

Three Ways to Determine a Determinant

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A conjecture or a problem in mathematics acts like a muse that inspires further developments, new concepts, and a rich tapestry of fundamental ideas.

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We discuss three different methods to determine the value of a determinant whose entries are powers of the Fibonacci numbers. One of the methods has led us to rediscover linear homogeneous recurrence relations satisfied by the powers of the Fibonacci numbers.

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- ① Fibonacci Perfect Powers Theorem (Bugeaud et al, 2003): The only perfect Fibonacci powers are 0, 1, 8, and 144.

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- With $a = n + 1, b = n - 1, c = n, d = n$, we obtain the well-known Cassini's identity

$$F_{n-1} F_{n+1} - F_n^2 = (-1)^n.$$

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Motivation

A problem in the first issue of Fibonacci Quarterly in 1963 states:

H-8. Proposed by Brother U. Alfred, St. Mary's College, Calif.

Prove

$$\begin{vmatrix} F_n^2 & F_{n+1}^2 & F_{n+2}^2 \\ F_{n+1}^2 & F_{n+2}^2 & F_{n+3}^2 \\ F_{n+2}^2 & F_{n+3}^2 & F_{n+4}^2 \end{vmatrix} = 2(-1)^{n+1},$$

where F_n is the n th Fibonacci number.

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Method 1: Laplace Expansion

Expand the cofactors along the first row of the matrix to obtain

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Method 1: Laplace Expansion (cont.)

$$D_n = (-1)^{n+1}[F_n^2(2F_{n+3}^2 + (-1)^{n+1}) + F_{n+1}^2(2F_{n+2}F_{n+3} + (-1)^n)] \\ - F_{n+2}^2(2F_{n+2}^2 + (-1)^n)]$$

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Method 2: Recurrence Relation

Theorem

The squares of the Fibonacci numbers satisfy the linear homogeneous recurrence relation

$$F_{n+3}^2 = 2F_{n+2}^2 + 2F_{n+1}^2 - F_n^2.$$

Method 2: Recurrence Relation (cont.)

Substitute this recurrence relation for the last row of the determinant to obtain

$$D_n =$$

$$\begin{vmatrix} F_n^2 & & F_{n+1}^2 & & F_{n+2}^2 \\ & F_{n+1}^2 & & F_{n+2}^2 & \\ 2F_{n+1}^2 + 2F_n^2 - F_{n-1}^2 & & 2F_{n+2}^2 + 2F_{n+1}^2 - F_n^2 & & 2F_{n+3}^2 + 2F_{n+2}^2 - F_{n+1}^2 \end{vmatrix}.$$

Method 2: Recurrence Relation (cont.)

Apply standard row operations to obtain

$$D_n = \begin{vmatrix} F_n^2 & F_{n+1}^2 & F_{n+2}^2 \\ F_{n+1}^2 & F_{n+2}^2 & F_{n+3}^2 \\ -F_{n-1}^2 & -F_n^2 & -F_{n+1}^2 \end{vmatrix} = - \begin{vmatrix} F_{n-1}^2 & F_n^2 & F_{n+1}^2 \\ F_n^2 & F_{n+1}^2 & F_{n+2}^2 \\ F_{n+1}^2 & F_{n+2}^2 & F_{n+3}^2 \end{vmatrix} = -D_{n-1}.$$

It follows that $D_n = (-1)^{n+1}D_1$. Since $D_1 = 2$, we have

$$\boxed{D_n = (-1)^{n+1}2.}$$

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$$F_{n+7}^6 = 13F_{n+6}^6 + 104F_{n+5}^6 - 260F_{n+4}^6 - 260F_{n+3}^6 \\ + 104F_{n+2}^6 + 13F_{n+1}^6 - F_n^6$$

Fibonomial Coefficient and Fibonomial Triangle

$\binom{p}{k}_F$ is called the Fibonomial coefficient and is defined by

$$\binom{p}{k}_F = \frac{F_p F_{p-1} \cdots F_{p-k+1}}{F_k F_{k-1} \cdots F_1}.$$

$n = 0$								1							
$n = 1$								1	1						
$n = 2$								1	1	1					
$n = 3$								1	2	2	1				
$n = 4$								1	3	6	3	1			
$n = 5$								1	5	15	15	5	1		
$n = 6$								1	8	40	60	40	8	1	
$n = 7$								1	13	104	260	260	104	13	1

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Properties of Fibonomials (cont.)

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General Relations (cont.)

Theorem (Riordan, 1962)

The powers of the Fibonacci numbers satisfy the linear homogeneous recurrence relation

$$S_n^{(p-1)} := \sum_{k=0}^p \binom{p}{k}_F (-1)^{\lceil \frac{k}{2} \rceil} F_{n+p-k}^{p-1} = 0,$$

for all $n = 1, 2, \dots$

- 29. [M29] (Fibonomial coefficients.) Édouard Lucas defined the quantities

$$\binom{n}{k}_F = \frac{F_n F_{n-1} \dots F_{n-k+1}}{F_k F_{k-1} \dots F_1} = \prod_{j=1}^k \left(\frac{F_{n-k+j}}{F_j} \right)$$

in a manner analogous to binomial coefficients. (a) Make a table of $\binom{n}{k}_F$ for $0 \leq k \leq n \leq 6$. (b) Show that $\binom{n}{k}_F$ is always an integer because we have

$$\binom{n}{k}_F = F_{k-1} \binom{n-1}{k}_F + F_{n-k+1} \binom{n-1}{k-1}_F.$$

- 30. [M38] (D. Jarden, T. Motzkin.) The sequence of m th powers of Fibonacci numbers satisfies a recurrence relation in which each term depends on the preceding $m+1$ terms. Show that

$$\sum_k \binom{m}{k}_F (-1)^{\lceil (m-k)/2 \rceil} F_{n+k}^{m-1} = 0, \quad \text{if } m > 0.$$

For example, when $m = 3$ we get the identity $F_n^2 - 2F_{n+1}^2 - 2F_{n+2}^2 + F_{n+3}^2 = 0$.

Case $p = 3$

From

$$S_n^{(1)} = F_{n+2} - F_{n+1} - F_n = 0 \quad \text{and} \quad S_{n+1}^{(1)} = F_{n+3} - F_{n+2} - F_{n+1} = 0,$$

we have

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we have

$$\begin{aligned} S_n^{(2)} &= F_{n+3}^2 - 2F_{n+2}^2 - 2F_{n+1}^2 + F_n^2 \\ &= F_{n+3} \cdot F_{n+3} - 2F_{n+2} \cdot F_{n+2} - 2F_{n+1}^2 + F_n^2 \end{aligned}$$

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Some Lemmas

Lemma

Let k be an integer. Then

$$\left\lceil \frac{k}{2} \right\rceil + \left\lfloor \frac{k-1}{2} \right\rfloor = k.$$

Proof. Work on congruence class modulo 4.

Lemma

$$(-1)^{n+k} \binom{n}{k-1}_F = F_n \binom{n}{k}_F - F_{n-k} \binom{n+1}{k}_F$$

Proof. Expand the Fibonomial coefficients and apply the identity

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Theorem (T., Thanatipanonda, 2016)

Let $D(r, s, k, n) = |F_{s+k(n+i+j)}^r|$, $0 \leq i, j \leq r$. Then

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