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# ESTIMATION OF p-ADIC SIZES OF PARTIAL DERIVATIVE FOR CERTAIN QUARTIC POLYNOMIAL

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ABSTRACT. The objective of this paper is to estimate the *p*-adic sizes of common zeros of partial derivative polynomials associated with a certain quartic polynomial at any point of neighbourhood restricted to some conditions by using Newton polyhedron technique. The *p*-adic sizes of such common zeros can be obtained from intersection points of indicator diagrams associated with the polynomials. Subsequently, *p*-adic sizes of common zeros will be determined explicitly in terms of coefficients of dominant terms of polynomials.

## 1. INTRODUCTION

In our discussion, we use notation of  $\mathbb{Z}_p$  as the ring of *p*-adic integers ,  $(\Omega_p)$  is the completion of algebraic closure of  $\mathbb{Q}_p$  the field of rational *p*-adic numbers and  $(ord_p x)$  as the highest power of *p* which divides *x*. It follows that for any rational number *x* and *y*,  $ord_p x = \infty$  if and only if  $ord_p x = 0$ ;  $ord_p(xy) = ord_p x + ord_p y$ and  $ord_p(x + y) \ge \min\{ord_p x, ord_p y\}$ , with equality if  $ord_p x \ne ord_p y$ . Let  $\underline{x} =$  $(x_1, x_2, x_3, \ldots, x_n)$  denote a vector in the space  $\mathbb{Z}^n$  where  $\mathbb{Z}$  denotes the ring of integers. Let *q* be a positive integer and *f* a polynomial in  $\mathbb{Z}[x]$ . The multiple exponential sums associated with *f* is defined as

$$S(f;q) = \Sigma_{xmodq} e^{((2pif(x))/q)},$$

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where the sum is taken over a complete set of  $\underline{x} \mod q$ . Obtaining the precise upper bound of multiple exponential sums have been the interest of many number theorist. Earlier works of some researchers related to a polynomial f(x, y) over  $\mathbb{Z}_p$ , showed that such estimations can be obtained from the number and p-adic sizes of the common zeros of partial derivative polynomials associated with the f(x, y)considered. Mohd Atan [4] first showed that the p-adic sizes of the zeros of a polynomial can be obtained by using Newton polyhedral method. Subsequently, Mohd Atan [5] determined the p-adic sizes of the common zeros to two polynomials by studying the intersection points of the indicator diagrams associated with the polynomials considered.

Newton polyhedron technique a tool developed by Mohd Atan and Loxton [6] is an analogue of Newton polygon as defined by Koblitz [3]. In order to ovecome the problem of construction of such a Newton polyhedron, Mohd Atan and Loxton [6] introduced the indicator diagram as a tool that captures the essentials of Newton polyhedron and represents it in a simpler form. Researchers such as Mohd Atan [1], Chan [2], Sapar and Mohd Atan [7,8] have employed the Newton polyhedron method to obtain estimations of p-adic sizes of the common zeros of partial derivative polynomials associated with two variable polynomials. Aminuddin [9] concentrating of finding the cardinality of the set of solution associated to a polynomial of cubic form. Lasaraiya [10] give an estimation the *p*-adic sizes of common zeros of partial derivative polynomials associated with certain class of polynomial of degree eleven.

## 2. *p*-ADIC ORDERS OF ZEROS OF A POLYNOMIALS

In this section, we focus on finding the *p*-adic sizes of common zeros of polynomials associated with quartic polynomial restricted with conditions of  $ord_pac^2 > ord_pb^3$ . We need the following definitions and theorem developed by [4].

**Definition 2.1.** Let  $f(x,y) = \sum a_{ij}x^iy^j$  be a polynomial of degree n in  $\Omega_p[x,y]$ . By mapping the terms  $T_ij = a_ijx^iy^j$  of f(x,y) to the points  $P_{ij} = a_{ij}x^iy^j$  in the threedimensional Euclidean space  $\mathbb{R}^3$ . The set of points  $P_{ij}$  is called as the Newton diagram of f(x,y).

**Definition 2.2.** Let  $f(x, y) = \sum a_{ij}x^iy^j$  be a polynomial of degree n in  $\Omega_p[x, y]$ . By mapping the terms  $T_{ij} = a_{ij}x^iy^j$  of f(x, y) to the points  $P_{ij} = a_{ij}x^iy^j$  in the Euclidean

space, the Newton polyhedron of f(x, y) is defined to be the lower convex hull of the set S of points  $P_{ij}$ , 0 < i, j < n. It is the highest convex connected surface which passes through or below the points in S. If  $a_{ij} = 0$  for some (i, j) then  $ord_p a_{ij} = \infty$ .

**Definition 2.3.** The set of lines associated with the Newton polyhedron is denoted by  $N_f$ . Let  $(\mu_i, \lambda_i, 1)$  be the normalized upward-pointing normals to the faces F(i)of  $N_f$  for a polynomial f(x, y) in  $\Omega_p[x, y]$ . The point  $(\mu_i, \lambda_i, 1)$  is mapping to the point  $(\mu_i, \lambda_i)$  in the x - y plane. If  $F_r$  and  $F_s$  are adjacent faces in  $N_f$ , sharing a common edge, we construct the straight line joining  $(\mu_r, \lambda_r)$  and  $(\mu_s, \lambda_s)$ . If  $F_r$ shares a common edges with a vertical face F say  $\alpha x + \beta y = \gamma$  in  $N_f$ , we construct the straight line segment joining  $(\mu_r, \lambda_r)$  and the appropriate point at infinity that corresponds to the normal F, that is the segment along a line with a slope  $-\alpha/\beta$ .

**Theorem 2.1.** Let p be a prime. Suppose f and g are polynomials in  $\mathbb{Z}_p[x, y]$ . Let  $(\mu, \lambda)$  be a point of intersection of the indicator diagrams associated with f and g at the vertices or simple points of intersections. Then, there are  $\xi$  and  $\eta$  in  $\Omega_p^2$  satisfying  $f(\xi, \eta) = g(\xi, \eta) = 0$  and  $ord_p \xi = \mu_1, ord_p \eta = \mu_2$ .

## 3. MAIN RESULT

In this section, we find the *p*-adic sizes of common zeros for the certain quartic polynomial of the form  $f(x, y) = ax^4 + bx^3y + cx^2y^2 + dxy^3 + ey^4 + rx + sy + t$  in the neighbourhood of  $(x_0, y_0)$  subject to the condition  $ord_p \frac{b}{c} > ord_p \lambda > ord_p \frac{a}{b}$ . Two cases will be shown in this section, that is  $ord_p \lambda = \frac{1}{2}ord_p \frac{a}{b}$  and  $ord_p \lambda = \frac{1}{2}ord_p \frac{c}{e}$ . From this study, the result is in the following theorem:

Theorem 3.1. Let  $f(x, y) = ax^4 + bx^3y + cx^2y^2 + dxy^3 + ey^4 + rx + sy + t$  be a polynomial in  $\mathbb{Z}_p[x, y]$  with p > 3. Let  $\alpha > 0$ ,  $\delta = max \{ ord_pa, ord_pb, ord_pc, ord_pd, ord_pe \}$  and  $ord_p(36ae - c^2)^2 > ord_p9(6be - cd)(6ad - bc)$ . Suppose  $(x_0, y_0) \in \omega_p^2$ ,  $ord_pb^2 > ord_pac$ ,  $CEI - DEH - AI^2 = 0$  and  $DE^2 - BEI + AHI = 0$  where  $A = 108b^2e - 8c^3$ ,  $B = 864abe + 27b^2d - 36bc^2$ ,  $C = 1728a^2e + 216abd - 54b^2c$ ,  $D = 432a^2d - 27b^3$ ,  $E = 9bd - 4c^2$ , H = 6(6ad - bc) and  $I = 3(4ac - 3b^2)$ . If  $ord_pf_x(x_0, y_0)$ ,  $ord_pf_y(x_0, y_0) \geq \alpha > \delta$  and  $ord_p\lambda = \frac{1}{2}ord_p\frac{a}{c}$ , then there exists  $(\xi, \eta)$  such that  $f_x(\xi, \eta) = 0$ ,  $f_y(\xi, \eta) = 0$ and  $ord_p(\xi - x_0) > \frac{1}{3}(\alpha - 2\delta)$ ,  $ord_p(\eta - y_0) > \frac{1}{3}(\alpha - 2\delta)$ .

In order to prove this theorem, we begin with several lemmas and corollaries before arriving at the estimation of *p*-adic sizes of common zeros. It can be shown that all these lemmas and corollaries are true.

In the following lemma, we show that  $ord_p\gamma_i = ord_p(3b + 2\lambda c) - ord(4a + \lambda b)$ and  $ord_p(\gamma_1 - \gamma_2) = ord_p(8ac - 3b^2) - 2ord_p(4a + \lambda b)$  where  $\gamma_i = \frac{3b+2\lambda_i c}{3(4a+\lambda_i b)}$  for i = 1, 2and  $\lambda$  is either  $\lambda_1$  or  $\lambda_2$  the roots of k(x). This lemma will then be applied in the proof of Lemma 3.3.

**Lemma 3.1.** Let p > 3 be a prime and a, b, c, d and e in  $\mathbb{Z}_p$ . Let  $\lambda_1, \lambda_2$  be the zeros of k(x). Let  $\gamma_i = \frac{(3b+2\lambda_ic)}{3(4a+\lambda_ib)}$  for i = 1, 2. If  $ord_p(36ae - c^2)^2 > ord_p9(6be - cd)(6ad - bc)$ , then  $ord_p\gamma_i = ord_p(3b+2\lambda c) - ord_p(4a+\lambda b)$  and  $ord_p(\gamma_1 - \gamma_2) = ord_p(8ac - 3b^2) - 2ord_p(4a + \lambda b)$  where  $\lambda$  is either  $\lambda_1$  or  $\lambda_2$ .

In Lemma 3.2, the sizes of  $ord_px$  and  $ord_py$  are given in terms of  $W, \gamma_1$  and  $\gamma_2$ . This assertion will be applied in the proof of Lemma 3.3.

**Lemma 3.2.** Suppose p > 3 be a prime. Let (x, y) be a point in  $\Omega_p^2$  and  $U = x + \gamma_1 y$ ,  $V = x + \gamma_2 y$  where  $\gamma_i$  are rational numbers for i = 1, 2. Then  $ord_p x \ge ord_p W - ord_p(\gamma_1 - \gamma_2)$  and  $ord_p y \ge ord_p W - ord_p(\gamma_1 - \gamma_2)$  where W is either U or V and  $\gamma$  is either  $\gamma_1$  or  $\gamma_2$ .

In the lemma below, we show that  $ord_p\frac{b}{c} > \frac{1}{2}ord_p\frac{a}{c} > ord_p\frac{a}{b}$  can be obtained from the condition  $ord_pb^2 > ord_pac$ .

**Lemma 3.3.** Let p > 3 be a prime and a, b and c in  $\mathbb{Z}_p$ . If  $ord_pb^2 > ord_pac$ , then  $ord_p\frac{b}{c} > \frac{1}{2}ord_p\frac{a}{c} > ord_p\frac{a}{b}$ .

In the following lemma, we apply the condition  $ord_p \frac{b}{c} > ord_p \lambda > ord_p \frac{a}{b}$  in the estimate of common zeros in terms of a, c,  $\lambda$  and  $H_0$ , where  $\lambda$  is the roots of k(x) and  $H_0 \in \Omega_p$ .

**Lemma 3.4.** Let p > 3 be an odd prime,  $\lambda_i$  be the roots of k(x) for i = 1, 2, and a, b, c be integers. Let  $\gamma_i = \frac{(3b+2\lambda_ic)}{3(4a+\lambda_ib)}$  for i = 1, 2 and  $\lambda$  be either  $\lambda_1$  or  $\lambda_2$ . Suppose  $ord_p\frac{b}{c} > ord_p\lambda > ord_p\frac{a}{b}$ . Let  $(\mu, \eta)$  be a common solution of  $U = x + \gamma_1 y$  and  $V = x + \gamma_2 y$ . If  $ord_p(\mu + \gamma_i\eta) = \frac{1}{3}ord_p\frac{H_0}{(4a+\lambda b)}$  for i = 1, 2 where  $H_0 \in \Omega_p$ , then  $ord_p\mu \geq \frac{1}{3}(ord_pH_0 - ord_pa)$  and  $ord_p\eta \geq \frac{1}{3}(ord_pH_0 + 2ord_pa - 3ord_pc - 3ord_p\lambda)$ .

Corollary below is a consequence of Lemma 3.4 where  $ord_p\lambda = \frac{1}{2}ord_p\frac{a}{c}$ .

**Corollary 3.1.** Let p be an odd prime and  $\lambda_i$  be the roots of k(x),  $\gamma_i = \frac{(3b+2\lambda_i c)}{3(4a+\lambda_i b)}$  for i = 1, 2 and  $\lambda$  be either  $\lambda_1$  or  $\lambda_2$ .  $(\mu, \eta)$  be a common solution of  $U = x + \gamma_1 y$  and  $V = x + \gamma_2 y$ . Suppose  $ord_p b^2 > ord_p ac$ . If  $ord_p = \frac{1}{2}ord_p \frac{a}{c}$  and  $ord_p(\mu + \gamma_i \eta) = \frac{1}{3}ord_p \frac{H_0}{(4a+\lambda b)}$  for i = 1, 2 where  $H_0 \in \Omega_p$ , then  $ord_p \mu \geq \frac{1}{3}(ord_p H_0 - ord_p a)$  and  $ord_p \eta \geq \frac{1}{3}(ord_p H_0 + \frac{1}{2}ord_p a - \frac{3}{2}ord_p c)$ .

Corollary below is obtained from Lemma 3.4 by considering  $ord_p\lambda = \frac{1}{2}ord_p\frac{c}{e}$ . Its result will be applied in Lemma 3.6.

**Corollary 3.2.** Let *p* be an odd prime and  $\lambda_i$  be the roots of k(x) for i = 1, 2. Let  $\gamma_i = \frac{(3b+2\lambda_ic)}{3(4a+\lambda_ib)}$  for i = 1, 2 and  $\lambda$  be either  $\lambda_1$  or  $\lambda_2$  where  $ord_p \frac{b}{c} > ord_p \lambda > ord_p \frac{a}{b}$ . Let  $(\mu, \eta)$  be a common solution of  $U = x + \gamma_1 y$  and  $V = x + \gamma_2 y$ . If  $ord_p \lambda = \frac{1}{2}ord_p \frac{c}{e}$  and  $ord_p(\mu + \gamma_i \eta) = \frac{1}{3}ord_p \frac{H_0}{(4a+\lambda b)}$  for i = 1, 2 where  $H_0 \in \omega_p$ , then  $ord_p \mu \geq \frac{1}{3}(ord_p H_0 - ord_p a)$  and  $ord_p \geq \frac{1}{3}(ord_p H_0 + 2ord_p a - \frac{9}{2}ord_p c + \frac{3}{2}ord_p e)$ .

Suppose  $\alpha > 0$  and  $\delta$  is maximum of the *p*-adic orders for the coefficients of the dominant terms of f(x, y). Now, by using the condition of  $ord_pb^2 > ord_pac$ ,  $ord_p\lambda = \frac{1}{2}ord_p\frac{a}{c}$  and Corollary 3.1, we give the *p*-adic orders of common zeros in terms of  $\alpha$  and  $\delta$  in the following lemma.

Lemma 3.5. Let p be an odd prime and  $f(x, y) = ax^4 + bx^3y + cx^2y^2 + dxy^3 + ey^4 + rx + sy + t in \mathbb{Z}_p[x, y]$ . Suppose  $\lambda_i$  for i = 1, 2 are the roots of k(x). Let  $\gamma_i = \frac{(3b+2\lambda_ic)}{3(4a+\lambda_ib)}$  for i = 1, 2 and  $(\mu, \eta)$  be a common solution of  $U = x + \gamma_1 y$  and  $V = x + \gamma_2 y$ . Suppose  $\alpha > 0$ ,  $\delta = max \{ ord_p a, ord_p b, ord_p c, ord_p d, ord_p e \}$  and  $ord_p(\mu + \gamma_i \eta) = \frac{1}{3}ord_p H_0(4a + \lambda b)$  for i = 1, 2 where  $H_0 = f_x(x_0, y_0) + \lambda f_y(x_0, y_0)$  and  $\lambda$  is either  $\lambda_1$  or  $\lambda_2$ . Suppose  $ord_p b^2 > ord_p ac$ . If  $ord_p f_x(x_0, y_0), ord_p f_y(x_0, y_0) \ge \alpha > \delta$ ,  $ord_p \lambda = \frac{1}{2}ord_p \frac{a}{c}$ , then  $ord_p \mu$ ,  $ord_p \eta > \frac{1}{3}(\alpha - 2\delta)$ .

In the following assertion, we give the *p*-adic orders of common zeros in terms of  $\alpha$  and  $\delta$  under the condition  $ord_p \frac{b}{c} > ord_p \lambda > ord_p \frac{a}{b}$ ,  $ord_p \lambda = \frac{1}{2} ord_p \frac{c}{c}$ .

Lemma 3.6. Let p be an odd prime and  $f(x, y) = ax^4 + bx^3y + cx^2y^2 + dxy^3 + ey^4 + rx + sy + t$  in  $\mathbb{Z}_p[x, y]$ ,  $\lambda_i$  be the roots of k(x),  $\gamma_i = \frac{(3b+2\lambda_ic)}{3(4a+\lambda_ib)}$  for i = 1, 2 and  $\lambda$  be either  $\lambda_1$  or  $\lambda_2$ . Suppose  $ord_p\frac{b}{c} > ord_p\lambda > ord_p\frac{a}{b}$ . Let  $(\mu, \eta)$  be a common solution of  $U = x + \gamma_1 y$  and  $V = x + \gamma_2 y$ . Suppose  $\alpha > 0$ ,  $\delta = max \{ ord_pa, ord_pb, ord_pc, ord_pd, ord_pe \}$  and  $\alpha > \delta$ . If  $ord_pf_x(x_0, y_0)$ ,  $ord_pf_y(x_0, y_0) \ge \alpha$ ,  $ord_p\lambda = \frac{1}{2}ord_p\frac{c}{e}$  and  $ord_p(\mu + \gamma_i\eta) = \frac{1}{3}ord_p\frac{H_0}{(4a+?b)}$  for i = 1, 2 where  $H_0 = f_x(x_0, y_0) + \lambda f_y(x_0, y_0)$ ,  $H_0 \in \omega_p$ , then  $ord_p\mu \ge \frac{1}{3}(\alpha - 2\delta)$ ,  $ord_p\eta > \frac{1}{3}(\alpha - 3\delta)$  or  $ord_p\eta > \frac{1}{3}(\alpha - 4\delta)$ .

In Lemma 3.7, we show that the partial derivative polynomials associated with  $f(x, y) = ax^4 + bx^3y + cx^2y^2 + dxy^3 + ey^4 + rx + sy + t$  can be rewritten into a simpler form. Note that this lemma will be used repeatedly in the proof of theorem in this section.

**Lemma 3.7.** Let  $f(x,y) = ax^4 + bx^3y + cx^2y^2 + dxy^3 + ey^4 + rx + sy + t$  be a polynomial in  $\mathbb{Z}_p[x,y]$  with p > 3. Suppose  $\lambda$  is a constant such that  $\frac{(2c+3\lambda d)}{(4a+\lambda b)} - 3[frac(3b+2\lambda c)3(4a+\lambda b)]^2 = 0$  and  $\frac{(d+4\lambda e)}{(4a+\lambda b)} - \left[\frac{(3b+2\lambda c)}{3(4a+\lambda b)}\right]^3 = 0$ . Then  $(f_x+\lambda f_y)(x,y) = (4a+\lambda b)\left[x + \frac{(3b+2\lambda c)}{3(4a+\lambda b)}y\right]^3 + r + \lambda s$ .

Lemma below gives the condition that ensure the existence of common zeros for m(x) and n(x).

**Lemma 3.8.** Let  $m(x) = Ax^3 + Bx^2 + Cx + D$  and  $n(x) = Ex^2 + Hx + I$  be polynomials in  $\mathbb{Z}_p[x, y]$  with p > 3. If  $CEI - DEH - AI^2 = 0$  and  $DE^2 - BEI + AHI = 0$ , then m(x) and n(x) have two common roots.

Lemma below shows the *p*-adic orders of common zeros of  $f(U, V) = U^3 + aU^2 + bU + c$  and  $g(U, V) = V^3 + rV^2 + sV + t$  can be obtained from the combination of indicator diagrams associated with the Newton polyhedra of f(x, y) and g(x, y). Note that both U and V are in terms of X and Y as stated in the proof of Theorem 3.1.

**Lemma 3.9.** Suppose  $f(U,V) = U^3 + aU^2 + bU + c$  and  $g(U,V) = V^3 + rV^2 + sV + t$ are polynomials in  $\mathbb{Z}_p[U,V]$ . Let  $(\mu, \lambda)$  be a point of intersection of the indicator diagrams associated with the Newton polyhedra of f(U,V) and g(U,V). Then there exists  $(\alpha,\beta)$  in  $\omega_p^2$  such that  $f(\alpha,\beta) = 0$ ,  $g(\alpha,\beta) = 0$ ,  $ord_p\alpha = \mu = \frac{1}{3}ord_pc$  and  $ord_p\beta = \lambda = \frac{1}{3}ord_pt$ .

# **Proof of Theorem 3.1**

*Proof.* Given  $f(x, y) = ax^4 + bx^3y + cx^2y^2 + dxy^3 + ey^4 + rx + sy + t$ . By taking the partial derivatives of the polynomial f(x, y) with respect to x and y, it can be shown that  $(f_x + \lambda f_y)(x, y) = (4a + \lambda b) \left(x + \frac{(3b+2\lambda c)}{3(4a+\lambda b)}y\right)^3 + r + s$  where  $\lambda$  is a constant. Let  $X = x - x_0$  and  $Y = y - y_0$ . Then

(3.1) 
$$(h+\lambda g)(X+x_0, Y+y_0) = (4a+\lambda b) \left[X+x_0+\frac{3b+2\lambda c}{3(4a+\lambda b)}(Y+y_0)\right]^3+r+\lambda s.$$

If

(3.2) 
$$\frac{2c+3\lambda d}{4a+\lambda b} - 3\left(\frac{3b+2\lambda c}{3(4a+\lambda b)}\right)^2 = 0$$

and

(3.3) 
$$\frac{d+4\lambda e}{4a+\lambda b} - \left(\frac{3b+2\lambda c}{3(4a+\lambda b)}\right)^3 = 0,$$

by expanding equations (3.2) and (3.3), we obtain  $m(\lambda)$  and  $n(\lambda)$  in the form  $m(\lambda) = A\lambda^3 + B\lambda^2 + C\lambda + D$  and  $n(\lambda) = E\lambda^2 + H\lambda + I$  where  $A = 108b^2e - 8c^3$ ,  $B = (864abe + 27b^2d - 36bc^2, C = 1728a^2e + 216abd - 54b^2c, D = 432a^2d - 27b^3, E = 9bd - 4c^2, H = 6(6ad - bc)$  and  $I = 3(4ac - 3b^2)$ . By the conditions  $CEI - DEH - AI^2 = 0$  and  $DE^2 - BEI + AHI = 0$ , there exists at most two common roots for m(x) and n(x) by Lemma 3.8. Now by substituting equation (3.2) into (3.3), we have

$$\frac{d+4\lambda e}{4a+\lambda b} = \left(\frac{2c+3\lambda d}{3(4a+\lambda b)}\right) \left(\frac{3b+2\lambda c}{3(4a+\lambda b)}\right).$$

By simplifying the equation above, we have  $(36be - 6cd)\lambda^2 + (144ae - 4c^2)\lambda + 36ad - 6bc = 0$ . Then, dividing the equation by 2, we obtain  $k(\lambda) = 3(6be - cd)\lambda^2 + 2(36ae - c^2)\lambda + 3(6ad - bc) = 0$ . Since  $ord_p(36ae - c^2)^2 > ord_p9(6be - cd)(6ad - bc)$ , then  $m(\lambda)$  and  $n(\lambda)$  have two distinct common roots,  $\lambda_1$  and  $\lambda_2$ , we have

$$\lambda_1 = \frac{-(36ae - c^2) + \sqrt{(36ae - c^2)^2 - 9(6be - cd)(6ad - bc)}}{3(6be - cd)}$$

and  $\lambda_2 = \overline{\lambda_1}$ . Let

(3.4) 
$$U = X + \frac{3b + 2\lambda_1 c}{3(4a + \lambda_1 b)}Y, \ u_0 = x_0 + \frac{(3b + 2\lambda_1 c)}{3(4a + \lambda_1 b)}y_0,$$

(3.5) 
$$V = X + \frac{3b + 2\lambda_2 c}{3(4a + \lambda_2 b)}Y, \ v_0 = x_0 + \frac{3b + 2\lambda_2 c}{3(4a + \lambda_2 b)}y_0$$

By substituting (3.4) and (3.5) into (3.1), we have polynomials in (U, V) as follows:

(3.6) 
$$F(U,V) = (4a + \lambda_1 b)(U + u_0)^3 + r + \lambda_1 s \text{ and}$$

(3.7) 
$$G(U,V) = (4a + \lambda_2 b)(V + v_0)^3 + r + \lambda_2 s.$$

From (3.6) and (3.7), we obtain  $F(U, V) = (4a + \lambda_1 b)(U^3 + 3u_0U^2 + 3u_0^2U) + F_0$  and  $G(U, V) = (4a + \lambda_2 b)(V^3 + 3v_0V^2 + 3v_0^2V) + G_0$  where  $F_0 = f_x(x_0, y_0) + \lambda_1 f_y(x_0, y_0)$  and  $G_0 = f_x(x_0, y_0) + \lambda_2 f_y(x_0, y_0)$ . By Lemma 3.9, there exists  $(\widehat{U}, \widehat{V})$  in  $\Omega_p^2$  such that  $F(\widehat{U}, \widehat{V}) = 0$ ,  $G(\widehat{U}, \widehat{V}) = 0$  where  $ord_p\widehat{U} = \mu' = \frac{1}{3}ord_p\frac{F_0}{4a + \lambda_1 b}$  and  $ord_p\widehat{V} = \lambda' = \frac{1}{3}ord_p\frac{G_0}{4a + \lambda_2 b}$ . By equations (3.4) and (3.5), there exists  $(\widehat{X}, \widehat{Y})$  such that

 $\widehat{U} = \widehat{X} + \lambda_1 \widehat{Y}$ ,  $\widehat{V} = \widehat{X} + \lambda_2 \widehat{Y}$  where  $\gamma_i = \frac{3b+2\lambda_i c}{3(4a+\lambda_i b)}$  for i = 1, 2. Since  $\widehat{U} = \widehat{X} + \gamma_1 \widehat{Y}$ ,  $\widehat{V} = \widehat{X} + \gamma_2 \widehat{Y}$ ,  $ord_p b^2 > ord_p ac$  and  $ord_p \lambda = \frac{1}{2} ord_p \frac{a}{c}$ , we have from Lemma 3.5,

$$ord_p \widehat{X} > \frac{1}{3}(\alpha - 2\delta), \quad ord_p \widehat{Y} > \frac{1}{3}(\alpha - 2\delta).$$

Let  $\xi = \hat{X} + x_0$  and  $\eta = \hat{Y} + y_0$ , then  $\hat{X} = \xi - x_0$  and  $\hat{Y} = \eta - y_0$ . Thus, we have

$$ord_p(\xi - x_0) > \frac{1}{3}(\alpha - 2\delta), \quad ord_p(\eta - y_0) > \frac{1}{3}(\alpha - 2\delta).$$

By back substitution in (3.4), (3.5) and (3.1), we have  $g(\xi, \eta) = f_x(\xi, \eta) = 0$  and  $h(\xi, \eta) = f_y(\xi, \eta) = 0$ .

Let f(x, y) be in  $\mathbb{Z}_p[x, y]$  and  $\lambda$  be the roots of  $k(\lambda)$  of  $f_x$  and  $f_y$ . In Theorem 3.2, we give the *p*-adic sizes of common zeros in the neighbourhood of  $(x_0, y_0)$  under the condition  $ord_p \frac{b}{c} > ord_p \lambda > ord_p \frac{a}{b}$  with  $ord_p \lambda = \frac{1}{2} ord_p \frac{c}{e}$ .

Theorem 3.2. Let

$$f(x,y) = ax^4 + bx^3y + cx^2y^2 + dxy^3 + ey^4 + rx + sy + t$$

be a polynomial in  $\mathbb{Z}_p[x, y]$  with p > 3. Let  $\alpha > 0$ ,

$$\delta = max \{ ord_p a, ord_p b, ord_p c, ord_p d, ord_p e \}$$

and  $ord_{p}(36ae - c^{2})^{2} > ord_{p}9(6be - cd)(6ad - bc)$ . Suppose  $(x_{0}, y_{0}) \in \omega_{p}^{2}$ ,  $ord_{p}\frac{b}{c} > ord_{p}\lambda > ord_{p}\frac{a}{b}$ ,  $CEI - DEH - AI^{2} = 0$  and  $DE^{2} - BEI + AHI = 0$  where  $A = 108b^{2}e - 8c^{3}$ ,  $B = 864abe + 27b^{2}d - 36bc^{2}$ ,  $C = 1728a^{2}e + 216abd - 54b^{2}c$ ,  $D = 432a^{2}d - 27b^{3}$ ,  $E = 9bd - 4c^{2}$ , H = 6(6ad - bc) and  $I = 3(4ac - 3b^{2})$ . If  $ord_{p}f_{x}(x_{0}, y_{0})$ ,  $ord_{p}f_{y}(x_{0}, y_{0}) \geq \alpha > \delta$  and  $ord_{p}\lambda = \frac{1}{2}ord_{p}\frac{c}{e}$ , then there exists  $(\xi, \eta)$ such that  $f_{1}(\xi, \eta) = 0$ ,  $f_{2}(\xi, \eta) = 0$  and  $ord_{1}(\xi - x_{0}) \geq \frac{1}{2}(\alpha - 2\delta)$ ,  $ord_{1}(\eta - \eta_{0}) > 0$ 

such that  $f_x(\xi,\eta) = 0$ ,  $f_y(\xi,\eta) = 0$  and  $ord_p(\xi - x_0) \ge \frac{1}{3}(\alpha - 2\delta)$ ,  $ord_p(\eta - y_0) > \frac{1}{3}(\eta - 3\delta)$  or  $ord_p(\eta - y_0) > \frac{1}{3}(\alpha - 4\delta)$ .

*Proof.* The proof is similar to Theorem 3.1 by using Lemmas 3.6, 3.7, 3.8 and 3.9.  $\Box$ 

## 4. CONCLUSION

In this paper, the *p*-adic sizes of partial derivative polynomials associated with quartic polynomial is considered. Then, by using these results, we find the estimation of cardinality of the set  $(f_x, f_y; p^{\alpha})$  and also exponential sums of the polynomial.

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