

# Integral Solution of the Biquadratic Equation with Five Unknowns

$$(x + y)^2 + xy + (z + w)^2 - zw = (5a^2 + 3b^2)P^4$$

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**Abstract** - We obtain infinitely many non-zero integer quintuples  $(x, y, z, w, P)$  satisfying the Biquadratic equation with five unknowns

$$(x + y)^2 + xy + (z + w)^2 - zw = (5a^2 + 3b^2)P^4$$

Different approaches for finding the solution to the given equation are obtained.

**Index Terms** - Biquadratic equation with five unknowns, Integral solutions.

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**Notations:**

$T_{m,n}$  - Polygonal number of rank  $n$  with size  $m$

$P_n^m$  - Pyramidal number of rank  $n$  with size  $m$

$SO_n$  - Stella octangular number of rank  $n$

$OH_n$  - Octahedral number of rank  $n$

$CP_{n,6}$  - Centered hexagonal pyramidal number of rank  $n$

$F_{4,n,6}$  - Four dimensional hexagonal number of rank  $n$

## 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]. In this context one may refer [4 -11] for various problems on the biquadratic diophantine equations with four and five variables. This paper concerns

with yet another problem of determining non-trivial integral solutions of the non-homogeneous biquadratic equation with five unknowns given by

$$(x + y)^2 + xy + (z + w)^2 - zw = (5a^2 + 3b^2)P^4$$

A few relations among the solutions are presented.

## II. METHOD OF ANALYSIS

The Diophantine equation representing the biquadratic equation under consideration with five unknowns is given by

$$(x + y)^2 + xy + (z + w)^2 - zw = (5a^2 + 3b^2)P^4 \quad (1)$$

Introducing the linear transformations

$$\begin{aligned} x &= au + \sigma, & y &= au - \sigma, & z &= bv + \sigma, \\ & & & & w &= bv - \sigma, & \sigma &\neq 0 \end{aligned} \quad (2)$$

in (1) it simplifies to

$$5a^2u^2 + 3b^2v^2 = (5a^2 + 3b^2)P^4 \quad (3)$$

Again using the transformation

$$u = X + 3b^2T, v = X - 5a^2T \quad (4)$$

in (3), it simplifies to

$$X^2 + 15(abT)^2 = P^4 \quad (5)$$

The above equation (5) is solved through different approaches and thus, one obtains distinct sets of solutions to (1)

**A. Approach 1:**

$$\text{Let } P = \alpha^2 + 15(ab\beta)^2 \quad (6)$$

Substituting (6) in (5) and using the method of factorisation, define

$$T = 4\alpha^3\beta - 60\alpha a^2 b^2 \beta^3 \tag{9}$$

$$(X + i\sqrt{15ab}T) = (\alpha + i\sqrt{15ab}\beta)^4 \tag{7}$$

Equating real and imaginary parts in (7) we get,

$$X = \alpha^4 - 90\alpha^2 a^2 b^2 \beta^2 + 15^2 (ab)^4 \beta^4 \tag{8}$$

In view of (8), (9), (4) and (2), the integral solution to (1) is obtained as follows:

$$\left. \begin{aligned} x &= a(f + 3b^2g) + \sigma \\ y &= a(f + 3b^2g) - \sigma \\ z &= b(f - 5a^2g) + \sigma \\ w &= b(f - 5a^2g) - \sigma \end{aligned} \right\} \tag{10}$$

where

$$\left. \begin{aligned} f(\alpha, \beta) &= \alpha^4 - 90\alpha^2 a^2 b^2 \beta^2 + 15^2 (ab)^4 \beta^4 \\ g(\alpha, \beta) &= 4\alpha^3\beta - 60\alpha a^2 b^2 \beta^3 \end{aligned} \right\} \tag{11}$$

**Properties:**

1.  $3\sigma[x(\alpha, \beta) - y(\alpha, \beta)]$  is a nasty number.
2.  $2\sigma^2[x(\alpha, \beta) - y(\alpha, \beta) + z(\alpha, \beta) - w(\alpha, \beta)]$  is a cubic integer.
3.  $3P(\alpha, \alpha) = (1 + 15ab)(6P_\alpha^3 + CP_{\alpha,6} - 4P_\alpha^5)$
4.  $x(\alpha, 1) - y(\alpha, 1) = 2a[T_{4,\alpha}^2 + 15^2(ab)^4 + 12b^2(CP_{\alpha,6}) - 90(ab)^2(PR_\alpha - 2T_{3,\alpha} + T_{4,\alpha}) + 180a^2b^4(SO_\alpha - 2CP_{\alpha,6})]$
5.  $z(\alpha, 1) + w(\alpha, 1) = 2b[T_{4,\alpha}^2 + 15^2(ab)^4 - 20a^2(CP_{\alpha,6}) - 90(ab)^2(2P_\alpha^5 - CP_{\alpha,6}) + 300a^4b^2(3(OH_\alpha) - 2CP_{\alpha,6})]$
6.  $x(p, p) + y(p, p) + z(p, p) + w(p, p) = 2[a - 90a^3b^2 + 15a^5b^4 + ab^2 - 60a^3b^4][6F_{4,p,6} - 6P_p^5 + T_{4,p}]$
7.  $5ax(\alpha, 1) + 3by(\alpha, 1) - (10a^2 + 5b^2)[T_{4,\alpha}^2 - 45a^2b^2(T_{6,\alpha} - T_{4,\alpha} + 2T_{3,\alpha})] \equiv 0 \pmod{225}$

**B. Approach2:**

Write (5) as,

$$X^2 + 15(abT)^2 = P^4 * 1 \tag{12}$$

(i) Take 1 as,

$$1 = \frac{(5a^2 - 3b^2 + i2ab\sqrt{15})(5a^2 - 3b^2 - i2ab\sqrt{15})}{(5a^2 + 3b^2)^2} \tag{13}$$

Substituting (13) and (6) in (12) and using the method of factorisation, define,

$$(X + i\sqrt{15}abT) = \frac{(5a^2 - 3b^2 + i2ab\sqrt{15})}{(5a^2 + 3b^2)} (\alpha + i\sqrt{15}ab\beta)^4 \tag{14}$$

Equating real and imaginary parts in (14) we obtain,

$$\left. \begin{aligned} X &= \frac{1}{(5a^2 + 3b^2)} \left[ (5a^2 - 3b^2)f(\alpha, \beta) - 30(ab)^2.g(\alpha, \beta) \right] \\ T &= \frac{1}{(5a^2 + 3b^2)} \left[ (5a^2 - 3b^2)g(\alpha, \beta) + 2f(\alpha, \beta) \right] \end{aligned} \right\} \tag{15}$$

In view of (2), (4) & (15) and making some algebra, the corresponding values of  $x, y, z, w$  and  $P$  are obtained as,

$$\begin{aligned} x &= a(5a^2 + 3b^2) \left[ \begin{aligned} &\{(5a^2 - 3b^2)f(\alpha, \beta) - 30(ab)^2.g(\alpha, \beta)\} + \\ &3b^2\{(5a^2 - 3b^2)g(\alpha, \beta) + 2f(\alpha, \beta)\} \end{aligned} \right] + \sigma \\ y &= a(5a^2 + 3b^2) \left[ \begin{aligned} &\{(5a^2 - 3b^2)f(\alpha, \beta) - 30(ab)^2.g(\alpha, \beta)\} + \\ &3b^2\{(5a^2 - 3b^2)g(\alpha, \beta) + 2f(\alpha, \beta)\} \end{aligned} \right] - \sigma \\ z &= b(5a^2 + 3b^2) \left[ \begin{aligned} &\{(5a^2 - 3b^2)f(\alpha, \beta) - 30(ab)^2.g(\alpha, \beta)\} - \\ &5a^2\{(5a^2 - 3b^2)g(\alpha, \beta) + 2f(\alpha, \beta)\} \end{aligned} \right] + \sigma \\ w &= b(5a^2 + 3b^2) \left[ \begin{aligned} &\{(5a^2 - 3b^2)f(\alpha, \beta) - 30(ab)^2.g(\alpha, \beta)\} - \\ &5a^2\{(5a^2 - 3b^2)g(\alpha, \beta) + 2f(\alpha, \beta)\} \end{aligned} \right] - \sigma \\ P &= (5a^2 + 3b^2)^2 (\alpha^2 + 15(ab\beta)^2) \end{aligned}$$

(ii) 1 can also be taken as

$$1 = \frac{(\delta^2 - 15a^2b^2 + i2ab\delta\sqrt{15})(\delta^2 - 15a^2b^2 - i2ab\delta\sqrt{15})}{(\delta^2 + 15a^2b^2)^2} \tag{16}$$

Substituting (16) and (6) in (12) and using the same procedure as approach2, we can get another non-trivial integral solutions to (1)

(iii) Also 1 can be written as

$$1 = \frac{(1 + i\sqrt{15})(1 - i\sqrt{15})}{4^2} \tag{17}$$

Substituting (17) and (6) in (12) and using the method of factorisation, define,

$$(X + i\sqrt{15}abT) = 1 = \frac{(1 + i\sqrt{15})}{4} (\alpha + i\sqrt{15}ab\beta)^4 \tag{18}$$

Equating real and imaginary parts in (18) we get

$$\left. \begin{aligned} X &= \frac{1}{4}[f(\alpha, \beta) - 15g(\alpha, \beta)] \\ T &= \frac{1}{4}[g(\alpha, \beta) + f(\alpha, \beta)] \end{aligned} \right\} \quad (19)$$

In view of (2), (4), (11) and (19), the corresponding values of  $x, y, z, w, P$  can be obtained.

(iv) 1 can also be written as

$$1 = \frac{(\alpha - 15ab + i2\alpha ab\sqrt{15})(\alpha - 15ab - i2\alpha ab\sqrt{15})}{(\alpha + 15ab)^2}$$

Using the same procedure as above the solutions of (1) can be obtained.

### C. Approach3:

$$\text{The assumption, } X = X'P, T = T'P \quad (20)$$

in (5) leads to the equation,

$$X'^2 + 15(abT')^2 = P^2 \quad (21)$$

Then the solution to (21) is

$$X' = r^2 - 15s^2, abT' = 2rs, P = r^2 + 15s^2 \quad (22)$$

In view of (22), (20), (4) and (2) the integral solution of (1) can be obtained as

$$\begin{aligned} x &= a[(ab)^4(R^4 - 15^2S^4) + 6b^2(ab)^3(R^2 + 15S^2)RS] + \sigma \\ y &= a[(ab)^4(R^4 - 15^2S^4) + 6b^2(ab)^3(R^2 + 15S^2)RS] - \sigma \\ z &= b[(ab)^4(R^4 - 15^2S^4) - 10a^2(ab)^3(R^2 + 15S^2)RS] + \sigma \\ w &= b[(ab)^4(R^4 - 15^2S^4) - 10a^2(ab)^3(R^2 + 15S^2)RS] - \sigma \\ P &= P = (ab)^2(R^2 + 15S^2) \end{aligned}$$

### D. Approach4:

Arranging (21) as

$$P^2 - X'^2 = (5a^2T')(3b^2T') \quad (23)$$

and using the method of factorisation, writing (24) as a system of double equations,

we get the solution of (23) as

$$\left. \begin{aligned} X' &= 2(5A^2 - 3B^2)T' \\ P &= 2(5A^2 + 3B^2)T' \end{aligned} \right\} \quad (24)$$

By taking  $T' = 2k$  and using (24), (20), (4) and (2), the integral solution can be obtained as follows:

$$\begin{aligned}
 x &= a[k^2(25A^4 - 9B^4) + 6b^2k(5A^2 + 3B^2)] + \sigma \\
 y &= a[k^2(25A^4 - 9B^4) + 6b^2k(5A^2 + 3B^2)] - \sigma \\
 z &= b[k^2(25A^4 - 9B^4) - 10a^2k(5A^2 + 3B^2)] + \sigma \\
 w &= a[k^2(25A^4 - 9B^4) - 10a^2k(5A^2 + 3B^2)] - \sigma \\
 P &= (5A^2 + 3B^2)k
 \end{aligned}$$

**E. Approach5:**

Writing (23) as a system of double equations in a different manner as

$$(P + X')(P + X'') = (5abT')(3abT''),$$

and solving we get the solution of (21) as

$$\left. \begin{aligned}
 X' &= abT' \\
 P &= 4abT'
 \end{aligned} \right\} \tag{25}$$

Taking  $T' = k$  and using (25), (20), (4) & (2), we get the corresponding integral solution of (1) as follows:

$$\begin{aligned}
 x &= a[4a^2b^2k^2 + 12ab^3k^2] + \sigma \\
 y &= a[4a^2b^2k^2 + 12ab^3k^2] - \sigma \\
 z &= b[4a^2b^2k^2 - 20a^3bk] + \sigma \\
 w &= b[4a^2b^2k^2 - 20a^3bk] - \sigma \\
 P &= 4abk
 \end{aligned}$$

**III. CONCLUSION**

Instead of (4), the introduction of the transformations

$$u = X - 3b^2T, v = X + 5a^2T$$

in (3) leads to (5). By a similar procedure we can obtain different pattern of integral solutions to (1) and their corresponding properties.

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