

On Finding the Integer Solutions of Ternary Quadratic Diophantine Equation

$$3(x^2 + y^2) - 5xy = 36z^2$$

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ABSTRACT: The cone represented by the ternary quadratic Diophantine equation $3(x^2 + y^2) - 5xy = 36z^2$ is analyzed for its patterns of non-zero distinct integral solutions.

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I. INTRODUCTION

The Diophantine equation offers an unlimited field for research due to their variety [1-3]. In particular, one may refer [4-13] for quadratic equations with three unknowns. This communication concerns with yet another interesting equation $3(x^2 + y^2) - 5xy = 36z^2$ representing homogeneous quadratic with three unknowns for determining its infinitely many non-zero integral points.

II. METHOD OF ANALYSIS

The given ternary quadratic Diophantine equation is

$$3(x^2 + y^2) - 5xy = 36z^2 \tag{1}$$

To start with, it is seen that (1) is satisfied the following triples $(X, Y, Z) = (2444, 1506, 419), (626, 354, 111), (852, 438, 157), (650, 300, 125), (408, 192, 83), (300, 50, 75), (244, 6, 69), (222, -12, 67)$. However, we have other choices of solutions that are illustrated below:

Let us consider the linear transformations

$$\begin{aligned} x &= u + v \\ y &= u - v \end{aligned} \quad \text{where } u \neq v \neq 0 \tag{2}$$

Using (2) in (1), it gives

$$u^2 + 11v^2 = 36z^2 \tag{3}$$

Let us see the different patterns of solving the above equation (3) and thus, obtain the different choices of x, y and z satisfying (1).

Choice I:

Let us assume

$$z = z(a, b) = a^2 + 11b^2 \tag{4}$$

We can write 36 as

$$36 = (5 + i\sqrt{11})(5 - i\sqrt{11}) \tag{5}$$

Using (4) and (5) in (3) and employing the method of factorization, we obtain

$$(u + i\sqrt{11}v)(u - i\sqrt{11}v) = (5 + i\sqrt{11})(5 - i\sqrt{11})(a + i\sqrt{11}b)^2(a - i\sqrt{11}b)^2$$

Equating the positive factors, we have

$$u + i\sqrt{11}v = (5 + i\sqrt{11})(a + i\sqrt{11}b)^2$$

Comparing the real and imaginary parts, one has

$$u = 5a^2 - 22ab - 55b^2$$

$$v = a^2 + 10ab - 11b^2$$

Substituting the values of u and v in (2), we get

$$\left. \begin{aligned} x(a, b) &= 6a^2 - 12ab - 66b^2 \\ y(a, b) &= 4a^2 - 32ab - 44b^2 \end{aligned} \right\} \quad (6)$$

Thus, (4) and (6) represent the non-zero distinct solutions of (1).

Note 1:

The integer 36 on the R.H.S. of (3) may be written as the product of complex conjugates as shown below:

$$(i) \quad 36 = \frac{(3+i9\sqrt{11})(3-i9\sqrt{11})}{25},$$

$$(ii) \quad 36 = \frac{(19+i7\sqrt{11})(19-i7\sqrt{11})}{25}$$

Following the above procedure, two more distinct integer solutions to (1) are obtained.

Choice II:

Write (3) as

$$u^2 + 11v^2 = 36z^2 \quad (7)$$

Let us consider 1 on the R.H.S. of (7) as

$$1 = \frac{(5+i\sqrt{11})(5-i\sqrt{11})}{6^2} \quad (8)$$

Substitute (4), (5) and (8) in (7). Employing the method of factorization, consider

$$u + i\sqrt{11}v = \frac{1}{6}(5+i\sqrt{11})(5+i\sqrt{11})(a^2 + 2i\sqrt{11}ab - 11b^2)$$

Equating the real and imaginary parts, we have

$$u = \frac{1}{6}(14a^2 - 220ab - 154b^2)$$

$$v = \frac{1}{6}(10a^2 + 28ab - 110b^2)$$

Substituting the values of u and v in (2), the values of x and y are

$$x(a, b) = \frac{1}{6}(24a^2 - 192ab - 264b^2)$$

$$y(a, b) = \frac{1}{6}(4a^2 - 248ab - 44b^2)$$

Replace 'a' by 3A and 'b' by 3B in x(a, b), y(a, b) and z(a, b). Then, we have

$$\left. \begin{aligned} x(A, B) &= 36A^2 - 288AB - 396B^2 \\ y(A, B) &= 6A^2 - 372AB - 66B^2 \\ z(A, B) &= 9A^2 + 99B^2 \end{aligned} \right\} \quad (9)$$

Thus (9) represents the integer solutions of (1)

Note 2:

The integer 1 on the R.H.S. of (7) may be written as the product of complex conjugates as shown below:

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(i)} \quad 1 &= \frac{(1+i3\sqrt{11})(1-i3\sqrt{11})}{100}, \\ \text{(ii)} \quad 1 &= \frac{(11r^2 - s^2) + i\sqrt{11}2rs}{(11r^2 + s^2)^2}, \\ \text{(iii)} \quad 1 &= \frac{(7+i5\sqrt{11})(7-i5\sqrt{11})}{324}, \\ \text{(iv)} \quad 1 &= \frac{(19+i7\sqrt{11})(19-i7\sqrt{11})}{900}, \\ \text{(v)} \quad 1 &= \frac{(3+i9\sqrt{11})(3-i9\sqrt{11})}{900} \end{aligned}$$

Following the above procedure, five more distinct integer solutions to (1) are obtained.

Choice III:

Rewrite (3) as

$$u^2 = 36z^2 - 11v^2 \tag{10}$$

which is expressed in the form of ratio as

$$\frac{u + 5z}{z + v} = \frac{11(z - v)}{u - 5z} = \frac{a}{b}, b \neq 0 \tag{11}$$

Solving the above system of double equations by the method of cross-multiplication, we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} u &= 5a^2 + 22ab - 55b^2 \\ v &= -a^2 + 10ab + 11b^2 \\ z &= z(a, b) = a^2 + 11b^2 \end{aligned} \tag{12}$$

Applying the values of u and v in (2), it gives

$$\left. \begin{aligned} x(a, b) &= 4a^2 + 32ab - 44b^2 \\ y(a, b) &= 6a^2 + 12ab - 66b^2 \end{aligned} \right\} \tag{13}$$

Thus (12) and (13) represent the integer solution of (1).

Note 3:

Observe that (10) may also be expressed in the ratio form as below:

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(i)} \quad \frac{u + 5z}{z + v} &= \frac{11(z - v)}{u - 5z} = \frac{a}{b}, b \neq 0 \\ \text{(ii)} \quad \frac{u + 5z}{z - v} &= \frac{11(z + v)}{u - 5z} = \frac{a}{b}, b \neq 0 \\ \text{(iii)} \quad \frac{u + 5z}{11(z + v)} &= \frac{(z - v)}{u - 5z} = \frac{a}{b}, b \neq 0 \\ \text{(iv)} \quad \frac{u + 5z}{11(z - v)} &= \frac{(z + v)}{u - 5z} = \frac{a}{b}, b \neq 0 \end{aligned}$$

Following the above procedure, four more distinct integer solutions to (1) are obtained.

Choice IV:

Rewrite (3) as

$$u^2 = 36z^2 - 11v^2 \tag{14}$$

Consider

$$z = M + 11N, v = M + 36N, u = 5U \tag{15}$$

Now (14) implies

$$U^2 = M^2 - 396N^2 \tag{16}$$

satisfied by

$$M = r^2 + 396s^2, U = r^2 - 396s^2, N = 2rs$$

In view of (15), we have

$$u = 5r^2 - 1980s^2, v = r^2 + 396s^2 + 72rs \tag{17}$$

$$\text{and } z = r^2 + 396s^2 + 22rs \tag{18}$$

Using (17) in (2), one has

$$x = 6r^2 - 1584s^2 + 72rs$$

$$y = 4r^2 - 2376s^2 - 72rs$$

along with (18), represent the integer solution of (1).

Note 4:

Note that (16) may be represented as the system of double equations as shown in Table 1 below:

Table 1: System of double equations

SYSTEM	I	II	III	IV	V	VI	VII	VIII	IX
M+U	198N ²	99N ²	66N ²	33N ²	11N ²	9N ²	3N ²	2N ²	N ²
M-U	2	4	6	12	36	44	132	198	396

Solving each of the above system of double equations, the values of M, N & U are obtained. From (15) and (2) the integer solutions of (1) are found. For brevity, the integer solutions thus obtained are exhibited below:

Solutions from system I:

$$x = 594N^2 + 36N - 4, y = 396N^2 - 36N - 6, z = 99N^2 + 11N + 1$$

Solutions from system II:

$$x = 1188k^2 + 72k - 8, y = 792k^2 - 72k - 12, z = 198k^2 + 22k + 2$$

Solutions from system III:

$$x = 198N^2 + 36N - 12, y = 132N^2 - 36N - 18, z = 33N^2 + 11N + 3$$

Solutions from system IV:

$$x = 396k^2 + 72k - 24, y = 264k^2 - 72k - 36, z = 66k^2 + 22k + 6$$

Solutions from system V:

$$x = 132k^2 + 72k - 72, y = 88k^2 - 72k - 108, z = 22k^2 + 22k + 18$$

Solutions from system VI:

$$x = 108k^2 + 72k - 88, y = 72k^2 - 72k - 132, z = 18k^2 + 22k + 22$$

Solutions from system VII:

$$x = 36k^2 + 72k - 264, y = 4k^2 - 72k - 396, z = 6k^2 + 22k + 66$$

Solutions from system VIII:

$$x = 6N^2 + 36N - 396, y = 4N^2 - 36N - 594, z = N^2 + 11N + 99$$

Solutions from system IX:

$$x = 12k^2 + 72k - 792, y = 8k^2 - 72k - 1188, z = 2k^2 + 22k + 198$$

III. CONCLUSION

In this paper, we have made an attempt to obtain all integer solutions to (1). As (1) is symmetric in x, y, z , it is to be noted that, if (x, y, z) is any positive integer solution to (1), then the triples $(x, y, -z), (-x, -y, z), (-x, -y, -z)$ also satisfy (1). To conclude, one may search for integer solutions to other choices of homogeneous cones.

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