

n - FIBONACCI PRODUCTS

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1. NOTATION

Let ϕ^n be the n-dimensional vector space, i. e., for

$$X = [x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n] \in \phi^n, \quad x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n \in \phi^1 .$$

In addition, let I be the set of positive integers, J the set of non-negative integers, $I(n) \subset I$, be such that if $k \in I(n)$ then $k \leq n$, $J(n) \subset J$, be such that if $k \in J(n)$ then $k \leq n$. $W(n) \subset \phi^n$ is such that if $K \in W(n)$, where $K = [k_1, k_2, \dots, k_n]$, then $k_m \in J$, for $m \in I(n)$. In particular, $U = [1, 1, \dots, 1] \in W(n)$.

With $K \in W(n)$ and $X \in \phi^n$, we write

$$(1) \quad X^K = x_1^{k_1} x_2^{k_2} \dots x_n^{k_n} = \prod_{m=1}^n x_m^{k_m} ,$$

and in particular

$$(2) \quad X^U = x_1 x_2 \dots x_n .$$

Also

$$(3) \quad |X| = \sum_{m=1}^n x_m ,$$

and

$$(4) \quad \sum_{K=0}^P f(K)$$

is the sum of all elements of the form $f(K)$ where the component of K , i. e., k_m , $m \in I(n)$, take all integer values such that $0 \leq k_m \leq p_m$, where $P = [p_1, p_2, \dots, p_n] \in W(n)$.

Let $E(m)$ be the partial translation operator for the variable x_m , i. e.,

$$(5) \quad E(m)f(x_k) = \delta_m^k f(x_k + 1) , \quad k, m \in I(n) ,$$

where δ_k^m is the Kronecker delta. In addition, let $\Delta(m) = E(m) - \text{Id}$, Id being the identity operator. Using the vector notation introduced earlier, we have

$$(6) \quad E = [E(1), E(2), \dots, E(n)]$$

$$(7) \quad \Delta = [\Delta(1), \Delta(2), \dots, \Delta(n)]$$

and

$$E^U = E(1)E(2) \cdots E(n), \quad \Delta^U = \Delta(1)\Delta(2) \cdots \Delta(n).$$

2. FIBONACCI AND LUCAS PRODUCTS

Let $F(m)$ be the general term of the Fibonacci sequence, $L(m)$ the general term of the Lucas sequence as defined in [1] and $H(m)$ the general term of the generalized Fibonacci sequence. Using the notation introduced in Section 1, we have with

$$K = [k_1, k_2, \dots, k_n] \in W(n)$$

$$(8) \quad F(K) = [F(k_1), F(k_2), \dots, F(k_n)]$$

$$(9) \quad L(K) = [L(k_1), L(k_2), \dots, L(k_n)]$$

$$(10) \quad H(K) = [H(k_1), H(k_2), \dots, H(k_n)]$$

and

$$(11) \quad f(K) = [F(K)]^U = \prod_{m=1}^n F(k_m)$$

$$(12) \quad \lambda(K) = [L(K)]^U = \prod_{m=1}^n L(k_m)$$

$$(13) \quad h(K) = [H(K)]^U = \prod_{m=1}^n H(k_m).$$

The numbers $f(K)$, $\lambda(K)$, and $h(K)$ are called the n -Fibonacci, Lucas and generalized Fibonacci products.

3. RECURRENCE RELATIONS

According to [1] we have for the three sequences considered

$$(14) \quad F(k_m + 2) = F(k_m + 1) + F(k_m)$$

which we can write

$$(15) \quad E(m)\Delta(m)F(k_m) = F(k_m)$$

or

$$(16) \quad [E(m)\Delta(m) - \text{Id}]F(k_m) = 0.$$

Starting from (15) we can write

$$\prod_{m=1}^n F(m) \Delta(m) F(k_m) = \prod_{m=1}^n F(k_m) ,$$

or

$$E^U \Delta^U f(K) = f(K) ,$$

or again

$$(17) \quad (E^U \Delta^U - \text{Id})f(K) = 0 .$$

Thus the Fibonacci products satisfy a recurrence relation similar to the one dimension, i. e. , (16). The same applies to the Lucas and generalized Fibonacci products, i. e. ,

$$(18) \quad (E^U \Delta^U - \text{Id})\lambda(K) = 0 ,$$

$$(19) \quad (E^U \Delta^U - \text{Id})h(K) = 0 .$$

4. OTHER RELATIONS

The relations given in [1, pp. 59-60] can be generalized for n-Fibonacci and Lucas products. We illustrate by two examples:

(i) Relation (I 14) reads: $L(m) = F(m+2) - F(m-2)$, or

$$L(m+2) = F(m+4) - F(m)$$

or, on operator form

$$(20) \quad E^2(m)L(m) = [E^4(m) - \text{Id}]F(m) .$$

But

$$E^4(m) - \text{Id} = [E(m) - \text{Id}] [E(m) + \text{Id}] [E^2(m) + \text{Id}] ,$$

where $E(m) - \text{Id} = \Delta(m)$.

$$E(m) + \text{Id} = 2M(m)$$

where $M(m)$ is the partial mean operator. We define correspondingly

$$M = [M(1), M(2), \dots, M(n)] ,$$

and

$$M^U = \prod_{m=1}^n M(m) .$$

In addition let

$$P(m) = E^2(m) + \text{Id}, \quad P = [P(1), P(2), \dots, P(n)] ,$$

and

$$P^U = P(1)P(2) \cdots P(n) = \prod_{m=1}^n P(m).$$

We take now the product of both sides of (20) which we rewrite

$$(21) \quad \prod_{m=1}^n E^{2(m)}L(k_m) = \prod_{m=1}^n 2\Delta(m)M(m)P(m)F(k_m)$$

or

$$(22) \quad E^{2U} \lambda(K) = 2^n \Delta_M^U P^U f(K),$$

which is the relation corresponding to (I 14) of [1] for n-Fibonacci and Lucas products.

(ii) Relation (I 41) can be written

$$\sum_{k=0}^{2q} \binom{2q}{k} F(2k+p) = 5^q F(2q+p),$$

or, introducing the variable m and the usual operators

$$(23) \quad \sum_{k_m=0}^{2q_m} \binom{2q_m}{k_m} E^{2k_m(m)} F(p_m) = 5^{q_m} E^{2q_m(m)} F(p_m).$$

Taking the product over m from $m=1$ to $m=n$ and using the notation

$$\prod_{m=1}^n \binom{2q_m}{k_m} = \binom{2Q}{K},$$

where

$$K = [k_1, k_2, \dots, k_n] \in W(n), \quad Q, P \in W(n),$$

we obtain the formula corresponding to (I 41), i. e. ,

$$(24) \quad \left[\sum_{K=0}^{2Q} \binom{2Q}{K} E^{2K} - 5^{|Q|} E^{2Q} \right] f(P) = 0.$$

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