

A GENERALIZED EXTENSION OF SOME FIBONACCI-LUCAS IDENTITIES  
TO PRIMITIVE UNIT IDENTITIES

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This paper originated from an attempt to extend many of the elementary Fibonacci-Lucas identities, whose subscripts had a common odd or even difference to, first, other Type I real quadratic fields and, then, to the other three types of real quadratic field fundamental units. For example, the Edouard Lucas identity  $F_{n+1}^3 + F_n^3 - F_{n-1}^3 = F_{3n}$  becomes, in the Type I real quadratic field,

$$\left(\sqrt{61}; \alpha = \frac{39 + 5\sqrt{61}}{2}\right) F_{n+1}^3 + 39F_n^3 - F_{n-1}^3 = (5)(195)F_{3n}.$$

This suggests the Type I extension identity  $F_{n+1}^3 + L_1F_n^3 - F_{n-1}^3 = F_1F_2F_{3n}$  and the Type I generalization:  $F_{n+2r+1}^3 + L_{2r+1}F_n^3 - F_{n-2r-1}^3 = F_{2r+1}F_{4r+2}F_{3n}$ . The Ezekiel Ginsburg identity  $F_{n+2}^3 - 3F_n^3 + F_{n-2}^3 = 3F_{3n}$  becomes, in the Type I real quadratic field,

$$(\sqrt{61})F_{n+2}^3 - 1523F_n^3 + F_{n-2}^3 = (195)(296985)F_{3n}.$$

This suggests the Type I identity extension  $F_{n+2}^3 - L_2F_n^3 + F_{n-2}^3 = F_2F_4F_{3n}$  and the Type I generalization:  $F_{n+2r}^3 - L_{2r}F_n^3 + F_{n-2r}^3 = F_{2r}F_{4r}F_{3n}$ .

The transformation from these Type I identities to Type III identities can be represented as

$$(I) F_n \leftrightarrow (III) 2F_n \quad \text{or} \quad (I) L_n \leftrightarrow (III) 2L_n.$$

The transformation from Type I to Type II and Type III to Type IV for identities in which there is a common even subscript difference  $2r$  can be represented as

$$(I, III) F_{2r} \leftrightarrow (II, IV) F_r, \quad L_{2r} \leftrightarrow L_r, \quad F_{n+2r} \leftrightarrow F_{n+r}, \quad \text{and} \quad L_{n+2r} \leftrightarrow L_{n+r}.$$

I. Type I primitive units are given by

$$\alpha = \frac{\alpha + b\sqrt{D}}{2}, \quad \beta = \frac{\alpha - b\sqrt{D}}{2}, \quad \alpha\beta = -1, \quad D \equiv 5 \pmod{8},$$

$$a^2 - b^2D = -4, \quad a \text{ and } b \text{ are odd.}$$

$$\left(\frac{\alpha + b\sqrt{D}}{2}\right)^n = \frac{L_n + F_n\sqrt{D}}{2}, \quad F_n = \frac{1}{\sqrt{D}}(\alpha^n - \beta^n), \quad L_n = \alpha^n + \beta^n.$$

$F_n$  and  $L_n$  are also given by the finite difference sequences:

$$F_{n+2} = aF_{n+1} + F_n, \quad F_1 = b, \quad F_2 = ab;$$

$$L_{n+2} = aL_{n+1} + L_n, \quad L_1 = \alpha, \quad L_2 = \alpha^2 + 2.$$

II. Type II primitive units are given by

$$\alpha = \frac{\alpha + b\sqrt{D}}{2}, \quad \beta = \frac{\alpha - b\sqrt{D}}{2}, \quad \alpha\beta = 1, \quad D \equiv 5 \pmod{8},$$

$$a^2 - b^2D = 4, \quad a^2 - b^2D \neq -4, \quad a \text{ and } b \text{ are odd.}$$

$$\left(\frac{\alpha + b\sqrt{D}}{2}\right)^n = \frac{L_n + F_n\sqrt{D}}{2}, \quad F_n = \frac{1}{\sqrt{D}}(\alpha^n - \beta^n), \quad L_n = \alpha^n + \beta^n.$$

$F_n$  and  $L_n$  are also given by the finite difference sequences:

$$\begin{aligned} F_{n+2} &= aF_{n+1} - F_n, F_1 = b, F_2 = ab; \\ L_{n+2} &= aL_{n+1} - L_n, L_1 = a, L_2 = a^2 - 2. \end{aligned}$$

III. Type III primitive units are given by

$$\alpha = a + b\sqrt{D}, \beta = a - b\sqrt{D}, \alpha\beta = -1, a^2 - b\sqrt{D} = -1.$$

$$(\alpha + b\sqrt{D})^n = L_n + F_n\sqrt{D}, F_n = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{D}}(\alpha^n - \beta^n), L_n = \frac{1}{2}(\alpha^n + \beta^n).$$

$F_n$  and  $L_n$  are also given by the finite difference sequences:

$$\begin{aligned} F_{n+2} &= 2aF_{n+1} + F_n, F_1 = b, F_2 = 2ab; \\ L_{n+2} &= 2aL_{n+1} + L_n, L_1 = a, L_2 = 2a^2 + 1. \end{aligned}$$

IV. Type IV primitive units are given by

$$\alpha = a + b\sqrt{D}, \beta = a - b\sqrt{D}, \alpha\beta = 1, a^2 - b^2D = 1, a^2 - b^2D \neq -1.$$

$$(\alpha + b\sqrt{D})^n = L_n + F_n\sqrt{D}, F_n = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{D}}(\alpha^n - \beta^n), L_n = \frac{1}{2}(\alpha^n + \beta^n).$$

$F_n$  and  $L_n$  are also given by the finite difference sequences:

$$\begin{aligned} F_{n+2} &= 2aF_{n+1} - F_n, F_1 = b, F_2 = 2ab; \\ L_{n+2} &= 2aL_{n+1} - L_n, L_1 = a, L_2 = 2a^2 - 1. \end{aligned}$$

1. (a) Fibonacci-Lucas identity used:  $F_n + L_n = 2F_{n+1}$
- (b) Type I extension:  $aF_n + bL_n = 2F_{n+1}$
- (c) Generalizations:

Types I & II

$$L_m F_n + F_m L_n = 2F_{m+n}$$

Types III & IV

$$L_m F_n + F_m L_n = F_{m+n}$$

2. (a) Fibonacci-Lucas identity used:  $L_n - F_n = 2F_{n-1}$
- (b) Type I extension:  $bL_n - aF_n = 2F_{n-1}$
- (c) Generalizations:

Type I

$$F_m L_n - L_m F_n = 2(-1)^{m+1} F_{n-m}$$

Type II

$$F_n L_m - F_m L_n = 2F_{n-m}$$

Type III

$$F_m L_n - L_m F_n = (-1)^{m+1} F_{n-m}$$

Type IV

$$F_n L_m - F_m L_n = F_{n-m}$$

3. (a) Fibonacci-Lucas identity used:  $F_{n+3}^2 + F_n^2 = 2(F_{n+2}^2 + F_{n+1}^2)$
- (b) Type I extension:  $b(F_{n+3}^2 + F_n^2) = F_3(F_{n+2}^2 + F_{n+1}^2)$
- (c) Generalizations:

Types I & III

$$\begin{aligned} F_{2r-1}(F_{n+4m-1}^2 + F_n^2) &= F_{4m-1}(F_{n+2m+r-1}^2 + F_{n+2m-r}^2) \\ F_{2r-1}(L_{n+4m-1}^2 + L_n^2) &= F_{4m-1}(L_{n+2m+r-1}^2 + L_{n+2m-r}^2) \end{aligned}$$

Types II & IV

$$\begin{aligned} F_{2r-1}(F_{n+4m-1}^2 - F_n^2) &= F_{4m-1}(F_{n+2m+r-1}^2 - F_{n+2m-r}^2) \\ L_{2r-1}(L_{n+4m-1}^2 - L_n^2) &= F_{4m-1}(L_{n+2m+r-1}^2 - L_{n+2m-r}^2) \end{aligned}$$

4. (a) Fibonacci-Lucas identity used:

$$F_{n+3}F_{n+4} + F_n F_{n+1} = 2(F_{n+2}F_{n+3} + F_{n+1}F_{n+2})$$

- (b) Type I extension:

$$b(F_{n+3}F_{n+4} + F_n F_{n+1}) = F_3(F_{n+2}F_{n+3} + F_{n+1}F_{n+2})$$

- (c) Generalizations:

Types I & III

$$F_{2r-1}(F_{n+4m-1}F_{n+4m} + F_n F_{n+1}) = F_{4m-1}(F_{n+2m+r-1}F_{n+2m+r} + F_{n+2m-r}F_{n+2m-r+1})$$

$$F_{2r-1}(L_{n+4m-1}L_{n+4m} + L_n L_{n+1}) = F_{4m-1}(L_{n+2m+r-1}L_{n+2m+r} + L_{n+2m-r}L_{n+2m-r+1})$$

Types II & IV

$$F_{2r-1}(F_{n+4m-1}F_{n+4m} - F_n F_{n+1}) = F_{4m-1}(F_{n+2m+r-1}F_{n+2m+r} - F_{n+2m-r}F_{n+2m-r+1})$$

$$F_{2r-1}(L_{n+4m-1}L_{n+4m} - L_n L_{n+1}) = F_{4m-1}(L_{n+2m+r-1}L_{n+2m+r} - L_{n+2m-r}L_{n+2m-r+1})$$

5. (a) Fibonacci-Lucas identity used:  $F_{2m} + F_m^2 = 2F_m F_{m+1}$   
 (b) Type I extension:  $bF_{2m} + \alpha F_m^2 = 2F_m F_{m+1}$   
 (c) Generalizations:

Type I

$$F_r F_{2m} + L_r F_m^2 = 2F_m F_{m+r}$$

$$DF_r F_{2m} + L_r L_m^2 = 2L_m L_{m+r}$$

Type II

$$F_r F_{2m} + L_r F_m^2 = 2F_m F_{m+r}$$

$$DF_r F_{2m} + L_r L_m^2 = 2L_m L_{m+r}$$

Type III

$$F_r F_{2m} + 2L_r F_m^2 = 2F_m F_{m+r}$$

$$DF_r F_{2m} + 2L_r L_m^2 = 2L_m L_{m+r}$$

Type IV

$$F_r F_{2m} + 2L_r F_m^2 = 2F_m F_{m+r}$$

$$DF_r F_{2m} + 2L_r L_m^2 = 2L_m L_{m+r}$$

6. (a) Fibonacci-Lucas identity used:  $F_{2m} - F_m^2 = 2F_m F_{m-1}$   
 (b) Type I extension:  $bF_{2m} - \alpha F_m^2 = 2F_m F_{m-1}$   
 (c) Generalizations:

Type I

$$F_r F_{2m} - L_r F_m^2 = 2(-1)^{r+1} F_m F_{m-r}$$

$$DF_r F_{2m} - L_r L_m^2 = 2(-1)^{r+1} L_m L_{m-r}$$

Type II

$$F_r F_{2m} - L_r L_m^2 = -2L_m L_{m-r}$$

$$DF_r F_{2m} - L_r L_m^2 = -2L_m L_{m-r}$$

Type III

$$F_r F_{2m} - 2L_r F_m^2 = 2(-1)^{r+1} F_m F_{m-r}$$

$$DF_r F_{2m} - 2L_r L_m^2 = 2(-1)^{r+1} L_m L_{m-r}$$

Type IV

$$F_r F_{2m} - 2L_r F_m^2 = -2F_m F_{m-r}$$

$$DF_r F_{2m} - 2L_r L_m^2 = -2L_m L_{m-r}$$

7. (a) Fibonacci-Lucas identity used:  $L_n^2 - F_n^2 = 4F_{n-1}F_{n+1}$   
 (b) Type I extension:  $b^2 L_n^2 - \alpha^2 F_n^2 = 4F_{n-1}F_{n+1}$

(c) Generalizations:

Types I & III

$$F_r^2 L_n^2 - L_r^2 F_n^2 = 4(-1)^{r+1} F_{n+r} F_{n-r}, \text{ I; } (-1)^{r+1} F_{n+r} F_{n-r}, \text{ III}$$

$$D^2 F_r^2 F_n^2 - L_r^2 L_n^2 = 4(-1)^{r+1} L_{n+r} L_{n-r}, \text{ I; } (-1)^{r+1} L_{n+r} L_{n-r}, \text{ III}$$

Types II & IV

$$F_r^2 F_n^2 - L_r^2 F_n^2 = -4F_{n+r} F_{n-r}, \text{ II; } -F_{n+r} F_{n-r}, \text{ IV}$$

$$D^2 F_r^2 F_n^2 - L_r^2 L_n^2 = -4L_{n+r} L_{n-r}, \text{ II; } -L_{n+r} L_{n-r}, \text{ IV}$$

8. (a) Fibonacci-Lucas identity used:  $L_{2n} L_{2n+2} - 5F_{2n+1}^2 = 1$   
 (b) Type I extension:  $L_{2n} L_{2n+2} - DF_{2n+1}^2 = \alpha^2$   
 (c) Generalizations:

All Types

$$L_{2n} L_{2n+2r} - DF_{2n+r}^2 = L_r^2$$

$$L_{2n+r}^2 - DF_{2n} F_{2n+2r} = L_r^2$$

9. (a) Fibonacci-Lucas identity used:

$$F_{r+m+n} = F_{m+1} F_{n+1} F_{r+1} + F_m F_n F_r - F_{m-1} F_{n-1} F_{r-1}$$

- (b) Type I extension:

$$\alpha b^2 F_{r+m+n} = F_{m+1} F_{n+1} F_{r+1} + \alpha F_m F_n F_r - F_{m-1} F_{n-1} F_{r-1}$$

- (c) Generalizations:

Type I

$$F_{m+2t+1} F_{n+2t+1} F_{r+2t+1} + L_{2t+1} F_m F_n F_r - F_{m-2t-1} F_{n-2t-1} F_{r-2t-1}$$

$$= \frac{1}{D} (L_{6t+3} + L_{2t+1}) F_{m+n+r} = F_{2t+1} F_{4t+2} F_{m+n+r}$$

$$L_{m+2t+1} L_{n+2t+1} L_{r+2t+1} + L_{2t+1} L_m L_n L_r - L_{m-2t-1} L_{n-2t-1} L_{r-2t-1}$$

$$= (L_{6t+3} + L_{2t+1}) L_{m+n+r} = DF_{2t+1} F_{4t+2} F_{m+n+r}$$

$$F_{m+2t} F_{n+2t} F_{r+2t} - L_{2t} F_m F_n F_r + F_{m-2t} F_{n-2t} F_{r-2t} = \frac{1}{D} (L_{6t} - L_{2t}) F_{m+n+r}$$

$$L_{m+2t} L_{n+2t} L_{r+2t} - L_{2t} L_m L_n L_r + L_{m-2t} L_{n-2t} L_{r-2t} = (L_{6t} - L_{2t}) L_{m+n+r}$$

$$= DF_{2t} F_{4t} L_{m+n+r}$$

Type II

$$F_{m+t} F_{n+t} F_{r+t} - L_t F_m F_n F_r + F_{m-t} F_{n-t} F_{r-t} = \frac{1}{D} (L_{3t} - L_t) F_{m+n+r}$$

$$L_{m+t} L_{n+t} L_{r+t} - L_t L_m L_n L_r + L_{m-t} L_{n-t} L_{r-t} = (L_{3t} - L_t) L_{m+n+r}$$

Type III

$$F_{m+2t+1} F_{n+2t+1} F_{r+2t+1} + 2L_{2t+1} F_m F_n F_r - F_{m-2t-1} F_{n-2t-1} F_{r-2t-1}$$

$$= \frac{1}{2D} (L_{6t+3} + L_{2t+1}) F_{m+n+r} = F_{2t+1} F_{4t+2} F_{m+n+r}$$

$$L_{m+2t+1} L_{n+2t+1} L_{r+2t+1} + 2L_{2t+1} L_m L_n L_r - L_{m-2t-1} L_{n-2t-1} L_{r-2t-1}$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} (L_{6t+3} + L_{2t+1}) L_{m+n+r} = DF_{2t+1} F_{4t+2} L_{m+n+r}$$

$$F_{m+2t} F_{n+2t} F_{r+2t} - 2L_{2t} F_m F_n F_r + F_{m-2t} F_{n-2t} F_{r-2t} = \frac{1}{2D} (L_{6t} - L_{2t}) F_{m+n+r}$$

$$= F_{2t} F_{4t} F_{m+n+r}$$

$$L_{m+2t} L_{n+2t} L_{r+2t} - 2L_{2t} L_m L_n L_r + L_{m-2t} L_{n-2t} L_{r-2t} = \frac{1}{2} (L_{6t} - L_{2t}) F_{m+n+r}$$

Type IV  $F_{m+t}F_{n+t}F_{r+t} - 2L_tF_mF_nF_r + F_{m-t}F_{n-t}F_{r-t} = \frac{1}{2D}(L_{3t} - L_t)F_{m+n+r}$   
 $L_{m+t}L_{n+t}L_{r+t} - 2L_tL_mL_nL_r + L_{m-t}L_{n-t}L_{r-t} = \frac{1}{2}(L_{3t} - L_t)L_{m+n+r}$

10. (a) Fibonacci-Lucas identity used:

$$F_{n+1}^2 + F_n^2 + F_{n-1}^2 = 2(F_{n+1}^2 - F_nF_{n-1})$$

(b) Type I extension:

$$F_{n+1}^2 + \alpha^2F_n^2 + F_{n-1}^2 = 2(F_{n+1}^2 - \alpha F_nF_{n-1})$$

(c) Generalizations:

Type I  $F_{n+2r+1}^2 + L_{2r+1}^2F_n^2 + F_{n-2r-1}^2 = 2(F_{n+2r+1}^2 - L_{2r+1}F_{n-2r-1}F_n)$   
 $L_{n+2r+1}^2 + L_{2r+1}^2L_n^2 + L_{n-2r-1}^2 = 2(L_{n+2r+1}^2 - L_{2r+1}L_{n-2r-1}L_n)$   
 $F_{n+2r}^2 + L_{2r}^2F_n^2 + F_{n-2r}^2 = 2(F_{n+2r}^2 + L_{2r}F_{n-2r}F_n)$   
 $L_{n+2r}^2 + L_{2r}^2L_n^2 + L_{n-2r}^2 = 2(L_{n+2r}^2 + L_{2r}L_{n-2r}L_n)$

Type II  $F_{n+r}^2 + L_r^2F_n^2 + F_{n-r}^2 = 2(F_{n+r}^2 + L_rF_nF_{n-r})$   
 $L_{n+r}^2 + L_r^2L_n^2 + L_{n-r}^2 = 2(L_{n+r}^2 + L_rL_nL_{n-r})$

Type III  $F_{n+2r+1}^2 + 4L_{2r+1}^2F_n^2 + F_{n-2r-1}^2 = 2(F_{n+2r+1}^2 - 2L_{2r+1}F_{n-2r-1}F_n)$   
 $L_{n+2r+1}^2 + 4L_{2r+1}^2L_n^2 + L_{n-2r-1}^2 = 2(L_{n+2r+1}^2 - 2L_{2r+1}L_{n-2r-1}L_n)$   
 $F_{n+2r}^2 + 4L_{2r}^2F_n^2 + F_{n-2r}^2 = 2(F_{n+2r}^2 + 2L_{2r}F_{n-2r}F_n)$   
 $L_{n+2r}^2 + 4L_{2r}^2L_n^2 + L_{n-2r}^2 = 2(L_{n+2r}^2 + 2L_{2r}L_{n-2r}L_n)$

Type IV  $F_{n+r}^2 + 4L_r^2F_n^2 + F_{n-r}^2 = 2(F_{n+r}^2 + 2L_rF_nF_{n-r})$   
 $L_{n+r}^2 + 4L_r^2L_n^2 + L_{n-r}^2 = 2(L_{n+r}^2 + 2L_rL_nL_{n-r})$

11. (a) Fibonacci-Lucas identity used:

$$F_{n+2}^3 = F_n^3 + F_{n+1}^3 + 3F_nF_{n+1}F_{n+2}$$

(b) Type I extension:

$$F_{n+2}^3 = F_n^3 + \alpha^3F_{n+1}^3 + 3\alpha F_nF_{n+1}F_{n+2}$$

(c) Generalizations:

Type I  $F_{n+2r+1}^3 = F_{n-2r-1}^3 + L_{2r+1}^3F_n^3 + 3L_{2r+1}F_{n+2r+1}F_{n-2r-1}$   
 $L_{n+2r+1}^3 = L_{n-2r-1}^3 + L_{2r+1}^3L_n^3 + 3L_{2r+1}L_{n+2r+1}L_{n-2r-1}$   
 $F_{n+2t}^3 = L_{2t}^3F_n^3 - F_{n-2t}^3 - 3L_{2t}F_{n-2t}F_nF_{n+2t}$   
 $L_{n+2t}^3 = L_{2t}^3L_n^3 - L_{n-2t}^3 - 3L_{2t}L_{n-2t}L_nL_{n+2t}$

Type II  $F_{n+r}^3 = L_r^3F_n^3 - F_{n-r}^3 - 3L_rF_nF_{n-r}F_{n+r}$   
 $L_{n+r}^3 = L_r^3L_n^3 - L_{n-r}^3 - 3L_rL_nL_{n-r}L_{n+r}$

Type III  $F_{n+2r+1}^3 = F_{n-2r-1}^3 + 8L_{2r+1}^3F_n^3 + 6L_{2r+1}F_nF_{n+2r+1}F_{n-2r-1}$   
 $L_{n+2r+1}^3 = L_{n-2r-1}^3 + 8L_{2r+1}^3L_n^3 + 6L_{2r+1}L_nL_{n+2r+1}L_{n-2r-1}$   
 $F_{n+2t}^3 = 8L_{2t}^3F_n^3 - F_{n-2t}^3 - 6L_{2t}F_{n-2t}F_nF_{n+2t}$   
 $L_{n+2t}^3 = 8L_{2t}^3L_n^3 - L_{n-2t}^3 - 6L_{2t}L_{n-2t}L_nL_{n+2t}$

Type IV  $F_{n+r}^3 = 8L_r^3 F_n^3 - F_{n-r}^3 - 6L_r F_n F_{n-r} F_{n+r}$   
 $L_{n+r}^3 = 8L_r^3 L_n^3 - L_{n-r}^3 - 6L_r L_n L_{n-r} L_{n+r}$

12. (a) Fibonacci-Lucas identity used:

$$F_{n+1}^4 + F_n^4 + F_{n-1}^4 = 2[F_{n+1}^2 - F_n F_{n-1}]^2$$

(b) Type I extension:

$$F_{n+1}^4 + a^4 F_n^4 + F_{n-1}^4 = 2[F_{n+1}^2 - a F_n F_{n-1}]^2$$

(c) Generalizations:

Type I  $F_{n+2r+1}^4 + L_{2r+1}^4 F_n^4 + F_{n-2r-1}^4 = 2[F_{n+2r+1}^2 - L_{2r+1} F_n F_{n-2r-1}]^2$   
 $L_{n+2r+1}^4 + L_{2r+1}^4 L_n^4 + L_{n-2r-1}^4 = 2[L_{n+2r+1}^2 - L_{2r+1} L_n L_{n-2r-1}]^2$   
 $F_{n+2t}^4 + L_{2t}^4 F_n^4 + F_{n-2t}^4 = 2[F_{n+2t}^2 + L_{2t} F_n F_{n-2t}]^2$   
 $L_{n+2t}^4 + L_{2t}^4 L_n^4 + L_{n-2t}^4 = 2[L_{n+2t}^2 + L_{2t} L_n L_{n-2t}]^2$

Type II  $F_{n+r}^4 + L_r^4 F_n^4 + F_{n-r}^4 = 2[F_{n+r}^2 + L_r F_n F_{n-r}]^2$   
 $L_{n+r}^4 + L_r^4 L_n^4 + L_{n-r}^4 = 2[L_{n+r}^2 + L_r L_n L_{n-r}]^2$

Type III  $F_{n+2r+1}^4 + 16L_{2r+1}^4 F_n^4 + F_{n-2r-1}^4 = 2[F_{n+2r+1}^2 - 2L_{2r+1} F_n F_{n-2r-1}]^2$   
 $L_{n+2r+1}^4 + 16L_{2r+1}^4 L_n^4 + L_{n-2r-1}^4 = 2[L_{n+2r+1}^2 - 2L_{2r+1} L_n L_{n-2r-1}]^2$   
 $F_{n+2t}^4 + 16L_{2t}^4 F_n^4 + F_{n-2t}^4 = 2[F_{n+2t}^2 + 2L_{2t} F_n F_{n-2t}]^2$   
 $L_{n+2t}^4 + 16L_{2t}^4 L_n^4 + L_{n-2t}^4 = 2[L_{n+2t}^2 + 2L_{2t} L_n L_{n-2t}]^2$

Type IV  $F_{n+r}^4 + 16L_r^4 F_n^4 + F_{n-r}^4 = 2[F_{n+r}^2 + 2L_r F_n F_{n-r}]^2$   
 $L_{n+r}^4 + 16L_r^4 L_n^4 + L_{n-r}^4 = 2[L_{n+r}^2 + 2L_r L_n L_{n-r}]^2$

13. (a) Fibonacci-Lucas identity used:

$$F_{n+1}^5 - F_n^5 - F_{n-1}^5 = 5F_n F_{n-1} F_{n+1} (F_{n+1}^2 - F_{n-1} F_n)$$

(b) Type I extension:

$$F_{n+1}^5 - a^5 F_n^5 - F_{n-1}^5 = 5a F_n F_{n-1} F_{n+1} (F_{n+1}^2 - a F_{n-1} F_n)$$

(c) Generalizations:

Type I

$$F_{n+2r+1}^5 - L_{2r+1}^5 F_n^5 - F_{n-2r-1}^5 = 5L_{2r+1} F_n F_{n-2r-1} F_{n+2r+1} (F_{n+2r+1}^2 - L_{2r+1} F_n F_{n-2r-1})$$

$$L_{n+2r+1}^5 - L_{2r+1}^5 L_n^5 - L_{n-2r-1}^5 = 5L_{2r+1} L_n L_{n-2r-1} L_{n+2r+1} (L_{n+2r+1}^2 - L_{2r+1} L_n L_{n-2r-1})$$

$$L_{2t}^5 F_n^5 - F_{n+2t}^5 - F_{n-2t}^5 = 5L_{2t} F_n F_{n-2t} F_{n+2t} (F_{n+2t}^2 + L_{2t} F_n F_{n-2t})$$

$$L_{2t}^5 L_n^5 - L_{n+2t}^5 - L_{n-2t}^5 = 5L_{2t} L_n L_{n-2t} L_{n+2t} (L_{n+2t}^2 + L_{2t} L_n L_{n-2t})$$

Type II

$$L_r^5 F_n^5 - F_{n+r}^5 - F_{n-r}^5 = 5L_r F_n F_{n-r} F_{n+r} (F_{n+r}^2 + L_r F_n F_{n-r})$$

$$L_r^5 L_n^5 - L_{n+r}^5 - L_{n-r}^5 = 5L_r L_n L_{n-r} L_{n+r} (L_{n+r}^2 + L_r L_n L_{n-r})$$

Type III

$$F_{n+2r+1}^5 - 32L_{2r+1}^5 F_n^5 - F_{n-2r-1}^5 = 10L_{2r+1} F_n F_{n-2r-1} F_{n+2r+1} (F_{n+2r+1}^2 - 2L_{2r+1} F_n F_{n-2r-1})$$

$$L_{n+2r+1}^5 - 32L_{2r+1}^5 L_n^5 - L_{n-2r-1}^5 = 10L_{2r+1} L_n L_{n-2r-1} L_{n+2r+1} (L_{n+2r+1}^2 - 2L_{2r+1} L_n L_{n-2r-1})$$

$$32L_{2t}^5 F_n^5 - F_{n+2t}^5 - F_{n-2t}^5 = 10L_{2t} F_n F_{n-2t} F_{n+2t} (F_{n+2t}^2 + 2L_{2t} F_n F_{n-2t})$$

$$32L_{2t}^5 L_n^5 - L_{n+2t}^5 - L_{n-2t}^5 = 10L_{2t} L_n L_{n-2t} L_{n+2t} (L_{n+2t}^2 + 2L_{2t} L_n L_{n-2t})$$

Type IV

$$32L_r^5 F_n^5 - F_{n+r}^5 - F_{n-r}^5 = 10L_r F_n F_{n-r} F_{n+r} (F_{n+r}^2 + 2L_r F_n F_{n-r})$$

$$32L_r^5 L_n^5 - L_{n+r}^5 - L_{n-r}^5 = 10L_r L_n L_{n-r} L_{n+r} (L_{n+r}^2 + 2L_r L_n L_{n-r})$$

14. (a) Fibonacci-Lucas identity used:  $L_n^3 = 2F_{n-1}^3 + F_n^3 + 6F_{n+1}^2 F_{n-1}$   
 (b) Type I extension:  $b^3 L_n^3 = 2F_{n-1}^3 + \alpha^3 F_n^3 + 6F_{n+1}^2 F_{n-1}$   
 (c) Generalizations:

Type I

$$F_{2r+1}^3 L_n^3 = 2F_{n-2r-1}^3 + L_{2r+1}^3 F_n^3 + 6F_{n+2r+1}^2 F_{n-2r-1}$$

$$D^3 F_{2r+1}^3 F_n^3 = 2L_{n-2r-1}^3 + L_{2r+1}^3 L_n^3 + 6L_{n+2r+1}^2 L_{n-2r-1}$$

$$F_{2r}^3 L_n^3 = L_{2r}^3 F_n^3 - 2F_{n-2r}^3 - 6F_{n+2r}^2 F_{n-2r}$$

$$D^3 F_{2r}^3 F_n^3 = L_{2r}^3 L_n^3 - 2L_{n-2r}^3 - 6L_{n+2r}^2 L_{n-2r}$$

Type II

$$F_r^3 L_n^3 = L_r^3 F_n^3 - 2F_{n-r}^3 - 6F_{n+r}^2 F_{n-r}$$

$$D^3 F_r^3 F_n^3 = L_r^3 L_n^3 - 2L_{n-r}^3 - 6L_{n+r}^2 L_{n-r}$$

Type III

$$4F_{2r+1}^3 L_n^3 = F_{n-2r-1}^3 + 4L_{2r+1}^3 F_n^3 + 3F_{n+2r+1}^2 F_{n-2r-1}$$

$$4D^3 F_{2r+1}^3 F_n^3 = L_{n-2r-1}^3 + 4L_{2r+1}^3 L_n^3 + 3L_{n+2r+1}^2 L_{n-2r-1}$$

$$4F_{2r}^3 L_n^3 = 4L_{2r}^3 F_n^3 - F_{n-2r}^3 - 3F_{n+2r}^2 F_{n-2r}$$

$$4D^3 F_{2r}^3 F_n^3 = 4L_{2r}^3 L_n^3 - L_{n-2r}^3 - 3L_{n+2r}^2 L_{n-2r}$$

Type IV

$$4F_r^3 L_n^3 = 4L_r^3 F_n^3 - F_{n-r}^3 - 3F_{n+r}^2 F_{n-r}$$

$$4D^3 F_r^3 F_n^3 = 4L_r^3 L_n^3 - L_{n-r}^3 - 3L_{n+r}^2 L_{n-r}$$

Concluding Remarks

Following the suggestions of the referee and the editor, the proofs of the 14 identity sets have been omitted. They are tedious and do involve complicated, albeit fairly elementary, calculations. For some readers, the proofs would involve the use of composition algebras which are not developed in the article and which may not be well known.

The author has completed a supplementary paper giving, with indicated proof, the Type I, Type II, Type III, and Type IV composition algebras. After each composition algebra the corresponding identities using that algebra have been stated and proved. Copies of this paper may be obtained by request from the author.

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## A FORMULA FOR TRIBONACCI NUMBERS

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In a recent paper [2], Scott, Delaney, and Hoggatt discussed the Tribonacci numbers  $T_n$  defined by

$$T_0 = 1, T_1 = 1, T_2 = 2 \quad \text{and} \quad T_n = T_{n-1} + T_{n-2} + T_{n-3}, \text{ for } n \geq 3,$$