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# GAUSSIAN PADOVAN AND GAUSSIAN PELL- PADOVAN SEQUENCES

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ABSTRACT. In this paper, we extend Padovan and Pell-Padovan numbers to Gaussian Padovan and Gaussian Pell-Padovan numbers, respectively. Moreover we obtain Binet-like formulas, generating functions and some identities related with Gaussian Padovan numbers and Gaussian Pell-Padovan numbers.

### 1. INTRODUCTION

Horadam [3] in 1963 and Berzsenyi [2] in 1977 defined complex Fibonacci numbers. Horadam introduced the concept the complex Fibonacci numbers as the Gaussian Fibonacci numbers.

Padovan sequence is named after Richard Padovan [7] and Atasonav K., Dimitrov D., Shannon A. and Kritsana S. [1, 4, 5, 6] studied Padovan sequence and Pell-Padovan sequence.

The Padovan sequence is the sequence of integers  $P_n$  defined by the initial values  $P_0 = P_1 = P_2 = 1$  and the recurrence relation

$$P_n = P_{n-2} + P_{n-3} \quad \text{for all } n \ge 3.$$

The first few values of  $P_n$  are 1, 1, 1, 2, 2, 3, 4, 5, 7, 9, 12, 16, 21, 28, 37.

Pell-Padovan sequence is defined by the initial values  $R_0 = R_1 = R_2 = 1$  and the recurrence relation

$$R_n = 2R_{n-2} + R_{n-3}$$
 for all  $n \ge 3$ .

The first few values of Pell-Padovan numbers are 1, 1, 1, 3, 3, 7, 9, 17, 25, 43, 67, 111, 177, 289.

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### 2. Gaussian Padovan Sequences

Firstly we give the definition of Gaussian Padovan sequence.

**Definition 2.1.** The Gaussian Padovan sequence is the sequence of complex numbers  $GP_n$  defined by the initial values  $GP_0 = 1$ ,  $GP_1 = 1 + i$ ,  $GP_2 = 1 + i$  and the recurrence relation

$$GP_n = GP_{n-2} + GP_{n-3}$$
 for all  $n \ge 3$ .

The first few values of  $GP_n$  are 1, 1+i, 1+i, 2+i, 2+2i, 3+2i, 4+3i, 5+4i, 7+5i, 9+7i.

The following theorem is related with the generating function of the Gaussian Padovan sequence.

Theorem 2.2. The generating function of the Gaussian Padovan sequence is

$$g(x) = \frac{1 + (1+i) \ x + i \ x^2}{1 - x^2 - x^3}.$$

Proof. Let

$$g(x) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} GP_n x^n = GP_0 + GP_1 x + GP_2 x^2 + \dots + GP_n x^n + \dotsb$$

be the generating function of the Gaussian Padovan sequence. On the other hand, since

$$x^{2}g(x) = GP_{0}x^{2} + GP_{1}x^{3} + GP_{2}x^{4} + \dots + GP_{n-2}x^{n} + \dots$$

and

$$x^{3}g(x) = GP_{0}x^{3} + GP_{1}x^{4} + GP_{2}x^{5} + \dots + GP_{n-3}x^{n} + \dots$$

we write

$$(1 - x^{2} - x^{3})g(x) = GP_{0} + GP_{1}x + (GP_{2} - GP_{0})x^{2} + (GP_{3} - GP_{1} - GP_{0})x^{3} + \dots + (GP_{n} - GP_{n-2} - GP_{n-3})x^{n} + \dots$$

Now consider  $GP_0 = 1$ ,  $GP_1 = 1 + i$ ,  $GP_2 = 1 + i$  and  $GP_n = GP_{n-2} + GP_{n-3}$ . Thus, we obtain

$$(1 - x^{2} - x^{3})g(x) = 1 + (1 + i)x + i x^{2}$$

or

$$g(x) = \frac{1 + (1+i) \ x + i \ x^2}{1 - x^2 - x^3}.$$

So, the proof is complete.

Now we give Binet-like formula for the Gaussian Padovan sequence.

Theorem 2.3. Binet-like formula for the Gaussian Padovan sequence is

$$GP_n = \left(a + i\frac{a}{r_1}\right)r_1^n + \left(b + i\frac{b}{r_2}\right)r_2^n + \left(c + i\frac{c}{r_3}\right)r_3^n$$

where

$$a = \frac{(r_2 - 1)(r_3 - 1)}{(r_1 - r_2)(r_1 - r_3)}, b = \frac{(r_1 - 1)(r_3 - 1)}{(r_2 - r_1)(r_2 - r_3)}, c = \frac{(r_1 - 1)(r_2 - 1)}{(r_1 - r_3)(r_2 - r_3)}$$

and  $r_1, r_2, r_3$  are the roots of the equation  $x^3 - x - 1 = 0$ .

*Proof.* It is easily seen that

$$GP_n = P_n + iP_{n-1}.$$

On the other hand, we know that the Binet-like formula for the Padovan sequence is

$$P_n = \frac{(r_2 - 1)(r_3 - 1)}{(r_1 - r_2)(r_1 - r_3)} r_1^n + \frac{(r_1 - 1)(r_3 - 1)}{(r_2 - r_1)(r_2 - r_3)} r_2^n + \frac{(r_1 - 1)(r_2 - 1)}{(r_1 - r_3)(r_2 - r_3)} r_3^n.$$
  
the proof is easily seen.

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# Theorem 2.4.

$$\sum_{j=0}^{n} GP_j = GP_n + GP_{n+1} + GP_{n+2} - 2(1+i).$$

Proof. By the definition of Gaussian Padovan sequence recurrence relation

$$GP_n = GP_{n-2} + GP_{n-3}$$

and

$$\begin{array}{rcl} GP_{0} &=& GP_{2} - GP_{-1} \\ GP_{1} &=& GP_{3} - GP_{0} \\ GP_{2} &=& GP_{4} - GP_{1} \\ &\vdots \\ GP_{n-2} &=& GP_{n} - GP_{n-3} \\ GP_{n-1} &=& GP_{n+1} - GP_{n-2} \\ GP_{n} &=& GP_{n+2} - GP_{n-1} \end{array}$$

Then we have

$$\sum_{j=0}^{n} GP_{j} = GP_{n} + GP_{n+1} + GP_{n+2} - GP_{-1} - GP_{0} - GP_{1}.$$

Now considering  $GP_{-1} = i, GP_0 = 1$  and  $GP_1 = 1 + i$ , we write

$$\sum_{j=0}^{n} GP_j = GP_n + GP_{n+1} + GP_{n+2} - 2 - 2i.$$

and so the proof is complete.

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Now we investigate the new property of Gaussian Padovan numbers in relation with Padovan matrix formula. We consider the following matrices:

$$Q_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \ K_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 1+i & 1+i & 1 \\ 1+i & 1 & i \\ 1 & i & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

and

$$M_{3}^{n} = \begin{bmatrix} GP_{n+2} & GP_{n+1} & GP_{n} \\ GP_{n+1} & GP_{n} & GP_{n-1} \\ GP_{n} & GP_{n-1} & GP_{n-2} \end{bmatrix}.$$

**Theorem 2.5.** For all  $n \in Z^+$ , we have

$$Q_3^n K_3 = M_3^n.$$

*Proof.* The proof is easily seen that using the induction on n.

Theorem 2.6. If

$$P = \left[ \begin{array}{rrr} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 \end{array} \right]$$

then we have

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}^n \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1+i \\ 1+i \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} GP_n \\ GP_{n+1} \\ GP_{n+2} \end{bmatrix}.$$

*Proof.* The proof can be seen by mathematical induction on n.

## 3. GAUSSIAN PELL-PADOVAN SEQUENCE

As well known Pell-Padovan sequence is defined by the recurrence relation

$$R_n = 2R_{n-2} + R_{n-3}, \ n \ge 3$$

and initial values are  $R_0 = R_1 = R_2 = 1$ .

Now we define Gaussian Pell-Padovan sequence.

**Definition 3.1.** The Gaussian Pell-Padovan sequence is defined by the recurrence relation

$$GR_n = 2GR_{n-2} + GR_{n-3}, \ n \ge 3$$

and initial values are  $GR_0 = 1 - i, GR_1 = 1 + i, GR_2 = 1 + i$ .

The first few values of  $GR_n$  are 1-i, 1+i, 1+i, 3+i, 3+3i, 7+3i, 9+7i, 17+9i.

Theorem 3.2. The generating function of Gaussian Pell-Padovan sequence is

$$f(x) = \frac{1 - i + (1 + i)x + (-1 + 3i)x^2}{1 - 2x^2 - x^3}.$$

Proof. Let

$$f(x) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} GR_n x^n$$

be the generating function of the Gaussian Pell-Padovan sequence. In this case, we have

$$2x^{2}f(x) = 2GR_{0}x^{2} + 2GR_{1}x^{3} + 2GR_{2}x^{4} + \dots + 2GR_{n-2}x^{n} + \dots$$

and

$$x^{3}f(x) = GR_{0}x^{3} + GR_{1}x^{4} + GR_{2}x^{5} + \dots + GR_{n-3}x^{n} + \dots$$

so we obtain

$$(1 - 2x^{2} - x^{3})f(x) = GR_{0} + GR_{1}x + (GR_{2} - 2GR_{0})x^{2} + (GR_{3} - 2GR_{1} - GR_{0})x^{3} + \dots + (GR_{n} - 2GR_{n-2} - GR_{n-3})x^{n} + \dots$$

On the other hand, since  $GR_0 = 1 - i$ ,  $GR_1 = 1 + i$ ,  $GR_2 = 1 + i$  and  $GR_n = 2GR_{n-2} + GR_{n-3}$ , then we have

$$f(x) = \frac{1 - i + (1 + i)x + (-1 + 3i)x^2}{1 - 2x^2 - x^3}$$

which is desired.

Theorem 3.3. The Binet-like formula of Gaussian Pell-Padovan sequence is

$$GR_n = \frac{2}{\sqrt{5}} \left[ \alpha - 1 + i \left( 1 - \frac{1}{\alpha} \right) \right] \alpha^n - \frac{2}{\sqrt{5}} \left[ \beta - 1 + i \left( 1 - \frac{1}{\beta} \right) \right] \beta^n + (i - 1)\gamma^n$$

where

$$\alpha = \frac{1+\sqrt{5}}{2}, \beta = \frac{1-\sqrt{5}}{2}, \gamma = 1$$

are roots of the equation  $x^3 - 2x - 1 = 0$ .

*Proof.* The Binet-like formula of Pell-Padovan sequence is given by

$$R_n = 2\frac{\alpha^{n+1} - \beta^{n+1}}{\alpha - \beta} - 2\frac{\alpha^n - \beta^n}{\alpha - \beta} + \gamma^{n+1}.$$

Now consider

$$GR_n = R_n + iR_{n-1}$$

so the proof is easily seen.

**Theorem 3.4.**  $\sum_{j=0}^{n} GR_j = \frac{1}{2} \left[ (-1 - 3i) - GR_{n+1} + GR_{n+2} + GR_{n+3} \right].$ *Proof.* We find that

$$\sum_{j=0}^{n} R_j = \frac{1}{2} (-1 - R_{n+1} + R_{n+2} + R_{n+3})$$

and

$$\sum_{j=0}^{n} R_{j-1} = \frac{1}{2} (-3 - 2R_n - R_{n+1} + R_{n+2} + R_{n+3}).$$

Since

 $GR_n = R_n + iR_{n-1}$ 

we have

$$\sum_{j=0}^{n} GR_j = \sum_{j=0}^{n} R_j + i \sum_{j=0}^{n} R_{j-1}$$

So the theorem is proved.

**Theorem 3.5.**  $\sum_{j=1}^{n} GR_{2j} = R_{2n+1} + iR_{2n} - (n+1) + i(n-1).$ 

*Proof.* If we consider the following equalities, then the proof is seen:

$$\sum_{j=1}^{n} R_{2j} = R_{2n+1} - (n+1)$$
$$\sum_{j=1}^{n} R_{2j-1} = R_{2n} + (n-1)$$

and

$$\sum_{j=1}^{n} GR_{2j} = \sum_{j=1}^{n} R_{2j} + i \sum_{j=1}^{n} R_{2j-1}$$

**Theorem 3.6.**  $\sum_{j=1}^{n} {n \choose j} GR_j = GR_{2n} + (1-i).$ 

*Proof.* Considering the following equalities:

$$\sum_{j=1}^{n} \binom{n}{j} R_{j} = R_{2n} + 1$$
$$\sum_{j=1}^{n} \binom{n}{j} R_{j-1} = R_{2n-1} - 1$$

and

$$\sum_{j=1}^{n} \binom{n}{j} GR_j = \sum_{j=1}^{n} \binom{n}{j} R_j + i \sum_{j=1}^{n} \binom{n}{j} R_{j-1}$$

then the proof is easily seen.

Now we shall give the new properties of Gaussian Pell-Padovan numbers relation with Pell-Padovan matrix.

**Theorem 3.7.** If we take the following matrices

$$Q_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 2 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \quad K_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 1+i & 1+i & 1-i \\ 1+i & 1-i & -1+3i \\ 1-i & -1+3i & 3-5i \end{bmatrix}$$

and

$$S_{3}^{n} = \begin{bmatrix} GR_{n+2} & GR_{n+1} & GR_{n} \\ GR_{n+1} & GR_{n} & GR_{n-1} \\ GR_{n} & GR_{n-1} & GR_{n-2} \end{bmatrix}.$$

then

$$Q_3^n.K_3 = S_3^n \text{ for all } n \in \mathbb{Z}^+.$$

**Theorem 3.8.**  $\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 & 0 \end{bmatrix}^n \begin{bmatrix} 1-i \\ 1+i \\ 1+i \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} GR_n \\ GR_{n+1} \\ GR_{n+2} \end{bmatrix}$  for all  $n \in Z^+$ .

We note that for the proofs Theorem 3.7 and Theorem 3.8 are used induction on n.

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