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PROBLEMS PROPOSED IN THIS ISSUE

H-529 Proposed by Paul S. Bruckman, Highwood, IL

Let ρ denote the set of Pythagorean triples (a, b, c) such that $a^2 + b^2 = c^2$. Find all pairs of integers $m, n > 0$ such that $(a, b, c) = (F_m F_n, F_{m+1} F_{n+2}, F_{m+2} F_{n+1}) \in \rho$.

H-530 Proposed by Andrej Dujella, University of Zagreb, Croatia

Let $k(n)$ be the period of a sequence of Fibonacci numbers $\{F_i\}$ modulo n . Prove that $k(n) \leq 6n$ for any positive integer n . Find all positive integers n such that $k(n) = 6n$.

H-531 Proposed by Paul S. Bruckman, Highwood, IL

Consider the sum $S = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} t(n)/n^2$, where $t(1) = 1$ and $t(n) = \prod_{p|n} (1 - p^{-2})^{-1}$, $n > 1$, the product taken over all prime p dividing n . Evaluate S and show that it is rational.

SOLUTIONS

Comment by H.-J. Seiffert

Correction: The identity of Problem H-510 should read

$$P_n = \sum_{k \in A_n} (-1)^{\lfloor (3k-2n+3)/4 \rfloor} 2^{\lfloor 3k/2 \rfloor} \binom{n+k}{2k+1}.$$

The proposer's solution, however, is correct. The mistake arose in the very last step, when replacing n by $n-1$. Indeed, H-510 is the proposer's first (incorrect) version of H-476.

Continued

H-509 Proposed by Paul S. Bruckman, Salmiya, Kuwait
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The *continued fractions (base k)* are defined as follows:

$$[u_1, u_2, \dots, u_n]_k = u_1 + \frac{k}{u_2 + \frac{k}{u_3 + \dots + \frac{k}{u_n}}}, \quad n = 1, 2, \dots, \quad (1)$$

where k is an integer $\neq 0$ and $(u_i)_{i=1}^{\infty}$ is an arbitrary sequence of real numbers.

Given a prime p with $\left(\frac{-k}{p}\right) = 1$ (Legendre symbol) and $k \not\equiv 0 \pmod{p}$, let h be the solution of the congruence

$$h^2 \equiv -k \pmod{p}, \text{ with } 0 < h < \frac{1}{2}p. \tag{2}$$

Suppose a symmetric continued fraction (base k) exists, such that

$$\frac{p}{h} = [a_1, a_2, \dots, a_{n+1}, a_{n+1}, \dots, a_1]_k, \tag{3}$$

where the a_i 's are integers, n is even, and $k \mid a_i, i = 2, 4, \dots, n$. Then show that integers x and y exist, with $\text{g.c.d.}(x, y) = 1$, given by

$$\frac{x}{y} = [a_{n+1}, \dots, a_1]_k \tag{4}$$

that satisfy

$$x^2 + ky^2 = p. \tag{5}$$

Solution by the proposer

Let $[u_1, u_2, \dots, u_n]_k = p_n / q_n, n = 1, 2, \dots$, define the n^{th} convergent of the c.f. (base k), assuming that the u_i 's are integers. The p_n 's and q_n 's satisfy the common recurrence

$$z_n = u_n z_{n-1} + k z_{n-2}, n = 3, 4, \dots \tag{6}$$

Also, $p_1 / q_1 = [u_1]_k = u_1 / 1$ and $p_2 / q_2 = [u_1, u_2]_k = u_1 + k / u_2 = (u_1 u_2 + k) / u_2$, which yields the initial conditions

$$p_1 = u_1, q_1 = 1; p_2 = u_1 u_2 + k, q_2 = u_2. \tag{7}$$

First, we need some results concerning c.f.'s (base k), which we state as lemmas and prove by induction.

Lemma 1: Let p_n / q_n and p_{n+1} / q_{n+1} denote successive convergents of a c.f. (base k). Let $w_n = p_n q_{n+1} - p_{n+1} q_n, n = 1, 2, \dots$. Then

$$w_n = (-k)^n. \tag{8}$$

Proof: Let S_1 denote the set of positive integers n satisfying (8). Now $w_1 = u_1 \cdot u_2 - (u_1 u_2 + k) \cdot 1 = -k = (-k)^1$; hence, $1 \in S_1$.

Suppose $n \in S_1$. Then we get $w_{n+1} = p_{n+1} q_{n+2} - p_{n+2} q_{n+1} = p_{n+1}(u_{n+2} q_{n+1} + k q_n) - (u_{n+2} p_{n+1} + k p_n) q_{n+1} = -k(p_n q_{n+1} - p_{n+1} q_n) = -k w_n = -k(-k)^n$ (by the inductive hypothesis), or $w_{n+1} = (-k)^{n+1}$. Thus, $n \in S_1 \Rightarrow (n+1) \in S_1$. The result follows by induction. \square

Lemma 2: Let $p_n / q_n = [u_1, u_2, \dots, u_n]_k$, where the u_i 's are integers with $k \mid u_i, i = 2, 4, 6, \dots$, for $n = 1, 2, \dots$. Furthermore, suppose the p_n 's and q_n 's are the integers naturally produced in the c.f. (base k) expansion, applying the recurrence relation in (6) and the initial conditions in (7). Then, for all even n ,

$$\text{g.c.d.}(p_{n-1}, q_{n-1}) = |k|^{\frac{1}{2}n-1}, \tag{9}$$

$$\text{g.c.d.}(p_n, q_n) = |k|^{\frac{1}{2}n}. \tag{10}$$

Proof: Let S_2 denote the set of even positive integers n for which (9) and (10) are valid. Clearly, $\text{g.c.d.}(p_1, q_1) = 1$, since $q_1 = 1$. Note that $1 = |k|^{\frac{1}{2}2-1}$. Also, since $k \mid u_2$, it follows that

$k|(u_1u_2 + k)$. Thus, $1 \cdot (u_1u_2/k + 1) - u_1u_2/k = 1$, which implies $\text{g.c.d.}(p_2/k, q_2/k) = 1$; hence, $\text{g.c.d.}(p_2, q_2) = |k| = |k|^{2/2}$. We thus see that $2 \in S_2$.

Suppose $n \in S_2$ and $p_{n-1} = (-k)^{\frac{1}{2}n-1} p'_{n-1}$, $q_{n-1} = (-k)^{\frac{1}{2}n-1} q'_{n-1}$, $p_n = (-k)^{\frac{1}{2}n} p'_n$, $q_n = (-k)^{\frac{1}{2}n} q'_n$, where $\text{g.c.d.}(p'_{n-1}, q'_{n-1}) = \text{g.c.d.}(p'_n, q'_n) = 1$. Then we have $p_{n+1} = u_{n+1}p_n + kp_{n-1} = (-k)^{\frac{1}{2}n} p'_{n+1}$, where $p'_{n+1} = u_{n+1}p'_n - p'_{n-1}$; similarly, $q_{n+1} = (-k)^{\frac{1}{2}n} q'_{n+1}$, where $q'_{n+1} = u_{n+1}q'_n - q'_{n-1}$. Therefore, $p_n q_{n+1} - p_{n+1} q_n = (-k)^n (p'_n q'_{n+1} - p'_{n+1} q'_n) = (-k)^n$ (using Lemma 1), so $p'_n q'_{n+1} - p'_{n+1} q'_n = 1$. Then $\text{g.c.d.}(p'_{n+1}, q'_{n+1}) = 1$, which implies $\text{g.c.d.}(p_{n+1}, q_{n+1}) = |k|^{\frac{1}{2}n} = |k|^{\frac{1}{2}(n+2)-1}$. This is the statement of (9) for $(n+2)$.

Again supposing $n \in S_2$, let $u_{n+2} = -ku'_{n+2}$ (since $k|u_{n+2}$). Then we get $p_{n+2} = u_{n+2}p_{n+1} + kp_n = (-k)(-k)^{\frac{1}{2}n} u'_{n+2} p'_{n+1} - (-k)(-k)^{\frac{1}{2}n} p'_n = (-k)^{1+\frac{1}{2}n} p'_{n+2}$, where $p'_{n+2} = u'_{n+2} p'_{n+1} - p'_n$; similarly, $q_{n+2} = (-k)^{1+\frac{1}{2}n} q'_{n+2}$, where $q'_{n+2} = u'_{n+2} q'_{n+1} - q'_n$. Then $p_{n+1} q_{n+2} - p_{n+2} q_{n+1} = (-k)^{\frac{1}{2}n} (-k)^{1+\frac{1}{2}n} (p'_{n+1} q'_{n+2} - p'_{n+2} q'_{n+1}) = (-k)^{n+1}$ (using Lemma 1), so $p'_{n+1} q'_{n+2} - p'_{n+2} q'_{n+1} = 1$. Therefore, $\text{g.c.d.}(p'_{n+2}, q'_{n+2}) = 1$, which implies $\text{g.c.d.}(p_{n+2}, q_{n+2}) = |k|^{1+\frac{1}{2}n} = |k|^{\frac{1}{2}(n+2)}$. This is the statement of (10) for $(n+2)$. Thus, $n \in S_2 \Rightarrow (n+2) \in S_2$. Since $2 \in S_2$, the results follow by induction. \square

Lemma 3: If $p_n / q_n = [u_1, u_2, \dots, u_n]_k$, $n = 1, 2, \dots$, then

$$[u_n, u_{n-1}, \dots, u_2]_k = q_n / q_{n-1} \text{ and } [u_n, u_{n-1}, \dots, u_1]_k = p_n / p_{n-1}, \quad n = 2, 3, \dots \quad (11)$$

Proof: Let S_3 denote the integers $n \geq 2$ for which (11) is valid. Note that $[u_2]_k = u_2 / 1 = q_2 / q_1$ and $[u_2, u_1]_k = u_2 + k / u_1 = (u_1 u_2 + k) / u_1 = p_2 / p_1$ [using (7)]. Therefore, $2 \in S_3$.

Suppose $n \in S_3$. Then we get $[u_{n+1}, u_n, \dots, u_2]_k = u_{n+1} + k / [u_n, \dots, u_2]_k = u_{n+1} + k / (q_n / q_{n-1}) = (u_{n+1} q_n + k q_{n-1}) / q_n = q_{n+1} / q_n$ [using (6)]. Also $[u_{n+1}, u_n, \dots, u_1]_k = u_{n+1} + k / [u_n, \dots, u_1]_k = u_{n+1} + k / (p_n / p_{n-1}) = (u_{n+1} p_n + k p_{n-1}) / p_n = p_{n+1} / p_n$. Thus, $n \in S_3 \Rightarrow (n+1) \in S_3$. Since $2 \in S_3$, the result follows by induction. \square

Also, we will make use of the following identity:

$$(a^2 + kb^2)(c^2 + kd^2) = (ac + kbd)^2 + k(ad - bc)^2. \quad (12)$$

Now suppose $p_i / q_i = [a_1, a_2, \dots, a_i]_k$, $i = 1, 2, \dots, n+1$, in the sense described in the hypothesis of Lemma 2. Then $p_n = (-k)^{\frac{1}{2}n} p'_n$, $q_n = (-k)^{\frac{1}{2}n} q'_n$, $p_{n+1} = (-k)^{\frac{1}{2}n} p'_{n+1}$, and $q_{n+1} = (-k)^{\frac{1}{2}n} q'_{n+1}$, where $\text{g.c.d.}(p'_n, q'_n) = \text{g.c.d.}(p'_{n+1}, q'_{n+1}) = 1$. Moreover, $p'_n q'_{n+1} - p'_{n+1} q'_n = 1$. Also, using Lemma 3, $[a_{n+1}, \dots, a_2]_k = q_{n+1} / q_n$ and $[a_{n+1}, \dots, a_1]_k = p_{n+1} / p_n$. The n^{th} and $(n+1)^{\text{st}}$ convergents of the c.f. (base k) given by (3) are p_n / q_n and p_{n+1} / q_{n+1} , respectively; the "remainder" of this c.f. is equal to p_{n+1} / p_n , which assumes the role of u_{n+2} . Thus, the value of the c.f. (base k) in (3) is given by

$$\frac{(p_{n+1} / p_n) p_{n+1} + k p_n}{(p_{n+1} / p_n) q_{n+1} + k q_n} = \frac{p_{n+1}^2 + k p_n^2}{p_{n+1} q_{n+1} + k p_n q_n} = N / D,$$

where $N = (p'_{n+1})^2 + k(p'_n)^2$ and $D = p'_{n+1} q'_{n+1} + k p'_n q'_n$ [dividing throughout by the common factor $(-k)^n$]. Therefore, $p/h = N/D$. Now set $a = p'_{n+1}$, $b = p'_n$, $c = q'_{n+1}$, and $d = q'_n$ in (12) and let $Q = (q'_{n+1})^2 + k(q'_n)^2$. That identity then becomes

$$D^2 + k = NQ. \quad (13)$$

Let $g = \text{g.c.d.}(N, D)$. We see from (13) that $g|k$. Since $N = pg$ and $\text{g.c.d.}(p, k) = 1$ (by hypothesis), it follows that $g = 1$, so $N = p$ and $D = h$. However, we know that $[a_{n+1}, \dots, a_1]_k = p_{n+1}/p_n = p'_{n+1}/p'_n$. Setting $x = p'_{n+1}$ and $y = p'_n$ completes the proof of (4) and (5).

Summary: Given the minimal positive solution of the congruence in (2), we have indicated an algorithm for generating solutions of (5). This construction involves a special type of c.f. (base k), as defined by (1). The conditions in (3) might, at first glance, seem unduly restrictive. It may be shown, however, that p/h may always be put into the desired c.f. form in (3), provided that integers x and y exist that satisfy (5). The proof of this assertion is left to the interested reader.

Setting $k = 1$ in the problem yields Serret's construction (1848), one of several known in the literature for finding the *unique* x and y such that $p = x^2 + y^2$, provided p is a prime with $p \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$. Also, for $k = 1$, the identity in (12) reduces to an identity attributable to Leonardo of Pisa (a.k.a. Fibonacci), such identity appearing in his *Liber Abaci* (1202).

Two examples illustrate the construction's applicability.

Example 1: Let $k = 3$ and $p = 757$. Note that

$$\left(\frac{-3}{757}\right) = \left(\frac{-3 + 4 \cdot 757}{757}\right) = \left(\frac{3025}{757}\right) = \left(\frac{55^2}{757}\right) = 1.$$

Hence, the minimal positive solution of the congruence $h^2 \equiv -3 \pmod{757}$ is $h = 55$. Without disclosing the logic of the following expansion, we may at least verify its accuracy:

$$\begin{aligned} 757/55 &= 13 + 42/55 = 13 + 3/\theta_1; \\ \theta_1 &= 55/14 = 3 + 13/14 = 3 + 3/\theta_2; \\ \theta_2 &= 42/13 = 0 + 3/\theta_3; \\ \theta_3 &= 13/14 = 0 + 3/\theta_4; \\ \theta_4 &= 42/13 = 3 + 3/13 = 3 + 3/\theta_5; \\ \theta_5 &= 13. \end{aligned}$$

Thus, $757/55 = [13, 3, 0, 0, 3, 13]_3$, which is of the desired form, with $n = 2$. Then the solutions of $x^2 + 3y^2 = 757$ are found by $x/y = [0, 3, 13]_3$. We find the successive convergents of this c.f.: $0/1$, $3/3$, and $39/42$. Hence, $x/y = 39/42 = 13/14$, so $x = 13$ and $y = 14$. As we may verify, $13^2 + 3 \cdot 14^2 = 757$.

Example 2: Let $k = -2$ and $p = 193$. Since

$$\left(\frac{2}{193}\right) = \left(\frac{2 + 193 \cdot 14}{193}\right) = \left(\frac{2704}{193}\right) = \left(\frac{52^2}{193}\right) = 1$$

we see that $h = 52$ is the minimal positive solution of the congruence $h^2 \equiv 2 \pmod{193}$. We may expand $193/52$ as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} 193/52 &= 5 - 67/52 = 5 - 2/\theta_1; \\ \theta_1 &= 104/67 = 2 - 30/67 = 2 - 2/\theta_2; \\ \theta_2 &= 67/15 = 5 - 8/15 = 5 - 2/\theta_3; \\ \theta_3 &= 15/4 = 5 - 5/4 = 5 - 2/\theta_4; \\ \theta_4 &= 8/5 = 2 - 2/5 = 2 - 2/\theta_5; \\ \theta_5 &= 5. \end{aligned}$$

Thus, $193/52 = [5, 2, 5, 5, 2, 5]_{-2}$, which is of the desired form, with $n = 2$. Therefore, solutions of $x^2 - 2y^2 = 193$ are found from $x/y = [5, 2, 5]_{-2}$. This yields the convergents: $5/1$, $8/2$, and $30/8$, so $x = 15$ and $y = 4$. Q.E.D.

Searching for Pairs

H-511 *Proposed by M. N. Deshpande, Aurangabad, India*
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Find all possible pairs of positive integers m and n such that $m(m+1) = n(m+n)$. [Two such pairs are: $m = 1, n = 1$; $m = 9, n = 6$.]

Solution by H.-J. Seiffert, Berlin, Germany

The pairs $(m, n) \in N^2$ asked for are $(m, n) = (F_{2k}^2, F_{2k-1}F_{2k})$, where k is a positive integer. It is easily verified that, for these pairs, the considered equation is indeed satisfied.

Below we will use the well-known result that all solutions $(a, b) \in N^2$ of the Pell equation $a^2 - 5b^2 = -4$ are given by $(a, b) = (L_{2k-1}, F_{2k-1})$, $k \in N$. In particular, we have $a \geq b$.

Let $(m, n) \in N^2$ such that $m(m+1) = n(m+n)$. Write $m = rp$ and $n = rq$, where $p, q, r \in N$ such that $\gcd(p, q) = 1$. Then the given equation becomes $p(rp+1) = rq(p+q)$, which shows that r divides p . Letting $p = rs$, $s \in N$, we get $s(r^2s+1) = q(rs+q)$. From $p = rs$, $\gcd(p, q) = 1$, and $s|q^2$, it follows that $s = 1$. Now, the resulting equation $r^2+1 = q(r+q)$ may be written as $(2r-q)^2 - 5q^2 = -4$. Hence, $(2r-q, q) = (L_{2k-1}, F_{2k-1})$ for some $k \in N$. It readily follows that $r = F_{2k}$, so that we have $(m, n) = (F_{2k}^2, F_{2k-1}F_{2k})$.

Also solved by P. Bruckman, L. A. G. Dresel, A. Dujella, C. Georghiou, and the proposer.

FPP's

H-512 *Proposed by Paul S. Bruckman, Highwood, IL*
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The *Fibonacci pseudoprimes* (or FPP's) are those composite n with $\text{g.c.d.}(n, 10) = 1$ such that $n|F_{n-\varepsilon_n}$, where ε_n is the Jacobi symbol $(\frac{5}{n})$. Suppose $n = p(p+2)$, where p and $p+2$ are "twin primes." Prove that n is a FPP if and only if $p \equiv 7 \pmod{10}$.

Solution by Lawrence Somer, Catholic University of America, Washington DC

We first suppose that $p \equiv 7 \pmod{10}$. Then $p+2 \equiv 9 \pmod{10}$. By quadratic reciprocity, we see that $(\frac{5}{p}) = -1$ and $(\frac{5}{p+2}) = 1$. Hence, $(\frac{5}{p(p+2)}) = (\frac{5}{p})(\frac{5}{p+2}) = (-1)(1) = -1$. We want to show that $p(p+2)|F_{p(p+2)+1}$. It is well known that $F_n|F_{kn}$ for any positive integer k . Since both p and $p+2$ are primes, $p|F_{p-\varepsilon_p} = F_{p+1}$ and $p+2|F_{p+2-\varepsilon_{p+2}} = F_{p+1}$. Further, since $p(p+2)+1 = (p+1)^2$, $F_{p+1}|F_{(p+1)^2}$, and $\text{g.c.d.}(p, p+2) = 1$, we see that $p(p+2)|F_{p(p+2)+1}$.

Now suppose that $n = p(p+2)$ is a FPP. We must have $p \equiv 1, 3, 5, 7$, or $9 \pmod{10}$. If $p \equiv 5 \pmod{10}$, then $\text{g.c.d.}(n, 10) \neq 1$. If $p \equiv 3 \pmod{10}$, then $p+2 \equiv 5 \pmod{10}$ and, again, $\text{g.c.d.}(n, 10) \neq 1$. Suppose $p \equiv 1 \pmod{10}$. Then $p+2 \equiv 3 \pmod{10}$. By quadratic reciprocity, $(\frac{5}{p}) = 1$ and $(\frac{5}{p+2}) = -1$. Hence, $\varepsilon_n = (\frac{5}{p(p+2)}) = (\frac{5}{p})(\frac{5}{p+2}) = (1)(-1) = -1$, so $n - \varepsilon_n = p(p+2) + 1 = p^2 + 2p + 1$. Thus, $p(p+2)|F_{p^2+2p+1}$. It is well known that $(F_a, F_b) = F_{(a,b)}$, where (a, b) denotes the g.c.d. of a and b . We note that $p|F_{p-\varepsilon_p} = F_{p-1}$. Now, $p^2 + 2p - 3 = (p-1)(p+3)$. Hence,

$p|F_{p^2+2p-3}$. Therefore, $p|(F_{p^2+2p+1}, F_{p^2+2p-3})$, which implies that $p|F_{(p^2+2p+1, p^2+2p-3)}$. However, $(p^2+2p+1, p^2+2p-3)|(p^2+2p+1)-(p^2+2p-3)=4$, so $p|F_4=3$. Thus, $p=3$, which is a contradiction since $p \equiv 1 \pmod{10}$. Thus, $p \not\equiv 1 \pmod{10}$. Now suppose that $p \equiv 9 \pmod{10}$. Then $p+2 \equiv 1 \pmod{10}$. By quadratic reciprocity, $(\frac{5}{p}) = (\frac{5}{p+2}) = 1$. Therefore, $\varepsilon_n = (\frac{5}{p(p+2)}) = (\frac{5}{p})(\frac{5}{p+2}) = (1)(1) = 1$, so $n - \varepsilon_n = p(p+2) - 1 = p^2 + 2p - 1$. Now, $p|F_{p-\varepsilon_p} = F_{p-1}$. Thus, as in our above argument, $p|F_{p^2+2p-3}$. Hence, $p|(F_{p^2+2p-1}, F_{p^2+2p-3}) = F_{(p^2+2p-1, p^2+2p-3)}$. However, $(p^2+2p-1, p^2+2p-3)|(p^2+2p-1)-(p^2+2p-3)=2$. Thus, $p|F_2=1$, which is a contradiction. Therefore, $p \not\equiv 9 \pmod{10}$; hence, $p \equiv 7 \pmod{10}$.

Also solved by L. A. G. Dresel, A. Dujella, H.-J. Seiffert, D. Terr, and the proposer.

Sum Product

H-513 Proposed by Paul S. Bruckman, Highwood, IL
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Define the following quantities:

$$A = \sum_{n \geq 0} \frac{1}{(n!)^2}, \quad B = \sum_{n \geq 0} \frac{1}{n!(n+1)!}, \quad C = \sum_{n \geq 0} \frac{(2n)!}{(n!)^4}, \quad D = \sum_{n \geq 0} \frac{(2n+2)!}{n!((n+1)!)^2(n+2)!}$$

Prove that $A^2D = B^2C$.

Solution by the proposer

Clearly, the series defining A and B are convergent. Using Stirling's formula, $\binom{2n}{n} \sim 4^n(n\pi)^{-1/2}$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$. Thus, the convergence of the series defining C is comparable to that of the series

$$\sum_{n \geq 1} \frac{4^n}{n^{1/2}(n!)^2};$$

since the latter series is clearly convergent, so is the series defining C . Also, D is defined by a series that is comparable to the series

$$\sum_{n \geq 1} \frac{4}{n^2} \cdot \frac{(2n)!}{(n!)^4},$$

and so the series defining D is convergent. Clearly, all quantities are positive quantities.

We recognize the Modified Bessel Functions of integer order, defined as follows:

$$I_n(z) = \left(\frac{1}{2}z\right)^n \sum_{k \geq 0} \frac{\left(\frac{1}{4}z^2\right)^k}{k!(n+k)!}, \text{ an entire function of } z, \quad n = 0, 1, 2, \dots \tag{1}$$

See, e.g., *Handbook of Mathematical Functions*, ed. M. Abramowitz & I. A. Stegun (9th prtng., §9. Washington, D.C.: National Bureau of Standards, 1970). We then see that $A = I_0 \equiv I_0(2)$ and $B = I_1 \equiv I_1(2)$. It is also indicated in this source that the following relation holds:

$$I_m(z)I_n(z) = \left(\frac{1}{2}z\right)^{m+n} \sum_{k \geq 0} \frac{(2k+m+n)!\left(\frac{1}{4}z^2\right)^k}{(k+m)!(k+n)!k!}, \quad m, n = 0, 1, 2, \dots \tag{2}$$

It follows from (2) that $C = (I_0)^2$ and $D = (I_1)^2$. Then $A^2D = B^2C = (I_0I_1)^2$.

Also Solved by C. Georghiou.

