

and

$$(5.3) \quad 0 = \sum_{k=n}^{2n} (-1)^k \sum_{j=0}^{k-n} \binom{n}{j} \binom{n-j}{2n-k} A_{n+j,k}.$$

In view of the combinatorial interpretation of  $A_{n,k}$  and  $G_{n,m}$ , (5.2) implies a combinatorial result; however the result in question is too complicated to be of much interest.

For  $p=3$ , consider

$$6^n x \frac{G_n^{(3)}(x)}{(1-x)^{3n+1}} = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} k^n (k^2 - 1)^n x^k = \sum_{j=0}^n (-1)^{n-j} \binom{n}{j} \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} k^{n+2j} x^k = \sum_{j=0}^n (-1)^{n-j} \binom{n}{j} \frac{A_{n+2j}(x)}{(1-x)^{n+2j+1}}.$$

Thus we have

$$(5.4) \quad 6^n x G_n^{(3)}(x) = \sum_{j=0}^n (-1)^{n-j} \binom{n}{j} (1-x)^{2n-2j} A_{n+2j}(x).$$

The right-hand side of (5.4) is equal to

$$\sum_{j=0}^n (-1)^{n-j} \binom{n}{j} \sum_{s=0}^{2n-2j} (-1)^s \binom{2n-2j}{s} x^s \sum_{k=1}^{n+2j} A_{n+2j,k} x^k = \sum_{m=1}^{3n} x^m \sum_{j=0}^n (-1)^{n-j} \binom{n}{j} \sum_{k=1}^{n+2j} (-1)^{m-k} \binom{2n-2j}{m-k} A_{n+2j,k}.$$

It follows that

$$(5.5) \quad 6^n G_{n,m-1}^{(3)} = \sum_{j=0}^n (-1)^{n-j} \binom{n}{j} \sum_{k=1}^{n+2j} (-1)^{m-k} \binom{2n-2k}{m-k} A_{n+2j,k}.$$

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Recalling [2, p. 137] that

$$(j+1) \sum_{k=1}^n k^j = B_{j+1}(n+1) - B_{j+1},$$

where  $B_j(x)$  are Bernoulli polynomials with  $B_j(0) = B_j$ , the Bernoulli numbers, we obtain from (2.3) with  $x=1$ ,  $B=1$ , and  $C_k=k$  the inequality

$$(2.4) \quad B_{2p}(n+1) - B_{2p} \leq (B_p(n+1) - B_p)^2 \quad (n=1, 2, \dots).$$

For  $p=2k+1$ ,  $k=1, 2, \dots$ ,  $B_{2k+1}=0$ , and so (2.4) gives the inequality

$$(2.5) \quad B_{4k+2}(n+1) - B_{4k+2} \leq B_{2k+1}^2(n+1) \quad (n, k=1, 2, \dots).$$

### 3. AN INEQUALITY FOR INTEGER SEQUENCES

Noting that  $U_k = k$  satisfies the difference equation

$$U_{k+2} = 2U_{k+1} - U_k$$

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