

# OBSERVATIONS ON THE TERNARY QUADRATIC DIOPHANTINE EQUATION

$$9x^2 + 2y^2 = 27z$$

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**Abstract :** The ternary quadratic equation given by  $9x^2 + 2y^2 = 27z$  is considered and searched for its many different integer solutions. Five different choices of integer solutions of the above equation are presented. A few interesting relations between the solutions and special polygonal numbers are presented.

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## I. INTRODUCTION:

The Diophantine equation offer an unlimited field for research due to their variety [1-3] in particular one may refer [4-14] for quadratic equations with three unknowns. This communication concerns with yet another interesting equations  $9x^2 + 2y^2 = 27z$  for determining many non-zero integral points. Also, a few interesting relations among the solutions are presented.

## II. NOTATIONS:

1.  $t_{m,n}$  =  $n^{\text{th}}$  term of a regular polygon with  $m$  sides

$$= n \left( 1 + \frac{(n-1)(m-2)}{2} \right)$$

2.  $S_n = 6n(n-1) + 1$  = Star number of rank  $n$

3.  $pr_n = n(n+1)$  = Pronic number of rank  $n$

## III. METHOD OF ANALYSIS:

THE TERNARY QUADRATIC DIOPHANTINE EQUATION TO BE SOLVED FOR ITS NON-ZERO DISTINCT INTEGRAL SOLUTION IS

$$9x^2 + 2y^2 = 27z \quad (1)$$

Substituting

$$y = 3Y \quad (2)$$

in (1), we get

$$x^2 + 2Y^2 = 3z \quad (3)$$

(3) is solved through different approaches and the different patterns of solution (1) obtained are presented below

### PATTERN : 1

Assume

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

Write 3 as,

$$3 = (1 + i\sqrt{2})(1 - i\sqrt{2}) \quad (5)$$

Using (4) and (5) in (3) we get

$$(x + i\sqrt{2}Y)(x - i\sqrt{2}Y) = (1 + i\sqrt{2})(1 - i\sqrt{2})(a + i\sqrt{2}b)^2(a - i\sqrt{2}b)^2$$

Consider the positive factor,

$$(x + i\sqrt{2}Y) = (1 + i\sqrt{2})(a + i\sqrt{2}b)^2$$

$$(x + i\sqrt{2}Y) = a^2 - 2b^2 + i2\sqrt{2}ab + i\sqrt{2}a^2 - i2\sqrt{2}b^2 - 4ab$$

$$(x + i\sqrt{2}Y) = (a^2 - 2b^2 - 4ab) + i\sqrt{2}(2ab + a^2 - 2b^2)$$

Equating real and imaginary parts,

$$x = a^2 - 2b^2 - 4ab$$

$$Y = a^2 - 2b^2 + 2ab$$

Using (2)

$$y = 3a^2 - 6b^2 + 6ab$$

We obtain the non- zero distinct integral solution of (1) as

$$x(a,b) = a^2 - 2b^2 - 4ab$$

$$y(a,b) = 3a^2 - 6b^2 + 6ab$$

$$z(a,b) = (a^2 + 2b^2)^2$$

### PROPERTIES:

$$1. y(1,b) + t_{14,b} - \text{Pr}_b + t_{4,b} - 3 = 0$$

$$2. y(1,b) + t_{14,b} + t_{6,b} - 2t_{4,b} \equiv 0 \pmod{3}$$

$$3. y(1,b) + t_{14,b} - G_b + \text{Pr}_b - t_{4,b} - 4 = 0$$

$$4. y(1,a) - S_a + t_{8,a} - 10\text{Pr}_a + 10t_{4,a} \equiv 0 \pmod{7}$$

$$5. x(a,1) - t_{a,4} + 2G_a + 4 = 0$$

### PATTERN : 2

3 can also be written as

$$3 = \frac{(5+i\sqrt{2})(5-i\sqrt{2})}{3^2} \quad (5)$$

Substituting (5) in (4) and employing the method of factorization We get

$$(x+i\sqrt{2}Y)(x-i\sqrt{2}Y) = (a+i\sqrt{2}b)^2(a-i\sqrt{2}b)^2 * \frac{(5+i\sqrt{2})(5-i\sqrt{2})}{3^2}$$

Consider the positive factor

$$(x+i\sqrt{2}Y) = (a+i\sqrt{2}b)^2 * \frac{(5+i\sqrt{2})}{3}$$

$$(x+i\sqrt{2}Y) = (a^2 - 2b^2 + i\sqrt{2}ab) * \frac{(5+i\sqrt{2})}{3}$$

$$(x+i\sqrt{2}Y) = \frac{(5a^2 - 10b^2 - 4ab) + i\sqrt{2}(a^2 - 2b^2 + 10ab)}{3}$$

Equating real and imaginary parts of the above equation we get

$$x(a,b) = \frac{5a^2 - 10b^2 - 4ab}{3}$$

$$Y(a,b) = \frac{a^2 - 2b^2 + 10ab}{3}$$

Using (2)

$$y(a,b) = \frac{3a^2 - 6b^2 + 30ab}{3}$$

$$z(a,b) = (a^2 + 2b^2)^2$$

Assume  $a=3A$  and  $b=3B$  in the above equation the non – zero distinct integral solution of (1) is given by

$$x(A,B) = 15A^2 - 30B^2 - 12AB$$

$$y(A,B) = 9A^2 - 18B^2 + 90AB$$

$$z(A,B) = (9A^2 + 18B^2)^2$$

### PROPERTIES:

$$1. x(A,1) - t_{15,A} - 2Pr_A + 2t_{4,A} \equiv 0 \pmod{5}$$

$$2. x(1,B) + t_{62,B} + 41Pr_B - 41t_{4,B} - 15 = 0$$

$$3. y(A,1) - t_{20,A} - 98Pr_A + 98t_{4,A} \equiv 0 \pmod{2}$$

$$4. y(1,B) + t_{38,B} - 73Pr_B + 73t_{4,B} - 9 = 0$$

$$5. x(1,B) + y(1,B) + t_{98,B} + 125Pr_B - 125t_{4,B} - 24 = 0$$

### PATTERN : 3

(4) can also be written as

$$x^2 + 2Y^2 = 3z * 1 \tag{6}$$

Write 1 as

$$1 = \frac{(1+i\sqrt{2})(1-i\sqrt{2})}{3^2} \tag{7}$$

Substituting (7) in (6) and employing the method of factorization we get,

$$(x+i\sqrt{2}Y)(x-i\sqrt{2}Y) = (1+i\sqrt{2})(1-i\sqrt{2})(a+i\sqrt{2}b)^2(a-i\sqrt{2}b)^2 * \frac{(1+i\sqrt{2})(1-i\sqrt{2})}{3^2}$$

Consider the positive factor,

$$(x+i\sqrt{2}Y) = (1+i\sqrt{2})(a+i\sqrt{2}b)^2 * \frac{(1+i\sqrt{2})}{3}$$

$$(x+i\sqrt{2}Y) = (1+i\sqrt{2})(a^2 - b^2 + i2ab\sqrt{2}) * \frac{(1+i\sqrt{2})}{3}$$

$$(x+i\sqrt{2}Y) = \frac{(-3a^2 + 6b^2 - 12ab) + i\sqrt{2}(3a^2 - 6b^2 - 6ab)}{3}$$

Equating real and imaginary parts,

$$x = \frac{(-3a^2 + 6b^2 - 12ab)}{3}$$

$$Y = \frac{(3a^2 - 6b^2 - 6ab)}{3}$$

Using (2)

$$y = \frac{(9a^2 - 18b^2 - 18ab)}{3}$$

We obtain the non-zero distinct integral solution of (1) as

$$x(a, b) = (-a^2 + 2b^2 - 4ab)$$

$$y(a, b) = (3a^2 - 6b^2 - 6ab)$$

$$z(a, b) = (a^2 + 2b^2)^2$$

### PROPERTIES :

$$1. x(1, b) - t_{6,b} + 3Pr_b - 3t_{4,b} + 1 = 0$$

$$2. x(a, 1) + t_{4,a} + 4Pr_a - 4t_{4,a} - 2 = 0$$

$$3. y(1, b) + S_b + 12Pr_b - 12t_{4,b} \equiv 0 \pmod{2}$$

$$4. y(a, 1) - t_{8,a} + 4Pr_a - 4t_{4,a} \equiv 0 \pmod{3}$$

$$5. x(a, 1) + y(a, 1) - t_{6,a} + 9Pr_a - 9t_{4,a} + 4 = 0$$

### PATTERN : 4

Substituting the linear transformation

$$\left. \begin{aligned} x &= X + 2T \\ Y &= X - T \\ z &= 6u^2 \end{aligned} \right\} \quad (8) \text{ in } (1)$$

we get,

$$(X + 2T)^2 + 2(X - T)^2 = 3 * 6u^2$$

$$X^2 + 4T^2 + 4XT + 2X^2 + 2T^2 - 4XT = 18u^2$$

$$3X^2 + 6T^2 = 18u^2$$

Which can also be written as

$$(X + 2u)(X - 2u) = 2(u + T)(u - T) \quad (9)$$

**CASE:1**

(9) can be written in the form of ratio as

$$\frac{X+2u}{2(u-T)} = \frac{u+T}{X-2u} = \frac{\alpha}{\beta} \quad (10)$$

Which is equivalent to the system of double equations

$$\left. \begin{aligned} \beta X + 2\alpha T + (2\beta - 2\alpha)u &= 0 \\ -\alpha X + \beta T + (\beta + 2\alpha)u &= 0 \end{aligned} \right\} \quad (11)$$

Solving (11) by method of cross multiplication we get

$$\left. \begin{aligned} X &= 4\alpha^2 - 2\beta^2 + 4\alpha\beta \\ T &= 2\alpha^2 - \beta^2 - 4\alpha\beta \\ u &= 2\alpha^2 + \beta^2 \end{aligned} \right\} \quad (12)$$

Substituting (12) in (8) the non-zero distinct integer solutions of (1) are given by,

$$x(\alpha, \beta) = 8\alpha^2 - 4\beta^2 - 4\alpha\beta$$

$$y(\alpha, \beta) = 6\alpha^2 - 3\beta^2 + 24\alpha\beta$$

$$z(\alpha, \beta) = 6(2\alpha^2 + \beta^2)^2$$

**PROPERTIES :**

$$1. x(\alpha, 1) - t_{18, \alpha} - 3Pr_{\alpha} + 3t_{4, \alpha} \equiv 0 \pmod{4}$$

$$2. x(1, \beta) + t_{10, \beta} + 7Pr_{\beta} - 7t_{4, \beta} - 8 = 0$$

$$3. y(1, \beta) + t_{8, \beta} - 22Pr_{\beta} + 22t_{4, \beta} \equiv 0 \pmod{3}$$

$$4. y(\alpha, 1) - t_{14, \alpha} - 29Pr_{\alpha} + 29t_{4, \alpha} + 3 = 0$$

$$5. x(\alpha, 1) + y(\alpha, 1) - t_{30, \alpha} - 33Pr_{\alpha} + 33t_{4, \alpha} + 7 = 0$$

**CASE:2**

(9) can also be written in the form of ratio as

$$\frac{X+2u}{u+T} = \frac{2(u-T)}{X-2u} = \frac{\alpha}{\beta}$$

Which is equivalent to the system of double equations

$$\left. \begin{aligned} \beta X - \alpha T + (2\beta - \alpha)u &= 0 \\ -\alpha X - 2\beta T + (2\beta + 2\alpha)u &= 0 \end{aligned} \right\} \quad (13)$$

Solving (13) by method of cross multiplication we get,

$$\left. \begin{aligned} X &= -2\alpha^2 + 4\beta^2 - 4\alpha\beta \\ T &= \alpha^2 - 2\beta^2 - 4\alpha\beta \\ u &= -2\beta^2 - \alpha^2 \end{aligned} \right\} \quad (14)$$

Substituting (14) in (8) the non zero distinct integer solutions of (1) are given by,

$$x(\alpha, \beta) = -12\alpha\beta$$

$$y(\alpha, \beta) = -9\alpha^2 + 18\beta^2$$

$$z(\alpha, \beta) = 6(-\alpha^2 - 2\beta^2)^2$$

### PROPERTIES :

$$1. x(1, \beta) + 12 \Pr_{\beta} - 12t_{4,\beta} = 0$$

$$2. y(1, \beta) - 6t_{4,\beta} + 3 = 0$$

$$3. x(1, \beta) + y(1, \beta) - t_{14,\beta} + 7 \Pr_{\beta} - 7t_{4,\beta} \equiv 0 \pmod{3}$$

$$4. y(\alpha, 1) + 3t_{4,\beta} \equiv 0 \pmod{2}$$

$$5. x(1, \beta) - y(1, \beta) - 6t_{4,\beta} + 12 \Pr_{\beta} - 3 = 0$$

### CASE:3

Write (9) in the form of ratio as

$$\frac{X - 2u}{2(u - T)} = \frac{u + T}{X + 2u} = \frac{\alpha}{\beta}$$

Which is equivalent to the system of double equations

$$\begin{cases} \beta X + 2\alpha T - (2\beta + 2\alpha)u = 0 \\ -\alpha X + \beta T + (\beta - 2\alpha)u = 0 \end{cases} \quad (15)$$

Solving (15) by method of cross multiplication we get

$$\begin{cases} X = -4\alpha^2 + 2\beta^2 + 4\alpha\beta \\ T = 2\alpha^2 - \beta^2 + 4\alpha\beta \\ u = 2\alpha^2 + \beta^2 \end{cases} \quad (16)$$

Substituting (16) in (8) the non zero distinct integer solution of (1) are given by

$$x(\alpha, \beta) = 12\alpha\beta$$

$$y(\alpha, \beta) = -18\alpha^2 + 9\beta^2$$

$$z(\alpha, \beta) = 6(2\alpha^2 + \beta^2)^2$$

### PROPERTIES :

$$1. x(1, \beta) - 12 \Pr_{\beta} + 12t_{4,\beta} = 0$$

$$2. y(1, \beta) - 9t_{4,\beta} + 18 = 0$$

$$3. y(\alpha, 1) + 18t_{4,\alpha} - 9 = 0$$

$$4. x(\alpha, 1) + y(\alpha, 1) + t_{38,\alpha} + 5 \Pr_{\alpha} - 5t_{4,\alpha} \equiv 0 \pmod{9}$$

$$5. x(\alpha, 1) - y(\alpha, 1) - t_{38,\alpha} - 29 \Pr_{\alpha} + 29t_{4,\alpha} \equiv 0 \pmod{3}$$

### PATTERN : 5

Substituting the linear transformation,

$$\begin{cases} x = X + 2T \\ Y = X - T \\ z = 11u^2 \end{cases} \quad (17)$$

in (1) we get,

$$(X + 2T)^2 + 2(X - T)^2 = 3 * 11u^2$$

$$X^2 + 4T^2 + 4XT + 2X^2 + 2T^2 - 4XT = 33u^2$$

$$3X^2 + 6T^2 = 33u^2$$

which can also be written as

$$(X + 3u)(X - 3u) = 2(u + T)(u - T) \quad (18)$$

### CASE:1

(18) can be written in the form of ratio as

$$\frac{(X + 3u)}{2(u + T)} = \frac{(u - T)}{(X - 3u)} = \frac{\alpha}{\beta} \quad (19)$$

which is equivalent to the system of double equations

$$\left. \begin{aligned} \beta X - 2\alpha T + (3\beta - 2\alpha)u &= 0 \\ -\alpha X - \beta T + (\beta + 3\alpha)u &= 0 \end{aligned} \right\} \quad (20)$$

Solving (20) by method of cross multiplication we get,

$$\left. \begin{aligned} X &= -6\alpha^2 + 3\beta^2 - 4\alpha\beta \\ T &= 2\alpha^2 - \beta^2 - 6\alpha\beta \\ u &= -2\alpha^2 - \beta^2 \end{aligned} \right\} \quad (21)$$

Substituting (21) in (17) the non-zero distinct integer solution of (1) are given by

$$x(\alpha, \beta) = -2\alpha^2 + \beta^2 - 16\alpha\beta$$

$$y(\alpha, \beta) = -24\alpha^2 + 12\beta^2 + 6\alpha\beta$$

$$z(\alpha, \beta) = 11(-2\alpha^2 - \beta^2)^2$$

### PROPERTIES :

$$1. x(\alpha, 1) + t_{6,\alpha} + 17 \Pr_{\alpha} - 17t_{4,\alpha} - 1 = 0$$

$$2. x(1, \beta) - t_{4,\beta} + 16 \Pr_{\beta} - 16t_{4,\beta} + 2 = 0$$

$$3. y(\alpha, 1) + t_{50,\alpha} + 17 \Pr_{\alpha} - 17t_{4,\alpha} \equiv 0 \pmod{6}$$

$$4. y(1, \beta) - t_{26,\beta} - 17 \Pr_{\beta} + 17t_{4,\beta} + 24 = 0$$

$$5. x(1, \beta) + y(1, \beta) - t_{28,\beta} - 2 \Pr_{\beta} + 2t_{4,\beta} + 26 = 0$$

**CASE:2**

(18) can be written in the form of ratio as

$$\frac{X+3u}{u-T} = \frac{2(u+T)}{X-3u} = \frac{\alpha}{\beta} \quad (22)$$

Which is equivalent to the system of double equations

$$\left. \begin{aligned} \beta X - \alpha T + (2\beta - \alpha)u &= 0 \\ -\alpha X - 2\beta T + (2\beta + 2\alpha)u &= 0 \end{aligned} \right\} \quad (23)$$

Solving (23) by method of cross multiplication we get

$$\left. \begin{aligned} X &= 3\alpha^2 - 6\beta^2 + 4\alpha\beta \\ T &= \alpha^2 - 2\beta^2 - 6\alpha\beta \\ u &= 2\beta^2 + \alpha^2 \end{aligned} \right\} \quad (24)$$

Substituting (24) in (17) the non zero distinct integer solution of (1) are given by

$$x(\alpha, \beta) = 5\alpha^2 - 10\beta^2 - 8\alpha\beta$$

$$y(\alpha, \beta) = 6\alpha^2 - 12\beta^2 + 30\alpha\beta$$

$$z(\alpha, \beta) = 11(\alpha^2 + 2\beta^2)^2$$

**PROPERTIES:**

$$1. x(1, \beta) + t_{22, \beta} + 17 \text{Pr}_{\beta} - 17t_{4, \beta} - 5 = 0$$

$$2. x(\alpha, 1) - t_{12, \alpha} + 4 \text{Pr}_{\alpha} - 4t_{4, \alpha} + 10 = 0$$

$$3. y(\alpha, 1) - t_{14, \alpha} - 35 \text{Pr}_{\alpha} + 35t_{4, \alpha} + 12 = 0$$

$$4. y(1, \beta) + t_{26, \beta} - 19 \text{Pr}_{\beta} + 19t_{4, \beta} \equiv 0 \pmod{6}$$

$$5. x(\alpha, 1) + y(\alpha, 1) - t_{24, \alpha} - 32 \text{Pr}_{\alpha} + 32t_{4, \alpha} \equiv 0 \pmod{22}$$

**CASE:3**

(18) can be written in the form of ratio as

$$\frac{X-3u}{u-T} = \frac{2(u+T)}{X+3u} = \frac{\alpha}{\beta} \quad (25)$$

Which is equivalent to the system of double equations

$$\left. \begin{aligned} \beta X + \alpha T - (3\beta + \alpha)u &= 0 \\ -\alpha X + 2\beta T + (2\beta - 3\alpha)u &= 0 \end{aligned} \right\} \quad (26)$$



Solving (26) by method of cross multiplication we get

$$\left. \begin{aligned} X &= -3\alpha^2 + 6\beta^2 + 4\alpha\beta \\ T &= \alpha^2 - 2\beta^2 + 6\alpha\beta \\ u &= \alpha^2 + 2\beta^2 \end{aligned} \right\} \quad (27)$$

Substituting (27) in (17) the non zero distinct integer solution of (1)

are given by

$$x(\alpha, \beta) = -\alpha^2 + 2\beta^2 + 16\alpha\beta$$

$$y(\alpha, \beta) = -12\alpha^2 + 24\beta^2 - 6\alpha\beta$$

$$z(\alpha, \beta) = 11(\alpha^2 + 2\beta^2)$$

#### PROPERTIES:

$$1. x(\alpha, 1) + t_{4,\alpha} - 16 \Pr_{\alpha} + 16 t_{4,\alpha} - 2 = 0$$

$$2. x(1, \beta) - t_{6,\beta} - 17 \Pr_{\beta} + 17 t_{4,\beta} + 1 = 0$$

$$3. y(1, \beta) - t_{50,\beta} - 17 \Pr_{\beta} + 17 t_{14,\beta} + 12 = 0$$

$$4. y(\alpha, 1) + t_{26,\alpha} + 17 \Pr_{\alpha} - 17 t_{4,\alpha} \equiv 0 \pmod{12}$$

$$5. x(\alpha, 1) + y(\alpha, 1) + t_{28,\alpha} + 2 \Pr_{\alpha} - 2 t_{4,\alpha} \equiv 0 \pmod{13}$$

#### iv. Conclusion:

In this paper we have obtained infinitely many non-zero distinct integer solutions to the ternary quadratic Diophantine equation represented by  $9x^2 + 2y^2 = 27z$ . As quadratic equations are rich in variety one may search for other choices quadratic equation with variables greater than or equal three and determine their properties through special numbers

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