

# Assuming *ABC* Conjecture is True Implies Beal Conjecture is True

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**Abstract** In this paper, we assume that the *ABC* conjecture is true, then we give a proof that Beal conjecture is true. We consider that Beal conjecture is false then we arrive to a contradiction. We deduce that the Beal conjecture is true.

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*To the memory of Jean Bourgain (1954-2018) for his mathematical work notably in the field of Number Theory*

## 1 Introduction and notations

Let  $a$  a positive integer,  $a = \prod_i a_i^{\alpha_i}$ ,  $a_i$  prime integers and  $\alpha_i \geq 1$  positive integers. We call *radical* of  $a$  the integer  $\prod_i a_i$  noted by  $rad(a)$ . Then  $a$  is written as:

$$a = \prod_i a_i^{\alpha_i} = rad(a) \cdot \prod_i a_i^{\alpha_i - 1} \quad (1)$$

We note:

$$\mu_a = \prod_i a_i^{\alpha_i - 1} \implies a = \mu_a \cdot rad(a) \quad (2)$$

A paper about the proof of the *ABC* conjecture, that is true [1], was submitted recently (December 2018) to the journal Research In Number Theory. We have obtained the following theorem:

**Theorem 1 (*ABC Theorem*):** For each  $\varepsilon > 0$ , there exists  $K(\varepsilon) > 0$  such that if  $a, b, c$  positive integers relatively prime with  $c = a + b$ , then :

$$c < K(\varepsilon) \cdot rad(abc)^{1+\varepsilon} \quad (3)$$

where  $K$  is a constant depending only of  $\varepsilon$  equal to  $\frac{2}{\varepsilon^2}$ .

In 1997, Andrew Beal [2] announced the following conjecture:

**Conjecture 1: (Beal Conjecture)**

Let  $A, B, C, m, n$ , and  $l$  be positive integers with  $m, n, l > 2$ . If:

$$A^m + B^n = C^l \quad (4)$$

then  $A, B$ , and  $C$  have a common factor.

## 2 Methodology of the proof

We note :

$$\text{A: Beal Conjecture} \quad (5)$$

$$\text{B: ABC Theorem} \quad (6)$$

and we use the following property (the contrapositive law, [3]):

$$\boxed{A(\text{False}) \implies B(\text{False})} \iff \boxed{B(\text{True}) \implies A(\text{True})} \quad (7)$$

From the right equivalent expression in the box above, we obtain that B (ABC Theorem) which is true implies A (Beal Conjecture) is true.

## 3 Proof of the conjecture (1)

We suppose that Beal conjecture is false, then it exists  $A, B, C$  positive **coprime** integers and  $m, n, l$  positive integers  $> 2$  such:

$$A^m + B^n = C^l \quad (8)$$

the integers  $A, B, C, m, n, l$  are supposed large integers. We consider in the following that  $A^m > B^n$ . Now, we use the ABC theorem for equation (8) because  $A^m, B^n, C^m$  are relatively coprime. We obtain :

$$C^l < K(\varepsilon) \text{rad}(A^m B^n C^l)^{1+\varepsilon} \implies C^l < K(\varepsilon) (\text{rad}(A) \cdot \text{rad}(B) \cdot \text{rad}(C))^{1+\varepsilon} \quad (9)$$

As  $\text{rad}(A) \leq A, \text{rad}(B) \leq B$  and  $\text{rad}(C) \leq C$ , the last equation becomes:

$$C^l < \frac{2}{\varepsilon^2} (A \cdot B \cdot C)^{1+\varepsilon} \quad (10)$$

But  $\text{rad}(A) \leq A < C^{\frac{l}{m}}, \text{rad}(B) \leq B < C^{\frac{l}{n}}$ , then we write (10) as :

$$\frac{\varepsilon^2}{2} < C \left( 1 + \frac{l}{m} + \frac{l}{n} \right) \cdot (1 + \varepsilon) - l \quad (11)$$

### 3.1 Case $m > l$ and $n > l$

In this case,  $\left( 1 + \frac{l}{m} + \frac{l}{n} \right) \cdot (1 + \varepsilon) - l \approx 3 - l + 3\varepsilon$ . We take  $\varepsilon = 1$ . As  $6 \ll l \implies \frac{1}{C^{l-6}} \ll 0.5$ , then the contradiction.

### 3.2 Case $m < l$ and $n < l$

In this case, if  $C > A \Rightarrow C^m > A^m > B^n \Rightarrow C^m > B^n \Rightarrow C^m > C^l - A^m \Rightarrow A^m > C^l - C^m \Rightarrow A^m > C^m(C^{l-m} - 1)$ . As  $l > m \Rightarrow C^{l-m} - 1 > 1$ , then  $A^m > C^m \Rightarrow A > C$  that is a contradiction with  $C > A$ . Hence  $C < A$ . We rewrite equation (10):

$$\begin{aligned} C^l < K(\varepsilon) \text{rad}(A^m B^n C^l)^{1+\varepsilon} &\Rightarrow C^l < K(\varepsilon)(A.B.C)^{1+\varepsilon} \\ &\Rightarrow A^m < C^l < K(\varepsilon) \left( A.A^{\frac{m}{n}}.A \right)^{1+\varepsilon} \end{aligned} \quad (12)$$

Then:

$$A^m < \frac{2}{\varepsilon^2} . A \left( 2 + \frac{m}{n} \right) (1 + \varepsilon) \quad (13)$$

#### 3.2.1 Case $n > m$

If  $n > m$ , we have  $\left( 2 + \frac{m}{n} \right) (1 + \varepsilon) \approx 3 + 3\varepsilon$ . We take  $\varepsilon = 1$ , as  $6 \ll m \Rightarrow \frac{1}{A^{m-6}} \ll 0.5$ , then the contradiction.

#### 3.2.2 Case $n < m$

We have:

$$C^l < K(\varepsilon)(A.B.C)^{1+\varepsilon} \quad (14)$$

As  $A^m < C^l, C < A$  and  $B^n < A^m \Rightarrow B < A^{m/n}$ , the last equation becomes:

$$\frac{\varepsilon^2}{2} < A^{(2+m/n)(1+\varepsilon)} - m \quad (15)$$

We choose  $\varepsilon = \frac{1}{m}$ , we obtain :

$$\frac{1}{2m^2} < A^{2-m+\frac{2}{m}+\frac{1}{n}} \Rightarrow \frac{1}{2m^2} < A^{3-m} \quad (16)$$

But  $3 \ll m$  and  $1 \ll A \Rightarrow \frac{1}{2m^2} > A^{3-m}$ , then the contradiction.

### 3.3 Case $m < l$ and $n > l$

If  $C < A$ , as  $l < n \Rightarrow C^l < A^n \Rightarrow 0 < A^m < A^n - B^n$  then  $A > B$ . As  $C^n > C^l > B^n \Rightarrow C^n > B^n \Rightarrow C > B$ . So we obtain :

$$\boxed{B < C < A} \quad (17)$$

Then the equation (10) becomes:

$$C^l \frac{\varepsilon^2}{2} < (A.B.C)^{1+\varepsilon} \Rightarrow C^l \frac{\varepsilon^2}{2} < (A.A^{l/n}.A)^{1+\varepsilon} \Rightarrow C^l \frac{\varepsilon^2}{2} < A^{(2+l/n)(1+\varepsilon)} \quad (18)$$

As  $A^m < C^l$ , we arrive to:

$$\frac{\varepsilon^2}{2} < A^{3-3m+3\varepsilon} \quad (19)$$

We take  $\varepsilon = 1/3 \implies A^{3m-4} < 18$ , then the contradiction because  $18 \ll A^{3m-4}$ .

If  $A < C \implies A^l < C^l$  but  $B^n < A^m \implies A^l < 2A^m \implies A^l < A^{m+1} \implies l < m+1$ , as  $m < l \implies m+1 \leq l < m+1$  that is a contradiction, then  $C < A$  and this case is studied above.

### 3.4 Case $m > l$ and $n < l$

We have  $n < l < m$ . As  $A^m < C^l \implies A < C^{\frac{l}{m}} < C \implies A < C$ . The equation (10) becomes:

$$C^l < \frac{2}{\varepsilon^2} \left( C^{l/m} \cdot C^{l/n} \cdot C \right)^{1+\varepsilon} \quad (20)$$

We take  $\varepsilon = 0.1$ , we obtain:

$$0.005 < C^{2.2+1.1\frac{l}{n}-l} \approx C^{3+\frac{l}{n}-l} \quad (21)$$

But as  $3 \ll l \implies l > 3 + \frac{l}{n}$ , then the contradiction.

All the cases give contradiction, then *ABC* theorem is false. We deduce from :

$$\boxed{\text{Beal Conjecture (False)} \implies \text{ABC Theorem (False)}} \Leftrightarrow \boxed{\text{ABC Theorem (True)} \implies \text{Beal Conjecture (True)}}$$

that Beal Conjecture is true.

The proof of the Beal conjecture is achieved<sup>1</sup>.

## 4 Conclusion

From the *ABC* theorem, we have given a proof that the *ABC* conjecture is true. We can announce the theorem:

**Theorem 2 (Abdelmajid Ben Hadj Salem, Andrew Beal, 2019):** Let  $A, B, C, m, n$ , and  $l$  be positive integers with  $m, n, l > 2$ . If:

$$A^m + B^n = C^l \quad (22)$$

then  $A, B$ , and  $C$  have a common factor.

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<sup>1</sup> A paper giving another proof of Beal conjecture is under reviewing [4]