

ON GENERATING FUNCTIONS FOR POWERS OF A GENERALIZED SEQUENCE OF NUMBERS

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For the record, some results are presented here which arose many years ago (1965) in connection with the author's paper [3]. Familiarity with the notation and results of Carlitz [1], Riordan [6], and the author [2], [3] and [4], are assumed in the interests of brevity. Note, however, that h_n in [3] has been replaced by H_n to avoid ambiguity. Our results and techniques parallel those of Riordan.

Calculations yield

$$\begin{split} & H_n^2 - 3H_{n-1}^2 + H_{n-2}^2 &= 2(-1)^n e \\ & H_n^3 - 4H_{n-1}^3 - H_{n-2}^3 &= 3(-1)^n e H_{n-1} \\ & H_n^4 - 7H_{n-1}^4 + H_{n-2}^4 &= 2e^2 + 8(-1)^n e H_{n-1}^2 \\ & H_n^5 - 11H_{n-1}^5 - H_{n-2}^5 &= 5e^2 H_{n-1} + 15(-1)^n e H_{n-1}^3 \ . \end{split}$$

(1)

and so on. Corresponding generating functions for the k^{th} power of H_n , [Continued on page 350.]

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