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The generalized order (k, t)-Mersenne sequences in groups

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Abstract: The purpose of this paper is to determine the algebraic properties of finite groups via a Mersenne-like sequence. Firstly, we introduce the generalized order (k, t)-Mersenne number sequences and study the periods of these sequences modulo m. Then, we get some interesting structural results. Furthermore, we expand the generalized order (k, t)-Mersenne number sequences to groups and we give the definition of the generalized order (k, t)-Mersenne sequences, $MQ_k^t(G, X)$, in the *j*-generator groups and also, investigate these sequences in the non-Abelian finite groups in detail. At last, we obtain the periods of the generalized order (k, t)-Mersenne sequences in some special groups as applications of the results produced.

Keywords: Period, Mersenne number, The generalized order (k, t)-Mersenne number sequences *p*-group.

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1 Introduction

In mathematics and other sciences, sequences play a crucial role. There are numerous scientific applications for sequences in fields such as coding and encryption (see [5, 7, 15, 17]). Fibonacci and Pell are two of the most important sequences. The sequences have been studied in many works for example [1, 3, 6, 9, 10, 16, 18]. Another one of the sequence is Mersenne.

A number of the form $M_n = 2^n - 1$, $n \ge 2$ is said to be a Mersenne number [11]. In 2013, T. Koshy and Z. Gao investigated some divisibility properties of Catalan numbers with Mersenne numbers as their subscripts (see [12]).

In 2016, studied some properties Mersenne, Jacobsthal and Jacobsthal–Lucas sequence and obtained some results with matrices involving Mersenne numbers such as the generating matrix (see [2]). T. Goy [8], calculated determinats the Toeplitz–Hessenberg matrices whose entries are Mersenne numbers. In [13], definded the generalized Mersenne number as follows

Definition 1.1. For an integer $k \ge 3$, the generalized Mersenne number, denoted by $\{M(k,n)\}_{n=0}^{\infty}$, is defined by

$$M(k,n) = kM(k,n-1) - (k-1)M(k,n-2), \quad n \ge 0,$$

and we seed the sequence with M(k, 0) = 0 and M(k, 1) = 1.

Then, studied generalized Mersenne numbers, their properties, matrix generators and some combinatorial interpretations.

Definition 1.2. After a certain point, a sequence is periodic if it is only composed of repeating subsequences. Period is the number of elements in shortest repeating subsequence. For example, we cosider the sequence $a_1, a_2, a_3, a_4, a_2, a_3, a_4, \ldots$ is periodic after the initial element a and has period 3. A sequence is simply periodic with period k if the first k elements in the sequence form a repeating subsequence. For example, the sequence $a_1, a_2, a_3, a_4, a_5, \ldots$ is simply periodic with period 5.

For $m, u, l \in \mathbb{N}$, we consider the finitely presented group H_m and $H_{(u,l,m)}$ as follows:

$$H_m = \langle a, b \mid a^{m^2} = b^m = 1, b^{-1}ab = a^{1+m} \rangle, \ m \ge 2.$$
$$H_{(u,l,m)} = \langle a, b, c \mid a^u = b^l = c^m = 1, [a, b] = c, [a, c] = [b, c] = 1 \rangle.$$

Lemma 1.1. Every element of H_m can be written uniquely in the form $b^u a^w$, where $0 \le u \le m-1$ and $0 \le w \le m^2 - 1$. Also, $|H_m| = m^2$ (see [4]).

Lemma 1.2. [14] *Element* H(u, l, m) *of the Heisenberg group can be written uniquely in the* form $a^i b^j c^k$ where $1 \le i \le u$, $1 \le j \le l$ and $1 \le k \le m$.

In this paper, we introduce the generalized order (k, t)-Mersenne number sequences and define them on groups. Then, as a result of our analysis, we show that these sequences are simply periodic, and we study them in some finite groups.

It is the purpose of Section 2 to define the generalized order (k, t)-Mersenne number sequences and to discuss some results related to them. Section 3 introduces the generalized order (k, t)-Mersenne sequences in a finite group and discusses periodic sequences.

2 The generalized order (k, t)-Mersenne number sequences

In this section, we introduce the generalized order (k, t)-Mersenne number sequences and get some properties of them that we use later.

Definition 2.1. For $k, t \ge 3$, the generalized order (k,t)-Mersenne number sequences, $\{M_n(k,t)\}_{n=0}^{\infty}$, defined as follows

$$M_n(k,t) = kM_{n-1}(k,t) - (k-1)M_{n-2}(k,t) + M_{n-3}(k,t) + \dots + M_{n-t}(k,t), \quad n \ge t, \quad (1)$$

with initial conditions $M_0(k,t) = M_1(k,t) = \cdots = M_{t-2}(k,t) = 0$ and $M_{t-1}(k,t) = 1$.

Example 2.1. For t = 3 and k = 3, we have $M_n(3,3) = 3M_{n-1}(3,3) - 2M_{n-2}(3,3) + M_{n-3}(3,3)$. So that, $\{M_n(3,3)\}_{n=0}^{\infty} = \{0, 0, 1, 3, 7, 16, 37, \ldots\}$.

For k = 4 and t = 3, we have $M_n(4,3) = 4M_{n-1}(4,3) - 3M_{n-2}(4,3) + M_{n-3}(4,3)$. So that, $\{M_n(4,3)\}_{n=0}^{\infty} = \{0, 0, 1, 4, 13, 41, 129, \ldots\}.$

In Table 1, we calculate $M_n(3, t)$, for $0 \le n \le 8$ and $3 \le t \le 8$.

n	$M_0(3,t)$	$M_1(3,t)$	$M_2(3,t)$	$M_3(3,t)$	$M_4(3,t)$	$M_5(3,t)$	$M_6(3,t)$	$M_7(3,t)$	$M_8(3,t)$
t = 3	0	0	1	3	7	16	37	86	200
t = 4	0	0	0	1	3	7	16	38	92
t = 5	0	0	0	0	1	3	7	16	38
t = 6	0	0	0	0	0	1	3	7	16
t = 7	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	3	7
t = 8	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	3

Table 1. $M_n(3, t)$, for $0 \le n \le 8$ and $3 \le t \le 8$

The generalized order (k,t)-Mersenne number sequences modulo α , $\{M_n^{\alpha}(k,t)\} = \{M_0^{\alpha}(k,t), M_1^{\alpha}(k,t), \ldots, M_i^{\alpha}(k,t), \ldots\}$ where $M_i^{\alpha}(k,t) = M_i(k,t) \pmod{\alpha}$.

Theorem 2.1. For $k, t \ge 3$, the sequence $\{M_n^{\alpha}(k, t)\}$ is simply periodic.

Proof. Suppose that $X_t = \{(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_t) \mid x_i \in \mathbb{N} \text{ and } 1 \leq x_t \leq \alpha\}$. So that we have $|X_t| = \alpha^t$. Since there are α^t distinct t-tuples of elements of Z_{α} , at least one of the t-tuples appears twice in the sequence $\{M_n^{\alpha}(k, t)\}$. Then the subsequence follows this t-tuple. Thus, it is obvious that the sequence $\{M_n^{\alpha}(k, t)\}$ is periodic.

Hence, it is cearly for $w \ge 0$, there exist $w \ge v$ such that

$$M_{w}^{\alpha}(k,t) \equiv M_{v}^{\alpha}(k,t), \ M_{w+1}^{\alpha}(k,t) \equiv M_{v+1}^{\alpha}(k,t), \dots, M_{w+t}^{\alpha}(k,t) \equiv M_{v+t}^{\alpha}(k,t).$$

By definition of the generalized order (k, t)-Mersenne number sequences, we have

$$M_n(k,t) = kM_{n-1}(k,t) - (k-1)M_{n-2}(k,t) + M_{n-3}(k,t) + \dots + M_{n-t}(k,t),$$

Thus we can easily derive that

$$M_{w-v}^{\alpha}(k,t) \equiv M_0^{\alpha}(k,t), \ M_{w-v+1}^{\alpha}(k,t) \equiv M_1^{\alpha}(k,t), \dots, \ M_{w-v+t}^{\alpha}(k,t) \equiv M_t^{\alpha}(k,t),$$

which indicates that the generalized order (k, t)-Mersenne number sequences is simply periodic.

We use $hM_r(k,t)$ to denoted the minimal period of the generalized order (k,t)-Mersenne number sequences modulo r. In Table 2, we calculate $hM_r(k,3)$, for $2 \le r \le 10$ and $3 \le k \le 8$.

r	$hM_r(3,3)$	$hM_r(4,3)$	$hM_r(5,3)$	$hM_r(6,3)$	$hM_r(7,3)$	$hM_r(8,3)$
2	7	7	7	7	7	7
3	13	8	13	13	8	13
4	14	14	14	14	14	14
5	8	31	24	31	12	8
6	91	56	91	91	56	91
7	16	38	16	21	16	57
8	28	28	28	28	28	28
9	39	24	$\overline{39}$	39	24	39
10	56	217	168	217	84	56

Table 2. $hM_r(k,3)$, for $2 \le r \le 10$ and $3 \le k \le 8$

From the recurrence relation (2.1), we have

$$\begin{bmatrix} M_n(k,t) \\ M_{n-1}(k,t) \\ \vdots \\ M_{n-t+2}(k,t) \\ M_{n-t+1}(k,t) \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} k & -(k-1) & 1 & 1 & \cdots & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \cdots & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & \cdots & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \cdots & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} M_{n-1}(k,t) \\ M_{n-2}(k,t) \\ \vdots \\ M_{n-t+1}(k,t) \\ M_{n-t}(k,t) \end{bmatrix}$$

The generalized order (k, t)-Mersenne number sequences have the following companion matrix

$$M_t(k) = \begin{bmatrix} k & -(k-1) & 1 & \cdots & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & \cdots & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & \cdots & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \cdots & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \cdots & 0 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}_{t \times t},$$

and is called the generalized order (k, t)-Mersenne matrix.

Lemma 2.1. For k = 3, t = 3 and $n \ge t$, we have

$$(M_3(3))^n = \begin{bmatrix} M_{n+2}(3,3) & -(2M_{n+1}(3,3) - M_n(3,3)) & M_{n+1}(3,3) \\ M_{n+1}(3,3) & -(2M_n(3,3) - M_{n-1}(3,3)) & M_n(3,3) \\ M_n(3,3) & -(2M_{n-1}(3,3) - M_{n-2}(3,3)) & M_{n-1}(3,3) \end{bmatrix}.$$

Proof. We use induction method on n. The result is clear if n = 3. We have

$$(M_3(3))^3 = \begin{bmatrix} 16 & -11 & 7 \\ 7 & -5 & 3 \\ 3 & -2 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} M_5(3,3) & -(2M_4(3,3) - M_3(3,3)) & M_4(3,3) \\ M_4(3,3) & -(2M_3(3,3) - M_2(3,3)) & M_4(3,3) \\ M_3(3,3) & -(2M_2(3,3) - M_1(3,3)) & M_2(3,3) \end{bmatrix}.$$

Assume that Lemma holds for n such that $3 \le n \le s$. Let us show that it holds for n = s + 1.

$$(M_{3}(3))^{s+1} = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & -2 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} M_{s+2}(3,3) & -(2M_{s+1}(3,3) - M_{s}(3,3)) & M_{s+1}(3,3) \\ M_{s+1}(3,3) & -(2M_{s}(3,3) - M_{s-1}(3,3)) & M_{s}(3,3) \\ M_{s}(3,3) & -(2M_{s-1}(3,3) - M_{s-2}(3,3)) & M_{s-1}(3,3) \end{bmatrix}$$
$$= \begin{bmatrix} M_{s+3}(3,3) & -(2M_{s+2}(3,3) - M_{s+1}(3,3)) & M_{s+2}(3,3) \\ M_{s+2}(3,3) & -(2M_{s+1}(3,3) - M_{s}(3,3)) & M_{s+1}(3,3) \\ M_{s+1}(3,3) & -(2M_{s}(3,3) - M_{s-1}(3,3)) & M_{s}(3,3) \end{bmatrix} .$$

Lemma is proved.

Corollary 2.1. For $k \ge 4$, t = 3 and $n \ge t$, we have

$$(M_3(k))^n = \begin{bmatrix} M_{n+2}(k,3) & -((k-1)M_{n+1}(k,3) - M_n(k,3)) & M_{n+1}(k,3) \\ M_{n+1}(k,3) & -((k-1)M_n(k,3) - M_{n-1}(k,3)) & M_n(k,3) \\ M_n(k,3) & -((k-1)M_{n-1}(k,3) - M_{n-2}(k,3)) & M_{n-1}(k,3) \end{bmatrix}.$$

Example 2.2. If k = 4 and t = 3, we have

$$(M_3(4))^3 = \begin{bmatrix} 41 & -35 & 13\\ 13 & -11 & 4\\ 4 & -3 & 1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

In general by induction on n, for $k\geq 3,$ $t\geq 4$ and $\ n\geq t,$ we have

$$(M_{t}(k))^{n} \begin{bmatrix} M_{n+t-1}(k,t) & -((k-1)M_{n+t-2}(k,t) - (M_{n+t-3}(k,t) + M_{n+t-4}(k,t) + \dots + M_{n}(k,t))) \\ M_{n+t-2}(k,t) & -((k-1)M_{n+t-3}(k,t) - (M_{n+t-4}(k,t) + M_{n+t-5}(k,t) + \dots + M_{n-1}(k,t))) \\ \vdots & \vdots \\ M_{n+1}(k,t) & -((k-1)M_{n}(k,t) - (M_{n-1}(k,t) + M_{n-2}(k,t) + \dots + M_{n-t}(k,t))) \\ M_{n}(k,t) & -((k-1)M_{n-1}(k,t) - (M_{n-2}(k,t) + M_{n-3}(k,t) + \dots + M_{n-t-1}(k,t))) \\ M_{n+t-3}(k,t) \\ M_{k}^{*} & \vdots \\ M_{n}(k,t) \\ M_{n-1}(k,t) \end{bmatrix},$$

$$M_{k}^{*} = \begin{bmatrix} \sum_{i=0}^{t-3} M_{n+t-(2+i)}(k,t) & \sum_{i=0}^{t-4} M_{n+t-(2+i)}(k,t) & \dots & \sum_{i=0}^{1} M_{n+t-(2+i)}(k,t) \\ \sum_{i=0}^{t-3} M_{n+t-(2+i-1)}(k,t) & \sum_{i=0}^{t-4} M_{n+t-(2+i-1)}(k,t) & \dots & \sum_{i=0}^{1} M_{n+t-(2+i-1)}(k,t) \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ \sum_{i=0}^{t-3} M_{n-i}(k,t) & \sum_{i=0}^{t-4} M_{n-i}(k,t) & \dots & \sum_{i=0}^{1} M_{n-i}(k,t) \\ \sum_{i=0}^{t-3} M_{n-(i+1)}(k,t) & \sum_{i=0}^{t-4} M_{n-(i+1)}(k,t) & \dots & \sum_{i=0}^{1} M_{n-(i+1)}(k,t) \end{bmatrix},$$

where M_k^* is a $(t-3) \times (t-3)$ matrix.

Lemma 2.2. Let $g_{M_n(k,t)}$ be the generating function of the generalized order (k,t)-Mersenne number sequences. Then,

$$g_{M_n(k,t)} = \frac{x^{t-1}}{1 - kx + (k-1)x^2 - \dots - x^t}.$$
(2)

Proof. Let $g_{M_n(k,t)}$ be the generating function of the generating function of the generalized order (k, t)-Mersenne number sequences. We have

$$g_{M_n(k,t)} = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} M_n(k,t) x^n$$

= $M_1(k,t) x + M_2(k,t) x^2 + \dots + M_{t-1}(k,t) x^{t-1} + \sum_{n=t}^{\infty} M_n(k,t) x^n$
= $x^{t-1} + \sum_{n=t}^{\infty} k M_{n-1}(k,t) - (k-1) M_{n-2}(k,t) + M_{n-3}(k,t) + \dots + M_{n-t}(k,t) x^n$
= $x^{t-1} + k \sum_{n=t}^{\infty} M_{n-1}(k,t) x^n - (k-1) \sum_{n=t}^{\infty} M_{n-2}(k,t) x^n + \dots + \sum_{n=t}^{\infty} M_{n-t}(k,t) x^n$
= $x^{t-1} + kx \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} M_n(k,t) x^n - (k-1) x^2 \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} M_n(k,t) x^n + \dots + x^t \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} M_n(k,t) x^n$
= $x^{t-1} + kx g_{M_n(k,t)} - (k-1) x^2 g_{M_n(k,t)} + \dots + x^t g_{M_n(k,t)}.$

Thus,

$$g_{M_n(k,t)} = \frac{x^{t-1}}{1 - kx + (k-1)x^2 - \dots - x^t}.$$

Lemma 2.3. The generating function of the generalized order (k, t)-Mersenne number sequences has the following exponential representation

$$g_{M_n(k,t)} = x^{t-1} \exp \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \frac{x^i}{i} (k - (k-1)x + \dots + x^{t-1})^i,$$

where $t \geq 3$.

Proof. Using (2.2), we have

$$\ln \frac{g_{M_n(k,t)}}{x^{t-1}} = -\ln(1 - kx + (k-1)x^2 - \dots - x^t).$$

$$-\ln(1-kx+(k+1)x^{2}-\dots-x^{t}) = -[-x(k-(k-1)+\dots+x^{t-1}) - \frac{1}{2}x^{2}(k-(k-1)+\dots+x^{t-1})^{2}-\dots-\frac{1}{i}x^{i}(k-(k-1)+\dots+x^{t-1})^{i}-\dots],$$

result has been achieved.

Lemma 2.4. For integers s, n and $m \ge 2$, we have

(i)
$$M_{hM_m(k,t)+n}(k,t) \equiv M_n(k,t) \pmod{m}$$
,

(ii)
$$M_{s \times (hM_m(k,t))+n}(k,t) \equiv M_n(k,t) \pmod{m}$$
.

Proof. (i) The result follows by using the definition of the period of the (k, t)-Mersenne number sequences modulo m.

(ii) We have

$$M_{s \times (hM_m(k,t))+n}(k,t) \equiv M_{(hM_m(k,t))+(s-1) \times (hM_m(k,t))+n}(k,t) \equiv M_{(s-1)(hM_m(k,t))+n}(k,t)$$

$$\equiv \dots \equiv M_n(k,t) \pmod{m}.$$

The result is obtained.

Lemma 2.5. Let n be an integer and $m \ge 2$ is a positive number. If

$$\begin{array}{ll} M_n(k,t) \equiv 0 & (\mod m), \\ M_{n+1}(k,t) \equiv 0 & (\mod m), \\ \vdots \\ M_{n+t-2}(k,t) \equiv 0 & (\mod m), \\ M_{n+t-1}(k,t) \equiv 1 & (\mod m), \\ M_{n+t}(k,t) \equiv k & (\mod m), \end{array}$$

then $hM_m(k,t) \mid n$.

Proof. There exists $0 \le i \le hM_m(k,t)$ such that $n = t \times (hM_m(k,t)) + i$. Also, $\forall \ 0 \le j \le t$, $M_{n+j}(t,k) \equiv M_{i+j}(t,k) \pmod{m}$, then we have the following equations

$$M_{i}(k,t) \equiv 0 \pmod{m},$$

$$M_{i+1}(k,t) \equiv 0 \pmod{m},$$

$$\vdots$$

$$M_{i+t-2}(k,t) \equiv 0 \pmod{m},$$

$$M_{i+t-1}(k,t) \equiv 1 \pmod{m},$$

$$M_{i+t}(k,t) \equiv k \pmod{m}.$$

So that *i* is a period of (k, t)-Mersenne number sequences modulo *m*, i.e., $hM_m(k, t) \mid i$. Since $0 \leq i < hM_m(k, t)$, we have i = 0. Therefore, we get the results.

3 The generalized order (k, t)-Mersenne sequences in finite groups

In this section, we define the generalized order (k, t)-Mersenne sequences in finite groups and prove that generalized order (k, t)-Mersenne sequences in finite groups are simply periodic. Also, we study these sequences on H_m and $H_{(u,l,m)}$. First, we define the generalized order (k, t)-Mersenne sequence in a finite group as follows.

Definition 3.1. The generalized order (k, t)-Mersenne sequence in a finite group is a sequence of group elements $x_0, x_1, \ldots, x_n, \ldots$ for which, given an initial (seed) set in $X = \{a_1, a_2, \ldots, a_j\}$, each element is defined by

$$x_{n} = \begin{cases} a_{n}, & \text{for } n \leq j, \\ x_{0}x_{1}\cdots x_{n-3}(x_{n-2})^{-(k-1)}x_{n-1}^{k}, & \text{for } j < n \leq t, \\ x_{n-t}\cdots x_{n-3}(x_{n-2})^{-(k-1)}x_{n-1}^{k}, & \text{for } n > t. \end{cases}$$
(3)

The element of the generalized order (k, t)-Mersenne sequences in group are denoted by $Q_k^t(G, X)$ and its period is denoted by $MQ_k^t(G, X)$.

Theorem 3.1. The generalized order (k, t)-Mersenne sequences in group is simply peroidic.

Proof. Let G be an *i*-generator group and let $(a_0, a_1, \ldots, a_{i-1})$ be a generating *i*-tuple for G. If |G| = m, then there are m^i distinct *i*-tuple of elements of G. Thus, at least one of the *i*-tuple appers twice in $Q_k^t(G, X)$. Because of the repetition, the sequence $Q_k^t(G, X)$ is periodic. Now, we show simply periodic. It is clear that there are r and s in \mathbb{N} , with s > r, such that $x_{s+1} = x_{r+1}, x_{s+2} = x_{r+2}, \ldots, x_{s+t} = x_{r+t}$. From Definition 3.1, we write $x_{s-1} = x_{r-1}, x_{s-2} = x_{r-2}, \ldots, x_{s-r} = a_0 = x_0 = x_{r-s}$. Thus, $Q_k^t(G, X)$ is simply periodic.

For $m \in \mathbb{N}$, we consider the finitely presented group H_m as follows:

$$H_m = \langle a, b | a^{m^2} = b^m = 1, b^{-1}ab = a^{1+m} \rangle, \ m \ge 2.$$

Now, we obtain sequence $T_n(k)$ as follows:

$$\begin{split} T_0(k) &= 1, \ T_1(k) = 0, \ T_2(k) = -(k-1) - mk(k-1), \\ T_n(k) &= T_{n-3}(k) - (k-1)T_{n-2}(k) + kT_{n-1}(k) - m((T_{n-3}(k) - T_{n-2}(k))M_{n-1}(k,3) \\ &+ \dots + (T_{n-3}(k) - (k-1)T_{n-2}(k))M_{n-1}(k,3) - (T_{n-3}(k) - (k-1)T_{n-2}(k) \\ &+ T_{n-1}(k))M_n(k,3) - \dots - (T_{n-3}(k) - (k-1)T_{n-2}(k) + (k-1)T_{n-1}(k))M_n(k,3), \\ &n \geq 3. \end{split}$$

Lemma 3.1. Every element of $Q_k^3(H_m, X)$ may be persented by $x_n = b^{M_{n+1}(k,3)}a^{T_n(k)}$, $k \ge 3$. *Proof.* For n = 2 and n = 3, we have $x_2 = a^{-(k-1)}(b)^k = b^k a^{-(k-1)-mk(k-1)}$ and $x_3 = ab^{-(k-1)}(b^k a^{-(k-1)-mk(k-1)})^k = b^{-(k-1)}a^{1-m(k-1)}(b^k a^{-(k-1)-mk(k-1)})^k = b^{-(k-1)+k^2}a^{1-(k-1)-m(1-k^3-k^2-2k)}$.

Now, by induction on n, we have

$$\begin{split} x_n &= x_{n-3}(x_{n-2})^{-(k-1)}(x_{n-1})^k \\ &= b^{M_{n-2}(k,3)} a^{T_{n-3}(k)} (b^{M_{n-1}(k,3)} a^{T_{n-2}(k)})^{-(k-1)} (b^{M_n(k,3)} a^{T_{n-1}(k)})^k \\ &= b^{M_{n-2}(k,3)} a^{T_{n-3}(k)} (b^{M_{n-1}(k,3)} a^{T_{n-2}(k)})^{-1} (a^{T_{n-3}(k)} b^{M_{n-1}(k,3)} a^{T_{n-2}(k)})^{-(k-2)} (b^{M_n(k,3)} a^{T_{n-1}(k)})^k \\ &= b^{M_{n-2}(k,3)} a^{T_{n-3}(k)} a^{-T_{n-2}(k)} b^{-M_{n-1}(k,3)} (b^{M_{n-1}(k,3)} a^{T_{n-2}(k)})^{-(k-2)} (b^{M_n(k,3)} a^{T_{n-1}(k)})^k \\ &= b^{M_{n-2}(k,3)} - M_{n-1}(k,3) a^{T_{n-3}(k) - T_{n-2}(k) - m(T_{n-3}(k) - T_{n-2}(k))M_{n-1}(k,3)} (b^{M_{n-1}(k,3)} a^{T_{n-2}(k)})^{-(k-2)} \\ &(b^{M_n(k,3)} a^{T_{n-1}(k)})^k \\ &= \cdots \\ &= b^{M_{n-2}(k,3) - (k-1)M_{n-1}(k,3)} \\ &a^{T_{n-3}(k) - (k-1)T_{n-2}(k) - m((T_{n-3}(k) - T_{n-2}(k))M_{n-1}(k,3) + \dots + (T_{n-3}(k) - (k-1)T_{n-2}(k))M_{n-1}(k,3)} \\ &b^{M_n(k,3)} a^{T_{n-1}(k)} (b^{M_n(k,3)} a^{T_{n-1}(k)})^{k-1} \\ &= b^{M_{n-2}(k,3) - (k-1)M_{n-1}(k,3) + \dots + (T_{n-3}(k) - (k-1)T_{n-2}(k))} \\ &a^{-m((T_{n-3}(k) - T_{n-2}(k))M_{n-1}(k,3) + \dots + (T_{n-3}(k) - (T_{n-3}(k) - (k-1)T_{n-2}(k) + T_{n-1}(k))M_n(k,3)} \\ &b^{M_n(k,3)} a^{T_{n-1}(k)} (b^{M_n(k,3)} a^{T_{n-1}(k)})^{k-2} \\ &= \cdots \\ &= b^{M_{n+1}(k,3)} a^{T_n(k)}. \end{split}$$

Therefore, the assertion holds.

Lemma 3.2. If $MQ_k^3(H_m, X) = s$, then s is the least integer such that all of the equations

$$\begin{cases} M_{s+1}(k,t) \equiv 0 & (\mod m), \\ M_{s+2}(k,t) \equiv 1 & (\mod m), \\ M_{s+3}(k,t) \equiv k & (\mod m), \\ T_s(k) \equiv 1 & (\mod m^2), \\ T_{s+1}(k) \equiv 0 & (\mod m^2), \\ T_{s+2}(k) \equiv -(k-1) - m(k^2 - k) & (\mod m^2), \end{cases}$$

holds. Moreover, $hM_m(k,3)$ divides $MQ_k^3(H_m,X)$.

Proof. By Lemma 3.1, we obtain $x_n = b^{M_{n+1}(k,3)}a^{T_n(k)}$. Since $x_s = a$, $x_{s+1} = b$ and $x_{s+2} = b^k a^{-(k-1)-mk(k-1)}$, by Lemma 1.1 we have

 $\begin{cases} M_{s+1}(k,t) \equiv 0 & (\mod m), \\ M_{s+2}(k,t) \equiv 1 & (\mod m), \\ M_{s+3}(k,t) \equiv k & (\mod m), \\ T_s(k) \equiv 1 & (\mod m^2), \\ T_{s+1}(k) \equiv 0 & (\mod m^2), \\ T_{s+2}(k) \equiv -(k-1) - m(k^2 - k) & (\mod m^2). \end{cases}$

So, Lemma 2.5 proved that $hM_m(k,3) \mid MQ_k^3(H_m,X)$.

Here, we consider Heisenberg group $H_{(u,l,m)} = \langle a, b, c \mid a^u = b^l = c^m = 1, [a, b] = c, [a, c] = [b, c] = 1 \rangle$ and define sequences $g_n(3, 4)$ and $S_n(3, 4)$ as follows:

$$\begin{split} g_0(3,4) &= 0, \ g_1(3,4) = 1, \ g_2(3,4) = 0, \ g_3(3,4) = -2, \\ g_n(3,4) &= g_{n-4}(3,4) + g_{n-3}(3,4) - 2g_{n-2}(3,4) + 3g_{n-1}(3,4), n \geq 4. \\ S_0(3,4) &= 0, \ S_1(3,4) = 0, \ S_2(3,4) = 1, \ S_3(3,4) = 3, \\ S_n(3,4) &= S_{n-4}(3,4) + S_{n-3}(3,4) - 2S_{n-2}(3,4) + 3S_{n-1}(3,4) - g_{n-4}(3,4)M_{n-3}(3,4) \\ &\quad + (g_{n-4}(3,4) + g_{n-3}(3,4) - g_{n-2}(3,4))M_{n-2}(3,4) + (g_{n-4}(3,4) + g_{n-3}(3,4) \\ &\quad - 2g_{n-2}(3,4))M_{n-2}(3,4) - (g_{n-4}(3,4) + g_{n-3}(3,4) - 2g_{n-2}(3,4))M_{n-1}(3,4) \\ &\quad - (g_{n-4}(3,4) + g_{n-3}(3,4) - 2g_{n-2}(3,4) + 2g_{n-1}(3,4))M_{n-1}(3,4), \ n \geq 4. \end{split}$$

Lemma 3.3. Every element of $Q_3^4(H_{(u,l,m)}, X)$ may be presented by $x_n = a^{M_n(3,4)}b^{g_n(3,4)}c^{S_n(3,4)}$, $n \ge 3$.

Proof. For n = 3, n = 4 and n = 5, we have $x_3 = a(b)^{-2}c^3$, $x_4 = abc^{-2}(ab^{-2}c^3)^3 = a^4b^{-5}c^{11}$ and $x_5 = bc(ab^{-2}c^3)^{-2}(a^4b^{-5}c^{11})^3 = a^7b^{-10}c^{37}$. Now, by induction on n, we have:

$$\begin{split} x_n &= x_{n-4}x_{n-3}(x_{n-2})^{-2}(x_{n-1})^3 \\ &= a^{M_{n-4}(3,4)}b^{g_{n-4}(3,4)}c^{S_{n-4}(3,4)}a^{M_{n-3}(3,4)}b^{g_{n-3}(3,4)}c^{S_{n-3}(3,4)}(a^{M_{n-2}(3,4)}b^{g_{n-2}(3,4)}c^{S_{n-2}(3,4)})^{-2} \\ &(a^{M_{n-1}(3,4)}b^{g_{n-1}(3,4)}c^{S_{n-1}(3,4)})^3 \\ &= a^{M_{n-4}(3,4)+M_{n-3}(3,4)}b^{g_{n-4}(3,4)+g_{n-3}(3,4)}c^{S_{n-3}(3,4)-g_{n-4}(3,4)M_{n-3}(3,4)}(a^{M_{n-2}(3,4)}b^{g_{n-2}(3,4)}c^{S_{n-2}(3,4)})^{-2} \\ &(a^{M_{n-1}(3,4)}b^{g_{n-1}(3,4)}c^{S_{n-1}(3,4)})^3 \\ &= a^{M_{n-4}(3,4)+M_{n-3}(3,4)}b^{g_{n-4}(3,4)+g_{n-3}(3,4)}c^{S_{n-4}(3,4)+S_{n-3}(3,4)-g_{n-4}(3,4)M_{n-3}(3,4)} \\ &(a^{M_{n-2}(3,4)}b^{g_{n-2}(3,4)}c^{S_{n-2}(3,4)})^{-1}(a^{M_{n-2}(3,4)}b^{g_{n-2}(3,4)}c^{S_{n-2}(3,4)})^{-1}(a^{M_{n-1}(3,4)}b^{g_{n-1}(3,4)}c^{S_{n-1}(3,4)})^3 \\ &= a^{M_{n-4}(3,4)+M_{n-3}(3,4)-M_{n-2}(3,4)}b^{g_{n-4}(3,4)+g_{n-3}(3,4)-g_{n-2}(3,4)} \\ &(a^{M_{n-2}(3,4)}b^{g_{n-2}(3,4)}c^{S_{n-2}(3,4)})^{-1}(a^{M_{n-1}(3,4)}b^{g_{n-1}(3,4)}c^{S_{n-1}(3,4)})^3 \\ &= \cdots \\ &= a^{M_{n-4}(3,4)+M_{n-3}(3,4)-2M_{n-2}(3,4)+3M_{n-1}(3,4)}b^{g_{n-4}(3,4)+g_{n-3}(3,4)-2g_{n-2}(3,4)+3g_{n-1}(3,4)} \\ &c^{S_{n-4}(3,4)+M_{n-3}(3,4)-2M_{n-2}(3,4)+3M_{n-1}(3,4)}b^{g_{n-4}(3,4)+g_{n-3}(3,4)-2g_{n-2}(3,4)+3g_{n-1}(3,4)} \\ &c^{S_{n-4}(3,4)+M_{n-3}(3,4)-2M_{n-2}(3,4)+3M_{n-1}(3,4)}b^{g_{n-4}(3,4)+g_{n-3}(3,4)-2g_{n-2}(3,4)+3g_{n-1}(3,4)} \\ &c^{S_{n-4}(3,4)+M_{n-3}(3,4)-2M_{n-2}(3,4)+3M_{n-1}(3,4)}b^{g_{n-4}(3,4)+g_{n-3}(3,4)-2g_{n-2}(3,4)+3g_{n-1}(3,4)} \\ &c^{S_{n-4}(3,4)+K_{n-3}(3,4)-2S_{n-2}(3,4)+3M_{n-1}(3,4)}b^{g_{n-4}(3,4)+g_{n-3}(3,4)-2g_{n-2}(3,4)+3g_{n-1}(3,4)} \\ &c^{-(g_{n-4}(3,4)+g_{n-3}(3,4)-2g_{n-2}(3,4))M_{n-2}(3,4)-(g_{n-4}(3,4)+g_{n-3}(3,4)-2g_{n-2}(3,4))M_{n-1}(3,4)-(g_{n-4}(3,4)+g_{n-3}(3,4)) \\ &c^{-2g_{n-2}(3,4)+g_{n-1}(3,4))M_{n-1}(3,4)-(g_{n-4}(3,4)+g_{n-3}(3,4)-2g_{n-2}(3,4))M_{n-1}(3,4)} \\ &= a^{M_{n}(3,4)}b^{g_{n}(3,4)}c^{S_{n}(3,4)}, \end{split}$$

Lemma is proved.

Theorem 3.2. For $u \ge 1$, we have $hM_u(3,4) \mid MQ_3^4(H_{(u,l,m)}, X)$.

Proof. By Lemma 3.3, we obtain $x_n = a^{M_n(3,4)}b^{g_n(3,4)}c^{S_n(3,4)}$. Suppose that $MQ_3^4(H_{(u,l,m)}, X) = i$. Since $x_i = a, x_{i+1} = b, x_{i+2} = c$ and $x_{i+3} = ab^{-2}c^3$, by Lemma 1.2, we have

$$\begin{cases} M_i(3,4) \equiv 1 \pmod{u}, \\ M_{i+1}(3,4) \equiv 0 \pmod{u}, \\ M_{i+2}(3,4) \equiv 0 \pmod{u}, \\ M_{i+3}(3,4) \equiv 1 \pmod{u}, \\ g_i(3,4) \equiv 0 \pmod{u}, \\ g_{i+1}(3,4) \equiv 1 \pmod{u}, \\ g_{i+2}(3,4) \equiv 0 \pmod{l}, \\ g_{i+3}(3,4) \equiv -2 \pmod{l}, \\ S_i(3,4) \equiv 0 \pmod{l}, \\ S_{i+1}(3,4) \equiv 0 \pmod{m}, \\ S_{i+2}(3,4) \equiv 1 \pmod{m}, \\ S_{i+2}(3,4) \equiv 1 \pmod{m}, \\ S_{i+2}(3,4) \equiv 1 \pmod{m}, \\ S_{i+3}(3,4) \equiv 3 \pmod{m}. \end{cases}$$

So, Lemma 2.5 proved that $hM_u(3,4) \mid MQ_3^4(H_{(u,l,m)},X)$.

Now, we define $g_n(k, 4)$ and $S_n(k, 4)$ as follows

$$\begin{split} g_0(k,4) &= 0, \ g_1(k,4) = 1, \ g_2(k,4) = 0, \ g_3(k,4) = -2, \\ g_n(k,4) &= g_{n-4}(k,4) + g_{n-3}(k,4) - (k-1)g_{n-2}(k,4) + kg_{n-1}(k,4), \ n \geq 4. \\ S_0(k,4) &= 0, \ S_1(k,4) = 0, \ S_2(k,4) = 1, \ S_3(k,4) = 3, \\ S_n(k,4) &= S_{n-4}(k,4) + S_{n-3}(k,4) - (k-1)S_{n-2}(k,4) + kS_{n-1}(k,4) - g_{n-4}(k,4)M_{n-3}(k,4) \\ &\quad + (g_{n-4}(k,4) + g_{n-3}(k,4) - g_{n-2}(k,4))M_{n-2}(3,4) + (g_{n-4}(k,4) + g_{n-3}(k,4) \\ &\quad - 2g_{n-2}(k,4))M_{n-2}(k,4) - (g_{n-4}(k,4) + g_{n-3}(k,4) - 2g_{n-2}(k,4))M_{n-1}(3,4) + \cdots \\ &\quad + (g_{n-4}(k,4) + g_{n-3}(k,4) - (k-1)g_{n-2}(k,4) + g_{n-1}(k,4))M_{n-1}(k,4) - \cdots \\ &\quad - (g_{n-4}(k,4) + g_{n-3}(k,4) - (k-1)g_{n-2}(k,4) + (k-1)g_{n-1}(k,4))M_{n-1}(k,4), \end{split}$$

$$n \ge 4.$$

Lemma 3.4. Every element of $Q_k^4(H_{(u,l,m)}, X)$ may be presented by $x_n = a^{M_n(k,4)}b^{g_n(k,4)}c^{S_n(k,4)}$, $n \ge 3$.

Proof. Similar to Lemma 3.3, the proof follows.

Similarly, Theorem 3.2 can be applied to the proof of the following Lemma.

Lemma 3.5. For $k \ge 4$ and $u \ge 1$, we have $hM_u(k, 4) \mid MQ_k^4(H_{(u,l,m)}, X)$.

In conclusion, we have two open questions.

Open question 1. Prove or disprove:

- *i.* $MQ_k^3(H_m, X) = hM_m(k, 3).$
- *ii.* $MQ_k^4(H_{(u,l,m)}, X) = hM_u(k, 4).$

Open question 2. *Is it possible to prove that each finite group* G *divides the minimal period of the generalized order* (k, t)*-Mersenne number sequence?*

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