



Convolutions of the Generalized Pell and Pell-Lucas Numbers

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Abstract. We consider the convolution of the generalized Pell numbers $P_{n,m}^{(s)}$ and the convolution of the generalized Pell-Lucas numbers $Q_{n,m}^{(s)}$. For $s = 0$, the sequence $P_{n,m}^{(0)}$ represents the generalized Pell numbers $P_{n,m}$, and the sequence $Q_{n,m}^{(0)}$ represents the generalized Pell-Lucas numbers $Q_{n,m}$ ([1], [2]). For $m = 2$ and $s = 0$, the numbers $P_{n,2}^{(0)}$ and $Q_{n,2}^{(0)}$ are Pell and Pell-Lucas numbers, respectively.

1. Convolution of the Pell-Numbers

In [8], A. F. Horadam considered sequences of numbers $P_n^{(s)}$ and $Q_n^{(s)}$. The first sequence, $P_n^{(s)}$, is the convolution of the Pell numbers P_n , and the second one, $Q_n^{(s)}$, is the convolution of the Pell-Lucas numbers Q_n . In [5] the polynomials $U_{n,m}^k(x)$ and $V_{n,m}^k(x)$ are considered.

In this paper we consider the convolution of the generalized Pell numbers $P_{n,m}^{(s)}$ and the convolution of the generalized Pell-Lucas numbers $Q_{n,m}^{(s)}$. For $s = 0$, the sequence $P_{n,m}^{(0)}$ represents the generalized Pell numbers $P_{n,m}$, and the sequence $Q_{n,m}^{(0)}$ represents the generalized Pell-Lucas numbers $Q_{n,m}$ ([1], [2], [5]). The sequences $P_{n,m}^{(s)}$ and $Q_{n,m}^{(s)}$ are given as:

$$(1 - 2t - t^m)^{-(s+1)} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} P_{n+1,m}^{(s)} t^n, \quad (0.1)$$

and

$$\left(\frac{2 + 2t^{m-1}}{1 - 2t - t^m} \right)^{s+1} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} Q_{n+1,m}^{(s)} t^n, \quad (0.2)$$

where $n \in \mathbb{N}$, $s \in \mathbb{N}$ and $m \geq 1$.

Throughout in this paper we use \mathbb{N} to denote set of all nonnegative integers.

This paper is motivated by papers [3], [4], [5], [6], [7], [8], [9].

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Using the standard method, starting with recurrence relation (0.1), we get the following explicit formula

$$P_{n+1,m}^{(s)} = \sum_{k=0}^{\lfloor n/m \rfloor} \frac{(s+1)_{n-(m-1)k}}{k!(n-mk)!} \cdot 2^{n-mk}. \tag{1.1}$$

For $s = 0$ in (1.1), we have $P_{n+1,m}$ -generalized Pell numbers:

$$P_{n+1,m} = \sum_{k=0}^{\lfloor n/m \rfloor} \frac{(n-(m-1)k)!}{k!(n-mk)!} \cdot 2^{n-mk}.$$

Remark. Using the known relations (see [10]):

$$(\alpha)_{n+k} = (\alpha)_n (\alpha+n)_k; \quad \frac{(-1)^k}{(n-k)!} = \frac{(-n)_k}{n!}; \quad (\alpha)_{n-k} = \frac{(-1)^k (\alpha)_n}{(1-\alpha-n)_k},$$

the explicit formula (1.1) can be written in the following form (see [3])

$$P_{n+1,m}^{(s)} = \frac{2^n (s+1)_n}{n!} {}_mF_{m-1} \left[\begin{matrix} -\frac{n}{m}, \frac{1-n}{m}, \dots, \frac{m-1-n}{m}; \\ -\frac{s-n}{m-1}, \frac{1-s-n}{m-1}, \dots, \frac{m-2-s-n}{m-1} \end{matrix}; \frac{-(m/2)^m}{(m-1)^{m-1}} \right].$$

So, for $m = 2$ and $m = 3$, the last relation yields:

$$P_{n+1,2}^{(s)} = \frac{2^n (s+1)_n}{n!} {}_2F_1 \left[\begin{matrix} -\frac{n}{2}, \frac{1-n}{2}; \\ -\frac{s-n}{1} \end{matrix}; -1 \right]$$

and

$$P_{n+1,3}^{(s)} = \frac{2^n (s+1)_n}{n!} {}_3F_2 \left[\begin{matrix} -\frac{n}{3}, \frac{1-n}{3}, \frac{2-n}{3}; \\ -\frac{s-n}{2}, \frac{1-s-n}{2} \end{matrix}; \frac{-(3/2)^3}{4} \right].$$

Theorem 1. The sequence of numbers $P_{n,m}^{(s)}$ satisfies the following recurrence relation ($P_{0,m}^{(s)} = 0$):

$$2P_{n-1,m}^{(s)} + P_{n-m,m}^{(s)} + P_{n,m}^{(s-1)} = P_{n,m}^{(s)} \quad n \geq m, \quad s \geq 1. \tag{1.2}$$

Proof. Using the explicit representation (1.1) on the left side of (1.2), we get:

$$\begin{aligned} & 2 \cdot \frac{2^{n-2-mk} (s+1)_{n-2-(m-1)k}}{k!(n-2-mk)!} + \frac{(s+1)_{n-1-m-(m-1)k}}{k!(n-1-m-mk)!} \cdot 2^{n-1-m-mk} \\ & \quad + \frac{(s)_{n-1-(m-1)k}}{k!(n-1-mk)!} \cdot 2^{n-1-mk} \\ & = 2^{n-1-mk} \frac{(s+1)_{n-2-(m-1)k}}{k!(n-2-mk)!} + \frac{(s+1)_{n-2-(m-1)k}}{(k-1)!(n-1-mk)!} \cdot 2^{n-1-mk} \\ & \quad + \frac{(s)_{n-1-(m-1)k}}{k!(n-1-mk)!} \cdot 2^{n-1-mk} = \frac{2^{n-1-mk}}{k!(n-1-mk)!} \times \\ & \quad \left((n-1-mk)(s+1)_{n-2-(m-1)k} + k(s+1)_{n-2-(m-1)k} + (s)_{n-1-(m-1)k} \right) \\ & = \frac{2^{n-1-mk}}{k!(n-1-mk)!} \cdot (s+1)_{n-1-(m-1)k}. \end{aligned}$$

□

If $m = 2$, then (1.2) becomes (see [4])

$$P_n^{(s)} = 2P_{n-1}^{(s)} + P_{n-2}^{(s)} + P_n^{(s-1)}, \quad n \geq 2, \quad s \geq 1. \tag{1.3}$$

Using the relation (1.3), we find some first members of sequence $P_n^{(s)}$:

$$P_0^{(s)} = 0, \quad P_1^{(s)} = 1, \quad P_2^{(s)} = 2(s + 1),$$

$$P_3^{(s)} = 2(s + 1)_2, \quad P_4^{(s)} = \frac{4(s + 1)_3}{3} + (s + 1).$$

For $m = 3$, the relation (1.2) yields:

$$P_{n,3}^{(s)} = 2P_{n-1,3}^{(s)} + P_{n-3,3}^{(s)} + P_{n,3}^{(s-1)}, \quad n \geq 3, \quad s \geq 1. \tag{1.4}$$

Now, from (1.1), for $m = 3$ and $s = 0, 1, 2, 3, 4$, we get:

Table 1: Numbers $P_{n,3}^{(s)}$

n	$s = 0$	$s = 1$	$s = 2$	$s = 3$	$s = 4$
1	1	1	1	1	1
2	2	4	6	8	10
3	4	12	24	40	60
4	9	34	83	164	285
5	20	92	264	600	1180
6	44	240	792	2032	4452

Again from (1.2), for $m = 4$, we find that numbers $P_{n,4}^{(s)}$ satisfy the following recurrence relation:

$$P_{n,4}^{(s)} = 2P_{n-1,4}^{(s)} + P_{n-4,4}^{(s)} + P_{n,4}^{(s-1)}, \quad n \geq 4, \quad s \geq 1. \tag{1.5}$$

For $m = 4$, and from (1.1), we get the following members of the sequence $\{P_{n,4}^{(s)}\}$:

Table 2: Numbers $P_{n,4}^{(s)}$

n	$s = 0$	$s = 1$	$s = 2$	$s = 3$	$s = 4$
1	1	1	1	1	1
2	2	4	6	8	10
3	4	12	24	40	60
4	8	32	80	160	280
5	17	82	243	564	1125
6	36	204	696	1832	4092
7	76	496	1912	5616	13860

Theorem 2. The following relation holds:

$$\sum_{k=0}^s P_{n,m}^{(k)} = \frac{1}{2} \left\{ P_{n+1,m}^{(s)} - \sum_{k=0}^s P_{n+1-m,m}^{(k)} \right\}, \tag{1.6}$$

for $n \geq m - 1$.

Proof. From the relation (1.2), for successive values $s = 0, 1, \dots, k$, we get:

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{k=0}^s P_{n,m}^{(k)} &= 2 \sum_{k=0}^s P_{n-1,m}^{(k)} + \sum_{k=0}^s P_{n-m,m}^{(k)} + \sum_{k=0}^{s-1} P_{n,m}^{(k)} \\ P_{n,m}^{(s)} + \sum_{k=0}^{s-1} P_{n,m}^{(k)} &= 2 \sum_{k=0}^s P_{n-1}^{(k)} + \sum_{k=0}^s P_{n-m,m}^{(k)} + \sum_{k=0}^{s-1} P_{n,m}^{(k)} \\ P_{n,m}^{(s)} &= 2 \sum_{k=0}^s P_{n-1,m}^{(k)} + \sum_{k=0}^s P_{n-m,m}^{(k)}. \end{aligned}$$

Hence, substituting n by $n + 1$, we obtain

$$\sum_{k=0}^s P_{n,m}^{(k)} = \frac{1}{2} \left\{ P_{n+1,m}^{(s)} - \sum_{k=0}^s P_{n+1-m,m}^{(k)} \right\}.$$

□

The relation (1.6), for $m = 2$, is given in [8].

We give some examples.

Example 1. Let $n = 4$, $s = 3$ and $m = 3$. From Table 1 and using (1.6), we get:

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{k=0}^3 P_{4,3}^{(k)} &= \frac{1}{2} \left\{ P_{5,3}^{(3)} - \sum_{k=0}^3 P_{2,3}^{(k)} \right\}; \\ \Leftrightarrow 9 + 34 + 83 + 164 &= \frac{1}{2} (600 - 2 - 4 - 6 - 8) \Leftrightarrow 290 = 290. \end{aligned}$$

Example 2. Let $n = 5$, $s = 3$ and $m = 3$. Again from Table 1 and using (1.6), we find:

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{k=0}^3 P_{5,3}^{(k)} &= \frac{1}{2} \left\{ P_{6,3}^{(3)} - \sum_{k=0}^3 P_{3,3}^{(k)} \right\} \\ \Leftrightarrow 20 + 92 + 264 + 600 &= \frac{1}{2} (2032 - 4 - 12 - 24 - 40) \Leftrightarrow 976 = 976. \end{aligned}$$

Example 3. Let $n = 4$ and $s = 4$. Then, from Table 2 and (1.6), we have:

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{k=0}^3 P_{4,4}^{(k)} &= \frac{1}{2} \left\{ P_{5,4}^{(3)} - \sum_{k=0}^3 P_{1,4}^{(k)} \right\} \\ \Leftrightarrow 8 + 32 + 80 + 160 &= \frac{1}{2} (564 - 4) \Leftrightarrow 280 = 280. \end{aligned}$$

Example 4. From Table 2, using (1.6), for $n = 6$, $s = 4$, we get:

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{k=0}^4 P_{6,4}^{(k)} &= \frac{1}{2} \left\{ P_{7,4}^{(4)} - \sum_{k=0}^4 P_{3,4}^{(k)} \right\} \Leftrightarrow \\ 36 + 204 + 696 + 1832 + 4092 &= \frac{1}{2} (13860 - 4 - 12 - 24 - 40 - 60) \\ \Leftrightarrow 6860 &= 6860. \end{aligned}$$

Theorem 3. The numbers $P_{n,m}^{(s)}$ satisfy the following relation

$$2 \sum_{i=1}^n P_{i,m}^{(s)} = P_{n+1,m}^{(s)} + P_{n,m}^{(s)} + \dots + P_{n+2-m,m}^{(s)} - \sum_{i=1}^{n+1} P_{i,m}^{(s-1)}, \tag{1.7}$$

where $s \geq 1, n \geq m - 2, m \geq 2$.

Proof. Taking $n = 1, 2, \dots$, and from the relation (1.2), it follows:

$$\begin{aligned} P_{1,m}^{(s)} &= 2P_{0,m}^{(s)} + P_{1-m,m}^{(s)} + P_{1,m}^{(s-1)} \\ P_{2,m}^{(s)} &= 2P_{1,m}^{(s)} + P_{2-m,m}^{(s)} + P_{2,m}^{(s-1)} \\ &\dots\dots\dots \\ P_{n-m,m}^{(s)} &= 2P_{n-1-m,m}^{(s)} + P_{n-2m,m}^{(s)} + P_{n-m,m}^{(s-1)} \\ &\dots\dots\dots \\ P_{n-1,m}^{(s)} &= 2P_{n-2,m}^{(s)} + P_{n-1-m,m}^{(s)} + P_{n-1,m}^{(s-1)} \\ P_{n,m}^{(s)} &= 2P_{n-1,m}^{(s)} + P_{n-m,m}^{(s)} + P_{n,m}^{(s-1)} \\ P_{n+1,m}^{(s)} &= 2P_{n,m}^{(s)} + P_{n+1-m,m}^{(s)} + P_{n+1,m}^{(s-1)}. \end{aligned}$$

So, summing the last equalities, we find that

$$P_{n+2-m,m}^{(s)} + P_{n+3-m,m}^{(s)} + \dots + P_{n-1,m}^{(s)} + P_{n,m}^{(s)} + P_{n+1,m}^{(s)} = 2 \sum_{i=1}^n P_{i,m}^{(s)} + \sum_{i=1}^{n+1} P_{i,m}^{(s-1)}.$$

□

Example 5. For $m = 3, s = 3$ and $n = 4$, by (1.7), and from Table 1, we have

$$\begin{aligned} 2 \sum_{i=1}^4 P_{i,3}^{(3)} &= P_{5,3}^{(3)} + P_{4,3}^{(3)} + P_{3,3}^{(3)} - \sum_{i=1}^5 P_{i,3}^{(2)} \\ &\Leftrightarrow 2(1 + 8 + 40 + 164) = 600 + 164 + 40 - 1 - 6 - 24 - 83 - 264 \\ &\Leftrightarrow 426 = 426. \end{aligned}$$

Example 6. For $n = 5, m = 4$ and $s = 4$, using (1.7), and from Table 2, we have:

$$\begin{aligned} 2 \sum_{i=1}^5 P_{i,4}^{(4)} &= P_{6,4}^{(4)} + P_{5,4}^{(4)} + P_{4,4}^{(4)} + P_{3,4}^{(4)} - \sum_{i=1}^6 P_{i,4}^{(3)} \\ &\Leftrightarrow 2(1 + 10 + 60 + 280 + 1125) = 4092 + 1125 + 280 + 60 - 2605 \\ &\Leftrightarrow 2952 = 2952. \end{aligned}$$

2. Connection with Generalized Fibonacci Numbers

In this section we find relations between the sequence $\{P_{n,m}^{(s)}\}$ and the generalized Fibonacci numbers $F_{n,m}(3)$, where $F_{n,m}(x)$ are the generalized Fibonacci polynomials (see [1], [2], [5], [7]).

Namely, the numbers $F_{n,m}(3)$ are given as

$$F_{n,m}(3) = 3F_{n-1,m}(3) + F_{n-m,m}(3), \tag{2.1}$$

which is an explicit formula corresponding to numbers $Q_{n+1,m}^{(s)}$.

If $s = 0$, then $Q_{n,m}^{(0)} = Q_{n,m}$ are the generalized Pell–Lucas numbers.

The recurrence relation (3.2), for $m = 3$, yields ($Q_{0,3}^{(s)} = 0$):

$$nQ_{n+1,3}^{(s)} = 4(s+1)Q_{n-1,3}^{(s-1)} + 2(n+s)Q_{n,3}^{(s)} + (3s+n)Q_{n-2,3}^{(s)}, \quad n \geq 2. \quad (3.5)$$

Using the relation (3.5), for $n = 0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6$ and $s = 0, 1, 2, 3, 4$, we get:

Table 3: Numbers $Q_{n,3}^{(s)}$

n	$s = 0$	$s = 1$	$s = 2$	$s = 3$	$s = 4$
1	2	4	8	16	32
2	4	16	48	128	320
3	10	56	216	704	2080
4	22	168	808	3136	10720
5	48	468	2712	12256	47680
6	106	1248	8472	43776	191264

Next, the recurrence relation (3.2), for $m = 4$, becomes ($Q_{0,4}^{(s)} = 0$):

$$nQ_{n+1,4}^{(s)} = 6(s+1)Q_{n-2,4}^{(s-1)} + 2(n+s)Q_{n,4}^{(s)} + (4s+n)Q_{n-3,4}^{(s)}. \quad (3.6)$$

Next, from (3.6), for $n = 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6$ and $s = 0, 1, 2, 3, 4$, we get:

Table 4: Numbers $Q_{n,4}^{(s)}$

n	$s = 0$	$s = 1$	$s = 2$	$s = 3$	$s = 4$
1	2	4	8	16	32
2	4	16	48	128	320
3	8	48	192	640	1920
4	18	136	664	2624	9120
5	38	360	2088	9536	37600
6	80	912	6144	31872	140544

Theorem 5. For $n \geq m$, $s \geq 1$ and $Q_{0,m}^{(s)} = 0$, the following relation

$$Q_{n,m}^{(s)} = 2Q_{n-1,m}^{(s)} + Q_{n-m,m}^{(s)} + 2Q_{n,m}^{(s-1)} + 2Q_{n+1-m,m}^{(s-1)} \quad (3.7)$$

holds.

Theorem 6. For $n \geq m$ and $s \geq 1$, the numbers $Q_{n,m}^{(s)}$ satisfy

$$Q_{n,m}^{(s)} = 2 \sum_{k=0}^s Q_{n-1,m}^{(k)} + \sum_{k=0}^s Q_{n-m,m}^{(k)} + \sum_{k=0}^{s-1} Q_{n,m}^{(k)} + 2 \sum_{k=0}^{s-1} Q_{n+1-m,m}^{(k)}. \quad (3.8)$$

Proof. Using the relation (3.7), we get:

$$\begin{aligned} Q_{n,m}^{(1)} &= 2Q_{n-1,m}^{(1)} + Q_{n-m,m}^{(1)} + 2Q_{n,m}^{(0)} + 2Q_{n+1-m,m}^{(0)} \\ Q_{n,m}^{(2)} &= 2Q_{n-1,m}^{(2)} + Q_{n-m,m}^{(2)} + 2Q_{n,m}^{(1)} + 2Q_{n+1-m,m}^{(1)} \\ &\dots\dots\dots \\ Q_{n,m}^{(s)} &= 2Q_{n-1,m}^{(s)} + Q_{n-m,m}^{(s)} + 2Q_{n,m}^{(s-1)} + 2Q_{n+1-m,m}^{(s-1)}. \end{aligned}$$

Summing the last equalities, it follows

$$Q_{n,m}^{(s)} = 2 \sum_{k=0}^s Q_{n-1,m}^{(k)} + \sum_{k=0}^s Q_{n-m,m}^{(k)} + \sum_{k=0}^{s-1} Q_{n,m}^{(k)} + 2 \sum_{k=0}^{s-1} Q_{n+1-m,m}^{(k)}.$$

So, the relation (3.8) is proved. \square

Finally, we give the following two examples.

Example 7. From Table 3 and using (3.8), we obtain:

$$\begin{aligned} Q_{6,3}^{(3)} &= 2 \sum_{k=0}^3 Q_{5,3}^{(k)} + \sum_{k=0}^3 Q_{3,3}^{(k)} + \sum_{k=0}^2 Q_{6,3}^{(k)} + 2 \sum_{k=0}^2 Q_{4,3}^{(k)} \\ \Leftrightarrow & 43776 = 2(12256 + 2712 + 468 + 48) + (10 + 56 + 216 + 704) + \\ & (106 + 1248 + 8472) + 2(22 + 168 + 808) \\ \Leftrightarrow & 43776 = 43776. \end{aligned}$$

Example 8. From (3.8) and Table 4, we have:

$$\begin{aligned} Q_{5,4}^{(3)} &= 2 \sum_{k=0}^3 Q_{4,4}^{(k)} + \sum_{k=0}^3 Q_{1,4}^{(k)} + \sum_{k=0}^2 Q_{5,4}^{(k)} + 2 \sum_{k=0}^2 Q_{2,4}^{(k)} \\ \Leftrightarrow & 9536 = 2(18 + 136 + 664 + 2524) + (2 + 4 + 8 + 16) + (38 + 360 + 2088) \\ & + 2(4 + 48 + 16) \\ \Leftrightarrow & 9536 = 9536. \end{aligned}$$

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