

The arrowhead-Pell-random-type sequences

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Abstract: In this paper, we define the arrowhead-Pell-random-type sequence and then we obtain the generating function and the generating matrix of the sequence. Also, we derive the permanental, determinantal, combinatorial and exponential representations and the sums of the arrowhead-Pell-random-type numbers using the generating function and the generating matrix of the sequence.

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1 Introduction

In [13], Kılıc and Tasci defined k sequences of the generalized order- k Pell numbers as shown:

$$P_n^i = 2P_{n-1}^i + P_{n-2}^i + \cdots + P_{n-k}^i$$

for $n > 0$ and $1 \leq i \leq k$, with initial conditions

$$P_n^i = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } n = 1 - i, \\ 0 & \text{otherwise,} \end{cases} \quad 1 - k \leq n \leq 0,$$

where P_n^i is the n -th term of the i -th sequence.

It is clear that the characteristic polynomial of the generalized order- k Pell sequence is as follows:

$$P(x) = x^k - 2x^{k-1} - x^{k-2} - \cdots - 1.$$

In [1], Aküzüm et al. defined the arrowhead-Pell sequence for $n \geq 1$ as follows:

$$a_{k+1}(n+k+1) = a_{k+1}(n+k) - 2a_{k+1}(n+k-1) - a_{k+1}(n+k-2) - \cdots - a_{k+1}(n)$$

with integer constants $a_{k+1}(1) = \cdots = a_{k+1}(k) = 0$ and $a_{k+1}(k+1) = 1$, where $k \geq 2$.

Shannon and Horadam [17] also developed arrowhead curves in the context of recursive sequences.

Hofstadter's integer sequences defined [10] by

$$h_n = h_{n-h_{n-1}} + h_{n-h_{n-2}}$$

where $h_1 = h_2 = 1$.

The random Fibonacci sequences defined [6] by the random recurrence $x_1 = 1, x_2 = 2$ and for $n > 2, x_n = \pm x_{n-1} \pm x_{n-2}$, where each \pm sign is independent and either $+$ or $-$ with probability $1/2$.

Atanassov et al. [2] have, to some extent, systematized aspects of these sequences through pulsated sequences.

Suppose that the $(n+k)$ th term of a sequence is defined recursively by a linear combination of the preceding k terms:

$$a_{n+k} = c_0 a_n + c_1 a_{n+1} + \cdots + c_{k-1} a_{n+k-1}$$

where c_0, c_1, \dots, c_{k-1} are real constants. In [11], Kalman derived a number of closed-form formulas for the generalized sequence by the companion matrix method as follows:

$$A = [a_{i,j}]_{k \times k} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 & \cdots & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & \cdots & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \ddots & 0 & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & & \vdots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \cdots & 0 & 1 \\ c_0 & c_1 & c_2 & & c_{k-2} & c_{k-1} \end{bmatrix}.$$

Then by an inductive argument he obtained that

$$A^n \begin{bmatrix} a_0 \\ a_1 \\ \vdots \\ a_{k-1} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} a_n \\ a_{n+1} \\ \vdots \\ a_{n+k-1} \end{bmatrix}$$

for $n \geq 0$.

Number theoretic properties such as these obtained from homogeneous linear recurrence relations relevant to this paper have been studied by many authors [4, 7, 8, 9, 12, 16, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23]. In this paper, we define a new sequence which is called the arrowhead-Pell-random-type sequence. Then we give relationships among the arrowhead-Pell-random-type numbers and the permanents and the determinants of certain matrices which are produced by using the

$$\begin{array}{c}
(u+1)th \\
\downarrow \\
(A^{k,u})^\alpha = \left[\begin{array}{cccccc}
a_{k+1}^{u,\alpha+u+k} & a_{k+1}^{u,\alpha+u+k+1} & \cdots & a_{k+1}^{u,\alpha+2u+k} & a_{k+1}^{u,\alpha+2u+k+1} - a_{k+1}^{u,\alpha+u+k} \\
a_{k+1}^{u,\alpha+u+k-1} & a_{k+1}^{u,\alpha+u+k} & \cdots & a_{k+1}^{u,\alpha+2u+k-1} & a_{k+1}^{u,\alpha+2u+k} - a_{k+1}^{u,\alpha+u+k-1} \\
\vdots & \vdots & & \vdots & \vdots \\
a_{k+1}^{u,\alpha+u} & a_{k+1}^{u,\alpha+u+1} & \cdots & a_{k+1}^{u,\alpha+2u} & a_{k+1}^{u,\alpha+2u+1} - a_{k+1}^{u,\alpha+u} \\
a_{k+1}^{u,\alpha+u-1} & a_{k+1}^{u,\alpha+u} & \cdots & a_{k+1}^{u,\alpha+2u-1} & a_{k+1}^{u,\alpha+2u} - a_{k+1}^{u,\alpha+u-1} \\
\vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots & \vdots \\
a_{k+1}^{u,\alpha} & a_{k+1}^{u,\alpha+1} & \cdots & a_{k+1}^{u,\alpha+u} & a_{k+1}^{u,\alpha+u+1} - a_{k+1}^{u,\alpha}
\end{array} \right] (M^{u,k})^\alpha
\end{array}$$

for $k \geq 2$. Where $(M^{k,u})^\alpha$ is a $(u+k+1) \times (k-2)$ matrix as follows:

$$(M^{k,u})^\alpha = \left[\begin{array}{ccccccccc}
-a_{k+1}^{u,\alpha+u+1} - a_{k+1}^{u,\alpha+u+2} - \cdots - a_{k+1}^{u,\alpha+u+k-1} & -a_{k+1}^{u,\alpha+u+2} - a_{k+1}^{u,\alpha+u+3} - \cdots - a_{k+1}^{u,\alpha+u+k-1} & \cdots & & & & & & & \\
-a_{k+1}^{u,\alpha+u} - a_{k+1}^{u,\alpha+u+1} - \cdots - a_{k+1}^{u,\alpha+u+k-2} & -a_{k+1}^{u,\alpha+u+1} - a_{k+1}^{u,\alpha+u+2} - \cdots - a_{k+1}^{u,\alpha+u+k-2} & \cdots & & & & & & & \\
\vdots & \vdots & & & & & & & & \\
-a_{k+1}^{u,\alpha-k+1} - a_{k+1}^{u,\alpha-k+2} - \cdots - a_{k+1}^{u,\alpha-1} & -a_{k+1}^{u,\alpha-k+2} - a_{k+1}^{u,\alpha-k+3} - \cdots - a_{k+1}^{u,\alpha-1} & \cdots & & & & & & & \\
\end{array} \right] (M^{*k,u})^\alpha$$

such that

$$(M^{*k,u})^\alpha = \left[\begin{array}{c}
-a_{k+1}^{u,\alpha+u+k-1} \\
-a_{k+1}^{u,\alpha+u+k-2} \\
\vdots \\
-a_{k+1}^{u,\alpha-1}
\end{array} \right]_{(u+k+1) \times 1}$$

from which it is clear that $\det(A^{k,u})^\alpha = (-1)^{\alpha(u+k+1)}$.

Now we consider the permanental representations of the arrowhead-Pell-random-type sequence.

Definition 2.1. A $u \times v$ real matrix $M = [m_{i,j}]$ is called a contractible matrix in the k^{th} column (resp. row.) if the k^{th} column (resp. row.) contains exactly two non-zero entries.

Suppose that x_1, x_2, \dots, x_u are row vectors of the matrix M . If M is contractible in the k^{th} column such that $m_{i,k} \neq 0$, $m_{j,k} \neq 0$ and $i \neq j$, then the $(u-1) \times (v-1)$ matrix $M_{ij:k}$ obtained from M by replacing the i^{th} row with $m_{i,k}x_j + m_{j,k}x_i$ and deleting the j^{th} row. The k^{th} column is called the contraction in the k^{th} column relative to the i^{th} row and the j^{th} row.

In [3], Brualdi and Gibson obtained that $per(M) = per(N)$ if M is a real matrix of order $\alpha > 1$ and N is a contraction of M .

Let $m \geq u+k+1$ be a positive integer and suppose that $H^{k,u}(m) = [h_{i,j}^{m,k,u}]$ is the $m \times m$ super-diagonal matrix, defined by:

$$h_{i,j}^{m,k,u} = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } i = r \text{ and } j = r + u \text{ for } 1 \leq r \leq m - u - k \\ & \text{and} \\ & i = r + 1 \text{ and } j = r \text{ for } 1 \leq r \leq m - 1, \\ -1 & \text{if } i = r \text{ and } j = r + u + 2 \text{ for } 1 \leq r \leq m - u - k, \\ & i = r \text{ and } j = r + u + 3 \text{ for } 1 \leq r \leq m - u - k, \\ & \vdots \\ & i = r \text{ and } j = r + u + k \text{ for } 1 \leq r \leq m - u - k, \\ -2 & \text{if } i = r \text{ and } j = r + u \text{ for } 1 \leq r \leq m - u - 1, \\ 0 & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

That is,

$$H^{k,u}(m) = \begin{array}{c} \begin{array}{cc} (u+1) \text{ th} & (u+k+1) \text{ th} \\ \downarrow & \downarrow \end{array} \\ \left[\begin{array}{cccccccccccc} 0 & \dots & 0 & 1 & -2 & -1 & \dots & -1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & \dots & 0 & 1 & -2 & -1 & \dots & -1 & 0 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & \dots & 0 & 1 & -2 & -1 & \dots & -1 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ \vdots & \ddots & \ddots & \ddots & & \ddots & \ddots & \ddots & \ddots & & \ddots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & \dots & 0 & 1 & 0 & \dots & 0 & 1 & -2 & -1 & \dots & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \dots & 0 & 1 & 0 & \dots & 0 & 1 & -2 & -1 & \dots & -1 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & & \ddots & \ddots & \ddots & & \ddots & \ddots & \ddots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \dots & 0 & 1 & 0 & \dots & 0 & 1 & -2 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \dots & 0 & 1 & 0 & \dots & 0 & 1 & -2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \dots & 0 & 1 & 0 & \dots & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \dots & 0 & 1 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & & \ddots & \ddots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \dots & 0 & 1 & 0 \end{array} \right] \end{array}$$

Then we have the following Theorem.

Theorem 2.1. For $m \geq u + k + 1$ and $k \geq 2$,

$$\text{per} H^{k,u}(m) = a_{k+1}^u(m + u + k).$$

Proof. Let the equation hold for $m \geq u + k + 1$, then we show that the equation holds for $m + 1$. If we expand the $\text{per} H^{k,u}(m)$ by the Laplace expansion of permanent with respect to the first row, then we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \text{per} H^{k,u}(m + 1) &= \text{per} H^{k,u}(m - u) - 2\text{per} H^{k,u}(m - u - 1) - \text{per} H^{k,u}(m - u - 2) \\ &\quad - \dots - \text{per} H^{k,u}(m - u - k). \end{aligned}$$

Since

$$\begin{aligned} \text{per} H^{k,u}(m - u) &= a_{k+1}^u(m + k), \\ \text{per} H^{k,u}(m - u - 1) &= a_{k+1}^u(m + k - 1), \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{array}{c}
(m-u-k-1) \text{ th} \\
\downarrow \\
K^{k,u}(m) = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & \cdots & -1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & & & & \\ 0 & & & & \\ 0 & & & L^{k,u}(m-1) & \\ \vdots & & & & \\ 0 & & & & \end{bmatrix}
\end{array}$$

Then we can give more general results by using other permanental representations than the above.

Theorem 2.2. Let $a_{k+1}^u(m)$ be the m th the arrowhead-Pell-random-type number for $k \geq 2$. Then
(i). For $m > u + k + 1$,

$$\text{per}L^{k,u}(m) = -a_{k+1}^u(m-1).$$

(ii). For $m > u + k + 2$,

$$\text{per}K^{k,u}(m) = \sum_{i=1}^{m-2} a_{k+1}^u(i).$$

Proof. (i). Let the equation hold for $m > u + k + 1$, then we show that the equation holds for $m + 1$. If we expand the $\text{per}L^{k,u}(m)$ by the Laplace expansion of permanent with respect to the first row, then we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \text{per}L^{k,u}(m+1) &= \text{per}L^{k,u}(m-u) - 2\text{per}L^{k,u}(m-u-1) - \text{per}L^{k,u}(m-u-2) \\ &\quad - \cdots - \text{per}L^{k,u}(m-u-k). \end{aligned}$$

Also, since

$$\begin{aligned} \text{per}L^{k,u}(m-u) &= -a_{k+1}^u(m-u-1), \\ \text{per}L^{k,u}(m-u-1) &= -a_{k+1}^u(m-u-2), \\ \text{per}L^{k,u}(m-u-2) &= -a_{k+1}^u(m-u-3), \dots, \\ \text{per}L^{k,u}(m-u-k) &= -a_{k+1}^u(m-u-k-1), \end{aligned}$$

it is clear that

$$\text{per}L^{k,u}(m+1) = -a_{k+1}^u(m).$$

(ii). It is clear that expanding the $\text{per}K^{k,u}(m)$ by the Laplace expansion of permanent with respect to the first row, gives us

$$\text{per}K^{k,u}(m) = \text{per}K^{k,u}(m-1) + \text{per}L^{k,u}(m-1).$$

By induction on m , taking into consideration the result of Theorem 2.1 and part (i) in Theorem 2.2, the conclusion is easily seen. \square

Let the notation $A \circ K$ denotes the Hadamard product of A and K . A matrix A is called convertible if there is an $m \times m$ $(1, -1)$ -matrix K such that $\text{per } A = \det(A \circ K)$.

Let $m > u + k + 2$ and let R be the $m \times m$ matrix, defined by

$$R = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 & \cdots & 1 & 1 \\ -1 & 1 & 1 & \cdots & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 & 1 & \cdots & 1 & 1 \\ \vdots & \ddots & \ddots & \ddots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 1 & \cdots & 1 & -1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & \cdots & 1 & 1 & -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

It is easy to see that $\text{per } H^{k,u}(m) = \det(H^{k,u}(m) \circ R)$, $\text{per } L^{k,u}(m) = \det(L^{k,u}(m) \circ R)$ and $\text{per } K^{k,u}(m) = \det(K^{k,u}(m) \circ R)$ for $m > u + k + 2$. Then we have the following useful results.

Corollary 2.3. For $m > u + k + 2$,

$$\det(H^{k,u}(m) \circ R) = a_{k+1}^u(m + u + k),$$

$$\det(L^{k,u}(m) \circ R) = -a_{k+1}^u(m - 1)$$

and

$$\det(K^{k,u}(m) \circ R) = \sum_{i=1}^{m-2} a_{k+1}^u(i).$$

Let $C(c_1, c_2, \dots, c_v)$ be a $v \times v$ companion matrix as follows:

$$C(c_1, c_2, \dots, c_v) = \begin{bmatrix} c_1 & c_2 & \cdots & c_v \\ 1 & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots & \vdots \\ 0 & \cdots & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}.$$

See [14, 15] for more information about the companion matrix.

Theorem 2.4 (Chen and Louck [5]). The (i, j) entry $c_{i,j}^{(n)}(c_1, c_2, \dots, c_v)$ in matrix $C^n(c_1, c_2, \dots, c_v)$ is given by the following formula:

$$c_{i,j}^{(n)}(c_1, c_2, \dots, c_v) = \sum_{(t_1, t_2, \dots, t_v)} \frac{t_j + t_{j+1} + \cdots + t_v}{t_1 + t_2 + \cdots + t_v} \times \binom{t_1 + \cdots + t_v}{t_1, \dots, t_v} c_1^{t_1} \cdots c_v^{t_v} \quad (2.2)$$

where the summation is over nonnegative integers satisfying $t_1 + 2t_2 + \cdots + vt_v = n - i + j$, $\binom{t_1 + \cdots + t_v}{t_1, \dots, t_v} = \frac{(t_1 + \cdots + t_v)!}{t_1! \cdots t_v!}$ is a multinomial coefficient, and the coefficients in (2.2) are defined to be 1 if $n = i - j$.

Then we give the combinatorial representations for the arrowhead-Pell-random-type numbers.

Corollary 2.5. Let $a_{k+1}^u(\alpha)$ be the α th the arrowhead-Pell-random-type number for $k \geq 2$. Then

$$(i) \quad a_{k+1}^u(\alpha) = \sum_{(t_1, t_2, \dots, t_{u+k+1})} \binom{t_1 + \dots + t_{u+k+1}}{t_1, \dots, t_{u+k+1}} (-2)^{t_{u+2}} (-1)^{t_{u+3} + t_{u+4} + \dots + t_{u+k+1}}$$

where the summation is over nonnegative integers satisfying $t_1 + 2t_2 + \dots + (u+k+1)t_{u+k+1} = \alpha - u - k$.

$$(ii) \quad a_{k+1}^u(\alpha) = - \sum_{(t_1, t_2, \dots, t_{u+k+1})} \frac{t_{u+k+1}}{t_1 + t_2 + \dots + t_{u+k+1}} \times \binom{t_1 + \dots + t_{u+k+1}}{t_1, \dots, t_{u+k+1}} (-2)^{t_{u+2}} (-1)^{t_{u+3} + t_{u+4} + \dots + t_{u+k+1}}$$

where the summation is over nonnegative integers satisfying $t_1 + 2t_2 + \dots + (u+k+1)t_{u+k+1} = \alpha + 1$.

Proof. If we take $i = u+k+1, j = 1, c_1 = \dots = c_u = 0, c_{u+1} = 1, c_{u+2} = -2, c_{u+3} = \dots = c_{u+k+1} = -1$ for the case (i). and $i = u+k, j = u+k+1, c_1 = \dots = c_u = 0, c_{u+1} = 1, c_{u+2} = -2, c_{u+3} = \dots = c_{u+k+1} = -1$ for the case (ii). in Theorem 2.4, then the proof is immediately seen from $(M^{k,u})^\alpha$. \square

It is easy to show that the generating function of the arrowhead-Pell-random-type sequence is as follows:

$$g^{k,u}(x) = \frac{x^{u+k}}{1 - x^{u+1} + 2x^{u+2} + x^{u+3} + \dots + x^{u+k+1}},$$

where $k \geq 2$.

Now we give an exponential representation for the arrowhead-Pell-random-type numbers by the aid of the generating function with the following Theorem.

Theorem 2.6. The arrowhead-Pell-random-type numbers have the following exponential representation:

$$g^{k,u}(x) = x^{u+k} \exp \left(\sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \frac{(x^{u+1})^i}{i} (1 - x - \dots - x^k)^i \right),$$

where $k \geq 2$.

Proof. Since

$$\ln g^{k,u}(x) = \ln x^{u+k} - \ln (1 - x^{u+1} + 2x^{u+2} + x^{u+3} + \dots + x^{u+k+1})$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} -\ln (1 - x^{u+1} + 2x^{u+2} + x^{u+3} + \dots + x^{u+k+1}) &= -[-x^{u+1} (1 - 2x - x^2 - \dots - x^k) - \\ &\quad \frac{1}{2} (x^{u+1})^2 (1 - 2x - x^2 - \dots - x^k)^2 - \dots \\ &\quad - \frac{1}{n} (x^{u+1})^n (1 - 2x - x^2 - \dots - x^k)^n - \dots], \end{aligned}$$

it is clear that

$$\ln g^{k,u}(x) - \ln x^{u+k} = \ln \frac{g^{k,u}(x)}{x^{u+k}} = \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \frac{(x^{u+1})^i}{i} (1 - 2x - x^2 - \dots - x^k)^i.$$

Thus we have the conclusion. □

Now we consider the sums of arrowhead-Pell-random-type numbers.

Let

$$S_{\alpha} = \sum_{i=1}^{\alpha} a_{k+1}^u(i)$$

for $\alpha > 1$ and $k \geq 2$, and suppose that $E^{u,k}$ is the $(u+k+2) \times (u+k+2)$ matrix such that

$$E^{k,u} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ 1 & & & \\ 0 & A^{k,u} & & \\ \vdots & & & \\ 0 & & & \end{bmatrix}.$$

Then it can be shown by induction that

$$(E^{k,u})^{\alpha} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ S_{\alpha+u+k-1} & & & \\ S_{\alpha+u+k-2} & (A^{k,u})^{\alpha} & & \\ \vdots & & & \\ S_{\alpha-1} & & & \end{bmatrix}.$$

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