

## Formulation of Curious Family of 3-Tuples

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### ABSTRACT

This paper deals with the study of formulation of special family of 3-tuples  $(a, b, c)$  such that the product of any two elements of the set added with their sum is a perfect square.

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### I. INTRODUCTION

The problem of constructing the sets with property that product of any two of its distinct elements is one less than a square has a very long history and such sets have been studied by Diophantus. A set of  $m$  distinct positive integers  $\{a_1, a_2, a_3, \dots, a_m\}$  is said to have the property  $D(n), n \in \mathbb{Z} - \{0\}$  if  $a_i a_j + n$  is a perfect square for all  $1 \leq i < j \leq m$  or  $1 \leq j < i \leq m$  and such a set is called a Diophantine  $m$ -tuple with property  $D(n)$ . In this context, one may refer [1-4].

A set of  $m$  distinct positive integers  $(a_1, a_2, \dots, a_m)$  is said to be Dio  $m$ -tuple with property  $D(n)$  if  $a_i a_j + (a_i + a_j) + n$  or  $a_i a_j - (a_i + a_j) + n$  is a perfect square for all  $1 \leq i < j \leq m$  or  $1 \leq j < i \leq m$ . In particular, one may refer [5-8] for problem on special dio-3-tuples.

This paper aims at constructing sequences of 3-tuples where the product of any two elements of the set added with their sum is a perfect square.

## II. METHOD OF ANALYSIS

### Sequence 1:

Let  $a = 2k^2 + 6k + 4, c_0 = 8k^2 + 16k + 9$

It is observed that

$$ac_0 + a + c_0 = (4k^2 + 10k + 7)^2$$

Let  $c_1$  be any integer such that

$$(a+1)c_1 + a = \alpha^2 \tag{1}$$

$$(c_0+1)c_1 + c_0 = \beta^2 \tag{2}$$

Eliminating  $c_1$  between (1) and (2), we have

$$(c_0+1)\alpha^2 - (a+1)\beta^2 = (a-c_0) \tag{3}$$

Introducing the linear transformations

$$\alpha = X + (a+1)T, \beta = X + (c_0+1)T \tag{4}$$

in (3) and simplifying we get

$$X^2 = (a+1)(c_0+1)T^2 - 1$$

which is satisfied by  $T=1, X = 4k^2 + 10k + 7$

In view of (4) and (1), it is seen that

$$c_1 = 18k^2 + 42k + 28$$

Let  $c_2$  be any integer such that

$$(a+1)c_2 + a = \alpha^2 \tag{5}$$

$$(c_1+1)c_2 + c_0 = \beta^2 \tag{6}$$

Eliminating  $c_2$  between (5) and (6), we have

$$(c_1+1)\alpha^2 - (a+1)\beta^2 = (a-c_1) \tag{7}$$

Introducing the linear transformations

$$\alpha = X + (a+1)T, \beta = X + (c_1+1)T \tag{8}$$

in (7) and simplifying we get

$$X^2 = (a+1)(c_1+1)T^2 - 1$$

which is satisfied by  $T=1, X = 6k^2 + 16k + 12$

In view of (8) and (5), it is seen that

$$c_2 = 32k^2 + 80k + 57$$

Let  $c_3$  be any integer such that

$$(a+1)c_3 + a = \alpha^2 \tag{9}$$

$$(c_2 + 1)c_3 + c_0 = \beta^2 \tag{10}$$

Eliminating  $c_3$  between (9) and (10), we have

$$(c_2 + 1)\alpha^2 - (a+1)\beta^2 = (a - c_2) \tag{11}$$

Introducing the linear transformations

$$\alpha = X + (a+1)T, \beta = X + (c_2 + 1)T \tag{12}$$

in (11) and simplifying we get

$$X^2 = (a+1)(c_2 + 1)T^2 - 1$$

which is satisfied by  $T = 1, X = 8k^2 + 22k + 17$

In view of (12) and (9), it is seen that

$$c_3 = 50k^2 + 130k + 96$$

The repetition of the above process leads to the generation of sequence of 3-tuples whose general form is given by  $(a, c_{s-1}, c_s)$  where

$$c_{s-1} = (2s^2 + 4s + 2)k^2 + (6s^2 + 8s + 2)k + (5s^2 + 4s), s = 1, 2, 3, \dots$$

A few numerical examples are presented in Table 1 below:

Table 1: Numerical Examples

$k$	$(a, c_0, c_1)$	$(a, c_1, c_2)$	$(a, c_2, c_3)$	$(a, c_3, c_4)$
2	(24, 73, 184)	(24, 184, 345)	(24, 345, 556)	(24, 556, 817)
3	(40, 129, 316)	(40, 316, 585)	(40, 585, 936)	(40, 936, 1369)
4	(60, 201, 484)	(60, 484, 889)	(60, 889, 1416)	(60, 1416, 2065)
5	(84, 289, 688)	(84, 688, 1257)	(84, 1257, 1996)	(84, 1996, 2905)

**Sequence 2:**

Let  $a = 1, c_0 = 2k^2 - 2k$

It is observed that

$$ac_0 + a + c_0 = (2k - 1)^2$$

Let  $c_1$  be any integer such that

$$(a+1)c_1 + a = \alpha^2 \tag{13}$$

$$(c_0 + 1)c_1 + c_0 = \beta^2 \tag{14}$$

Eliminating  $c_1$  between (13) and (14), we have

$$(c_0 + 1)\alpha^2 - (a+1)\beta^2 = (a - c_0) \quad (15)$$

Introducing the linear transformations

$$\alpha = X + (a+1)T, \beta = X + (c_0 + 1)T \quad (16)$$

in (15) and simplifying we get

$$X^2 = (a+1)(c_0 + 1)T^2 - 1$$

which is satisfied by  $T = 1, X = 2k - 1$

In view of (16) and (13), it is seen that

$$c_1 = 2k^2 + 2k$$

Let  $c_2$  be any integer such that

$$(a+1)c_2 + a = \alpha^2 \quad (17)$$

$$(c_1 + 1)c_2 + c_0 = \beta^2 \quad (18)$$

Eliminating  $c_2$  between (17) and (18), we have

$$(c_1 + 1)\alpha^2 - (a+1)\beta^2 = (a - c_1) \quad (19)$$

Introducing the linear transformations

$$\alpha = X + (a+1)T, \beta = X + (c_1 + 1)T \quad (20)$$

in (19) and simplifying we get

$$X^2 = (a+1)(c_1 + 1)T^2 - 1$$

which is satisfied by  $T = 1, X = 2k + 1$

In view of (20) and (17), it is seen that

$$c_2 = 2k^2 + 6k + 4$$

Let  $c_3$  be any integer such that

$$(a+1)c_3 + a = \alpha^2 \quad (21)$$

$$(c_2 + 1)c_3 + c_0 = \beta^2 \quad (22)$$

Eliminating  $c_3$  between (21) and (22), we have

$$(c_2 + 1)\alpha^2 - (a+1)\beta^2 = (a - c_2) \quad (23)$$

Introducing the linear transformations

$$\alpha = X + (a+1)T, \beta = X + (c_2 + 1)T \quad (24)$$

in (23) and simplifying we get

$$X^2 = (a+1)(c_2 + 1)T^2 - 1$$

which is satisfied by  $T = 1, X = 2k + 3$

In view of (24) and (21), it is seen that

$$c_3 = 2k^2 + 10k + 12$$

The repetition of the above process leads to the generation of sequence of 3-tuples whose general form is given by  $(a, c_{s-1}, c_s)$  where

$$c_{s-1} = 2k^2 + (4s-6)k + (2s^2 - 6s + 4), \quad s = 1, 2, 3, \dots$$

A few numerical examples are presented in Table 2 below:

Table 2: Numerical Examples

$k$	$(a, c_0, c_1)$	$(a, c_1, c_2)$	$(a, c_2, c_3)$	$(a, c_3, c_4)$
2	(1, 4, 12)	(1, 12, 24)	(1, 24, 40)	(1, 40, 60)
3	(1, 12, 24)	(1, 24, 40)	(1, 40, 60)	(1, 60, 84)
4	(1, 24, 40)	(1, 40, 60)	(1, 60, 84)	(1, 84, 112)
5	(1, 40, 60)	(1, 60, 84)	(1, 84, 112)	(1, 112, 144)

**Sequence 3:**

Let  $a = 1, c_0 = 2k^2 + 2k$

It is observed that

$$ac_0 + a + c_0 = (2k + 1)^2$$

Let  $c_1$  be any integer such that

$$(a + 1)c_1 + a = \alpha^2 \tag{25}$$

$$(c_0 + 1)c_1 + c_0 = \beta^2 \tag{26}$$

Eliminating  $c_1$  between (25) and (26), we have

$$(c_0 + 1)\alpha^2 - (a + 1)\beta^2 = (a - c_0) \tag{27}$$

Introducing the linear transformations

$$\alpha = X + (a + 1)T, \quad \beta = X + (c_0 + 1)T \tag{28}$$

in (27) and simplifying we get

$$X^2 = (a + 1)(c_0 + 1)T^2 - 1$$

which is satisfied by  $T = 1, X = 2k + 1$

In view of (28) and (25), it is seen that

$$c_1 = 2k^2 + 6k + 4$$

Let  $c_2$  be any integer such that

$$(a + 1)c_2 + a = \alpha^2 \tag{29}$$

$$(c_1 + 1)c_2 + c_0 = \beta^2 \tag{30}$$

Eliminating  $c_2$  between (29) and (30), we have

$$(c_1 + 1)\alpha^2 - (a + 1)\beta^2 = (a - c_1) \tag{31}$$

Introducing the linear transformations

$$\alpha = X + (a + 1)T, \beta = X + (c_1 + 1)T \tag{32}$$

in (31) and simplifying we get

$$X^2 = (a + 1)(c_1 + 1)T^2 - 1$$

which is satisfied by  $T = 1, X = 2k + 3$

In view of (32) and (29), it is seen that

$$c_2 = 2k^2 + 10k + 12$$

Let  $c_3$  be any integer such that

$$(a + 1)c_3 + a = \alpha^2 \tag{33}$$

$$(c_2 + 1)c_3 + c_0 = \beta^2 \tag{34}$$

Eliminating  $c_3$  between (33) and (34), we have

$$(c_2 + 1)\alpha^2 - (a + 1)\beta^2 = (a - c_2) \tag{35}$$

Introducing the linear transformations

$$\alpha = X + (a + 1)T, \beta = X + (c_2 + 1)T \tag{36}$$

in (35) and simplifying we get

$$X^2 = (a + 1)(c_2 + 1)T^2 - 1$$

which is satisfied by  $T = 1, X = 2k + 5$

In view of (36) and (33), it is seen that

$$c_3 = 2k^2 + 14k + 24$$

The repetition of the above process leads to the generation of sequence of 3-tuples whose general form is given by  $(a, c_{s-1}, c_s)$  where

$$c_{s-1} = 2k^2 + (4s - 2)k + (2s^2 - 2s), s = 1, 2, 3, \dots$$

A few numerical examples are presented in Table 3 below:

Table 3: Numerical Examples

$k$	$(a, c_0, c_1)$	$(a, c_1, c_2)$	$(a, c_2, c_3)$	$(a, c_3, c_4)$
2	(1, 12, 24)	(1, 24, 40)	(1, 40, 60)	(1, 60, 84)
3	(1, 24, 40)	(1, 40, 60)	(1, 60, 84)	(1, 84, 112)
4	(1, 40, 60)	(1, 60, 84)	(1, 84, 112)	(1, 112, 144)
5	(1, 60, 84)	(1, 84, 112)	(1, 112, 144)	(1, 144, 180)

**Sequence 4:**

Let  $a = 4, c_0 = 5k^2 + 4k$

It is observed that

$$ac_0 + a + c_0 = (5k + 2)^2$$

Let  $c_1$  be any integer such that

$$(a+1)c_1 + a = \alpha^2 \tag{37}$$

$$(c_0 + 1)c_1 + c_0 = \beta^2 \tag{38}$$

Eliminating  $c_1$  between (37) and (38), we have

$$(c_0 + 1)\alpha^2 - (a+1)\beta^2 = (a - c_0) \tag{39}$$

Introducing the linear transformations

$$\alpha = X + (a+1)T, \beta = X + (c_0 + 1)T \tag{40}$$

in (39) and simplifying we get

$$X^2 = (a+1)(c_0 + 1)T^2 - 1$$

which is satisfied by  $T = 1, X = 5k + 2$

In view of (40) and (37), it is seen that

$$c_1 = 5k^2 + 14k + 9$$

Let  $c_2$  be any integer such that

$$(a+1)c_2 + a = \alpha^2 \tag{41}$$

$$(c_1 + 1)c_2 + c_0 = \beta^2 \tag{42}$$

Eliminating  $c_2$  between (41) and (42), we have

$$(c_1 + 1)\alpha^2 - (a+1)\beta^2 = (a - c_1) \tag{43}$$

Introducing the linear transformations

$$\alpha = X + (a+1)T, \beta = X + (c_1 + 1)T \tag{44}$$

in (43) and simplifying we get

$$X^2 = (a+1)(c_1 + 1)T^2 - 1$$

which is satisfied by  $T = 1, X = 5k + 7$

In view of (44) and (41), it is seen that

$$c_2 = 5k^2 + 24k + 28$$

Let  $c_3$  be any integer such that

$$(a+1)c_3 + a = \alpha^2 \tag{45}$$

$$(c_2 + 1)c_3 + c_0 = \beta^2 \tag{46}$$

Eliminating  $c_3$  between (45) and (46), we have

$$(c_2 + 1)\alpha^2 - (a + 1)\beta^2 = (a - c_2) \tag{47}$$

Introducing the linear transformations

$$\alpha = X + (a + 1)T, \beta = X + (c_2 + 1)T \tag{48}$$

in (47) and simplifying we get

$$X^2 = (a + 1)(c_2 + 1)T^2 - 1$$

which is satisfied by  $T = 1, X = 5k + 12$

In view of (48) and (45), it is seen that

$$c_3 = 5k^2 + 34k + 57$$

The repetition of the above process leads to the generation of sequence of 3-tuples whose general form is given by  $(a, c_{s-1}, c_s)$  where

$$c_{s-1} = 5k^2 + (10s - 6)k + (5s^2 - 6s + 1), s = 1, 2, 3, \dots$$

A few numerical examples are presented in Table 4 below:

Table 4: Numerical Examples

$k$	$(a, c_0, c_1)$	$(a, c_1, c_2)$	$(a, c_2, c_3)$	$(a, c_3, c_4)$
2	(4, 28, 57)	(4, 57, 96)	(4, 96, 145)	(4, 145, 204)
3	(4, 57, 96)	(4, 96, 145)	(4, 145, 204)	(4, 204, 273)
4	(4, 96, 145)	(4, 145, 204)	(4, 204, 273)	(4, 273, 352)
5	(4, 145, 204)	(4, 204, 273)	(4, 273, 352)	(4, 352, 441)

**Sequence 5:**

Let  $a = 4, c_0 = 5k^2 - 4k$

It is observed that

$$ac_0 + a + c_0 = (5k - 2)^2$$

Let  $c_1$  be any integer such that

$$(a + 1)c_1 + a = \alpha^2 \tag{49}$$

$$(c_0 + 1)c_1 + c_0 = \beta^2 \tag{50}$$

Eliminating  $c_1$  between (49) and (50), we have

$$(c_0 + 1)\alpha^2 - (a + 1)\beta^2 = (a - c_0) \tag{51}$$

Introducing the linear transformations

$$\alpha = X + (a + 1)T, \beta = X + (c_0 + 1)T \tag{52}$$

in (51) and simplifying we get

$$X^2 = (a + 1)(c_0 + 1)T^2 - 1$$



which is satisfied by  $T=1$  ,  $X=5k-2$

In view of (52) and (49), it is seen that

$$c_1 = 5k^2 + 6k + 1$$

Let  $c_2$  be any integer such that

$$(a+1)c_2 + a = \alpha^2 \tag{53}$$

$$(c_1+1)c_2 + c_0 = \beta^2 \tag{54}$$

Eliminating  $c_2$  between (53) and (54), we have

$$(c_1+1)\alpha^2 - (a+1)\beta^2 = (a-c_1) \tag{55}$$

Introducing the linear transformations

$$\alpha = X + (a+1)T , \beta = X + (c_1+1)T \tag{56}$$

in (55) and simplifying we get

$$X^2 = (a+1)(c_1+1)T^2 - 1$$

which is satisfied by  $T=1$  ,  $X=5k+3$

In view of (56) and (53), it is seen that

$$c_2 = 5k^2 + 16k + 12$$

Let  $c_3$  be any integer such that

$$(a+1)c_3 + a = \alpha^2 \tag{57}$$

$$(c_2+1)c_3 + c_0 = \beta^2 \tag{58}$$

Eliminating  $c_3$  between (57) and (58), we have

$$(c_2+1)\alpha^2 - (a+1)\beta^2 = (a-c_2) \tag{59}$$

Introducing the linear transformations

$$\alpha = X + (a+1)T , \beta = X + (c_2+1)T \tag{60}$$

in (59) and simplifying we get

$$X^2 = (a+1)(c_2+1)T^2 - 1$$

which is satisfied by  $T=1$  ,  $X=5k+8$

In view of (60) and (57), it is seen that

$$c_3 = 5k^2 + 26k + 33$$

The repetition of the above process leads to the generation of sequence of 3-tuples whose general form is given by  $(a, c_{s-1}, c_s)$  where

$$c_{s-1} = 5k^2 + (10s-14)k + (5s^2 - 14s + 9) , s=1,2,3,\dots$$

A few numerical examples are presented in Table 5 below:

Table 5: Numerical Examples

$k$	$(a, c_0, c_1)$	$(a, c_1, c_2)$	$(a, c_2, c_3)$	$(a, c_3, c_4)$
2	(4,12,33)	(4, 33, 64)	(4, 64, 105)	(4, 105, 156)
3	(4,33,64)	(4, 64, 105)	(4, 105, 156)	(4, 156, 217)
4	(4,64,105)	(4, 105, 156)	(4, 156, 217)	(4, 217, 288)
5	(4,105,156)	(4, 156, 217)	(4, 217, 288)	(4, 288, 369)

**Sequence 6:**

Let  $a = 12, c_0 = 13k^2 - 10k + 1$

It is observed that

$$ac_0 + a + c_0 = (13k - 5)^2$$

Let  $c_1$  be any integer such that

$$(a + 1)c_1 + a = \alpha^2 \tag{61}$$

$$(c_0 + 1)c_1 + c_0 = \beta^2 \tag{62}$$

Eliminating  $c_1$  between (61) and (62), we have

$$(c_0 + 1)\alpha^2 - (a + 1)\beta^2 = (a - c_0) \tag{63}$$

Introducing the linear transformations

$$\alpha = X + (a + 1)T, \beta = X + (c_0 + 1)T \tag{64}$$

in (63) and simplifying we get

$$X^2 = (a + 1)(c_0 + 1)T^2 - 1$$

which is satisfied by  $T = 1, X = 13k - 5$

In view of (64) and (61), it is seen that

$$c_1 = 13k^2 + 16k + 4$$

Let  $c_2$  be any integer such that

$$(a + 1)c_2 + a = \alpha^2 \tag{65}$$

$$(c_1 + 1)c_2 + c_0 = \beta^2 \tag{66}$$

Eliminating  $c_2$  between (65) and (66), we have

$$(c_1 + 1)\alpha^2 - (a + 1)\beta^2 = (a - c_1) \tag{67}$$

Introducing the linear transformations

$$\alpha = X + (a + 1)T, \beta = X + (c_1 + 1)T \tag{68}$$

in (67) and simplifying we get

$$X^2 = (a + 1)(c_1 + 1)T^2 - 1$$

which is satisfied by  $T = 1, X = 13k + 8$

In view of (68) and (65), it is seen that

$$c_2 = 13k^2 + 42k + 33$$

Let  $c_3$  be any integer such that

$$(a+1)c_3 + a = \alpha^2 \tag{69}$$

$$(c_2 + 1)c_3 + c_0 = \beta^2 \tag{70}$$

Eliminating  $c_3$  between (69) and (70), we have

$$(c_2 + 1)\alpha^2 - (a+1)\beta^2 = (a - c_2) \tag{71}$$

Introducing the linear transformations

$$\alpha = X + (a+1)T, \beta = X + (c_2 + 1)T \tag{72}$$

in (71) and simplifying we get

$$X^2 = (a+1)(c_2 + 1)T^2 - 1$$

which is satisfied by  $T = 1, X = 13k + 21$

In view of (72) and (69), it is seen that

$$c_3 = 13k^2 + 68k + 88$$

The repetition of the above process leads to the generation of sequence of 3-tuples whose general form is given by  $(a, c_{s-1}, c_s)$  where

$$c_{s-1} = 13k^2 + (26s - 36)k + (13s^2 - 36s + 24), s = 1, 2, 3, \dots$$

A few numerical examples are presented in Table 6 below:

Table 6: Numerical Examples

$k$	$(a, c_0, c_1)$	$(a, c_1, c_2)$	$(a, c_2, c_3)$	$(a, c_3, c_4)$
2	(12, 33, 88)	(12, 88, 169)	(12, 169, 276)	(12, 276, 409)
3	(12, 88, 169)	(12, 169, 276)	(12, 276, 409)	(12, 409, 568)
4	(12, 169, 276)	(12, 276, 409)	(12, 409, 568)	(12, 568, 753)
5	(12, 276, 409)	(12, 409, 568)	(12, 568, 753)	(12, 753, 964)

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