

## ON THE NON-HOMOGENEOUS BINARY QUADRATIC EQUATION

$$x^2 - 3xy + y^2 + 2x = 0$$

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### ABSTRACT

The Binary quadratic equation given by  $x^2 - 3xy + y^2 + 2x = 0$  is analyzed for its patterns of non – zero distinct integral solutions. A few interesting relations among the solutions are exhibited.

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## INTRODUCTION

Binary quadratic diophantine equation offers an unlimited field for research because of their variety [1-4]. In the context one may refer [5-23]. This communication concerns with yet another interesting binary quadratic equation  $x^2 - 3xy + y^2 + 2x = 0$  for determining its infinitely many non zero integral solutions. Also a few interesting relations among the solutions have been presented.

## METHOD OF ANALYSIS

The diophantine equation representing the binary quadratic equation under consideration is

$$x^2 - 3xy + y^2 + 2x = 0 \quad (1)$$

Different patterns of solutions of (1) are Presented below.

### Pattern-1

The substitution of the linear transformations

$$x = \frac{2}{5}[3\alpha + 5T + 2], \quad y = \frac{2}{5}[2\alpha + 3] \quad (2)$$

$$\text{in (1) leads to} \quad \alpha^2 = 5T^2 + 1 \quad (3)$$

whose general solution  $(\alpha_n, T_n)$  is

$$\alpha_n = \frac{1}{2}[(9 + 4\sqrt{5})^{n+1} + (9 - 4\sqrt{5})^{n+1}]$$

$$T_n = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{5}}[(9 + 4\sqrt{5})^{n+1} - (9 - 4\sqrt{5})^{n+1}]$$

In view of (2), the corresponding non-zero integral solutions of (1) are given by

$$x_n = \frac{1}{5}[3f_n + \sqrt{5}g_n + 4]$$

$$y_n = \frac{1}{5}[2f_n + 6]$$

where

$$f_n = (9 + 4\sqrt{5})^{2n+2} + (9 - 4\sqrt{5})^{2n+2}$$

$$g_n = (9 + 4\sqrt{5})^{2n+2} - (9 - 4\sqrt{5})^{2n+2}$$

A few interesting properties observed are as follows:

1. For all values of  $n$ ,  $x_n$  and  $y_n$  are even

2.  $5[x_{n+2} - 322x_{n+1} + x_n] + 1280 = 0$
3.  $5[y_{n+2} - 322y_{n+1} + y_n] + 1980 = 0$
4.  $5[377x_n - x_{n+1}] \equiv 0 \pmod{32}$
5.  $1885x_n - 5x_{n+1} - 144\{1610y_{n+1} - 5y_{n+2} - 1926\} \equiv 0 \pmod{1504}$
6.  $1610y_{n+1} - 5y_{n+2} \equiv 0 \pmod{2}$
7.  $144x_n - y_{n+1} \equiv 4 \pmod{22}$
8.  $10x_{n+1} - 3770x_n + 1440y_n + 1280 = 0$
9.  $720x_n - 275y_n - 240 = 5y_{n+1}$
10. Each of the following represents a nasty number
  - $15\{377x_n - x_{n+1}\} - 2784$
  - $4830y_{n+1} - 15y_{n+2} - 5766$
  - $33\{144x_n - y_{n+1} - 70\}$
11. Each of the following represents is a cubical integer.
  - $4\{5y_{3n+2} + 15y_n - 24\}$
  - $20y_{3n+2} + 19320y_{n+1} - 60y_{n+2} - 23136$

**Pattern-2**

Treating (1) as Quadratic in x, we have

$$x = \frac{1}{2}[3y \pm \sqrt{5y^2 - 12y + 4}] \quad (4)$$

$$\text{Let } \alpha^2 = 5y^2 - 12y + 4 \quad (5)$$

$$\text{which can be written as } Y^2 = 5\alpha^2 + 16 \quad (6)$$

$$\text{where } Y = (5y - 6)^2$$

and whose general solution  $(Y_n, \alpha_n)$  is

$$\begin{aligned} Y_n &= 3f_n + \sqrt{5}g_n \\ T_n &= f_n + \frac{3}{5}\sqrt{5}g_n \end{aligned} \quad ,n=0,1,2,\dots$$

in which

$$\begin{aligned} f_n &= (9 + 4\sqrt{5})^{2n+1} + (9 - 4\sqrt{5})^{2n+1} \\ g_n &= (9 + 4\sqrt{5})^{2n+1} - (9 - 4\sqrt{5})^{2n+1} \end{aligned}$$

In view of (6) and (4), the corresponding non-zero integral solutions of (1) are given by

$$\begin{aligned} x_n &= \frac{9}{10}f_n + \frac{3}{2\sqrt{5}}g_n \pm \left[ \frac{f_n}{2} + \frac{3}{2\sqrt{5}}g_n \right] + \frac{4}{5} \\ y_n &= \frac{1}{5}[3f_n + \sqrt{5}g_n + 6] \end{aligned}$$

A few interesting properties observed are as follows

1.  $5[x_{n+2} - 644x_{n+1} + 4x_n] + 2556 = 0$
2.  $5y_{n+2} - 3220y_{n+1} + 20y_n + 3834 = 0$
3.  $5[3y_n - x_n] \equiv 14 \pmod{2f_n}$
4.  $5x_{n+1} - 1440y_n + 550x_n + 1284 = 0$
5.  $5y_{n+1} + 1440x_n + 3366 = 3770y_n$
6.  $4\{15y_{3n+1} - 5x_{3n+1} + 45y_n - 15x_n - 56\}$  is a cubical integer.

## CONCLUSION:

To conclude, one may search for other patterns of solutions and their corresponding properties.

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