

On The Diophantine Equation

$$(132k)^x + (4355k)^y = (4357k)^z$$

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Abstract

The Jeśmanowicz's conjecture written in 1956 states that for any primitive Pythagorean triple (a, b, c) with $a^2 + b^2 = c^2$ and any positive integer k , the only solution of equation $(ak)^x + (bk)^y = (ck)^z$ in positive integers is $(x, y, z) = (2, 2, 2)$. In this paper, we show that the special Diophantine equation $(132k)^x + (4355k)^y = (4357k)^z$ has the only positive integer solution $(x, y, z) = (2, 2, 2)$ for every positive integer k .

1 Introduction

In 1956, Sierpiński [6] showed that the only positive integer solution of the Diophantine Equation

$$(ak)^x + (bk)^y = (ck)^z \quad (1.1)$$

is $(x, y, z) = (2, 2, 2)$, for $k = 1$ and $(a, b, c) = (3, 4, 5)$, and Jeśmanowicz [2] proved that the conjecture is true when $k = 1$ and $(a, b, c) \in \{(5, 12, 13), (7, 24, 25), (9, 40, 41), (11, 60, 61)\}$. Jeśmanowicz also conjectured that the Diophantine equation (1.1) has the only positive integer solution $(x, y, z) = (2, 2, 2)$ for any positive integer k . There are many special cases

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of Jeśmanowicz's conjecture solved for $k = 1$. In 2012, Yang and Tang [11] proved that the only solution of the Diophantine Equation

$$(8k)^x + (15k)^y = (17k)^z \quad (1.2)$$

is $(x, y, z) = (2, 2, 2)$, for $k \geq 1$. Several authors had shown that Jeśmanowicz's conjecture is true for $n \in \{2, 3, 4, 8\}$ where $(a, b, c) = (4n, 4n^2 - 1, 4n^2 + 1)$, see [9] and [12]. Yang and Jianxin [12] proved that the only solution of

$$(12k)^x + (35k)^y = (37k)^z \quad (1.3)$$

is $(x, y, z) = (2, 2, 2)$ for $k \geq 1$. In 2015, Ma and Wu [5] proved that the only solution of the Diophantine Equation

$$((4n^2 - 1)k)^x + (4nk)^y = ((4n^2 + 1)k)^z \quad (1.4)$$

is $(x, y, z) = (2, 2, 2)$ when $P(4n^2 - 1) | k$, (where $P(m)$ denote the product of distinct prime of m). They showed that if k is a positive integer, and $P(k) \nmid (4n^2 - 1)$, then the only solution for the equation (1.4) is $(x, y, z) = (2, 2, 2)$, in this case they considered $n = p^m$, p prime and $m \geq 0$ with $p \equiv -1 \pmod{4}$. In 2017, Gökhan Soydan, Musa Demirci, Ismail Naci Cangul, and Alain Togbé [7] considered (1.1) with $(a, b, c) = (20, 99, 101)$ and they proved the Diophantine equation

$$(20k)^x + (99k)^y = (101k)^z \quad (1.5)$$

has only the solution $(x, y, z) = (2, 2, 2)$. In this paper, we consider the case $n = 33$ and for $(a, b, c) = (4n, 4n^2 - 1, 4n^2 + 1)$ for (1.1). For other results, see for instance [10], [8], [3] and [1]. Our main result is the following theorem.

Theorem 1.1. *The only positive integer solution of the Diophantine equation*

$$(132k)^x + (4355k)^y = (4357k)^z \quad (1.6)$$

is $(x, y, z) = (2, 2, 2)$, for every positive integer k .

2 Proof Of Theorem 1.1

In this section, we begin with three useful results as follows:

Lemma 2.1. *(see [3]) If (x, y, z) is a solution of (1.1) with $(x, y, z) \neq (2, 2, 2)$, then x, y and z are distinct.*

Lemma 2.2. (see [4]) *The only positive integer solution of the Diophantine equation $(2n^2 - 1)^x + (4n)^y = (4n^2 + 1)^z$ is $(x, y, z) = (2, 2, 2)$.*

Lemma 2.3. (see [1]) *If $z \geq \max\{x, y\}$, then the Diophantine equation $a^x + b^y = c^z$ where a, b and c are any positive integers (not necessarily relatively prime) such that $a^2 + b^2 = c^2$, has no solution other than $x = y = z = 2$.*

Proof. (**Theorem 1.1**)

When $k = 1$ the equation (1.6) becomes

$$(132)^x + (4355)^y = (4357)^z \tag{2.7}$$

from lemma 2.2, the Diophantine equation (2.7) has the only positive integer solution $(x, y, z) = (2, 2, 2)$. Suppose that (1.6) has at least another solution $(x, y, z) \neq (2, 2, 2)$ then, by lemma 2.3 we have $z < \max\{x, y\}$ and from lemma 2.1, we have $x \neq y, y \neq z$ and $x \neq z$. Thus, we consider two cases as follows.

Case 1 If $(x < y)$, then we obtain two subcases $z < x < y$ and $x < z < y$.

Subcase 1.1 If $(z < x < y)$ then, rewrite equation (1.6) as

$$k^{x-z}(132^x + 4355^y k^{y-z}) = 4357^z \tag{2.8}$$

So if $(k, 4357) = 1$, then $x = z$, where $k \geq 2$, which is a contradiction. And if $(k, 4357) = 4357$, then we can write $k = 4357^m n_1$, where $m \geq 1$ and $4357 \nmid n_1$, So rewrite equation (2.8) as

$$4357^{m(x-z)} n_1^{x-z} (132^x + 4355^y 4357^{m(y-x)} n_1^{y-x}) = 4357^z \tag{2.9}$$

thus $n_1^{x-z} \mid 4357^z$ and so $n_1 = 1$. Therefore (2.9), becomes

$$132^x + 4355^y 4357^{m(y-x)} = 4357^{z-m(z-x)} \tag{2.10}$$

implies $4357 \mid 132^x$ and this is impossible.

Subcase 1.2 If $(x < z < y)$ then, rewrite (1.6) as

$$132^x + 4355^y k^{y-x} = 4357^z k^{z-x} \tag{2.11}$$

So if $(k, 132) = 1$, then $x = z$, where $k \geq 2$, which is a contradiction. And if $(k, 132) > 1$, then we can write $k = 2^r 3^s 11^q n_1$, where $r + s + q \geq 1$ and $(66, n_1) = 1$, So rewrite (2.11) as

$$132^x = 2^{r(z-x)} 3^{s(z-x)} 11^{q(z-x)} n_1^{z-x} [4357^z - 4355^y 2^{r(y-z)} 3^{s(y-z)} 11^{q(y-z)} n_1^{y-z}] \tag{2.12}$$

Then we get seven cases as the following :

1. If $k = 2^r n_1$, where $r \geq 1$, $s = q = 0$ and $(60, n_1) = 1$, then (2.12) becomes

$$132^x = 2^{r(z-x)} n_1^{z-x} [4357^z - 4355^y 2^{r(y-z)} n_1^{y-z}] \quad (2.13)$$

thus $2x = r(z-x)$ and $33^x = n_1^{z-x} [4357^z - 4355^y 2^{r(y-z)} n_1^{y-z}]$, hence $n_1 = 1$ and

$$4357^z - 33^x = 4355^y 2^{r(y-z)} \quad (2.14)$$

where $(60, n_1) = 1$, So

$$4357^z - 33^x \equiv 2^z - 7^x \equiv 0 \pmod{13} \quad (2.15)$$

Thus $z \equiv 0 \pmod{2}$ and $x \equiv 0 \pmod{2}$ or $z \equiv 1 \pmod{2}$ and $x \equiv 1 \pmod{2}$. Thus, if $z = 2z_1$ and $x = 2x_1$, $z_1, x_1 > 0$. Hence (2.14) becomes

$$(4357^{z_1} - 33^{x_1})(4357^{z_1} + 33^{x_1}) = 4355^y 2^{r(y-z)}. \quad (2.16)$$

So,

$$67^y | 4357^{z_1} - 33^{x_1} \text{ or } 67^y | 4357^{z_1} + 33^{x_1}, \quad (2.17)$$

where $(4357^{z_1} - 33^{x_1}, 4357^{z_1} + 33^{x_1}) = 2$. But

$$\begin{aligned} 67^y > 67^z &= 4489^{z_1} > (4357 + 33)^{z_1} \\ &> 4357^{z_1} + 33^{z_1} \\ &> 4357^{z_1} + 33^{x_1} \\ &> 4357^{z_1} - 33^{x_1} \end{aligned}$$

and this contradicts (2.17). Also, if $z = 2z_1 + 1$ and $x = 2x_1 + 1$, $z_1, x_1 > 0$ then from equation (2.14) we obtain

$$4357^z - 33^x \equiv 0 \pmod{4324}$$

But,

$$4355^y 2^{r(y-z)} \not\equiv 0 \pmod{4324}$$

2. If $k = 3^s n_1$ where $s \geq 1$, $r = q = 0$ and $(60, n_1) = 1$, then, (2.12) becomes

$$132^x = 3^{s(z-x)} n_1^{z-x} [4357^z - 4355^y 3^{s(y-z)} n_1^{y-z}] \quad (2.18)$$

Thus $x = s(z - x)$ and $44^x = n_1^{z-x} [4357^z - 4355^y 3^{s(y-z)} n_1^{y-z}]$, hence $n_1 = 1$ and

$$4357^z - 44^x = 4355^y 3^{s(y-z)}, \quad (2.19)$$

where $(60, n_1) = 1$, So, $4357^z - 44^x \equiv 2^z - 44^x \equiv 0 \pmod{67}$. Thus $z \equiv 0 \pmod{2}$ and $x \equiv 0 \pmod{2}$ or $z \equiv 1 \pmod{2}$ and $x \equiv 1 \pmod{2}$. Thus, If $z = 2z_1$ and $x = 2x_1$, $z_1, x_1 > 0$. Hence (2.19) becomes

$$(4357^{z_1} - 44^{x_1})(4357^{z_1} + 44^{x_1}) = 4355^y 3^{s(y-z)}. \quad (2.20)$$

So,

$$67^y | 4357^{z_1} - 44^{x_1} \text{ or } 67^y | 4357^{z_1} + 44^{x_1} \quad (2.21)$$

where $(4357^{z_1} - 44^{x_1}, 4357^{z_1} + 44^{x_1}) = 1$. But

$$\begin{aligned} 67^y > 67^z &= 4489^{z_1} > (4357 + 44)^{z_1} \\ &> 4357^{z_1} + 44^{z_1} \\ &> 4357^{z_1} + 44^{x_1} \\ &> 4357^{z_1} - 44^{x_1} \end{aligned}$$

and this contradicts (2.21). Also if $z = 2z_1 + 1$ and $x = 2x_1 + 1$, $z_1, x_1 > 0$ then from equation (2.19) we obtain

$$4357^z - 44^x \equiv 0 \pmod{4313}$$

But

$$4355^y 3^{s(y-z)} \not\equiv 0 \pmod{4313}$$

3. If $k = 11^q n_1$ where $q \geq 1$, $r = s = 0$ and $(66, n_1) = 1$ then, from (2.12) we get the equation

$$132^x = 11^{q(z-x)} n_1^{z-x} [4357^z - 4355^y 11^{q(y-z)} n_1^{y-z}], \quad (2.22)$$

thus, $n_1 = 1$. Therefore

$$4357^z - 12^x = 4355^y 11^{q(y-z)}. \quad (2.23)$$

Since, $4357^z - 12^x \equiv 2^z - 12^x \equiv 0 \pmod{67}$, hence $z \equiv 0 \pmod{2}$ and $x \equiv 0 \pmod{2}$ or $z \equiv 1 \pmod{2}$ and $x \equiv 1 \pmod{2}$. Thus if $z = 2z_1$ and $x = 2x_1$, $z_1, x_1 > 0$ then equation (2.23) becomes

$$(4357^{z_1} - 12^{x_1})(4357^{z_1} + 12^{x_1}) = 4355^y 11^{q(y-z)} \quad (2.24)$$

So

$$67^y | 4357^{z_1} - 12^{x_1} \text{ or } 67^y | 4357^{z_1} + 12^{x_1} \quad (2.25)$$

where $(4357^{z_1} - 12^{x_1}, 4357^{z_1} + 12^{x_1}) = 1$. But

$$\begin{aligned} 67^y &> 67^z = 4489^{z_1} > (4357 + 12)^{z_1} \\ &> 4357^{z_1} + 12^{z_1} \\ &> 4357^{z_1} + 12^{x_1} \\ &> 4357^{z_1} - 12^{x_1} \end{aligned}$$

and this contradicts (2.25). Also if $z = 2z_1 + 1$ and $x = 2x_1 + 1$, $z_1, x_1 > 0$ then from equation (2.23) we obtain

$$4357^z - 12^x \equiv 0 \pmod{4345}$$

But

$$4355^y 11^{q(y-z)} \not\equiv 0 \pmod{4345}$$

4. If $k = 2^r 3^s n_1$ where $r \geq 1, s \geq 1, q = 0$ and $(66, n_1) = 1$ then, from (2.12) we get the equation

$$132^x = 2^{r(z-x)} 3^{s(z-x)} n_1^{z-x} [4357^z - 4355^y 2^{r(y-z)} 3^{s(y-z)} n_1^{y-z}]. \quad (2.26)$$

Thus $2x = r(z-x), x = s(z-x)$ and

$$11^x = n_1^{z-x} [4357^z - 4355^y 2^{r(y-z)} 3^{s(y-z)} n_1^{y-z}] \quad (2.27)$$

Since, $(66, n_1) = 1$ then, $n_1 = 1$. Therefore,

$$4357^z - 11^x = 4355^y 2^{r(y-z)} 3^{s(y-z)} \quad (2.28)$$

Since, $4357^z - 11^x \equiv 2^z - 11^x \equiv 0 \pmod{67}$, hence $z \equiv 0 \pmod{2}$ and $x \equiv 0 \pmod{2}$ or $z \equiv 1 \pmod{2}$ and $x \equiv 1 \pmod{2}$. Thus if $z = 2z_1$ and $x = 2x_1$, $z_1, x_1 > 0$ then equation (2.28) becomes

$$(4357^{z_1} - 11^{x_1})(4357^{z_1} + 11^{x_1}) = 4355^y 2^{r(y-z)} 3^{s(y-z)} \quad (2.29)$$

So,

$$67^y \mid 4357^{z_1} - 11^{x_1} \text{ or } 67^y \mid 4357^{z_1} + 11^{x_1} \quad (2.30)$$

where $(4357^{z_1} - 11^{x_1}, 4357^{z_1} + 11^{x_1}) = 2$. But

$$\begin{aligned} 67^y > 67^z &= 4489^{z_1} > (4357 + 11)^{z_1} \\ &> 4357^{z_1} + 11^{z_1} \\ &> 4357^{z_1} + 11^{x_1} \\ &> 4357^{z_1} - 11^{x_1} \end{aligned}$$

and this contradicts (2.30). Also if $z = 2z_1 + 1$ and $x = 2x_1 + 1$, $z_1, x_1 > 0$ then from equation (2.28) we obtain,

$$4357^z - 11^x \equiv 0 \pmod{4346}$$

But

$$4355^y 2^{r(y-z)} 3^{s(y-z)} \not\equiv 0 \pmod{4346}$$

5. If $k = 2^r 11^q n_1$ where $r \geq 1, q \geq 1, s = 0$ and $(66, n_1) = 1$ then, from (2.12) we get the equation

$$132^x = 2^{r(z-x)} 11^{q(z-x)} n_1^{z-x} [4357^z - 4355^y 2^{r(y-z)} 11^{q(y-z)} n_1^{y-z}], \quad (2.31)$$

Thus $2x = r(z-x), x = q(z-x)$ and

$$3^x = n_1^{z-x} [4357^z - 4355^y 2^{r(y-z)} 11^{q(y-z)} n_1^{y-z}] \quad (2.32)$$

Since, $(66, n_1) = 1$ then, $n_1 = 1$. Therefore,

$$4357^z - 3^x = 4355^y 2^{r(y-z)} 11^{q(y-z)} \quad (2.33)$$

Since, $4357^z - 3^x \equiv 2^z - 3^x \equiv 0 \pmod{67}$, hence, $z \equiv 0 \pmod{2}$ and $x \equiv 0 \pmod{2}$ or $z \equiv 1 \pmod{2}$ and $x \equiv 1 \pmod{2}$. Thus, if $z = 2z_1$ and $x = 2x_1$, $z_1, x_1 > 0$ then equation (2.33) becomes

$$(4357^{z_1} - 3^{x_1})(4357^{z_1} + 3^{x_1}) = 4355^y 2^{r(y-z)} 11^{q(y-z)} \quad (2.34)$$

So,

$$67^y | 4357^{z_1} - 3^{x_1} \text{ or } 67^y | 4357^{z_1} + 3^{x_1} \quad (2.35)$$

where $(4357^{z_1} - 3^{x_1}, 4357^{z_1} + 3^{x_1}) = 2$. But

$$\begin{aligned} 67^y > 67^z &= 4489^{z_1} > (4357 + 3)^{z_1} \\ &> 4357^{z_1} + 3^{z_1} \\ &> 4357^{z_1} + 3^{x_1} \\ &> 4357^{z_1} - 3^{x_1} \end{aligned}$$

and this contradicts (2.35). Also if $z = 2z_1 + 1$ and $x = 2x_1 + 1$, $z_1, x_1 > 0$ then from equation (2.33) we obtain

$$4357^z - 3^x \equiv 0 \pmod{4354}$$

But

$$4355^y 2^{r(y-z)} 11^{q(y-z)} \not\equiv 0 \pmod{4354}$$

6. If $k = 3^s 11^q n_1$ where $s \geq 1, q \geq 1, r = 0$ and $(66, n_1) = 1$ then, from (2.12) we get the equation

$$132^x = 3^{s(z-x)} 11^{q(z-x)} n_1^{z-x} [4357^z - 4355^y 3^{s(y-z)} 11^{q(y-z)} n_1^{y-z}], \quad (2.36)$$

Thus $x = s(z-x) = q(z-x)$ and

$$4^x = n_1^{z-x} [4357^z - 4355^y 3^{s(y-z)} 11^{q(y-z)} n_1^{y-z}] \quad (2.37)$$

Since, $(66, n_1) = 1$ then, $n_1 = 1$. Therefore,

$$4357^z - 4^x = 4355^y 3^{s(y-z)} 11^{q(y-z)} \quad (2.38)$$

Since, $4357^z - 4^x \equiv 2^z - 4^x \equiv 0 \pmod{67}$, hence $z \equiv 0 \pmod{2}$. Thus $z = 2z_1, z_1 > 0$ then equation (2.38) becomes

$$(4357^{z_1} - 2^{x_1})(4357^{z_1} + 2^{x_1}) = 4355^y 3^{s(y-z)} 11^{q(y-z)} \quad (2.39)$$

So,

$$67^y | 4357^{z_1} - 3^{x_1} \text{ or } 67^y | 4357^{z_1} + 2^{x_1} \tag{2.40}$$

where $(4357^{z_1} - 2^{x_1}, 4357^{z_1} + 2^{x_1}) = 1$. But

$$\begin{aligned} 67^y > 67^z &= 4489^{z_1} > (4357 + 4)^{z_1} \\ &> 4357^{z_1} + 4^{z_1} \\ &> 4357^{z_1} + 4^{x_1} \\ &> 4357^{z_1} - 4^{x_1} \end{aligned}$$

and this contradicts (2.40).

7. If $k = 2^r 3^s 11^q n_1$ where $s \geq 1, r \geq 1, q \geq 1$, and $(66, n_1) = 1$ then, from (2.12) we get the equation

$$n_1^{z-x} [4357^z - 4355^y 2^{r(y-z)} 11^{q(y-z)} 3^{s(y-z)} n_1^{y-z}] = 1 \tag{2.41}$$

Since, $x \neq z$ then $n_1 = 1$. Therefore

$$4357^z - 1 = 4355^y 2^{r(y-z)} 11^{q(y-z)} 3^{s(y-z)} \tag{2.42}$$

Since $4357^z - 1 \equiv 2^z - 1 \pmod{5}$ hence $z \equiv 0 \pmod{2}$. Thus $z = 2z_1, z_1 > 0$. But $4357^2 \equiv 1 \pmod{2179}$ implies $4357^z - 1 \equiv 0 \pmod{2179}$. Then from (2.42) we obtain

$$4355^y 2^{r(y-z)} 11^{q(y-z)} 3^{s(y-z)} \equiv 0 \pmod{2179},$$

which is impossible. This completes the proof for the first case.

Case 2 If $(x > y)$, then we obtain two subcases $z < y < x$ and $y < z < x$.

Subcase 2.1 If $(z < y < x)$ then, rewrite equation (1.6) as

$$k^{y-z} (132^x k^{x-y} + 4355^y) = 4357^z \tag{2.43}$$

So if $(k, 4357) = 1$, then $y = z$, where $k \geq 2$, which is a contradiction. And if $(k, 4357) = 4357$, then we can write $k = 4357^m n_1$, where $m \geq 1$ and $4357 \nmid n_1$, So rewrite equation (2.43) as

$$4357^{m(y-z)} n_1^{y-z} (132^x 4357^{m(x-y)} n_1^{x-y} + 4355^y) = 4357^z \tag{2.44}$$

Since,

$$(n_1, 4357) = (132^x 4357^m (x-y) n_1^{x-y} + 4355^y, 4357) = 1$$

hence,

$$n_1^{y-z} (132^x 4357^m (x-y) n_1^{x-y} + 4355^y) = 1$$

which is impossible.

Subcase 2.2 If $(y < z < x)$ then, rewrite (1.6) as

$$k^{z-y} (4357^z - 132^x k^{x-z}) = 4355^y \quad (2.45)$$

So if $(k, 4355) = 1$, then $y = z$, where $k \geq 2$, which is a contradiction. And if $(k, 4355) > 1$, then we can write $k = 5^r 13^q 67^q n_1$, where $r + q + q \geq 1$ and $(4355, n_1) = 1$. So rewrite (2.45) as

$$5^{r(z-y)} 13^{p(z-y)} 67^{q(z-y)} n_1^{z-y} (4357^z - 132^x 5^r (x-z) 13^{p(x-z)} 67^{q(x-z)} n_1^{x-z}) = 4355^y \quad (2.46)$$

Since,

$$(n_1, 4355) = n_1^{z-y} (4357^z - 132^x 5^r (x-z) 13^{p(x-z)} 67^{q(x-z)} n_1^{x-z}) = 1$$

Then,

$$n_1^{z-y} (4357^z - 132^x 5^r (x-z) 13^{p(x-z)} 67^{q(x-z)} n_1^{x-z}) = 1$$

and $r(z-y) = p(z-y) = q(z-y) = y$ then, $r = p = q$ also $n_1 = 1$. Thus equation (2.46) becomes

$$4357^z - 1 = 132^x 4355^{r(x-z)} \quad (2.47)$$

Since $4357^z - 1 \equiv 2^z - 1 \pmod{5}$ hence $z \equiv 0 \pmod{2}$. But $4357^2 \equiv 1 \pmod{2179}$ implies $4357^z - 1 \equiv 0 \pmod{2179}$, so from (2.47) we obtain

$$132^x 4355^{r(x-z)} \equiv 0 \pmod{2179},$$

which is impossible. Thus, completes the proof for the second case and then **this completes the proof of theorem (1.1)**. \square

3 conclusion

We have obtained a new Pythagorean triple for Jeśmanowicz's conjecture and proved that the special Diophantine equation $(132k)^x + (4355k)^y = (4357k)^z$ has the only positive integer solution $(x, y, z) = (2, 2, 2)$ for every positive integer k .

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