# THE HYPERBOLIC-TYPE *k*-FIBONACCI SEQUENCES AND THEIR APPLICATIONS

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In this study, we define hyperbolic-type k-Fibonacci numbers and then give the relationships between the k-step Fibonacci numbers and the hyperbolic-type k-Fibonacci numbers. In addition, we study the hyperbolic-type k-Fibonacci sequence modulo m and then we give periods of the Hperbolic-type k-Fibonacci sequences for any k and m which are related the periods of the k-step Fibonacci sequences modulo m. Furthermore, we extend the hyperbolic-type k-Fibonacci sequences to groups. Finally, we obtain the periods of the hyperbolic-type 2-Fibonacci sequences in the dihedral group  $D_{2m_b}$   $(m \ge 2)$  with respect to the generating pairs (x, y) and (y, x).

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#### Introduction

The set of hyperbolic numbers  $\mathbb{H}$  can be described in the form:

$$\mathbb{H} = \{z = x + hy \mid h \notin \mathbb{R}, h^2 = 1, x, y \in \mathbb{R}\}\$$

Addition, substruction and multiplication of two hyperbolic numbers  $z_1$  and  $z_2$  are defined by:

$$z_1 \pm z_2 = (x_1 + hy_1) \pm (x_2 + hy_2) = (x_1 \pm x_2) + h(y_1 \pm y_2)$$
  
$$z_1 \times z_2 = (x_1 + hy_1)(x_2 + hy_2) = (x_1x_2) + (y_1y_2) + h(x_1y_2 + y_1x_2)$$

On the other hand, the division of two hyperbolic numbers are given by:

$$\frac{z_1}{z_2} = \frac{x_1 + hy_1}{x_2 + hy_2}$$

$$\frac{(x_1 + hy_1)(x_2 - hy_2)}{(x_2 + hy_2)(x_2 - hy_2)} = \frac{x_1x_2 + y_1y_2}{x_2^2 - y_2^2} + h\frac{(x_1y_2 + y_1x_2)}{x_2^2 - y_2^2}$$

If  $x_2^2 - y_2^2 \neq 0$ , then the division  $z_1/z_2$  is possible. The hyperbolic conjugation of z = x + hy is defined by  $\overline{z} = x - hy$ .

The k-step Fibonacci sequence  $\{f_n^{(k)}\}$  is defined by the following recurrence relarion:

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$$f_{n+k}^{(k)} = f_{n+k-1}^{(k)} + f_{n+k-2}^{(k)} + \dots + f_n^{(k)}, \quad n \ge 0, \quad (k = 2, 3, \dots)$$
 (1)

where  $f_0^{(k)} = f_1^{(k)} = \dots = f_{k-2}^{(k)} = 0$  and  $f_{k-1}^{(k)} = 1$ . The hyperbolic Fibonacci sequences  $\{Hf_n\}$  is defined by a two-order recurrence equation:

$$Hf_n = f_n + hf_{n+1}$$

For  $n \ge 0$ , where  $h^2 = 1$ ,  $h \notin \mathbb{R}$  and  $f_n$  is the  $n^{th}$  Fibonacci number.

In [1], Kalman derived a number of closed-form formulas for the generalized sequence by the companion matrix method:

$$A_k = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 & \dots & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & \dots & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \dots & 0 & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \dots & \vdots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \dots & 0 & 1 \\ c_0 & c_1 & c_2 & \dots & c_{k-2} & c_{k-1} \end{bmatrix}$$

He showed that:

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

Number theoretic properties such as these obtained from homogeneous linear reccurence relations relevant to this article have been studied recently by many authors, see for example, [2-15]. In section The hyperbolic-type k-Fibonacci numbers, we define the hyperbolic-type k-Fibonacci numbers and then give the relationships between the k-step Fibonacci numbers and the hyperbolic-type k-Fibonacci numbers.

A sequence is periodic if, after a certain point, it consists only of repetitions of a fixed subsequence. The number of elements in the shortest repeating subsequence is called the period of the sequence. For example, the sequence  $a,b,c,d,b,c,d,b,c,d,\cdots$  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  $a,b,c,d,a,b,c,d,a,b,c,d,\cdots$  is simply periodic with period 4. Lu and Wang [16] contributed to study of the Wall number for the k-step Fibonacci sequence. Lu and Wang [16] proved that the k-step Fibonacci sequence modulo m is simply periodic.

The notation  $h_k(m)$  denotes the period of the sequence  $\{f_n^{(k)}(m)\}$ . It is clear that:

$$f_{h_k(m)}^{(k)} \equiv 0 \pmod{m}, f_{h_k(m)+1}^{(k)} \equiv 0 \pmod{m}, \dots, f_{h_k(m)+k-2}^{(k)} \equiv 0 \pmod{m}$$

and

$$f_{h_k(m)+k-1}^{(k)} \equiv 1(\bmod m)$$

In section The period of the hyperbolic-type k-Fibonacci sequence modulo m, we extend the concept to the hyperbolic-type k-Fibonacci sequence and then give the relationships between  $h_k(m)$  and the hyperbolic-type k-Fibonacci sequence modulo m. Furthermore, in this section, we produce the cyclic groups from the multiplicative orders of the generating matrix of the hyperbolic-type k-Fibonacci sequences such that the elements of the generating matrix when read modulo m. Then we derive the relationships among the orders of the cyclic groups obtained and the periods of the hyperbolic-type k-Fibonacci sequences modulo m.

The study of recurrence sequences in algebraic structures began with the earlier work of Wall [17] where the ordinary Fibonacci sequences in cyclic groups were investigated. The theory extended to some special linear recurrence sequences by several authors, see for example, [18-30]. In section The hyperbolic-type k-Fibonacci sequence in groups, we give the definition of the hyperbolic-type k-Fibonacci sequences in groups generated by two or more elements and then we investigate these sequences in the finite groups for any k. Finally, we obtain the periods of the hyperbolic-type 2-Fibonacci sequences in the dihedral group  $D_{2m}$ ,  $(m \ge 2)$  as applications of the results produced in the same section.

## The hyperbolic-type k-Fibonacci numbers

We now define the hyperbolic-type k-Fibonacci numbers for any given k(k = 2, 3, ...,) by the following homogeneous linear recurrence relation:

$$HF_{n+k}^{(h,k)} = hHF_{n+k-1}^{(h,k)} + h^2HF_{n+k-2}^{(h,k)} + \dots + h^{k-1}HF_{n+1}^{(h,k)} + h^kHF_n^{(h,k)}$$
(2)

for  $n \ge 0$ , where  $HF_0^{(h,k)} = \cdots = HF_{k-2}^{(h,k)} = 0$ ,  $HF_{k-1}^{(h,k)} = 1$  and  $H^2 = 1$ . Since  $HF_0^{(h,k)} = HF_1^{(h,k)}$ ,  $HF_0^{(h,k)} = HF_1^{(h,k)}$ ,  $HF_0^{(h,k)} = HF_0^{(h,k)}$ ,  $HF_0^{(h,k)} = HF_0^{(h,k)}$ ,  $HF_0^{(h,k)} = HF_0^{(h,k)}$ , and  $HF_0^{(h,k)} = HF_0^{(h,k)}$ , we derive the following relations:

If k is odd:

$$HF_n^{(h,k)} = \begin{cases} hF_n^{(k)}, n \equiv 0 \pmod{2} \\ F_n^{(k)}, n \equiv 1 \pmod{2} \end{cases}$$

If k is even:

$$HF_n^{(h,k)} = \begin{cases} F_n^{(k)}, n \equiv 0 \pmod{2} \\ hF_n^{(k)}, n \equiv 1 \pmod{2} \end{cases}$$

From eq. (2), we have:

$$\begin{vmatrix} HF_{n+k+1}^{(h,k)} \\ HF_{n+k}^{(h,k)} \\ \vdots \\ HF_{n+2}^{(h,k)} \\ HF_{n+1}^{(h,k)} \end{vmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} hh^2 \dots h^{k-1}h^k \\ 1 & 0 & \dots & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & \dots & 0 & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & \dots & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{vmatrix} HF_{n+k}^{(h,k)} \\ HF_{n+k-1}^{(h,k)} \\ \vdots \\ HF_{n+1}^{(h,k)} \\ HF_{n}^{(h,k)} \end{vmatrix}$$

for the sequence of the hyperbolic-type k-Fibonacci numbers. Letting:

$$M_k = \begin{vmatrix} h & h^2 \dots h^{k-1} h^k \\ 1 & 0 \dots & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \dots & 0 & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 \dots & 1 & 0 \end{vmatrix}$$

The companion matrix  $M_k$  is said to be the hyperbolic-type k-Fibonacci matrix. By mathematical induction on n, we find:

$$(M_{k})^{n} = \begin{bmatrix} HF_{n+k+1}^{(h,k)} & h^{k-1}HF_{n+k-2}^{(h,k)} + h^{k}HF_{n+k-3}^{(h,k)} h^{k}HF_{n+k-2}^{(h,k)} \\ HF_{n+k}^{(h,k)} & \cdots h^{k-1}HF_{n+k-3}^{(h,k)} + h^{k}HF_{n+k-4}^{(h,k)} h^{k}HF_{n+k-3}^{(h,k)} \\ \vdots & C_{1}C_{2}\cdots & \vdots \\ HF_{n+2}^{(h,k)} & \vdots & h^{k-1}HF_{n}^{(h,k)} + h^{k}HF_{n-1}^{(h,k)} & h^{k}HF_{n}^{(h,k)} \\ HF_{n+1}^{(h,k)} & \cdots & h^{k-1}HF_{n-1}^{(h,k)} + h^{k}HF_{n-2}^{(h,k)} & h^{k}HF_{n-1}^{(h,k)} \\ & \cdots & HF_{n-1}^{(h,k)} & HF_{n-1}^{(h,k)} & HF_{n-1}^{(h,k)} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$(3)$$

for  $n \ge 1$ ,, where the column matrices  $C_1$  and  $C_2$  are:

$$C_{1} = \begin{bmatrix} h^{2}HF_{n+k-2}^{(h,k)} + h^{3}HF_{n+k-3}^{(h,k)} + \cdots + h^{k-1}HF_{n+1}^{(h,k)} + h^{k}HF_{n}^{(h,k)} \\ h^{2}HF_{n+k-3}^{(h,k)} + h^{3}HF_{n+k-4}^{(h,k)} + \cdots + h^{k-1}HF_{n}^{(h,k)} + h^{k}HF_{n-1}^{(h,k)} \\ \vdots \\ h^{2}HF_{n}^{(h,k)} + h^{3}HF_{n-1}^{(h,k)} + \cdots + h^{k-1}HF_{n-k+3}^{(h,k)} + h^{k}HF_{n-k+2}^{(h,k)} \\ h^{2}HF_{n-1}^{(h,k)} + h^{3}HF_{n-2}^{(h,k)} + \cdots + h^{k-1}HF_{n-k+2}^{(h,k)} + h^{k}HF_{n-k+1}^{(h,k)} \end{bmatrix}$$

and

$$C_2 = \begin{bmatrix} h^3 HF_{n+k-2}^{(h,k)} + h^4 HF_{n+k-3}^{(h,k)} + \cdots + h^{k-1} HF_{n+2}^{(h,k)} + h^k HF_{n+1}^{(h,k)} \\ h^3 HF_{n+k-3}^{(h,k)} + h^4 HF_{n+k-4}^{(h,k)} + \cdots + h^{k-1} HF_{n+1}^{(h,k)} + h^k HF_{n}^{(h,k)} \\ \vdots \\ h^3 HF_n^{(h,k)} + h^4 HF_{n-1}^{(h,k)} + \cdots + h^{k-1} HF_{n-k+4}^{(h,k)} + h^k HF_{n-k+3}^{(h,k)} \\ h^3 HF_{n-1}^{(h,k)} + h^4 HF_{n-2}^{(h,k)} + \cdots + h^{k-1} HF_{n-k+3}^{(h,k)} + h^k HF_{n-k+2}^{(h,k)} \end{bmatrix}$$

Also, we derive the following relationships between the hyperbolic-type k-Fibonacci numbers and the k-step Fibonacci numbers for  $n \ge k - 1$ :

$$(M_k)^n = \begin{bmatrix} h^{k+u}F_{n+k+1}^{(k)} & h^{k+u+1}[F_{n+k-2}^{(k)} + F_{n+k-3}^{(k)} + \cdots + F_n^{(k)}]h^{k+u+2}[F_{n+k-2}^{(k)} + F_{n+k-3}^{(k)} + \cdots + F_{n+1}^{(k)}] \\ h^{k+u-1}F_{n+k+1}^{(k)} & h^{k+u}[F_{n+k-3}^{(k)} + F_{n+k-4}^{(k)} + \cdots + F_{n-1}^{(k)}] & h^{k+u+1}[F_{n+k-3}^{(k)} + F_{n+k-4}^{(k)} + \cdots + F_n^{(k)}] \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ h^{u+2}F_{n+k+1}^{(k)} & h^{u+3}[F_n^{(k)} + F_{n-1}^{(k)} + \cdots + F_{n-k+2}^{(k)}] & h^{u+4}[F_n^{(k)} + F_{n-1}^{(k)} + \cdots + F_{n-k+3}^{(k)}] \\ h^{u+1}F_{n+k+1}^{(k)} & h^{u+2}[F_{n-1}^{(k)} + F_{n-2}^{(k)} + \cdots + F_{n-k+1}^{(k)}] & h^{u+3}[F_{n-1}^{(k)} + F_{n-2}^{(k)} + \cdots + F_{n-k+2}^{(k)}] \\ & \cdots & h^{2k+u-2}[F_{n+k-2}^{(k)} + F_{n+k-3}^{(k)}]h^{2k+u-1}F_{n+k-2}^{(k)} \\ & \cdots & h^{2k+u-3}[F_{n+k-3}^{(k)} + F_{n+k-4}^{(k)}]h^{2k+u-2}F_{n+k-3}^{(k)} \\ & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ & \cdots & h^{k+u}[F_n^{(k)} + F_{n-1}^{(k)}] & h^{k+u+1}F_n^{(k)} \\ & \cdots & h^{k+u-1}[F_{n-1}^{(k)} + F_{n-2}^{(k)}] & h^{k+u}F_{n-1}^{(k)} \end{bmatrix}$$

where

$$u = \begin{cases} 0, k - n \equiv 0 \pmod{2} \\ 1, k - n \equiv 1 \pmod{2} \end{cases}$$

# The period of the hyperbolic-type k-Fibonacci sequence modulo m

If we reduce the hyperbolic-type k-Fibonacci sequence  $\{HF_n^{(h,k)}\}$  modulo m, taking least non-negative residues, then we can get the repeating sequence, denoted by:

$$\{HF_n^{(h,k)}(m)\} = \{HF_0^{(h,k)}(m), HF_1^{(h,k)}(m), \dots, HF_i^{(h,k)}(m), \dots\}$$

where  $HF_i^{(h,k)}(m)$  is used to mean  $n^{th}$  hyperbolic-type k-Fibonacci number modulo m. We note here that the sequence  $\{HF_n^{(h,k)}(m)\}$  has the same recurrence as in the  $\{HF_n^{(h,k)}\}$ . Theorem 1.  $\{HF_n^{(h,k)}(m)\}$  forms a simply periodic sequence for any  $k \geq 2$ .

Proof. Let us consider the set:

$$X = \{(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_k) \mid 0 \le x_v \le m - 1\}$$

It is clear that X is a finite set. Let the notation |X| denote the cardinality of the set X, then there are |X| distinct k-tuples of the hyperbolic numbers modulo m. Then, at least one of the *k*-tuples appears twice in the sequence  $\{HF_n^{(h,k)}(m)\}$ . Thus, the subsequence following this *k*-tuple repeats; therefore, the sequence  $\{HF_n^{(h,k)}(m)\}$  is periodic. Since periodicity, for any  $s \ge 0$ , there exist  $r \ge s + k$  such that:

$$HF_{s}^{(h,k)}(m) \equiv HF_{r}^{(h,k)}(m), \quad HF_{s+1}^{(h,k)}(m) \equiv HF_{r+1}^{(h,k)}(m), \cdots, HF_{s+k}^{(h,k)}(m) \equiv HF_{r+k}^{(h,k)}(m)$$

From the recurrence relation of the hyperbolic-type k-Fibonacci sequence  $HF_n^{(h,k)}$ , we can easily derive that:

$$HF_{s-1}^{(h,k)}(m) \equiv HF_{r-1}^{(h,k)}(m), \quad HF_{s-2}^{(h,k)}(m) \equiv HF_{r-2}^{(h,k)}(m), \cdots, HF_0^{(h,k)}(m) \equiv HF_{r-s}^{(h,k)}(m)$$

which implies that the sequence  $\{HF_n^{(h,k)}(m)\}$  is simply periodic.

We denote the period of the sequence  $\{HF_n^{(h,k)}(m)\}\$  by  $p_k^h(m)$ .

# The hyperbolic-type **k**-Fibonacci sequence in groups

Let *G* be a finite *k*-generator group and let:

$$X = \left\{ (x_1, x_2, \dots, x_k) \in \underbrace{G \times G \times \dots G}_{k} | \{x_1, x_2, \dots, x_k\} = G \right\}$$

We call  $(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_k)$  a generating k-tuple for G.

Definition 1. Let G be a k-generator group. For generating k-tuple  $(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_k)$ , we define the hyperbolic-type *k*-Fibonacci orbit by:

$$a_0 = x_1, a_1 = x_2, \dots, a_{k-1} = x_k, a_{n+k} = (a_n)^{h^k} (a_{n+1})^{h^{k-1}} \dots (a_{n+k-2})^{h^2} (a_{n+k-1})^h n \ge 0$$

The following conditions hold for every  $x, y \in G$ .

- if  $xy \neq yx$ , then  $x^h y^h \neq y^h x^h$ .  $(xy)^h = y^h x^h$ ,  $xy^h = y^h x$  and  $x^h y = yx^h$ .
- ii.
- iii.

For generating k-tuple  $(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_k)$ , we define the hyperbolic-type k-Fibonacci orbit is denoted by  $HF^h_{(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_k)}(G)$ .

Theorem 2. Let G be a k-generator group. If G is finite, then the hyperbolic-type k-

Fibonacci orbit of *G* is periodic.

Proof. Consider the set:

$$X = \left\{ \left[ (x_1)^{a_1(\text{mod}|x_1|) + hb_1(\text{mod}|x_1|)}, \right. \right.$$

$$(x_2)^{a_2(\text{mod}|x_2|) + hb_2(\text{mod}|x_2|)}, \cdots,$$

$$(x_k)^{a_k(\text{mod}|x_k|) + hb_k(\text{mod}|x_k|)} \right] |$$

$$x_1, x_2, \dots, x_k \in G$$
 and  $a_n, b_n \in \mathbb{Z}$  such that  $1 \le n \le k$ 

Since G is finite, the X is a finite set. Then for any  $t \ge 0$ , there exists  $v \ge t + k$  such

that  $a_{t+1} = a_{v+1}, a_{t+2} = a_{v+2}, \cdots, a_{t+k} = a_{v+k}$ . Because of the repeating for all generating k-tuples, the sequence  $HF^h_{(x_1,x_2,\cdots,x_k)}(G)$  is periodic.

We denote the length of the period of the orbit  $HF^h_{(x_1,x_2,\cdots,x_k)}(G)$  by  $L^h_{(x_1,x_2,\cdots,x_k)}(G)$ . From the definition of the orbit  $HF^h_{(x_1,x_2,\cdots,x_k)}(G)$  it is clear that the length of the period of this sequence in a finite group depend on the chosen generating set and the order in which the assignments of  $x_1, x_2, \dots, x_k$  are made.

It is well-known that the dihedral group  $D_{2m}$  of order 2m is defined by the presentation:

$$D_{2m} = \langle x, y | x^m = y^2 = (v)^2 = e \rangle$$

We shall now address the lengths of the periods of the orbits  $\mathit{HF}^h_{(x,y)}(D_{2m})$  and  $HF_{(y,x)}^h(D_{2m}).$ 

*Theorem 3.* For:

$$m \ge 2, L_{(x,y)}^h(D_{2m}) = L_{(y,x)}^h(D_{2m}) = lcm[6, p_2^h(m)]$$

*Proof.* Let us consider the hyperbolic-type 2-Fibonacci orbit of the dihedral group  $D_{2m}$  for generating pair (x, y).

$$a_0 = x, a_1 = y, a_2 = xy^h, a_3 = x^h, a_4 = x^2y^h, a_5 = x^{3h}y, a_6 = x^5, \cdots$$

$$a_{s,r} = x^{u_{s,r}}y^{v_{s,r}}, a_{s,r+1} = x^{u_{s,r+1}}y^{v_{s,r+1}}, a_{s,r+2} = x^{u_{s,r+2}}y^{v_{s,r+2}}, \cdots$$
Since  $|x| = m, |y| = 2$  and  $p_2^h(2) = 6$ :
$$a_{6,r} = x^{u_{6,r}}, a_{6,r+1} = x^{u_{6,r+1}}y, a_{6,r+2} = x^{u_{6,r+2}}y^h, \cdots$$

and

$$a_{p_2^h(m),r} = xy^{v_{p_2^h(m),r}}, a_{p_3^h(m),r+1} = y^{v_{p_2^h(m),r+1}}, a_{p_3^h(m),r+2} = x^h y^{v_{p_2^h(m),r+2}}, \dots$$

where  $u_0=1, u_1=0, u_{n+2}=hu_{n+1}+u_n$  and  $v_0=0, v_1=1, v_{n+2}=hv_{n+1}+v_n, n\geq 0$ . Then we obtain:

$$a_{lcm[6, p_2^h(m)]} = x, a_{lcm[6, p_2^h(m)]+1} = y, a_{lcm[6, p_2^h(m)]+2} = x^h y, \cdots$$

Thus it is verified that the length of the period of the sequence  $HF_{(x,y)}^h(D_{2m})$  is  $lcm[6,p_2^h(m)]$ . There is a similar proof for length of the period of the sequence  $HF_{(y,x)}^h(D_{2m})$ . Example 1. The sequence  $L_{(x,y)}^h(D_6)$  is:

$$x, y, xy^h, x^h, x^2y^h, y, x^2, x^{2h}y, xy^h, e, xy^h, x^hy,$$
  
 $x^2, y, x^2y^h, x^{2h}, xy^h, y, x, x^hy, x^2y^h, e, x^2y^h, x^{2h}y,$   
 $x, y, \dots$ 

which implies that  $L_{(x,y)}^h(D_6) = 24$ . It is easy to see that  $lcm[6, p_2^h(3)] = lcm[6,8] = 24$ .

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