

# On Ternary Quadratic Diophantine Equation $z^2 = 40x^2 + y^2$

Research Article

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**Abstract:** The Ternary Quadratic Diophantine equation  $z^2 = 40x^2 + y^2$  is analyzed for its non-zero distinct integral points on it. A few interesting properties among the solutions are presented.

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## 1. Introduction

Diophantine equations is an interesting concept, as it can be seen from [1-2]. For an extensive review of various problems one may refer [3-11]. In this context one may also see [12-23]. This communication concerns with yet another interesting ternary quadratic Diophantine equation  $z^2 = 40x^2 + y^2$  for determining its infinitely many non-zero integral solutions. Also a few interesting properties among the solutions are presented.

### Notation:

$t_{m,n}$  : Polygonal number of rank n with sides m.

$p_n^m$  : Pyramidal number of rank n with sides m.

$ct_{m,n}$  : Centered Polygonal number of rank n with sides m.

$P_n$  : Pronic number

$g_n$  : Gnomonic number

## 2. Method of Analysis

The ternary quadratic equation to be solved for its non-zero. Integral solution is

$$z^2 = 40x^2 + y^2 \quad (1)$$

Assume

$$z = z(a, b) = a^2 + 40b^2 \quad (2)$$

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Where a, b are non-zero integer. Different patterns of solutions for (1) are given below.

**Pattern I:** Using equation (2) in (1), we get,

$$40x^2 + y^2 = (a^2 + 40b^2)^2 \tag{3}$$

Employing the method of factorization and comparing rational and irrational parts, we get

$$(y + i\sqrt{40}x)(y - i\sqrt{40}x) = (a + i\sqrt{40}b)^2(a - i\sqrt{40}b)^2$$

Comparing the real and imaginary parts on the above equation, we get

$$\left. \begin{aligned} x = x(a, b) &= 2ab \\ y = y(a, b) &= a^2 - 40b^2 \end{aligned} \right\} \tag{4}$$

Thus (2) and (4) represents the non-zero distinct integral solutions of (1).

**Properties:**

- (1).  $x(1, n) + y(1, n) + z(1, n) + 78t_{3,n} \equiv 0 \pmod{41}$
- (2).  $x(2, n) + y(n, 2) + z(2, n) - 8t_{3,n} \equiv -8 \pmod{37}$
- (3).  $x(1, n) + y(n, 1) + z(1, n) - 4t_{3,n} \equiv 0 \pmod{39}$
- (4).  $x(n, 2) + y(2, n) + z(n, 2) + 78t_{3,n} \equiv 35 \pmod{43}$
- (5).  $x(3, n) + y(3, n) + z(n, 3) - 6n(n + 1) \equiv -9 \pmod{45}$

**Pattern II:** Equation (1) can be written as

$$40x^2 + y^2 = z^2 * 1 \tag{5}$$

Assume,

$$z = z(a, b) = a^2 + 40b^2 \tag{6}$$

Where a, b are non-zero distinct integers. Write 1 as,

$$1 = \frac{(3 + i\sqrt{40})(3 - i\sqrt{40})}{49} \tag{7}$$

using (6) and (7) in (5), we get

$$40x^2 + y^2 = \frac{(3 + i\sqrt{40})(3 - i\sqrt{40})}{49}(a^2 + 40b^2)^2$$

By the method of factorization and comparing the rational and irrational parts from the above equation, we get

$$\left. \begin{aligned} x = x(a, b) &= \frac{1}{7}[a^2 - 40b^2 + 6ab] \\ y = y(a, b) &= \frac{1}{7}[3a^2 - 120b^2 - 80ab] \end{aligned} \right\} \tag{8}$$

As our interest is to find only integer solution, it is seen x and y are integer for suitable choices of a and b. Let us assume,  $a = 7A$  and  $b = 7B$  the corresponding non-zero distinct integer solution of (1) are found to be,

$$\begin{aligned} x = x(A, B) &= 7A^2 - 280B^2 + 42AB \\ y = y(A, B) &= 21A^2 - 840B^2 - 560AB \\ z = z(A, B) &= 49A^2 + 1960B^2 \end{aligned}$$

**Properties:**

- (1).  $3x(A, A + 1) - y(A, A + 1) - 1372t_{3,a} \equiv 0.$
- (2).  $3x(A, (A + 1)(A + 2)) - y(A, (A + 1)(A + 2)) - 4116P_a^3 \equiv 0.$
- (3).  $3x(A, A(A + 1)) - y(A, A(A + 1)) - 1372 P_a^5 \equiv 0.$
- (4).  $z(3A, A) - 2401t_{4,a} \equiv 0.$
- (5).  $6x(A, (A + 1)(A + 2)) - 2y(A, (A + 1)(A + 2)) - 8232P_a^3 \equiv 0.$

**Pattern III:** Write (1) as,

$$(z + y)(z - y) = 40x^2$$

**Case 1:**  $\frac{z+y}{40x} = \frac{x}{z-y} = \frac{P}{Q}$ . This is equivalent to the following two equations

$$-P40x + Qy + Qz = 0 \tag{9}$$

$$Qx + Py - Pz = 0 \tag{10}$$

Solving the equations (9) & (10), we obtain

$$\left. \begin{aligned} x &= x(P, Q) = -2PQ \\ y &= y(P, Q) = 40P^2 - Q^2 \\ z &= z(P, Q) = -40P^2 - Q^2 \end{aligned} \right\} \tag{11}$$

Thus (11) represents non-zero distinct integral solutions which satisfy equation (1).

**Properties:**

- (1).  $y(A, A) + z(A, A) + 2t_{4,a} \equiv 0.$
- (2).  $x(A, A + 1) + 4t_{3,a} \equiv 0.$
- (3).  $x(A, A(A + 1)) + 4P_a^5 \equiv 0.$
- (4).  $x(A, (A + 1)(A + 2)) + 12P_a^3 \equiv 0.$
- (5).  $y(A, A) - z(A, A) - 80t_{4,a} \equiv 0.$

**Case 2:** Equation (11) can also be rewritten as

$$\frac{z + y}{x} = \frac{40x}{z - y} = \frac{P}{Q}$$

On following the procedure as in case (1) the non-zero distinct solutions of (1) are given by

$$\left. \begin{aligned} x &= x(P, Q) = -2PQ \\ y &= y(P, Q) = P^2 - 40Q^2 \\ z &= z(P, Q) = -P^2 - 40Q^2 \end{aligned} \right\} \tag{12}$$

Thus (12) represents non-zero distinct integral solutions which satisfy equation (1).

**Properties:**

- (1).  $y(A, B) - z(A, B) - 2t_{4,a} \equiv 0$ .
- (2).  $y(A, B) + z(A, B) + 80t_{4,a} \equiv 0$ .
- (3).  $x(A, (A + 1)(2A + 1)) + 12P_a^4 \equiv 0$ .
- (4).  $x(A, A(A + 1)) + 4P_a^5 \equiv 0$ .
- (5).  $x(A, 2A - 1) + 2t_{6,a} \equiv 0$ .

**Case 3:** Equation (11) can also be rewritten as

$$\frac{z - y}{40x} = \frac{x}{z + y} = \frac{P}{Q}$$

On following the procedure as in case (2) the non-zero distinct solutions of (1) are given by

$$\left. \begin{aligned} x &= x(P, Q) = 2PQ \\ y &= y(P, Q) = 40P^2 - Q^2 \\ z &= z(P, Q) = 40P^2 + Q^2 \end{aligned} \right\} \tag{13}$$

Thus (13) represents non-zero distinct integral solutions which satisfy equation (1).

**Properties:**

- (1).  $x(A, (A + 1)(A + 2)) - 12P_a^3 \equiv 0$ .
- (2).  $y(A, B) + z(A, B) - 80t_{4,a} \equiv 0$ .
- (3).  $x(A, A(A + 1)) - 4P_a^5 \equiv 0$ .
- (4).  $x(A, (A + 1)) - 4t_{3,a} \equiv 0$ .
- (5).  $y(A, 2A) - z(A, 2A) + 8t_{4,a} \equiv 0$ .

**Case 4:** Equation (11) can also be rewritten as

$$\frac{z - y}{x} = \frac{40x}{z + y} = \frac{P}{Q}$$

On following the procedure as in case (3) the non-zero distinct solutions of (1) are given by

$$\left. \begin{aligned} x &= x(P, Q) = 2PQ \\ y &= y(P, Q) = P^2 - 40Q^2 \\ z &= z(P, Q) = P^2 + 40Q^2 \end{aligned} \right\} \tag{14}$$

Thus (14) represents non-zero distinct integral solutions which satisfy equation (1).

**Properties:**

- (1).  $x(A, A + 1) - z(A, A + 1) + 78t_{3,a} \equiv 0(mod 2)$ .

$$(2). X(A, (A + 1)(2A + 1)) - 12P_a^4 \equiv 0.$$

$$(3). x(A, A + 2) - z(A, A + 2) + 78t_{3,a} \equiv 0 \pmod{4}.$$

$$(4). x(A, 2A) + y(A, 2A) - 155t_{4,a} \equiv 0.$$

$$(5). x(A, 3A) - z(A, 3A) + 355t_{4,a} \equiv 0.$$

**Pattern IV:** Equation (1) can be written as,

$$z^2 - 40x^2 = y^2 * 1 \tag{15}$$

Write 1 as

$$1 = \frac{(\sqrt{40} + 2)(\sqrt{40} - 2)}{36} \tag{16}$$

Assume,

$$y = a^2 - 40b^2 \tag{17}$$

Using (16) and (17) and in (15), We get

$$(z + \sqrt{40}x)(z - \sqrt{40}x) = \frac{(\sqrt{40} + 2)(\sqrt{40} - 2)}{36}(a^2 - 40b^2)^2$$

Applying the method of cross multiplication, on employing the method of factorization and equating the positive and negative factors, we get

$$x = x(a, b) = 6a^2 + 240b^2 + 24ab$$

$$y = y(a, b) = 36a^2 - 1440b^2$$

$$z = z(a, b) = 12a^2 + 480b^2 + 480ab$$

**Properties:**

$$(1). 2x(A, 2A - 1) - z(A, 2A - 1) + 432t_{6,a} \equiv 0.$$

$$(2). 2x(A, (A + 1)(A + 2)) - z(A, (A + 1)(A + 2)) + 2592P_a^3 \equiv 0.$$

$$(3). 2x(A, A(A + 1)) - z(A, A(A + 1)) + 864P_a^5 \equiv 0.$$

$$(4). y(6A, A) - 144t_{6,a} \equiv 0.$$

$$(5). 4x(A, A(A + 1)) - 2z(A, A(A + 1)) + 1728P_a^5 \equiv 0.$$

**Note:** In equation (16), 1 can be rewritten as the following different ways

$$(1). 1 = \frac{(9+i\sqrt{40})(9-i\sqrt{40})}{121}.$$

$$(2). 1 = \frac{(1+i\sqrt{35})(1-i\sqrt{35})}{36}.$$

$$(3). 1 = \frac{(4+i\sqrt{33})(4-i\sqrt{33})}{49}.$$

### 3. Conclusion

One may search for other patterns of solution and their corresponding properties.

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