

## 2-FIBONACCI SEQUENCES APPLYING THE CONCEPTS OF CONGRUENCE AND MATRIX METHODS

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### Abstract

In this paper, we have obtained the generating function and a general formula to find out  $n$ th term of 2-Fibonacci sequences. In the later section, some generalized properties of 2-Fibonacci sequences are finding out by applying the concept of congruence and matrix methods.

$$\alpha_{n+2} = \beta_{n+1} + \beta_n, \beta_{n+2} = \alpha_{n+1} + \alpha_n; n = 0, 1, 2, \dots \quad (1)$$

with initial conditions  $\alpha_0 = 0$ ,  $\alpha_1 = 1$ ,  $\beta_0 = 2$  and  $\beta_1 = 1$ . First few terms of 2-Fibonacci sequences are given by

$$\alpha_2 = 3, \beta_2 = 1$$

$$\alpha_3 = 2, \beta_3 = 4$$

$$\alpha_4 = 5, \beta_4 = 5$$

$$\alpha_5 = 9, \beta_5 = 7$$

and so on.

Now, the following equation

$$r^4 - r^2 - 2r - 1 = 0$$

(2)

is satisfied by the above 2-Fibonacci sequences.

On solving equation (2), the four roots are given by

$$\gamma = \frac{1 + \sqrt{5}}{2}, \delta = \frac{1 - \sqrt{5}}{2}, \omega = \frac{-1 + i\sqrt{3}}{2}, \omega^2 = \frac{-1 - i\sqrt{3}}{2}$$

From the recurrence relation we observed that 2-Fibonacci numbers are also forms a complete sequence. This means that every positive integer can be written as a sum of 2-Fibonacci numbers, where any one number is used once at most. Also,

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### 1. Introduction

In [1], four different ways of constructing two sequences  $\{\alpha_i\}_{i=0}^{\infty}$  and  $\{\beta_i\}_{i=0}^{\infty}$  are described and are called 2-Fibonacci sequences. Many properties were investigated by many authors like [1,2,3,4,5,6]. In this paper, we consider the following 2-Fibonacci sequences defined as:

by taking the ratio of a two consecutive 2-Fibonacci numbers larger divided by smaller, the sequence obtained approaches to the golden ratio.

## 2. Generating Functions

Let  $g_{F,L}(t)$  be a polynomial of infinite degree with coefficients as 2-Fibonacci sequence  $\{\alpha_n\}$  (defined by (1)) i.e., defined by

$$g_{F,L}(t) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \alpha_n t^n$$

**Theorem 2.1** Then the generating functions for 2-Fibonacci sequences  $\{\alpha_n\}$  and  $\{\beta_n\}$  are given by

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \alpha_n t^n = \frac{t + 3t^2 + t^3}{1 - t^2 - 2t^3 - t^4}$$

and

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \beta_n t^n = \frac{2 + t - t^2 - t^3}{1 - t^2 - 2t^3 - t^4}$$

**Proof** Consider

$$\begin{aligned} g_{F,L}(t) &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \alpha_n t^n \\ &= t + 3t^2 + 2t^3 \\ &\quad + \sum_{n=4}^{\infty} (\alpha_{n-2} + 2\alpha_{n-3} + \alpha_{n-4})t^n \\ &= t + 3t^2 + t^3 + g_{F,L}(t)(t^2 + 2t^3 + t^4) \end{aligned}$$

i.e

$$g_{F,L}(t) = \frac{t + 3t^2 + t^3}{1 - t^2 - 2t^3 - t^4}$$

Similarly, generating function  $g_{F,L}(t)$  for 2-Fibonacci sequence  $\{\beta_n\}$

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \beta_n t^n = \frac{2 + t - t^2 - t^3}{1 - t^2 - 2t^3 - t^4}$$

**Theorem 2.1** For all non-negative integer  $n$ , the  $n$ th term of 2-Fibonacci sequences can be expressed by following formulas

$$\begin{aligned} \alpha_n &= \frac{(\gamma^{n+4} + \gamma^{n+1})}{(\gamma - \delta)(\gamma - \omega)(\gamma - \omega^2)} \\ &\quad + \frac{(\delta^{n+4} + \delta^{n+1})}{(\delta - \gamma)(\delta - \omega)(\delta - \omega^2)} \\ &\quad + \frac{2\omega^{n+1}}{(\omega - \gamma)(\omega - \delta)(\omega - \omega^2)} \\ &\quad + \frac{2\omega^{2n+2}}{(\omega^2 - \gamma)(\omega^2 - \delta)(\omega^2 - \omega)} \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} \beta_n &= \frac{2\gamma^{n+3}}{(\gamma - \delta)(\gamma - \omega)(\gamma - \omega^2)} \\ &\quad + \frac{2\delta^{n+3}}{(\delta - \gamma)(\delta - \omega)(\delta - \omega^2)} \\ &\quad - \frac{2\omega^{n+1}}{(\omega - \gamma)(\omega - \delta)(\omega - \omega^2)} \\ &\quad - \frac{2(\omega^2)^{n+1}}{(\omega^2 - \gamma)(\omega^2 - \delta)(\omega^2 - \omega)} \end{aligned}$$

**Proof**

We can easily prove this theorem by using the generating function for the 2-Fibonacci sequences  $\alpha_n$  and  $\beta_n$  respectively.

## 3. Some Results of 2-Fibonacci Sequences based on Congruence

**3.1**  $\alpha_n \equiv (\beta_n + (1 - r)) \pmod{3}$ , where  $n \equiv r \pmod{3}$

**Proof** The result being certainly true for  $n = 1$ . Let us assume that results holds for  $n = 2, 3, \dots, k$ . Now, by using induction and (1), we have

$$\begin{aligned} \beta_{k+1} + (1 - r) &\equiv \beta_k + \beta_{k-1} - 3r + 6 \pmod{3} \equiv \\ &\beta_k + \beta_{k-1} \pmod{3} \equiv \alpha_{k+1} \pmod{3}, \end{aligned}$$

where  $k \equiv r - 1 \pmod{3}$ . Thus, by induction it holds for all natural number

**Corollary 3.1.1**  $\alpha_n > \beta_n$ , if  $n \equiv 2 \pmod{3}$  and  $\beta_n > \alpha_n$ , if  $n \equiv 0 \pmod{3}$

**Proof** It follows directly from (3.1)

## 3.2 Relation of 2-Fibonacci sequences with Fibonacci sequence

$$F_{n+1} \equiv \alpha_n + (1-r) \equiv \beta_n + (r-1) \pmod{3}, \text{ where } n \equiv r \pmod{3} \quad (3)$$

**Proof** Clearly, result holds for  $n = 1$ .

Now, by using induction and result (3.1), we have

$$F_{n+2} = F_{n+1} + F_n \equiv \beta_{n+1} + (r-1) \pmod{3} \\ \equiv \alpha_{n+1} + (1-r) \pmod{3},$$

where  $n+1 \equiv r \pmod{3}$ .

Thus, by induction, (3) is true for all natural number

**3.3**  $\alpha_n$  and  $\beta_n$  is even if  $n \equiv 0 \pmod{3}$  and it is odd if  $n \equiv 1, 2 \pmod{3}$

**Proof** From [5],  $F_n$  is even if  $n \equiv 0 \pmod{3}$ , therefore from relation (3), the above result holds

**3.4** Binet Formula for 2-Fibonacci sequences can also be expressed as

$$\frac{\gamma^{n+1} - \delta^{n+1}}{\gamma - \delta} = \alpha_n + (1-r) = \beta_n + (r-1),$$

$$\text{where } n \equiv r \pmod{3} \quad (4)$$

**Proof** The Binet formula for Fibonacci sequence [3] is given by

$$\frac{\gamma^{n+1} - \delta^{n+1}}{\gamma - \delta} = F_{n+1}$$

where  $\gamma = \frac{1+\sqrt{5}}{2}$ ,  $\delta = \frac{1-\sqrt{5}}{2}$ , therefore (3.2) follows

(3.4)

**3.5** If  $n/3$ , then  $\beta_n^2 \equiv 0 \pmod{4}$ , otherwise  $\beta_n^2 \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$

**3.6** If  $n/3$ , then  $\alpha_n^2 \equiv 0 \pmod{4}$ , otherwise  $\alpha_n^2 \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$

**3.7**  $\beta_n^2 - \beta_{n-3}^2 \equiv \alpha_n^2 - \alpha_{n-3}^2 \pmod{4}$

**Proof** 3.5 and 3.6 directly follows from result 3.3. Also, the result 3.7 is particular case of 3.5 and 3.6

**3.8** (Cassini identity)  $\beta_{n-1}\beta_{n+1} - \beta_n^2 \equiv 3(-1)^n \pmod{4}$

**3.9**  $\alpha_{n-1}\alpha_{n+1} - \alpha_n^2 \equiv 3(-1)^{n-1} \pmod{4}$

**Proof**

Clearly, result holds for  $n = 1$ . Let result hold for  $n$ .

By using 3.7 and (1), consider

$$\beta_n\beta_{n+2} - \beta_{n+1}^2 = \beta_n(\beta_n + 2\beta_{n-1} + \beta_{n-2}) \\ - (\beta_{n-1} + 2\beta_{n-2} + \beta_{n-3})^2 \\ \equiv \beta_n^2 - \beta_{n-3}^2 + 2\beta_n\beta_{n-1} + \beta_n\beta_{n-2} - \beta_{n-1}^2 \\ - 2\beta_{n-1}\beta_{n-3} \pmod{4} \\ \equiv 2\beta_{n-1}(\beta_n - \beta_{n-3}) + 3(-1)^{n-1} \pmod{4} \\ \equiv 3(-1)^{n+1} \pmod{4}$$

Hence, the result, in a similar way we can prove 3.9 identity

#### 4. Results using Matrix Methods

Introduce a matrix  $E = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 2 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$  such that

$\det E = -1$ . Here, matrix  $E$  is called generating matrix for 2-Fibonacci sequences defined by equation (1).

**Theorem 4.1** For all positive integers  $n$  following results hold:

$$(a) \quad \begin{pmatrix} \alpha_{n+3} \\ \alpha_{n+2} \\ \alpha_{n+1} \\ \alpha_n \end{pmatrix} =$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 2 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \alpha_{n+2} \\ \alpha_{n+1} \\ \alpha_n \\ \alpha_{n-1} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$(b) \quad \begin{pmatrix} \beta_{n+3} \\ \beta_{n+2} \\ \beta_{n+1} \\ \beta_n \end{pmatrix} =$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 2 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \beta_{n+2} \\ \beta_{n+1} \\ \beta_n \\ \beta_{n-1} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$(c) \quad \begin{pmatrix} \alpha_{n+2} \\ \alpha_{n+1} \\ \alpha_n \\ \alpha_{n-1} \end{pmatrix} = E^{n-1} \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 3 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$(d) \quad \begin{pmatrix} \beta_{n+2} \\ \beta_{n+1} \\ \beta_n \\ \beta_{n-1} \end{pmatrix} = E^{n-1} \begin{pmatrix} 4 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}$$

**Proof** By using induction, these results have a simple proof.

Now, we will establish a formula named as Binet's formula for finding out any  $n$ th term of 2-Fibonacci sequences using the matrix  $E$ . [8, 9] established the Binet's formula for Tribonacci and Pentanacci sequence. Now, the characteristic polynomial of matrix  $E$  is given by

$$|E - \lambda I_{4 \times 4}| = \begin{vmatrix} -\lambda & 1 & 2 & 1 \\ 1 & -\lambda & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & -\lambda & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -\lambda \end{vmatrix} = \lambda^4 - \lambda^2 - 2\lambda - 1$$

Where  $\lambda$  is the eigenvalue of the matrix  $E$ . On solving the characteristic equation, the four eigen values of matrix  $E$  are given by

$$\gamma = \frac{1 + \sqrt{5}}{2}, \delta = \frac{1 - \sqrt{5}}{2}, \omega = \frac{-1 + i\sqrt{3}}{2}, \omega^2 = \frac{-1 - i\sqrt{3}}{2}.$$

Next, we will find out the eigenvectors corresponding to these eigenvalues. The eigenvectors are the non-zero solutions of the following homogenous system of equation

$$(E - \lambda I_{4 \times 4})y = 0$$

where  $y$  is a column vector of order  $4 \times 1$ . By solving this homogenous system of equations, eigen vectors corresponding to eigenvalues  $\gamma, \delta, \omega$  and  $\omega^2$  are

$$\begin{pmatrix} \gamma^3 \\ \gamma^2 \\ \gamma \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} \delta^3 \\ \delta^2 \\ \delta \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} \omega^3 \\ \omega^2 \\ \omega \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \text{ and } \begin{pmatrix} (\omega^2)^3 \\ (\omega^2)^2 \\ \omega^2 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \text{ respectively.}$$

Now, consider a matrix  $M$  containing eigenvectors of matrix  $E$

$$M = \begin{pmatrix} \gamma^3 & \delta^3 & \omega^3 & (\omega^2)^3 \\ \gamma^2 & \delta^2 & \omega^2 & (\omega^2)^2 \\ \gamma & \delta & \omega & \omega^2 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}_{4 \times 4}$$

Then its inverse is given by

$$M^{-1}$$

$$= \frac{1}{\det M} \begin{pmatrix} A & A(\omega^2 + \omega + \delta) & -\omega A(\omega^2 + \omega\delta + \delta) & \delta\omega\omega^2 A \\ -B & -B(\omega^2 + \omega + \gamma) & \omega B(\omega^2 + \omega\gamma + \gamma) & -\gamma\omega\omega^2 B \\ C & C(\omega^2 + \gamma + \delta) & -C(\omega^2\gamma + \omega^2\gamma + \gamma\delta) & \gamma\delta\omega^2 C \\ -D & -D(\omega + \gamma + \delta) & D(\omega\gamma + \gamma\delta + \omega\delta) & -\gamma\delta\omega D \end{pmatrix}_{4 \times 4}$$

where  $A = (\omega - \delta)(\omega^2 - \delta)(\omega^2 - \omega)$ ,  $B = (\omega - \gamma)(\omega^2 - \gamma)(\omega^2 - \omega)$ ,  $C = (\delta - \gamma)(\omega^2 - \gamma)(\omega^2 - \delta)$  and  $\det M = (\omega - \delta)(\omega^2 - \delta)(\omega^2 - \omega)(\omega - \gamma)(\omega^2 - \gamma)(\gamma - \delta)$ .

Let's consider a diagonal matrix  $D$  whose diagonal entries are the eigenvalues of matrix  $E$ . Then using the diagonalizability of matrix  $E$ , we have  $E = MDM^{-1}$  or  $E^n = MD^nM^{-1}$ . Then, by using theorem 3.1 and the recurrence relation of 2-Fibonacci numbers, we have

$$\alpha_n = \frac{(\gamma^{n+4} + \gamma^{n+1})}{(\gamma - \delta)(\gamma - \omega)(\gamma - \omega^2)} + \frac{(\delta^{n+4} + \delta^{n+1})}{(\delta - \gamma)(\delta - \omega)(\delta - \omega^2)} + \frac{2\omega^{n+1}}{(\omega - \gamma)(\omega - \delta)(\omega - \omega^2)} + \frac{2\omega^{2n+2}}{(\omega^2 - \gamma)(\omega^2 - \delta)(\omega^2 - \omega)}$$

And

$$\beta_n = \frac{2\gamma^{n+3}}{(\gamma - \delta)(\gamma - \omega)(\gamma - \omega^2)} + \frac{2\delta^{n+3}}{(\delta - \gamma)(\delta - \omega)(\delta - \omega^2)} - \frac{2\omega^{n+1}}{(\omega - \gamma)(\omega - \delta)(\omega - \omega^2)} - \frac{2(\omega^2)^{n+1}}{(\omega^2 - \gamma)(\omega^2 - \delta)(\omega^2 - \omega)}$$

Hence proved.

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