

**ON FAMILIES OF BIPARTITE GRAPHS ASSOCIATED
WITH SUMS OF GENERALIZED ORDER- k FIBONACCI
AND LUCAS NUMBERS**

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ABSTRACT. In this paper, we consider the relationships between the sums of the generalized order- k Fibonacci and Lucas numbers and 1-factors of bipartite graphs.

1. INTRODUCTION

We consider the generalized *order* $-k$ Fibonacci and Lucas numbers. In [1], Er defined k sequences of the generalized *order* $-k$ Fibonacci numbers as shown:

$$g_n^i = \sum_{j=1}^k g_{n-j}^i, \text{ for } n > 0 \text{ and } 1 \leq i \leq k, \quad (1.1)$$

with boundary conditions for $1 - k \leq n \leq 0$,

$$g_n^i = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } i = 1 - n, \\ 0 & \text{otherwise,} \end{cases}$$

where g_n^i is the n th term of the i th sequence. For example, if $k = 2$, then $\{g_n^2\}$ is usual Fibonacci sequence, $\{F_n\}$, and, if $k = 4$, then the 4th sequence of the generalized *order* -4 Fibonacci numbers is

$$1, 1, 2, 4, 8, 15, 29, 56, 108, 208, 401, 773, 1490, \dots$$

In [9], the authors defined k sequences of the generalized *order* $-k$ Lucas numbers as shown:

$$l_n^i = \sum_{j=1}^k l_{n-j}^i, \text{ for } n > 0 \text{ and } 1 \leq i \leq k, \quad (1.2)$$

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with boundary conditions for $1 - k \leq n \leq 0$,

$$l_n^i = \begin{cases} -1 & \text{if } i = 1 - n, \\ 2 & \text{if } i = 2 - n, \\ 0 & \text{otherwise,} \end{cases}$$

where l_n^i is the n th term of the i th sequence. For example, if $k = 2$, then $\{l_n^2\}$ is the usual Lucas sequence, $\{L_n\}$, and, if $k = 4$, then the 4th sequence of the generalized *order* -4 Lucas numbers is

$$1, 3, 4, 8, 16, 31, 59, 114, 220, 424, 817, 1575, 30636, \dots$$

Also, Er showed that

$$\begin{bmatrix} g_{n+1}^i \\ g_n^i \\ \vdots \\ g_{n-k+2}^i \end{bmatrix} = A \begin{bmatrix} g_n^i \\ g_{n-1}^i \\ \vdots \\ g_{n-k+1}^i \end{bmatrix}$$

where

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 & \dots & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & \dots & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & \dots & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & \dots & 0 & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \dots & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

is a $k \times k$ companion matrix. Then he derived

$$G_{n+1} = AG_n,$$

where

$$G_n = \begin{bmatrix} g_n^1 & g_n^2 & \dots & g_n^k \\ g_{n-1}^1 & g_{n-1}^2 & \dots & g_{n-1}^k \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ g_{n-k+1}^1 & g_{n-k+1}^2 & \dots & g_{n-k+1}^k \end{bmatrix}$$

The matrix A is said to be the generalized *order* $-k$ Fibonacci matrix.

In [9], we showed

$$\begin{bmatrix} l_{n+1}^i \\ l_n^i \\ \vdots \\ l_{n-k+2}^i \end{bmatrix} = A \begin{bmatrix} l_n^i \\ l_{n-1}^i \\ \vdots \\ l_{n-k+1}^i \end{bmatrix}$$

and so

$$H_{n+1} = AH_n$$

where

$$H_n = \begin{bmatrix} l_n^1 & l_n^2 & \cdots & l_n^k \\ l_{n-1}^1 & l_{n-1}^2 & \cdots & l_{n-1}^k \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ l_{n-k+1}^1 & l_{n-k+1}^2 & \cdots & l_{n-k+1}^k \end{bmatrix},$$

also showed that

$$H_n = G_n K$$

where

$$K = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 2 & 0 & \cdots & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 2 & \cdots & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 & \cdots & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \cdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & -1 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \cdots & 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Furthermore, in [3], we gave the following relationship

$$l_n^k = g_n^k + 2g_{n-1}^k \quad \text{for } k \geq 2. \tag{1.3}$$

The *permanent* of an n -square matrix $A = (a_{ij})$ is defined by

$$\text{per } A = \sum_{\sigma \in S_n} \prod_{i=1}^n a_{i\sigma(i)}$$

where the summation extends over all permutations σ of the symmetric group S_n . A matrix is said to be a $(0, 1)$ -*matrix* if each of its entries is either 0 or 1.

In [7], Minc constructed the $n \times n$ $(0, 1)$ -*matrix* $F(n, k)$ where, $k \leq n+1$, with 1 in the (i, j) position for $i-1 \leq j \leq i+k-1$ and 0 otherwise. That is,

$$F(n, k) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & \cdots & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & \cdots & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & \cdots & 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ \cdots & \cdots & \cdots & \cdots & \cdots & \cdots & \cdots & \cdots & \cdots & \cdots \\ 0 & \cdots & 0 & 1 & 1 & \cdots & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \cdots & \cdots & 0 & 1 & 1 & \cdots & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & \cdots & \cdots & \cdots & 0 & 1 & 1 & \cdots & 1 & 1 \\ \cdots & \cdots & \cdots & \cdots & \cdots & \cdots & \cdots & \cdots & \cdots & \cdots \\ 0 & \cdots & \cdots & \cdots & \cdots & \cdots & 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & \cdots & \cdots & \cdots & \cdots & \cdots & \cdots & 0 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \tag{1.4}$$

and he showed that

$$\text{per}F(n, k) = g_{n+1}^k \quad (1.5)$$

where g_n^k is the n th generalized order- k Fibonacci number. When $k = 2$, $\text{per}F(n, 2) = F_{n+1}$.

In this paper, we find families of square matrices such that (i) each matrix is the adjacency matrix of a bipartite graph; and (ii) the permanent of the matrices are the generalized order- k Lucas numbers and a sum of consecutive generalized order- k Fibonacci or Lucas numbers.

A *bipartite graph* G is a graph whose vertex set V can be partitioned into two subsets V_1 and V_2 such that every edge of G joins a vertex in V_1 and a vertex in V_2 . A 1-factor (or *perfect matching*) of a graph with $2n$ vertices is a spanning subgraph of G in which every vertex has degree 1. The enumeration or actual construction of 1-factors of a bipartite graph has many applications. Let $A(G)$ be the adjacency matrix of the bipartite graph G , and let $\mu(G)$ denote the number of 1-factors of G . Then, one can find the following fact in [8]: $\mu(G) \leq \sqrt{\text{per}A(G)}$. Also, one can find more applications of permanents in [8].

Let G be a bipartite graph whose vertex set V is partitioned into two subsets V_1 and V_2 such that $|V_1| = |V_2| = n$. We construct the *bipartite adjacent matrix* $B(G) = [b_{ij}]$ of G as following: $b_{ij} = 1$ if and only if G contains an edge from $v_i \in V_1$ to $v_j \in V_2$, and 0 otherwise. Then, in [2] and [8], the number of 1-factors of bipartite graph G equals the permanent of its bipartite adjacency matrix.

Lee defined the matrix \mathcal{L}_n and gave that $\text{per}\mathcal{L}_n = L_{n-1}$ where L_n is the n th usual Lucas number (see [5]).

In [6], the authors consider the relationship between the k -generalized Fibonacci numbers and 1-factors of a bipartite graph.

Also in [4], we determine the class of bipartite graph whose number of 1-factors is the the Lucas numbers L_n . We also consider the relationships between the sums of the Fibonacci and Lucas numbers and 1-factors of bipartite graphs.

By the definitions of the generalized order- k Fibonacci and Lucas numbers for $i = k \geq 2$, we have that

$$\begin{aligned} l_1^k &= 1, & l_2^k &= 3, & l_3^k &= 2^2, & l_4^k &= 2^3, \\ \dots, & l_{k-1}^k &= 2^{k-2}, & l_k^k &= 2^{k-1}, & l_{k+1}^k &= 2^k \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} g_1^k &= 1, & g_2^k &= 2^0, & g_3^k &= 2^1, & g_4^k &= 2^2, \\ \dots, & g_{k-1}^k &= 2^{k-3}, & g_k^k &= 2^{k-2}, & g_{k+1}^k &= 2^{k-1}. \end{aligned}$$

2. THE GENERALIZED ORDER- k LUCAS NUMBERS

In this section, we determine a class of bipartite graph whose number of 1-factors is the generalized order- k Lucas number.

Firstly, let n and k be positive integers such that $n > k \geq 2$ and let $M(n, k) = [m_{ij}]$ be the $n \times n$ $(0, 1)$ -matrix with $M(n, k) = F(n, k) + U(n, k)$ where $U(n, k) = [u_{ij}]$ be the $n \times n$ $(0, 1)$ -matrix with $u_{n-k-1, n-1} = u_{n-k, n} = 1$ and 0 otherwise, and the matrix $F(n, k)$ is given by (1.4). Clearly

$$M(n, k) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & \dots & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \dots & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & \dots & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & \dots & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & \dots & 1 & 1 & 0 & \dots & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ \dots & \ddots & \ddots & \dots & \ddots & \ddots & \ddots & \ddots & \dots & \dots & \dots \\ 0 & \dots & 0 & 1 & 1 & \dots & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \dots & \dots & 0 & 1 & 1 & \dots & 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & \dots & \dots & \dots & 0 & 1 & 1 & \dots & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots & 0 & 1 & 1 & \dots & 1 & 1 \\ \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots \\ 0 & \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots & 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots & 0 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Then we have following Theorem.

Theorem 1. *Let $G(M(n, k))$ be the bipartite graph with bipartite adjacency matrix $M(n, k)$, $n \geq 3$. Then the number of 1-factors of $G(M(n, k))$ is the n th generalized order- k Lucas number, l_n^k .*

Proof. It is easy to see that expanding $perM(n, k)$ by the elements of the last row and if we consider the definition of the matrix $F(n, k)$, then we obtain

$$perM(n, k) = per \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & \dots & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \dots & \dots & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & \dots & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & \dots & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & \dots & 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 & \dots & \dots & 0 \\ \dots & \ddots & \ddots & \dots & \dots & \dots & \ddots & \ddots & \dots & \dots \\ 0 & \dots & 0 & 1 & \dots & 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \dots & \dots & 0 & 1 & \dots & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & \dots & \dots & \dots & 0 & 1 & \dots & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots & \ddots & \ddots & \dots & \vdots & \vdots \\ 0 & \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots & 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots & 0 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \tag{2.1}$$

$+perF(n-1, k).$

Also if we again compute the above permanent by the elements of the last row, then we have

$$\begin{aligned} \text{per}M(n, k) &= 2\text{per} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & \dots & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \dots & \dots & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & \dots & \dots & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & \dots & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & \dots & \dots & 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 & \dots & \dots & 0 \\ \vdots & \ddots & \ddots & \dots & \dots & \ddots & \ddots & \ddots & \ddots & \dots & \vdots \\ 0 & \dots & 0 & 1 & \dots & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \dots & \dots & 0 & 1 & \dots & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & \dots & \dots & \dots & 0 & 1 & \dots & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots & 0 & 1 & \dots & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots & \ddots & \ddots & \dots & \vdots & \vdots \\ 0 & \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots & 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots & 0 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \\ &+ \text{per}F(n-1, k). \end{aligned}$$

which satisfy, by the definition of the matrix $F(n, k)$

$$\text{per}M(n, k) = 2\text{per}F(n-2, k) + \text{per}F(n-1, k).$$

Using the Eq. (1.5), we can write the last equation as

$$\text{per}M(n, k) = 2g_{n-1}^k + g_n^k$$

and by the Eq. (1.3)

$$\text{per}M(n, k) = 2g_{n-1}^k + g_n^k = l_n^k.$$

So the proof is complete. \square

For example, if we take $k = 2$, then the matrix $M(n, k)$ is reduced to the matrix

$$M(n, 2) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & \dots & \dots & \dots & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 & \dots & \dots & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 & \ddots & \dots & \dots & \dots \\ \vdots & \ddots & \ddots & \ddots & \ddots & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \dots & 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & \dots & \dots & 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ \vdots & \dots & \dots & \dots & 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots & 0 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

and by Theorem 1, $\text{per}M(n, 2) = L_n$ where L_n is the n th usual Lucas number. In [4], we define the matrix C_n and show that $\text{per}C_n = L_n$. However, the matrix C_n is different from the matrix $M(n, 2)$.

3. ON THE SUMS OF GENERALIZED ORDER- k FIBONACCI AND LUCAS NUMBERS

In this section, we determine two classes of bipartite graphs whose number of 1-factors are sums the generalized order- k Fibonacci and Lucas numbers, $\sum_{j=1}^n g_j^k$ and $\sum_{j=1}^n l_j^k$, respectively.

Let n and k be positive integers such that $n > k \geq 2$ and let $T(n, k) = [t_{ij}]$ be the $n \times n$ $(0, 1)$ -matrix with $T(n, k) = F(n, k) + V(n, k)$ where $V(n, k) = [v_{ij}]$ be the $n \times n$ $(0, 1)$ -matrix with $v_{1j} = 1$ for $k + 1 \leq j \leq n$ and 0 otherwise, and the matrix $F(n, k)$ is given by (1.4). That is,

$$T(n, k) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 & \dots & \dots & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & \dots & \dots & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & \dots & \dots & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \dots & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & \dots & \dots & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & \dots & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & \dots & \dots & 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 & \dots & \dots & 0 \\ \vdots & \dots & \ddots & \ddots & \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots & \ddots & \ddots & \dots & \vdots \\ 0 & \dots & \dots & 0 & 1 & \dots & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \dots & \dots & \dots & 0 & 1 & \dots & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots & 0 & 1 & \dots & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots & 0 & 1 & \dots & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ \vdots & \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots & \ddots & \ddots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots & 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots & 0 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Then we have following Theorem.

Theorem 2. *Let $G(T(n, k))$ be the bipartite graph with bipartite adjacency matrix $T(n, k) = F(n, k) + V(n, k)$, $n \geq 2$. Then the number of 1-factors of $G(T(n, k))$ is the sums of generalized order- k Fibonacci numbers, $\sum_{j=1}^n g_j^k$.*

Proof. We will use the induction method. If $n = 3$, then we have

$$T(3, k) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix},$$

and hence $perT(3, k) = 4$. From also the definition of the generalized order- k Fibonacci numbers, we have $g_1^k = g_2^k = 1$, $g_3^k = 2^1$. Thus $perT(3, k) = \sum_{j=1}^3 g_j^k$. Let we suppose that the equality holds for n , then we have

$$perT(n, k) = \sum_{j=1}^n g_j^k. \tag{3.1}$$

Now we show that the equality holds for $n + 1$. If we compute the $perT(n + 1, k)$ by the Laplace expansion of permanent on the elements

of the first column and consider the definition of the matrix $F(n, k)$, then we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \text{per}T(n+1, k) = \text{per} & \begin{bmatrix} 1 & \dots & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & \dots & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & \dots & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & \dots & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots \\ 0 & \dots & 0 & 1 & 1 & \dots & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \dots & \dots & 0 & 1 & 1 & \dots & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & \dots & \dots & \dots & 0 & 1 & \dots & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots \\ 0 & \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots & 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots & 0 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \\ & + \text{per}F(n, k). \end{aligned}$$

Furthermore, from the definition of the matrix $T(n, k)$, we can write the last equation as

$$\text{per}T(n+1, k) = \text{per}T(n, k) + \text{per}F(n, k). \quad (3.2)$$

By the Eqs. (1.5) and (3.1), we write the Eq. (3.2) as follow

$$\begin{aligned} \text{per}T(n+1, k) &= \sum_{j=1}^n g_j^k + g_{n+1}^k \\ &= \sum_{j=1}^{n+1} g_j^k. \end{aligned}$$

So the proof is complete. \square

Let n be positive integer such that $n > k \geq 2$ and let $E(n, k) = [e_{ij}]$ be the $n \times n$ $(0, 1)$ -matrix with $E(n, k) = M(n, k) + D(n, k)$ where $D(n, k) = [d_{ij}]$ be the $n \times n$ $(0, 1)$ -matrix with $d_{1j} = 1$ for $k+1 \leq j \leq n$ and 0

otherwise, and the matrix $M(n, k)$ be as in the section 2 . That is,

$$E(n, k) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & \dots & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & \dots & \dots & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & \dots & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \dots & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & \dots & 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \dots & \dots & 0 \\ \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots \\ 0 & \dots & 0 & 1 & 1 & \dots & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \dots & \dots & 0 & 1 & 1 & \dots & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \dots & \dots & \dots & 0 & 1 & 1 & \dots & 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots & 0 & 1 & 1 & \dots & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots \\ 0 & \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots & 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots & 0 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}. \tag{3.3}$$

Then we have following Theorem.

Theorem 3. *Let $G(E(n, k))$ be the bipartite graph with bipartite adjacency matrix $E(n, k)$, $n \geq 3$. Then the number of 1-factors of $G(E(n, k))$ is the sums of generalized order- k Lucas number, $\sum_{j=1}^{n-1} l_j^k$.*

Proof. We will use the induction method to prove that $perE(n, k) = \sum_{j=1}^{n-1} l_j^k$. If $n = 3$, then we have

$$E(3, k) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix},$$

and hence $perE(3, k) = 4$. Since the definition of the generalized order- k Lucas numbers, we have that $l_1^k = 1$ and $l_2^k = 3$, $perE(3, k) = \sum_{j=1}^2 l_j^k = 4$. We suppose that the equality holds for n . Then we have

$$perE(n, k) = \sum_{j=1}^{n-1} l_j^k. \tag{3.4}$$

Now we show that the equality holds for $n+1$. It is easy to see that expanding $perE(n+1, k)$ by the elements of the first column and if we consider

the definition of the matrix $M(n, k)$, then we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \text{per}E(n+1, k) = \text{per} & \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & \dots & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & \dots & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & \dots & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & \dots & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ \vdots & \ddots & \ddots & \dots & \dots & \dots & \ddots & \ddots & \dots & \dots & \dots \\ 0 & \dots & 0 & 1 & 1 & \dots & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \dots & \dots & 0 & 1 & 1 & \dots & 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & \dots & \dots & \dots & 0 & 1 & 1 & \dots & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots & 0 & 1 & 1 & \dots & 1 & 1 \\ \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots \\ 0 & \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots & 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots & 0 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \\ & + \text{per}M(n, k). \end{aligned}$$

From also the definition of the matrix $E(n, k)$, we can write the last equation as

$$\text{per}E(n+1, k) = \text{per}E(n, k) + M(n, k). \quad (3.5)$$

By the Eq.(3.4) and Theorem 1, we can write the Eq. (3.5) as follow

$$\begin{aligned} \text{per}E(n+1, k) &= \sum_{j=1}^{n-1} l_j^k + l_n^k \\ &= \sum_{j=1}^n l_j^k. \end{aligned}$$

So the proof is complete. \square

Furthermore, a matrix A is called *convertible* if there is an $n \times n$ $(1, -1)$ -matrix H such that $\text{per}A = \det(A \circ H)$, where $A \circ H$ denotes the Hadamard product of A and H . Such a matrix H is called a *converter* of A .

Let W be a $(1, -1)$ -matrix of order n , defined by

$$W = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 & \dots & 1 & 1 \\ -1 & 1 & 1 & \dots & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 & 1 & \dots & 1 & 1 \\ \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots \\ \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & \dots & -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Combining the above result and Theorems 1, 2 and 3, following Theorems hold.

Theorem 4. *Let l_n^k be the n th generalized order- k Lucas number. Then, for $n \geq 3$*

$$l_n^k = \det(M(n, k) \circ W).$$

Theorem 5. Let g_n^k be the n th generalized order- k Fibonacci number. Then, for $n \geq 3$

$$\sum_{j=1}^n g_j^k = \det(T(n, k) \circ W).$$

Theorem 6. Let l_n^k be the n th generalized order- k Lucas number. Then, for $n \geq 3$

$$\sum_{j=1}^n l_j^k = \det(E(n, k) \circ W).$$

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