

Elliptic Curve Integral Points on $y^2 = x^3 + 19x - 46$

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Abstract. By using congruence and Legendre Symbol, it can be proved that elliptic curve

$y^2 = x^3 + 19x - 46$ has only one integer point: $(x, y) = (2, 0)$.

Introduction

The positive integer points and integral points of elliptic curves are very important in the theory of number and arithmetic algebra, it has a wide range of applications in cryptography and other fields. There are some results of positive integer points of elliptic curve

$$y^2 = x^3 + ax + b, a, b \in \mathbb{Z} \quad (1)$$

In 1987, D. Zagier^[1] submit the question of the integer points on elliptic curve (1) while $a = -27, b = 62$, that is $y^2 = x^3 - 27x + 62$, it counts a great deal to the study of the arithmetic properties of elliptic curves.

In 2009, Zhu H L and Chen J H^[2] solved the problem what D. Zagier submitted by using algebraic number theory and P-adic analysis method.

In 2010, By using the elementary method, Wu H M^[3] obtain all the integral points of elliptic curves $y^2 = x^3 - 27x - 62$.

In 2015, Li Y Z and Cui B J^[4] solved the problem of the integer points on $y^2 = x^3 - 21x - 90$ By using the elementary method.

In 2016, Guo J^[5] solved the problem of the integer points on $y^2 = x^3 + 27x + 62$ by using the elementary method.

In 2017, Guo J^[6] proved that $y^2 = x^3 - 21x + 90$ has no integer points by using the elementary method.

Put in a nutshell, Scholars studied the integer points on elliptic curve (1) while $a_1 = -27, b_1 = 62; a_2 = -27, b_2 = -62; a_3 = -21, b_3 = -90; a_4 = 27, b_4 = 62; a_5 = -21, b_5 = 90$.

Up to now, there is no relevant conclusions while $a = 19, b = -46$.

Key lemma

Key lemma^[7] Let D to be a square-free positive integer, then the equation $x^2 - Dy^4 = 1$ will have two sets of positive integer solutions (x, y) at most

When $D = 2^{4s} \times 1785$, where $s \in \{0, 1\}$, we can get that $(x_1, y_1) = (169, 2^{1-s})$ and $(x_2, y_2) = (6525617281, 2^{1-s} \times 6214)$;

Otherwise when $D \neq 2^{4s} \times 1785$, $(x_1, y_1) = (u_1, \sqrt{v_1})$ and $(x_2, y_2) = (u_2, \sqrt{v_2})$, where (u_n, v_n) is a positive integer solution of the Pell equation $U^2 - DV^2 = 1$, if $x^2 - Dy^4 = 1$ has only

one set of positive integer solution (x, y) and the positive integer n is suitable for $(x, y^2) = (u_n, v_n)$, then $n = 2$ consequently ; otherwise if n is an even number; otherwise if n is an odd number, then $n = 1$ or p , here p is a prime numbers and $p \equiv 3(mod4)$.

Proof of main theorem

By using elementary method such as congruence and Legendre Symbol, the integer points on $y^2 = x^3 + 19x - 46$ can be obtained.

Theorem

Elliptic curve

$$y^2 = x^3 + 19x - 46 \quad (2)$$

has only one integer point $(x, y) = (2, 0)$.

Proof of the main theorem

Elliptic curve (2) is equivalent to

$$y^2 = (x - 2)(x^2 + 2x + 23) \quad (3)$$

Primary analysis

Obviously $(x, y) = (2, 0)$ is an integer point of the elliptic curve (3), suppose (x, y) is another integer point of the elliptic curve (3).

Because $x^2 + 2x + 23 = x(x - 2) + 4(x - 2) + 31 = (x + 4)(x - 2) + 31$.

$gcd(x - 2, x^2 + 2x + 23) = gcd(x - 2, (x + 4)(x - 2) + 31) = gcd(x - 2, 31)$, and the divisor of the prime number 31 is 1 or 31, then $gcd(x - 2, 31) = 1$, or $gcd(x - 2, 31) = 31$, in other words, the range of this greatest common divisor is $\{1, 31\}$. as a result, we have to discuss in two cases of the elliptic curve (3):

Case I $x - 2 = a^2, x^2 + 2x + 23 = b^2, y = ab, gcd(a, b) = 1, a, b \in \mathbb{Z}$.

Case II $x - 2 = 31a^2, x^2 + 2x + 23 = 31b^2, y = 31ab, gcd(a, b) = 1, a, b \in \mathbb{Z}$.

Discussion on Case I

$\because a^2 \equiv 0, 1(mod4)$.

$\therefore x = a^2 + 2 \equiv 2, 3(mod4)$.

$\therefore x^2 + 2x + 23 \equiv 2, 3(mod4)$.

At the same time $b^2 = x^2 + 2x + 23 \equiv 0, 1(mod4)$.

Then we will get $2, 3(mod4) \equiv 0, 1(mod4)$, it is self-contradiction, this shows that (3) has no integer points.

Discussion on Case II

Divide integers into two categories as $2 \nmid a$ and $2|a$ discuss separately.

First step: suppose $2 \nmid a$.

$\because 2 \nmid a, \therefore a^2 \equiv 1(mod4), \therefore x = 31a^2 + 2 \equiv 1(mod4), \therefore x^2 + 2x + 23 \equiv 2(mod4)$.

At the same time $b^2 \equiv 0, 1(mod4)$.

$\therefore 31b^2 = x^2 + 2x + 23 \equiv 0, 3(mod4)$ it means $2(mod4) \equiv 0, 3(mod4)$, it is self-contradiction,

this shows that (3) has no integer points as well.

Second step: suppose $2|a$.

$\because 2|a$, let $a = 2c, c \in \mathbb{Z}$, and $x - 2 = 31a^2 \therefore x = 124c^2 + 2$.

Go a step further $x^2 + 2x + 23 = (x + 1)^2 + 22 = (124c^2 + 3)^2 + 22 = 31b^2$, it is $(12c^2 + 1)^2 + 352c^4 = b^2$, it is equivalent to:

$$(b + 12c^2 + 1)(b - 12c^2 - 1) = 352c^4 \quad (4)$$

$\because 2|a$, and $x - 2 = 31a^2 \therefore 2|31a^2 + 2 \therefore 2|x$.

$\because x^2 + 2x + 23 = 31b^2 \therefore 2 \nmid x^2 + 2x + 23 \therefore 2 \nmid 31b^2 \therefore 2 \nmid b \therefore 2|b$.

Taken together, $2|[b - (12c^2 + 1)]$.

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore \gcd(b + 12c^2 + 1, b - 12c^2 - 1) &= \gcd(24c^2 + 2, b - 12c^2 - 1) \\ &= 2\gcd(12c^2 + 1, b - 12c^2 - 1) \\ &= 2\gcd(12c^2 + 1, b). \end{aligned}$$

Let $d = \gcd(12c^2 + 1, b)$, Then $d|b, d|12c^2 + 1$, so, $d|(b + 12c^2 + 1)$, Therefore, $d|352c^4$.
 $\gcd(12c^2 + 1, 352c^4) = \gcd(12c^2 + 1, 11)$.

The divisor of the prime number 11 is 1 or 11, then $\gcd(12c^2 + 1, 352c^4) = 1$, or $\gcd(12c^2 + 1, 352c^4) = 11$, in other words, the range of this greatest common divisor is $\{1, 11\}$.

If $\gcd(12c^2 + 1, 352c^4) = 11$.

$$12c^2 + 1 \equiv 0 \pmod{11}.$$

$$\therefore 12c^2 \equiv -1 \pmod{11}.$$

Because the Legendre symbol value is $\left(\frac{12c^2}{11}\right) = \left(\frac{3}{11}\right) = 1$, while the Legendre symbol value is $\left(\frac{-1}{11}\right) = -1$, it is self-contradiction, this shows that $\gcd(12c^2 + 1, 352c^4) = 11$ is false. It must be $\gcd(12c^2 + 1, 352c^4) \neq 11$.

Therefore, $\gcd(12c^2 + 1, 352c^4) = 1$.

$$\therefore \gcd(b + 12c^2 + 1, b - 12c^2 - 1) = 2.$$

Furthermore $352 = 2^5 \times 11$, equation (4) can be divided into:

$$\begin{cases} b + 12c^2 + 1 = 2gm^4 \\ b - 12c^2 - 1 = \frac{146}{g}n^4, \\ c = mn \end{cases} \quad (5)$$

Where $\gcd(m, n) = 1, \gcd\left(g, \frac{88}{g}\right) = 1, g = 1, 11, 2^3 = 8, 2^3 \times 11 = 88$.

From the first two formulas (5), we will get:

$$12c^2 + 1 = gm^4 - \frac{88}{g}n^4. \quad (6)$$

Making an equivalent of the modulus 4 on (6), we will get:

$$1 \equiv gm^4 - \frac{88}{g}n^4 \pmod{4} \quad (7)$$

When $g = 11$, (7) is equivalent to:

$$1 \equiv 3m^4 \pmod{4} \quad (8)$$

$$\because m^4 \equiv 0, 1 \pmod{4}. \therefore 1 \equiv 3m^4 \pmod{4} \equiv 0, 3 \pmod{4}.$$

It is self-contradiction, this shows that (8) is impossible.

When $g = 2^3 \times 11$, (7) is equivalent to:

$$1 \equiv -n^4 \pmod{4} \quad (9)$$

$$\because n^4 \equiv 0, 1 \pmod{4}. \therefore 1 \equiv -n^4 \pmod{4} \equiv 0, 3 \pmod{4}.$$

It is self-contradiction, this shows that (9) is impossible.

When $g = 2^3$, the (6) is equivalent to $12c^2 + 1 = 8m^4 - 11n^4$, from $c = mn$ and $12c^2 + 1 = gm^4 - \frac{88}{g}n^4$, we will get:

$$12m^2n^2 + 1 = 8m^4 - 11n^4 \quad (10)$$

(10) is equivalent to:

$$(4m^2 - 3n^2)^2 = 31n^4 + 2 \quad (11)$$

Making an equivalent of the modulus 4 on (11), we will get:

$$(4m^2 - 3n^2)^2 \equiv (n^4 + 2)(\text{mod}10) \quad (12)$$

We will get $2 \nmid n$ from (10), and $2 \nmid 4m^2 - 3n^2$ from (11).

$$\therefore n^4 \equiv 1,5(\text{mod}10).$$

On the other hand, $(4m^2 - 3n^2)^2 \equiv 1,5,9(\text{mod}10)$.

$$\therefore n^4 + 2 \equiv 3,7(\text{mod}10).$$

Taken together, we will get:

$1,5,9 \equiv (4m^2 - 3n^2)^2 \equiv n^4 + 2 \equiv 3,7(\text{mod}10)$. It is self-contradiction, this shows that (12) is impossible.

When $g = 1$, the (6) is equivalent to $12c^2 + 1 = m^4 - 88n^4$, from $c = mn$ and $12c^2 + 1 = gm^4 - \frac{88}{g}n^4$, we will get:

$$12m^2n^2 + 1 = m^4 - 88n^4 \quad (13)$$

(13) is equivalent to:

$$(m^2 - 6n^2)^2 = 124n^4 + 1 \quad (14)$$

Let $s = m^2 - 6n^2, s \in \mathbb{Z}^+$, (14) is equivalent to:

$$s^2 = 124n^4 + 1 \quad (15)$$

Let $r = 2n^2, r \in \mathbb{Z}^+$, (15) is equivalent to:

$$s^2 - 31r^2 = 1 \quad (16)$$

We know that (15) has only one positive integer point from the Key lemma, suppose (s, n) is the positive integer point, then the Pell equation (16) has positive integer point $(s, r) = (s, 2n^2)$.

$(1520, 273)$ is a fundamental solution of the Pell equation (16), therefore all of the positive integer point can be represented as:

$$s_k + r_k\sqrt{31} = (1520 + 273\sqrt{31})^k, k \in \mathbb{Z}^+. \quad (17)$$

Therefore all of the positive integer point of (11) satisfied:

$$(m^2 - 6n^2) + 2n^2\sqrt{31} = (1520 + 273\sqrt{31})^k, k \in \mathbb{Z}^+. \quad (18)$$

$$\therefore m^2 - 6n^2 = s_k, 2n^2 = r_k, k \in \mathbb{Z}^+.$$

$$\therefore r_{k+2} = 3040r_{k+1} - r_k, r_0 = 0, r_1 = 273. \quad (19)$$

Making an equivalent of the modulus 2 on recurrent sequence (19), we will get the residue class sequence $0, 1, 0, 1, \dots$, cycle for 2.

$$\text{And just when } k \equiv 1(\text{mod}2), r_k \equiv 1(\text{mod}2).$$

$$\text{Just when } k \equiv 0(\text{mod}2), r_k \equiv 0(\text{mod}2).$$

$$\because 2n^2 = r_k, \therefore r_k \text{ is even. } \therefore k \equiv 0(\text{mod}2).$$

We can get $k = 2$ or $2 \nmid k$ from the Key lemma.

So, we will get

$$\begin{aligned} m^2 - 6n^2 + n^2\sqrt{124} &= m^2 - 6n^2 + 2n^2\sqrt{31} \\ &= (1520 + 273\sqrt{31})^2 \\ &= 4260799 + 829920\sqrt{31}. \end{aligned}$$

Taken together, we will get:

$m^2 - 6n^2 = 4260799$, $2n^2 = 829920$, $n^2 = 414960$. All appearance it has no integer points, this shows that equation (15) has no integer points.

In conclusion, elliptic curve $y^2 = x^3 + 19x - 46$ has only one integer point $(x, y) = (2, 0)$.

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