



Pisano Periods For The K-Fibonacci And K-Lucas Sequences Mod 2^n

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Abstract

The goal of this paper is to investigate period of k -Lucas sequence with related divisibility properties and periods of k -Fibonacci and k -Lucas sequences mod 2^n .

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1. INTRODUCTION

Some sequences of numbers have been studied over several years. In the literature, in mathematics and physics, there are a lot of integer sequences, which are used in almost every field modern sciences. The Fibonacci sequence is the famous integer sequence, which is defined by the following recurrence relation

$$F_{n+1} = F_n + F_{n-1}$$

With the initial conditions $F_0 = 0$ and $F_1 = 1$.

Another well-known sequence is the Lucas sequence, which satisfies the following recurrence relation

$$L_{n+1} = L_n + L_{n-1}$$

with $L_0 = 2$ and $L_1 = 1$.

There are many generalizations of the Fibonacci and Lucas sequences [1,2,4]. Two of them was given by Falcon and Plaza in [2,4] as follows:

For any integer number $k \geq 1$, the k th Fibonacci sequences $\{F_{k,n}\}_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ is defined as for $n \geq 1$

$$F_{k,n+1} = kF_{k,n} + F_{k,n-1} \tag{1}$$

with initial conditions $F_{k,0} = 0$, $F_{k,1} = 1$.

If we take $k = 1$ in (1), we get the Fibonacci sequence: $\{0, 1, 1, 2, 3, 5, 8, \dots\}$.

By setting $k = 2$ in (1), we obtain the Pell sequence: $\{0, 1, 2, 5, 12, 29, 70, \dots\}$.

The k -Lucas sequence $\{L_{k,n}\}_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ is defined by the following recurrence relation for $n, k \geq 1$

$$L_{k,n+1} = kL_{k,n} + L_{k,n-1} \quad (2)$$

with $L_{k,0} = 2, L_{k,1} = k$.

For $k = 1$ in (2), the classical Lucas sequence is obtained: $\{2, 1, 3, 4, 7, 11, 18, \dots\}$.

For $k = 2$ in (2), the Pell-Lucas sequence is obtained: $\{2, 2, 6, 14, 34, 82, 198, \dots\}$.

There are some properties for these numbers. Some of them are [2,4]:

- For $n \in \mathbb{N}, F_{k,2n+1} = (F_{k,n})^2 + (F_{k,n+1})^2,$ (3)

- For $n \in \mathbb{N}, F_{k,n-1} F_{k,n+1} - (F_{k,n})^2 = (-1)^n,$ (4)

- For $r > n, L_{k,n-r} L_{k,n+r} - (L_{k,n})^2 = (-1)^{n+r} L_{k,2r} + 2(-1)^{n+1},$ (5)

- For $n \in \mathbb{N}, F_{k,2n} = F_{k,n} L_{k,n},$ (6)

- For $n, m \in \mathbb{N}, L_{k,n} L_{k,n+m} = L_{k,2n+m} + (-1)^n L_{k,m},$ (7)

- For $m \geq 1, L_{k,n+1} L_{k,m} + L_{k,n} L_{k,m-1} = (k^2 + 4) F_{k,n+m}.$ (8)

The period of the Fibonacci sequence mod m was first studied by Wall [12]. The recurrence part in the sequence creates a new sequence and gives the length of the periods of these sequences. Furthermore Kramer and Hoggatt [8] studied the periods of Fibonacci and Lucas sequences mod 2^n . Falcon and Plaza [3] studied the period length of the k -Fibonacci sequence mod m . The period of such cyclic sequences is known as Pisano period and the period-length is denoted by $\pi_k(m)$.

Motivated by the above papers, we study the Pisano period for the k -Lucas sequence and we obtain Pisano periods for the k -Fibonacci and k -Lucas sequences mod 2^n .

2. PISANO PERIODS FOR THE K-FIBONACCI AND K-LUCAS SEQUENCES

Theorem 2.1. $\{L_{k,n} \bmod m\}_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ is a simple periodic sequence .

Proof. From the defining relation we write,

$$L_{k,n-1} = L_{k,n+1} - kL_{k,n} .$$

If $L_{k,t+1} \equiv L_{k,s+1} \pmod{m}$ and $L_{k,t} \equiv L_{k,s} \pmod{m}$, then

$$L_{k,t-1} \equiv kL_{k,s-1} \pmod{m}.$$

By continuing this way, we get $L_{k,t-s+1} \equiv L_{k,1} \pmod{m}$ and $L_{k,t-s} \equiv L_{k,0} \pmod{m}$.

So that $\{L_{k,n} \bmod m\}_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ is a simple periodic sequence with $t - s$ period.

Corollary 2.2. For $m > 3$ every Pisano period begins with 2, 3.

Theorem 2.3. If the prime factorization of m is $m = \prod p_i^{e_i}$, then

$$\pi_k(\text{lcm}(p_i^{e_i})) = \text{lcm}(\pi_k(p_i^{e_i})).$$

Proof. The statement $\pi_k(p_i^{e_i})$ is the length of the period of $L_{k,n} \pmod{p}$ implies that the sequence $L_{k,n} \pmod{p_i^{e_i}}$, repeats only after blocks of length $c\pi_k(p_i^{e_i})$ and the statement $\pi_k(m)$ is the period-

length of the sequence $L_{k,n} \pmod{m}$, which is, $L_{k,n} \pmod{p_i^{e_i}}$ repeats after $\pi_k(m)$ terms for all values of i . Since any such number gives a period of $L_{k,n} \pmod{m}$, we conclude that $\pi_k(m) = \text{lcm}(\pi_k(p_i^{e_i}))$.

Corollary 2.4. If $r|m$ then $\pi_k(r)|\pi_k(m)$.

Proof. If $r | m$, then $m = r \cdot p_1^{e_1} p_2^{e_2} \dots p_k^{e_k}$. From Theorem 2.3, we get $\pi_k(m) = \text{lcm}(\pi_k(r), \pi_k(p_1^{e_1}), \dots, \pi_k(p_k^{e_k}))$ and from lcm definition $\pi_k(r)|\pi_k(m)$.

Lemma 2.5. If k is an odd integer, then for $n \in \mathbb{N}$

$$\text{i. } L_{k,3n} \equiv 0 \pmod{2} \tag{9}$$

$$\text{ii. } F_{k,3n} \equiv 0 \pmod{2}. \tag{10}$$

Proof. i. We can give the proof by induction. For $n = 1$,

$$L_{k,3} = k^3 + 3k.$$

Since k is an odd number, $k^3 + k$ is an even integer. Thus,

$$L_{k,3} \equiv 0 \pmod{2}.$$

Suppose $L_{k,3n} \equiv 0 \pmod{2}$. So,

$$\begin{aligned} L_{k,3(n+1)} &= kL_{k,3n+2} + L_{k,3n+1} \\ &= k(kL_{k,3n+1} + L_{k,3n}) + L_{k,3n+1} \\ &= (k^2 + 1)L_{k,3n+1} + kL_{k,3n}. \end{aligned}$$

Since $(k^2 + 1)$ is an even integer and from induction hypothesis,

$$(k^2 + 1)L_{k,3n+1} + kL_{k,3n} \equiv 0 \pmod{2}.$$

Thus we get

$$L_{k,3(n+1)} \equiv 0 \pmod{2}.$$

ii. We can give the proof by induction. For $n = 1$, $F_{k,3} = k^2 + 1$ and thus

$$F_{k,3} \equiv 0 \pmod{2}.$$

Suppose $F_{k,3n} \equiv 0 \pmod{2}$. So,

$$\begin{aligned} F_{k,3(n+1)} &= kF_{k,3n+2} + F_{k,3n+1} \\ &= k(kF_{k,3n+1} + F_{k,3n}) + F_{k,3n+1} \\ &= (k^2 + 1)F_{k,3n+1} + kF_{k,3n} \end{aligned}$$

and thus we have

$$F_{k,3(n+1)} \equiv 0 \pmod{2}.$$

Lemma 2.6. If k is an even integer, then for $n \in \mathbb{N}$

$$\text{i. } L_{k,2^n} \equiv 0 \pmod{2} \tag{11}$$

$$\text{ii. } F_{k,2^n} \equiv 0 \pmod{2}. \tag{12}$$

Proof. i. We can give the proof by induction. For $n = 1$, $L_{k,2} = k^2 + 2$ and thus

$$L_{k,2} \equiv 0 \pmod{2}.$$

Suppose $L_{k,2^n} \equiv 0 \pmod{2}$.

For $m = 0$ and n is replaced by 2^n , we have the Eq. (7)

$$L_{k,2^{n+1}} = (L_{k,2^n})^2 + 2(-1)^{2^n+1}$$

and thus

$$L_{k,2^{n+1}} \equiv 0 \pmod{2}.$$

ii. We can give the proof by induction. For $n = 1$, $F_{k,2} = k$ and thus

$$F_{k,2} \equiv 0 \pmod{2}.$$

Suppose $F_{k,2^n} \equiv 0 \pmod{2}$.

For n is replaced by 2^n , we get the Eq. (6)

$$F_{k,2^{n+1}} = F_{k,2^n} L_{k,2^n}.$$

From the Eq. (11) and induction hypothesis can be formulated as

$$F_{k,2^{n+1}} \equiv 0 \pmod{2}.$$

Lemma 2.7. If k is odd integer,

$$i. F_{k,3 \cdot 2^{n-1}} \equiv 0 \pmod{2^n} \tag{13}$$

$$ii. F_{k,3 \cdot 2^{n-1}+1} \equiv 1 \pmod{2^n}. \tag{14}$$

Proof. i. We can give the proof by induction. For $n = 1$, $F_{k,3} = k^2 + 1$ and

$$F_{k,3} \equiv 0 \pmod{2}.$$

Suppose $F_{k,3 \cdot 2^{n-1}} \equiv 0 \pmod{2^n}$.

For n is replaced by $3 \cdot 2^{n-1}$, we have the Eq. (6)

$$F_{k,3 \cdot 2^n} = F_{k,3 \cdot 2^{n-1}} L_{k,3 \cdot 2^{n-1}}.$$

From the Eq. (9) and induction hypothesis, $F_{k,3 \cdot 2^n} \equiv 0 \pmod{2^{n+1}}$ is satisfies.

ii. We can give the proof by induction. For $n = 1$, $F_{k,4} = k^3 + 2k$ and thus

$$F_{k,4} \equiv 1 \pmod{2}.$$

Suppose $F_{k,3 \cdot 2^{n-1}+1} \equiv 1 \pmod{2^n}$.

For n is replaced by $3 \cdot 2^{n-1}$, we get the Eq. (3)

$$F_{k,3 \cdot 2^{n+1}} = (F_{k,3 \cdot 2^{n-1}})^2 + (F_{k,3 \cdot 2^{n-1}+1})^2 \tag{15}$$

From the Eq. (10) and Eq. (13),

$$(F_{k,3,2^{n-1}})^2 \equiv 0 \pmod{2^{n+1}}$$

is satisfies. For n is replaced by $3 \cdot 2^{n-1}$, we have the Eq. (4)

$$(F_{k,3,2^{n-1+1}})(F_{k,3,2^{n-1-1}}) - (F_{k,3,2^{n-1}})^2 = (-1)^{3 \cdot 2^{n-1}} = 1.$$

Since $F_{k,3,2^{n-1-1}} = F_{k,3,2^{n-1+1}} - k F_{k,3,2^{n-1}}$ and $F_{k,3,2^{n-1+1}} \equiv 1 \pmod{2^n}$, then

$$F_{k,3,2^{n-1+1}} F_{k,3,2^{n-1}} \equiv 0 \pmod{2^{n+1}}$$

is satisfies. Since,

$$(F_{k,3,2^{n-1+1}})(F_{k,3,2^{n-1+1}} - k F_{k,3,2^{n-1}}) - (F_{k,3,2^{n-1}})^2 = (F_{k,3,2^{n-1+1}})^2 - k F_{k,3,2^{n-1+1}} F_{k,3,2^{n-1}} - (F_{k,3,2^{n-1}})^2$$

and $(F_{k,3,2^{n-1}})^2 \equiv 0 \pmod{2^{n+1}}$, then we get

$$(F_{k,3,2^{n-1+1}})(F_{k,3,2^{n-1+1}} - k F_{k,3,2^{n-1}}) - (F_{k,3,2^{n-1}})^2 \equiv (F_{k,3,2^{n-1+1}})^2 \pmod{2^{n+1}} \\ \equiv 1 \pmod{2^{n+1}}.$$

From the Eq. (15) we have $F_{k,3,2^{n+1}} \equiv (F_{k,3,2^{n-1+1}})^2 \pmod{2^{n+1}}$ and thus we have

$$F_{k,3,2^{n+1}} \equiv 1 \pmod{2^{n+1}}.$$

Lemma 2.8. If k is an even integer,

$$\text{i. } F_{k,2^n} \equiv 0 \pmod{2^n} \tag{16}$$

$$\text{ii. } F_{k,2^{n+1}} \equiv 1 \pmod{2^n}. \tag{17}$$

Proof. i. We can give the proof by induction. For $n = 1$, $F_{k,2} = k$ and since k is an even integer,

$$F_{k,2} \equiv 0 \pmod{2}.$$

Suppose $F_{k,2^n} \equiv 0 \pmod{2^n}$.

For n is replaced by 2^n , we have the Eq. (6)

$$F_{k,2^{n+1}} = F_{k,2^n} L_{k,2^n}.$$

From the Eq. (11) and induction hypothesis we get

$$F_{k,2^{n+1}} \equiv 0 \pmod{2^{n+1}}.$$

ii. We can give the proof by induction. For $n = 1$, $F_{k,3} = k^2 + 1$ and $F_{k,3} \equiv 1 \pmod{2}$.

Suppose $F_{k,2^{n+1}} \equiv 1 \pmod{2^n}$.

For n is replaced by 2^n , we have the Eq. (3)

$$F_{k,2^{n+1}+1} = (F_{k,2^n})^2 + (F_{k,2^{n+1}})^2 \quad (18)$$

From the Eq. (12) and the Eq. (16),

$$(F_{k,2^n})^2 \equiv 0 \pmod{2^{n+1}}$$

is satisfies. For n is replaced by 2^n , we have the Eq. (4)

$$(F_{k,2^{n+1}})(F_{k,2^{n-1}}) - (F_{k,2^n})^2 = (-1)^{2^n} = 1.$$

From the induction hypothesis and the Eq. (16)

$$F_{k,2^{n+1}} F_{k,2^n} \equiv 2^n \pmod{2^{n+1}}$$

is satisfies. Since k is an even integer, we get

$$k F_{k,2^{n+1}} F_{k,2^n} \equiv 0 \pmod{2^{n+1}}.$$

Thus we have

$$(F_{k,2^{n+1}})(F_{k,2^{n+1}} - k F_{k,2^n}) - (F_{k,2^n})^2 = (F_{k,2^{n+1}})^2 - k F_{k,2^{n+1}} F_{k,2^n} - (F_{k,2^n})^2$$

and since $(F_{k,2^n})^2 \equiv 0 \pmod{2^{n+1}}$, then we get

$$(F_{k,2^{n+1}})(F_{k,2^{n+1}} - k F_{k,2^n}) - (F_{k,2^n})^2 \equiv (F_{k,2^{n+1}})^2 \pmod{2^{n+1}} \equiv 1 \pmod{2^{n+1}}.$$

From the Eq. (18) we have $F_{k,2^{n+1}+1} \equiv (F_{k,2^{n+1}})^2 \pmod{2^{n+1}}$ and thus we get

$$F_{k,2^{n+1}+1} \equiv 1 \pmod{2^{n+1}}.$$

Theorem 2.9. The period of the k - Fibonacci sequences mod 2^n is

$$\pi_k(2^n) = \begin{cases} \text{if } k \text{ odd,} & 3 \cdot 2^{n-1} \\ \text{if } k \text{ even,} & 2^n \end{cases}$$

Proof. The proof is obtain from Lemma 2.7 and Lemma 2.8.

Lemma 2.10. If k is odd integer, then $L_{k,3 \cdot 2^{n-1}} \equiv 2 \pmod{2^n}$.

Proof. We can give the proof by induction. When $n = 1$, $L_{k,3} = k^3 + 3k$ and

$$L_{k,3} \equiv 0 \equiv 2 \pmod{2}.$$

Suppose $L_{k,3 \cdot 2^{n-1}} \equiv 2 \pmod{2^n}$.

For $m = 0$ and n is replaced by $3 \cdot 2^{n-1}$, we have the Eq. (7)

$$\begin{aligned} L_{k,3 \cdot 2^n} &= (L_{k,3 \cdot 2^{n-1}})^2 + 2(-1)^{3 \cdot 2^{n-1}+1} \\ &= (L_{k,3 \cdot 2^{n-1}})^2 - 2. \end{aligned}$$

Using the induction hypothesis we get $(L_{k,3 \cdot 2^{n-1}})^2 \equiv 4 \pmod{2^{n+1}}$. Thus we have

$$L_{k,3,2^n} \equiv 2 \pmod{2^{n+1}}.$$

Lemma 2.11. If k is odd integer, then $L_{k,3,2^{n-1}+1} \equiv k \pmod{2^n}$.

Proof. For $m = 1$ and n is replaced by $3 \cdot 2^{n-1}$, we get the Eq. (8)

$$kL_{k,3,2^{n-1}+1} + 2L_{k,3,2^{n-1}} = (k^2 + 4)F_{k,3,2^{n-1}+1}$$

From Lemma 2.10 and the Eq. (14), we have

$$L_{k,3,2^{n-1}+1} \equiv k \pmod{2^n}.$$

Theorem 2.12. If k is odd integer, then the Pisano period of the k -Lucas sequences mod 2^n is $3 \cdot 2^{n-1}$.

Proof. The proof is obtain from Lemma 2.10 and Lemma 2.11.

CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

No conflict of interest was declared by the authors.

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