through employing linear transformations. A general formula for generating sequence of integer solutions based on its given solution is exhibited.

KEYWORDS: homogenous quadratic equation, quadratic with three unknowns, integral solutions.

INTRODUCTION

Ternary quadratic equations are rich in variety [1-4, 17-19]. For an extensive review of sizable literature and various problems, one may refer [5-16]. In this communication, we consider yet another interesting homogeneous ternary quadratic equation

$(2\alpha + 1)(x^2 + y^2) - (2\alpha - 1)xy = (8\alpha + 4)z^2$ and obtain infinitely many non-trivial integral solutions..

METHOD OF ANALYSIS

The homogeneous quadratic equation with three unknowns to be solved for its distinct non-zero integral solutions is

$$(2\alpha + 1)(x^2 + y^2) - (2\alpha - 1)xy = (8\alpha + 4)z^2 \quad (1)$$

Substitution of the linear transformations

$$x = 2X + (4\alpha - 2)T, y = (8\alpha + 4)T \quad (2)$$

in (1) leads to

$$z^2 = X^2 + (12\alpha^2 + 20\alpha + 3)T^2 \quad (3)$$

Different ways of obtaining the patterns of integer solutions to (1) are illustrated below:

WAY: 1

It is seen that (3) is satisfied by

$$\begin{aligned} T &= 2pq, X = (12\alpha^2 + 20\alpha + 3)p^2 - q^2 \\ z &= (12\alpha^2 + 20\alpha + 3)p^2 + q^2 \end{aligned} \quad (4)$$

In view of (2), one has

$$x = (24\alpha^2 + 40\alpha + 6)p^2 - 2q^2 + (8\alpha - 4)pq, y = (16\alpha + 8)pq \quad (5)$$

Thus, (4) and (5) give the integer solutions to (1).

WAY: 2

Write (3) as the system of double equations as in Table : 1 below:

Table 1 : System of double equations

System	I	II
$z + X$	T^2	$(12\alpha^2 + 20\alpha + 3)T$
$z - X$	$12\alpha^2 + 20\alpha + 3$	T

Solving each of the above system of equations for z, X, T and using (2), the corresponding two sets of solution to (1) are as shown below:

Set:1

$$x = 4k^2 + 8k\alpha - 12\alpha^2 - 16\alpha - 4,$$

$$y = 16k\alpha + 8\alpha + 8k + 4,$$

$$z = 2k^2 + 2k + 2 + 6\alpha^2 + 10\alpha$$

Set:2

$$x = (12\alpha^2 + 24\alpha)T,$$

$$y = (8\alpha + 4)T,$$

$$z = (2 + 6\alpha^2 + 10\alpha)T$$

WAY: 3

(3) is written as

$$X^2 + (12\alpha^2 + 20\alpha + 3)T^2 = z^2 * 1 \quad (6)$$

Assume

$$z = a^2 + (12\alpha^2 + 20\alpha + 3)b^2 \quad (7)$$

Write 1 on the r.h.s. of (6) as

$$1 = \frac{(2\alpha - 1 + i\sqrt{12\alpha^2 + 20\alpha + 3})(2\alpha - 1 - i\sqrt{12\alpha^2 + 20\alpha + 3})}{(4\alpha + 2)^2} \quad (8)$$

Using (7), (8) in (6) and applying the method of factorization, define

$$\left(X + i\sqrt{12\alpha^2 + 20\alpha + 3}T\right) = \frac{1}{4\alpha + 2} \left(2\alpha - 1 + i\sqrt{12\alpha^2 + 20\alpha + 3}\right) \left(a + i\sqrt{12\alpha^2 + 20\alpha + 3}b\right)^2$$

from which, on equating the real and imaginary parts, one obtains the values of X and T. Substituting the above values of X & T in (2) and taking

$$a = (2\alpha + 1)A, b = (2\alpha + 1)B$$

the corresponding integer values of x, y and z satisfying (1) are as follows :

$$x = (2\alpha + 1)[(4\alpha - 2)(A^2 - (12\alpha^2 + 20\alpha + 3)B^2) - 4(4\alpha^2 + 12\alpha + 1)AB]$$

$$y = 2(2\alpha + 1)^2[(4\alpha - 2)AB + A^2 - (12\alpha^2 + 20\alpha + 3)B^2]$$

$$z = (2\alpha + 1)^2[A^2 + (12\alpha^2 + 20\alpha + 3)B^2]$$

Note :1

One may consider 1 on the r.h.s. of (6) as

$$1 = \frac{(-2\alpha - 1) + i\sqrt{12\alpha^2 + 20\alpha + 3})(-2\alpha - 1) - i\sqrt{12\alpha^2 + 20\alpha + 3}}{(4\alpha + 2)^2}$$

For this choice ,the corresponding integer values of x, y and z satisfying (1) are as follows :

$$x = -8(2\alpha + 1)ab$$

$$y = 2[a^2 - (12\alpha^2 + 20\alpha + 3)b^2 - 2(2\alpha - 1)ab]$$

$$z = [a^2 + (12\alpha^2 + 20\alpha + 3)b^2]$$

WAY: 4

(3) is written as

$$z^2 - (12\alpha^2 + 20\alpha + 3)T^2 = X^2 * 1 \tag{9}$$

Assume

$$X = a^2 - (12\alpha^2 + 20\alpha + 3)b^2 \tag{10}$$

Write 1 on the r.h.s. of (9) as

$$1 = \frac{(4\alpha + 2 + \sqrt{12\alpha^2 + 20\alpha + 3})(4\alpha + 2 - \sqrt{12\alpha^2 + 20\alpha + 3})}{(2\alpha - 1)^2} \tag{11}$$

Using (10), (11) in (9) and applying the method of factorization, define

$$\left(z + \sqrt{12\alpha^2 + 20\alpha + 3}T\right) = \frac{1}{2\alpha - 1} \left(4\alpha + 2 + \sqrt{12\alpha^2 + 20\alpha + 3}\right) \left(a + \sqrt{12\alpha^2 + 20\alpha + 3}b\right)^2$$

from which ,on equating the rational and irrational parts , one obtains the values of z and T. Substituting the above values of X & T in (2) and taking

$$a = (2\alpha - 1)A, b = (2\alpha - 1)B$$

the corresponding integer values of x, y and z satisfying (1) are as follows :

$$x = 4(2\alpha - 1)^2 \left[(A^2 + (4\alpha + 2)AB) \right]$$

$$y = 4(4\alpha^2 - 1) \left[(8\alpha + 4)AB + A^2 + (12\alpha^2 + 20\alpha + 3)B^2 \right]$$

$$z = (2\alpha - 1) \left[(4\alpha + 2)(A^2 + (12\alpha^2 + 20\alpha + 3)B^2) + 2(12\alpha^2 + 20\alpha + 3)AB \right]$$

Note 2:

One may consider 1 on the R.H.S. of (9) as

$$1 = \frac{(-4\alpha + 2) + \sqrt{12\alpha^2 + 20\alpha + 3} \quad (-4\alpha + 2) - \sqrt{12\alpha^2 + 20\alpha + 3}}{(2\alpha - 1)^2}$$

For this choice , the corresponding integer values of x, y and z satisfying (1) are as follows :

$$x = 4(2\alpha - 1)^2 \left[(A^2 - (4\alpha + 2)AB) \right]$$

$$y = 4(4\alpha^2 - 1) \left[-(8\alpha + 4)AB + A^2 + (12\alpha^2 + 20\alpha + 3)B^2 \right]$$

$$z = (2\alpha - 1) \left[-(4\alpha + 2)(A^2 + (12\alpha^2 + 20\alpha + 3)B^2) + 2(12\alpha^2 + 20\alpha + 3)AB \right]$$

WAY: 5

Substitution of the linear transformations

$$x = u + v, y = u - v \tag{12}$$

in (1) leads to

$$(2\alpha + 3)u^2 + (6\alpha + 1)v^2 = (8\alpha + 4)z^2$$

which is written in the form of ratio as

$$\frac{(2\alpha + 3)(u + z)}{z + v} = \frac{(6\alpha + 1)(z - v)}{u - z} = \frac{P}{Q}, Q \neq 0$$

Solving the above system of double equations through employing the method of cross-multiplication and using (12), the corresponding integer values of x , y and z satisfying (1) are as follows:

$$x = 2(8\alpha + 4)PQ$$

$$y = 2\left[P^2 - (12\alpha^2 + 20\alpha + 3)Q^2 + (4\alpha - 2)PQ\right]$$

$$z = \left[P^2 + (12\alpha^2 + 20\alpha + 3)Q^2\right]$$

CONCLUSION

In this paper, we have made an attempt to determine different patterns of non-zero distinct integer solutions to the homogeneous quadratic equation with three unknowns given by $(2\alpha + 1)(x^2 + y^2) - (2\alpha - 1)xy = (8\alpha + 4)z^2$. As the quadratic equations are rich in variety, one may search for other forms of quadratic equations with multiple variables to obtain their corresponding solutions.

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