

# On the Homogeneous Biquadratic Equation with 5 Unknowns $(x^2 - y^2)((4k - 1)(x^2 + y^2) - (4k - 2)xy) = 2(4k - 1)(p^2 - q^2)z^2$

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**Abstract:** The homogeneous biquadratic equation with five unknowns given by

$$(x^2 - y^2)((4k - 1)(x^2 + y^2) - (4k - 2)xy) = 2(4k - 1)(p^2 - q^2)z^2$$

is considered and analyzed for finding its non zero distinct integral solutions. Introducing the linear transformations  $x = u + v$ ,  $y = u - v$ ,  $p = 2u + v$ ,  $q = 2u - v$  and employing the method of factorization different patterns of non zero distinct integer solutions of the equation under the above equation are obtained. A few interesting relations between the integral solutions and the special numbers namely Polygonal numbers, Pyramidal numbers, Centered Polygonal numbers, Centered Pyramidal numbers, Thabit-ibn-Kurrah number, Carol number, Mersenne number are exhibited.

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**Notations:**

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

$p_m^n$  = Pyramidal number of rank n with sides m

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

$cp_m^n$  = Centered Pyramidal number of rank n with sides m

$g_n$  = Gnomonic number

$Tha_n$  = Thabit-ibn-Kurrah number

$car 1_n$  = Carol number

$cu 1_n$  = Cullen number

$mer_n$  = Mersenne number

$wo_n$  = Woodhall number

$p_n$  = Pronic number

## I. INTRODUCTION

The theory of Diophantine equations offers a rich variety of fascinating problems. In particular biquadratic Diophantine equations, homogeneous and non-homogeneous have aroused the interest of numerous mathematicians since antiquity [1-3].

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In this context one may refer [4-12] for various problems on the biquadratic Diophantine equations. However, often we come across non-homogeneous biquadratic equations and as such one may require its integral solution in its most general form. This paper concern with the homogeneous biquadratic equation with five unknowns

$$(x^2 - y^2)((4k - 1)(x^2 + y^2) - (4k - 2)xy) = 2(4k - 1)(p^2 - q^2)z^2$$

for determining its infinitely many non-zero integral solutions. Also a few interesting properties among the solutions are presented.

## II. METHOD OF ANALYSIS

The biquadratic equation with five unknowns to be solved for its non-zero distinct integral solution is

$$(x^2 - y^2)((4k - 1)(x^2 + y^2) - (4k - 2)xy) = 2(4k - 1)(p^2 - q^2)z^2 \quad (1)$$

Consider the transformations

$$\left. \begin{aligned} x &= u + v \\ y &= u - v \\ p &= 2u + v \\ q &= 2u - v \end{aligned} \right\} \quad (2)$$

On substituting (2) in (1), we get

$$ku^2 + v^2(3k - 1) = (4k - 1)z^2 \quad (3)$$

**Pattern 1:**

$$\text{Assume } z = ka^2 + (3k - 1)b^2 \quad (4)$$

Write (4k-1) as

$$4k - 1 = (\sqrt{k} + i\sqrt{3k - 1})(\sqrt{k} + i\sqrt{3k - 1}) \quad (5)$$

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

$$(\sqrt{ku} + i\sqrt{3k-1}v)(\sqrt{ku} - i\sqrt{3k-1}v) = (\sqrt{k} + i\sqrt{3k-1})(\sqrt{k} - i\sqrt{3k-1})(ka^2 + (3k-1)b^2)^2$$

Equating the real and imaginary parts, we get

$$u = ka^2 - (3k-1)b^2 - 2(3k-1)ab \qquad v = ka^2 + 2ab - (3k-1)b^2$$

Substituting u and v in (2) the values of x, y, p and q are given by

$$\left. \begin{aligned} x &= x(a,b,k) = 2ka^2 - 2b^2(3k-1) - 2(3k-1)ab + 2ab \\ y &= y(a,b,k) = -6kab \\ p &= p(a,b,k) = 3ka^2 - 3b^2(3k-1) - 12kab + 6ab \\ q &= q(a,b,k) = 3ka^2 - 3b^2(3k-1) - 12kab \end{aligned} \right\} \quad (6)$$

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

**Properties:**

- 1)  $x(1,1,2^n + 1) + 10mer_n = \text{Nasty number}$
- 2)  $p(a+1,1,k) + 9 = t_{6,a} + 2t_{3,a}$
- 3)  $q(1,2b,1) + t_{18,b} \equiv 3 \pmod{31}$
- 4)  $z(n+1,n,1) - y(2n+1,n^2,2) - 3(cp_n^4 + 2cp_n^{22}) - t_{32,n} \equiv 1 \pmod{31}$
- 5)  $q(2n-1,2,1) - p(2n-1,2n-1,1) + y(2n,2n-1,1) + 2 = t_{58,n} + t_{42,n} - 36gn$
- 6)

**Pattern 2:**

The assumption  $u = X + (3k-1)T$  and  $v = X - kT$

$$v = a^2 - 3k^2b^2 + kb^2 - 2kab$$

in (3) gives  $X^2 + k(3k-1)T^2 = z^2$

(7) Substituting u and v in (2) the values of x, y, p and q are given by

$$(8) \quad \begin{aligned} x &= x(a,b,k) = 2a^2 - 6k^2b^2 + 2kb^2 + 4abk - 2ab \\ y &= y(a,b,k) = 8abk - 2ab \end{aligned}$$

**Case 1:**

$k(3k-1) \neq \text{square}$

$$(9) \quad p = p(a,b,k) = 3a^2 - 9k^2b^2 + 3kb^2 + 10abk - 4ab \quad (11)$$

Assume  $z = a^2 + k(3k-1)b^2$

$$(10) \quad q = q(a,b,k) = a^2 - 3k^2b^2 + kb^2 + 14abk - 4ab$$

From (8) and (10), we have, on factorization

$$X + i\sqrt{k(3k-1)}T = (a + i\sqrt{k(3k-1)}b)^2$$

Thus (10) and (11) represent the non-zero distinct integer solutions of (1)

$$X - i\sqrt{k(3k-1)}T = (a - i\sqrt{k(3k-1)}b)^2$$

On equating real and imaginary parts, in either of the above two equations we obtain

$$X = a^2 - k(3k-1)b^2$$

$$T = 2ab$$

On substituting X and T in (4) we get the values of u and v to be

$$u = a^2 - 3k^2b^2 + kb^2 + 6abk - 2ab$$

**Properties:**

- 1)  $y(a, a, 1) = 2(t_{8,a} + g_a + 1)$
- 2)  $q(1, 1, k) - p(1, 1, k) - 2g_k + 1$
- 3)  $\frac{x(1, b, 1)}{2} = 1 - t_{6,b}$
- 4)  $p(a, 1, 1) - q(a, 1, 1) + y(a, 1, 1) + 4 = t_{18,a} - t_{14,a}$
- 5)  $y(n + 1, n + 2, 2) + x(n + 1, n + 2, 2) = ct_{28,n} + ct_{8,n} + 31g_n + 87$

**Case 2:**

Choosing  $k(3k - 1) = w^2$  in (5), it is satisfied by

$$X = 2w^2RS, \quad T = w(R^2 - S^2) \quad \text{and} \quad z = w(R^2 + S^2)$$

Substituting X and T in (4) we get the values of u and v to be

$$u = 2w^2RS + 3kwR^2 - 3kwS^2 - wR^2 + wS^2$$

$$v = 2w^2RS - kwR^2 + kwS^2$$

Substituting u and v in (2) we get the values of x, y, p and q are given by

$$x = x(R, S, w, k) = 4w^2RS + 2kwR^2 - 2kwS^2 - wR^2 + wS^2$$

$$y = y(R, S, w, k) = 4kwR^2 - 4kwS^2 + wR^2 + wS^2$$

$$p = p(R, S, w, k) = 6w^2RS + 5kwR^2 - 5kwS^2 - 2wR^2 + 2wS^2$$

$$q = p(R, S, w, k) = 2w^2RS + 7kwR^2 - 6wS^2 - 2wR^2$$

} (12)

Thus (10) and (12) represent the non-zero distinct integer solutions of (1)

**Properties:**

- 1)  $z(2^n, 2^n, 1, 1) = 2(mer_{2n} + 1)$
- 2)  $p(1, 1, 2^n, 1) - x(1, 1, 2^n, 1) = 2(jal_{2n} - 1)$
- 3)  $q(2^n, 1, 1, 1) = Tha_{2n} + ky_n + mer_{2n} - 3$
- 4)  $x(1, 1, w, k) - y(1, 1, w, k) + 2q(1, 1, w, k) + 1 = t_{10,w} - g_w + 7wgk$
- 5)  $p(2, 1, 1, (n+1)^2) + q(2, 1, 1, 2n) - 2t_{17,n} \equiv 1 \pmod{9}$

**Pattern 3:**

Rewrite (5) as

$$z^2 - X^2 = k(3k - 1)T^2 \tag{13}$$

$$(z + X)(z - X) = k(3k - 1)T^2 \tag{14}$$

**Case 1:**

(14) can be written as the system of double equations as

$$z + X = (3k - 1)T \tag{11}$$

$$z - X = kT \tag{12}$$

Which is satisfied by

$$z = (4k - 1)t, \quad X = (2k - 1)t, \quad T = 2t$$

On substituting X and T in (7) we get the values of u and v which are given by

$$u = (8k - 3)t, \quad v = (2k + 1)t$$

On substituting u and v in (2) we get the values of x, y, z, p and q. The non-zero distinct integrals values of x, y, z, p and q satisfying (1) are given by

$$x = x(k, t) = (10k - 2)t$$

$$y = y(k, t) = (6k - 4)t$$

$$z = z(k, t) = (4k - 1)t$$

$$p = p(k, t) = (18k - 5)t$$

$$q = q(k, t) = (14k - 7)t$$

**Properties:**

- 1)  $x(n^2, n) + y(n, n) + n = 10cp_n^6 + t_{14, n}$
- 2)  $p(n, n^2) + q(n, n) + 5 = 6cp_n^{18} + 2ct_{11, n} - 3g_n$
- 3)  $x(n, 1)y(n, 1) - (2t_{62, n} + 3g_n) = 11$
- 4)  $p(n, n^2) - 2(n + 1, n) + z(n^2, 2) - 6cp_n^{23} + 2ct_{25, n} \equiv 1 \pmod{12}$
- 5)  $q(n, 2n^2 + 1) - 3y(n + 1, n) - 6cp_n^{20} - 3cp_n^{16} \equiv 7 \pmod{37}$

**Case 2:**

Also, (10) can be written as the system of double equations as

$$z + X = (3k^2 - k)T \tag{13}$$

$$z - X = T \tag{14}$$

Applying the same procedure as in case 1 we get the non-zero distinct integrals values of x, y, z, p and q satisfying (1) are given by

$$x = x(k, t) = (6k^2 - 3)t$$

$$y = y(k, t) = (4k^2 - 1)t$$

$$z = z(k, t) = (3k^2 - k + 1)t$$

$$p = p(k, t) = (9k^2 + 2k - 5)t$$

$$q = q(k, t) = (3k^2 + 6k - 3)t$$

**Properties:**

- 1)  $x(n, 1)y(n, 1) - (t_{50, n^2} + t_{12, n}) \equiv 3 \pmod{4}$

- 2)  $z(2^n, 1) - Tha_{2n} + mer_n = 1$
- 3)  $p(n+1, 2) - t_{38, n} \equiv 17 \pmod{23}$
- 4)  $42(7p(k, t) - 2q(k, t) + 2z(k, t) + 27) = \text{Nasty Number}$
- 5)  $2y(2^n, n) - z(2^n, n) - 4(wo_{2n} + cul_{2n}) + Tha_{2n} - mer_n \equiv -1 \pmod{2}$

**Case 3:**

In addition to case 2, rewrite (14) as the pair of equations as

$$z + X = T^2 \tag{16}$$

$$z - X = 3k^2 - k \tag{17}$$

Repeating the procedure as in case 1, we get the non-zero distinct integrals values of x, y, z, p and q satisfying (1) are given by

$$\begin{aligned} x &= x(k, t) = 4t^2 - 12k^2 + 2k + 8kt - 2t \\ y &= y(k, t) = 16kt - 2t \\ z &= z(k, t) = 2t^2 + 6k^2 - k \\ p &= p(k, t) = 6t^2 - 18k^2 + 6k + 20kt - 4t \\ q &= q(k, t) = -6k^2 + 2k - 4t + 4kt \end{aligned}$$

**Properties:**

- 1)  $x(k, 1) - y(k, 1) + ct_{24, k} - 3g_k = 2$
- 2)  $q(2^n, 1) + 3car_{1n} + Tha_{2n} + 8 = 0$
- 3)  $p(1, t) - t_{14, t} \equiv -12 \pmod{21}$
- 4)  $y(n+1, n+1) + 2q(n, 1) - ct_{6, n} - p_n \equiv 1 \pmod{8}$
- 5)  $z(2n, 1)y(n, 1) - 8q(n, 1) = 384cp_n^6 + 2(g_n - 1)$

**III. CONCLUSION**

It is worth to note that in (2), the transformations for z and w may be considered as  $p = 2uv + 1$  and  $q = 2uv - 1$ . For this case, the values of x, y and z are the same as above where as the values of p and q changes for every pattern. To conclude one may consider biquadratic equation with multivariables ( $\geq 5$ ) and search for their non-zero distinct integer solutions along with their corresponding properties.

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