

# On $(k, p)$ -Fibonacci numbers and matrices

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**Abstract:** In this paper, some relations between the powers of any matrices  $X$  satisfying the equation  $X^k - pX^{k-1} - (p-1)X - I = \mathbf{0}$  and  $(k, p)$ -Fibonacci numbers are established with  $k \geq 2$ . First, a result is obtained to find the powers of the matrices satisfying the condition above via  $(k, p)$ -Fibonacci numbers. Then, new properties related to  $(k, p)$ -Fibonacci numbers are given. Moreover, some relations between the sequence  $\{F_{3,s}(n)\}$  and the generalized Fibonacci sequence  $\{U_n(p, q)\}$  are also examined.

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## 1 Introduction and Preliminaries

The second-order homogeneous linear recurrence sequence  $\{W_n(a, b; p, q)\}$ , or briefly  $\{W_n\}$  defined by  $W_n = pW_{n-1} + qW_{n-2}$  for all integers  $n \geq 2$ , with the initial conditions  $W_0 = a$



and  $W_1 = b$  is called as Horadam sequence, where  $a, b, p,$  and  $q$  are arbitrary real numbers. The characteristic equation of the sequence  $\{W_n\}$  is  $x^2 - px - q = 0$ . The relations between the roots of this equation and the terms of the sequence  $\{W_n\}$  have been studied in literature (see, e.g., [1, 4, 5, 8, 15]).

The sequence  $\{U_n(p, q)\}$ , or briefly  $\{U_n\}$ , defined by the recurrence relation  $U_n = pU_{n-1} + qU_{n-2}$  for all integers  $n \geq 2$ , with the initial conditions  $U_0 = 0$  and  $U_1 = 1$  is called generalized Fibonacci sequence, where  $p$  and  $q$  are nonzero real numbers. The sequence  $\{U_n\}$  is a well-known special case of the sequence  $\{W_n\}$ . Generalized Fibonacci numbers for negative subscript are defined as  $U_{-n} = \frac{-U_n}{(-q)^n}$ . The classical Fibonacci sequence  $\{F_n\}$  is a special case of the sequence  $\{U_n\}$  for  $p = q = 1$  (see, e.g., [6, 12, 13]).

In recent years, some special number sequences have been introduced. One of them is the  $(k, p)$ -Fibonacci sequence. The sequence  $\{F_{k,p}(n)\}$  defined by the recurrence relation

$$F_{k,p}(n) = pF_{k,p}(n-1) + (p-1)F_{k,p}(n-k+1) + F_{k,p}(n-k) \quad (1)$$

for all integers  $n \geq k$  with the initial conditions  $F_{k,p}(0) = 0$  and  $F_{k,p}(n) = p^{n-1}$  for  $1 \leq n \leq k-1$  is called  $(k, p)$ -Fibonacci sequence, where  $k \geq 2, n \geq 0$  are integers and  $p \geq 1$  is a rational number. The sequence  $\{F_{k,p}(n)\}$  contains some important sequences for some special values of  $k$  and  $p$ . For example, the Fibonacci sequence  $\{F_n\}$  and the Pell sequence  $\{P_n\}$  are obtained from  $\{F_{k,p}(n)\}$  for  $k = 2, p = 1,$  and  $k = 2, p = \frac{3}{2}$ , respectively (see, e.g., [2, 11]).

The characteristic polynomial of  $\{F_{k,p}(n)\}$  was given as

$$f_{k,p}(x) = x^k - px^{k-1} - (p-1)x - 1$$

in [14]. For detailed information about  $(k, p)$ -Fibonacci sequences, see, e.g., [2, 3, 11, 14].

There are important relations between some special number sequences and matrices. For example, the relation  $Q^n = \begin{pmatrix} F_{n+1} & F_n \\ F_n & F_{n-1} \end{pmatrix}$  for all integers  $n$ , where  $Q = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$ . The  $Q$ -matrix is a well-known matrix and termed as the Fibonacci  $Q$ -matrix [7, 9]. It is a well-known fact that the characteristic equation of the  $Q$ -matrix is  $x^2 - x - 1 = 0$ . Since every square matrix satisfies its own characteristic equation, it is clear that  $Q^2 - Q - I = \mathbf{0}$ . Therefore, it is natural to question whether there are other matrices  $X$  that satisfy the equation  $X^2 - X - I = \mathbf{0}$  and whose powers are related to Fibonacci numbers. In response to this question, a relation between the powers of square matrices  $X$  satisfying the condition  $X^2 - X - I = \mathbf{0}$  and the Fibonacci sequence  $\{F_n\}$  was shown in [7]. Inspired by the study just mentioned, a relation between the powers of the matrices  $X$  satisfying the condition  $X^2 - pX - qI = \mathbf{0}$  with the generalized Fibonacci sequence  $\{U_n(p, q)\}$  was established in [13]. Then, in Theorem 2.1 of [10], the authors obtained some relations between the positive powers of  $3 \times 3$  matrices with eigenvalues

$$\alpha = \frac{p + \sqrt{p^2 + 4q}}{2}, \quad \beta = \frac{p - \sqrt{p^2 + 4q}}{2},$$

and  $r$ , and generalized Fibonacci sequence  $\{U_n(p, q)\}$ , where  $r$  is any real number with  $r^2 - rp - q \neq 0$ . Moreover, it was pointed out that if  $r \neq 0$ , then the mentioned theorem is valid not only for positive powers of the matrices but also for all integer powers. So, we have the following theorem:

**Theorem 1.1.** If  $A = \begin{pmatrix} a & b & 0 \\ \frac{ap-a^2+q}{b} & p-a & 0 \\ \frac{br-ab-ap+a^2-q}{b} & r+a-b-p & r \end{pmatrix}$ , then

$$A^n = \begin{pmatrix} aU_n + qU_{n-1} & bU_n & 0 \\ \frac{ap-a^2+q}{b}U_n & (p-a)U_n + qU_{n-1} & 0 \\ \frac{-ab-ap+a^2-q}{b}U_n - qU_{n-1} + r^n & (a-b-p)U_n - qU_{n-1} + r^n & r^n \end{pmatrix}$$

for all  $n \in \mathbb{Z}$ , where  $a$  is any real number and  $b, p, q, r$  are any nonzero real numbers with  $p^2 + 4q > 0$  and  $r^2 - rp - q \neq 0$ .

Just like Fibonacci sequences, it is possible to talk about some relations between  $(k, p)$ -Fibonacci sequences and matrices. In [2], the author introduced the  $(k, p)$ -Fibonacci matrix  $Q_k$  as follows:  $Q_k = [q_{ij}]_{k \times k}$ , where for a fixed  $1 \leq i \leq k$ , an entry  $q_{i1}$  is equal to coefficient of  $F_{k,p}(n-i)$  in the equality (1), and for  $j \geq 2$ ,  $q_{ij} = \begin{cases} 1, & \text{if } j = i + 1 \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$ .

For  $k = 2, 3, 4$ , the matrices

$$Q_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 2p-1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad Q_3 = \begin{pmatrix} p & 1 & 0 \\ p-1 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad Q_4 = \begin{pmatrix} p & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ p-1 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

are obtained.

In general, for  $k > 2$ , we have

$$Q_k = \begin{pmatrix} p & 1 & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & \cdots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ p-1 & 0 & 0 & \cdots & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & \cdots & 0 \end{pmatrix}_{k \times k},$$

which is called a  $(k, p)$ -Fibonacci matrix. In [2], the author also gave the matrix

$$A_k = \begin{pmatrix} F_{k,p}(2k-2) & F_{k,p}(2k-3) & \cdots & F_{k,p}(k-1) \\ F_{k,p}(2k-3) & F_{k,p}(2k-4) & \cdots & F_{k,p}(k-2) \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ F_{k,p}(k-1) & F_{k,p}(k-2) & \cdots & F_{k,p}(0) \end{pmatrix}_{k \times k},$$

which is the matrix of initial conditions of  $(k, p)$ -Fibonacci sequences. And then, the author showed that

$$A_k Q_k^n = \begin{pmatrix} F_{k,p}(n+2k-2) & F_{k,p}(n+2k-3) & \cdots & F_{k,p}(n+k-1) \\ F_{k,p}(n+2k-3) & F_{k,p}(n+2k-4) & \cdots & F_{k,p}(n+k-2) \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ F_{k,p}(n+k-1) & F_{k,p}(n+k-2) & \cdots & F_{k,p}(n) \end{pmatrix}_{k \times k}$$

for all the integers  $n \geq 1$ , where  $k \geq 2$  is any integer and  $p \geq 1$  is a rational number.

In this study, we establish some relations between the powers of any square matrices  $X$  satisfying the condition  $X^k - pX^{k-1} - (p-1)X - I = \mathbf{0}$  and the sequence  $\{F_{k,p}(n)\}$ . Then some relations between  $\{F_{3,s}(n)\}$  and  $\{U_n(p, q)\}$  are obtained.

## 2 Results

In this section, we deal with the problem of finding the powers of the matrices  $X$  satisfying the condition  $X^k - pX^{k-1} - (p-1)X - I = \mathbf{0}$  via  $(k, p)$ -Fibonacci numbers. To do so, we examine the main result separately for  $k = 2$  and  $k \geq 3$ . Now, we give the result for  $k = 2$ .

**Theorem 2.1.** *If  $X$  is a square matrix with  $X^2 = (2p-1)X + I$ , then*

$$X^m = F_{2,p}(m)X + F_{2,p}(m-1)I \quad (2)$$

for all integers  $m \geq 2$ .

*Proof.* First of all, if we use the relation (1) for  $k = 2$ , then we get

$$F_{2,p}(m) = (2p-1)F_{2,p}(m-1) + F_{2,p}(m-2). \quad (3)$$

Now, we will use mathematical induction to prove the theorem. First, we will show that the equality (2) is true for  $m = 2$ . Then, assuming that the assertion is true for some integers  $m \geq 2$ , we will show that it is also true for  $m + 1$ . It is clear that  $F_{2,p}(1) = 1$  and  $F_{2,p}(2) = 2p - 1$ . So, we get

$$X^2 = (2p-1)X + I = F_{2,p}(2)X + F_{2,p}(1)I,$$

as desired. Now, assume that the relation (2) is true for some integers  $m \geq 2$ . We have to show that the relation (2) is true for  $m + 1$ , too. It is obvious that

$$X^{m+1} = F_{2,p}(m)X^2 + F_{2,p}(m-1)X \quad (4)$$

since  $X^m = F_{2,p}(m)X + F_{2,p}(m-1)I$ .

If we use the equalities  $X^2 = (2p-1)X + I$  and (3) in (4), then

$$X^{m+1} = F_{2,p}(m+1)X + F_{2,p}(m)I$$

is obtained and the proof is completed. □

Now, we give the general result for the integers  $k \geq 3$ .

**Theorem 2.2.** *If  $X$  is a square matrix satisfying  $X^k - pX^{k-1} - (p-1)X - I = \mathbf{0}$  for an integer  $k \geq 3$ , then*

$$\begin{aligned} X^m &= F_{k,p}(m-k+2)X^{k-1} + F_{k,p}(m-k+1)I \\ &\quad + \sum_{i=1}^{k-2} [(p-1)F_{k,p}(m-k+2-i) + F_{k,p}(m-k+1-i)]X^i \end{aligned}$$

for all integers  $m \geq k$ , provided that  $F_{k,p}(a) = 0$  for all negative integers  $a$ .

*Proof.* We will use mathematical induction on  $m$  to prove the theorem. First, we will show that the assertion is true for  $m = k$ . It is clear that

$$\sum_{i=1}^{k-2} [(p-1)F_{k,p}(2-i) + F_{k,p}(1-i)]X^i = (p-1)X, \quad (5)$$

because  $F_{k,p}(0) = F_{k,p}(-1) = F_{k,p}(-2) = \dots = 0$ . Taking into account the equalities (5) and  $m = k$ , we get

$$\begin{aligned} X^m &= pX^{k-1} + I + (p-1)X \\ &= F_{k,p}(2)X^{k-1} + F_{k,p}(1)I + \sum_{i=1}^{k-2} [(p-1)F_{k,p}(2-i) + F_{k,p}(1-i)]X^i \\ &= F_{k,p}(m-k+2)X^{k-1} + F_{k,p}(m-k+1)I \\ &\quad + \sum_{i=1}^{k-2} [(p-1)F_{k,p}(m-k+2-i) + F_{k,p}(m-k+1-i)]X^i. \end{aligned}$$

So, the assertion is true for  $m = k$ . Now assume that the assertion is true for some integers  $m \geq k$ . We will show that it is true for  $m + 1$ , too. Considering the equality  $X^k = pX^{k-1} + (p-1)X + I$  together with the induction hypothesis, after simplification, we get

$$\begin{aligned} X^{m+1} &= pF_{k,p}(m-k+2)X^{k-1} + [(p-1)F_{k,p}(m-k+2) + F_{k,p}(m-k+1)]X \\ &\quad + F_{k,p}(m-k+2)I + \sum_{i=1}^{k-2} [(p-1)F_{k,p}(m-k+2-i) + F_{k,p}(m-k+1-i)]X^{i+1}, \end{aligned}$$

or, equivalently,

$$\begin{aligned} X^{m+1} &= pF_{k,p}(m-k+2)X^{k-1} + F_{k,p}(m-k+2)I \\ &\quad + \sum_{i=0}^{k-2} [(p-1)F_{k,p}(m-k+2-i) + F_{k,p}(m-k+1-i)]X^{i+1}. \end{aligned} \quad (6)$$

On the other hand, there are two different cases by the definition of the  $(k, p)$ -Fibonacci sequence. If  $m \geq 2k - 3$ , then it is seen that

$$F_{k,p}(m-k+3) = pF_{k,p}(m-k+2) + (p-1)F_{k,p}(m-2k+4) + F_{k,p}(m-2k+3). \quad (7)$$

If (7) is used in (6), then

$$\begin{aligned} X^{m+1} &= F_{k,p}(m-k+3)X^{k-1} + [-(p-1)F_{k,p}(m-2k+4) - F_{k,p}(m-2k+3)]X^{k-1} \\ &\quad + F_{k,p}(m-k+2)I + \sum_{i=0}^{k-2} [(p-1)F_{k,p}(m-k+2-i) + F_{k,p}(m-k+1-i)]X^{i+1} \end{aligned}$$

is obtained. Also, since

$$\begin{aligned}
& \sum_{i=0}^{k-2} [(p-1)F_{k,p}(m-k+2-i) + F_{k,p}(m-k+1-i)]X^{i+1} \\
& - [(p-1)F_{k,p}(m-2k+4) + F_{k,p}(m-2k+3)]X^{k-1} \\
& = \sum_{i=0}^{k-3} [(p-1)F_{k,p}(m-k+2-i) + F_{k,p}(m-k+1-i)]X^{i+1} \\
& = \sum_{i=1}^{k-2} [(p-1)F_{k,p}(m-k+3-i) + F_{k,p}(m-k+2-i)]X^i,
\end{aligned}$$

we get

$$\begin{aligned}
X^{m+1} &= F_{k,p}(m-k+3)X^{k-1} + F_{k,p}(m-k+2)I \\
& + \sum_{i=1}^{k-2} [(p-1)F_{k,p}(m-k+3-i) + F_{k,p}(m-k+2-i)]X^i.
\end{aligned}$$

So, the assertion is true for  $m+1$  in case  $m \geq 2k-3$ .

If  $m < 2k-3$ , then it is clear that

$$F_{k,p}(m-k+3) = pF_{k,p}(m-k+2)$$

by the definition of  $(k, p)$ -Fibonacci sequence. If we use the last equality in (6), then we get

$$\begin{aligned}
X^{m+1} &= F_{k,p}(m-k+3)X^{k-1} + F_{k,p}(m-k+2)I \\
& + \sum_{i=0}^{k-2} [(p-1)F_{k,p}(m-k+2-i) + F_{k,p}(m-k+1-i)]X^{i+1}.
\end{aligned}$$

Also, we have  $F_{k,p}(m-2k+4) = F_{k,p}(m-2k+3) = 0$  because  $m < 2k-3$ . So,

$$\begin{aligned}
& \sum_{i=0}^{k-2} [(p-1)F_{k,p}(m-k+2-i) + F_{k,p}(m-k+1-i)]X^{i+1} \\
& = \sum_{i=1}^{k-1} [(p-1)F_{k,p}(m-k+3-i) + F_{k,p}(m-k+2-i)]X^i \\
& = \sum_{i=1}^{k-2} [(p-1)F_{k,p}(m-k+3-i) + F_{k,p}(m-k+2-i)]X^i,
\end{aligned}$$

that is

$$\begin{aligned}
X^{m+1} &= F_{k,p}(m-k+3)X^{k-1} + F_{k,p}(m-k+2)I \\
& + \sum_{i=1}^{k-2} [(p-1)F_{k,p}(m-k+3-i) + F_{k,p}(m-k+2-i)]X^i
\end{aligned}$$

is obtained in the case when  $m < 2k-3$ . Thus, the proof is completed.  $\square$

**Corollary 2.2.1.** If  $\lambda \in \{\lambda_1, \lambda_2\}$  with  $\lambda_1 = \frac{2p-1+\sqrt{(2p-1)^2+4}}{2}$  and  $\lambda_2 = \frac{2p-1-\sqrt{(2p-1)^2+4}}{2}$ , where  $p \geq 1$  is a rational number, then  $\lambda^m = F_{2,p}(m)\lambda + F_{2,p}(m-1)$  for all the integers  $m \geq 2$ .

*Proof.* Notice that  $\lambda$  is a root of the equation  $x^2 - (2p-1)x - 1 = 0$ . So, the matrix  $A = \begin{pmatrix} \lambda & 0 \\ 0 & \lambda \end{pmatrix}$  satisfies the equation  $A^2 = (2p-1)A + I$ .

Hence, from Theorem 2.1,  $A^m = F_{2,p}(m)A + F_{2,p}(m-1)I$ , and therefore the desired result is obtained.  $\square$

**Corollary 2.2.2.** If  $\lambda$  is a root of the equation  $x^k - px^{k-1} - (p-1)x - 1 = 0$ , then

$$\lambda^m = F_{k,p}(m-k+2)\lambda^{k-1} + F_{k,p}(m-k+1) + \sum_{i=1}^{k-2} [(p-1)F_{k,p}(m-k+2-i) + F_{k,p}(m-k+1-i)]\lambda^i$$

for all integers  $m \geq k$ , where  $k \geq 3$  is an integer,  $p \geq 1$  is a rational number, and  $F_{k,p}(a) = 0$  for all negative integers  $a$ .

*Proof.* Let

$$B = \begin{pmatrix} \lambda & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ 0 & \lambda & \cdots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & \cdots & \lambda \end{pmatrix}_{k \times k}.$$

If we use Theorem 2.2 for matrix  $B$ , the desired result is obtained.  $\square$

**Corollary 2.2.3.** If

$$Q_k = \begin{pmatrix} p & 1 & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & \cdots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ p-1 & 0 & 0 & \cdots & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & \cdots & 0 \end{pmatrix}_{k \times k},$$

then

$$Q_k^m = F_{k,p}(m-k+2)Q_k^{k-1} + F_{k,p}(m-k+1)I + \sum_{i=1}^{k-2} [(p-1)F_{k,p}(m-k+2-i) + F_{k,p}(m-k+1-i)]Q_k^i$$

for all integers  $m \geq k$ , where  $k \geq 3$  is an integer,  $p \geq 1$  is a rational number, and  $F_{k,p}(a) = 0$  for all negative integers  $a$ .

*Proof.* It is easily seen that the characteristic polynomial of the matrix  $Q_k$  is

$$\det(Q_k - xI) = (-1)^k [x^k - px^{k-1} - (p-1)x - 1].$$

We can write  $Q_k^k - pQ_k^{k-1} - (p-1)Q_k - I = \mathbf{0}$  by the Cayley–Hamilton theorem. So, the matrix  $Q_k$  satisfies the condition in Theorem 2.2 and the desired result is obtained.  $\square$

In Corollary 2.2.3, it has been obtained a relation between the powers of  $Q_k$  and the  $(k, p)$ -Fibonacci numbers. Notice that the powers of  $Q_k$  for  $m \geq k$  are a linear combination of the matrices  $Q_k^{k-1}, Q_k^{k-2}, \dots, Q_k$ , and  $I$ .

Now, we give a special result for  $k = 3$ .

**Corollary 2.2.4.** *If*

$$Q_3 = \begin{pmatrix} p & 1 & 0 \\ p-1 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

with  $p \geq 1$  being a rational number, then

$$Q_3^m = \begin{pmatrix} F_{3,p}(m+1) & F_{3,p}(m) & F_{3,p}(m-1) \\ (p-1)F_{3,p}(m) + F_{3,p}(m-1) & (p-1)F_{3,p}(m-1) + F_{3,p}(m-2) & (p-1)F_{3,p}(m-2) + F_{3,p}(m-3) \\ F_{3,p}(m) & F_{3,p}(m-1) & F_{3,p}(m-2) \end{pmatrix}$$

for all integers  $m \geq 3$ .

*Proof.* If we use Corollary 2.2.3 for  $k = 3$ , then we get

$$Q_3^m = F_{3,p}(m-1)Q_3^2 + [(p-1)F_{3,p}(m-2) + F_{3,p}(m-3)]Q_3 + F_{3,p}(m-2)I. \quad (8)$$

Also, it is clear that

$$F_{3,p}(m) = pF_{3,p}(m-1) + (p-1)F_{3,p}(m-2) + F_{3,p}(m-3) \quad (9)$$

by definition of  $(k, p)$ -Fibonacci numbers. From (8) and (9), the desired result is obtained.  $\square$

**Corollary 2.2.5.** *For any integers  $a, b \geq 3$  and a rational number  $p \geq 1$ , the relation  $F_{3,p}(a+b) = F_{3,p}(a+1)F_{3,p}(b) + (p-1)F_{3,p}(a)F_{3,p}(b-1) + F_{3,p}(a)F_{3,p}(b-2) + F_{3,p}(a-1)F_{3,p}(b-1)$  holds.*

*Proof.* If we use Corollary 2.2.4, then we can calculate the matrices  $Q_3^a, Q_3^b$  and  $Q_3^{a+b}$ , easily. In view of the equality  $Q_3^{a+b} = Q_3^a Q_3^b$ , the desired result is obtained from the equality of the  $(1, 2)$ -entries of the matrices.  $\square$

Some relations between  $\{F_{k,p}(n)\}$  and other sequences for some special values of  $k$  can be examined. We will find some relations between the sequences  $\{F_{3,s}(n)\}$  and  $\{U_n(p, q)\}$ .

**Theorem 2.3.** *Let  $p, q$  and  $r$  be nonzero real numbers satisfying the conditions  $p = \frac{q^2 + q + 1}{q-1}$ ,  $r = -\frac{1}{q}$ ,  $p^2 + 4q > 0$  and  $r^2 - rp - q \neq 0$ . Let  $s \geq 1$  be a rational number satisfying the condition  $s = \frac{q^3 + q^2 + 1}{q(q-1)}$ . Then, there are following identities for the integers  $m \geq 3$ :*

$$(i) \quad qF_{3,s}(m-1) + F_{3,s}(m-2) = qU_{m-1};$$

$$(ii) \quad pF_{3,s}(m-1) + (s-1)F_{3,s}(m-2) + F_{3,s}(m-3) = U_m.$$



*Proof.* Let

$$B = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ q & p & 0 \\ r - q & r - p - 1 & r \end{pmatrix}$$

with  $p = \frac{q^2 + q + 1}{q - 1}$  and  $r = -\frac{1}{q}$ . The matrix  $B$  is a special case of the matrix  $A$  in Theorem 1.1 for  $a = 0$  and  $b = 1$ . So, we get

$$B^m = \begin{pmatrix} qU_{m-1} & U_m & 0 \\ qU_m & U_{m+1} & 0 \\ -qU_m - qU_{m-1} + r^m & -U_m - U_{m+1} + r^m & r^m \end{pmatrix} \quad (10)$$

for all  $m \in \mathbb{Z}$ . Also, it is seen that

$$B^3 - (r + p)B^2 - (-rp + q)B + qrI = \mathbf{0}$$

or, equivalently,

$$B^3 - \left(\frac{q^3 + q^2 + 1}{q(q-1)}\right)B^2 - \left(\frac{q^3 + q^2 + 1}{q(q-1)} - 1\right)B - I = \mathbf{0}.$$

So, we get

$$B^3 - sB^2 - (s - 1)B - I = \mathbf{0}.$$

Thus, we can use Theorem 2.2 for  $k = 3$ . By doing so,

$$B^m = F_{3,s}(m - 1)B^2 + [(s - 1)F_{3,s}(m - 2) + F_{3,s}(m - 3)]B + F_{3,s}(m - 2)I \quad (11)$$

is obtained for  $m \geq 3$ . The desired results are obtained from the equality of the two matrices by considering (10) together with (11).  $\square$

**Example 2.4.** Consider the sequences  $\{F_{3, \frac{13}{2}}(m)\}$  and  $\{U_m(7, 2)\}$ . For  $q = 2$ , it is clear that  $p = 7 = \frac{q^2 + q + 1}{q - 1}$  and  $s = \frac{13}{2} = \frac{q^3 + q^2 + 1}{q(q - 1)}$ . If we use the item (i) of Theorem 2.3, then we get

$$2F_{3, \frac{13}{2}}(m - 1) + F_{3, \frac{13}{2}}(m - 2) = 2U_{m-1}(7, 2)$$

for  $m \geq 3$ .

The  $(k, p)$ -Fibonacci sequence is a sequence of numbers defined quite recently. Many of the problems dealt with in other sequences can be worked out for this sequence as well. For example, as in [10], the problem of obtaining new matrices related to  $(k, p)$ -Fibonacci numbers can also be addressed.

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