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## THE FIBONACCI-CIRCULANT SEQUENCES IN THE BINARY POLYHEDRAL GROUPS

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ABSTRACT. In 2017 Deveci et al. defined the Fibonacci-circulant sequences of the first and second kinds as shown, respectively:

$$x_n^1 = -x_{n-1}^1 + x_{n-2}^1 - x_{n-3}^1 \text{ for } n \geq 4, \text{ where } x_1^1 = x_2^1 = 0 \text{ and } x_3^1 = 1$$

and

$$x_n^2 = -x_{n-3}^2 - x_{n-4}^2 + x_{n-5}^2 \text{ for } n \geq 6, \text{ where } x_1^2 = x_2^2 = x_3^2 = x_4^2 = 0 \text{ and } x_5^2 = 1.$$

Also, they extended the Fibonacci-circulant sequences of the first and second kinds to groups. In this paper, we obtain the periods of the Fibonacci-circulant sequences of the first and second kinds in the binary polyhedral groups.

### 1. Introduction and Preliminaries

Let  $G$  be a finite  $j$ -generator group and let  $X$  be the subset of  $\underbrace{G \times G \times G \times \dots \times G}_j$  such that  $(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_j) \in X$  if and only if  $G$  is generated by  $x_1, x_2, \dots, x_j$ . We call  $(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_j)$  a generating  $j$ -tuple for  $G$ .

**Definition 1.1.** (*Deveci et al.* [6]). *For a generating  $j$ -tuple  $(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_j) \in X$ , we define the Fibonacci-circulant orbits of the first and second kinds as follows, respectively:*

$$a_{n+3}^1 = (a_n^1)^{-1} (a_{n+1}^1) (a_{n+2}^1)^{-1}$$

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for  $n \geq 1$ , with initial conditions

$$\begin{cases} a_1^1 = (x_1)^{-1}, a_2^1 = x_2, a_3^1 = x_3 & \text{if } j = 3, \\ a_1^1 = (x_1)^{-1}, a_2^1 = (x_1)^{-1}, a_3^1 = x_2 & \text{if } j = 2 \end{cases}$$

and

$$a_{n+3}^2 = (a_{n-2}^2) (a_{n-1}^2)^{-1} (a_n^2)^{-1}$$

for  $n \geq 3$ , with initial conditions

$$\begin{cases} a_1^2 = x_1, a_2^2 = x_2, a_3^2 = x_3, a_4^2 = x_4, a_5^2 = x_5 & \text{if } j = 5, \\ a_1^2 = x_1, a_2^2 = x_1, a_3^2 = x_2, a_4^2 = x_3, a_5^2 = x_4 & \text{if } j = 4, \\ a_1^2 = (x_1)^2, a_2^2 = x_1, a_3^2 = x_1, a_4^2 = x_2, a_5^2 = x_3 & \text{if } j = 3, \\ a_1^2 = (x_1)^3, a_2^2 = (x_1)^2, a_3^2 = x_1, a_4^2 = x_1, a_5^2 = x_2 & \text{if } j = 2. \end{cases}$$

For a  $j$ -tuple  $(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_j) \in X$ , the Fibonacci-circulant orbits of the first and second kinds are denoted by  $F_{(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_j)}^1(G)$  and  $F_{(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_j)}^2(G)$ , respectively.

A sequence of group elements is *periodic* if, after a certain point, it consists only of repetitions of a fixed subsequence. The number of elements in the repeating subsequence is called the *period of the sequence*. For example, the sequence  $a, b, c, d, e, b, c, d, e, b, c, d, e, \dots$  is periodic after the initial element  $a$  and has period 4. A sequence of group elements is *simply periodic* with period  $k$  if the first  $k$  elements in the sequence form a repeating subsequence. For example, the sequence  $a, b, c, d, e, f, a, b, c, d, e, f, a, b, c, d, e, f, \dots$  is simply periodic with period 6.

**Theorem 1.2.** (Deveci et al. [6]) *The Fibonacci-circulant orbits of the first and second kinds of a finite group are simply periodic.*

In [6], the lengths of the periods of the orbits  $F_{(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_j)}^1(G)$  and  $F_{(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_j)}^2(G)$  were denoted by  $LF^1(G; x_1, x_2, \dots, x_j)$  and  $LF^2(G; x_1, x_2, \dots, x_j)$ , respectively.

**Definition 1.3.** *The binary polyhedral group  $\langle l, m, n \rangle$ , for  $l, m, n > 1$ , is defined by the presentation*

$$\langle x, y, z : x^l = y^m = z^n = xyz \rangle.$$

When  $l = 2$ , then we obtain for  $\langle 2, m, n \rangle$  the presentation

$$\langle y, z : y^m = z^n = (yz)^2 \rangle.$$

The binary polyhedral group  $\langle l, m, n \rangle$  is finite if and only if the number  $k = lmn \left( \frac{1}{l} + \frac{1}{m} + \frac{1}{n} - 1 \right) = mn + nl + lm - lmn$  is positive. Its order is  $4lmn/k$ .

For more and detailed information on these groups one may consult [2, 4]. The Linear recurrence sequences in groups were firstly studied by Wall [15] who calculated the periods of the Fibonacci sequence in cyclic groups. Recently, many authors have studied some special linear recurrence sequences in groups see, for example, [1, 3, 5, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 16]. In this paper, we discuss the lengths of the periods of the Fibonacci-circulant orbits of the first and second kinds

of the binary polyhedral groups  $\langle n, 2, 2 \rangle, \langle 2, n, 2 \rangle, \langle 2, 2, n \rangle$ , for any  $n$ . We consider binary polyhedral groups as 3-generator groups.

### 2. Main Results and Proofs

**Theorem 2.1.** *Let  $G_n$ , ( $n \geq 2$ ) be one the binary polyhedral groups  $\langle n, 2, 2 \rangle$ ,  $\langle 2, n, 2 \rangle$  and  $\langle 2, 2, n \rangle$  in the 3-generator cases. For the generating 3-tuple  $(x, y, z)$ , the lengths of the periods of the Fibonacci-circulant orbits of the first kind of the group  $G_n$  are as follows:*

$$LF^1(G_n; x, y, z) = \begin{cases} 4n, & n \text{ is even,} \\ 8n, & n \text{ is odd.} \end{cases}$$

*Proof.* It is clear that for the generating 3-tuple  $(x, y, z)$ , the Fibonacci-circulant orbits of the first kind of the group  $G_n$  have the following form:

$$a_1^1 = x^{-1}, a_2^1 = y, a_3^1 = z \text{ and } a_{n+3}^1 = (a_n^1)^{-1} (a_{n+1}^1) (a_{n+2}^1)^{-1} \text{ for } n \geq 1.$$

Let us consider the group  $\langle n, 2, 2 \rangle = \langle x, y, z : x^n = y^2 = z^2 = xyz \rangle$  where,  $|x| = 2n, |y| = |z| = 4$ . Moreover,

$$\begin{aligned} y^2 &= z^2 && \Rightarrow y^{-1}z = yz^{-1} \\ z^2 &= xyz && \Rightarrow z = xy, z^{-1}y = x \\ x^n &= y^2 = z^2 && \Rightarrow [x, y^2] = [x, z^2] = e. \end{aligned}$$

Then, the sequence  $F_{(x,y,z)}^1(\langle n, 2, 2 \rangle)$  is:

$$x^{-1}, y, z, e, x^{-1}, y^{-1}, yx, x^{n+2}, x^{-1}, yx^4, x^{-7}y, \dots$$

The Fibonacci-circulant orbit of the first kind of the group  $\langle n, 2, 2 \rangle$  can be said to form layers of length eight. By using the above comments the sequence becomes:

$$\begin{aligned} a_1^1 &= x^{-1}, a_2^1 = y, a_3^1 = z, \dots, \\ a_9^1 &= x^{-1}, a_{10}^1 = yx^4, a_{11}^1 = x^{-7}y, \dots, \\ a_{8i+1}^1 &= x^{-1}, a_{8i+2}^1 = yx^{4i \cdot \lambda_1}, a_{8i+3}^1 = x^{-4i \cdot \lambda_2 + 1}y, \dots, \end{aligned}$$

where  $\lambda_1$  and  $\lambda_2$  are positive integers with  $(\lambda_1, \lambda_2) = 1$ . So, we need the smallest  $i \in N$  such that  $4i = 2nv$  for  $v \in N$ .

If  $n$  is even, then  $i = \frac{n}{2}$ . Thus,  $8i = 4n$  and  $LF^1(\langle n, 2, 2 \rangle; x, y, z) = 4n$ .

If  $n$  is odd, then  $n = i$ . Thus,  $8i = 8n$  and  $LF^1(\langle n, 2, 2 \rangle; x, y, z) = 8n$ . □

The proofs for the groups  $\langle 2, n, 2 \rangle$  and  $\langle 2, 2, n \rangle$  are similar to the above and are omitted.

**Theorem 2.2.** Let  $G_n$ , ( $n \geq 2$ ) be one the binary polyhedral groups  $\langle n, 2, 2 \rangle$ ,  $\langle 2, n, 2 \rangle$  and  $\langle 2, 2, n \rangle$  in the 3-generator cases. For the generating 3-tuple  $(x, y, z)$ , the lengths of the periods of the Fibonacci-circulant orbits of the second kind of the group  $G_n$  are as follows:

$$LF^2(G_n; x, y, z) = \begin{cases} 7n, & n \equiv 0 \pmod{4}, \\ 14n, & n \equiv 2 \pmod{4}, \\ 28n, & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

*Proof.* It is clear that for the generating 3-tuple  $(x, y, z)$ , the Fibonacci-circulant orbits of the second kind of the group  $G_n$  in the following form:

$$a_1^2 = x^2, a_2^2 = x, a_3^2 = x, a_4^2 = y, a_5^2 = z \text{ and } a_{n+3}^2 = a_{n-2}^2 (a_{n-1}^2)^{-1} (a_n^2)^{-1} \text{ for } n \geq 3.$$

To prove the assertion for the group  $\langle 2, n, 2 \rangle$  we choose a direct hand calculation method. Note that, in this group we have It is important to note that  $|x| = |z| = 4$ ,  $|y| = 2n$ ,  $x = yz$ ,  $z = xy = y^{-1}x$  and  $y = x^{-1}z = xz^{-1}$ . Then the sequence  $F_{(x,y,z)}^2(\langle 2, n, 2 \rangle)$  is:

$$\begin{aligned} &x^2, x, x, y, z, e, y^{-1}, y^{-3}x, y^4, y^{n+3}, \\ &e, x^{-1}, x^{-1}y^{-4}, y^{n+1}, y^3x^{-1}, y^{n-4}, y^{n-5}, \\ &y^{n+2}, x, x^{-1}y^6, y^{n-1}, x^{-1}y^7, y^{n+8}, y^7, \\ &y^n, x, xy^{-8}, y, y^7x, y^{-8}, y^{-9}, y^2, x^{-1}, \\ &xy^{10}, y^{-1}, y^{-11}x, y^{12}, y^{n+11}, e, x^{-1}, \\ &x^{-1}y^{-12}, y^{n+1}, y^{11}x^{-1}, y^{n-12}, y^{n-13}, \\ &y^{n+2}, x, x^{-1}y^{14}, y^{n-1}, y^{-15}x^{-1}, y^{n+16}, \\ &y^{15}, y^n, x, xy^{-16}, y, y^{15}x, \dots \end{aligned}$$

The sequence can be said to form layers of length twenty eight. Using the above, the sequence becomes:

$$\begin{aligned} &a_1^2 = x^2, a_2^2 = x, a_3^2 = x, a_4^2 = y, a_5^2 = z, \dots, \\ &a_{29}^2 = x^2, a_{30}^2 = x, a_{31}^2 = xy^{-8}, a_{32}^2 = y, a_{33}^2 = y^7x, \dots, \\ &a_{57}^2 = x^2, a_{58}^2 = x, a_{59}^2 = xy^{-16}, a_{60}^2 = y, a_{61}^2 = y^{15}x, \dots, \\ &a_{28i+1}^2 = x^2, a_{28i+2}^2 = x, a_{28i+3}^2 = xy^{-8i\lambda_1}, a_{28i+4}^2 = y, a_{28i+5}^2 = y^{8i\lambda_2-1}x, \dots, \end{aligned}$$

where  $\lambda_1$  and  $\lambda_2$  are positive integers with  $(\lambda_1, \lambda_2) = 1$ . So, we need the smallest  $i \in N$  such that  $8i = 2nv$  for  $v \in N$ .

If  $n \equiv 0 \pmod{4}$ , then  $i = \frac{n}{4}$ . Thus,  $28i = 7n$  and  $LF^2(\langle 2, n, 2 \rangle; x, y, z) = 7n$ .

If  $n \equiv 2 \pmod{4}$ , then  $i = \frac{n}{2}$ . Thus,  $28i = 14n$  and  $LF^2(\langle 2, n, 2 \rangle; x, y, z) = 14n$ .

If  $n$  is odd, then  $n = i$ . Thus,  $28i = 28n$  and  $LF^2(\langle 2, n, 2 \rangle; x, y, z) = 28n$ . □

The proofs for the groups  $\langle n, 2, 2 \rangle$  and  $\langle 2, 2, n \rangle$  are similar to the above and are omitted.

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