

# On the Jacobsthal and Jacobsthal Lucas Sequences at Negative Indices

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The Jacobsthal numbers  $j_n$  are terms of this sequence

$\{0, 1, 1, 3, 5, 11, \dots\}$ , defined by the recurrence relation

$j_n = j_{n-1} + 2j_{n-2}$  beginning with the values  
 $j_0 = 0, j_1 = 1$ . Similarly,

the Jacobsthal Lucas numbers  $c_n$  are terms of this sequence  $\{2, 1, 5, 7, 17, \dots\}$

defined by the recurrence relation  $c_n = c_{n-1} + 2c_{n-2}$

beginning with the values  $(c_0 = 2, c_1 = 1)$  in [1].

And the relation between these sequences are given as Jacobsthal Lucas sequence as

$$c_n = 2j_{n-1} + j_{n+1}$$

$$9j_n = 2c_{n-1} + c_{n+1}$$

There are many papers about Jacobsthal and Jacobsthal Lucas numbers in the last decade years. For example you can find in the references [1-6]. The authors gave formulas for Fibonacci and Lucas sequences at negative indices in [13]. Similarly Daşdemir extended Mersenne, Jacobsthal and Jacobsthal Lucas to their terms with negative subscripts and found some important relationships in [14]. Jacobsthal and Jacobsthal Lucas numbers at negative indices are obtained by using the following equalities:

$$c_{-n} = \frac{(-1)^n}{2^n} c_n$$

$$j_{-n} = \frac{(-1)^{n+1}}{2^n} j_n$$

First Jacobsthal numbers at negative indices are  $j_{-1} = 1/2, j_{-2} = (-1)/4, j_{-3} = 3/8, j_{-4} = -5/16, j_{-5} = 11/32, j_{-6} = -21/64$ . First Jacobsthal Lucas numbers at negative indices are  $c_{-1} = -1/2, c_{-2} = 5/4, c_{-3} = -7/8, c_{-4} = 17/16, c_{-5} = -31/32, c_{-6} = 65/64$ .

There are many generalizations on these sequences. For example,  $(s, t)$ -Jacobsthal and  $(s, t)$ -Jacobsthal Lucas sequences are defined by using the following recurrence relations

$$j_n(s, t) = j_{n-1}(s, t) + 2j_{n-2}(s, t), j_0(s, t) = 0, j_1(s, t) = 1$$

$$c_n(s, t) = c_{n-1}(s, t) + 2c_{n-2}(s, t), c_0(s, t) = 2, c_1(s, t) = s$$

where  $s > 0, t \neq 0$  and  $s^2 + 8t > 0$  respectively in [2].  $(s, t)$ -Jacobsthal and  $(s, t)$ -Jacobsthal Lucas sequences at negative indices can be given as

$$j_{-n}(s, t) = \frac{sj_{-n+1}(s, t) - j_{-n+2}(s, t)}{2t}$$

$$c_{-n}(s, t) = \frac{sc_{-n+1}(s, t) - c_{-n+2}(s, t)}{2t}$$

Matrix algebra plays an important role in the theory of special integer sequences. So, in [7], Williams studied the  $n$ th power of a  $2 \times 2$  matrix. Bergum and Hoggatt investigated the sums and product of recurring sequences in [8]. Laughlin, studied combinatorial identities deriving from the  $n$ th power of some matrices in [9, 10]. Then Belbachir found linear recurrent sequences and powers of a square matrix in [11]. And the authors derived combinatorial identities by using the trace, the determinant and the  $n$ th power of a special matrix whose entries are generalized Fibonacci and Lucas numbers in [12]. Binet formula enables us to state Jacobsthal and Jacobsthal Lucas numbers easily. It can be clearly obtained from the roots  $r_1 = 2$  and  $r_2 = -1$  of

characteristic equation of the recurrence relation as the form  $x^2 - x + 2$ .

The Binet formulas for Jacobsthal and Jacobsthal Lucas numbers are given by

$$j_n = \frac{r_1^n - r_2^n}{r_1 - r_2}$$

$$c_n = r_1^n + r_2^n$$

In [7], Williams, gave a well-known formula that if

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix}, \text{ then}$$

$$A^n = \begin{cases} \frac{x_1^n - x_2^n}{x_1 - x_2} A - \frac{r_1^{n-1} - r_2^{n-1}}{r_1 - r_2} I_2, & x_1 \neq x_2 \\ nx^{n-1} A - (n-1) \det(A) x^{n-2}, & x_1 = x_2 \end{cases}$$

$$j_{-(n+1)} j_{-(n-1)} - j_{-n}^2 = (-1)^{n-1} 2^{n-1} \quad (6)$$

$$c_{-(n+1)} c_{-(n-1)} - c_{-n}^2 = (-1)^{n-1} 2^{n-1} \quad (7)$$

$$2j_{-(n+1)} + j_{-(n-1)} = c_{-n} \quad (8)$$

$$2c_{-(n+1)} + c_{-(n-1)} = 9j_{-n} \quad (9)$$

**Proposition 2:** In [14], D'Ocagne properties for Jacobsthal and Jacobsthal Lucas numbers at negative indices are demonstrated by

$$j_{-(m+1)} j_{-n} - j_{-m} j_{-(n+1)} = (-1)^m 2^{-m-1} j_{-(n-m)} \quad (10)$$

$$c_{-(m+1)} c_{-n} - c_{-m} c_{-(n+1)} = 9(-1)^n 2^{-n-1} j_{-(m-n)} \quad (11)$$

$$c_{-r} j_{-(n-1)} - c_{-(r-1)} j_{-n} = (-1)^n 2^{-n} c_{n-r} \quad (12)$$

$$j_{-r} c_{-(n-1)} - j_{-(r-1)} c_{-n} = (-1)^n 2^{-n} c_{n-r} \quad (13)$$

**Theorem 3:** Let us consider a special matrix as follows

$$J = \begin{bmatrix} 5 & -1 \\ -2 & 4 \end{bmatrix} \quad (14)$$

The  $n$ th power of  $J$  is calculated by using Jacobsthal sequences and Jacobsthal Lucas sequences at negative indices as

$x_1, x_2$  being the roots of the associated characteristic equation of the matrix  $A$

$$r^2 - (a + d)r + \det(A) = 0.$$

Laughlin, in [9,10] gave if  $A$  is a  $2 \times 2$  matrix as

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix} \text{ then the } n\text{th power of } A \text{ is given by}$$

$$A^n = \begin{bmatrix} x_n - dx_{n-1} & bx_{n-1} \\ cx_{n-1} & x_n - ax_{n-1} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\text{where } x_n = \sum_{i=0}^{\lfloor \frac{n}{2} \rfloor} \binom{n-i}{i} (trA)^{n-2i} (-\det A)^i.$$

**Proposition 1:** In [14], Jacobsthal and Jacobsthal Lucas numbers at negative indices are satisfied the following identities:

$$J^n = 6^n \begin{bmatrix} 2j_{-(n+1)} & j_{-n} \\ 2j_{-n} & j_{-(n-1)} \end{bmatrix}, \quad n \text{ is even} \quad (15)$$

$$J^n = (6^n / 3) \begin{bmatrix} 2c_{-(n+1)} & c_{-n} \\ 2c_{-n} & c_{-(n-1)} \end{bmatrix}, \quad n \text{ is odd} \quad (16)$$

**Proof:** For  $n=0$ , the statement is true. Let us assume it is true for all  $k \leq n$ , and  $n$  is even. Then for  $n=k+1$ , we investigate the truthfulness of the claim.

$$J^{n+1} = 6^n \begin{bmatrix} 2j_{-(n+1)} & j_{-n} \\ 2j_{-n} & j_{-(n-1)} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 5 & -1 \\ -2 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$$

For the (1,1) element of  $J^{n+1}$

$$\begin{aligned} J^n &= 6^n \left[ 10 \frac{(-1)^{n+2}}{2^{n+1}} j_{(n+1)} - 2 \frac{(-1)^{n+1}}{2^{n+1}} j_n \right] = 2 \cdot 6^n \left[ \frac{(-1)^{n+2}}{2^{n+1}} (5j_{(n+1)} + 2j_n) \right] \\ &= 2 \cdot 6^n \left[ \frac{(-1)^{n+2}}{2^{n+1}} c_{n+2} \right] = 2 \cdot 6^n (2c_{-(n+2)}) \end{aligned}$$

The other elements are obtained by using a similar way. Now assume  $n$  is odd

$$J^{n+1} = (6^n / 3) \begin{bmatrix} 2c_{-(n+1)} & c_{-n} \\ 2c_{-n} & c_{-(n-1)} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 5 & -1 \\ -2 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$$

For the (1,1) element of  $J^{n+1}$

$$\begin{aligned} (6^n / 3) \left[ 10 \frac{(-1)^{n+1}}{2^{n+1}} c_{n+1} - 2 \frac{(-1)^n}{2^n} c_n \right] &= 2^{n+1} \cdot 3^{n-1} \left[ \frac{(-1)^{n+1}}{2^{n+1}} (5c_{n+1} + 2c_n) \right] \\ &= 2^{n+1} \cdot 3^{n-1} \left[ \frac{(-1)^{n+1}}{2^{n+1}} 9j_{n+2} \right] = 2 \cdot 6^{n+1} j_{-(n+2)}. \end{aligned}$$

The other elements are obtained by using a similar way.

**Theorem 4:** For positive integers  $n$ , explicit closed form expressions for Jacobsthal sequences and Jacobsthal-Lucas sequences at negative indices are given as

$$j_{-n} = \sum_{k=0}^{\lfloor \frac{n-1}{2} \rfloor} \binom{n-1-k}{k} 3^{n-2-2k} 2^{k-n} (-1)^{k+1}, \quad \text{if } n \text{ is even}$$

$$c_{-n} = \sum_{k=0}^{\lfloor \frac{n-1}{2} \rfloor} \binom{n-1-k}{k} 9^{n-1-2k} 2^{k-n} (-1)^{k+1}, \quad \text{if } n \text{ is odd}$$

**Proof:** By using (5-9), the  $n$ th power of  $J$  is

$$J^n = 6^n \begin{bmatrix} x_n - 4x_{n-1} & -x_{n-1} \\ -2x_{n-1} & x_n - 5x_{n-1} \end{bmatrix}$$

where  $x_n = \sum_{i=0}^{\lfloor \frac{n}{2} \rfloor} \binom{n-i}{i} 9^{n-2i} (-18)^i = \sum_{i=0}^{\lfloor \frac{n}{2} \rfloor} \binom{n-i}{i} 9^{n-i} (-2)^i$ . By the equality of corresponding entries of

(1,2), if  $n$  is an even number, and  $j_{-n} = -\sum_{i=0}^{\lfloor \frac{n-1}{2} \rfloor} \binom{n-1-i}{i} 9^{\frac{n-1-i}{2}} 2^{i-n} (-1)^{i+1}$  if  $n$  is odd number

$$c_{-n} = \sum_{i=0}^{\lfloor \frac{n-1}{2} \rfloor} \binom{n-1-i}{i} 9^{\frac{n-1-i}{2}} 2^{i-n} (-1)^{i+1}.$$

**Theorem 5:** For  $n, k$  positive numbers

$$j_{-nk} = j_{-n} c_{-n}^{k-1} \sum_{i=0}^{\lfloor \frac{k-1}{2} \rfloor} \binom{k-1-i}{i} c_n^{-2i} 2^{ni} (-1)^i, \quad \text{if } n, k \text{ are even}$$

$$c_{-nk} = j_{-n}^{k-1} c_{-n} 3^{2k-2} \sum_{i=0}^{\lfloor \frac{k-1}{2} \rfloor} \binom{k-1-i}{i} 9^{-i} 2^{-ni} (-1)^{i+1} j_{-n}^{-2i}, \quad \text{if } n, k \text{ are odd}$$

$$j_{-nk} = 3^{k+1} j_{-n}^{k-1} c_{-n} \sum_{i=0}^{\lfloor \frac{k-1}{2} \rfloor} \binom{k-1-i}{i} j_{-n}^{-2i} 2^{-ni} 9^{-i} (-1)^i, \quad \text{if } n \text{ is odd, } k \text{ is even}$$

$$j_{-nk} = j_{-n} \sum_{i=0}^{\lfloor \frac{k-1}{2} \rfloor} \binom{k-1-i}{i} c_{-n}^{k-1-2i} 2^{-ni} 9^{-i} (-1)^i, \quad \text{if } k \text{ is odd, } n \text{ is even}$$

**Proof:** If  $n$  is an even number, the  $k$ th power of the matrix  $J^n$  is demonstrated by

$$J^{nk} = \begin{bmatrix} x_k - 6^n j_{-(n-1)} x_{k-1} & 6^n j_{-n} x_{k-1} \\ 2 \cdot 6^n j_{-n} x_{k-1} & x_k - 2^{n+1} 9^{\frac{n-1}{2}} j_{-(n+1)} x_{k-1} \end{bmatrix}$$

where  $x_k = \sum_{i=0}^{\lfloor \frac{k}{2} \rfloor} \binom{k-i}{i} ((-18)^n)^i c_{-n}^{k-2i}$  since (6), (8) as

$$\det(J^n) = 2^{2n+1} 9^n [j_{-(n+1)} j_{-(n-1)} - j_{-n}^2] = (-18)^n \text{ and } \text{tr}(J^n) = 2j_{-(n+1)} + j_{-(n-1)} = c_{-n}. \quad \text{In (15)}$$

the substitution for  $n \rightarrow nk$ , gives the  $n$ th power of  $J$ . By the equality of corresponding entries of the matrices, the desired result is obtained.

If  $n$  is an odd number

$$J^{nk} = \begin{bmatrix} x_k - 2^n 3^{n-1} c_{-(n-1)} x_{k-1} & 2^{nk} 3^{n-1} c_{-n} x_{k-1} \\ 2^{n+1} 3^{n-1} c_{-n} x_{k-1} & x_k - 2^{n+1} 3^{n-1} c_{-(n+1)} x_{k-1} \end{bmatrix}$$

where  $x_k = \sum_{i=0}^{\lfloor \frac{k}{2} \rfloor} \binom{k-i}{i} (-18)^{ni} 9^{k-2i} c_{-n}^{k-2i}$  because (7), (9),

$$\det(J^n) = 2^{2n+1} 9^{n-1} [c_{-(n+1)} c_{-(n-1)} - c_{-n}^2] = -(-18)^n \text{ and } \text{tr}(J^n) = 2c_{-(n+1)} + c_{-(n-1)} = 9j_{-n}.$$

The result is obtained by the equality of the matrices.

**Corollary 6:** By using matrix product, the following identities are denoted

$$2j_{-(n+1)} j_{-m} + j_{-n} j_{-(m-1)} = j_{-(n+m)}, \quad m, n \text{ are even}$$

$$2c_{-(n+1)} c_{-m} + c_{-n} c_{-(m-1)} = 9j_{-(n+m)}, \quad m, n \text{ are odd}$$

$$2j_{-(n+1)} c_{-m} + j_{-n} c_{-(m-1)} = c_{-(n+m)}, \quad m \text{ is odd, } n \text{ is even}$$

$$2j_{-(m+1)} c_{-n} + j_{-m} c_{-(n-1)} = c_{-(n+m)}, \quad n \text{ is odd, } m \text{ is even}$$

**Proof:** If  $m, n$  are even numbers, then  $m+n$  is also even number. By Theorem 3, it is satisfied:

$$\begin{aligned} J^m J^n &= 6^{m+n} \begin{bmatrix} 2j_{-(m+1)} & j_{-m} \\ 2j_{-m} & j_{-(m-1)} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 2j_{-(n+1)} & j_{-n} \\ 2j_{-n} & j_{-(n-1)} \end{bmatrix} \\ &= J^{m+n} = 6^{m+n} \begin{bmatrix} 2j_{-(m+n+1)} & j_{-(m+n)} \\ 2j_{-(m+n)} & j_{-(m+n-1)} \end{bmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

By the equality of (2,1) elements of matrices, the result is obtained. The other results are also found by similar way.

**Corollary 7:** By using matrix product

$$\begin{aligned}
 -2j_{-(m+1)}j_{-n} + j_{-m}j_{-(n+1)} &= 2^{-n}j_{-(m-n)}, \quad m, n \text{ are even} \\
 -2c_{-(m+1)}c_{-n} + c_{-m}c_{-(n+1)} &= 9 \cdot 2^{-n}j_{-(m-n)}, \quad m, n \text{ are odd} \\
 -2j_{-(m+1)}c_{-n} + j_{-m}c_{-(n+1)} &= \frac{2^{-n}}{9}c_{-(m-n)}, \quad n \text{ is odd}, m \text{ is even} \\
 -2c_{-(m+1)}j_{-n} + c_{-m}j_{-(n+1)} &= 2^{-n}c_{-(m-n)}, \quad m \text{ is odd}, n \text{ is even}
 \end{aligned}$$

**Proof:** If  $m, n$  are even numbers, then  $m+n$  is also even number. By Theorem 3, it is satisfied:

$$\begin{aligned}
 J^m J^{-n} &= 6^m \begin{bmatrix} 2j_{-(m+1)} & j_{-m} \\ 2j_{-m} & j_{-(m-1)} \end{bmatrix} \frac{6^n}{(-18)^n} \begin{bmatrix} 2j_{-(n-1)} & -j_{-n} \\ -2j_{-n} & j_{-(n+1)} \end{bmatrix} \\
 &= J^{m-n} = 6^{m-n} \begin{bmatrix} 2j_{-(m-n+1)} & j_{-(m-n)} \\ 2j_{-(m-n)} & j_{-(m-n-1)} \end{bmatrix}
 \end{aligned}$$

By the equality of (2,1) elements of matrices, the result is obtained. The other results are also found similarly.

**Theorem 8:** Let us assume that  $n, r, k$  are positive integers, the following identities are satisfied:

For  $k, n$ , even

$$j_{-(nk+r)} = \sum_{i=0}^{\lfloor \frac{k}{2} \rfloor} \binom{k-i}{i} (-1)^i (2)^{-ni} (c_{-n})^{k-2i} \left( j_{-r} - \frac{k-2i}{k-i} \frac{j_{-(n-r)}}{2^r c_{-n}} \right),$$

For  $k, n, r$  odd

$$j_{-(nk+r)} = \sum_{i=0}^{\lfloor \frac{k}{2} \rfloor} \binom{k-i}{i} (-1)^i (2)^{-ni} (j_{-n})^{k-2i} \left( c_{-r} - \frac{k-2i}{k-i} \frac{j_{-(n-r)}}{2^r j_{-n}} \right),$$

For  $n$  odd,  $k, r$  even

$$j_{-(nk+r)} = \sum_{i=0}^{\lfloor \frac{k}{2} \rfloor} \binom{k-i}{i} (-1)^i (2)^{-ni} (3j_{-n})^{k-2i} \left( j_{-r} - \frac{k-2i}{k-i} \frac{c_{-(n-r)}}{9j_{-n}} \right),$$

For  $n, r$  even,  $k$  odd

$$j_{-(nk+r)} = \sum_{i=0}^{\lfloor \frac{k}{2} \rfloor} \binom{k-i}{i} (-1)^i (2)^{-ni} (c_{-n})^{k-2i} \left( j_{-r} - \frac{k-2i}{k-i} \frac{j_{-(n-r)}}{2^r c_{-n}} \right),$$

For  $n, r$  odd,  $k$  even

$$c_{-(nk+r)} = \sum_{i=0}^{\lfloor \frac{k}{2} \rfloor} \binom{k-i}{i} (-1)^i (2)^{-ni} (3c_{-n})^{k-2i} \left( c_{-r} - \frac{k-2i}{k-i} \frac{j_{-(n-r)}}{2^r j_{-n}} \right),$$

For k, r odd, n even

$$c_{-(nk+r)} = \sum_{i=0}^{\lfloor \frac{k}{2} \rfloor} \binom{k-i}{i} (-1)^i (2)^{-ni} (c_{-n})^{k-2i} \left( c_{-r} - \frac{k-2i}{k-i} \frac{c_{-(r-n)}}{c_n} \right),$$

For k, n odd, r even

$$c_{-(nk+r)} = \sum_{i=0}^{\lfloor \frac{k}{2} \rfloor} \binom{k-i}{i} (-1)^i (2)^{-ni} 9^{k-i} (j_{-n})^{k-2i} \left( j_{-r} - \frac{k-2i}{k-i} \frac{c_{-(r-n)}}{9j_n} \right),$$

For k, n even, r odd

$$c_{-(nk+r)} = \sum_{i=0}^{\lfloor \frac{k}{2} \rfloor} \binom{k-i}{i} (-1)^i (2)^{-ni} (c_{-n})^{k-2i} \left( c_{-r} - \frac{k-2i}{k-i} \frac{c_{-(r-n)}}{c_n} \right)$$

**Proof:** Assumethatn,k,revenintegers, thennk+r is even. ByusingTheorem 3, it is obtainedthat

$$J^{nk+r} = 6^{nk+r} \begin{pmatrix} 2j_{-(nk+r+1)} & j_{-(nk+r)} \\ 2j_{-(nk+r)} & 2j_{-(nk+r-1)} \end{pmatrix}$$

Thenby(5), it is writtenthat

$$J^{nk+r} = (J^n)^k J^r = 6^r \begin{pmatrix} y_k - 6^n j_{-(n-1)} y_{k-1} & 6^n j_{-n} y_{k-1} \\ 2 \cdot 6^n j_{-n} y_{k-1} & y_k - 2 \cdot 6^n j_{-(n+1)} y_{k-1} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 2j_{-(r+1)} & j-r \\ 2j-r & j_{-(r-1)} \end{pmatrix}$$

where  $y_k = \sum_{i=0}^{\lfloor \frac{k}{2} \rfloor} \binom{k-i}{i} (6^n c_{-n})^{k-2i} (-(-18)^n)^i$ . Bytheequality of matrices

$$6^r \left[ \left( y_k - 6^n j_{-(n-1)} y_{k-1} \right) j_{-r} + 6^n j_{-n} y_{k-1} j_{-(r-1)} \right] = 6^{nk+r} j_{-(nk+r)}$$

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$$\begin{aligned}
 6^{nk} j_{-(nk+r)} &= j - r \sum_{i=0}^{\lfloor \frac{k}{2} \rfloor} \binom{k-i}{i} (6^n c_{-n})^{k-2i} (-(-18)^n)^i \\
 &\quad - 6^n j_{-r} j_{-(n-1)} \sum_{i=0}^{\lfloor \frac{k-1}{2} \rfloor} \binom{k-1-i}{i} (6^n c_{-n})^{k-1-2i} (-(-18)^n)^i \\
 &\quad + 6^n j_{-n} j_{-(r-1)} \sum_{i=0}^{\lfloor \frac{k-1}{2} \rfloor} \binom{k-1-i}{i} (6^n c_{-n})^{k-1-2i} (-(-18)^n)^i \\
 &= \sum_{i=0}^{\lfloor \frac{k}{2} \rfloor} \binom{k-i}{i} (6^n c_{-n})^{k-2i} (-(-18)^n)^i \\
 &\quad \cdot \left[ j_{-r} - \frac{k-2i}{k-i} \frac{1}{c_{-n}} (j_{-n} j_{-(r-1)} - j_{-(n-1)} j_{-r}) \right] \\
 &= \sum_{i=0}^{\lfloor \frac{k}{2} \rfloor} \binom{k-i}{i} (-1)^i 2^{-ni} (c_{-n})^{k-2i} \left[ j_{-r} - \frac{k-2i}{k-i} \frac{1}{c_{-n}} \frac{j_{-(n-r)}}{2^r} \right]
 \end{aligned}$$

For the other proofs a similar way is used.

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