

Sophie-Germain prime p_s and Fermat's Last Theory

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Abstract

Sophie-Germain did not prove Fermat's Last Theorem (FLT) itself, but she studied the conditions for FLT to hold using Sophie-Germain prime p_s and prime $(2p_s + 1)$. But Algebra at the time of Sophie-Germain can prove that FLT holds for Fermat's equation with an exponent of prime p_s . Below is an overview.

If Fermat's equation with an exponent of prime p_s holds in arithmetic operation, it always holds in modulo operation by prime $(2p_s + 1)$.

But, even if the Fermat's equation holds in modulo operation by prime $(2p_s + 1)$, it does not necessarily hold in arithmetic operation.

However, the Fermat's equation never holds in arithmetic operations unless it holds in modulo operation by prime $(2p_s + 1)$.

Therefore, by proving that Fermat's equation with an exponent of prime p_s does not hold in modulo operation by prime $(2p_s + 1)$, it is proved that the Fermat's equation does not hold in arithmetic operation.

1. Introduction

Fermat's equation with an exponent of prime p_s is as follows.

p_s is Sophie-Germain prime such that $(2p_s + 1)$ is also prime.

Natural number A , B and C are coprime.

$$A^{p_s} + B^{p_s} = C^{p_s} \quad (1.1)$$

$\left(\frac{Q}{R}\right)$ is defined as remainder (modulo) when natural number Q

is modulo operated by natural number R .

The notation in the center is correct, but it is written as shown on the right side.

$$\left(\frac{QS}{RT}\right) = \left(\frac{\left(\frac{Q}{RT}\right)\left(\frac{S}{RT}\right)}{RT}\right) = \left(\frac{Q}{RT}\right)\left(\frac{S}{RT}\right) \quad \left(\frac{Q\pm S}{RT}\right) = \left(\frac{\left(\frac{Q}{RT}\right)\pm\left(\frac{S}{RT}\right)}{RT}\right) = \left(\frac{Q}{RT}\right)\pm\left(\frac{S}{RT}\right)$$

2. Complementarity of modulo operation

Following two modulo operation are complementary to each other.

Natural number X , Y , B and C are coprime to each other.

Neither natural number C and B contains prime $(2p_s + 1)$.

$$X = C^{p_s} - B^{p_s} \quad Y = C^{p_s} + B^{p_s}$$

$$\left(\frac{X}{2p_s+1}\right) = \left(\frac{C^{p_s}-B^{p_s}}{2p_s+1}\right) \quad \left(\frac{Y}{2p_s+1}\right) = \left(\frac{C^{p_s}+B^{p_s}}{2p_s+1}\right)$$

That is, as shown below, when one of above two equations is not 0 , the other equation is 0 .

$$\left(\frac{C^{2p_s}}{2p_s+1}\right) = \left(\frac{C^{p_s}}{2p_s+1}\right)^2 = 1 \quad \left(\frac{C^{p_s}}{2p_s+1}\right) = \pm 1 \quad \left(\frac{B^{2p_s}}{2p_s+1}\right) = \left(\frac{B^{p_s}}{2p_s+1}\right)^2 = 1 \quad \left(\frac{B^{p_s}}{2p_s+1}\right) = \pm 1$$

$$\left(\frac{C^{p_s}}{2p_s+1}\right) = \left(\frac{B^{p_s}}{2p_s+1}\right)$$

$$\left(\frac{C^{p_s}-B^{p_s}}{2p_s+1}\right) = \left(\frac{C^{p_s}}{2p_s+1}\right) - \left(\frac{B^{p_s}}{2p_s+1}\right) = 0$$

$$\left(\frac{C^{p_s}+B^{p_s}}{2p_s+1}\right) \neq 0$$

$$\left(\frac{C^{p_s}}{2p_s+1}\right) \neq \left(\frac{B^{p_s}}{2p_s+1}\right)$$

$$\left(\frac{C^{p_s}-B^{p_s}}{2p_s+1}\right) = \left(\frac{C^{p_s}}{2p_s+1}\right) - \left(\frac{B^{p_s}}{2p_s+1}\right) \neq 0$$

$$\left(\frac{C^{p_s}+B^{p_s}}{2p_s+1}\right) = \left(\frac{-1+1}{2p_s+1}\right) = 0$$

As can be seen from the above, following equation (2.1) holds complementarily regardless of natural number C and B .

$$\left(\frac{XY}{2p_s+1}\right) = \left(\frac{X}{2p_s+1}\right)\left(\frac{Y}{2p_s+1}\right) = \left(\frac{C^{p_s}-B^{p_s}}{2p_s+1}\right)\left(\frac{C^{p_s}+B^{p_s}}{2p_s+1}\right) = \left(\frac{C^{2p_s}-B^{2p_s}}{2p_s+1}\right) = 0 \quad (2.1)$$

3. Fermat's equation with an exponent of prime number p_s

3.1 When neither natural number C and B contains prime $(2p_s + 1)$

Above equation (1.1) can be rewritten to following equation (3.1.1).

At that time, there are always natural number X and Y that holds following equations (3.1.1) and (3.1.2).

From equation (2.1) in previous section, either of natural numbers X and Y contains prime $(2p_s + 1)$.

Natural number X , Y , B and C are coprime to each other.

$$A^{p_s} = X = C^{p_s} - B^{p_s} \quad (3.1.1)$$

$$Y = C^{p_s} + B^{p_s} \quad (3.1.2)$$

When natural number Y contains prime $(2p_s + 1)$, equation (3.1.3) holds, as shown below.

$$\left(\frac{Y}{2p_s+1}\right) = 0$$

$$\left(\frac{Y}{2p_s+1}\right) = \left(\frac{C^{p_s}+B^{p_s}}{2p_s+1}\right) = \left(\frac{C^{p_s}}{2p_s+1}\right) + \left(\frac{B^{p_s}}{2p_s+1}\right) = 0$$

$$\left(\frac{C^{p_s}}{2p_s+1}\right) = -\left(\frac{B^{p_s}}{2p_s+1}\right)$$

$$\left(\frac{X}{2p_s+1}\right) = \left(\frac{C^{p_s}-B^{p_s}}{2p_s+1}\right) = \left(\frac{2C^{p_s}}{2p_s+1}\right)$$

Since natural number X and C are coprime to each other, following equation (3.1.3) must hold.

Natural number E is coprime to natural number C and B .

$$X = 2E^{p_s} \quad (3.1.3)$$

Conversely, when natural number X , that is, natural number E contains prime $(2p_s + 1)$, equation (3.1.4) holds, as shown below.

$$\left(\frac{X}{2p_s+1}\right) = 0$$

$$\left(\frac{X}{2p_s+1}\right) = \left(\frac{C^{p_s}-B^{p_s}}{2p_s+1}\right) = \left(\frac{C^{p_s}}{2p_s+1}\right) - \left(\frac{B^{p_s}}{2p_s+1}\right) = 0$$

$$\left(\frac{C^{p_s}}{2p_s+1}\right) = \left(\frac{B^{p_s}}{2p_s+1}\right)$$

$$\left(\frac{Y}{2p_s+1}\right) = \left(\frac{C^{p_s+B^{p_s}}}{2p_s+1}\right) = \left(\frac{2C^{p_s}}{2p_s+1}\right)$$

Since natural number Y and C are coprime to each other, following equation (3.1.4) must hold.

Natural number F and C are coprime to each other.

$$Y = 2F^{p_s} \quad (3.1.4)$$

From the above, equations (3.1.1) and (3.1.2) can be rewritten into following two equations (3.1.5) and (3.1.6).

Natural number F , E , C and B are coprime to each other.

Either of natural numbers F and E contains prime $(2p+1)$.

$$2E^{p_s} = X = C^{p_s} - B^{p_s} \quad (3.1.5)$$

$$2F^{p_s} = Y = C^{p_s} + B^{p_s} \quad (3.1.6)$$

Then, following equation must hold to hold Fermat's equation (1.1).

$$A^{p_s} = X = 2E^{p_s} = C^{p_s} - B^{p_s}$$

However, there is no natural number A that holds above equation.

Therefore, when neither natural number C and B contains prime $(2p_s+1)$, there are no natural numbers A , B and C that hold Fermat's equation (1.1).

3.2 When neither natural number A and B contains prime $(2p_s+1)$

There are always natural number U and V that holds following equations (3.2.1) and (3.2.2).

Natural number U , V , A and B are coprime to each other.

$$A^{p_s} - B^{p_s} = U \quad (3.2.1)$$

$$A^{p_s} + B^{p_s} = V = C^{p_s} \quad (3.2.2)$$

From the similarity with the previous section **3.1**, following equations (3.2.3) and (3.2.4) hold.

Natural numbers G , H , A and B are coprime to each other.

Either of natural numbers G and H contains prime $(2p_s+1)$.

Natural numbers A and B do not contain prime $(2p_s+1)$.

$$A^{p_s} - B^{p_s} = 2G^{p_s} = U \quad (3.2.3)$$

$$A^{p_s} + B^{p_s} = 2H^{p_s} = V = C^{p_s} \quad (3.2.4)$$

However, there are no natural numbers C that holds above equation (3.2.4).

Therefore, when neither natural number A and B contains prime $(2p_s + 1)$, there are no natural numbers A , B and C that hold Fermat's equation (1.1).

As mentioned above, there are no natural numbers A , B and C that hold Fermat's equation (1.1) with an exponent of prime p_s .

Therefore, Fermat's Last Theory holds for Fermat's equation with an exponent of prime p_s .

5. Conclusion

Fermat's equation with an exponent of prime p_s does not hold in modulo operation by prime $(2p_s + 1)$.

Then, the Fermat's equation never holds in arithmetic operations.

Therefore, there are no natural numbers A , B and C that hold the Fermat's equation.

That is, Fermat's Last Theorem holds for Fermat's equation with an exponent of prime p_s .

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