

List of $f(x, y) + z^3 + Az^2 + Bz$

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1 Easy

$$-108 : 4x^2 + 2xy + 7y^2 + z^3$$

$$-243 : 7x^2 + 3xy + 9y^2 + z^3$$

2 Hard but with \pm symmetry

$$-23 : 2x^2 + xy + 3y^2 + z^3 - z$$

$$-31 : 2x^2 + xy + 4y^2 + z^3 + z$$

$$-59 : 3x^2 + xy + 5y^2 + z^3 + 2z$$

$$-76 : 4x^2 + 2xy + 5y^2 + z^3 - 2z$$

$$-92 : 3x^2 + 2xy + 8y^2 + z^3 - z$$

$$-124 : 5x^2 + 4xy + 7y^2 + z^3 + z$$

$$-211 : 5x^2 + 3xy + 11y^2 + z^3 - 2z$$

$$-283 : 7x^2 + 5xy + 11y^2 + z^3 + 4z$$

$$-499 : 5x^2 + xy + 25y^2 + z^3 + 4z$$

$$-643 : 7x^2 + xy + 23y^2 + z^3 - 2z$$

$$-652 : 4x^2 + 2xy + 41y^2 + z^3 - 8z$$

Note that in $D = 652$ of Table 1 on page 134 of Hudson and Williams [2] I take a translate of $x^3 + 3x^2 - 5x + 3$ and use $x^3 - 8x + 10$.

3 Hard, no symmetry

For these I prefer to change the \pm sign for the z^2 term, so that the unrepresented number with smallest absolute value is the constant term of Table 1 on page 134 of Hudson and Williams [2].

$$\begin{aligned} -44 : & 3x^2 + 2xy + 4y^2 + z^3 - z^2 - z \\ -83 : & 3x^2 + xy + 7y^2 + z^3 - z^2 + z \\ -107 : & 3x^2 + xy + 9y^2 + z^3 - z^2 + 3z \\ -139 : & 5x^2 + xy + 7y^2 + z^3 + z^2 + z \\ -172 : & 4x^2 + 2xy + 11y^2 + z^3 + z^2 - z \\ -268 : & 4x^2 + 2xy + 17y^2 + z^3 - 2z^2 - 2z \\ -307 : & 7x^2 + xy + 11y^2 + z^3 + z^2 + 3z \\ -331 : & 5x^2 + 3xy + 17y^2 + z^3 + 2z^2 + 4z \\ -379 : & 5x^2 + xy + 19y^2 + z^3 - z^2 + z \\ -547 : & 11x^2 + 5xy + 13y^2 + z^3 - z^2 - 3z \\ -883 : & 13x^2 + xy + 17y^2 + z^3 - 5z^2 - 5z \\ -907 : & 13x^2 + 9xy + 19y^2 + z^3 - 5z^2 + z \end{aligned}$$

4 Sample conjectures

-23: **We Conjecture** that $2x^2 + xy + 3y^2 + z^3 - z \neq \pm C$ whenever $C > 0$ is an integer prime to 2 and 3 and there is an integer F with

$$27C^2 - 23F^2 = 4.$$

-44: **We Conjecture** that $3x^2 + 2xy + 4y^2 + z^3 - z^2 - z \neq C$ whenever C is an integer and there is an **odd** integer F with

$$27C^2 + 22C - 5 = 44F^2,$$

or

$$(27C + 11)^2 - 1188F^2 = 256.$$

The first few C values (in absolute value) are $\{1, -6359, -130439, 618042481\}$. Except for the (C, F) pair $(1, -1)$ we take C and F with the same sign in the recipe for producing new (C, F) pairs:

$$\begin{pmatrix} -48599 & -62040 \\ -38070 & -48599 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} -19800 \\ -15510 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -6359 \\ -4981 \end{pmatrix}$$

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$$\begin{pmatrix} -48599 & -62040 \\ -38070 & -48599 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} -130439 \\ -102179 \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} -19800 \\ -15510 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 12678370321 \\ 9931594441 \end{pmatrix}$$

Even when there is no \pm symmetry you can see that there is approximate exponential growth in $|C|$. Any hope of proving these uses the methods of Spearman and Williams [3]. I got valuable insights from Buell [1].

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