

Right circulant determinant sequences with Jacobsthal and Jacobsthal–Lucas Numbers

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Abstract: We study two right circulant determinant sequences. The first sequence makes use of Jacobsthal numbers of the form J_{s+t} while the other makes use of Jacobsthal–Lucas numbers of the form K_{s+t} , where $s, t \in \mathbb{Z}$ and $s \neq t$. We also give some open problems.

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1 Introduction

In the study of right circulant matrices, it has been a tradition to use number sequences as entries. From these formed matrices, the eigenvalues, determinants and norms are computed and then analyzed. Some works on these kinds of venture on right circulant matrices are that of Bahsi [1], Bozkurt [2–4], Bueno [5–10], Civciv and Turkmen [11], Nalli and Sen [14], Shen and Cen [15] and Yalciner [16].

In this paper, we form sequences from the determinants of right circulant matrices. This kind of sequence was introduced by Majumdar in [13] and he made use of arithmetic sequence and natural numbers. For this instance, we will be using Jacobsthal and Jacobsthal–Lucas numbers. The sequences that we will be dealing with are as follows

$$\{A_n\} = \left\{ |J_s|, \begin{vmatrix} J_s & J_{s+t} \\ J_{s+t} & J_s \end{vmatrix}, \begin{vmatrix} J_s & J_{s+t} & J_{s+2t} \\ J_{s+2t} & J_s & J_{s+t} \\ J_{s+t} & J_{s+2t} & J_s \end{vmatrix}, \dots \right\}, \quad (1)$$

$$\{B_n\} = \left\{ |K_s|, \begin{vmatrix} K_s & K_{s+t} \\ K_{s+t} & K_s \end{vmatrix}, \begin{vmatrix} K_s & K_{s+t} & K_{s+2t} \\ K_{s+2t} & K_s & K_{s+t} \\ K_{s+t} & K_{s+2t} & K_s \end{vmatrix}, \dots \right\}, \quad (2)$$

where $J_k = \frac{2^k - (-1)^k}{3}$, the k^{th} Jacobsthal number, $K_k = 2^k + (-1)^k$, the k^{th} Jacobsthal–Lucas number, $s, t \in \mathbb{Z}$ and $s \neq t$.

Our goal is to determine their n^{th} terms, bounds for their sums and provide some results on divisibility.

2 Main results

Theorem 2.1.

$$A_n = \frac{(J_s - J_{s+nt})^n - [f(s, t) - g(s, t, n)]^n}{1 - K_{nt} + (-2)^{nt}}, \quad (3)$$

where $f(s, t) = \frac{2^s \cdot (-1)^t - (-1)^s \cdot 2^t}{3}$ and $g(s, t, n) = \frac{2^{s+nt} \cdot (-1)^t - (-1)^{s+nt} \cdot 2^t}{3}$.

Proof. We first compute for the eigenvalues of the matrix

$$C_n(\vec{J}) = \begin{pmatrix} J_s & J_{s+t} & J_{s+2t} & \dots & J_{s+(n-2)t} & J_{s+(n-1)t} \\ J_{s+(n-1)t} & J_s & J_{s+t} & \dots & J_{s+(n-3)t} & J_{s+(n-2)t} \\ J_{s+(n-2)t} & J_{s+(n-1)t} & J_s & \dots & J_{s+(n-4)t} & J_{s+(n-3)t} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots & \vdots \\ J_{s+2t} & J_{s+3t} & J_{s+4t} & \dots & J_s & J_{s+t} \\ J_{s+t} & J_{s+2t} & J_{s+3t} & \dots & J_{s+(n-1)t} & J_s \end{pmatrix}.$$

The eigenvalues are given by

$$\begin{aligned} \alpha_m &= \sum_{k=0}^{n-1} J_{s+kt} \omega^{-mk} \\ &= \frac{1}{3} \sum_{k=0}^{n-1} [2^{s+kt} - (-1)^{s+kt}] \omega^{-mk} \end{aligned}$$

$m = 0, 1, \dots, n-1$ and $\omega = e^{\pi i/n}$.

Simplifying these expressions, we will end up with

$$\alpha_m = \frac{J_s - J_{s+nt} - [f(s, t) - g(s, t, n)] \omega^{-m}}{(1 - 2^t \omega^{-m})(1 - (-1)^t \omega^{-m})},$$

where $f(s, t) = \frac{2^s \cdot (-1)^t - (-1)^s \cdot 2^t}{3}$ and $g(s, t, n) = \frac{2^{s+nt} \cdot (-1)^t - (-1)^{s+nt} \cdot 2^t}{3}$.

Note that A_n is just the determinant of $C_n(\vec{J})$, so it's just the product of all its eigenvalues. Hence

$$\begin{aligned} A_n &= \prod_{m=0}^{n-1} \alpha_m \\ &= \prod_{m=0}^{n-1} \left[\frac{J_s - J_{s+nt} - [f(s, t) - g(s, t, n)]\omega^{-m}}{(1 - 2^t\omega^{-m})(1 - (-1)^t\omega^{-m})} \right] \\ &= \frac{(J_s - J_{s+nt})^n - [f(s, t) - g(s, t, n)]^n}{(1 - 2^{nt})(1 - (-1)^{nt})}. \end{aligned}$$

Since $\prod_{m=0}^{n-1}(x - y\omega^{-m}) = x^n - y^n$, then

$$A_n = \frac{(J_s - J_{s+nt})^n - [f(s, t) - g(s, t, n)]^n}{1 - K_{nt} + (-2)^{nt}}$$

which is as desired. \square

Theorem 2.2.

$$B_n = \frac{(K_s - K_{s+nt})^n - [p(s, t) - q(s, t, n)]^n}{1 - K_{nt} + (-2)^{nt}}, \quad (4)$$

where $p(s, t) = 2^s \cdot (-1)^t + (-1)^s \cdot 2^t$ and $q(s, t, n) = 2^{s+nt} \cdot (-1)^t + (-1)^{s+nt} \cdot 2^t$.

Proof is the same as that of Theorem 2.1.

Corollary 2.3.

$$(J_s - J_{s+nt})^n - [f(s, t) - g(s, t, n)]^n$$

and

$$(K_s - K_{s+nt})^n - [p(s, t) - q(s, t, n)]^n$$

are both divisible by

$$1 - K_{nt} + (-2)^{nt}.$$

Proof. Note that A_n and B_n are determinants of integer matrices, and the determinant of integer matrices are integers. This means that A_n and B_n are also integers, so it immediately follows that $1 - K_{nt} + (-2)^{nt}$ divides $(J_s - J_{s+nt})^n - [f(s, t) - g(s, t, n)]^n$ and $(K_s - K_{s+nt})^n - [p(s, t) - q(s, t, n)]^n$. \square

Theorem 2.4. Let $\epsilon = \min \{|1 - K_{mt} + (-2)^{mt}|\}$, $M(m) = \max \left\{ \binom{n}{m} \right\}$,

$\Omega = \max \{|f(s, t) - g(s, t, n)|\}$ and $\Theta = \max \{|p(s, t) - q(s, t, n)|\}$. Then

$$\sum_{m=1}^n |A_m| \leq \frac{1}{\epsilon} \left[\frac{1 - \Omega^n}{1 - \Omega} + \sum_{m=1}^n \sum_{k=1}^m M(m) |J_s^m \cdot J_{s+mt}^{m-k}| \right] \quad (5)$$

$$\sum_{m=1}^n |B_m| \leq \frac{1}{\epsilon} \left[\frac{1 - \Theta^n}{1 - \Theta} + \sum_{m=1}^n \sum_{k=1}^m M(m) |K_s^m \cdot K_{s+mt}^{m-k}| \right] \quad (6)$$

Proof.

$$\begin{aligned}
\sum_{m=1}^n |A_m| &= \sum_{m=1}^n \left| \frac{(J_s - J_{s+mt})^m - [f(s, t) - g(s, t, m)]^m}{1 - K_{mt} + (-2)^{mt}} \right| \\
&\leq \frac{1}{\epsilon} \sum_{m=1}^n |(J_s - J_{s+mt})^m - \Omega^m| \\
&\leq \frac{1}{\epsilon} \sum_{m=1}^n [|(J_s - J_{s+mt})^m| + \Omega^m]
\end{aligned}$$

where $\epsilon = \min \{|1 - K_{mt} + (-2)^{mt}|\}$ and $\Omega = \max \{|f(s, t) - g(s, t, n)|\}$.

Continuing we have

$$\begin{aligned}
\sum_{m=1}^n |A_m| &\leq \frac{1}{\epsilon} \left[\sum_{m=1}^n |(J_s - J_{s+mt})^m| + \sum_{m=1}^n \Omega^m \right] \\
&\leq \frac{1}{\epsilon} \left[\frac{1 - \Omega^n}{1 - \Omega} + \sum_{m=1}^n \sum_{k=1}^m \binom{n}{m} |J_s^m \cdot J_{s+mt}^{n-m}| \right] \\
&\leq \frac{1}{\epsilon} \left[\frac{1 - \Omega^n}{1 - \Omega} + \sum_{m=1}^n \sum_{k=1}^m M(m) |J_s^m \cdot J_{s+mt}^{m-k}| \right],
\end{aligned}$$

where $M(m) = \max \left\{ \binom{n}{m} \right\}$.

Similarly, we have

$$\sum_{m=1}^n |B_m| \leq \frac{1}{\epsilon} \left[\frac{1 - \Theta^n}{1 - \Theta} + \sum_{m=1}^n \sum_{k=1}^m M(m) |K_s^m \cdot K_{s+mt}^{m-k}| \right],$$

where $\Theta = \max \{|p(s, t) - q(s, t, n)|\}$. □

3 Conclusions

First, we have established that the n^{th} terms of $\{A_n\}$ and $\{B_n\}$ are always integers and as a consequence we have divisibilities involving $1 - K_{nt} + (-2)^{nt}$.

Lastly, using simple triangle inequality and coccepts of extremum values, we have found bounds for $\sum_{m=1}^n |A_m|$ and $\sum_{m=1}^n |B_m|$.

4 Open problems

Here are some problems for further study

- Identities that can be derived from the n^{th} terms of $\{A_n\}$ and $\{B_n\}$, that is, Laplacian expansion versus formulas (3) and (4)

- Periodicity on the the n^{th} terms of $\{A_n\}$ and $\{B_n\}$
- Sharper bounds for $\sum_{m=1}^n |A_m|$ and $\sum_{m=1}^n |B_m|$
- Explicit formula for $\sum_{m=1}^n A_m$ and $\sum_{m=1}^n B_m$
- Investigate the following determinant sequences

$$\{U_n\} = \left\{ |J_s|, \begin{vmatrix} J_s & J_{st} \\ J_{st} & J_s \end{vmatrix}, \begin{vmatrix} J_s & J_{st} & J_{st^2} \\ J_{st^2} & J_s & J_{st} \\ J_{st} & J_{st^2} & J_s \end{vmatrix}, \dots \right\},$$

$$\{V_n\} = \left\{ |K_s|, \begin{vmatrix} K_s & K_{st} \\ K_{st} & K_s \end{vmatrix}, \begin{vmatrix} K_s & K_{st} & K_{st^2} \\ K_{st^2} & K_s & K_{st} \\ K_{st} & K_{st^2} & K_s \end{vmatrix}, \dots \right\},$$

where $s, t \in \mathbb{Z}/\{0\}$ and s and t are not both equal to 1

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