Non-existence of integer solutions for the Diophantine equation $p^x + p^y + n^z = w^2$, where p is an odd prime number and n is a positive integer

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Abstract. In this research, we investigate some conditions for the non-existence of integer solutions of the Diophantine equation $p^x + p^y + n^z = w^2$, where p is an odd prime number and n is a positive integer. Moreover, numerous examples to illustrate these cases are provided.

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1. Introduction

One of the famous Diophantine equations is the exponential Diophantine equation $a^x + b^y = w^2$, where a and b are positive integers. Many authors investigated the non-negative integer solutions of the equation, where a and b are specified as positive integers (c.f. [1], [3] and [15]). Positive integer a or b is studied as variable under certain conditions in various manuscripts. In [5], [11], [14] and [17], either a or b is a fixed number and in [4], [7], [8] [9], [10] both a and b are variables that satisfy some conditions. Moreover, the non-existence of positive integer solutions to the Diophantine equation is studied; see [16].

The Diophantine equation $a^x + b^y + c^z = w^2$, where a, b and c are positive integers, was constructed and studied. In [2], Bacani and Rabago gave all nonnegative integer solutions of the equation $3^x + 5^y + 7^z = w^2$. Similarly, a, b and c are considered in other papers as variables satisfying some conditions.

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In [6], all integer solutions of the equation $p^x + (p+1)^y + (p+2)^z = w^2$ are provided, where p is a prime number and $1 \le x, y, z \le 2$. Recently, Pandichelvi and Sandhya [12] showed integer solutions of the equation $p_1^x + p_2^y + p_3^z = M^2$, where p_1, p_2, p_3 are prime numbers and $x, y, z \in \{1, 2\}$.

In this research, the Diophantine equation

$$(1) p^x + p^y + n^z = w^2$$

is studied, where p is an odd prime number and n is a positive integer. We found some conditions for the contradiction of the existence of solutions of (1) by modulo 4, p, p-1 and p+1. Thus, many Diophantine equations of the form (1), which have no solutions, are demonstrated.

2. Non-existence of solutions by modulo 4

In this section, we investigate conditions on n modulo 4 for the non-existence of non-negative integer solutions to (1). First, we characterize the conditions for $n^z \equiv 0, 1, 2, 3 \pmod{4}$.

Lemma 2.1. Let n be a positive integer and z be a non-negative integer. Then,

- 1. $n^z \equiv 0 \pmod{4}$ if and only if $n \equiv 0, 2 \pmod{4}$, where $z \geq 2$;
- 2. $n^z \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$ if and only if $n \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$ or $n \equiv 3 \pmod{4}$ and z is even, where $z \geq 1$;
- 3. $n^z \equiv 2 \pmod{4}$ if and only if $n \equiv 2 \pmod{4}$ and z = 1;
- 4. $n^z \equiv 3 \pmod{4}$ if and only if $n \equiv 3 \pmod{4}$ and z is odd.
- **Proof.** 1. Let $z \ge 2$. First, assume that $n^z \equiv 0 \pmod{4}$. Suppose that $n \equiv 1, 3 \pmod{4}$. Then, $n^z \equiv 1, 3 \pmod{4}$, a contradiction. Thus, $n \equiv 0, 2 \pmod{4}$. Conversely, it is easy to show that $n^z \equiv 0 \pmod{4}$ if $n \equiv 0, 2 \pmod{4}$ and $z \ge 2$.
- 2. Let $z \ge 1$. First, assume that $n^z \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$. Then, $n \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$ or $n \equiv 3 \pmod{4}$. If $n \equiv 3 \pmod{4}$, then $n^z \equiv (-1)^z \pmod{4}$ so that z is even. Therefore, $n \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$ or $n \equiv 3 \pmod{4}$ and z is even. The converse is obtained obviously.
- 3. Assume that $n^z \equiv 2 \pmod 4$. Then, $n \equiv 2 \pmod 4$. Suppose that z = 0 or z > 1. Thus, $n^z \equiv 1 \pmod 4$ or $n^z \equiv 0 \pmod 4$, respectively. This contradicts to the assumption. Therefore, $n \equiv 2 \pmod 4$ and z = 1. It is obvious for the converse.
- 4. Assume that $n^z \equiv 3 \pmod{4}$. Then, $n \equiv 3 \pmod{4}$. Hence, $n^z \equiv (-1)^z \pmod{4}$ so that z is odd. Therefore, $n \equiv 3 \pmod{4}$ and z is odd. The converse is obtained obviously.

The following lemma gives the conditions that lead to $w^2 \equiv 2, 3 \pmod{4}$ and contradict the existence of non-negative integer solutions of (1).

Lemma 2.2. Let n be a positive integer. Then, (1) has no non-negative integer solution if

- 1. $p \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$ and $n^z \equiv 0, 1 \pmod{4}$ or
- 2. $p \equiv 3 \pmod{4}$, x, y have same parity and $n^z \equiv 0, 1 \pmod{4}$ or
- 3. $p \equiv 3 \pmod{4}$, x, y have opposite parity and $n^z \equiv 2, 3 \pmod{4}$.
- **Proof.** 1. Assume that $p \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$ and $n^z \equiv 0, 1 \pmod{4}$. Then, $p^x \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$ and $p^y \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$. Thus, $p^x + p^y + n^z \equiv 2, 3 \pmod{4}$ so that $w^2 \equiv 2, 3 \pmod{4}$. Therefore, (1) has no non-negative integer solution.
- 2. Assume that $p \equiv 3 \pmod{4}$, x, y have same parity and $n^z \equiv 0, 1 \pmod{4}$. Then, $p^x \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$ and $p^y \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$, where x, y are even or $p^x \equiv 3 \pmod{4}$ and $p^y \equiv 3 \pmod{4}$, where x, y are odd. Hence, $w^2 = p^x + p^y + n^z \equiv 2, 3 \pmod{4}$. Therefore, (1) has no non-negative integer solution.
- 3. Assume that $p \equiv 3 \pmod 4$, x, y have opposite parity and $n^z \equiv 2, 3 \pmod 4$. Then, $p^x \equiv 1 \pmod 4$ and $p^y \equiv 3 \pmod 4$, where x is even and y is odd or $p^x \equiv 3 \pmod 4$ and $p^y \equiv 1 \pmod 4$, where x is odd and y is even. Hence, $w^2 = p^x + p^y + n^z \equiv 2, 3 \pmod 4$. Therefore, (1) has no non-negative integer solution.

For $p \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$, it is easy to show that (1) has no non-negative integer solution, where z = 0. Next, we study the case $z \geq 2$.

Theorem 2.1. Let $p \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$ and $z \geq 2$. Then, (1) has no non-negative integer solution if

- 1. $n \equiv 0, 1, 2 \pmod{4}$ or
- 2. $n \equiv 3 \pmod{4}$ and z is even.
- **Proof.** 1. Assume that $n \equiv 0, 1, 2 \pmod{4}$. By Lemma 2.1 (1) and (2), we obtain that $n^z \equiv 0, 1 \pmod{4}$. Thus, (1) has no non-negative integer solution by Lemma 2.2 (1).
- 2. Assume that $n\equiv 3\pmod 4$ and z is even. By Lemma 2.1 (2), we obtain that $n^z\equiv 1\pmod 4$. Thus, (1) has no non-negative integer solution by Lemma 2.2 (1).

Corollary 2.1. The Diophantine equation $p^x + p^y + n^{2z+2} = w^2$ has no non-negative integer solution, where $p \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$.

Proof. It is obvious that 2z + 2 is even and $2z + 2 \ge 2$ for all non-negative integer z. By Theorem 2.1 (1) and (2), $p^x + p^y + n^{2z+2} = w^2$ has no non-negative integer solution.

Furthermore, some conditions of n that (1) has no non-negative integer solution are investigated where $z \geq 0$.

Corollary 2.2. The Diophantine equation $p^x + p^y + n^z = w^2$ has no non-negative integer solution, where $p \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$ and $n \equiv 0, 1 \pmod{4}$.

Proof. Since $n \equiv 0, 1 \pmod{4}$, we can conclude that $n^z \equiv 0, 1 \pmod{4}$. By Lemma 2.2 (1), $p^x + p^y + n^z = w^2$ has no non-negative integer solution.

Similarly, we obtain the non-existence of non-negative integer solutions for $p\equiv 3\pmod 4$ and x,y have same parity by Lemma 2.1 (1), (2) and Lemma 2.2 (2).

Theorem 2.2. Let $p \equiv 3 \pmod{4}$, $z \geq 2$ and x, y have same parity. Then, (1) has no non-negative integer solution if

- 1. $n \equiv 0, 1, 2 \pmod{4}$ or
- 2. $n \equiv 3 \pmod{4}$ and z is even.
- **Proof.** 1. Assume that $n \equiv 0, 1, 2 \pmod{4}$. By Lemma 2.1 (1) and (2), we obtain that $n^z \equiv 0, 1 \pmod{4}$. Thus, (1) has no non-negative integer solution by Lemma 2.2 (2).
- 2. Assume that $n\equiv 3\pmod 4$ and z is even. By Lemma 2.1 (2), we obtain that $n^z\equiv 1\pmod 4$. Thus, (1) has no non-negative integer solution by Lemma 2.2 (2).

Corollary 2.3. The Diophantine equation $p^{2x} + p^{2y} + n^{2z+2} = w^2$ has no non-negative integer solution, where $p \equiv 3 \pmod{4}$.

Proof. It is obvious that 2x, 2y and 2z + 2 are even. Then, 2x, 2y have same parity and $2z + 2 \ge 2$ for all non-negative integer z. By Theorem 2.2 (1) and (2), $p^{2x} + p^{2y} + n^{2z+2} = w^2$ has no non-negative integer solution.

Corollary 2.4. The Diophantine equation $p^{2x+1} + p^{2y+1} + n^{2z+2} = w^2$ has no non-negative integer solution, where $p \equiv 3 \pmod{4}$.

Proof. It is clear that 2x+1, 2y+1 are odd and 2z+2 is even. Then, 2x+1,2y+1 have same parity and $2z+2\geq 2$ for all non-negative integer z. By Theorem 2.2 (1) and (2), $p^{2x+1}+p^{2y+1}+n^{2z+2}=w^2$ has no non-negative integer solution.

Next, we can confirm the non-existence of non-negative integer solution of (1) where x, y have same parity and $z \ge 0$.

Corollary 2.5. The Diophantine equation $p^{2x} + p^{2y} + n^z = w^2$ has no non-negative integer solution, where $p \equiv 3 \pmod{4}$ and $n \equiv 0, 1 \pmod{4}$.

Proof. It is obvious that 2x, 2y have same parity and $n^z \equiv 0, 1 \pmod{4}$. By Lemma 2.2 (2), $p^{2x} + p^{2y} + n^z = w^2$ has no non-negative integer solution. \square

Corollary 2.6. The Diophantine equation $p^{2x+1} + p^{2y+1} + n^z = w^2$ has no non-negative integer solution, where $p \equiv 3 \pmod{4}$ and $n \equiv 0, 1 \pmod{4}$.

Proof. It is obvious that 2x+1, 2y+1 have same parity and $n^z \equiv 0, 1 \pmod{4}$. By Lemma 2.2 (2), $p^{2x+1}+p^{2y+1}+n^z=w^2$ has no non-negative integer solution.

By Lemma 2.1 (3), (4) and Lemma 2.2 (3), we obtain the following theorem.

Theorem 2.3. Let $p \equiv 3 \pmod{4}$ and x, y have opposite parity. Then, (1) has no non-negative integer solution if

- 1. $n \equiv 2 \pmod{4}$ and z = 1 or
- 2. $n \equiv 3 \pmod{4}$ and z is odd.
- **Proof.** 1. Assume that $n\equiv 2\pmod{4}$ and z=1. By Lemma 2.1 (3), we obtain that $n^z\equiv 2\pmod{4}$. Thus, (1) has no non-negative integer solution by Lemma 2.2 (3).
- 2. Assume that $n\equiv 3\pmod 4$ and z is odd. By Lemma 2.1 (4), we obtain that $n^z\equiv 3\pmod 4$. Thus, (1) has no non-negative integer solution by Lemma 2.2 (3).
- **Corollary 2.7.** The Diophantine equation $p^{2x+1} + p^{2y} + n^{2z+1} = w^2$ has no non-negative integer solution, where $p \equiv 3 \pmod{4}$ and $n \equiv 3 \pmod{4}$.

Proof. It is obvious that 2x + 1, 2y have opposite parity and 2z + 1 is odd. By Theorem 2.3 (2), $p^{2x+1} + p^{2y} + n^{2z+1} = w^2$ has no non-negative integer solution.

Corollary 2.8. The Diophantine equation $p^{2x+1} + p^{2y} + n = w^2$ has no non-negative integer solution, where $p \equiv 3 \pmod{4}$ and $n \equiv 2 \pmod{4}$.

Proof. It is obvious that 2x + 1, 2y have opposite parity. By Theorem 2.3 (1), $p^{2x+1} + p^{2y} + n = w^2$ has no non-negative integer solution.

3. Non-existence of solutions by modulo p

In this section, we confirm that (1) has no positive integer solution by modulo p and Legendre symbol $\left(\frac{n}{p}\right)$. Moreover, we gather some forms of an odd prime number p in Legendre symbol $\left(\frac{q}{p}\right)$, $\left(\frac{2q}{p}\right)$ and $\left(\frac{p_1p_2}{p}\right)$, where q, p_1 and p_2 are distinct prime numbers.

Theorem 3.1. Let x and y be positive integers and z be an odd positive integer. If $\left(\frac{n}{p}\right) = -1$, then (1) has no positive integer solution.

Proof. Assume that (1) has a positive integer solution. Since x and y are positive integers, we have $w^2 \equiv n^z \pmod{p}$. Then, $\left(\frac{n^z}{p}\right) = 1$. Since z is odd, we can conclude that $\left(\frac{n}{p}\right) = 1$.

By the above theorem, we found that an odd prime number p with $\left(\frac{n}{p}\right) = -1$ has an important role non-existence of positive integer solutions of (1). In [16], Tadee and Siraworakun investigated the forms of an odd prime number p in Legendre symbols $\left(\frac{q}{p}\right)$ and $\left(\frac{2q}{p}\right)$, where q is an odd prime number.

Theorem 3.2 ([16]). Let p and q be distinct odd prime numbers with $q \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$. Then,

$$\left(\frac{q}{p}\right) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } p \equiv q + r^{S_1}q + r^{S_1} \pmod{2q} \\ -1 & \text{if } p \equiv q + r^{S_2}q + r^{S_2} \pmod{2q} \end{cases},$$

where $S_1 \in \{2, 4, 6, ..., q - 1\}$, $S_2 \in \{1, 3, 5, ..., q - 2\}$ and r is a primitive root modulo q.

Theorem 3.3 ([16]). Let p and q be distinct odd prime numbers with $q \equiv 3 \pmod{4}$. Then,

$$\left(\frac{q}{p}\right) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } p \equiv 3q + 4n_0r^{S_1} \pmod{4q} \text{ or } \\ & p \equiv -3q + 4n_0r^{S_2} \pmod{4q} \\ -1 & \text{if } p \equiv 3q + 4n_0r^{S_2} \pmod{4q} \text{ or } \\ & p \equiv -3q + 4n_0r^{S_1} \pmod{4q} \end{cases},$$

where $S_1 \in \{2, 4, 6, \dots, q-1\}$, $S_2 \in \{1, 3, 5, \dots, q-2\}$, r is a primitive root modulo q and $n_0 = \frac{q+1}{4}$.

Theorem 3.4 ([16]). Let p and q be distinct odd prime numbers with $q \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$. Then,

$$\left(\frac{2q}{p}\right) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } p \equiv q^2 + 8n_1r^{S_1} & (\text{mod } 8q) \text{ or } \\ p \equiv -q^2 + 8n_1r^{S_1} & (\text{mod } 8q) \text{ or } \\ p \equiv 3q^2 + 8n_1r^{S_2} & (\text{mod } 8q) \text{ or } \\ p \equiv -3q^2 + 8n_1r^{S_2} & (\text{mod } 8q) \text{ or } \\ -1 & \text{if } p \equiv q^2 + 8n_1r^{S_2} & (\text{mod } 8q) \text{ or } \\ p \equiv -q^2 + 8n_1r^{S_2} & (\text{mod } 8q) \text{ or } \\ p \equiv 3q^2 + 8n_1r^{S_1} & (\text{mod } 8q) \text{ or } \\ p \equiv -3q^2 + 8n_1r^{S_1} & (\text{mod } 8q) \end{cases}$$

where $S_1 \in \{2,4,6,\ldots,q-1\}$, $S_2 \in \{1,3,5,\ldots,q-2\}$, r is a primitive root modulo q and if $\frac{q-1}{4}$ is an even number, then $n_1 = \frac{-q+1}{8}$, and if otherwise, then $n_1 = \frac{3q+1}{8}$.

Theorem 3.5 ([16]). Let p and q be distinct odd prime numbers with $q \equiv 3 \pmod{4}$. Then,

where $S_1 \in \{2,4,6,\ldots,q-1\}$, $S_2 \in \{1,3,5,\ldots,q-2\}$, r is a primitive root modulo q, $n_0 = \frac{q+1}{4}$ and if $\frac{q-3}{4}$ is an even number, then $n_1 = \frac{5q+1}{8}$, and if otherwise, then $n_1 = \frac{q+1}{8}$.

Moreover, Siraworakun, Wannaphan and Seesod gave forms of an odd prime number p in Legendre symbol $\binom{p_1p_2}{p}$, where p_1 and p_2 are distinct prime numbers in [13].

Theorem 3.6 ([13]). Let p_1, p_2 and p be distinct odd prime numbers with $p_1 \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$ and $p_2 \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$. Then,

$$\left(\frac{p_1 p_2}{p}\right) = \begin{cases}
1 & \text{if } p \equiv p_1 p_2 + 2(n_1 r_1^{S_1} p_2 + n_2 r_2^{S_2} p_1) \pmod{2p_1 p_2} \text{ or} \\
p \equiv p_1 p_2 + 2(n_1 r_1^{T_1} p_2 + n_2 r_2^{T_2} p_1) \pmod{2p_1 p_2} \\
-1 & \text{if } p \equiv p_1 p_2 + 2(n_1 r_1^{S_1} p_2 + n_2 r_2^{T_2} p_1) \pmod{2p_1 p_2} \text{ or} \\
p \equiv p_1 p_2 + 2(n_1 r_1^{T_1} p_2 + n_2 r_2^{S_2} p_1) \pmod{2p_1 p_2}
\end{cases}$$

where

$$S_1 \in \{2, 4, 6, \dots, p_1 - 1\}, S_2 \in \{2, 4, 6, \dots, p_2 - 1\},\$$

 $T_1 \in \{1, 3, 5, \dots, p_1 - 2\}, T_2 \in \{1, 3, 5, \dots, p_2 - 2\}$

and r_1, r_2 are primitive roots modulo p_1 and p_2 , respectively and n_1, n_2 are integers with $2p_2n_1 \equiv 1 \pmod{p_1}$ and $2p_1n_2 \equiv 1 \pmod{p_2}$.

Theorem 3.7 ([13]). Let p_1, p_2 and p be distinct odd prime numbers with $p_1 \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$ and $p_2 \equiv 3 \pmod{4}$. Then,

$$\begin{pmatrix} \frac{p_1p_2}{p} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } p \equiv -p_1p_2 + 4(n_3r_1^{S_1}p_2 + 4n_0n_4r_2^{S_2}p_1) & (\text{mod } 4p_1p_2) \, \text{or} \\ p \equiv p_1p_2 + 4(n_3r_1^{S_1}p_2 + 4n_0n_4r_2^{T_2}p_1) & (\text{mod } 4p_1p_2) \, \text{or} \\ p \equiv -p_1p_2 + 4(n_3r_1^{T_1}p_2 + 4n_0n_4r_2^{T_2}p_1) & (\text{mod } 4p_1p_2) \, \text{or} \\ p \equiv p_1p_2 + 4(n_3r_1^{T_1}p_2 + 4n_0n_4r_2^{S_2}p_1) & (\text{mod } 4p_1p_2) \, \text{or} \\ -1 & \text{if } p \equiv -p_1p_2 + 4(n_3r_1^{T_1}p_2 + 4n_0n_4r_2^{S_2}p_1) & (\text{mod } 4p_1p_2) \, \text{or} \\ p \equiv p_1p_2 + 4(n_3r_1^{T_1}p_2 + 4n_0n_4r_2^{T_2}p_1) & (\text{mod } 4p_1p_2) \, \text{or} \\ p \equiv -p_1p_2 + 4(n_3r_1^{S_1}p_2 + 4n_0n_4r_2^{T_2}p_1) & (\text{mod } 4p_1p_2) \, \text{or} \\ p \equiv p_1p_2 + 4(n_3r_1^{S_1}p_2 + 4n_0n_4r_2^{S_2}p_1) & (\text{mod } 4p_1p_2) \, \text{or} \\ p \equiv p_1p_2 + 4(n_3r_1^{S_1}p_2 + 4n_0n_4r_2^{S_2}p_1) & (\text{mod } 4p_1p_2) \, \text{or} \\ p \equiv p_1p_2 + 4(n_3r_1^{S_1}p_2 + 4n_0n_4r_2^{S_2}p_1) & (\text{mod } 4p_1p_2) \, \text{or} \\ p \equiv p_1p_2 + 4(n_3r_1^{S_1}p_2 + 4n_0n_4r_2^{S_2}p_1) & (\text{mod } 4p_1p_2) \, \text{or} \\ p \equiv p_1p_2 + 4(n_3r_1^{S_1}p_2 + 4n_0n_4r_2^{S_2}p_1) & (\text{mod } 4p_1p_2) \, \text{or} \\ p \equiv p_1p_2 + 4(n_3r_1^{S_1}p_2 + 4n_0n_4r_2^{S_2}p_1) & (\text{mod } 4p_1p_2) \, \text{or} \\ p \equiv p_1p_2 + 4(n_3r_1^{S_1}p_2 + 4n_0n_4r_2^{S_2}p_1) & (\text{mod } 4p_1p_2) \, \text{or} \\ p \equiv p_1p_2 + 4(n_3r_1^{S_1}p_2 + 4n_0n_4r_2^{S_2}p_1) & (\text{mod } 4p_1p_2) \, \text{or} \\ p \equiv p_1p_2 + 4(n_3r_1^{S_1}p_2 + 4n_0n_4r_2^{S_2}p_1) & (\text{mod } 4p_1p_2) \, \text{or} \\ p \equiv p_1p_2 + 4(n_3r_1^{S_1}p_2 + 4n_0n_4r_2^{S_2}p_1) & (\text{mod } 4p_1p_2) \, \text{or} \\ p \equiv p_1p_2 + 4(n_3r_1^{S_1}p_2 + 4n_0n_4r_2^{S_2}p_1) & (\text{mod } 4p_1p_2) \, \text{or} \\ p \equiv p_1p_2 + 4(n_3r_1^{S_1}p_2 + 4n_0n_4r_2^{S_2}p_1) & (\text{mod } 4p_1p_2) \, \text{or} \\ p \equiv p_1p_2 + 4(n_3r_1^{S_1}p_2 + 4n_0n_4r_2^{S_2}p_1) & (\text{mod } 4p_1p_2) \, \text{or} \\ p \equiv p_1p_2 + 4(n_3r_1^{S_1}p_2 + 4n_0n_4r_2^{S_2}p_1) & (\text{mod } 4p_1p_2) \, \text{or} \\ p \equiv p_1p_2 + 4(n_3r_1^{S_1}p_2 + 4n_0n_4r_2^{S_2}p_1) & (\text{mod } 4p_1p_2) \, \text{or} \\ p \equiv p_1p_2 + 4(n_3r_1^{S_1}p_2 + 4n_0n_4r_2^{S_2}p_1) & (\text{mod } 4p_1p_2) \, \text{or} \\ p \equiv p_1p_2 + 4(n_3r_1^{S_1}p_2 + 4n_0n_4r_2^{S_2}p_1) & (\text{mod$$

where

$$S_1 \in \{2, 4, 6, \dots, p_1 - 1\}, S_2 \in \{2, 4, 6, \dots, p_2 - 1\},\$$

 $T_1 \in \{1, 3, 5, \dots, p_1 - 2\}, T_2 \in \{1, 3, 5, \dots, p_2 - 2\}$

and r_1, r_2 are primitive roots modulo p_1 and p_2 , respectively and n_0, n_3, n_4 are integers with $n_0 = \frac{p_2+1}{4}$, $4p_2n_3 \equiv 1 \pmod{p_1}$ and $4p_1n_4 \equiv 1 \pmod{p_2}$.

Theorem 3.8 ([13]). Let p_1, p_2 and p be distinct odd prime numbers with $p_1 \equiv 3 \pmod{4}$ and $p_2 \equiv 3 \pmod{4}$. Then,

$$\begin{pmatrix} \frac{p_1p_2}{p} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } p \equiv p_1p_2 + 16(m_0n_3r_1^{S_1}p_2 + n_0n_4r_2^{S_2}p_1) & (\text{mod } 4p_1p_2) \text{ or } \\ p \equiv -p_1p_2 + 16(m_0n_3r_1^{T_1}p_2 + n_0n_4r_2^{T_2}p_1) & (\text{mod } 4p_1p_2) \text{ or } \\ p \equiv p_1p_2 + 16(m_0n_3r_1^{T_1}p_2 + n_0n_4r_2^{T_2}p_1) & (\text{mod } 4p_1p_2) \text{ or } \\ p \equiv -p_1p_2 + 16(m_0n_3r_1^{S_1}p_2 + n_0n_4r_2^{S_2}p_1) & (\text{mod } 4p_1p_2) \text{ or } \\ -1 & \text{if } p \equiv p_1p_2 + 16(m_0n_3r_1^{T_1}p_2 + n_0n_4r_2^{S_2}p_1) & (\text{mod } 4p_1p_2) \text{ or } \\ p \equiv -p_1p_2 + 16(m_0n_3r_1^{S_1}p_2 + n_0n_4r_2^{T_2}p_1) & (\text{mod } 4p_1p_2) \text{ or } \\ p \equiv p_1p_2 + 16(m_0n_3r_1^{S_1}p_2 + n_0n_4r_2^{T_2}p_1) & (\text{mod } 4p_1p_2) \text{ or } \\ p \equiv -p_1p_2 + 16(m_0n_3r_1^{T_1}p_2 + n_0n_4r_2^{T_2}p_1) & (\text{mod } 4p_1p_2) \text{ or } \\ p \equiv -p_1p_2 + 16(m_0n_3r_1^{T_1}p_2 + n_0n_4r_2^{T_2}p_1) & (\text{mod } 4p_1p_2) \text{ or } \\ p \equiv -p_1p_2 + 16(m_0n_3r_1^{T_1}p_2 + n_0n_4r_2^{T_2}p_1) & (\text{mod } 4p_1p_2) \end{cases}$$

where

$$S_1 \in \{2, 4, 6, \dots, p_1 - 1\}, S_2 \in \{2, 4, 6, \dots, p_2 - 1\},\$$

 $T_1 \in \{1, 3, 5, \dots, p_1 - 2\}, T_2 \in \{1, 3, 5, \dots, p_2 - 2\}$

and r_1, r_2 are primitive roots modulo p_1 and p_2 , respectively and m_0, n_0, n_3, n_4 are integers with $m_0 = \frac{p_1+1}{4}$, $n_0 = \frac{p_2+1}{4}$, $4p_2n_3 \equiv 1 \pmod{p_1}$ and $4p_1n_4 \equiv 1 \pmod{p_2}$.

Now, we combine Theorem 3.1 with Theorem 3.2-3.8 to prove Theorem 3.9-3.15. In addition, many examples of (1), that have no positive integer solution, are demonstrated in Corollary 3.1 - 3.7.

Theorem 3.9. Let x and y be positive integers and z be an odd positive integer. If p and q are distinct odd prime numbers with the following conditions:

1.
$$q \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$$
 and

2.
$$p \equiv q + r^{S_2}q + r^{S_2} \pmod{2q}$$
,

where $S_2 \in \{1, 3, 5, ..., q-2\}$ and r is a primitive root modulo q, then the Diophantine equation $p^x + p^y + q^z = w^2$ has no positive integer solution.

Proof. By Theorem 3.2, $\left(\frac{q}{p}\right) = -1$. Thus, $p^x + p^y + q^z = w^2$ has no positive integer solution by Theorem 3.1.

Corollary 3.1. The Diophantine equation $p^x + p^y + 5^{2z+1} = w^2$ has no positive integer solution, where $p \equiv \pm 3 \pmod{10}$.

Proof. It is obvious that 2z + 1 is odd. Let q = 5 and r = 2. Then, $q \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$ and r is a primitive root modulo q. Since $p \equiv \pm 3 \pmod{10}$, we have $p \equiv q + r^{S_2}q + r^{S_2} \pmod{2q}$, where $S_2 \in \{1, 3, 5, \ldots, q - 2\}$. By Theorem 3.9, $p^x + p^y + 5^{2z+1} = w^2$ has no positive integer solution.

Theorem 3.10. Let x and y be positive integers and z be an odd positive integer. If p and q are distinct odd prime numbers with the following conditions:

1.
$$q \equiv 3 \pmod{4}$$
 and

2.
$$p \equiv 3q + 4n_0r^{S_2}$$
, $-3q + 4n_0r^{S_1} \pmod{4q}$,

where $S_1 \in \{2, 4, 6, ..., q-1\}$, $S_2 \in \{1, 3, 5, ..., q-2\}$, r is a primitive root modulo q and $n_0 = \frac{q+1}{4}$, then the Diophantine equation $p^x + p^y + q^z = w^2$ has no positive integer solution.

Proof. By Theorem 3.3, $\left(\frac{q}{p}\right) = -1$. Thus, $p^x + p^y + q^z = w^2$ has no positive integer solution by Theorem 3.1.

Corollary 3.2. The Diophantine equation $p^x + p^y + 3^{2z+1} = w^2$ has no positive integer solution, where $p \equiv \pm 5 \pmod{12}$.

Proof. It is obvious that 2z+1 is odd. Let q=3, r=2 and $n_0=1$. Then, $q\equiv 3\pmod 4$, r is a primitive root modulo q and $n_0=\frac{q+1}{4}$. Since $p\equiv \pm 5\pmod {12}$, we have $p\equiv 3q+4n_0r^{S_2}, -3q+4n_0r^{S_1}\pmod {4q}$, where $S_1\in\{2,4,6,\ldots,q-1\}$ and $S_2\in\{1,3,5,\ldots,q-2\}$. By Theorem 3.10, $p^x+p^y+3^{2z+1}=w^2$ has no positive integer solution.

Theorem 3.11. Let x and y be positive integers and z be an odd positive integer. If p and q are distinct odd prime numbers with the following conditions:

1.
$$q \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$$
 and

$$2. \ p \equiv \ q^2 + 8n_1r^{S_2}, \ -q^2 + 8n_1r^{S_2}, \ 3q^2 + 8n_1r^{S_1}, \ -3q^2 + 8n_1r^{S_1} \ (\text{mod } 8q),$$

where $S_1 \in \{2,4,6,\ldots,q-1\}$, $S_2 \in \{1,3,5,\ldots,q-2\}$, r is a primitive root modulo q and if $\frac{q-1}{4}$ is an even number, then $n_1 = \frac{-q+1}{8}$, and if otherwise, then $n_1 = \frac{3q+1}{8}$, then the Diophantine equation $p^x + p^y + (2q)^z = w^2$ has no positive integer solution.

Proof. By Theorem 3.4, $\left(\frac{2q}{p}\right) = -1$. Thus, $p^x + p^y + (2q)^z = w^2$ has no positive integer solution by Theorem 3.1.

Corollary 3.3. The Diophantine equation $p^x + p^y + 10^{2z+1} = w^2$ has no positive integer solution, where $p \equiv \pm 7, \pm 11, \pm 17, \pm 19 \pmod{40}$.

Proof. It is obvious that 2z + 1 is odd. Let q = 5, r = 2 and $n_1 = 2$. Then, $q \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$, r is a primitive root modulo q and $n_1 = \frac{3q+1}{8}$. Since $p \equiv \pm 7, \pm 11, \pm 17, \pm 19 \pmod{40}$, we have $p \equiv q^2 + 8n_1r^{S_2}, -q^2 + 8n_1r^{S_2}, 3q^2 + 8n_1r^{S_1}, -3q^2 + 8n_1r^{S_1} \pmod{8q}$, where $S_1 \in \{2, 4, 6, \ldots, q-1\}$ and $S_2 \in \{1, 3, 5, \ldots, q-2\}$. By Theorem 3.11, $p^x + p^y + 10^{2z+1} = w^2$ has no positive integer solution.

Theorem 3.12. Let x and y be positive integers and z be an odd positive integer. If p and q are distinct odd prime numbers with the following conditions:

- 1. $q \equiv 3 \pmod{4}$ and
- 2. $p \equiv q^2 + 32n_0n_1r^{S_2}$, $-q^2 + 32n_0n_1r^{S_1}$, $3q^2 + 32n_0n_1r^{S_2}$, $-3q^2 + 32n_0n_1r^{S_1}$ (mod 8q),

where $S_1 \in \{2, 4, 6, \ldots, q-1\}$, $S_2 \in \{1, 3, 5, \ldots, q-2\}$, r is a primitive root modulo q, $n_0 = \frac{q+1}{4}$ and if $\frac{q-3}{4}$ is an even number, then $n_1 = \frac{5q+1}{8}$, and if otherwise, then $n_1 = \frac{q+1}{8}$, then the Diophantine equation $p^x + p^y + (2q)^z = w^2$ has no positive integer solution.

Proof. By Theorem 3.5, $\left(\frac{2q}{p}\right) = -1$. Thus, $p^x + p^y + (2q)^z = w^2$ has no positive integer solution by Theorem 3.1.

Corollary 3.4. The Diophantine equation $p^x + p^y + 6^{2z+1} = w^2$ has no positive integer solution, where $p \equiv \pm 7, \pm 11, \pmod{24}$.

Proof. It is obvious that 2z+1 is odd. Let $q=3, r=2, n_0=1$ and $n_1=2$. Then, $q\equiv 3\pmod 4$, r is a primitive root modulo $q, n_0=\frac{q+1}{4}$ and $n_1=\frac{5q+1}{8}$. Since $p\equiv \pm 7, \pm 11, \pmod{24}$, we have $p\equiv q^2+32n_0n_1r^{S_2}, -q^2+32n_0n_1r^{S_1}, 3q^2+32n_0n_1r^{S_2}, -3q^2+32n_0n_1r^{S_1}\pmod{8q}$, where $S_1\in\{2,4,6,\ldots,q-1\}$ and $S_2\in\{1,3,5,\ldots,q-2\}$. By Theorem 3.12, $p^x+p^y+6^{2z+1}=w^2$ has no positive integer solution.

Theorem 3.13. Let x and y be positive integers and z be an odd positive integer. If p_1, p_2 and p are distinct odd prime numbers with the following conditions:

- 1. $p_1 \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$, $p_2 \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$ and
- 2. $p \equiv p_1 p_2 + 2(n_1 r_1^{S_1} p_2 + n_2 r_2^{T_2} p_1), p_1 p_2 + 2(n_1 r_1^{T_1} p_2 + n_2 r_2^{S_2} p_1) \pmod{2p_1 p_2},$

where $S_1 \in \{2, 4, 6, \ldots, p_1 - 1\}$, $S_2 \in \{2, 4, 6, \ldots, p_2 - 1\}$, $T_1 \in \{1, 3, 5, \ldots, p_1 - 2\}$, $T_2 \in \{1, 3, 5, \ldots, p_2 - 2\}$ and r_1, r_2 are primitive roots modulo p_1 and p_2 , respectively and n_1, n_2 are integers with $2p_2n_1 \equiv 1 \pmod{p_1}$ and $2p_1n_2 \equiv 1 \pmod{p_2}$, then the Diophantine equation $p^x + p^y + (p_1p_2)^z = w^2$ has no positive integer solution.

Proof. By Theorem 3.6, $\left(\frac{p_1p_2}{p}\right) = -1$. Thus, $p^x + p^y + (p_1p_2)^z = w^2$ has no positive integer solution by Theorem 3.1.

Corollary 3.5. The Diophantine equation $p^x + p^y + 65^{2z+1} = w^2$ has no positive integer solution, where $p \equiv \pm 3, \pm 11, \pm 17, \pm 19, \pm 21, \pm 23, \pm 27, \pm 31, \pm 41, \pm 43, \pm 53, \pm 59 \pmod{130}$.

Proof. It is obvious that 2z+1 is odd. Let $p_1=5$, $p_2=13$, $r_1=2$, $r_2=2$, $n_1=1$ and $n_2=4$. Then, $p_1\equiv 1\pmod 4$, $p_2\equiv 1\pmod 4$. Since $p\equiv \pm 3, \pm 11, \pm 17, \pm 19, \pm 21, \pm 23, \pm 27, \pm 31, \pm 41, \pm 43, \pm 53, \pm 59\pmod 130$, we have $p\equiv p_1p_2+2(n_1r_1^{S_1}p_2+n_2r_2^{T_2}p_1)$, $p_1p_2+2(n_1r_1^{T_1}p_2+n_2r_2^{S_2}p_1)\pmod 2p_1p_2$, where $S_1\in\{2,4,6,\ldots,p_1-1\}$, $S_2\in\{2,4,6,\ldots,p_2-1\}$, $S_1\in\{1,3,5,\ldots,p_1-2\}$ and $S_1\in\{1,3,5,\ldots,p_2-2\}$. By Theorem 3.13, $S_1=\{1,3,5,\ldots,p_1-2\}$ has no positive integer solution.

Theorem 3.14. Let x and y be positive integers and z be an odd positive integer. If p_1, p_2 and p are distinct odd prime numbers with the following conditions:

1.
$$p_1 \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$$
, $p_2 \equiv 3 \pmod{4}$ and

2.
$$p \equiv -p_1 p_2 + 4(n_3 r_1^{T_1} p_2 + 4n_0 n_4 r_2^{S_2} p_1), \ p_1 p_2 + 4(n_3 r_1^{T_1} p_2 + 4n_0 n_4 r_2^{T_2} p_1), -p_1 p_2 + 4(n_3 r_1^{S_1} p_2 + 4n_0 n_4 r_2^{T_2} p_1), \ p_1 p_2 + 4(n_3 r_1^{S_1} p_2 + 4n_0 n_4 r_2^{S_2} p_1)$$
(mod $4p_1 p_2$),

where $S_1 \in \{2, 4, 6, ..., p_1 - 1\}$, $S_2 \in \{2, 4, 6, ..., p_2 - 1\}$, $T_1 \in \{1, 3, 5, ..., p_1 - 2\}$, $T_2 \in \{1, 3, 5, ..., p_2 - 2\}$ and T_1, T_2 are primitive roots modulo p_1 and p_2 , respectively and and n_0, n_3, n_4 are integers with $n_0 = \frac{p_2 + 1}{4}$, $4p_2n_3 \equiv 1 \pmod{p_1}$ and $4p_1n_4 \equiv 1 \pmod{p_2}$, then the Diophantine equation $p^x + p^y + (p_1p_2)^z = w^2$ has no positive integer solution.

Proof. By Theorem 3.7, $\left(\frac{p_1p_2}{p}\right) = -1$. Thus, $p^x + p^y + (p_1p_2)^z = w^2$ has no positive integer solution by Theorem 3.1.

Corollary 3.6. The Diophantine equation $p^x + p^y + 15^{2z+1} = w^2$ has no positive integer solution, where $p \equiv \pm 13, \pm 19, \pm 23, \pm 29 \pmod{60}$.

Proof. It is obvious that 2z+1 is odd. Let $p_1=5$, $p_2=3$, $r_1=2$, $r_2=2$, $n_0=1$, $n_3=3$ and $n_4=2$. Then, $p_1\equiv 1\pmod 4$, $p_2\equiv 3\pmod 4$, r_1,r_2 are primitive roots modulo p_1 and p_2 , respectively, $n_0=\frac{p_2+1}{4}$, $4p_2n_3\equiv 1\pmod {p_1}$ and $4p_1n_4\equiv 1\pmod {p_2}$. Since $p\equiv \pm 13,\pm 19,\pm 23,\pm 29\pmod {60}$, we have $p\equiv -p_1p_2+4(n_3r_1^{T_1}p_2+4n_0n_4r_2^{S_2}p_1)$, $p_1p_2+4(n_3r_1^{T_1}p_2+4n_0n_4r_2^{T_2}p_1)$, $-p_1p_2+4(n_3r_1^{S_1}p_2+4n_0n_4r_2^{T_2}p_1)$, $p_1p_2+4(n_3r_1^{S_1}p_2+4n_0n_4r_2^{T_2}p_1)$, where $S_1\in\{2,4,6,\ldots,p_1-1\},S_2\in\{2,4,6,\ldots,p_2-1\}$, $T_1\in\{1,3,5,\ldots,p_1-2\}$, and $T_2\in\{1,3,5,\ldots,p_2-2\}$. By Theorem 3.14, $p^x+p^y+15^{2z+1}=w^2$ has no positive integer solution.

Theorem 3.15. Let x and y be positive integers and z be an odd positive integer. If p_1, p_2 and p are distinct odd prime numbers with the following conditions:

1. $p_1 \equiv 3 \pmod{4}$, $p_2 \equiv 3 \pmod{4}$ and

2.
$$p \equiv p_1 p_2 + 16(m_0 n_3 r_1^{T_1} p_2 + n_0 n_4 r_2^{S_2} p_1), -p_1 p_2 + 16(m_0 n_3 r_1^{S_1} p_2 + n_0 n_4 r_2^{T_2} p_1), -p_1 p_2 + 16(m_0 n_3 r_1^{S_1} p_2 + n_0 n_4 r_2^{T_2} p_1), -p_1 p_2 + 16(m_0 n_3 r_1^{T_1} p_2 + n_0 n_4 r_2^{S_2} p_1) \pmod{4p_1 p_2},$$

where $S_1 \in \{2, 4, 6, \dots, p_1 - 1\}, S_2 \in \{2, 4, 6, \dots, p_2 - 1\}, T_1 \in \{1, 3, 5, \dots, p_1 - 2\}, T_2 \in \{1, 3, 5, \dots, p_2 - 2\}$ and r_1, r_2 are primitive roots modulo p_1 and p_2 , respectively and and m_0, n_0, n_3, n_4 are integers with $m_0 = \frac{p_1 + 1}{4}$, $n_0 = \frac{p_2 + 1}{4}$, $4p_2n_3 \equiv 1 \pmod{p_1}$ and $4p_1n_4 \equiv 1 \pmod{p_2}$, then the Diophantine equation $p^x + p^y + (p_1p_2)^z = w^2$ has no positive integer solution.

Proof. By Theorem 3.8, $\left(\frac{p_1p_2}{p}\right) = -1$. Thus, $p^x + p^y + (p_1p_2)^z = w^2$ has no positive integer solution by Theorem 3.1.

Corollary 3.7. The Diophantine equation $p^x + p^y + 21^{2z+1} = w^2$ has no positive integer solution, where $p \equiv \pm 11, \pm 13, \pm 19, \pm 23, \pm 29, \pm 31 \pmod{84}$.

Proof. It is obvious that 2z+1 is odd. Let $p_1=3$, $p_2=7$, $r_1=2$, $r_2=3$, $m_0=1$, $n_0=2$, $n_3=1$ and $n_4=3$. Then, $p_1\equiv 3\pmod 4$, $p_2\equiv 3\pmod 4$, $p_1=3\pmod 4$, $p_2=3\pmod 4$, $p_1=3\pmod 4$, $p_1=3\pmod 4$, $p_1=3\pmod 4$, $p_1=3\pmod 4$. Since $p_1=3\pmod 4$ and $p_2=3\pmod 4$. Since $p_1=3\pmod 4$, we have

$$p \equiv p_1 p_2 + 16(m_0 n_3 r_1^{T_1} p_2 + n_0 n_4 r_2^{S_2} p_1), \quad -p_1 p_2 + 16(m_0 n_3 r_1^{S_1} p_2 + n_0 n_4 r_2^{T_2} p_1),$$

$$p_1 p_2 + 16(m_0 n_3 r_1^{S_1} p_2 + n_0 n_4 r_2^{T_2} p_1),$$

$$-p_1 p_2 + 16(m_0 n_3 r_1^{T_1} p_2 + n_0 n_4 r_2^{S_2} p_1) \quad (\text{mod } 4p_1 p_2),$$

where $S_1 \in \{2, 4, 6, \dots, p_1 - 1\}, S_2 \in \{2, 4, 6, \dots, p_2 - 1\}, T_1 \in \{1, 3, 5, \dots, p_1 - 2\}$ and $T_2 \in \{1, 3, 5, \dots, p_2 - 2\}$ By Theorem 3.15, $p^x + p^y + 21^{2z+1} = w^2$ has no positive integer solution.

4. Non-existence of solutions by modulo p-1 and p+1

In the last section, we are interested in exploring some conditions of n by modulo p-1 and p+1 that (1) has no positive integer solution.

Theorem 4.1. Let $n \equiv 0 \pmod{p-1}$. If $p \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$, then (1) has no positive integer solution.

Proof. Assume that (1) has a positive integer solution. Then, $w^2 \equiv 2 \pmod{p-1}$. There exists an integer k such that $w^2 = (p-1)k+2 = 2((\frac{p-1}{2})k+1)$. Thus, $\frac{p-1}{2}$ is odd. Therefore, $p \equiv 3 \pmod{4}$.

Corollary 4.1. The Diophantine equation $p^x + p^y + ((p-1)k)^z = w^2$ has no positive integer solution, where $p \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$ and k is a positive integer.

Proof. Since $(p-1)k \equiv 0 \pmod{p-1}$ and $p \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$, we can conclude that $p^x + p^y + ((p-1)k)^z = w^2$ has no positive integer solution by Theorem 4.1. \square

Theorem 4.2. Let $n \equiv 0 \pmod{p+1}$ and x, y have the same parity. If $p \equiv 3 \pmod{4}$, then (1) has no positive integer solution.

Proof. Assume that (1) has a positive integer solution. Then, $w^2 = p^x + p^y + n^z \equiv (-1)^x + (-1)^y + 0 \pmod{p+1}$. Since x, y have same parity, we obtain that $w^2 \equiv \pm 2 \pmod{p+1}$. So, there exists an integer k such that $w^2 = (p+1)k \pm 2 = 2((\frac{p+1}{2})k \pm 1)$. Thus, $\frac{p+1}{2}$ is odd. Therefore, $p \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$.

Corollary 4.2. The Diophantine equation $p^{2x} + p^{2y} + ((p+1)k)^z = w^2$ has no positive integer solution, where $p \equiv 3 \pmod{4}$ and k is a positive integer.

Proof. It is obvious that 2x, 2y have same parity. Since $(p+1)k \equiv 0 \pmod{p+1}$ and $p \equiv 3 \pmod{4}$, we can conclude that $p^{2x} + p^{2y} + ((p+1)k)^z = w^2$ has no positive integer solution by Theorem 4.2.

Corollary 4.3. The Diophantine equation $p^{2x+1} + p^{2y+1} + ((p+1)k)^z = w^2$ has no positive integer solution, where $p \equiv 3 \pmod{4}$ and k is a positive integer.

Proof. It is obvious that 2x+1, 2y+1 have same parity. Since $(p+1)k \equiv 0 \pmod{p+1}$ and $p \equiv 3 \pmod{4}$, we can conclude that $p^{2x}+p^{2y}+((p+1)k)^z=w^2$ has no positive integer solution by Theorem 4.2.

5. Conclusion

We have studied the Diophantine equations $p^x + p^y + n^z = w^2$, where p is an odd prime number and n is a positive integer. Various conditions are provided to confirm that the Diophantine equations $p^x + p^y + n^z = w^2$ has no non-negative or positive integer solution. Moreover, we obtain numerous examples form all corollaries in this article.

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