



On Finding Integer Solutions to the Homogeneous Ternary Quadratic Diophantine Equation $2(X^2 + Y^2) - 3XY = 32Z^2$

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Abstract:

This paper concerns with the problem of obtaining non-zero distinct integer solutions to the homogeneous quadratic Diophantine equation with three unknowns given by $2(x^2 + y^2) - 3xy = 32z^2$. Various sets of integer solutions are obtained. A few interesting properties among the solutions are given.

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INTRODUCTION

The ternary quadratic Diophantine equation offers an unlimited field for research due to their variety [1-3]. In particular, one may refer [4-19] for quadratic equations with two and three unknowns. This communication concerns with yet another interesting ternary quadratic equation $2(x^2 + y^2) - 3xy = 32z^2$ is analysed for its non-zero distinct integer solutions through different methods.

METHODS OF ANALYSIS

The ternary quadratic Diophantine equation to be solved for -zero distinct integral solution is

$$2(x^2 + y^2) - 3xy = 32z^2 \quad (1)$$

Introduction of the linear transformations

$$x = u + v, \quad y = u - v, \quad u \neq v \neq 0 \quad (2)$$

in (1) leads to

$$u^2 + 7v^2 = 32z^2 \quad (3)$$

The above equation is solved for u, v and z through different methods and using (2), the values of x and y satisfying (1), are obtained which are illustrated below

Method I:

Write (3) in the form of ratio as

$$\frac{u+5z}{z+v} = \frac{7(z-v)}{u-5z} = \frac{\alpha}{\beta}, \quad \beta \neq 0 \quad (4)$$

which is equivalent to the system of double equations

$$\begin{aligned} \beta u - \alpha v + (5\beta - \alpha)z &= 0 \\ -\alpha u - 7\beta v + (7\beta + 5\alpha)z &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

Solving the above system of double equations and using (2), the corresponding integer solutions to (1) are found to be

$$\begin{aligned}x &= 4\alpha^2 - 28\beta^2 + 24\alpha\beta \\y &= 6\alpha^2 - 42\beta^2 + 4\alpha\beta \\z &= \alpha^2 + 7\beta^2\end{aligned}$$

Note 1:

It is noted that (3) may also be written in the form of ratios as below

$$\begin{aligned}\text{(i)} \quad \frac{u+5z}{7(z-v)} &= \frac{z+v}{u-5z} = \frac{\alpha}{\beta} \\ \text{(ii)} \quad \frac{u-5z}{z+v} &= \frac{7(z-v)}{u+5z} = \frac{\alpha}{\beta} \\ \text{(iii)} \quad \frac{u-5z}{7(z-v)} &= \frac{z+v}{u+5v} = \frac{\alpha}{\beta} \\ \text{(iv)} \quad \frac{u-5z}{z-v} &= \frac{7(z+v)}{u+5z} = \frac{\alpha}{\beta}\end{aligned}$$

For each of the above ratios, the corresponding integer solutions to (1) are exhibited below

Solutions obtained through (i)

$$\begin{aligned}x &= 42\alpha^2 + 6\beta^2 - 4\alpha\beta \\y &= 28\alpha^2 + 4\beta^2 - 24\alpha\beta \\z &= -7\alpha^2 - \beta^2\end{aligned}$$

Solutions obtained through (ii)

$$\begin{aligned}x &= -6\alpha^2 + 42\beta^2 + 4\alpha\beta \\y &= -4\alpha^2 + 28\beta^2 + 24\alpha\beta \\z &= \alpha^2 - 7\beta^2\end{aligned}$$

Solutions obtained through (iii)

$$\begin{aligned}x &= 28\alpha^2 - 4\beta^2 - 24\alpha\beta \\y &= 42\alpha^2 - 6\beta^2 - 4\alpha\beta \\z &= -7\alpha^2 - \beta^2\end{aligned}$$

Solution obtained through (iv)

$$\begin{aligned}x &= 4\alpha^2 - 28\beta^2 - 24\alpha\beta \\y &= 6\alpha^2 - 42\beta^2 - 4\alpha\beta \\z &= -\alpha^2 - 7\beta^2\end{aligned}$$

Method II:

Introducing the linear transformations

$$Z = X + 7T, \quad v = X + 32T, \quad u = 5P \tag{5}$$

in (3), it gives

$$X^2 = 224T^2 + P^2 \tag{6}$$

which is satisfied by

$$\left. \begin{aligned}T &= 2rs \\ P &= 224r^2 - s^2 \\ X &= 224r^2 + s^2\end{aligned} \right\} \tag{7}$$

From (7), (5) & (2), we obtain the integer solutions to (1) as given below

$$x = 1344r^2 - 4s^2 + 64rs$$

$$y = 896r^2 - 6s^2 - 64rs$$

$$z = 224r^2 + s^2 + 14rs$$

It is to be noted that (6) may be represented as the system of double equation as shown in Table: 1

Table: 1 System of double equations

System	1	2	3	4	5
$X + P$	T^2	$7T^2$	$2T^2$	$4T^2$	$8T^2$
$X - P$	224	32	112	56	28

System	6	7	8	9	10
$X + P$	$16T^2$	$14T^2$	$28T^2$	$56T^2$	$112T^2$
$X - P$	14	16	8	4	2

System	11	12	13	14	15
$X + P$	$32T$	$224T$	T	$2T$	$14T$
$X - P$	$7T$	T	$224T$	$112T$	$16T$

Solving each of the system of double equations in Table: 1, the values of X, P & T are obtained, from (5) & (2), the corresponding solutions to (1) are found and they are exhibited below

Solutions from system 1

$$x = 12k^2 + 64k - 448$$

$$y = 8k^2 - 64k - 672$$

$$z = 2k^2 + 14k + 112$$

Solutions from system 2

$$x = 84k^2 + 64k - 64$$

$$y = 56k^2 - 64k - 96$$

$$z = 14k^2 + 14k + 16$$

Solutions from system 3

$$x = 24k^2 + 64k - 224$$

$$y = 16k^2 - 64k - 336$$

$$z = 4k^2 + 14k + 56$$

Solutions from system 4

$$x = 48k^2 + 64k - 112$$

$$y = 32k^2 - 64k - 168$$

$$z = 8k^2 + 14k + 28$$

Solutions from system 5

$$x = 96k^2 + 64k - 56$$

$$y = 64k^2 - 64k - 84$$

$$z = 16k^2 + 14k + 14$$

Solutions from system 6

$$x = 192k^2 + 64k - 28$$

$$y = 128k^2 - 64k - 42$$

$$z = 32k^2 + 14k + 7$$

Solutions from system 7

$$x = 168k^2 + 64k - 32$$

$$y = 112k^2 - 64k - 48$$

$$z = 28k^2 + 14k + 8$$

Solutions from system 8

$$x = 336k^2 + 64k - 16$$

$$y = 224k^2 - 64k - 24$$

$$z = 56k^2 + 14k + 4$$

Solutions from system 9

$$x = 672k^2 + 64k - 8$$

$$y = 448k^2 - 64k - 12$$

$$z = 112k^2 + 14k + 2$$

Solutions from system 10

$$x = 1344k^2 + 64k - 4$$

$$y = 896k^2 - 64k - 6$$

$$z = 224k^2 + 14k + 1$$

Solutions from system 11

$$x = 228k$$

$$y = 22k$$

$$z = 53k$$

Solutions from system 12

$$x = 1404k$$

$$y = 826k$$

$$z = 239k$$

Solutions from system 13

$$x = -826k$$

$$y = -1404k$$

$$z = 239k$$

Solutions from system 14

$$x = -372k$$

$$y = -728k$$

$$z = 128k$$

Solutions from system 15

$$x = 84k$$

$$y = -104k$$

$$z = 44k$$

Method III:

Assume

$$z = a^2 + b^2 \quad (8)$$

Case (i):

Write 32 as

$$32 = (5 + i\sqrt{7})(5 - i\sqrt{7}) \quad (9)$$

Using (8) and (9) in (3) and employing the method of factorization, define

$$(u + i\sqrt{7}v) = (5 + i\sqrt{7})(a + i\sqrt{7}b)^2$$

Equating the real and imaginary parts, we get

$$u = 5a^2 - 35b^2 - 14ab$$

$$v = a^2 - 7b^2 + 10ab$$

in view of (2), we obtain

$$\left. \begin{aligned} x &= 6a^2 - 42b^2 - 4ab \\ y &= 4a^2 - 28b^2 - 24ab \end{aligned} \right\} \quad (10)$$

Thus (8) and (10) represent the integer solution to (1).

Case (ii):

One can write 32 as

$$32 = \frac{(13 + i7\sqrt{7})(13 - i7\sqrt{7})}{4^2} \quad (11)$$

Using (8) and (11) in (3) and applying the method of factorization, define

$$(u + i\sqrt{7}v) = \frac{(13 + i7\sqrt{7})}{4}(a + i\sqrt{7}b)^2$$

Equating the real and imaginary parts, we get

$$u = \frac{13a^2 - 91b^2 - 98ab}{4}$$

$$v = \frac{7a^2 - 49b^2 + 26ab}{4}$$

in view of (2), we obtain

$$\left. \begin{aligned} x &= \frac{20a^2 - 140b^2 - 72ab}{4} \\ y &= \frac{6a^2 - 42b^2 - 124ab}{4} \end{aligned} \right\} \quad (12)$$

To obtain the integer solutions, replacing a by 2A and b by 2B in (8) & (12), the corresponding integer solutions of (1) are given by

$$\left. \begin{aligned} x &= 20A^2 - 140B^2 - 72AB \\ y &= 6A^2 - 42B^2 - 124AB \\ z &= 4A^2 + 28B^2 \end{aligned} \right\} \quad (13)$$

Method IV:

Equation (3) can be written as

$$u^2 + 7v^2 = 32z^2 * 1 \quad (14)$$

Write 1 on the R.H.S. of (14) as

$$1 = \frac{(1 + i3\sqrt{7})(1 - i3\sqrt{7})}{8^2} \quad (15)$$

Using (8), (9) & (15) in (14) and utilizing the method of factorization, define

$$(u + i\sqrt{7}v) = (5 + i\sqrt{7})(a + i\sqrt{7}b)^2 \left[\frac{(1 + i3\sqrt{7})}{8} \right]$$

Equating the real and imaginary parts, the values of u and v are obtained as

$$u = \frac{-16a^2 + 112b^2 - 224ab}{8}$$

$$v = \frac{16a^2 - 112b^2 - 32ab}{8}$$

Proceeding as in case (ii), we get

$$\left. \begin{aligned} x &= -128AB \\ y &= -16A^2 + 112B^2 - 96AB \\ Z &= 4A^2 + 28B^2 \end{aligned} \right\} \tag{16}$$

Thus (16) represent the non-zero distinct solution of (1)

Note 2:

It is seen that 1 is also represented as follows

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(v)} \quad 1 &= \frac{(3+i\sqrt{7})(3-i\sqrt{7})}{4^2} \\ \text{(vi)} \quad 1 &= \frac{(3+i4\sqrt{7})(3-i4\sqrt{7})}{11^2} \\ \text{(vii)} \quad 1 &= \frac{(7r^2 - s^2 + i\sqrt{7}2rs)(7r^2 - s^2 - i\sqrt{7}2rs)}{(7r^2 + s^2)^2} \end{aligned}$$

Following the above procedure, the solutions of (1) are obtained.

Method V:

Consider (3) as

$$32z^2 - 7v^2 = u^2 \tag{17}$$

Let

$$u = 32a^2 - 7b^2 \tag{18}$$

Consider 1 as

$$1 = \frac{(\sqrt{32} + \sqrt{7})(\sqrt{32} - \sqrt{7})}{25} \tag{19}$$

Using (18) & (19) in (17) and employing the method of factorization, consider

$$\sqrt{32}z + \sqrt{7}v = \frac{1}{5}(\sqrt{32} + \sqrt{7})(\sqrt{32}a + \sqrt{7}b)^2$$

Equating the coefficients of corresponding terms, we have

$$\left. \begin{aligned} z &= \frac{1}{5}(32a^2 + 7b^2 + 14ab) \\ v &= \frac{1}{5}(32a^2 + 7b^2 + 64ab) \end{aligned} \right\} \tag{20}$$

Replacing a by 5A, b by 5B in (18) & (20) the corresponding integer solutions to (17) are given by

$$\left. \begin{aligned} u &= 800A^2 - 175B^2 \\ v &= 160A^2 + 35B^2 + 320AB \\ z &= 160A^2 + 35B^2 + 70AB \end{aligned} \right\} \tag{21}$$

Substituting (21) in (2), we have

$$\left. \begin{aligned} x &= 960A^2 - 140B^2 + 320AB \\ y &= 640A^2 - 210B^2 - 320AB \end{aligned} \right\} \tag{23}$$

Then (22) & (23) give the integer solution to (1).

Method VI:

Consider (3) as

$$32z^2 - u^2 = 7v^2 \tag{24}$$

Let

$$v = 32a^2 - b^2 \tag{25}$$

Write 7 as

$$7 = (\sqrt{32} + 5)(\sqrt{32} - 5) \quad (26)$$

Using (25) & (26) in (24) and employing the method of factorization, consider

$$(\sqrt{32}z + u) = (\sqrt{32} + 5)(\sqrt{32}a + b)^2 \quad (27)$$

Equating the coefficients of corresponding terms, we have

$$z = 32a^2 + b^2 + 10ab \quad (28)$$

$$u = 160a^2 + 5b^2 + 64ab \quad (29)$$

From (25) & (29) in (2), we have

$$\left. \begin{aligned} x &= 192a^2 + 4b^2 + 64ab \\ y &= 128a^2 + 6b^2 + 64ab \end{aligned} \right\} \quad (30)$$

Then, (28) & (30) gives the integer solution of (1).

Generation of Integer Solutions

Let (u_0, v_0, z_0) be any given integer solution to (3). We illustrate below the method of obtaining a general formula for generating sequence of integer solutions based on the given solution.

Case (i)

Let

$$\begin{aligned} u_1 &= -u_0 + 6h \\ v_1 &= v_0 \quad h \neq 0 \\ z_1 &= z_0 + h \end{aligned} \quad (31)$$

be the second solution of (3). Substituting (31) in (3) & performing a few calculations, we have

$$h = 3u_0 + 16z_0$$

and then

$$u_1 = 17u_0 + 96z_0$$

$$z_1 = 3u_0 + 17z_0$$

This is written in the form of matrix as

$$\begin{pmatrix} u_1 \\ z_1 \end{pmatrix} = M \begin{pmatrix} u_0 \\ z_0 \end{pmatrix} \quad (32)$$

$$M = \begin{pmatrix} 17 & 96 \\ 3 & 17 \end{pmatrix}$$

where

Repeating the above process, the general solution (u_n, z_n) to (3) is given by

$$\begin{pmatrix} u_n \\ z_n \end{pmatrix} = M^n \begin{pmatrix} u_0 \\ z_0 \end{pmatrix}$$

To find M^n , the eigen values of M are $\alpha = 17 + 12\sqrt{2}$, $\beta = 17 - 12\sqrt{2}$.

We know that $M^n = \frac{\alpha^n}{(\alpha - \beta)}(M - \beta I) + \frac{\beta^n}{(\beta - \alpha)}(M - \alpha I)$

Using the above formula, we have

$$M^n = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{\alpha^n + \beta^n}{2} & \frac{\sqrt{23}(\alpha^n - \beta^n)}{2} \\ \frac{\alpha^n - \beta^n}{2\sqrt{23}} & \frac{\alpha^n + \beta^n}{2} \end{pmatrix}$$

Thus the general solution (u_n, v_n, z_n) to (3) is given by

$$v_n = v_0$$

$$z_n = \left(\frac{\alpha^n - \beta^n}{8\sqrt{2}} \right) u_0 + \left(\frac{\alpha^n + \beta^n}{2} \right) z_0$$

From (2) we have,

Thus the general solution (x_n, y_n, z_n) to (1) is given by

Case (ii)

Let

$$\begin{aligned} u_1 &= u_0 \\ v_1 &= v_0 + 2h \\ z_1 &= -z_0 + h, \quad h \neq 0 \end{aligned}$$

Repeating the process as in the case (i) the corresponding general solution (x_n, y_n, z_n) to (1) is given by

Case (iii)

Let

$$\begin{aligned} u_1 &= -8u_0 + h \\ v_1 &= -8v_0 + h \\ z_1 &= 8z_0, \quad h \neq 0 \end{aligned}$$

Repeating the process as in the case (i) the corresponding general solution (x_n, y_n, z_n) to (1) is given by

CONCLUSION:

In this paper, we have presented four different methods of obtaining infinitely many non-zero distinct integer solutions of the homogeneous cone given by $2(X^2+Y^2) - 3XY = 32Z^2$. To conclude, one may search for other patterns of solutions and their corresponding properties.

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