

The Qu (2018) Conjectures, The Yang & Fu (2018) Conjectures, The Jiang (2020) Conjecture, The Tao (2016) Conjectures, The Cipu (2007) Conjecture, The Cipu & Mignotte (2007) Conjecture And The Simultaneous Pell Equations $x^2-(a^2-1)y^2=1$ and $y^2-pz^2=1$.

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Abstract.

This article shows that the *Qu (2018) conjectures*, the *Yang & Fu (2018) conjectures*, the *Jiang (2020) Conjecture-#1*, the *Tao (2016) Conjecture-#1*, the *Cipu & Mignotte (2007) Conjecture* and the *Cipu (2007) Conjecture* [all of which pertain to the system of Simultaneous Pell equations $x^2-(a^2-1)y^2=1$ and $y^2-pz^2=1$] are wrong.

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1. Introduction.

Qu (2018) supposedly proved that:

- i) where p is a prime number, the system of simultaneous Pell equations $x^2-(a^2-1)y^2=1$ and $y^2-pz^2=1$ (collectively, the “Simultaneous Pell System”) has only a positive integer solution $(x,y,z) = (31,8,3)$ for $p=7$ (the “*Qu (2018) Conjecture-#1*”) by using a Baker's lower bound and one lemma from Diophantine approximation to determine the lower and upper bounds respectively, on the variables of the equation; and
- ii) there is no positive solution to the Simultaneous Pell System for $a=(2,3)$ (the “*Qu (2018) Conjecture-#2*”); and
- iii) the Simultaneous Pell System has a positive integer solution only for $a=4$ which is $(x,y,z,p)=(31,8,3,7)$ (the “*Qu (2018) Conjecture-#3*”).

Yang & Fu (2018) supposedly developed complete solutions for the Simultaneous Pell Equations $x^2-(a^2-1)y^2=1$ and $y^2-pz^2=1$; and they claimed that:

- i) if $a \equiv 2$ or $3 \pmod{4}$, then the Simultaneous Pell System has no positive integer solutions (x,y,z) (the “*Yang & Fu (2018) Conjecture-#1*”); and
- ii) for $1 < a < 100$, the Simultaneous Pell System has only the positive integer solutions $(a,p,x,y,z) = (4, 7, 31, 8, 3), (5, 11, 49, 10, 3), (12, 23, 287, 24, 5), (13, 3, 337, 26, 15), (24, 47, 1151, 48, 7), (40, 79, 3199, 80, 9), (41, 83, 3361, 82, 9)$ and $(84, 167, 14111, 168, 13)$ (the “*Yang & Fu (2018) Conjecture-#2*”). Thus, the Yang & Fu (2018) positive integer solutions $[(a,p,x,y,z) = (4, 7, 31, 8, 3), (5, 11, 49, 10, 3),$

(12, 23, 287, 24, 5), (13, 3, 337, 26, 15), (24, 47, 1151, 48, 7), (40, 79, 3199, 80, 9), (41, 83, 3361, 82, 9) and (84, 167, 14111, 168, 13)] nullify the *Qu (2018) Conjecture-#3*, and the *Cipu & Mignotte (2007) Conjecture* and the *Jiang (2020) Conjecture-#1*. The *Ai, Chen, Zhang & Hu (2015)* positive-integer solutions (where $a=5$) are $(x,y,z,p)=(49,10,3,11)$ and $(x,y,z,p)=(485,99,70,2)$ and they nullify the *Yang & Fu (2018) Conjecture-#2*.

Ai, et. al. (2015) conjectured that the system of simultaneous equations $x^2 - 24y^2 = 1$ and $y^2 - pz^2 = 1$, where p is a prime, has at most one integer solution for each p , and that the only solutions for that system of equations are $(x,y,z)=(485,99,70)$ for $p=2$, and $(x,y,z)=(49,10,3)$ for $p=11$ (the “*Ai, Chen, Zhang & Hu (2015) Conjecture*”). Note that if $a=5$, then $x^2 - 24y^2 = 1$ is equivalent to $x^2 - (a^2 - 1)y^2 = 1$.

Tao (2016) conjectured that for the system of simultaneous Pell equations $x^2 - 24y^2 = 1$ and $y^2 - 2pz^2 = 1$ (where p is an odd prime) there is no positive integer solution (the “*Tao (2016) Conjecture-#1*”); and that for the second system of simultaneous equations $x^2 - 24y^2 = 1$ and $y^2 - 3pz^2 = 1$ (where $p > 3$ is a prime), there is no positive integer solution (the “*Tao (2016) Conjecture-#2*”).

Cipu (2007) conjectured that for positive integers m and b , the number of simultaneous solutions to the Simultaneous Pell Equations $x^2 - (4m^2 - 1)y^2 = 1$, and $y^2 - bz^2 = 1$ in positive integers isn't greater than one (the “*Cipu (2007) Conjecture*”). If $2m=a$, then $x^2 - (4m^2 - 1)y^2 = 1$ is equivalent to $x^2 - (a^2 - 1)y^2 = 1$.

Cipu (2018) stated that if one of the following conditions holds: (i) $2a^2 - 1$ is not a perfect square, (ii) $\{p(\bmod 8), q(\bmod 8)\} \neq \{1, 3\}$; then the equations $x^2 - (a^2 - 1)y^2 = 1$ and $y^2 - bz^2 = 1$ have solutions in positive integers iff $8a^2(2a^2 - 1)/b$ is a perfect square - and *Jiang (2020)* claims to completely solve these equations and the *Cipu (2018)* models when $a > 1, b$ are two positive integers where the square-free part of b is $2pq$ and (p, q) are two distinct odd primes (the “*Jiang (2020) Conjecture-#1*”).

Cipu & Mignotte (2007) conjectured that for any distinct nonzero integers a, b , the system of simultaneous Diophantine equations $x^2 - ay^2 = 1$ and $y^2 - bz^2 = 1$, has at most one positive integer solution (x, y, z) for $a = 4m^2 - 1$ (collectively, the “*Cipu & Mignotte (2007) Conjecture*”). Note that $(4m^2 - 1)$ is equivalent to $(\{2m\}^2 - 1)$.

Yuan (2004) conjectured that for any distinct non-zero integers (a, b) , the system of simultaneous Diophantine equations $x^2 - ay^2 = 1$ and $y^2 - bz^2 = 1$, has a maximum of one positive integer solution (x, y, z) for $a = 4m(m + 1)$ (the “*Yuan (2004) Conjecture*”).

Keskin, Karaatlı, et. al. (2017) and *Irmak (2016)* also analyzed the system of simultaneous equations $x^2 - 24y^2 = 1$ and $y^2 - pz^2 = 1$.

On solutions for Pell Equations, see: *Pinch (1988)*, *Catarino (2019)*, *Ddamulira & Luca (2020)*, *Raza & Malik (2018)*, *Nesterenko (2009)* and *Lenstra (2008)*. On quantum algorithms for Pell Equations, see: *Hallgren (2007)*.

On the use of Pell Equations in Cryptology, see: *Sarma & Avadhani (2011)*, *Bellini & Murru (2018)*, *Raghuandan (2020)* and *Muhaya (2014)* (ie. each of the equations $x^2 - (a^2 - 1)y^2 = 1$ and $y^2 - pz^2 = 1$ can be used in cryptanalysis and in the creation of public-keys). *Chu (2008)* and *Lu & Wu (2016)* studied dynamical systems pertaining to Diophantine equations (and each of the equations $x^2 - (a^2 - 1)y^2 = 1$ and $y^2 - pz^2 = 1$ individually and collectively can approximate Dynamical Systems). *Luca, Moree & Weger (2011)* discussed *Group Theory* as it relates to Diophantine Equations. *Zadeh (2019)* notes that Diophantine equations have been used in analytic functions. *Stewart (1980)*, *Jones, Sato, et. al. (1976)* and *Matijasevič (1981)* noted that primes can also be represented as Diophantine equations or as polynomials (ie. each of the equations $x^2 - (a^2 - 1)y^2 = 1$ and $y^2 - pz^2 = 1$ can represent a prime).

2. The Proofs.

Theorem-1: The *Qu (2018) Conjecture-#1*, The *Yang & Fu (2018) Conjecture-#2* And the *Cipu (2007) Conjecture* Are Wrong.

Proof:

Qu (2018) supposedly proved that:

i) where p is a prime number, the system of simultaneous Pell equations $x^2 - (a^2 - 1)y^2 = 1$ and $y^2 - pz^2 = 1$ (collectively, the “*Simultaneous Pell System*”) has only a positive integer solution $(x, y, z) = (31, 8, 3)$ for

$p=7$ (the “*Qu (2018) Conjecture-#1*”) by using a Baker's lower bound and one lemma from Diophantine approximation to determine the lower and upper bounds respectively, on the variables of the equation; and
 ii) there is no positive solution to the Simultaneous Pell System for $a=(2,3)$ (the “*Qu (2018) Conjecture-#2*”); and
 iii) the Simultaneous Pell System has a positive integer solution only for $a=4$ which is $(x,y,z,p)=(31,8,3,7)$ (the “*Qu (2018) Conjecture-#3*”).

If: $x^2-(a^2-1)y^2=1$ and $y^2-7z^2=1$ (where $p=7$), then:
 $x^2=(a^2-1)y^2+1$, and $a^2=1+(x^2-1)/y^2$

The following are derived from simple simulations.
 For the equation $y^2=7z^2+1$:

- If $y=1$, $z=0$
- If $y=2$, $z^2=3/7$, and z isn't an integer.
- If $y=3$, $z^2=8/7$, and z isn't an integer.
- If $y=4$, $z^2=15/7$, and z isn't an integer.
- If $y=5$, $z^2=24/7$, and z isn't an integer.
- If $y=6$, $z^2=35/7$, and z isn't an integer.
- If $y=7$, $z^2=48/7$, and z isn't an integer.
- If $y=8$, $z^2=63/7$ or 9 which is an integer, and $z=3$.**

Thus, $y=8$ is the lowest feasible positive-integer value of y , and $z=3$ is the lowest feasible positive-integer value of z for which the equation $y^2-7z^2=1$ is valid.

If $y=8$ and $z=3$, and $a^2=1+(x^2-1)/y^2$, then:
 $a^2=1+(x^2-1)/8^2$ and then:

- If: $x=1$, then $a=1.0000000000$**
- If: $x=2$, then $a=1.023$
- If: $x=31$, then $a=4.0000000000$**
- If: $x=424$, then $a=53.009$
- If: $x=432$, then $a=54.009$
- If: $x=440$, then $a=55.008948$
- If $x=2096$, then $a=262.001879$
- If $x=2400$, then $a=300.001641$

Thus, $x=1$ and $(p,x,y,z,a)=(7,1,8,3,1)$ are feasible values for the simultaneous Pell Equations $x^2-(a^2-1)y^2=1$ and $y^2-7z^2=1$, and the *Qu (2018) Conjecture-#1*, the *Yang & Fu (2018) Conjecture-#2* and the *Jiang (2020) Conjecture-#1* and the “*Cipu (2007) Conjecture* are wrong. ■

Theorem-2: The *Qu (2018) Conjecture-#2* and the *Yang & Fu (2018) Conjecture-#1* are wrong.

Proof:

The two equations that define the system are $x^2-(a^2-1)y^2=1$, and $y^2-pz^2=1$.

For $x^2-(a^2-1)y^2=1$:

- Where $a=2$, then $x^2-3y^2=1$, and $y^2=(x^2-1)/3$
- Where $a=3$, then $x^2-8y^2=1$, and $y^2=(x^2-1)/8$

The following are derived from simple simulations.

If $a=2$ and $x^2-(a^2-1)y^2=1$ (that is, $[y^2=(x^2-1)/3]$), then:

- If $x=1$, then $y=0.000$
- If $x=2$, then $y=1.000$**
- If $x=7$, then $y=4.000$**

If x=26, then y=15.000
If x=97, then y=56.000

If $a=3$ and $x^2-(a^2-1)y^2=1$ (that is, $[y^2=(x^2-1)/8]$), then:

If x=99, then y=35.000000
 If $x=198$, then $y=70.002679$
 If $x=396$, then $y=140.007$
If x=577, then y=204.000000
If x=1,154, then y=408.000000

Thus, in the equation $x^2-(a^2-1)y^2=1$, and for $a=(2,3)$, there are “qualifying” positive-integer values of x and y , and because there are potentially and infinitely many “qualifying” positive-integer values of p and z in the associated equation $y^2-pz^2=1$ in the interval $(1;+\infty)$, the *Qu (2018) Conjecture-#2* and the *Yang & Fu (2018) Conjecture-#1* are wrong. ■

Theorem-3: The Qu (2018) Conjecture-#3 that where p is a prime number, the system of simultaneous Pell equations $x^2-(a^2-1)y^2=1$ and $y^2-pz^2=1$ has only one positive integer solution $(x,y,z,p)=(31,8,3,7)$ for $a=4$; is wrong.

Proof:

Qu (2018) conjectured that:

- i) where p is a prime number, the system of simultaneous Pell equations $x^2-(a^2-1)y^2=1$ and $y^2-pz^2=1$ (collectively, the “Simultaneous Pell System”) has only a positive integer solution $(x,y,z) = (31,8,3)$ for $p=7$ (the “*Qu (2018) Conjecture-#1*”) by using a Baker's lower bound and one lemma from Diophantine approximation to determine the lower and upper bounds respectively, on the variables of the equation; and
- ii) there is no positive solution to the Simultaneous Pell System for $a=(2,3)$ (the “*Qu (2018) Conjecture-#2*”); and
- iii) the Simultaneous Pell System has a positive integer solution only for $a=4$ which is $(x,y,z,p)=(31,8,3,7)$ (the “*Qu (2018) Conjecture-#3*”).

Let $a=4, p=7, z=3$,

Then:

3.1) $x^2-(a^2-1)y^2=1$ is equivalent to: $(x^2-1)/15=y^2$, and $x^2=15y^2+1$

3.2) $x^2-(a^2-1)y^2=1$ is equivalent to: $[1+(x^2-1)/y^2]=a^2$

3.3) $y^2-pz^2=1$ is equivalent to: $(y^2-1)/7=z^2$, and $y^2=7z^2+1$

The following are derived from simple simulations.

Where: $x^2-(a^2-1)y^2=1$ is equivalent to: $(x^2-1)/15=y^2$, and $x^2=15y^2+1$; if $a=4$, then:

$x=1$, where $y=0$;
 $x=4$, where $y=1.000000$;
 $x=31$, where $y=8.00000000$;
 $x=244$, where $y=63.00000000$
 $x=1921$, where $y=496.000000$
 $x=2653$, where $y=685.0016058$;
 $x=2715$, where $y=701.0099381$;
 $x=3873$, where $y=1000.004267$;
 $x=3904$, where $y=1008.008433$;

Where: $(y^2-1)/p=z^2$, and $y^2=7z^2+1$; $a=4, x=31, y=8$, then:
 $p=7$, where $z=3$;

$p=63$, where $z=1$;

and thus the solutions $(a,x,y,z,p)=(4,31,8,3,7)$ and $(a,x,y,z,p)=(4,31,8,1,63)$ are feasible.

Given that $x^2-(a^2-1)y^2=1$ is equivalent to: $[1+(x^2-1)/y^2] = a^2$, and if $y=8$, and $p=7$ and $z=3$, then:

If $x=0$, then $a=0.992156742$

If $x=1$, then $a=1.000000$;

If $x=31$, then $a=4.000000$;

If $x=400$, then $a=50.009843$;

If $x=408$, then $a=51.009650$;

If $x=416$, then $a=52.009464$;

If $x=456$, then $a=57.008634$;

If $x=2096$, then $a=262.001879$;

If $x=2400$, then $a=300.001641$;

and thus the solutions $(a,x,y,z,p)=(1,1,8,3,8)$ and $(a,x,y,z,p)=(4,31,8,3,7)$ are feasible.

Thus, the *Qu(2018) Conjecture-#3* is wrong. ■

Theorem-4: The Tao (2016) Conjecture-#1 Is Wrong.

Proof: Tao (2016) conjectured that for the system of simultaneous Pell equations $x^2-24y^2=1$ and $y^2-2pz^2=1$ (where p is an odd prime) there is no positive integer solution (the “*Tao (2016) Conjecture-#1*”); and that for the second system of simultaneous equations $x^2-24y^2=1$ and $y^2-3pz^2=1$ (where $p > 3$ is a prime), there is no positive integer solution (the “*Tao (2016) Conjecture-#2*”). The following are derived from simple simulations.

If $a=5$ and $x^2-(a^2-1)y^2=1$ (that is, $[y^2=(x^2-1)/24]$), then:

$x=1$, where $y=0.0000000$;

$x=5$, where $y=1.000$;

$x=49$, where $y=10.000$;

$x=147$, where $y=30.0055550$;

$x=485$, where $y=99.0000000$;

$x=534$, where $y=109.0021024$;

$x=1,455$ where $y=297.0005612$;

$x=2,425$ where $y=495.0010101$

If $x=485$; $y=99$, and $y^2-2pz^2=1$ (ie. $z^2=\{y^2-1\}/2p$), then:

$2p=2$, and $z=70$;

$2p=8$, and $z=35$;

$2p=50$, and $z=14$;

$2p=98$, and $z=10$;

$2p=200$, and $z=7$;

$2p=392$, and $z=5$;

$2p=9800$, and $z=1$;

and thus, the solution $(x,y,z,2p)=(49,10,70,2)$ is feasible.

If $x=485$; $y=99$, and $y^2-3pz^2=1$ (ie. $z^2=\{y^2-1\}/3p$), then:

$3p=2$, and $z=70$;

$3p=8$, and $z=35$;

$3p=50$, and $z=14$;

$3p=98$, and $z=10$;

$3p=200$, and $z=7$;

$3p=392$, and $z=5$;

$3p=9800$, and $z=1$;

and thus, $(x,y,z,3p)$ has no feasible solution where $p>3$.

If $x=49$; $y=10$, and $y^2-2pz^2=1$ (ie. $z^2=\{y^2-1\}/2p$), then:
2p=11, where $z=3$;
2p=99, where $z=1$;
and thus, $(x,y,z,2p)$ doesn't have any feasible solution.

If $x=49$; $y=10$, and $y^2-3pz^2=1$ (ie. $z^2=\{y^2-1\}/3p$), then:
3p=11, where $z=3$
3p=99, where $z=1$;
and thus, $(x,y,z,3p)$ doesn't have any feasible solution where $p>3$.

Thus, the *Tao (2016) Conjecture-#1* is wrong because the solution $(x,y,z,2p)=(485,99,70,2)$ is feasible. ■

3. Conclusion.

The *Qu (2018) conjectures*, the *Yang & Fu (2018) conjectures*, the *Jiang (2020) Conjecture-#1*, the *Cipu & Mignotte (2007) Conjecture* and the *Cipu (2007) Conjecture* [all of which pertain to the system of Simultaneous Pell equations $x^2-(a^2-1)y^2=1$ and $y^2-pz^2=1$] are wrong. The *Tao (2016) Conjecture-#1* is also wrong and pertains to the similar system of simultaneous Pell equations $x^2-24y^2=1$ and $y^2-2pz^2=1$.

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