

ON A SECOND NEW GENERALIZATION OF THE FIBONACCI SEQUENCE

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A new perspective to the generalization of the Fibonacci sequence was introduced in [1]. Here, we take another step in the same direction. In [1] we studied the sequences  $\{\alpha\}_{i=0}^{\infty}$  and  $\{\beta\}_{i=0}^{\infty}$  defined by

$$\begin{cases} \alpha_0 = a, \beta_0 = b, \alpha_1 = c, \beta_1 = d, \\ \alpha_{n+2} = \beta_{n+1} + \beta_n, \\ \beta_{n+2} = \alpha_{n+1} + \alpha_n, \end{cases} \quad (n \geq 0) \tag{1}$$

where  $a, b, c,$  and  $d$  are fixed real numbers. We also utilized the generalization  $\{F_i(a, b)\}_{i=0}^{\infty}$ , where

$$\begin{cases} F_0(a, b) = a \\ F_1(a, b) = b \\ F_{n+2}(a, b) = F_{n+1}(a, b) + F_n(a, b) \end{cases} \quad (n \geq 0)$$

so that  $F_n = F_n(0, 1)$ , where  $\{F_i\}_{i=0}^{\infty}$  is the Fibonacci sequence.

We shall study here the properties of the sequences for the scheme,

$$\begin{cases} \alpha_0 = a, \beta_0 = b, \alpha_1 = c, \beta_1 = d, \\ \alpha_{n+2} = \alpha_{n+1} + \beta_n, \\ \beta_{n+2} = \beta_{n+1} + \alpha_n, \end{cases} \quad (n \geq 0) \tag{2}$$

where  $a, b, c,$  and  $d$  are fixed real numbers, and will conclude with a theorem, similar to [1]. Since the proofs of the results in this paper are similar to those in [1], we shall only list the results and eliminate the proofs.

Obviously when  $a = b$  and  $c = d$ , the schemes from (2), as well as from (1), coincide with the Fibonacci sequence  $\{F_i(a, b)\}_{i=0}^{\infty}$ . The first few terms of the sequences from (2) are:

$n$	$\alpha_n$	$\beta_n$
0	$a$	$b$
1	$c$	$d$
2	$b + c$	$a + d$
3	$b + c + d$	$a + c + d$
4	$a + b + c + 2d$	$a + b + 2c + d$
5	$2a + b + 2c + 3d$	$a + 2b + 3c + 2d$
6	$3a + 2b + 4c + 4d$	$2a + 3b + 4c + 4d$
7	$4a + 4b + 7c + 6d$	$4a + 4b + 6c + 7d$
8	$6a + 7b + 11c + 10d$	$7a + 6b + 10c + 11d$
9	$10a + 11b + 17c + 17d$	$11a + 10b + 17c + 17d$

Lemma 1: For every  $k \geq 0$ :

(a)  $\alpha_{6k} + \beta_0 = \beta_{6k} + \alpha_0$ ;

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- (b)  $\alpha_{6k+1} + \beta_1 = \beta_{6k+1} + \alpha_1$ ;
- (c)  $\alpha_{6k+2} + \alpha_0 + \beta_1 = \beta_{6k+2} + \beta_0 + \alpha_1$ ;
- (d)  $\alpha_{6k+3} + \alpha_0 = \beta_{6k+3} + \beta_0$ ;
- (e)  $\alpha_{6k+4} + \alpha_1 = \beta_{6k+4} + \beta_1$ ;
- (f)  $\alpha_{6k+5} + \beta_0 + \alpha_1 = \beta_{6k+5} + \alpha_0 + \beta_1$ .

Lemma 2: For every  $n \geq 0$ :

$$(a) \alpha_{n+2} = \sum_{i=0}^n \beta_i + \alpha_1; \quad (b) \beta_{n+2} = \sum_{i=0}^n \alpha_i + \beta_1.$$

Lemma 3: For every  $n \geq 0$ :

- (a)  $\sum_{i=0}^{6k} (\alpha_i - \beta_i) = \alpha_0 - \beta_0$ ;
- (b)  $\sum_{i=0}^{6k+1} (\alpha_i - \beta_i) = \alpha_0 - \beta_0 + \alpha_1 - \beta_1$ ;
- (c)  $\sum_{i=0}^{6k+2} (\alpha_i - \beta_i) = 2\alpha_1 - 2\beta_1$ ;
- (d)  $\sum_{i=0}^{6k+3} (\alpha_i - \beta_i) = -\alpha_0 + \beta_0 + 2\alpha_1 - 2\beta_1$ ;
- (e)  $\sum_{i=0}^{6k+4} (\alpha_i - \beta_i) = -\alpha_0 + \beta_0 + \alpha_1 - \beta_1$ ;
- (f)  $\sum_{i=0}^{6k+5} (\alpha_i - \beta_i) = 0$ .

Lemma 4: For every  $n \geq 0$ :

$$\alpha_{n+2} + \beta_{n+2} = F_{n+1} \cdot (\alpha_0 + \beta_0) + F_{n+2} \cdot (\alpha_1 + \beta_1).$$

As in [1], we express the members of the sequences  $\{\alpha_i\}_{i=0}^{\infty}$  and  $\{\beta_i\}_{i=0}^{\infty}$  when  $n \geq 0$ , as follows:

$$\begin{cases} \alpha_n = \gamma_n^1 \cdot a + \gamma_n^2 \cdot b + \gamma_n^3 \cdot c + \gamma_n^4 \cdot d \\ \beta_n = \delta_n^1 \cdot a + \delta_n^2 \cdot b + \delta_n^3 \cdot c + \delta_n^4 \cdot d \end{cases}$$

It is interesting to note that Lemmas 5-7 have results identical to those found in [1] for the sequences  $\{\gamma_n^1\}_{n=0}^{\infty}$ ,  $\{\gamma_n^2\}_{n=0}^{\infty}$ , etc., even though they are different sequences.

Lemma 5: For every  $n \geq 0$ :

- (a)  $\gamma_n^1 + \delta_n^1 = F_{n-1}$ ;
- (b)  $\gamma_n^2 + \delta_n^2 = F_{n-1}$ ;
- (c)  $\gamma_n^3 + \delta_n^3 = F_n$ ;
- (d)  $\gamma_n^4 + \delta_n^4 = F_n$ .

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Lemma 6: For every  $n \geq 0$

(a)  $\gamma_n^1 + \gamma_n^2 = \delta_n^1 + \delta_n^2;$  (b)  $\gamma_n^3 + \gamma_n^4 = \delta_n^3 + \delta_n^4.$

Lemma 7: For every  $n \geq 0$ :

(a)  $\delta_n^1 = \gamma_n^2;$  (e)  $\gamma_n^3 = \gamma_{n+1}^2;$   
 (b)  $\delta_n^2 = \gamma_n^1;$  (f)  $\gamma_n^4 = \gamma_{n+1}^1;$   
 (c)  $\delta_n^3 = \gamma_n^4;$  (g)  $\delta_n^3 = \delta_{n+1}^2;$   
 (d)  $\delta_n^4 = \gamma_n^3;$  (h)  $\delta_n^4 = \delta_{n+1}^1.$

Let  $\psi$  be the integer function defined for every  $k \geq 0$  by:

$\tau$	$\psi(6k + \tau)$
0	1
1	0
2	-1
3	-1
4	0
5	1

Obviously, for every  $n \geq 0$ ,

$\psi(n + 3) = -\psi(n).$  (3)

Using the definition of the function  $\psi$ , the following are easily proved by induction.

Lemma 8: For every  $n \geq 0$ :

(a)  $\gamma_n^1 = \delta_n^1 + \psi(n);$  (c)  $\gamma_n^3 = \delta_n^3 + \psi(n + 4);$   
 (b)  $\gamma_n^2 = \delta_n^2 + \psi(n + 3);$  (d)  $\gamma_n^4 = \delta_n^4 + \psi(n + 1)$

Lemma 9: For every  $n \geq 0$ :

(a)  $\gamma_{n+2}^1 = \gamma_{n+1}^1 + \gamma_n^1 + \psi(n + 3);$  (d)  $\gamma_{n+2}^3 = \gamma_{n+1}^3 + \gamma_n^3 + \psi(n + 1);$   
 (b)  $\gamma_{n+2}^2 = \gamma_{n+1}^2 + \gamma_n^2 + \psi(n);$  (e)  $\gamma_{n+2}^4 = \gamma_{n+1}^4 + \gamma_n^4 + \psi(n + 4);$   
 (c)  $\gamma_n^1 = \gamma_n^2 + \psi(n);$  (f)  $\gamma_n^3 = \gamma_n^4 + \psi(n + 4).$

From Lemmas 5, 7, 8, and (3), we obtain the equations:

$\gamma_n^1 = \delta_n^2 = \frac{1}{2}(F_{n-2} + \psi(n));$   
 $\gamma_n^2 = \delta_n^1 = \frac{1}{2}(F_{n-1} + \psi(n + 3));$   
 $\gamma_n^3 = \delta_n^4 = \frac{1}{2}(F_n + \psi(n + 4));$   
 $\gamma_n^4 = \delta_n^3 = \frac{1}{2}(F_n + \psi(n + 1)).$

Theorem: For every  $n \geq 0$ :

$\alpha_n = \frac{1}{2}\{(F_{n-1} + \psi(n))a + (F_{n-1} + \psi(n + 3))b + (F_n + \psi(n + 4))c$   
 $+ (F_n + \psi(n + 1))d\}$

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$$\begin{aligned}
 &= \frac{1}{2}[(a + b)F_{n-1} + (c + d)F_n + \psi(n)a + \psi(n + 3)b \\
 &\quad + \psi(n + 4)c + \psi(n + 1)d]. \\
 \beta &= \frac{1}{2}[(F_{n-1} + \psi(n + 3))a + (F_{n-1} + \psi(n))b + (F_n + \psi(n + 1))c \\
 &\quad + (F_n + \psi(n + 4))d] \\
 &= \frac{1}{2}[(a + b)F_{n-1} + (c + d)F_n + \psi(n + 3)a + \psi(n)b \\
 &\quad + \psi(n + 1)c + \psi(n + 4)d].
 \end{aligned}$$

On the basis of what has been done in [1] and in this paper, one could be led to generalize and examine sequences of the following types

$$\begin{cases} \alpha_0 = a, \beta_0 = b, \alpha_1 = c, \beta_1 = d, \\ \alpha_{n+2} = p \cdot \beta_{n+1} + q \cdot \beta_n, \\ \beta_{n+2} = t \cdot \alpha_{n+1} + s \cdot \alpha_n, \end{cases} \quad (n \geq 0)$$

$$\begin{cases} \alpha_0 = a, \beta_0 = b, \alpha_1 = c, \beta_1 = d, \\ \alpha_{n+2} = p \cdot \alpha_{n+1} + q \cdot \beta_n, \\ \beta_{n+2} = t \cdot \beta_{n+1} + s \cdot \alpha_n, \end{cases} \quad (n \geq 0)$$

for the fixed real numbers  $p, q, t,$  and  $s.$

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