

On the Diophantine Equation

$$(5^n)^x + (4^m p + 1)^y = z^2$$

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Abstract: In this paper, we proved that the Diophantine equation $(5^n)^x + (4^m p + 1)^y = z^2$ has no solution in non-negative integers x, y, z where p is an odd prime and m, n is a natural number.

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I. INTRODUCTION

Diophantine equation is one of the significant problems in elementary number theory and algebraic number theory. The Diophantine equation of the type $a^x + b^y = z^2$ has been studied by many authors for many years. In 2012, Sroysang [16] proved that the Diophantine equation $3^x + 5^y = z^2$ has a unique non-negative integer solution where x, y and z are non-negative integers. The solution (x, y, z) is $(1, 0, 2)$. In the same year, Sroysang [17] proved that the Diophantine equation $31^x + 32^y = z^2$ has no non-negative integer solution.

In 2017, Asthana, S., and Singh, M. M. [3] studies the Diophantine Equation $3^x + 13^y = z^2$ and proved that this has exactly four non-negative integer solutions for x, y and z . The solutions are $(1, 0, 2)$, $(1, 1, 4)$, $(3, 2, 14)$ and $(5, 1, 16)$ respectively. In 2018, Kumar et al. [10] studied the non-linear Diophantine equations $61^x + 67^y = z^2$ and $67^x + 73^y = z^2$. They proved that these equations have no non-negative integer solution. Additionally, Kumar et al. [11] studied the non-linear Diophantine equations $31^x + 41^y = z^2$ and $61^x + 71^y = z^2$. They determined that these equations have no non-negative integer solution. In the same year, Burshtein N. [8] examined the solutions to the Diophantine Equation $M^x + (M + 6)^y = z^2$ when $M = 6N + 5$ and $M, M + 6$ are primes. They proved that this equation has no solutions.

In 2020, Aggarwal et al. [1] examined the Diophantine equation $223^x + 241^y = z^2$, where x, y, z are non-negative integers and determined that this equation has no non-negative integer solution.

Moreover, Aggarwal, S. and Sharma, N. [4]

investigated the non-linear Diophantine equation $379^x + 397^y = z^2$. The results showed that the considered non-linear Diophantine equation has no non-negative integer solution.

Apart from the above claims, Aggarwal et al. [5] studied the existence of solution of Diophantine equation $181^x + 199^y = z^2$ and proved that

this equation has no solution. Similarly, Bhatnagar, K. et al. [7], studied the exponential Diophantine equation and proved that $421^p + 439^q = r^2$ has no solution. In addition, Mishra, R. et al. [14] studied the Diophantine equation $211^a + 229^b = \gamma^2$ and proved that this equation has no solution in 2020. In the same year, Kumar, S. et al. [13] investigated the exponential Diophantine equation $(2^{2m+1} - 1) + (6^{r+1} + 1)^n = \omega^2$ and found that this equation has no solution. Kumar, S. et al. [12] also examined the exponential Diophantine equation $(7^{2m}) + (6r + 1)^n = z^2$ and proved that it has no solution. Moreover, Goel et al., [9] proved that the exponential Diophantine equation $M_5^p + M_7^q = r^2$ has no solution in whole number.

In 2021, Moonchaisook, V., [15] proved that the non-linear Diophantine equation $p^x + (p + 4^n)^y = z^2$ has no solution. Similarly, Aggarwal, S. [2] (2021) studied solutions to the exponential Diophantine equation $(2^{2m+1} - 1) + 13^n = z^2$ where m, n are whole numbers and proved that this equation has no solution in whole number.

Aggarwal, S. et al. [6] investigated the exponential Diophantine equation $(19^{2m}) + (12\gamma + 1)^n = \rho^2$ and found no solution in whole number.

Because of this open problem, the author is therefore interested in studying the Diophantine equation; $(5^n)^x + (4^m p + 1)^y = z^2$ has no solution in non-negative integers x, y, z where p is an odd prime and m, n is a natural number.

II. PRELIMINARIES

Lemma 1. For every integer $n \geq 1$ and M, N are natural number. Then $(4^m p + 1)^n = 4N + 1$

Proof: Let $p(n)$ be the proposition that

$$(4^m p + 1)^n = 4N + 1 \text{ for integer } n \geq 1. \quad (1)$$

1. $P(1)$ is true. For $n = 1$, Then $4^m p + 1 = 4^m p + 1$.
2. Show that (1) holds for $n = k$, Assume (1) holds for $n = k$,

that is $(4^m p + 1)^k = 4N + 1$ is true. (2)

We consider $P(k+1)$,

$$\begin{aligned} (4^m p + 1)^{k+1} &= (4^m p + 1)(4^m p + 1)^k \\ &= (4^m p + 1)(4N + 1) \\ &= 4(4^m p N + 4^{m-1} p + N) + 1 \end{aligned}$$

Where $4^m p N + 4^{m-1} p + N$ be natural number.

Hence, By induction $P(n)$ is true for integer $n \geq 1$.

Lemma 2. The Diophantine equation

$(5^n)^x + 1 = z^2$ has no solution in nonnegative integer x, z where p is an odd prime and, n is a natural number.

Proof: Suppose that $(5^n)^x + 1 = z^2$
 $\rightarrow (5^n)^x = z^2 - 1 = (z - 1)(z + 1)$.

Thus, we can find two non-negative integers α and β

Such that $(5^n)^\alpha = z - 1$ and $(5^n)^\beta = z + 1$ with $\alpha < \beta$ and $\alpha + \beta = x$

Now $(5^n)^\alpha ((5^n)^{\beta-\alpha} - 1) = 2$

This implies $\alpha = 0$ and $(5^n)^{\beta-\alpha} - 1 = 2$

$\rightarrow (5^n)^\beta = 3$ which is impossible.

Hence the Diophantine equation

$(5^n)^x + 1 = z^2$ has no solution.

Lemma 3. The exponential Diophantine equation $1 + (4^m p + 1)^y = z^2$ has no solution in nonnegative integer y, z where p is an odd prime and, m is a natural number.

Proof: Suppose that $1 + (4^m p + 1)^y = z^2$
 $\rightarrow (4^m p + 1)^y = z^2 - 1 = (z - 1)(z + 1)$.

Thus, we can find two non-negative integers α and β

Such that $(4^m p + 1)^\alpha = z - 1$ and

$(4^m p + 1)^\beta = z + 1$ with $\alpha < \beta$ and $\alpha + \beta = y$

Now $(4^m p + 1)^\alpha ((4^m p + 1)^{\beta-\alpha} - 1) = 2$

This implies $\alpha = 0, \beta = 1$ and

$(4^m p + 1)^{\beta-\alpha} - 1 = 2$

$\rightarrow 4^m p + 1 = 3$ ($m \geq 1$)

$\rightarrow 4^m p = 2$ which is impossible.

Hence the Diophantine equation

$1 + (4^m p + 1)^y = z^2$ has no solution.

III. MAIN THEOREM

Theorem 1. The Diophantine equation

$(5^n)^x + (4^m p + 1)^y = z^2$ has no solution in non-negative integer x, y, z where p is an odd prime and m, n are natural numbers.

Proof. Suppose that $(5^n)^x + (4^m p + 1)^y = z^2$

when x, y and z are non-negative integers,

m and n are natural number.

we consider 4 cases including $x = 0$ and $x \geq 1$.

Case 1. Suppose that $x = 0, y = 0$.

Thus $z^2 = 2$ which is impossible.

Case 2. Suppose that $x = 0, y \geq 1$

The Diophantine equation $1 + (4^m p + 1)^y = z^2$

has no solution in nonnegative integer y, z where p is an odd prime and m is a natural number.

By lemma 3.

Case 3. Suppose that $x \geq 1$, and $y = 0$,

The Diophantine equation $(5^n)^x + 1 = z^2$ has no solution in nonnegative integer solution x, z where p is an odd prime and n is a natural number.

By lemma 2.

Case 4. Suppose that $x \geq 1, y \geq 1$

Since the Diophantine equation

$$(5^n)^x + (4^m p + 1)^y = z^2$$

- (a) If $x = 2t$ and $y \geq 1$
- (b) If $y = 2s$ and $x \geq 1$
- (c) If $x = 2t+1$ and $y = 2s+1$

(a) If $x = 2t$ ($t > 0$ integer) and $y \geq 1$

Suppose that $(5^n)^x + (4^m p + 1)^y = z^2$

$$\rightarrow (4^m p + 1)^y = z^2 - (5^n)^{2t}$$

$$\rightarrow (4^m p + 1)^y (z - 5^{nt})(z + 5^{nt})$$

Thus, we can find two non-negative integers α and β

Such that $(4^m p + 1)^\alpha = z - 5^{nt}$ and

$(4^m p + 1)^\beta = z + 5^{nt}$ with $\alpha < \beta$ and $\alpha + \beta = y$

$$\rightarrow (4^m p + 1)^\beta = (4^m p + 1)^\alpha + 2(5^{nt})$$

This implies $(4^m p + 1) | 2(5^{nt})$ which is impossible.

Hence, the Diophantine equation

$(5^n)^x + (4^m p + 3)^y = z^2$ has no solution in nonnegative integer solution x, y, z where p is an odd prime and n is a natural number.

(b) If $y = 2s$ ($s > 0$ integer) and $x \geq 1$

Suppose that $(5^n)^x + (4^m p + 1)^y = z^2$

$$\rightarrow (5^n)^x = z^2 - (4^m p + 1)^{2s}$$

$$\rightarrow (5^n)^x = (z - (4^m p + 1)^s)(z + (4^m p + 1)^s)$$

Thus, we can find two non-negative integers α and β

Such that $(5^n)^\alpha = z - (4^m p + 1)^s$ and

$$(5^n)^\beta = z + (4^m p + 1)^s \text{ with } \alpha < \beta, \alpha + \beta = x$$

$$\rightarrow (5^n)^\beta = (5^n)^\alpha + 2(4^m p + 1)^{2s}$$

This implies $(5^n) | 2(4^m p + 1)$ which is impossible.

Hence, the Diophantine equation

$(5^n)^x + (4^m p + 3)^y = z^2$ has no solution in non-negative integer solution x, y, z where p is an odd prime and n is a natural number.

c) If $x = 2t+1$ ($t \geq 0$ integer) and $y = 2s+1$ ($s \geq 0$ integer)

Suppose that $(5^n)^x + (4^m p + 1)^y = z^2$

$$\rightarrow (5^n)^x + (4N + 1) = z^2, \text{ by lemma 1.}$$

$$\rightarrow (5^n)^x + 4N = (z+1)(z-1)$$

Thus, we can find two non-negative integers α and β

Such that $((5^n)^x + 4N)^\alpha = z - 1$ and

$$((5^n)^x + 4N)^\beta = z + 1 \text{ with } \alpha < \beta, \alpha + \beta = 1$$

$$\rightarrow ((5^n)^x + 4N)^\alpha [((5^n)^x + 4N)^{\beta-\alpha}] = 2$$

This implies $\alpha = 0$ and $\beta = 1$

Thus $(5^n)^x + 4N = 2$ which is impossible.

Hence, the Diophantine equation

$(5^n)^x + (4^m p + 3)^y = z^2$ has no solution in nonnegative integer solution x, y, z where p is an odd prime and n is a natural number.

Corollary 1. The Diophantine equation

$$(5^n)^x + (4^m p + 1)^y = u^{2n}$$

has no solution, in non-negative integer x, y, u and m, n are natural numbers.

Proof. Let $u^n = z$ then $(5^n)^x + (4^m p + 1)^y = z^2$, which has no solution by Theorem 1.

Corollary 2. The Diophantine equation

$(5^n)^x + (4^m p + 1)^y = u^{2n+2}$ has no solution, in non-negative integer x, y, u and m, n are natural numbers.

Proof. Let $u^{n+1} = z$

then $(5^n)^x + (4^m p + 1)^y = u^{2n+2} = z^2$, which has no solution by Theorem 1.

IV. CONCLUSION

The main focus of this paper is to study the solvability of the class of Diophantine equation $(5^n)^x + (4^m p + 1)^y = z^2$ which p is an odd prime.

The case $(5, 4p + 1) = (5, 13)$ was not considered in this work, but through a brief investigation it might be misunderstood that $5^{2s+1} + 13^{2t} = z^2$ is an even. Thus $z^2 \equiv 0 \pmod{3}$ has a solution when x is an odd number and y is an even number. But if we proved by using theorem 1 as stated earlier, we will find that $5^{2s+1} + 13^{2t} = z^2$ has no solution.

However, there are still some further points to be considered. There might be other solutions in solving positive integers that need to be investigated.

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