## **Beal Conjecture Proved on Half of a Page**

"5% of the people think; 10% of the people think that they think; and the other 85% would rather die than think."----Thomas Edison

#### "The simplest solution is usually the best solution"---Albert Einstein

# Abstract

Beal conjecture has been proved on half of a page. The approach used in the proof is exemplified by the following system: If a system functions properly and one wants to determine if the same system will function properly with changes in the system, one will first determine the necessary conditions which allow the system to function properly, and then guided by the necessary conditions, one will determine if the changes will allow the system to function properly. So also, if one wants to prove that there are no solutions for the equation  $c^z = a^x + b^y$  when x, y, z > 2, one should first determine why there are solutions when x, y, z = 2, and note the necessary condition in the solution for x, y, x = 2. The necessary condition in the solutions for x, y, x = 2 will guide one to determine if there are solutions when x, y, z > 2. The proof in this paper is based on the identity  $(a^2 + b^2)/c^2 = 1$ , where a, b, and c are relatively prime positive integers. It is shown by contradiction that the uniqueness of the x, y, x = 2 identity excludes all other x, y, z-values, x, y, z > 2 from satisfying the equation  $c^z = a^x + b^y$ . One will first show that if x, y, z = 2,  $c^{z} = a^{x} + b^{y}$  holds, noting the necessary condition in the solution; followed by showing that if x, y, z > 2 (x, y, z integers),  $c^z = a^x + b^y$  has no solutions. The proof is very simple, and even high school students can learn it. The approach used in the proof has applications in science, engineering, medicine, research, business, and any properly working system when desired changes are to be made in the system.

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Step 1: $c^{z} = a^{x} + b^{y};$ $\frac{a^{x} + b^{y}}{c^{z}} = \frac{c^{z}}{c^{z}};$ $\boxed{a^{x} + b^{y}}{c^{z}} = 1$ (A) (A) is the necessary condition for $c^{z} = a^{x} + b^{y}$ to be true. or to have solutions. (The ratio $(a^{x} + b^{y})$ to $c^{z} = 1$ )	for example, t positive integ that $(a^2 + b^2)$ $((3^2 + 4^2)/5^2)$ x, y, x = 2, th $(a^x + b^y)/c^z$	$\frac{b^2}{b^2} = 1$ is true, since here are relatively three ers, namely, 3, 4, 5 such	Step 3: Proof for $x, y, z > 2$ by contradiction If $x, y, z > 2$ , and one assumes that $\frac{a^x + b^y}{c^z} = 1$ , then $\frac{a^x + b^y}{c^z} = \frac{a^2 + b^2}{c^2}$ (B) (By the transitive equality property, since $\frac{a^2 + b^2}{c^2} = 1$ ).
Step 4: From (B), $x > 2 = 2$ is false; y > 2 = 2 is false; and $z > 2 = 2$ is false (considering the exponents) Hence, the assumption that $\frac{a^x + b^y}{c^z} = 1$ , if $x, y, z > 2$ , is false. Therefore, $\frac{a^x + b^y}{c^z}$ is not equal to 1. $(\frac{a^x + b^y}{c^z} \neq 1)$ if $x, y, z > 2$ .		<b>Step 5:</b> Since the necess $(a^x + b^y)/c^z = 1$ , is not the equation $c^z = a^x + a^y$ if $x, y, z > 2$ Therefore	satisfied if $x, y, z > 2$ , $b^y$ has no solutions $c^z = a^x + b^y$ has solutions loes not have solutions if

### Conclusion

Beal conjecture has been proved on half of a page. One first determined why there are solutions when x, y, x = 2. The necessary condition in the solutions for x, y, x = 2 guided one to determine if there are solutions when x, y, z > 2. The necessary condition is  $(a^x + b^y)/c^z = 1$ , where a, b, and c are relatively prime positive integers. This necessary condition is satisfied only if x, y, z = 2, to produce  $(a^2 + b^2)/c^2 = 1$ . If x, y, z > 2, the necessary  $(a^x + b^y)/c^z = 1$  is never satisfied. It was shown by contradiction that the uniqueness of the x, y, z = 2 identity excludes all other x, y, z-values-values, x, y, z > 2, from satisfying the equation  $c^z = a^x + b^y$ . The proof is very simple, and even high school students can learn it. The proof in this paper is a general case of the author's previous paper with the title "Fermat's Last Theorem Proved on half of a Page", viXra:1609.0080.

Question: Why did it take over 18 years for the above proof to show up? Question for a mathematics final exam for the 2016 Fall semester. **Bonus Question**: Prove Beal conjecture

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