

A REMARK ON THE SQUARE ROOT OF A COMPLEX BINOMIAL QUADRATIC SURD

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Abstract

A formula representing a sequence of integral solution of $Dx^{2n} + Y^2 = Z^{2n}$, D Being a square free integer is obtained. As an Immediate application, we determine the square root of a complex binomial quadratic surd ($X\sqrt{A} + iY\sqrt{B}$)

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Introduction

In the problem of finding the square root of a complex binomial quadratic surd of the form $(X\sqrt{A} + iY\sqrt{B})$, one obtains a ternary quadratic form represented by $AX^2 + BY^2 = CZ^2$ or Z^2 , for which integral solutions have been obtained by various authors [1, 2, 3, 4] using specific values for A, B&C, and when A, B, C are pairwise coprime and square free. In (Gopalan and Srikanth [5]) an alternative procedure for finding integral solution of the above mentioned equations has been presented. While attempting to find the square roots of a complex binomial quadratic surd of form $(Y + iX\sqrt{D})$, D being square free, we encounter an equation of the form

$$DX^2 + Y^2 = Z^2 \quad (1)$$

for which the integral solutions when $n = 1, 2$ are given in Leonard Eugene Dickson [1]; Carmichael [6].

It is therefore in this short communication we propose to investigate (1) for its integral solutions for all values of $n(\geq 2)$ and thus determine the square roots of the complex binomial quadratic surd $(Y + iX\sqrt{D})$ Also we present a few relations among the integral solutions of (1). Employing the solution of the equation (1) when $n = 1$ and suitably repeatedly applying the lemma of Brahma Gupta, one arrives at an integral solution of (1) represented through the recurrence relations:

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$$x_{n-1} = x_0 y_{n-2} + y_0 x_{n-2},$$

$$y_{n-1} = y_0 y_{n-2} - D x_0 x_{n-2},$$

$$z_{n-1} = z_0 \quad (2)$$

where

$$x_0 = 2pq, \quad y_0 = q^2 - Dp^2, \quad z_0 = q^2 + Dp^2$$

$$(3)$$

Now, given a solution of the equation (I), can an infinite number of integral solutions be generated? Albeit tacitly, the answer for this question is in the affirmative. Let (X_0, Y_0, Z_0) be a solution of the equation (I) obtained by either following the analysis of [F.L.Carmichael, 1916] or otherwise. The second solution is obtained by setting

$$X_1 = hl - \mu^n X_0, \quad Y_1 = mh - \mu^n Y_0, \quad Z_1 = \mu Z_0$$

$$(4)$$

where l, m, μ, h are non-zero constants and that

$$h = \frac{2\mu^n(D\ell X_0 + mY_0)}{D\ell^2 + m^2} \quad (5)$$

The successive solutions are obtained by repeating the above process. This then leads to the general form of the integral solution of the equation (i) given by

$$\begin{pmatrix} X_s \\ Y_s \\ Z_s \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \mu^n(D\ell^2 - m^2) & 2\mu^n \ell m & 0 \\ 2\mu^n \ell Dm & \mu^n(m^2 - D\ell^2) & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \mu(D\ell^2 + m^2) \end{pmatrix}^s \begin{pmatrix} X_0 \\ Y_0 \\ Z_0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$s = 1, 2, 3, 4, \dots \dots (6)$$

Note that the above equation represents a five parameter integral solution of the equation (1) for any given positive integral values of $n(\geq 2)$.

From the equation (6), one can observe that

$$\sum_{f=X,Y,Z} \frac{f_{s+2}}{f_x} \equiv 3 \text{ cube root of } \prod_{f=X,Y,S,Z} \frac{f_{s+2}}{f_x}$$

Also, we have the following relations

$$(1) \frac{f_{2s}}{f_0} = \frac{f_{2s+1}}{f_x} = \left(\frac{f_2}{f_0}\right)^s = \left(\frac{f_3}{f_1}\right)^s$$

$$(2) f_{s+2k} = \frac{(f_{s+2})^k}{(f_x)^k}$$

$$(3) \prod_{s=1}^n \left(\frac{f_{2s}}{f}\right)^{(2s)^{(k-1)}} = \frac{(D+1)^{2^k S_k}}{(D+1)^n}, \quad k = 1, 2, 3$$

$$\text{where } S_k = 1^k + 2^k + 3^k + \dots + n^k$$

in which f represents either X or Y or Z .

In addition to the above results, any linear combination of X_0 and Y_0 of the form $(X_0 + Y_0 DX_0 - Y_0, Z_0)$ will be a solution of the equation

$$DX^2 + Y^2 = (1+D)Z^{2n}$$

More generally (X_β, Y_β, Z_0)

$$\text{where } \begin{pmatrix} X_\beta \\ Y_\beta \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} a \pm b\sigma^q \\ Db\sigma^2 \mp a \end{pmatrix}^\beta \begin{pmatrix} X_0 \\ Y_0 \end{pmatrix} \quad (\beta \geq 1)$$

represents an integral solution of the equation $a^2 + Db^2\sigma^{2q})^\beta z^{2n} = DX^2 + Y^2$.

Further, with a view to determine the square roots of a complex binomial quadratic surd of the form $(Y + iX\sqrt{D})$, we set

$$\sqrt{Y + iX\sqrt{D}} = A + iB\sqrt{D}.$$

By properties of surds involving conjugation, we get

$$A^2 + B^2(D) = \sqrt{Y^2 + DX^2} = Z^n \quad (7)$$

Again, introduction the transformation

$$A = a - D\mu, \quad B = a + \mu \quad (8)$$

one obtains from (7)

$$a = \pm \sqrt{\frac{Z^n}{D+1} - \mu^2 D}$$

and thus, the values of A and B follow in view of (8).

Examples,

	D	n	p	X	Y
	A		B		
1.	2	1	1	6	3
	6		3		
2.	11	3	1	—640	5432
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