

EXPONENTIAL GENERATING FUNCTIONS FOR PELL POLYNOMIALS

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1. INTRODUCTION

Following our description [6] of the properties of the ordinary generating functions of Pell polynomials $P_n(x)$ and Pell-Lucas polynomials $Q_n(x)$ [3], we offer here a compact exposition of similar properties of the exponential generating functions of these polynomials.

Earlier authors have written about the exponential generating functions of the Fibonacci numbers [2] and of generalized Fibonacci numbers [7].

Details of the main properties of the Pell-type polynomials may be found in [3] and [4], and will be assumed, where necessary. For visual simplicity, we will abbreviate the functional notation thus: $P_n(x) \equiv P_n$, $Q_n(x) \equiv Q_n$.

Binet forms of P_n and Q_n are

$$P_n = (\alpha^n - \beta^n)/(\alpha - \beta) \tag{1.1}$$

and

$$Q_n = \alpha^n + \beta^n, \tag{1.2}$$

where

$$\begin{cases} \alpha = x + \sqrt{x^2 + 1} \\ \beta = x - \sqrt{x^2 + 1} \end{cases} \tag{1.3}$$

$$(\text{so } \alpha + \beta = 2x, \alpha\beta = -1, \alpha - \beta = 2\sqrt{x^2 + 1})$$

are the roots of

$$\lambda^2 - 2x\lambda - 1 = 0. \tag{1.4}$$

Some symbolism we shall employ include:

$$\nabla = (1 - 2xz - z^2)^{-1} \quad (= \Delta \text{ in [6] with } y \text{ replaced by } z) \tag{1.5}$$

$$\nabla_{(m)} = (1 - Q_m z + (-1)^m z^2)^{-1}, \text{ i.e., } \nabla_{(1)} \equiv \nabla \tag{1.6}$$

$$\nabla' = (1 + 2xz - z^2)^{-1}, \text{ i.e., replace } z \text{ by } -z \text{ in (1.5)} \tag{1.7}$$

$$\nabla^{(2)} \equiv \Delta^{(2)} \text{ in [6] with } y \text{ replaced by } z \tag{1.8}$$

$$P = \begin{bmatrix} 2x & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \tag{1.9}$$

$$P^n = \begin{bmatrix} P_{n+1} & P_n \\ P_n & P_{n-1} \end{bmatrix} \tag{1.10}$$

Usage of the matrix P (1.9) is to be found, for example, in [3], [4], [5], and [6]. Inevitably, some of the simpler results for Pell-type polynomials in the ensuing pages may have been obtained by other methods in our papers listed as references.

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2. BASIC MATERIAL

Write

$$P(x, y, 0) = \frac{e^{\alpha y} - e^{\beta y}}{\alpha - \beta} = \sum_{r=0}^{\infty} \frac{P_r y^r}{r!} \quad (2.1)$$

and

$$Q(x, y, 0) = e^{\alpha y} + e^{\beta y} = \sum_{r=0}^{\infty} \frac{Q_r y^r}{r!}. \quad (2.2)$$

Both (2.1) and (2.2) satisfy

$$\frac{\partial^2 t}{\partial y^2} - 2x \frac{\partial t}{\partial y} - t = 0. \quad (2.3)$$

From (2.1)

$$P(x, y, k) = \frac{\partial^k}{\partial y^k} P(x, y, 0) = \sum_{r=0}^{\infty} \frac{P_{r+k} y^r}{r!}, \quad (2.4)$$

whence

$$P(x, y, n+1) - 2xP(x, y, n) - P(x, y, n-1) = 0. \quad (2.5)$$

Also

$$Q(x, y, k) = \frac{\partial^k}{\partial y^k} Q(x, y, 0) = \sum_{r=0}^{\infty} \frac{Q_{r+k} y^r}{r!}, \quad (2.6)$$

whence

$$Q(x, y, n+1) - 2xQ(x, y, n) - Q(x, y, n-1) = 0. \quad (2.7)$$

Formulas (2.5) and (2.7) suggest the matrix representations:

$$\begin{bmatrix} P(x, y, n) \\ P(x, y, n-1) \end{bmatrix} = P^{n-1} \begin{bmatrix} P(x, y, 1) \\ P(x, y, 0) \end{bmatrix} \quad (2.8)$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} Q(x, y, n) \\ Q(x, y, n-1) \end{bmatrix} = P^{n-1} \begin{bmatrix} Q(x, y, 1) \\ Q(x, y, 0) \end{bmatrix} \quad (2.9)$$

$$P(x, y, n) = [1 \quad 0] P^{n-1} \begin{bmatrix} P(x, y, 1) \\ P(x, y, 0) \end{bmatrix} \quad (2.10)$$

$$Q(x, y, n) = [1 \quad 0] P^{n-1} \begin{bmatrix} Q(x, y, 1) \\ Q(x, y, 0) \end{bmatrix} \quad (2.11)$$

3. PROPERTIES OF EXPONENTIAL GENERATING FUNCTIONS

First, from (2.4) and (2.1) or by matrices,

$$\begin{aligned} P(x, y, n+1) + P(x, y, n-1) &= \frac{\alpha^{n+1} e^{\alpha y} - \beta^{n+1} e^{\beta y} + \alpha^{n-1} e^{\alpha y} - \beta^{n-1} e^{\beta y}}{\alpha - \beta} \\ &= \alpha^n e^{\alpha y} + \beta^n e^{\beta y} \\ &= Q(x, y, n) \quad \text{by (2.6)} \end{aligned} \quad (3.1)$$

while, similarly,

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$$Q(x, y, n + 1) + Q(x, y, n - 1) = 4(x^2 + 1)P(x, y, n). \quad (3.2)$$

Generalizations, with variations, of (3.1) and (3.2) are:

$$P(x, y, n + r) + (-1)^r P(x, y, n - r) = Q_r P(x, y, n) \quad (3.3)$$

$$P(x, y, n + r) - (-1)^r P(x, y, n - r) = P_r Q(x, y, n) \quad (3.4)$$

$$Q(x, y, n + r) + (-1)^r Q(x, y, n - r) = Q_r Q(x, y, n) \quad (3.5)$$

$$Q(x, y, n + r) - (-1)^r Q(x, y, n - r) = 4(x^2 + 1)P_r P(x, y, n) \quad (3.6)$$

An elementary property is, by (2.1), (2.6), and (2.4),

$$P(x, y, n)Q(x, y, n) = P(x, 2y, 2n)/2^n. \quad (3.7)$$

Combining (3.3) and (3.4) with (3.7), we arrive at:

$$P^2(x, y, n + r) - P^2(x, y, n - r) = P_{2r} P(x, 2y, 2n)/2^n \quad (3.8)$$

$$Q^2(x, y, n + r) - Q^2(x, y, n - r) = 4(x^2 + 1)P_{2r} P(x, 2y, 2n)/2^n \quad (3.9)$$

For variety, we use matrices to demonstrate the *Simson formula* (3.10) for $P(x, y, n)$. Details are:

$$P(x, y, n + 1)P(x, y, n - 1) - P^2(x, y, n) \quad (3.10)$$

$$= \begin{vmatrix} P(x, y, n + 1) & P(x, y, n) \\ P(x, y, n) & P(x, y, n - 1) \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= \left| P^n \begin{bmatrix} P(x, y, 1) \\ P(x, y, 0) \end{bmatrix} P^{n-1} \begin{bmatrix} P(x, y, 1) \\ P(x, y, 0) \end{bmatrix} \right| \quad \text{by (2.8)}$$

$$= (-1)^{n-1} \begin{vmatrix} P(x, y, 2) & P(x, y, 1) \\ P(x, y, 1) & P(x, y, 0) \end{vmatrix} \quad \text{by (2.8) } [|P^{n-1}| = (-1)^{n-1}]$$

$$= (-1)^{n-1} \{ (\alpha^2 e^{\alpha y} - \beta^2 e^{\beta y}) (e^{\alpha y} - e^{\beta y}) - (\alpha e^{\alpha y} - \beta e^{\beta y})^2 \} / (\alpha - \beta)^2 \quad \text{by (2.1) and (2.4)}$$

$$= (-1)^{n-1} \{ -(\alpha^2 + \beta^2 - 2\alpha\beta) e^{(\alpha + \beta)y} \} / (\alpha - \beta)^2$$

$$= (-1)^n e^{2xy} \quad \text{by (1.3)}$$

Likewise,

$$Q(x, y, n + 1)Q(x, y, n - 1) - Q^2(x, y, n) = (-1)^{n-1} 4(x^2 + 1)e^{2xy}. \quad (3.11)$$

The clear similarity of the results in this section with the corresponding formulas for P_n and Q_n is noticeable.

Obviously, the number of relationships involving exponential generating functions themselves alone is extensive. Three such are, for example:

$$P(x, y, n)P(x, y, r + 1) + P(x, y, n - 1)P(x, y, r) = P(x, 2y, n + r)/2^{n+r}; \quad (3.12)$$

$$Q(x, y, n)Q(x, y, r + 1) + Q(x, y, n - 1)Q(x, y, r) = 4(x^2 + 1)P(x, 2y, n + r)/2^{n+r}; \quad (3.13)$$

and

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$$P(x, y, n)Q(x, y, r + 1) + P(x, y, n - 1)Q(x, y, r) = Q(x, 2y, n + r)/2^{n+r}. \quad (3.14)$$

Put $r = n - 1$ in (3.12) and (3.13) to get, in succession,

$$P^2(x, y, n) + P^2(x, y, n - 1) = P(x, 2y, 2n - 1)/2^{2n-1} \quad (3.15)$$

and

$$Q^2(x, y, n) + Q^2(x, y, n - 1) = 4(x^2 + 1)P(x, 2y, 2n - 1)/2^{2n-1}. \quad (3.16)$$

Finally,

$$P(x, y, m)Q(x, y, n) + P(x, y, n)Q(x, y, m) = P(x, 2y, m + n)/2^{m+n-1} \quad (3.17)$$

and

$$Q(x, y, m)Q(x, y, n) + 4(x^2 + 1)P(x, y, m)P(x, y, n) = Q(x, 2y, m + n)/2^{m+n-1} \quad (3.18)$$

Reverting now to the formulas relating exponential generating functions to Pell polynomials, we may establish, either by means of the definitions or by the matrix representations, the following:

$$P(x, y, n + r) = P_r P(x, y, n + 1) + P_{r-1} P(x, y, n) \quad (3.19)$$

$$Q(x, y, n + r) = P_r Q(x, y, n + 1) + P_{r-1} Q(x, y, n) = Q_r P(x, y, n + 1) + Q_{r-1} P(x, y, n) \quad (3.20)$$

$$4(x^2 + 1)P(x, y, n + r) = Q_r Q(x, y, n + 1) + Q_{r-1} Q(x, y, n) \quad (3.21)$$

Special cases of interest occur when $r = n$ in (3.19)-(3.21).

Also,

$$P(x, y, n + r) = \frac{1}{2}\{P_r Q(x, y, n) + Q_r P(x, y, n)\}, \quad (3.22)$$

$$Q(x, y, n + r) = \frac{1}{2}\{4(x^2 + 1)P_r P(x, y, n) + Q_r Q(x, y, n)\}, \quad (3.23)$$

$$P(x, y, n + r)P(x, y, n - r) - P^2(x, y, n) = (-1)^{n-r+1} P_r^2 e^{2xy}, \quad (3.24)$$

$$Q(x, y, n + r)Q(x, y, n - r) - Q^2(x, y, n) = (-1)^{n-r} 4(x^2 + 1)P_r^2 e^{2xy}. \quad (3.25)$$

Results (3.24) and (3.25) are the *generalized Simson formulas*.

Lastly, in this section,

$$P(x, y, n)P(x, y, n + r + 1) - P(x, y, n - s)P(x, y, n + r + s + 1) = (-1)^{n-s} P_{r+s+1} P_s e^{2xy}, \quad (3.26)$$

and

$$Q(x, y, n)Q(x, y, n + r + 1) - Q(x, y, n - s)Q(x, y, n + r + s + 1) = (-1)^{n-s+1} 4(x^2 + 1)P_{r+s+1} P_s e^{2xy}. \quad (3.27)$$

4. SERIES INVOLVING EXPONENTIAL GENERATING FUNCTIONS

Rearranging (2.5) and (2.7), and adding, we find

$$\sum_{r=1}^n P(x, y, r) = \{P(x, y, n + 1) + P(x, y, n) - P(x, y, 1) - P(x, y, 0)\}/2x \quad (4.1)$$

and

$$\sum_{r=1}^n Q(x, y, r) = \{Q(x, y, n + 1) + Q(x, y, n) - Q(x, y, 1) - Q(x, y, 0)\}/2x. \quad (4.2)$$

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Binet forms give us the difference equations,

$$P(x, y, m(r + 1) + k) - Q_m P(x, y, mr + k) + (-1)^m P(x, y, m(r - 1) + k) = 0 \quad (4.3)$$

and

$$Q(x, y, m(r + 1) + k) - Q_m Q(x, y, mr + k) + (-1)^m Q(x, y, m(r - 1) + k) = 0. \quad (4.4)$$

Using (4.3) and (4.4), we may derive

$$\sum_{r=1}^n P(x, y, mr + k) = \frac{P(x, y, m(n+1) + k) - P(x, y, m + k) - (-1)^m \{P(x, y, mn + k) - P(x, y, k)\}}{Q_m - 1 - (-1)^m} \quad (4.5)$$

and

$$\sum_{r=1}^n Q(x, y, mr + k) = \frac{Q(x, y, m(n+1) + k) - Q(x, y, m + k) - (-1)^m \{Q(x, y, mn + k) - Q(x, y, k)\}}{Q_m - 1 - (-1)^m}. \quad (4.6)$$

Next, (2.8) and (3.19) used in conjunction with the matrix property

$$P^2 = 2xP + I$$

yield

$$P^{2n} \begin{bmatrix} P(x, y, 1) \\ P(x, y, 0) \end{bmatrix} = (2xP + I)^n \begin{bmatrix} P(x, y, 1) \\ P(x, y, 0) \end{bmatrix}. \quad (4.7)$$

Equating corresponding elements, we obtain

$$P(x, y, 2n) = \sum_{r=0}^n \binom{n}{r} (2x)^r P(x, y, r) \quad (4.8)$$

and

$$P(x, y, 2n + 1) = \sum_{r=0}^n \binom{n}{r} (2x)^r P(x, y, r + 1). \quad (4.9)$$

Similarly,

$$Q(x, y, 2n) = \sum_{r=0}^n \binom{n}{r} (2x)^r Q(x, y, r) \quad (4.10)$$

and

$$Q(x, y, 2n + 1) = \sum_{r=0}^n \binom{n}{r} (2x)^r Q(x, y, r + 1). \quad (4.11)$$

Extensions of (4.10) and (4.11) to $P(x, y, 2n + j)$ and $Q(x, y, 2n + j)$ readily follow.

Now let us consider a variation of the type of sequence being summed.

Applying the Simson formula (3.10), simplifying, and summing, we derive

$$\sum_{r=1}^n \frac{(-1)^{r-1}}{P(x, y, r)P(x, y, r + 1)} = \frac{1}{e^{2xy}} \left\{ \frac{P(x, y, n)}{P(x, y, n + 1)} - \frac{P(x, y, 0)}{P(x, y, 1)} \right\}. \quad (4.12)$$

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Similarly,

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum_{r=1}^n \frac{(-1)^r}{Q(x, y, r)Q(x, y, r+1)} \\ &= \frac{1}{e^{2xy}} \left\{ \frac{Q(x, y, n)}{Q(x, y, n+1)} - \frac{Q(x, y, 0)}{Q(x, y, 1)} \right\} \frac{1}{4(x^2 + 1)}. \end{aligned} \quad (4.13)$$

5. ORDINARY GENERATING FUNCTIONS OF EXPONENTIAL GENERATING FUNCTIONS

Summing and using (2.5),

$$\sum_{r=0}^{\infty} P(x, y, r)z^r = (P(x, y, 0) + P(x, y, -1)z)\nabla \quad (5.1)$$

where $P(x, y, -1)$ is the primitive function of $P(x, y, 0)$ w.r.t. y .

Similarly,

$$\sum_{r=0}^{\infty} Q(x, y, r)z^r = (Q(x, y, 0) + Q(x, y, -1)z)\nabla, \quad (5.2)$$

$$\sum_{r=0}^{\infty} (-1)^r P(x, y, r)z^r = (P(x, y, 0) - P(x, y, -1)z)\nabla', \quad (5.3)$$

and

$$\sum_{r=0}^{\infty} (-1)^r Q(x, y, r)z^r = (Q(x, y, 0) - Q(x, y, -1)z)\nabla'. \quad (5.4)$$

More generally,

$$\sum_{r=0}^{\infty} P(x, y, mr + k)z^r = \{P(x, y, k) - (-1)^m P(x, y, -m + k)z\}\nabla_{(m)}, \quad (5.5)$$

and

$$\sum_{r=0}^{\infty} Q(x, y, mr + k)z^r = \{Q(x, y, k) - (-1)^m Q(x, y, -m + k)z\}\nabla_{(m)}. \quad (5.6)$$

Induction gives

$$\frac{\partial^n}{\partial z^n} \sum_{r=0}^{\infty} P(x, y, r)z^r = n! \left\{ \sum_{r=0}^{n+1} \binom{n+1}{r} P(x, y, n-r)z^r \right\} \nabla^{n+1} \quad (5.7)$$

and

$$\frac{\partial^n}{\partial z^n} \sum_{r=0}^{\infty} Q(x, y, r)z^r = n! \left\{ \sum_{r=0}^{n+1} \binom{n+1}{r} Q(x, y, n-r)z^r \right\} \nabla^{n+1} \quad (5.8)$$

with extensions when r is replaced by $r + m$.

Equating coefficients of z^r in (5.7) and (5.8) yields, in turn,

$$P(x, y, n+r) = \left\{ \sum_{i=0}^{n+1} \binom{n+1}{i} P(x, y, n-i)P_{r+1-i}^{(n)} \right\} / \binom{n+r}{r} \quad (5.9)$$

and

$$Q(x, y, n+r) = \left\{ \sum_{i=0}^{n+1} \binom{n+1}{i} Q(x, y, n-i)P_{r+1-i}^{(n)} \right\} / \binom{n+r}{r}, \quad (5.10)$$

since

$$\nabla^{n+1} = \sum_{t=0}^{\infty} P_{t+1}^{(n)} z^t,$$

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where $\{P_i^{(n)}\}$, $i = 1, 2, 3, \dots$ is the n^{th} convolution sequence for Pell polynomials [4].

Now, by (2.1) and (2.4), we can demonstrate that

$$P^2(x, y, r + 1) - Q_2 P^2(x, y, r) + P^2(x, y, r - 1) = 2(-1)^r e^{2xy}. \quad (5.11)$$

Using this as a difference equation, we obtain

$$\sum_{r=1}^n P^2(x, y, r) = [P^2(x, y, n + 1) - P^2(x, y, 1) - \{P^2(x, y, n) - P^2(x, y, 0)\} + 2(1 - (-1)^n)e^{2xy}] / 4x^2 \quad (5.12)$$

and

$$\sum_{r=0}^{\infty} P^2(x, y, r)z^r = [P^2(x, y, 0) + z\{P^2(x, y, 0) - P^2(x, y, -1)\} - P^2(x, y, -1)z^2 + 2ze^{2xy}] \nabla^{(2)} / (1 + z) \quad (5.13)$$

by (1.8).

Furthermore,

$$P^2(x, y, n + 3) - (4x^2 + 1)P^2(x, y, n + 2) - (4x^2 + 1)P^2(x, y, n + 1) + P^2(x, y, n) = 0, \quad (5.14)$$

$$\sum_{r=0}^{\infty} \frac{P_{mr+k} y^r}{r!} = (\alpha^k e^{\alpha^m y} - \beta^k e^{\beta^m y}) / (\alpha - \beta), \quad (5.15)$$

and

$$\sum_{r=0}^{\infty} \frac{P_r^2 y^r}{r!} = (e^{\alpha^2 y} + e^{\beta^2 y} - 2e^{-y}) / (\alpha - \beta)^2. \quad (5.16)$$

6. FURTHER APPLICATIONS OF EXPONENTIAL GENERATING FUNCTIONS

Techniques employed for Fibonacci numbers in [1] are now cultivated for Pell polynomials.

To illustrate the method, we show that

$$P_{2n} = \sum_{r=0}^n \binom{n}{r} (2x)^r P_r. \quad (6.1)$$

Consider

$$\begin{aligned} A &= \{(e^{2\alpha xy} - e^{2\beta xy})e^y\} / (\alpha - \beta) && (6.2) \\ &= \{e^{(2\alpha x + 1)y} - e^{(2\beta x + 1)y}\} / (\alpha - \beta) \\ &= (e^{\alpha^2 y} - e^{\beta^2 y}) / (\alpha - \beta) && \text{by (1.3)} \\ &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{P_{2n} y^n}{n!} && \text{by (1.1)}. \end{aligned}$$

However, also,

$$\begin{aligned} A &= \left\{ \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(2x)^n P_n y^n}{n!} \right\} \left\{ \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{y^n}{n!} \right\} && \text{by (6.2) and (1.1)} \\ &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left\{ \sum_{i=0}^n \frac{(2x)^i P_i}{i!(n-i)!} \right\} y^n. && (6.3) \end{aligned}$$

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By equating the coefficients of y^n in (6.2) and (6.3), we get

$$\frac{P_{2n}}{n!} = \sum_{i=0}^n \frac{(2x)^i P_i}{i!(n-i)!}, \tag{6.4}$$

which is equivalent to (6.1).

Observe that (6.2) and (6.3) lead to

$$\frac{\partial^r A}{\partial y^r} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{P_{2n+2r} y^n}{n!} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left\{ \sum_{i=0}^{n+r} \frac{(n+1)_r (2x)^i P_i y^n}{i!(n+r-i)!} \right\}$$

where $(n)_r$ is the rising factorial.

Hence,

$$P_{2(n+r)} = \sum_{i=0}^{n+r} \binom{n+r}{i} (2x)^i P_i, \tag{6.5}$$

which is an extension of (6.4).

Turning our attention to

$$B = (e^{\alpha y} - e^{\beta y})e^{-2xy}/(\alpha - \beta), \tag{6.6}$$

we obtain, in a similar manner,

$$(-1)^{n+1} P_n = \sum_{i=0}^n \binom{n}{i} (-2x)^{n-i} P_i. \tag{6.7}$$

Likewise, from

$$C = (e^{\alpha^2 y} - e^{\beta^2 y})e^{-y}/(\alpha - \beta), \tag{6.8}$$

we derive

$$(2x)^n P_n = \sum_{i=0}^n \binom{n}{i} (-1)^{n-i} P_{2i}. \tag{6.9}$$

Next, consider

$$\begin{aligned} D &= (e^{\alpha^m y} - e^{\beta^m y})(e^{\alpha^m y} + e^{\beta^m y})/(\alpha - \beta) \\ &= (e^{2\alpha^m y} - e^{2\beta^m y})/(\alpha - \beta) \\ &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{2^n P_{mn} y^n}{n!} \quad \text{by (1.1)}. \end{aligned} \tag{6.10}$$

Now, also,

$$D = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left\{ \frac{P_{mn} y^n}{n!} \right\} \left\{ \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{Q_{mn} y^n}{n!} \right\} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left\{ \sum_{i=0}^n \frac{P_{mi} Q_{m(n-i)}}{i!(n-i)!} \right\} y^n. \tag{6.11}$$

So

$$2^n P_{mn} = \sum_{i=0}^n \binom{n}{i} P_{mi} Q_{m(n-i)}. \tag{6.12}$$

If we investigate

$$E = (e^{\alpha^m y} - e^{\beta^m y})(e^{\alpha^m y} - e^{\beta^m y})/(\alpha - \beta)^2, \tag{6.13}$$

we are led by the above process, eventually, to

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$$2^n Q_{mn} - 2Q_m^n = 4(x^2 + 1) \sum_{r=0}^n \binom{n}{r} P_{mr} P_{m(n-r)}. \quad (6.14)$$

Similarly,

$$2 Q_{mn} + 2Q_m^n = \sum_{r=0}^n \binom{n}{r} Q_{mr} Q_{m(n-r)}. \quad (6.15)$$

Suppose now that

$$\begin{aligned} F &= \{ (e^{\alpha^{4m}y} - e^{\beta^{4m}y}) e^y \} / (\alpha - \beta) \\ &= \{ e^{(\alpha^{4m}+1)y} - e^{(\beta^{4m}+1)y} \} / (\alpha - \beta) \\ &= \{ e^{(\alpha^{4m}+\alpha^{2m}\beta^{2m})y} - e^{(\beta^{4m}+\alpha^{2m}\beta^{2m})y} \} / (\alpha - \beta) \\ &= \{ e^{\alpha^{2m}(\alpha^{2m}+\beta^{2m})y} - e^{\beta^{2m}(\alpha^{2m}+\beta^{2m})y} \} / (\alpha - \beta) \\ &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{P_{2mn} Q_{2m}^n y^n}{n!} \quad \text{by (1.1) and (1.2)}. \end{aligned} \quad (6.16)$$

But, also,

$$\begin{aligned} F &= \left\{ \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{P_{4mi} y^n}{n!} \right\} \left\{ \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{y^n}{n!} \right\} \quad \text{by (6.16) and (1.1)} \\ &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left\{ \sum_{i=0}^n \frac{P_{4mi}}{i!(n-i)!} \right\} y^n. \end{aligned} \quad (6.17)$$

Consequently,

$$P_{2mn} Q_{2m}^n = \sum_{i=0}^n \binom{n}{i} P_{4mi}. \quad (6.18)$$

Differentiating r times partially w.r.t. y the two expressions (6.16) and (6.17) for F , as we did earlier for A [cf. (6.5)], we obtain the extension of (6.18), namely,

$$P_{2m(n+r)} Q_{2m}^{n+r} = \sum_{i=0}^{n+r} \binom{n+r}{i} P_{4mi}. \quad (6.19)$$

Finally, consider

$$\begin{aligned} G &= (e^{\alpha^m y} - e^{\beta^m y}) / (\alpha - \beta) \\ &= \{ e^{(\alpha^{P_m} + P_{m-1})y} - e^{(\beta^{P_m} + P_{m-1})y} \} / (\alpha - \beta) \\ &= \{ e^{P_{m-1}y} (e^{\alpha^{P_m} y} - e^{\beta^{P_m} y}) \} / (\alpha - \beta) \\ &= \left\{ \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{P_{m-1}^n y^n}{n!} \right\} \left\{ \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{P_n P_m^n y^n}{n!} \right\} \quad \text{by (1.1)} \\ &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left\{ \sum_{i=0}^n \frac{P_{m-i}^i P_{n-i} P_m^{n-i}}{i!(n-i)!} \right\} y^n. \end{aligned} \quad (6.20)$$

Also,

$$G = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{P_{mn} y^n}{n!} \quad \text{by (6.20) and (1.1)}. \quad (6.21)$$

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Then

$$P_{mn} = \sum_{i=0}^n \binom{n}{i} P_{m-1}^i P_{n-i} P_m^{n-i} = \sum_{i=0}^n \binom{n}{i} P_{m-1}^{n-i} P_i P_m^i, \tag{6.22}$$

whence

$$\frac{\partial^r G}{\partial y^r} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{P_{m(n+r)} y^n}{n!} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left\{ \sum_{i=0}^{n+r} \frac{\binom{n+r}{i} P_m^i P_{m-1}^{n+r-i} P_i}{i!(n+r-i)!} \right\} y^n \tag{6.23}$$

and

$$P_{m(n+r)} = \sum_{i=0}^{n+r} \binom{n+r}{i} P_m^i P_{m-1}^{n+r-i} P_i. \tag{6.24}$$

The presentation in this article of the properties of the exponential generating functions of Pell and Pell-Lucas polynomials suffices to give us something of their mathematical flavor.

Important special cases of the Pell polynomials and Pell-Lucas polynomials are noted in [3] and may, for variety and visual convenience, be tabulated as:

	P_n	Q_n
$x = 1$	Pell numbers	Pell-Lucas numbers
$x = \frac{1}{2}$	Fibonacci numbers	Lucas numbers
$x \rightarrow \frac{1}{2}x$	Fibonacci polynomials	Lucas polynomials

Results given in this paper for exponential generating functions, and in [6] for ordinary generating functions, of P_n and Q_n may clearly be specialized to corresponding results for the tabulated mathematical entities.

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