



ON THE HOMOGENEOUS CUBIC DIOPHANTINE EQUATION WITH FIVE UNKNOWNNS

$$2(x^3 + y^3) = 31(z + w)P^2$$

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ABSTRACT

The homogeneous cubic diophantine equation with five unknowns given by $2(x^3 + y^3) = 31(z + w)P^2$ is analyzed for its non-zero distinct integer solutions through applying the linear transformations .

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Introduction:

The cubic diophantine equations are rich in variety and offer an unlimited field for research [1,2]. In particular, refer [3-24] for a few problems on cubic equation with 3 and 4 unknowns. This paper concerns with an interesting homogeneous cubic diophantine equation with five unknowns given by $2(x^3 + y^3) = 31(z + w)P^2$ for determining its infinitely many non-zero distinct integral solutions by employing linear transformations.

Method of Analysis:

The homogeneous cubic equation with five unknowns under consideration is

$$2(x^3 + y^3) = 31(z + w)P^2 \tag{1}$$

Employing the linear transformations

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

in (1), it reduces to the equation

$$u^2 + 3v^2 = 31P^2 \quad (3)$$

which is solved through different ways and thus, in view of (2), one obtains different sets of integer solutions to (1).

Way:1

Let

$$P = a^2 + 3b^2 \quad (4)$$

Write 31 as

$$31 = (2 + i3\sqrt{3})(2 - i3\sqrt{3}) \quad (5)$$

Substituting (4) and (5) in (3) and employing the method of factorization, define

$$u + i\sqrt{3}v = (2 + i3\sqrt{3})(a + i\sqrt{3}b)^2$$

On equating the real and imaginary parts, one obtains

$$u = 2(a^2 - 3b^2) - 18ab, \quad v = 3(a^2 - 3b^2) + 4ab$$

In view of (2), the values of x, y, z and w are given by

$$\left. \begin{aligned} x &= 5a^2 - 15b^2 - 14ab \\ y &= -a^2 + 3b^2 - 22ab \\ z &= 7(a^2 - 3b^2) - 32ab \\ w &= a^2 - 3b^2 - 40ab \end{aligned} \right\} \quad (6)$$

Thus (4) and (6) represent the integer solutions to (1).

Note :1

One may consider 31 on the R.H.S. of (3) as

$$31 = \frac{(7 + i5\sqrt{3})(7 - i5\sqrt{3})}{4}$$

The repetition of the above process leads to a different set of integer solutions to (1).

Way:2

(3) can be written as

$$3v^2 = 31P^2 - u^2 \quad (7)$$

Let

$$v = 31a^2 - b^2 \quad (8)$$

Write 3 as

$$3 = (2\sqrt{31}+11)(2\sqrt{31}-11) \quad (9)$$

Substituting (8) and (9) in (7) and employing the method of factorization, define

$$\sqrt{31}P + u = (2\sqrt{31}+11)(\sqrt{31}a+b)^2$$

On equating the rational and irrational parts, one obtains

$$\begin{aligned} u &= 11(31a^2 + b^2) + 124ab \\ , \quad P &= 2(31a^2 + b^2) + 22ab \end{aligned} \quad (10)$$

In view of (2), the values of x,y,z and w are given by

$$\left. \begin{aligned} x &= 372a^2 + 10b^2 + 124ab \\ y &= 310a^2 + 12b^2 + 124ab \\ z &= 713a^2 + 21b^2 + 248ab \\ w &= 651a^2 + 23b^2 + 248ab \end{aligned} \right\} , \quad (11)$$

Thus (10) and (11) represent the integer solutions to (1).

Note :2

One may consider 3 on the L.H.S. of (7) as

$$\begin{aligned} 3 &= \frac{(\sqrt{31}+2)(\sqrt{31}-2)}{9} \\ 3 &= \frac{(2\sqrt{31}+7)(2\sqrt{31}-7)}{25} \end{aligned}$$

The repetition of the above process leads to two different sets of integer solutions to (1).

Way:3

(3) is written as

$$u^2 + 3v^2 = 31P^2 *1 \quad (12)$$

Write 1 on the R.H.S. of (12) as

$$1 = \frac{(1+i\sqrt{3})(1-i\sqrt{3})}{4} \quad (13)$$

Following the analysis presented in **Way:2**, the corresponding integer solutions to (1) are as below:

$$x = -4a^2 + 12b^2 - 88ab ,$$

$$y = -24a^2 + 72b^2 - 32ab ,$$

$$z = -18a^2 + 54b^2 - 148ab$$

$$w = -38a^2 + 114b^2 - 92ab ,$$

$$P = 4(a^2 + 3b^2)$$

Note :3

1 on the R.H.S. Of (12) is also taken as

$$1 = \frac{(1+i4\sqrt{3})(1-i4\sqrt{3})}{49}$$

$$1 = \frac{(3r^2 - s^2 + i\sqrt{3}2rs)(3r^2 - s^2 - i\sqrt{3}2rs)}{(3r^2 + s^2)^2}$$

The repetition of the above process leads to two different sets of integer solutions to (1).

Way:4

(3) is written as

$$31P^2 - 3v^2 = u^2 * 1 \tag{14}$$

Let

$$u = 31a^2 - 3b^2$$

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

$$1 = \frac{(\sqrt{31} + 3\sqrt{3})(\sqrt{31} - 3\sqrt{3})}{4}$$

Proceeding as above, one obtains a new set of integer solutions to (1).

Note :4

1 on the R.H.S. Of (14) is also taken as

$$1 = \frac{(2\sqrt{31} + 5\sqrt{3})(2\sqrt{31} - 5\sqrt{3})}{49}$$

The repetition of the above process leads to a different set of integer solutions to (1).

Conclusion

In this paper, an attempt has been made to obtain many non-zero distinct integral solutions to the homogeneous cubic equation with five unknowns represented by $2(x^3 + y^3) = 31(z + w)P^2$. As cubic equations are rich in variety, the readers may search for obtaining integer solutions to other choices of cubic equations.

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