

Some properties of the bi-periodic Horadam sequences

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Abstract: In this paper, we give some basic properties of the bi-periodic Horadam sequences which generalize the known results for the bi-periodic Fibonacci and Lucas sequences. Also, we obtain some new identities for the bi-periodic Lucas sequences.

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1 Introduction

The Horadam sequence $\{W_n\}$ is defined by Horadam [4] as:

$$W_n = pW_{n-1} - qW_{n-2}, \quad n \geq 2 \quad (1.1)$$

with initial conditions W_0, W_1 where W_0, W_1, p, q are arbitrary integers. It has considered a generalization of the Fibonacci and Lucas sequences. In particular, if we take $q = -1, W_0 = 0, W_1 = 1$ we obtain the generalized Fibonacci sequence $\{u_n\}$ and if we take $q = -1, W_0 = 2, W_1 = p$ we obtain the generalized Lucas sequence $\{v_n\}$.

Another generalization of the Fibonacci and Lucas sequence, named as the bi-periodic Fibonacci sequence $\{q_n\}$ is defined by

$$q_n = \begin{cases} aq_{n-1} + q_{n-2}, & \text{if } n \text{ is even} \\ bq_{n-1} + q_{n-2}, & \text{if } n \text{ is odd} \end{cases}, \quad n \geq 2 \quad (1.2)$$

with initial values $q_0 = 0, q_1 = 1$ and a, b are nonzero numbers (see [3]) and the bi-periodic Lucas sequence $\{p_n\}$ is defined by

$$p_n = \begin{cases} bp_{n-1} + p_{n-2}, & \text{if } n \text{ is even} \\ ap_{n-1} + p_{n-2}, & \text{if } n \text{ is odd} \end{cases}, \quad n \geq 2 \quad (1.3)$$

with the initial conditions $p_0 = 2, p_1 = a$ (see [1]). If we take $a = b = 1$ in $\{q_n\}$, we get the classical Fibonacci sequence and if we take $a = b = 1$ in $\{p_n\}$, we get the classical Lucas sequence. The Binet formulas of the sequences $\{q_n\}$ and $\{p_n\}$ are given by

$$q_n = \frac{a^{\zeta(n+1)}}{(ab)^{\lfloor \frac{n}{2} \rfloor}} \left(\frac{\alpha^n - \beta^n}{\alpha - \beta} \right) \quad (1.4)$$

and

$$p_n = \frac{a^{\zeta(n)}}{(ab)^{\lfloor \frac{n+1}{2} \rfloor}} (\alpha^n + \beta^n), \quad (1.5)$$

respectively, where $\alpha = \frac{ab + \sqrt{a^2b^2 + 4ab}}{2}$ and $\beta = \frac{ab - \sqrt{a^2b^2 + 4ab}}{2}$ that is, α and β are the roots of the polynomial $x^2 - abx - ab$ and $\zeta(n) = n - 2 \lfloor \frac{n}{2} \rfloor$ is the parity function, i.e., $\zeta(n) = 0$ when n is even and $\zeta(n) = 1$ when n is odd. Let $a^2b^2 + 4ab \neq 0$. Note that $\alpha + \beta = ab, \alpha - \beta = \sqrt{a^2b^2 + 4ab}$ and $\alpha\beta = -ab$.

A further generalization introduced by Sahin [6] as a Fibonacci conditional sequence $\{f_n\}$:

$$f_n = \begin{cases} af_{n-1} + cf_{n-2}, & \text{if } n \text{ is even} \\ bf_{n-1} + df_{n-2}, & \text{if } n \text{ is odd} \end{cases}, \quad n \geq 2 \quad (1.6)$$

with initial conditions $f_0 = 0, f_1 = 1$ where a, b, c, d are nonzero numbers. By taking initial conditions 2 and b , authors gave some properties of the Lucas conditional sequence $\{l_n\}$ in [8]. It should be noted that more general case of these sequences can be found in [5] and more results related to these sequences we refer to [1, 2, 5–10].

In this paper, we consider the sequence $\{w_n\}$ which is defined first in [3] as:

$$w_n = \begin{cases} aw_{n-1} + w_{n-2}, & \text{if } n \text{ is even} \\ bw_{n-1} + w_{n-2}, & \text{if } n \text{ is odd} \end{cases}, \quad n \geq 2 \quad (1.7)$$

with arbitrary initial conditions w_0, w_1 where w_0, w_1, a, b are nonzero numbers. Here we call the sequence $\{w_n\}$, the *bi-periodic Horadam sequence*. Motivating by Horadam's results in [4], our aim is to obtain some basic properties of the bi-periodic Horadam sequence. Moreover, we give some new identities for the bi-periodic Lucas sequences by using these properties.

Some sequences in the literature can be stated in terms of the sequence $\{w_n\}$ as:

1. If we take $w_0 = 0, w_1 = 1$ in $\{w_n\}$, we get the bi-periodic Fibonacci sequence $\{q_n\}$ in [3].
2. If we take $w_0 = 2, w_1 = b$ in $\{w_n\}$, we get the Lucas conditional sequence $\{l_n\}$ in [8] with the case of $c = d = 1$. If we replace a and b in $\{l_n\}$, we get the bi-periodic Lucas sequence $\{p_n\}$ in [1]. Thus we have the fact

$$l_n = \left(\frac{b}{a} \right)^{\zeta(n)} p_n. \quad (1.8)$$

Note that the above equality gives the relation between the sequences $\{l_n\}$ and $\{p_n\}$. We will use this fact for further results.

3. If we take $a = b = p$ and $w_0 = 0, w_1 = 1$ in $\{w_n\}$, we get the generalized Fibonacci sequence $\{u_n\}$.
4. If we take $a = b = p$ and $w_0 = 2, w_1 = p$ in $\{w_n\}$, we get the generalized Lucas sequence $\{v_n\}$.

2 Main results

In this section, we give some basic properties of the bi-periodic Horadam sequences. To obtain these properties, we use the Binet formula of $\{w_n\}$ which can be obtained by using the following result in [3, Theorem 8]. This result gives the relation between the sequences $\{w_n\}$ and $\{q_n\}$.

Lemma 1. [3, Theorem 8] For $n > 0$, we have

$$w_n = q_n w_1 + \left(\frac{b}{a}\right)^{\zeta(n)} q_{n-1} w_0. \quad (2.1)$$

Now, by using Lemma 1 and the Binet formula of $\{q_n\}$ in (1.4), we can easily obtain the Binet formula for the sequence $\{w_n\}$.

Theorem 1. (Binet Formula) For $n > 0$, we have

$$w_n = \frac{a^{\zeta(n+1)}}{(ab)^{\lfloor \frac{n}{2} \rfloor}} (A\alpha^{n-1} - B\beta^{n-1}), \quad (2.2)$$

where $A := \left(\frac{\alpha w_1 + b w_0}{\alpha - \beta}\right)$ and $B := \left(\frac{\beta w_1 + b w_0}{\alpha - \beta}\right)$.

Proof. By using Lemma 1 and (1.4), we get

$$\begin{aligned} w_n &= q_n w_1 + \left(\frac{b}{a}\right)^{\zeta(n)} q_{n-1} w_0 \\ &= \frac{a^{\zeta(n+1)}}{(ab)^{\lfloor \frac{n}{2} \rfloor}} \left(\frac{\alpha^n - \beta^n}{\alpha - \beta}\right) w_1 + \left(\frac{b}{a}\right)^{\zeta(n)} \frac{a^{\zeta(n)}}{(ab)^{\lfloor \frac{n-1}{2} \rfloor}} \left(\frac{\alpha^{n-1} - \beta^{n-1}}{\alpha - \beta}\right) w_0 \\ &= \frac{a^{\zeta(n+1)}}{(ab)^{\lfloor \frac{n}{2} \rfloor}} \left(\frac{\alpha^n - \beta^n}{\alpha - \beta} w_1 + b \frac{\alpha^{n-1} - \beta^{n-1}}{\alpha - \beta} w_0\right) \\ &= \frac{a^{\zeta(n+1)}}{(ab)^{\lfloor \frac{n}{2} \rfloor}} \left(\frac{\alpha^{n-1} (\alpha w_1 + b w_0) - \beta^{n-1} (\beta w_1 + b w_0)}{\alpha - \beta}\right) \\ &= \frac{a^{\zeta(n+1)}}{(ab)^{\lfloor \frac{n}{2} \rfloor}} (A\alpha^{n-1} - B\beta^{n-1}). \end{aligned}$$

□

Another relation between the sequences $\{w_n\}$ and $\{q_n\}$ can be given in the following theorem.

Theorem 2. For $n > 0$, we have

$$w_{n+1}q_n - w_nq_{n+1} = (-1)^{n+1} w_0.$$

Proof. By using Lemma 1, we have

$$\begin{aligned} w_{n+1}q_n - w_nq_{n+1} &= \left(q_{n+1}w_1 + \left(\frac{b}{a}\right)^{\zeta(n+1)} q_n w_0 \right) q_n \\ &\quad - \left(q_n w_1 + \left(\frac{b}{a}\right)^{\zeta(n)} q_{n-1} w_0 \right) q_{n+1} \\ &= (q_{n+1}q_n - q_nq_{n+1}) w_1 \\ &\quad + \left(\left(\frac{b}{a}\right)^{\zeta(n+1)} q_n^2 - \left(\frac{b}{a}\right)^{\zeta(n)} q_{n-1}q_{n+1} \right) w_0 \\ &= \left(\left(\frac{b}{a}\right)^{1-\zeta(n)} q_n^2 - \left(\frac{b}{a}\right)^{\zeta(n)} q_{n-1}q_{n+1} \right) w_0 \\ &= \left(\left(\frac{a}{b}\right)^{\zeta(n)} \frac{b}{a} q_n^2 - \left(\frac{b}{a}\right)^{\zeta(n)} q_{n-1}q_{n+1} \right) w_0 \\ &= \left(a^{\zeta(n)} b^{-\zeta(n)} \frac{b}{a} q_n^2 - a^{-\zeta(n)} b^{\zeta(n)} q_{n-1}q_{n+1} \right) w_0. \end{aligned}$$

By using the Cassini's identity for the sequence $\{q_n\}$

$$a^{\zeta(n)} b^{1-\zeta(n)} q_n^2 - a^{1-\zeta(n)} b^{\zeta(n)} q_{n-1}q_{n+1} = a(-1)^{n+1},$$

which is given in [3, Theorem 3], we get the desired result. \square

Note that if we take $w_0 = 2$ and $w_1 = b$, then by using the fact (1.8), the above theorem reduces the identity

$$\left(\frac{b}{a}\right)^{\zeta(n+1)} p_{n+1}q_n - \left(\frac{b}{a}\right)^{\zeta(n)} p_nq_{n+1} = 2(-1)^{n+1},$$

which can be found in [1, Corollary 3].

Now, we state the Cassini's identity for the bi-periodic Horadam sequences. Since the Cassini's identity is a special case of the Catalan's identity, we only prove the Catalan's identity.

Theorem 3. (*Cassini's identity*) For any nonnegative integer n , we have

$$a^{1-\zeta(n)} b^{\zeta(n)} w_{n-1}w_{n+1} - a^{\zeta(n)} b^{1-\zeta(n)} w_n^2 = (-1)^n [aw_1^2 - (ab)w_0w_1 - bw_0^2].$$

Theorem 4. (*Catalan's identity*) For any nonnegative integer n , we have

$$\begin{aligned} &a^{\zeta(n-r)} b^{1-\zeta(n-r)} w_{n-r}w_{n+r} - a^{\zeta(n)} b^{1-\zeta(n)} w_n^2 \\ &= (-1)^{n-r+1} \frac{(\alpha^r - \beta^r)^2}{(ab)^r (ab + 4)} [aw_1^2 - (ab)w_0w_1 - bw_0^2]. \end{aligned}$$

Proof. By using the Binet formula of $\{w_n\}$, we have

$$\begin{aligned}
& w_{n-r}w_{n+r} - w_n^2 \\
&= \frac{a^{\zeta(n-r+1)+\zeta(n+r+1)}}{(ab)^{\lfloor \frac{n-r}{2} \rfloor + \lfloor \frac{n+r}{2} \rfloor}} (A\alpha^{n-r-1} - B\beta^{n-r-1}) A\alpha^{n+r-1} - B\beta \\
&\quad - \frac{a^{2\zeta(n+1)}}{(ab)^{2\lfloor \frac{n}{2} \rfloor}} (A\alpha^{n-1} - B\beta^{n-1})^2 \\
&= \frac{a^{2\zeta(n-r-1)}}{(ab)^{\lfloor \frac{n-r}{2} \rfloor + \lfloor \frac{n+r}{2} \rfloor}} (A^2\alpha^{2n-2} - AB(\alpha^{n-r-1}\beta^{n+r-1} + \beta^{n-r-1}\alpha^{n+r-1}) + B^2\beta^{2n-2}) \\
&\quad - \frac{a^{2\zeta(n+1)}}{(ab)^{2\lfloor \frac{n}{2} \rfloor}} (A^2\alpha^{2n-2} - 2AB(\alpha^{n-1}\beta^{n-1}) + B^2\beta^{2n-2}) \\
&= \frac{a^{2\zeta(n-r-1)}}{(ab)^{n-\zeta(n-r)}} (A^2\alpha^{2n-2} - AB(\alpha^{n-r-1}\beta^{n+r-1} + \beta^{n-r-1}\alpha^{n+r-1}) + B^2\beta^{2n-2}) \\
&\quad - \frac{a^{2\zeta(n+1)}}{(ab)^{n-\zeta(n)}} (A^2\alpha^{2n-2} - 2AB(\alpha^{n-1}\beta^{n-1}) + B^2\beta^{2n-2}) \\
&= \frac{1}{(ab)^n} [a^{1+\zeta(n-r+1)}b^{\zeta(n-r)} (A^2\alpha^{2n-2} - AB(\alpha^{n-r-1}\beta^{n+r-1} + \beta^{n-r-1}\alpha^{n+r-1}) + B^2\beta^{2n-2}) \\
&\quad - a^{1+\zeta(n+1)}b^{\zeta(n)} (A^2\alpha^{2n-2} - 2AB(\alpha^{n-1}\beta^{n-1}) + B^2\beta^{2n-2})].
\end{aligned}$$

Therefore, we obtain

$$\begin{aligned}
& a^{1-\zeta(n-r+1)}b^{1-\zeta(n-r)}w_{n-r}w_{n+r} - a^{\zeta(n)}b^{1-\zeta(n)}w_n^2 \\
&= \frac{a^2b}{(ab)^n} \left[-AB \left(\left(\frac{\alpha}{\beta} \right)^{-r} (\alpha\beta)^{n-1} + \left(\frac{\alpha}{\beta} \right)^r (\alpha\beta)^{n-1} \right) + 2AB(\alpha\beta)^{n-1} \right] \\
&= \frac{a^2b}{(ab)^n} (\alpha\beta)^{n-1} \left[-AB \left(\left(\frac{\alpha}{\beta} \right)^{-r} + \left(\frac{\alpha}{\beta} \right)^r - 2 \right) \right] \\
&= (-1)^{n-r} a \frac{(\alpha^r - \beta^r)^2}{(ab)^r} AB.
\end{aligned}$$

By using the definition of A and B in (2.2), we get

$$\begin{aligned}
(-1)^{n-r} a \frac{(\alpha^r - \beta^r)^2}{(ab)^r} AB &= (-1)^{n-r} a \frac{(\alpha^r - \beta^r)^2}{(ab)^r} \left(\frac{\alpha w_1 + b w_0}{\alpha - \beta} \right) \left(\frac{\beta w_1 + b w_0}{\alpha - \beta} \right) \\
&= (-1)^{n-r} a \frac{(\alpha^r - \beta^r)^2}{(ab)^r} \frac{(-ab)w_1^2 + b(ab)w_0w_1 + b^2w_0^2}{ab(ab+4)} \\
&= (-1)^{n-r+1} \frac{(\alpha^r - \beta^r)^2}{(ab)^r (ab+4)} [aw_1^2 - (ab)w_0w_1 - bw_0^2].
\end{aligned}$$

□

Note that if we take $r = 1$ in the above theorem, we obtain the Cassini's identity for the bi-periodic Horadam sequences.

- If we take $w_0 = 0$ and $w_1 = 1$ in the above theorem, we get the Catalan's identity for $\{q_n\}$

$$a^{\zeta(n-r)}b^{1-\zeta(n-r)}q_{n-r}q_{n+r} - a^{\zeta(n)}b^{1-\zeta(n)}q_n^2 = (-1)^{n+1-r} a^{\zeta(r)}b^{1-\zeta(r)}q_r^2$$

in [3, Theorem 4].

- If we take $w_0 = 2$ and $w_1 = b$ then by using the fact (1.8), we get the identity

$$\left(\frac{b}{a}\right)^{\zeta(n+r)} p_{n-r}p_{n+r} - \left(\frac{b}{a}\right)^{\zeta(n)} p_n^2 = \frac{(-1)^{n+r}}{(ab)^r} (\alpha^r - \beta^r)^2$$

in [1, Theorem 4].

The following theorem gives the d'Ocagne's identity for the bi-periodic Horadam sequences $\{w_n\}$. It can be proven similarly by using the Binet formula of $\{w_n\}$. Note that if we consider the case $w_0 = 2$ and $w_1 = b$, we get a new identity for the bi-periodic Lucas sequences.

Theorem 5. (*d'Ocagne's identity*) For any nonnegative integer n , we have

$$\begin{aligned} & a^{\zeta(mn+m)}b^{\zeta(mn+n)}w_mw_{n+1} - a^{\zeta(mn+n)}b^{\zeta(mn+m)}w_{m+1}w_n \\ &= (-1)^n a^{\zeta(m-n)-1}q_{m-n} [aw_1^2 - (ab)w_0w_1 - bw_0^2]. \end{aligned}$$

- If we take $w_0 = 0$ and $w_1 = 1$ in the above theorem, we get the d'Ocagne's identity for $\{q_n\}$

$$a^{\zeta(mn+m)}b^{\zeta(mn+n)}q_mq_{n+1} - a^{\zeta(mn+n)}b^{\zeta(mn+m)}q_{m+1}q_n = (-1)^n a^{\zeta(m-n)}q_{m-n}$$

in [3, Theorem 5].

- If we take $w_0 = 2$ and $w_1 = b$, then by using the fact (1.8), we get

$$\begin{aligned} & a^{\zeta(mn+n)}b^{\zeta(mn+m)}p_m p_{n+1} - a^{\zeta(mn+m)}b^{\zeta(mn+n)}p_{m+1}p_n \\ &= (-1)^{n+1} a^{\zeta(m-n)} (ab + 4) q_{m-n} \\ &= (-1)^{n+1} a^{\zeta(m-n)} (p_{m-n-1} + p_{m-n+1}) \end{aligned} \tag{2.3}$$

which is a new identity for $\{p_n\}$.

Finally, we state two binomial formula for the bi-periodic Horadam numbers. As a consequence of the following theorem, we can obtain a new identity for the bi-periodic Lucas numbers.

Theorem 6. (*Generalized Catalan's identity*) For any nonnegative integer n , we have

$$\begin{aligned} w_n &= \frac{a^{\zeta(n+1)}}{2^{n-1} (ab)^{\lfloor \frac{n}{2} \rfloor}} \left((abw_1 + 2bw_0) \sum_{k=0}^{\lfloor \frac{n-2}{2} \rfloor} \binom{n-1}{2k+1} (ab)^{n-k-2} (ab+4)^k \right. \\ &\quad \left. + w_1 \sum_{k=0}^{\lfloor \frac{n-1}{2} \rfloor} \binom{n-1}{2k} (ab)^{n-k-1} (ab+4)^k \right). \end{aligned}$$

Proof. By using the Binet formula of $\{w_n\}$ and the Binomial expansion formula, we have

$$\begin{aligned}
\frac{(ab)^{\lfloor \frac{n}{2} \rfloor}}{a^{\zeta(n+1)}} w_n &= A\alpha^{n-1} - B\beta^{n-1} \\
&= A \left(\frac{ab + \sqrt{\Delta}}{2} \right)^{n-1} - B \left(\frac{ab - \sqrt{\Delta}}{2} \right)^{n-1} \\
&= \frac{1}{2^{n-1}} \left(A \sum_{k=0}^{n-1} \binom{n-1}{k} (ab)^{n-k-1} (\sqrt{\Delta})^k \right. \\
&\quad \left. - B \sum_{k=0}^{n-1} \binom{n-1}{k} (ab)^{n-k-1} (-\sqrt{\Delta})^k \right) \\
&= \frac{1}{2^{n-1}} \left((A+B) \sum_{k=0}^{\lfloor \frac{n-2}{2} \rfloor} \binom{n-1}{2k+1} (ab)^{n-2k-2} \Delta^{k+\frac{1}{2}} \right. \\
&\quad \left. + (A-B) \sum_{k=0}^{\lfloor \frac{n-1}{2} \rfloor} \binom{n-1}{2k} (ab)^{n-2k-1} \Delta^k \right) \\
&= \frac{1}{2^{n-1}} \left(\left(\frac{(\alpha + \beta) w_1 + 2bw_0}{\alpha - \beta} \right) \sum_{k=0}^{\lfloor \frac{n-2}{2} \rfloor} \binom{n-1}{2k+1} (ab)^{n-2k-2} \Delta^{k+\frac{1}{2}} \right. \\
&\quad \left. + w_1 \sum_{k=0}^{\lfloor \frac{n-1}{2} \rfloor} \binom{n-1}{2k} (ab)^{n-2k-1} \Delta^k \right) \\
&= \frac{1}{2^{n-1}} \left((abw_1 + 2bw_0) \sum_{k=0}^{\lfloor \frac{n-2}{2} \rfloor} \binom{n-1}{2k+1} (ab)^{n-k-2} (ab+4)^k \right. \\
&\quad \left. + w_1 \sum_{k=0}^{\lfloor \frac{n-1}{2} \rfloor} \binom{n-1}{2k} (ab)^{n-k-1} (ab+4)^k \right).
\end{aligned}$$

Thus, we obtain the desired result. \square

- If we take $a = b = 1$, we obtain the result in [4, identity (3.20)] for the classical Horadam sequence.

- If we take $w_0 = 0$ and $w_1 = 1$ we get

$$\begin{aligned}
2^{n-1} \frac{(ab)^{\lfloor \frac{n}{2} \rfloor}}{a^{\zeta(n+1)}} w_n &= \sum_{k=0}^{\lfloor \frac{n-2}{2} \rfloor} \binom{n-1}{2k+1} (ab)^{n-k-1} (ab+4)^k \\
&\quad + \sum_{k=0}^{\lfloor \frac{n-1}{2} \rfloor} \binom{n-1}{2k} (ab)^{n-k-1} (ab+4)^k \\
&= \sum_{k=0}^{\lfloor \frac{n-1}{2} \rfloor} \left(\binom{n-1}{2k+1} + \binom{n-1}{2k} \right) (ab)^{n-k-1} (ab+4)^k \\
&= \sum_{k=0}^{\lfloor \frac{n-1}{2} \rfloor} \binom{n}{2k+1} (ab)^{n-k-1} (ab+4)^k.
\end{aligned}$$

Thus, we have

$$q_n = \frac{a^{\zeta(n+1)}}{2^{n-1}} \sum_{k=0}^{\lfloor \frac{n-1}{2} \rfloor} \binom{n}{2k+1} (ab)^{\lfloor \frac{n-1}{2} \rfloor - k} (ab+4)^k,$$

which reduces the generalized Catalan's identity in [10, Theorem 5].

- If we take $w_0 = 2$ and $w_1 = b$ we get

$$\begin{aligned}
2^{n-1} \frac{(ab)^{\lfloor \frac{n}{2} \rfloor}}{ba^{\zeta(n+1)}} w_n &= \sum_{k=0}^{\lfloor \frac{n-2}{2} \rfloor} \binom{n-1}{2k+1} (ab)^{n-k-2} (ab+4)^{k+1} \\
&\quad + \sum_{k=0}^{\lfloor \frac{n-1}{2} \rfloor} \binom{n-1}{2k} (ab)^{n-k-1} (ab+4)^k \\
&= \sum_{k=1}^{\lfloor \frac{n}{2} \rfloor} \binom{n-1}{2k-1} (ab)^{n-k-1} (ab+4)^k \\
&\quad + \sum_{k=0}^{\lfloor \frac{n-1}{2} \rfloor} \binom{n-1}{2k} (ab)^{n-k-1} (ab+4)^k \\
&= \sum_{k=0}^{\lfloor \frac{n}{2} \rfloor} \left(\binom{n-1}{2k-1} + \binom{n-1}{2k} \right) (ab)^{n-k-1} (ab+4)^k \\
&= \sum_{k=0}^{\lfloor \frac{n}{2} \rfloor} \binom{n}{2k} (ab)^{n-k-1} (ab+4)^k.
\end{aligned}$$

Then by using the fact (1.8), we obtain

$$p_n = \frac{a^{\zeta(n)}}{2^{n-1}} \sum_{k=0}^{\lfloor \frac{n}{2} \rfloor} \binom{n}{2k} (ab)^{\lfloor \frac{n}{2} \rfloor - k} (ab+4)^k, \quad (2.4)$$

which is a new identity for the bi-periodic Lucas sequences.

Theorem 7. (General Binomial Sum Formula) For any nonnegative integer n , we have

$$\sum_{k=0}^n \binom{n}{k} a^{\zeta(k+r)} (ab)^{\lfloor \frac{k}{2} \rfloor + \zeta(k)\zeta(r)} w_{k+r} = a^{\zeta(r)} w_{2n+r}.$$

Proof. By using the Binet formula of $\{w_n\}$, we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum_{k=0}^n \binom{n}{k} a^{\zeta(k+r)} (ab)^{\lfloor \frac{k}{2} \rfloor + \zeta(k)\zeta(r)} w_{k+r} \\ = & \sum_{k=0}^n \binom{n}{k} a^{\zeta(k+r)+\zeta(k+r+1)} (ab)^{\lfloor \frac{k}{2} \rfloor + \zeta(k)\zeta(r) - \lfloor \frac{k+r}{2} \rfloor} (A\alpha^{k+r-1} - B\beta^{k+r-1}) \\ = & a(ab)^{\frac{\zeta(r)-r}{2}} \left[A\alpha^{r-1} \sum_{k=0}^n \binom{n}{k} \alpha^k - B\beta^{r-1} \sum_{k=0}^n \binom{n}{k} \beta^k \right] \\ = & a(ab)^{\frac{\zeta(r)-r}{2}} [A\alpha^{r-1} (1+\alpha)^n - B\beta^{r-1} (1+\beta)^n] \\ = & a(ab)^{\frac{\zeta(r)-r}{2}} \left[A\alpha^{r-1} \left(\frac{\alpha^2}{ab}\right)^n - B\beta^{r-1} \left(\frac{\beta^2}{ab}\right)^n \right] \\ = & a(ab)^{\frac{\zeta(r)-r-2n}{2}} (A\alpha^{2n+r-1} - B\beta^{2n+r-1}) \\ = & a^{1-\zeta(2n+r+1)} (ab)^{\frac{\zeta(r)-r-2n}{2} + \lfloor \frac{2n+r}{2} \rfloor} w_{2n+r} \\ = & a^{\zeta(r)} w_{2n+r}. \end{aligned}$$

□

- If we take $w_0 = 0$ and $w_1 = 1$, we obtain the identity

$$\sum_{k=0}^n \binom{n}{k} a^{\zeta(k+r)} (ab)^{\lfloor \frac{k}{2} \rfloor + \zeta(k)\zeta(r)} q_{k+r} = a^{\zeta(r)} q_{2n+r},$$

which can be found in [3, Remark 1].

- If we take $w_0 = 2$ and $w_1 = b$ then by using the fact (1.8), we obtain the identity

$$\sum_{k=0}^n \binom{n}{k} b^{\zeta(k+r)} (ab)^{\lfloor \frac{k}{2} \rfloor + \zeta(k)\zeta(r)} p_{k+r} = b^{\zeta(r)} p_{2n+r},$$

which can be found in [1, Theorem 7].

3 Conclusion

In this paper, we considered the bi-periodic Horadam sequences $\{w_n\}$, which is defined by the recurrence $w_n = aw_{n-1} + w_{n-2}$, if n is even, $w_n = bw_{n-1} + w_{n-2}$, if n is odd with arbitrary initial conditions w_0, w_1 and nonzero numbers a, b . Motivated by Horadam's results in [4], we gave some basic properties of the bi-periodic Horadam sequences which generalize the known results for the bi-periodic Fibonacci and Lucas sequences in [3] and [1]. Moreover, we derived some new identities for the bi-periodic Lucas sequences.

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