

# Relationships between Some $k$ -Fibonacci Sequences

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## Abstract

In this paper, we will see that some  $k$ -Fibonacci sequences are related to the classical Fibonacci sequence of such way that we can express the terms of a  $k$ -Fibonacci sequence in function of some terms of the classical Fibonacci sequence. And the formulas will apply to any sequence of a certain set of  $k$ -Fibonacci sequences. Thus we find  $k'$ -Fibonacci sequences relating to other  $k$ -Fibonacci

sequences when  $\sigma'_k$  is linearly dependent of  $\sigma_k = \frac{k + \sqrt{k^2 + 4}}{2}$ .

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## 1. Introduction

$k$ -Fibonacci sequence  $\{F_{k,n}\}_{n \geq 0}$  was found by studying the recursive application of two geometrical transformations used in the well-known four-triangle longest-edge (4TLE) partition. This sequence generalizes the classical Fibonacci sequence [1] [2].

### 1.1. Definition

For any positive real number  $k$ , the  $k$ -Fibonacci sequence, say  $\{F_{k,n}\}_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$  is defined recurrently by  $F_{k,n+1} = kF_{k,n} + F_{k,n-1}$  for  $n \geq 1$  with initial conditions  $F_{k,0} = 0$ ,  $F_{k,1} = 1$ .

From this definition, the polynomial expression of the first  $k$ -Fibonacci numbers are presented in **Table 1**:

If  $k = 1$ , the classical Fibonacci sequence  $\{0, 1, 1, 2, 3, 5, 8, \dots\}$  appears and if  $k = 2$ , the 2-Fibonacci se-

**Table 1.** Polynomial expression of the first  $k$ -Fibonacci numbers.

$F_{k,1} = 1$
$F_{k,2} = k$
$F_{k,3} = k^2 + 1$
$F_{k,4} = k^3 + 2k$
$F_{k,5} = k^4 + 3k^2 + 1$
...

quence is the classical Pell sequence  $\{0, 1, 2, 5, 12, 29, 70, \dots\}$ .

### 1.2. Metallic Ratios

The characteristic equation of the recurrence equation of the definition of the  $k$ -Fibonacci numbers is

$$r^2 - kr - 1 = 0 \text{ and its solutions are } \sigma_k = \frac{k + \sqrt{k^2 + 4}}{2} \text{ and } \sigma'_k = \frac{k - \sqrt{k^2 + 4}}{2}.$$

As particular cases [3]:

- 1) If  $k = 1$ , then  $\sigma_1 = \frac{1 + \sqrt{5}}{2}$  is known as *Golden Ratio* and it is expressed as  $\Phi$ .
- 2) If  $k = 2$ , then  $\sigma_2 = 1 + \sqrt{2}$  is known as *Silver Ratio*.
- 3) If  $k = 3$ , it is  $\sigma_3 = \frac{3 + \sqrt{13}}{2}$  and it is known as *Bronze Ratio*.

From now on, we will represent the classical Fibonacci numbers as  $F_n$  instead of  $F_{1,n}$ .

Binet identity takes the form [1]  $F_{k,n} = \frac{\sigma_k^n - (\sigma'_k)^n}{\sigma_k - \sigma'_k}$  with  $\sigma_k - \sigma'_k = \sqrt{k^2 + 4}$ .

### 1.3. Theorem 1

Power  $\sigma_n^k$  for  $n \geq 1$  is related to  $\sigma_k$  by mean of the formula

$$\sigma_k^n = F_{k,n}\sigma_k + F_{k,n-1} \tag{1}$$

*Proof.* By induction. For  $n = 1$ , it is obvious. Let us suppose this formula is true until:  $\sigma_k^n = F_{k,n}\sigma_k + F_{k,n-1}$ . Then, and taking into account  $\sigma_k^2 - k\sigma_k - 1 = 0$ :

$$\begin{aligned} \sigma_k^{n+1} &= \sigma_k^n \cdot \sigma_k = (F_{k,n}\sigma_k + F_{k,n-1})\sigma_k \\ &= kF_{k,n}\sigma_k + F_{k,n-1}\sigma_k + F_{k,n} = F_{k,n+1}\sigma_k + F_{k,n} \end{aligned}$$

Obviously, the formulas found in [1] [2] can be applied to any  $k$ -Fibonacci sequence. For example, the Identities of Binet, Catalan, Simson, and D’Ocagne; the generating function; the limit of the ratio of two terms of the sequence, the sum of first “ $n$ ” terms, etc. However, we will see that some  $k$ -Fibonacci sequences are related to a first  $k$ -Fibonacci sequence so that we will can express the terms of a  $k$ -Fibonacci sequence according to some terms of an initial  $k$ -Fibonacci sequence. And the formulas will be applicable to any sequence of a given set of  $k$ -Fibonacci sequences. For instance, we will express the terms of the 4-Fibonacci sequence in function of some terms of the classical Fibonacci sequence and these formulas will be applied to other  $k$ -Fibonacci-quences, as for example if  $k = 11, 29, 76, 199, \dots$

## 2. $k'$ -Fibonacci Sequences Related to the $k$ -Fibonacci Sequence

In this section, we try to find the relationships that can exist between the values of  $k'$  and the coefficients “ $a$ ” and “ $b$ ” such that  $\sigma'_k = a + b\sigma_k$ .

We can write this last equation as

$$\begin{aligned} \sigma'_k &= \frac{k' + \sqrt{k'^2 + 4}}{2} = a + b \frac{k + \sqrt{k^2 + 4}}{2} \rightarrow k' + \sqrt{k'^2 + 4} = 2a + b(k + \sqrt{k^2 + 4}) \\ &\rightarrow \begin{cases} k' = 2a + bk \\ k'^2 + 4 = b^2(k^2 + 4) \rightarrow (k^2 + 4)b^2 - k'^2 = 4 \end{cases} \end{aligned}$$

because  $k' \in \mathbb{N}$ .

Main problem is to solve the quadratic Diophantine equation  $(k^2 + 4)b^2 - k'^2 = 4$  for “ $k$ ” and “ $b$ ” for each value of “ $k$ ”.

### 2.1. Theorem 2

The positive characteristic root  $b\sigma_k^{2n+1}$  generates new  $k$ -Fibonacci sequences, for  $n = 1, 2$ , *Proof*. From Formula (1) it is obtained  $\sigma_k^{2n+1} = F_{k,2n} + F_{k,2n+1}\sigma_k$ .

For  $n = 1$  it is

$$\begin{aligned} \sigma_k^3 &= F_{k,2} + F_{k,3}\sigma_k = k + (k^2 + 1) \frac{k + \sqrt{k^2 + 4}}{2} = \frac{1}{2} \left( k(k^2 + 3) + (k^2 + 1)\sqrt{k^2 + 4} \right) \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \left( k(k^2 + 3) + \sqrt{(k(k^2 + 3))^2 + 4} \right) = \sigma_{k(k^2+3)} \end{aligned}$$

Then,  $\sigma_k^3$  generates the  $k(k^2 + 3)$ -Fibonacci sequence.

In the same way, we can prove that  $\sigma_k^5$  generates the  $k(k^4 + 5k^2 + 5)$ -Fibonacci sequence,  $\sigma_k^7$  generates the  $k(k^6 + 7k^4 + 14k^2 + 7)$ -Fibonacci sequence, etc. Particularly,  $\Phi(k=1)$  generates the sequences  $F_1, F_4, F_{11}, F_{29}, \dots$ .

### 2.2. Theorem 3

For  $n \geq 2$  it is verified

$$\sigma_k^{2n+1} = (k^2 + 2)\sigma_k^{2n-1} - \sigma_k^{2n-3} \tag{2}$$

*Proof*. Taking into account both **Table 1** and Formula (1), Right Hand Side (RHS) of Equation (2) is

$$\begin{aligned} (RHS) &= ((k^2 + 2)\sigma_k^2 - 1)\sigma_k^{2n-3} = ((k^2 + 2)(k\sigma_k + 1) - 1)\sigma_k^{2n-3} = ((k^3 + 2k)\sigma_k + (k^2 + 1))\sigma_k^{2n-3} \\ &= (F_{k,4}\sigma_k + F_{k,3})\sigma_k^{2n-3} = \sigma_k^4\sigma_k^{2n-3} = \sigma_k^{2n+1} \end{aligned}$$

It is worthy of note that Equation (2) is similar to the relationship between the elements of the  $k$ -Fibonacci sequence  $F_{k,n+2} = (k^2 + 2)F_{k,n} - F_{k,n-2}$ . Other versions of this equation will appear in this paper. Moreover, if we are looking for the characteristic roots of this equation, then we find

$$r^2 - (k^2 + 2)r + 1 = 0 \rightarrow r = \frac{k^2 + 2 \pm \sqrt{k^4 + 4k^2}}{2} = k \frac{k \pm \sqrt{k^2 + 4}}{2} + 1 = \begin{cases} k\sigma_k + 1 = \sigma_k^2 \\ k\sigma'_k + 1 = \sigma_k'^2 \end{cases}$$

And  $F_{k,n+2}$  will be function of  $\sigma_k^2$  with the coefficients depending of initial conditions for  $n = 0$  and  $n = 1$ .

### 2.3. $k$ -Fibonacci Sequences Related to an Initial $f$ -Fibonacci Sequence

From two previous theorems, the  $k$ -Fibonacci sequences related to an initial  $k$ -Fibonacci sequence have as the positive characteristic root  $\sigma_k^{2n+1}$  or that is the same, the sequence of characteristic roots

$\{\sigma_k^{2n+1}\} = \{\sigma_k, \sigma_k^3, \sigma_k^5, \dots\}$  generates the  $k$ -Fibonacci sequences related to the first  $k$ -Fibonacci sequence.

The values of the parameter of these sequences are

$\{k_n\} = \{k, k(k^2 + 3), k(k^4 + 5k^2 + 5), k(k^6 + 7k^4 + 14k^2 + 7), \dots\}$  and Equation (2) for this sequence takes the

similar form  $k_{n+1} = (k^2 + 2)k_n - k_{n-1}$ .

Next we present the first few values of the parameter  $k_n$  :

- a)  $k_1 = k$
- b)  $k_2 = k^3 + 3k$
- c)  $k_3 = k^5 + 5k^3 + 5k$
- d)  $k_4 = k^7 + 7k^5 + 14k^3 + 7k$
- e)  $k_5 = k^9 + 9k^7 + 27k^5 + 30k^3 + 9k$

But these polynomials verify the relationship

$$k_n = F_{k,2n} + F_{k,2n-2} \tag{3}$$

where  $F_{k,n}$  are expressed in **Table 1**.

The coefficients of these polynomials generate the triangle in **Table 2**:

Last column is the sum by row of the coefficients, and it is a bisection of the classical Lucas sequence  $\{2, 1, 3, 4, 7, 11, 18, 29, 47, \dots\}$  and we will see again in this paper.

If  $a_{r,c}$  is a term of this table, then  $a_{r,c} = a_{r-1,c-1} + \sum_{j=0}^c a_{r-1-j,c-j}$ . For instance,  $1+5+14+30$  of the second diagonal plus 27 of the row 5 is the 77 of the row 6.

All the first diagonal sequences are listed in [4], from now on OEIS, but the unique antidiagonal sequences listed in OEIS are:

- a)  $\{1, 1, 1, 1, \dots\}$ : A000012
- b)  $\{3, 5, 7, 9, 11, \dots\}$ : A005408 - {1}
- c)  $\{5, 14, 27, 44, 65, \dots\}$ : A014106
- d)  $\{7, 30, 77, 156, 275, \dots\}$ : A030440

From this study, it is easy to find the values of “ $b$ ” mentioned at the beginning of this section, because

$$b_n = \sqrt{\frac{k_n^2 + 4}{k^2 + 4}} = F_{k,2n-1}$$

Sequence  $\{b_n\}$  also verifies the recurrence law given in Equation (2):  $b_{n+1} = (k^2 + 2)b_n - b_{n-1}$ .

In this case, the triangle of coefficients is in **Table 3** and the form to generate these numbers is the same as in table of  $k_n$ . This triangle is formed by the odd rows of 2-Pascal triangle of [2]. The sequence of the last column is a bisection of the classical Fibonacci sequence  $\{1, 1, 2, 3, 5, 8, 13, 21, \dots\}$ .

First diagonal sequences and the antidiagonal sequences are listed in OEIS.

Finally, for the values of  $a_n$  is enough to do  $a_n = \frac{k_n - b_n k}{2}$  and therefore, applying Formula (3) and the definition of the  $k$ -Fibonacci numbers,  $a_n = F_{k,2n-2}$ .

**Table 2.** Triangle of the coefficients of  $k_n$ .

1				1				1
2			1		3			4
3		1		5		5		11
4		1	7		14		7	29
5	1		9	27		30	9	76
6	1	11	44		77	55	11	199

In this case, the triangle of the coefficients of the expressions of  $a_n$  is in **Table 4**. Last column is the other bisection of the classical Fibonacci sequence.

The diagonal sequence  $\{1, n, \dots\}$  indicates the number of terms in the expansion of  $(x_1 + x_2 + \dots + x_n)^j$  and it is  $a_{j,n} = \binom{n+j-1}{j}$ .

In this table, it is verified:

- a)  $a_{r,c} = \sum_{j=0}^r a_{r-j,c-j-1} + a_{r-1,c-1}$
- b)  $\sum a_{2n+1} - \sum a_{2n} = 0, 1, -1$ , if  $n \equiv 0, 1, 2 \pmod{3}$ , respectively.
- c) The diagonal sequences are listed in OEIS.
- d) The elements of  $r$ th diagonal sequence, for  $r = 0, 1, 2, \dots$  verify the relation  $a_{n,r} = \binom{n+2r}{2r+1}$

Then we will apply the results to the  $k$ -Fibonacci sequences, for  $k = 1, 2, 3, 4$ .

### 3. $k$ -Fibonacci Sequences Related to the Classical Fibonacci Sequence

In this section we try to find the relations that could exist between the values of “ $k$ ” and “ $a$ ” and “ $b$ ” in order that the positive characteristic root  $\sigma_k$  is  $\sigma_k = a + b\Phi$ .

In this case, Equation (2) takes the form 
$$\begin{cases} k = 2a + b \\ k^2 + 4 = 5b^2 \rightarrow 5b^2 - k^2 = 4 \end{cases}$$

#### 3.1. Integer Solutions of Equation $5b^2 - k^2 = 4$

The integer solutions of Equation  $5b^2 - k^2 = 4$  are  $b_n = F_{2n+1}$ ,  $k_n = L_{2n+1}$ , being  $L_n$  the classical Lucas sequence  $\{2, 1, 3, 4, 7, 11, 18, 29, 47, \dots\}$ .

*Proof.* Applying Binnet Identity, and taking into account  $L_n = F_{n+1} + F_{n-1} \rightarrow L_n = \Phi^n + (-\Phi)^{-n}$ , it is

$$\begin{aligned} 5b^2 - 4 &= (\Phi^{2n+1} - (-\Phi)^{-2n-1})^2 - 4 = \Phi^{4n+2} - 2(-1)^{2n+1} + \Phi^{-4n-2} - 4 = \Phi^{4n+2} - 2 + \Phi^{-4n-2} \\ &= (\Phi^{2n+1} + (-\Phi)^{-2n-1})^2 = L_{2n+1}^2 \end{aligned}$$

**Table 3.** Triangle of the coefficients of  $b_n$ .

1										1
2										2
3										5
4										13
5										34
6										89

**Table 4.** Triangle of the coefficients of  $a_n$ .

1										1
2										3
3										8
4										21
5										55
6										144

Consequently, the values of the parameter “ $k$ ” can also be expressed as  $k_n = F_{2n} + F_{2n+2} = L_{2n+1}$ .

Integer solutions of this equation are expressed in **Table 5**, where  $\sigma_1 = \frac{1+\sqrt{5}}{2} = \Phi$  is the Golden Ratio.

### 3.2. On the Sequences $\{a_n\}$ , $\{b_n\}$ , and $\{k_n\}$

We will show some properties of the sequences of **Table 5**.

- The sequence of values of “ $a$ ”,  $\{0, 1, 3, 8, 21, \dots\}$ , A001906 is the sequence  $\{F_{2n}\}$  of even Fibonacci numbers, and is known as Bisection of Fibonacci sequence. Its elements,  $a_n$ , have the property that  $5a_n^2 + 4$  are perfect squares and these numbers form the sequence  $\{2, 3, 7, 18, 47, \dots\}$ , A005248 that is the Bisection of the classical Lucas sequence. The sequence of sums of two consecutive terms of this sequence is 5 times the following sequence.
- The sequence of values of “ $b$ ”,  $\{1, 2, 5, 13, 34, \dots\}$ , A001519 is the sequence of odd Fibonacci numbers,  $\{F_{2n+1}\}$ , and is also known as Bisection of Fibonacci sequence. The sequence of sums of two consecutive terms of this sequence is the preceding sequence A005248 –  $\{2\}$ .
- The sequence of values of “ $k$ ”,  $\{1, 4, 11, 29, 76, \dots\}$ , A002878 is the sequence of odd Lucas numbers, or, that is the same, is the sum of two even consecutive Fibonacci numbers,  $\{F_{2n} + F_{2n+2}\}$  and is known as Bisection Lucas Sequence. The sequence of sums of two consecutive terms of this sequence is 5 times the preceding sequence A001906 –  $\{0\}$ .
- All these sequences verify the recurrence law given in Equation (2),  $p_{n+1} = 3p_n - p_{n-1}$ .

As a consequence of this situation, if we represent as  $\{\sigma_{1,n}\}_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$  the sequence of values of  $\sigma$ , then, Equation (2) is the relation  $\sigma_{1,n} = F_{2n+1}\sigma + F_{2n}$ .

### 3.3. Relationships between the $k$ -Fibonacci Sequences If $k = L_{2n+1}$ and the Classical Fibonacci Sequence

Applying Subsection 2.3 when  $k=1$  in Equation (3), the sequence  $\{\Phi, \Phi^3, \Phi^5, \dots\} = \{\Phi^{2n+1}\}_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$  is the sequence  $\{\sigma_1, \sigma_4, \sigma_{11}, \sigma_{29}, \dots\}$ .

Consequently:

$$F_{4,n} = \frac{\sigma_4^n - (-\sigma_4)^{-n}}{\sqrt{20}} = \frac{\Phi^{3n} - (-\Phi)^{-3n}}{2\sqrt{5}} = \frac{F_{3n}}{F_3} \rightarrow F_4 = \frac{1}{2}\{0, 2, 8, 34, 144, \dots\}$$

$$F_{11,n} = \frac{\sigma_{11}^n - (-\sigma_{11})^{-n}}{\sqrt{125}} = \frac{\Phi^{5n} - (-\Phi)^{-5n}}{5\sqrt{5}} = \frac{F_{5n}}{F_5} \rightarrow F_{11} = \frac{1}{5}\{0, 5, 55, 610, \dots\}$$

$$F_{29,n} = \frac{\sigma_{29}^n - (-\sigma_{29})^{-n}}{\sqrt{845}} = \frac{\Phi^{7n} - (-\Phi)^{-7n}}{13\sqrt{5}} = \frac{F_{7n}}{F_7} \rightarrow F_{29} = \frac{1}{13}\{0, 13, 377, 10946, \dots\}$$

## 4. $k$ -Fibonacci Sequences Related with the Pell Sequence

Repeating the previous process, we can solve the Diophantine equation  $8b^2 - k^2 = 4$  and being  $k = 2a + 2b$ .

**Table 5.** Integer solutions of the Diophantine equation  $5b^2 - k^2 = 4$ .

$k_n = L_{2n+1}$	$b_n = F_{2n+1}$	$a_n = F_{2n}$	$\sigma_{1,n}$
1	1	0	$\sigma_1 = 0 + 1\sigma_1$
4	2	1	$\sigma_4 = 1 + 2\sigma_1$
11	5	3	$\sigma_{11} = 3 + 5\sigma_1$
29	13	8	$\sigma_{29} = 8 + 13\sigma_1$
76	34	21	$\sigma_{76} = 21 + 34\sigma_1$

The values obtained are showed in **Table 6**:

#### 4.1. On These Quences $\{a_n\}$ , $\{b_n\}$ , and $\{k_n\}$ .

We will show some properties of the sequences of **Table 4**.

- $\{a_n\} = \{0, 2, 12, 70, 408, \dots\}$ , A001542 is the sequence of even Pell numbers. Its elements have the property that  $8a_n^2 + 4$  are perfect squares, being  $\{\sqrt{8a_n^2 + 4}\} = \{2, 6, 34, 198, 1154, \dots\}$ , A003499. The sequence of sums of two consecutive terms of this sequence is the sequence  $\{8b_n\}$ .
- $\{b_n\} = \{1, 5, 29, 169, 985, \dots\}$ , A001653 is the sequence of odd Pell numbers. Its elements have the property that  $2p_n^2 - 1$  are perfect squares.
- $\{k_n\} = \{2, 14, 82, 478, 2786, \dots\}$ , A077444. Its elements are the Pell-Lucas numbers,  $k_n = P_{2n} + P_{2n+2} = LP_{2n+1}$ . This sequence can be obtained by summing up two consecutive terms of the sequence A001542.
- Much more interesting is the sequence obtained by dividing by 2:  $\{1, 7, 41, 239, 1393, \dots\}$ , A002315. This sequence has been studied in [5] and has been determined as the values whose square coincide with the sum of the  $4n + 1$  first Pell numbers,  $\sum_{j=1}^{4n+1} S_{4j+1} = a_n^2$  and it is known as the Newman-Shanks-Williams Primes. It verifies the recurrence law  $a_{2,n+1} = 6a_{2,n} - a_{2,n-1}$  with initial conditions  $a_{2,1} = 1$  and  $a_{2,2} = 7$ . The sequence of sums of two consecutive terms of this sequence is 8 times  $\{6, 35, 204, 1189, \dots\}$ , A001109. Its elements verify the property  $8s_n^2 + 1$  are perfect squares,  $\{17, 99, 577, \dots\}$ , A001541 -  $\{1, 3\}$ .
- All these sequences verify the recurrence law (2),  $p_{n+1} = 6p_n - p_{n-1}$ .  
As in the preceding section, if we represent the sequence of values of “ $\sigma$ ” as  $\{\sigma_{2,n}\}$ , then these terms verify the recurrence relation  $\sigma_{2,n} = P_{2n+1}\sigma_2 + P_{2n}$ , being  $\sigma_2 = 1 + \sqrt{2}$  the Silver Ratio.

#### 4.2. Relationships between the $k$ -Fibonacci Sequences for $k = 2, 14, 82, 478, \dots$ and the Pell Sequence

Taking into account  $\sigma_2^2 - 2\sigma_2 - 1 = 0$ , it is easy to prove  $\{\sigma_2, \sigma_{14}, \sigma_{82}, \sigma_{478}, \dots\}$  is the geometric sequence  $\{\sigma_2, \sigma_2^3, \sigma_2^5, \dots\} = \{\sigma_2^{2n+1}\}_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ .

Consequently:

$$F_{14,n} = \frac{\sigma_{14}^n - (-\sigma_{14})^{-n}}{\sqrt{200}} = \frac{\sigma_2^{3n} - (-\sigma_2)^{-3n}}{5\sqrt{8}} = \frac{F_{2,3n}}{F_{2,3}} = \frac{P_{3n}}{P_3} \rightarrow F_{14} = \frac{1}{5}\{0, 5, 70, 985, \dots\}$$

$$F_{82,n} = \frac{\sigma_{82}^n - (-\sigma_{82})^{-n}}{\sqrt{1682}} = \frac{\sigma_2^{5n} - (-\sigma_2)^{-5n}}{29\sqrt{8}} = \frac{F_{2,5n}}{F_{2,5}} = \frac{P_{5n}}{P_5} \rightarrow F_{82} = \frac{1}{29}\{0, 29, 2378, 195025, \dots\}$$

$$F_{478,n} = \frac{\sigma_{478}^n - (-\sigma_{478})^{-n}}{\sqrt{228488}} = \frac{F_{2,7n}}{F_{2,7}} = \frac{P_{7n}}{P_7} \rightarrow F_{478} = \frac{1}{169}\{0, 169, 80782, \dots\}$$

### 5. $k$ -Fibonacci Sequences Related to the 3-Fibonacci Sequence

Repeating the previous process, we can solve the Diophantine equation  $13b^2 - k^2 = 4$  being  $k = 2a + 3b$ .

The values obtained are showed in **Table 7**.

**Table 6.** Integer solutions of the Diophantine equation  $8b^2 - k^2 = 4$ .

$k_n = P_{2n} + P_{2n+2}$	$b_n = P_{2n+1}$	$a_n = P_{2n}$	$\sigma_{2,n}$
2	1	0	$\sigma_2 = 0 + 1\sigma_2$
14	5	2	$\sigma_{14} = 2 + 5\sigma_2$
82	29	12	$\sigma_{82} = 12 + 29\sigma_2$
478	169	70	$\sigma_{478} = 70 + 169\sigma_2$

### 5.1. On These Quences $\{a_n\}$ , $\{b_n\}$ , and $\{k_n\}$

We will show some properties of the sequences of **Table 7**.

- $\{a_n\} = \{0, 3, 33, 360, 3927, \dots\}$ , A075835, is the sequence of even 3-Fibonacci numbers. Its elements have the property that  $13a_n^2 + 4$  are perfect squares,  $\{2, 11, 119, 1298, \dots\}$ , A057076. The sequence of sums of two consecutive terms is 13 times the following sequence.
- $\{b_n\} = \{1, 10, 109, 1189, \dots\}$ , A078922, is the sequence of the odd 3-Fibonacci numbers.
- $\{k_n\} = \{3, 36, 393, 4287, 46764, \dots\}$  is the sequence of the odd 3-Lucas numbers  
 $k_n = F_{3,2n} + F_{3,2n+2} = L_{3,2n+1}$ . This sequence can also be expressed as 3 times the sequence  $\{1, 12, 131, 1429, \dots\}$ , A097783.
- All these sequences verify the recurrence law (Equation (2)),  $p_{n+1} = 11p_n - p_{n-1}$ .
- The sequence  $\{\sigma_{3,n}\}$  verify the relationship  $\sigma_{3,n} = F_{3,2n+1}\sigma_3 + F_{3,2n}$  being  $\sigma_3 = \frac{3 + \sqrt{13}}{2}$  the Bronze Ratio [3].

### 5.2. Relationships between the $k$ -Fibonacci Sequences for $k = 3, 36, 393, 4287, \dots$ and the 3-Fibonacci Sequence

Taking into account  $\sigma_3^2 - 3\sigma_3 - 1 = 0$ , it is easy to prove  $\{\sigma_3, \sigma_{36}, \sigma_{393}, \sigma_{4287}, \dots\}$  is the geometric sequence  $\{\sigma_3, \sigma_3^3, \sigma_3^5, \dots\} = \{\sigma_3^{2n+1}\}_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ .

Consequently:

$$F_{36,n} = \frac{\sigma_{36}^n - (-\sigma_{36})^{-n}}{\sqrt{1300}} = \frac{\sigma_3^{3n} - (\sigma_3)^{-3n}}{10\sqrt{13}} = \frac{F_{3,3n}}{F_{3,3}} \rightarrow F_{36} = \frac{1}{10} \{0, 10, 360, 12970, \dots\}$$

$$F_{393,n} = \frac{\sigma_{393}^n - (-\sigma_{393})^{-n}}{\sqrt{154453}} = \frac{\sigma_3^{5n} - (\sigma_3)^{-5n}}{109\sqrt{13}} = \frac{F_{3,5n}}{F_{3,5}} \rightarrow F_{393} = \frac{1}{109} \{0, 109, 11881, \dots\}$$

$$F_{4287,n} = \frac{F_{3,7n}}{F_{3,3}} \rightarrow F_{4287} = \frac{1}{1189} \{0, 1189, 5097243, \dots\}$$

## 6. Conclusions

There are infinite  $k$ -Fibonacci sequences related to an initial  $k$ -Fibonacci sequence for a fixed value of “ $k$ ”. Between these sequences, the following relations are verified:

- The relationship  $\sigma_{k,n} = a + b\sigma_k$  is verified if and only if both following relations happen:  
 Relationship between “ $a$ ”, “ $b$ ”, and “ $k$ ”:  $k_n = 2a + kb$   
 Diophantine equation:  $(k^2 + 4)b^2 - k^2 = 4$
- Relationship between the positive characteristic root  $\sigma_{k,n}$  and the  $k$ -Fibonacci numbers:  
 $\sigma_k^{n+1} = F_{k,n+1}\sigma_k + F_{k,n}$
- Second sequence related to the  $k$ -Fibonacci sequence:  $k' = k(k^2 + 3)$
- Two first values of “ $b$ ” are  $b_1 = 1 = F_{k,1}$  and  $b_2 = k^2 + 1 = F_{k,3}$
- Two first values of “ $a$ ” are  $a_0 = 0 = F_{k,0}$  and  $a_1 = k = F_{k,2}$
- Recurrence law for the sequences  $\{a_n\}$ ,  $\{b_n\}$ , and  $\{k_n\}$ :  $p_{n+1} = (k^2 + 2)p_n - p_{n-1}$

**Table 7.** Integer solutions of the Diophantine equation  $13b^2 - k^2 = 4$ .

$k_n$	$b_n = F_{3,2n+1}$	$a_n = F_{3,2n}$	$\sigma_{3,n}$
3	1	0	$\sigma_3 = 0 + 1\sigma_3$
36	10	3	$\sigma_{36} = 3 + 10\sigma_3$
393	109	33	$\sigma_{393} = 33 + 109\sigma_3$
4287	1189	360	$\sigma_{4287} = 360 + 1189\sigma_3$

It is worthy of remarking the fact the last sequence  $\{\sigma_k^{2n+1}\}_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$  indicates the  $k_n$ -Fibonacci sequence related to the initial  $k$ -Fibonacci sequence  $\{F_1, F_2, F_3, F_4, \dots\}$  generated by the respective positive characteristic root,  $\sigma_k^{2n+1}$ . From this sequence, we can obtain the sequence of  $k$ -Fibonacci sequences related to  $F_n$ : taking into account the positive characteristic root of this sequence is  $\sigma_k^{2n+1}$ , the sequence of  $r$ -Fibonacci sequences related to this has as positive characteristic root,  $\sigma_k^{r(2n+1)}$  for  $r \geq 1$ . For instance: from the sequence of  $k$ -Fibonacci sequences related with the classical Fibonacci sequence (see Section 2),  $F_1, F_4, F_{11}, F_{29}, F_{76}, \dots$  we can obtain the sequences of  $k$ -Fibonacci sequences related to

- 4-Fibonacci sequence:  $\{F_4, F_{76}, F_{1364}, F_{24476}, \dots\}$
- 11-Fibonacci sequence:  $\{F_{11}, F_{1364}, \dots\}$
- 29-Fibonacci sequence:  $\{F_{29}, F_{24476}, \dots\}$ .

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